

County Extends Fair Association Contract

by Doris Cherry
The Lincoln County Fair operates because of a group of dedicated volunteers who get some financial help through a management contract and lease arrangement with the county.

Tuesday at a special meeting at the Lincoln County Fairgrounds in Capitan, Lincoln County Commissioners voted to extend the current

lease and management contract with the not-for-profit Lincoln County Fair Association for another year. And commissioners said that after the year they will consider renewing the contract for another five years.

Commissioners did request the county attorney to draft the management and lease agreements into one document, instead of the two sepa-

rate contracts. County commission chairman Monroy Montes suggested his board look at the modified agreement at the special meeting Monday, July 28, at the Ruidoso Civic Events Center in Ruidoso. The purpose of that meeting is to hold a final public hearing and adopt the final 1997-98 fiscal year budget.

Purpose of the special meet-

ing Tuesday was to meet with the fair association on two matters: the management agreement and Head Start. Fair association president Shorty Sanders said the association needed to extend the management and lease contracts with the county for another five years so they could negotiate secure packages with the rodeo stock producer and the livestock judges

for the Lincoln County Fair.

Sanders said the association contract with Casper Baca who provides stock for Smokey Bear Stampede Rodeo expired this year, and Baca was considering a better offer. So the association signed a contract with Baca for three years. But on reconsideration, because the association's contract with the county would expire within a year, Sanders

said he called Baca back and told him to hold off. "Baca has the top stock now," Sanders said.

The association requested a five year extension of the current management contract, which expires in January 1999. Sanders said he thought it expired in August 1998. In

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Principal Hired At Carrizozo School

by Doris Cherry

Carrizozo Board of Education hired a new principal during its meeting on July 15.

After a very brief closed session to discuss limited personnel matters, the board approved the recommendation to hire Robert Chavez. Members of the principal selection committee recommended Chavez as the best of the 10 applicants for the job, after reviewing all 10 applications and interviewing five finalists.

Chavez earned his Masters of Arts Degree in Education Administration from University of New Mexico (UNM) in 1997, and his Bachelor of Arts Degree in History in 1988. A classroom teacher since 1990, Chavez served as administration intern at Washington Middle School in Albuquerque in 1997. The year before, Chavez was dean of students at the school. As dean he assisted with scheduling and implemented a school incentive program. As classroom teacher, Chavez worked with behavioral program, and taught C-level math among other subjects.

Chavez was a Danforth Scholar in Education Administration and was nominated teacher of the year, Red Apple Award.

While at UNM Chavez developed lesson plans for implementation of a Latin American Web Page for the World Wide Web.

This week school staff reported Chavez found a home to rent and picked up his office key. His first official day at work is August 1.

Part of Chavez's duties require him to enforce school board policies. Under a major new policy this school year students can miss no more than 10 days or face suspension.

The board reviewed the second draft of the district attendance policy with teacher Rick Cogdill. He said basically the policy requires parents to notify the school on the day their child is absent. If a parent does not call by 10 a.m., the school will call the parent to inquire why the child is absent. After five absences in one semester, the school sends the parent/guardian a certified letter notifying the parent of the consequences if the child misses 10 or more days.

On the tenth absence, the school holds a hearing with the child and parents to determine if any of the absences

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LINCOLN COUNTY COMMISSIONERS MEET with members of the Lincoln County Fair Association in the county fair exhibit hall in Capitan Tuesday. Commissioners voted to extend the fair association management contract and lease for another year.



WE NEED A NEW SHOW RING, explains fair association president Shorty Sanders (with cane) to Lincoln County Commissioners during a tour of the fairgrounds Tuesday. Commissioners met with fair association to discuss the fair association management contract for the fairgrounds and whether Head Start can be housed there temporarily.

Carrizozo May Need A New Sewer Plant

by Barbara Culler

On Tuesday, July 22 at Carrizozo City Hall both the third public hearing for the 1998 Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) program, a public hearing for the Infrastructure Master Plan (IMP), and the regular Town of Carrizozo Board of Trustees meeting were held.

Mayor Cecilia Kuhnel told the audience at the public hearing for the 1998 CDBG that the new water filtration plant grant of \$279,409 came from last year's CDBG grant with Carrizozo's town match being \$15,000. She also told the audience that the current Infrastructure Master Plan is a \$25,000 CDBG project grant the town received last year.

Tony Elias, executive director of the Southeastern New Mexico Economic Develop-

ment District (SNMEDD), was present at the public hearing for the 1998 CDBG to again answer any questions that the community had.

He reminded the trustees of dates that they need to keep note of for the grant application. October 1 and 2 a workshop will be held in Santa Fe on how to fill out the CDBG application which is open for anyone to attend, however is mainly for those directly involved with putting the application together. The application deadline for submittal is November 7. If the trustees want, SNMEDD will take the application to Santa Fe for the town.

Elias said that SNMEDD will be checking back with the town to make sure that all the requirements for the grant are on schedule. January 16, 1998 is the day that CDBG funding

decisions will be made. He also stated that if a project does not get funded this year, it can be resubmitted again next year.

At the beginning of the regular board meeting, another public hearing was held. This hearing was for an update on the Infrastructure Master Plan CDBG Project.

Bill Lorang, project manager for Professional Engineers, Inc. of Socorro, gave a brief status report. He said Professional Engineers has done previous street projects for Carrizozo so they are familiar with the town. Lorang said they have been working on the IMP for about 60 days and are studying Carrizozo's infrastructure problems by looking at the water system, sewer system, fire water system, street drainage, industrial park, safety of city hall,

Capitan School Board Reviews Survey Results

by Doris Cherry

Capitan elementary school has a new principal.

Capitan Board of Education at its meeting July 10, approved the recommendation to hire Richard Clevenger, a 25-year education veteran. Clevenger was chosen from a group of four finalists from the 19 applicants by a screening committee of teachers Tiffany Menix, Becky Huey Schultz and Liz Hofacket and high school principal Darrel Stierwalt.

When Clevenger comes on board this summer, he will find a school which most parents find is safe, and offers their children access to library and technology. He also will find that parents are split in their opinions whether Capitan Schools should accept new out of district students this fall.

In a report of results of the Quality of Education Survey given to parents and high school students this spring, the board learned that about half of all respondents agreed the district should not allow new out of district students because of space constraints. The state department of education requires the survey to be conducted annually.

Of the 597 surveys distributed, 317 were returned, a 53 percent response. The surveys were mailed to high school student parents because historically such documents given to the older children never reach home. The survey was also given to high school students to respond. Middle

School and elementary students were given surveys to take home.

A baseball/softball program was highly favored with 277 agreeing it should be supported, and only 40 who disagreed. Some parents commented they agreed with a softball/baseball program only if there is funding.

A majority of parents either disagreed or did not know whether the district vocational education programs met their expectations. A student comment was the ag program was the same year after year. Other students thought there are too few advanced computer classes or TV classes; parents need to be involved in the learning process; the district should re-evaluate its boundaries; out of district students have caused problems and overcrowding and the district is too small for those. One student commented that quite often the out of district students are children whose value systems do not fit into those of Capitan students. Another student commented on the condition of the high school, which has an unreliable and inconsistent heating system, with Mrs. Vinson's room "rather frigid." The student went on to comment that "I understand the economic tribulations our diminutive school endures; however, I do believe there is sufficient funds available to adequately rectify this dilemma."

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and other items.

One of the projects Lorang has been working on is a digitized street map. With the map of Carrizozo in the computer the city can overlay water, gas, and sewer lines. He explained that this project takes a lot of time. One person has spent over a month so far on this part of the IMP.

Lorang said the IMP study will probably be completed in October or November; however, since Carrizozo has a deadline of November 7 to submit their application for the 1998 CDBG program Professional Engineers will submit a letter of preliminary recommendations to the town by August 12.

Lorang said that Carrizozo has sewage treatment problems. The sewer collection system is in pretty good shape with just minor problems.

They have not determined if they can fix the problems at the sewer plant or if a new plant is needed. The present plant was built in 1952, one of the trustees said. Lorang said that if a new sewer plant is necessary it would probably cost more than a million dollars and the town would have to look at several places for funding. If a new plant is required, Lorang said he would try to give the trustees a "ball park" figure of the cost. Trustee Eileen Lovelace asked if a new plant could be done in stages and Lorang said it could probably be done in phases.

After the public hearing, Christina Full gave an update on the Carrizozo Recreation Center. On Wednesdays, the recreation center will be

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WATCH OUT FOR US! Fair association member Jerry Burchett waits his turn behind county commissioner Bill Schweinhart to duck under the low roof into the livestock barns at the Lincoln County Fairgrounds in Capitan. Association officers requested funds from the county to raise the barn roof to safer heights and to make other improvements to the fair grounds in Capitan.

County Extends . . .

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a written request to commissioners, the association asks for additional funding in the management account. However, in discussion during the special meeting, Sanders did not emphasize additional funding.

Sanders thanked commissioners for their support. "We wouldn't be here if not for the county commission," he said. Sanders also said the association "had a failure of commu-

nication" with the commissioners, and his group had even missed the county budget meetings. "We'll amend that, and you'll see more of us than you may want," Sanders added.

County commissioner Rex Wilson commended the fair association. "It appears to be working well," Wilson said. "I feel this is how we should run other county programs. I'm impressed with reports on the

use of the fairgrounds and how it serves the community."

Montes told Sanders that the commission intends to consider a new five-year agreement after the one year extension expires. Any contract with the county that is longer than five years, requires state Department of Finance and Administration (DFA) approval and oversight, county attorney Alan Morel explained. Because of this both commissioners and fair association members agreed to keep the agreement to five years.

In questions about whether placing Head Start in the facility would conflict with the lease agreement, Morel said Head Start would sublease with the association upon approval from the county commission.

Commissioners also discussed what date to begin the management agreement, suggesting July 1 as opposed to January 1, because that is the start of the county's new fiscal year. Sanders said January 1 is best because a June 30 expiration date would conflict with the association's major event, Smokey Bear Stampede held the July 4 weekend.

In closing the meeting, visitor Virginia Jones asked fair association members if the fair buildings could be used for youth art classes. Fair association members later met with Jones.

After the meeting, fair association members took commissioners on a tour of the fairgrounds facility to show what they need and want in improvements. The association made written request that commissioners consider an \$840,000 five-year improvements plan. During the meeting, commissioners said they could not act that day upon any of the improvement requests because they had not seen the plan.

In the first year the association asks for \$220,000 to replace and modify the county fair livestock barns, pens, wash racks and cover for the old show ring that is more secure than the covered ring now used. Also the barns need new electrical wiring and lighting, and new water supply.

The second year request is for \$155,000 to remodel the existing rest rooms to meet ADA and to construct new rest rooms and concession stands in the rodeo arena area; \$50,000 to purchase the property to the far west side of the fairgrounds to build an access street to property south of Salado Creek and \$40,000 to purchase and install fencing to secure the fairgrounds.

In the third year, the association requests \$50,000 for the arena to widen it, build a new return alley, improve calf and steer chutes, improve lighting and electrical wiring, install sprinklers and stock

water plumbing, resurface arena and new paint.

In the fourth year, the association asks for \$175,000 to cover the arena to enable year round use and the final year request is \$150,000 to upgrade the kitchen facility to EID certified, upgrade heating and cooling and construct more storage space.

Commissioners looked at the proposed improvements and made suggestions of their own. Montes said it would be better to construct a new show ring off the cattle barn than covering the old ring where large trees are growing next to the fencing.

Commissioners took no action on the proposed improvements plan.

Capitan School Board . . .

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Parents commented there is inconsistency in discipline, and one was concerned about the high school counselor acting as athletic director.

Board member Jack King was concerned about the comments that the district puts too much money and emphasis on sports. "That's far from true," he said. "We don't take all the money with athletics. We spend thousands of dollars a year on technology and we don't get credit for it. Yes we do spend money on sports, because it's part of the education process here."

King said he was disappointed in the parent responses. He went on to suggest the district enlist the help of local newspaper reporters to spotlight teachers, the school's technology and other aspects than sports.

During the budget process, the district was criticized for providing such a large travel fund for athletics, because it had enough to cover travel to state final games. A suggestion was made during the meeting to establish a "pot" which provides money for any school group to travel to state competition. But school superintendent Diana Billingsley explained that not all groups go through progression to reach state finals as does sports.

King said the community supported all school programs last year with about \$159,000 in contributions. "We do raise money," King said.

Community contributions may be needed even more this fall to supplement school programs. Billingsley reported the State Department of Education (SDE) reduced the unit value for the coming school year budget, which resulted in a \$57,000 decrease from the preliminary budget developed in May. However, the decrease will be offset because SDE finally provided nearly \$21,000 in funding from the last school year, which will partially offset the decrease, Billingsley said.

Technology at Capitan Schools will be improved this fall with the help of a \$38,700 grant from the state Technology Literacy Challenge Fund. School librarian Becky Borowski applied for the grant which will pay a substitute teacher to fill in for regular teachers who will be trained in computer use. It also will pay for communications connections and fees.

One area of the school suffering shortfalls is the cafeteria. Based on an audit of the cafeteria last year which found the district was losing money on the price of breakfasts and adult lunches, the board approved increasing the price of an adult breakfast to \$1.75 from the \$1.60, and adult lunches from \$2 to \$2.25. Student breakfasts also will be increased from 75 cents to \$1. Student lunches will not change. Billingsley said the audit also found the cafeteria meals to have insufficient calories so the cafeteria staff plans to provide larger servings and more desserts this fall.

The cafeteria is located in a building which contains what has always been called "the new gym." Board member Tom Trost rectified that Thursday when he made a motion, and the board approved, naming the gym after long time educator Herbert

Lee Traylor who died this year.

In other business, the board:

-Hired Richard Strahan as high school math teacher. Strahan has a master's degree, and this is his first teaching position, having gone into education as a second career. Liz Boese resigned as elementary secretary and was hired as part time special Education aide for federal projects.

-Adopted the personal leave policy for employees which allows 11 paid days off.

-Adopted the Health Committee policy which requires prior screening of all health related materials and speakers before presenting them to students.

-Adopted the Board of Education policy which requires incumbent board members to assist newly elected board members with procedures and policies.

-Approved the activity bus contract for the 1997-98 school year with change in price.

-Heard a report about the services offered by Eastern New Mexico University at Ruidoso from Dr. Jim Miller.

-Approved the national school lunch, breakfast and milk program agreement, which provides funding to cover meals for low income students.

-Received news that Carrizozo School superintendent advised that her board was not interested in a transportation boundary agreement with Capitan that will allow Capitan to provide "feeder route" money to a parent whose children live in Carrizozo district, but who attend Capitan, mostly because Capitan is closer.

-Accepted the Hondo Transportation Boundary Agreement, which is tentatively approved by that district superintendent, with an okay from the SDE because the Hondo school board is not solvent due to resignations.

-Approved the high school and middle school student handbooks.

NEWS AROUND THE COUNTY

Corona History Compiled
The second edition of *Tales from Corona and More: History and Families* which was compiled by June Tyree, will be available during the Corona Summer Festival this weekend at the Senior Citizens Center, or contact Tyree at 505-849-8193. Volume II will sell for \$20, to cover the cost of printing and binding. A few copies of the first volume will also be available.

The first volume includes photos, Corona history and individual family histories, clippings from newspapers, copies of land patents, school district lists of students for 1929 and 1927, lists of church pastors, a listing of names on gravestones in the cemetery, narratives, family trees, and an index. Volume II will be a continuation of the history and families from the Corona area.

Lerry Bond Hired As Deputy

Lincoln County Sheriff Tom Sullivan hired former Lincoln County Deputy Lerry Bond to serve as patrol deputy for the northern section of the county. Bond will be assigned to the northern part of the county, serving Ancho, Corona and ranching areas north of the Capitan Mountains. Corona mayor Ernest Lueras assisted Sullivan and undersheriff Cliff Macasas in interviewing and selecting Bond from three final applicants. Bond's first day is today, July 24.

Writers Group

A group of writers interested in writing fiction and non-fiction, poetry, music, etc. met Monday, July 21 in Carrizozo. Meetings will be held Mondays at 7 p.m. downstairs in the Masonic building. Anyone interested in meeting with other writers to discuss writing is welcome to attend. Call 648-1145 for information.

AARP Sponsors Fraud Program

The Lincoln County chapter of AARP will sponsor a conference on *Fraud Against Older New Mexicans* at the Ruidoso Civic Events Center Wednesday, July 30 from 9 a.m. to noon. The subject of consumer fraud is of interest to adults of all ages and all are welcome to attend. Refreshments will be served. Co-sponsors include the New Mexico Attorney General's office which will provide speakers, and the New Mexico Agency on Aging.

LFCE Council Meeting

The LFCE Council will meet July 31 at 10 a.m. at the Carrizozo Woman's Club. The program at 2 p.m. will be presented by Susan Wright, *Who Gets Grandmother's Yellow Pie Plate*. The public is invited to attend this excellent program.

Capitan Class Reunion

The Capitan School class reunion will be held July 25 and 26. Registration begins Friday, July 25 at 3 p.m. and at 9 a.m. on Saturday. The program Friday night will include skits, the Tiger Paw Award, the outstanding teacher award, etc. Activities Saturday include a pick-up basketball game at 10 a.m., lunch, and a business meeting after lunch with election of officers. Door prizes will be presented. A dance Saturday night will be at the Lincoln County Fair Building.

Historical Society

The Lincoln County Historical Society has moved their research center from the Gallegos house to the Ramon Maes old bar location, across from the old courthouse in Lincoln.

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OBITUARY

MORA FERGUSON TITTSWORTH

Services were July 22, at Angus Chapel, for Mora Ferguson Tittsworth, age 93, of Tinnie, who died July 19, at Eastern NM Medical Center. Rick Hale of Christ Church officiated. Interment followed at Angus Cemetery.

Mora Tittsworth was born January 10, 1904 at Nogal. She married Frank Tittsworth. He preceded her in death.

She is survived by son, Fred Kendall and his wife Anna of Coppell, TX; daughter Marjorie Slaten of Roswell; two grandchildren, 6 great grandchildren, and numerous nieces and nephews.

Mora had been a Tinnie resident for 67 years. She worked as a dietician for the Hondo Public Schools for several years. She was a member of the Tinnie Baptist Church.

Honorary Pallbearers were Eva Chavez, John Cooper, Pricilla Hernandez, Barbara and Ken Pendergrass, Laura Peters, Joe and Mary Helen Skeen.

Arrangements were under the direction of LaGrone Funeral Home.

Carrizozo Chit Chat



Summer Bible School

Santa Rita Summer Bible School will be held next week, Monday through Friday, July 28 through August 1 from 10 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. each day for grades K-4 at Santa Rita Parish Hall.

Little League Season Ends

The barbecue and trophy presentation for the 1997 Carrizozo Little League season will be held Saturday, July 26 at Spencer Park beginning at 5:30 p.m. Following the trophy presentation, the swimming pool has been rented for the players, sponsors, coaches, umpires and their immediate families. Team members are asked to wear uniforms and caps to the barbecue. Pictures will be taken for THE NEWS.

Santa Rita Fiesta Winners

Winners in the Santa Rita Fiesta: 1997 Santa Rita Fiesta Queen: Renee Real; Santa Rita Fiesta Dancers: five year awards to Kimberly Vega, Christopher Vega, Nathan Chavez, and other dancers were Adam Zamora, Stephanie Zamora, Rory Zamora, Robert Dutchover, Maria Tate, Carmen Tate, Sofia Ramirez, Heather Renney, Natasha Renney; best dancers with perfect attendance were Adam Zamora and Sofia Ramirez; Santa Rita Fiesta quilt in memory of Esther Pino was won by Eppie Benson; money raffle winners were \$500 Ramon Real of Las Vegas, NV, \$200 Bob Brown of Lakeridge, VA, \$100 Peter Aguilar of Carrizozo, \$100 Raymond Balderrama of Almodoro, \$50 Nicholas Huerta of Carrizozo, \$50 Faustino Gallegos of Carrizozo; horseshoe tournament winners were Marcus Bava and Gary Niederstadt; basketball tournament winners were 1. Margarito Amaya and Martin Munoz, 2. Justin Portillo and Christopher Schlarb, 3. LeeRoy Zamora and George Vega.

Guevara Bags Pronghorn

Robert Guevara, son of Tommy and Martha Guevara, killed a state-record pronghorn. A picture of Guevara and his nephew, Ryan Guevara, is featured in the August 1997 issue of Rocky Mountain Game & Fish.

Guevara is a detention officer working in Las Cruces.

Chavez Family News

Natalie and Pauline Chavez of Carrizozo had a double celebration when their granddaughter Monique Theresa Serna and their grandson Julian Serna graduated the same day, both are children of Lewis and Vigil Serna of Socorro.

Monique Theresa Serna received a bachelor's degree in nursing from the University of New Mexico. She also made the dean's list of this College of Nursing for spring 1997.

Julian L. Serna graduated from Socorro High School and plans to attend the University of New Mexico majoring in biochemistry.

Lewis Serna is the Deputy Head of Engineering Services at the VLA. An article he wrote was published in the Winter/Spring 1997 issue of The Point Source.

Autumn Glob At Band Camp
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- THURSDAYS**
—Alcoholic Anonymous 8 p.m. Carrizozo Senior Citizens Center. Call 648-2313 for information.
- THURSDAY, JULY 24**
—Lincoln County Libertarian Party 7 p.m. Texas New Mexico Power Co. Ruidoso, County Commissioner Wilton Howell speaker.
- FRIDAY & SATURDAY, JULY 25 & 26**
—Gov. Gary Johnson presentation to Ruidoso Chamber of Commerce 8:30-4:30 chamber building on Sudderth Drive.
- FRIDAY, JULY 25**
—Captain High School alumni reunion.
- SATURDAY, JULY 26**
—Lincoln County Stackdog Trial, Valley of Fires Ranch two miles west of Carrizozo on Highway 380.
- SATURDAY, JULY 26**
—Reception for Dist. 1 Congressman Bill Redmond, 8 p.m. Ellis Store Country Inn, Lincoln.
- SATURDAY & SUNDAY, JULY 26 & 27**
—Carrizozo Little League barbecue and trophy presentation, 5:30 p.m. Spencer Park.
- SATURDAY & SUNDAY, JULY 26 & 27**
—Corona Summer Festival.
- MONDAY, JULY 28**
—Lincoln County Commission final budget hearing and meeting, 8 a.m. Ruidoso Convention Center
- TUESDAY, JULY 29**
—Lincoln County Health and Wellness Advisory Board 12 noon Ruidoso School Administration Building.
- TUESDAY, JULY 29**
—Writers Group 7 p.m. downstairs Carrizozo Masonic Building.
- TUESDAY, JULY 29**
—Santa Rita Catholic Community Summer Bible School begins and runs through August 1, daily 10 to 11:30 a.m. parish hall in Carrizozo.
- TUESDAY, JULY 29**
—South Central RC&D Council 9 a.m. Cloudcroft Community Center. Draft report of Tularosa and Sacramento River Basin Regional Water Plan will be presented, followed by regular meeting.
- TUESDAY, JULY 29**
—Ruidoso Village Council, 6:30 p.m. village hall.
- WEDNESDAY, JULY 30**
—Conference on "Fraud Against Older New Mexicans" 9 a.m. to 12 noon, Ruidoso Convention Center.
- THURSDAY, JULY 31**
—Lincoln County LFCE Council 10 a.m. Carrizozo Women's Club.
- THURSDAY, JULY 31**
—Sen. Pete Domenici staff to meet with public 10 to 11:30 a.m. Capitan Village Hall.
- THURSDAY, JULY 31**
—Ruidoso Capital Improvements Plan Advisory Committee 1:30 p.m. village hall.
- FRIDAY, AUGUST 1**
—Leta Sharp 80th birthday open house 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. Corona School Recreation Room.

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OBITUARY

DIANNE R. VEGA

Funeral Mass for Dianne R. Vega, 30, of Tularosa was July 21, at Santa Rita Catholic Church with Fr. Dave Bergs officiating. Burial followed at Our Lady Of Guadalupe Catholic Cemetery.

Dianne died July 17 in Albuquerque. She was born May 18, 1967 in Carrizozo and had lived in Lincoln and Otero counties all of her life. She was a member of Santa Rita's Catholic Church and a homemaker.

She is survived by two sons, Cody Stephan and Dalton Joe both of the home; her parents, Edward and Josie Vega of Carrizozo; a sister, Roberta Franck and her husband Wayne of Seattle, Washington; five brothers, Edward "Bugsy" and his wife Pat, Eric and his wife Annette, Angelo and his wife Ruby, Dennis Vega, all of Carrizozo, and Arthur and his wife Patti of Las Cruces. She is also survived by six nephews, five nieces and numerous aunts, uncles and cousins.

She was preceded in death by her paternal grandparents, Jose and Amada Vega, her maternal grandparents, Elias and Benita Otero and her sister Corinne Vega.

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

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THOUGHTS

From the Editor's Desk

Football season to start

By Ruth Hammond

The big news we hear is not that the football season has started and it will rain, rain, rain some more before it stops, the big news is that football season will start soon. Football is that sport that keeps men occupied before basketball season starts.

Pro football isn't hard to understand, if you can imagine 22 grown men fighting every week to get custody of an inflated leather object for a length of time that is determined by how far this leather object is advanced down the playing field. Maybe it would be easier to understand if these 22 adult men would try to keep this leather object but usually one of them will throw it to another player. It would seem after fighting to get possession of the football the team would want to keep it, not throw it away.

Then there are those other men on the playing field, the ones in the striped shirts with the whistles, who won't let one team keep the football as long as they want to keep it. These men in striped shirts carry yellow hankies in their back pockets but they don't use these hankies for blowing their noses, they use them to throw on the ground when they blow their whistles. It is supposed to have something to do with not playing by the rules.

Playing by the rules seems to be a major problem at football games. The men in the striped shirts are on there watching every play. They won't take either team's word about what they did or didn't do during the game. These men in the striped shirts squat down when the football is on the ground to watch and see exactly where the football is and where it is going. They run after the player who has the football, even if it is all the way down field. If a player does run all the way down the field, one or more of these men in striped shirts will put his arms in the air, but he doesn't seem to be waving at anyone. Maybe he just wants the crowd to know he made it all the way down field without falling down, but everyone watching is aware of that.

Sometimes one of the players will kick the football instead of throwing it and then there is usually a goal rush by the other football players to try to get the football. If one player catches the football he has to run as fast as he can to try and keep the other team's players from catching him because they will knock him down if they catch him. Then one of the men in the striped shirts will blow his whistle and take the football away from the player and put it on the ground in the middle of the field.

The main thing we have noticed is that the men in the striped shirts will take the football away from either team when they want and after they get the football on the ground they will talk to the crowd through a microphone they keep on their belt. Maybe they believe they need to explain why they won't let one team keep the football as long as that team wants to keep it.

Playing football must be tiring. Every time one team takes the football away from the other team, both teams will leave the field and new players for each team will come out to play. The players who go off the field will sit and rest but the men in the striped shirts don't have anyone to replace them during the game. The men in the striped shirts have to stay on the field all the time the players are out there and never get a rest of any kind.

Football would be much easier for the players if each one had their own football to carry around, instead of fighting for the one the other team had. If each player had their own football the men in the striped shirts wouldn't have to get their hankies dirty by throwing them on the ground and they wouldn't have to blow their whistles and take the football away from the players.

Football season will begin soon and if you know any avid football fans you might want to talk to them now. It will be your last chance before the Super Bowl next January. They probably won't notice when the monsoon season ends sometime this fall.

Rains won't slow down football.



JP Doodles

Inside the Capitol

By Jay Miller

SANTA FE — Hanson can't take a joke. That's the trouble with jokes. Usually they are funny and brighten everyone's day, but sometimes they fall flat, or worse, go out of bounds and cause embarrassment, anger, disgust or hurt. Jokesters often skirt the boundaries of decency, striving for maximum effect without offending. And sometimes they step over that line.

Recently Glen Hanson didn't just step over, he took a headlong plunge and landed not only out of bounds but out of a job. Hanson was senior adviser on policy issues to Heather Wilson, secretary of the state Children, Youth and Families Department. Hanson, a former Republican political consultant, was Wilson's closest adviser, often going behind closed doors with her to strategize. It was an important responsibility. Hanson undoubtedly influenced many of the bold moves that make Wilson stand out from the rest of Gov. Gary Johnson's cabinet as an aggressive representative of her department.

So Capitol observers are scratching their heads over what could have possessed Mr. Hanson to write a bogus newspaper article poking fun at his boss' career ambitions, the governor's disinterest in governing, Human Services Secretary Duke Rodriguez's tactic of walking on conference tables, and the zeal of conservative, freshmen state senators.

Following an internal investigation, it was announced that Hanson, a former newspaper reporter, had written the authentic appearing article as an April Fools' joke and circulated it in the department's Albuquerque office where he works. An employee in that office, who did not outrank Hanson, called a halt to the joke and directed that all copies be destroyed.

But three months later a copy appeared on the desk of *Albuquerque Journal* columnist Larry Calloway, along with an anonymous tip. Calloway's sleuthing revealed that news of the article never reached Wilson. The morning after Calloway showed her the article, Wilson asked for Hanson's resignation, accepted it immediately, and issued an uncharacteristically succinct two-line news release, announcing her action.

Hanson's phony article happened to be good political satire. Now that he's out of a job, he should consider getting in the business. Democrats are probably hanging their heads that one of their own wasn't as creative. But for a Republican strategist to have authored the piece represents a lapse in judgment that is incomprehensible. There is obviously more to this story.

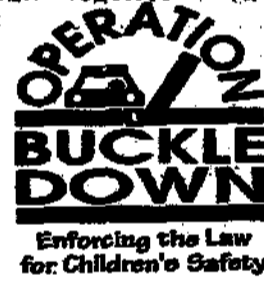
Hanson's "news story", complete with headline, sub-head and columns, announced that Gov. Gary Johnson had signed an executive order consolidating all state agencies into one unit to be headed by Wilson, who would be known as the Secretary of ALL. Johnson then handed the keys to the Roundhouse to Wilson and headed out the door on an around the world bicycle tour lasting until the end of his term.

The joke went on to tell how Wilson had already taken command of the New Mexico National Guard and ordered a bombing run on the State Personnel Office. Duke Rodriguez was characterized as impoverished because his new career as a table dancer in quirky clubs didn't generate the tips he expected.

Hanson hit some sensitive nerves among his former friends. Last summer word circulated that Wilson had provided the governor with a proposal to consolidate state government into a very few

departments and eliminate the State Personnel Office. A former military officer, Wilson was known for her efforts to bring order and discipline to both her office and the governor's. Her only competitor for headlines has been Rodriguez, who is in charge of welfare and Medicaid reforms.

Most of this world takes itself too seriously. There is room for a lot more laughter. I can forgive someone for missing the mark when striving for levity. I've done it often myself. But Hanson's attempt at humor tops the list of inappropriate April Fools' jokes.



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Old Lincoln Days August 1, 2 and 3

Old Lincoln Days in historic Lincoln Aug. 1, 2 and 3 will include the annual pageant *The Last Escape of Billy the Kid*. Performances will be at 8:30 p.m. Friday and Saturday and at 3:30 p.m. Sunday. Diane Shreevogt is director and John Shreevogt will portray Billy.

Repairs have been made at the pageant grounds. All the wooden seats have been replaced and other minor repairs and painting have been completed. The church facade was rebuilt because it blew down Christmas Eve. The performance area has been covered with blow sand.

The pageant is based on historical facts of the notorious Lincoln County War and features the professional, fiesta, killing of Tunstall arrival of McSwain, burial of Tunstall, killing of Sheriff Brady, killing of Buckshot Rogers, first three days, Colonel Dudley's headquarters at Fort Stanton, burning of the McSwain house, secret meeting with Governor Wallace and the last escape.

Cast members of the pageant are local citizens, many have participated in the pageant year after year and others are of descendants of former pageant cast members.

Activities during Old Lincoln Days include: shops and museums will be open, living history demonstrations, Roswell Folklorico under the direction of Frank Herrera at the Visitor's Center 2 p.m. Saturday, Buffalo Soldiers from Albuquerque, with talks every hour explaining the history of the Buffalo Soldier, Roswell Square Dances with caller Ted Clements of Pecos, Mountain Man, Edible Contest Saturday at 1:30 p.m. at the park, vendors, pony rides for children by Mr. and Mrs. Brisco West, Catholic Mass at 3 p.m. Saturday.

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NEWS AROUND THE STATE

Housing Authority Meeting

The board of directors of the Regional Housing Authority of Region VI, New Mexico, Inc. will meet Tuesday, July 29 in Roswell. Call 505-622-0881.

Robin Hood Days in Timberon

Robin Hood Days will be held in Timberon August 2 and 3. An archery contest, Little John fishing contest, golf tournament, music, games, etc. are all planned.

Ranchwomen Photo Exhibit

Ranchwomen of New Mexico, a photographic exhibition of New Mexico cowgirls and ranch-owner women, all over age 60 and still working on the ranch, will open at the Albuquerque Museum Aug. 28 and runs through Sept. 28. The exhibit is presented admission-free.

State Fair Accepting Entries

The New Mexico State Fair will accept entries until Aug. 15 for the parade, Aug. 9 for art, Aug. 29 for Indian arts, Aug. 30 for home arts and creative arts. For information call 505-265-1791.

Trailblazer Award Nominations

The New Mexico Commission on the status of women is seeking nominations for the seventh annual Trailblazer Award which is presented to women who are successful in non-traditional careers. Call 1-800-432-9168. Deadline for nominations is Aug. 11.

LETTERS to the editor

EDITOR: We recently marked the passing of Dolly Ward, one of Lincoln County's most beloved citizens.

A half-century or so ago I became aware that Dolly had welcomed me into her enormous circle of friends and relatives, probably on the day I was born. Being a kid at the time, I did not realize the value of such an inclusion. That would take the maturity of many years.

With a personality like a warm summer breeze, Dolly was always there for you, in good times or bad, in true blue fashion. She always gave more than she received. She would have it no other way. Here was a woman!

I knew that Dolly was a very religious person (in the best sense of the word). She manifested her faith not by preaching but by example. She lived her religion day in and day out, year in and year out throughout her long and productive life. Dolly radiated warmth and goodness the way a rose radiates beauty.

We will miss you Dolly and even though we know you would rather we celebrate the life you lived than to mourn your passing, I am sure you would forgive us if we also shed a few tears.

Adios Dolly. How fortunate we were to have known you and to have lived in the sunshine of your love.
DONALD QUEEN
Carrizozo, NM

La Traviata Opera is Best This Season

by Doris Cherry

Lavish costumes, fantastic staging and incredible performances by cast makes Verdi's "La Traviata" THE performance to see this summer at the Santa Fe Opera. If the readers have a chance to see any performance at the Santa Fe opera this season, it should be "La Traviata". The entire cast, including guest flamenco dancer Maria Benitez performed wonderfully. Bravissimo to Patricia Racette who performs her first Violetta (the main character in the story) in North America in the Santa Fe production. Racette performed Emmeline in last year's world premier

opera of the same name. Her excellent voice and projection, combined with her outstanding theatrics, make her a talent to be watched.

The production is enhanced with the choreography of flamenco artist Maria Benitez in the third act. Lavish costumes originally designed for the San Francisco Opera and incredible stage props, highlighted with the natural sunset revealed through the open back of the theater also enhance the production.

There are no slow scenes in La Traviata. It's four short acts keep the opera moving at a pleasant pace, allowing no lull that tends to let the viewers snooze in slower scenes.

Performances of Raymond Very as Alfredo Germont, the young naive lover of Parisian courtesan Violetta Valery, and William Stone as Alfredo's father who condemns his son's love affair with the courtesan because it is ruining the reputation of the family, were also outstanding.

Anyone who has seen the old movie Camille will know the story of La Traviata. Violetta, who gives hints from the start of her illness, allows herself to fall in love with Alfredo and goes off to live with him in the country during the second act. At the end of the second act, Alfredo's

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Capitan Public Library

The Capitan Public Library is open from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Tuesday through Friday. Everyone is welcome to use the library. Judy Newman, library volunteer and board member, said the library now has 40 patrons a day through the library. There are no fees for a library card and no late fees are assessed. Books may be checked out for two weeks. Newman said the library has had a wonderful response from ranchers, families doing home schooling, and people from the following areas: Corona, Lincoln, Carrizozo, Nyal and Alto.

CowBelle Ambassador

CowBelles from Lincoln County participated at the New Mexico Beef Ambassador contest June 28 in Angel Fire. Erika Smith of Clovis was named the New Mexico Beef Ambassador for 1997 with her presentation *Beef, The Best for Your Bucks*. Judges for the event were state CowBelle president Ruth Shannon, NMSU extension program leader Dr. Ron Parker, NM National Cattleman's Beef Association representative Jane Frost, NM Cattlegrower's vice president Jimmy Basson, and Gene Atchely of the Meat Board Federation. The contest was chaired by Inez Marrs of Picacho, and assisted by the NM CowBelle officers and other CowBelle members.

Artists Group

Artists in Lincoln County have formed the Lincoln County Arts Council and plan to publish a directory of local artists. Send information to Jef Quinell, HC 71, Box 1025B, Capitan, NM 88316.

Former Resident Honored

Albert R. Booky, a former

resident of Lincoln County, will be inducted into the Pinkerton Academy Hall of Fame Oct. 4 in Derry, NH. He is a graduate of the academy. He lived in Lincoln for 40 years and in Hondo for 10 years, and has lived in Roswell for four years. He taught school in Hondo for 25 years. Mr. Booky is now writing novels. His sixth novel *Hacienda* was released recently. Four of his novels have been set in New Mexico.

County Fair Will Need Entries

The Lincoln County Fair will be held August 6-9 at the fairgrounds in Capitan. Fair entries will be accepted Tuesday, Aug. 5 from 4 p.m. to 7 p.m. and Wednesday, Aug. 6 from 9 a.m. to 12 noon. Fair books are available at local banks. New departments added this year include sculpture in the art department, bread machine bread to the baking category, and new departments are canned vinegars and spices and canned bread. The fair this year will feature a strolling magic show presented by Jami O'Hara, musicians, and working artists will work where people can watch and visit.

Ruidoso Library Offers

Ruidoso Public Library announces a new service—books on wheels. A partnership between the RSVP group and the Ruidoso Public Library, Books on Wheels will make books available to home bound individuals. To volunteer, or become a recipient, call Charlotte or Sandee at 257-4565.

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.

Old Lincoln Days . . .

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Episcopal Church services at 8:30 a.m. Sunday, and the parade Sunday at 11 a.m. Ralph and Rosalie Dunlap will be Grand Marshals of the parade.

Old Lincoln Days started in 1940 for the quatercentennial celebration. Lincoln resident Betty Shrecengost has worked with the pageant and Old

Lincoln Days every year. Dan Storm has worked with the pageant for 50 years.

For more information about the pageant and/or Old Lincoln Days contact Ralph or Rosalie Dunlap at 505-653-4047 or the Ruidoso Valley Chamber of Commerce at 505-257-7395.

Domenici Staff To Be In Capitan Next Thursday

Staff members of U.S. Senator Pete Domenici will be at Capitan City Hall Thursday, July 31 from 10 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. Anyone who is experiencing difficulty with a federal agency who would like Senator Domenici's assistance is welcome to visit with the Senator's staff. Anyone who would like to convey an opinion to the Senator is welcome to do so.

OBITUARY

SYLVESTER CHRIS BACA

Sylvester Chris Baca died July 11 of heart trouble. He was born July 24, 1952 in Carrizozo.

He moved to Paradise, CA four years ago from Norwalk, CA. He worked for Dave's Tree Service and was a member of the Roman Catholic Church.

Survivors include his moth-

er Trina and stepfather Frank Louthead; two brothers, Michael of Buena Park, CA, Ysidro of Novato, CA, and three sisters, Eppie Benson of Carrizozo, Molly Apel of Downy, CA, and Teresa Baca of Paradise, CA; several nephews and one niece. Services were held in Paradise, CA.

National Arbor Day Foundation Offers Free Tree ID Guide

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CAPITAN NOTES



CAPITAN SCHOOL BAND members perform for the crowds along the parade route on July 4. The band won first place for musical groups.

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

I promised Dakota that if he had a picture of himself and his smaller brother, Daniel, I would put them in my column this week.



Dakota and Daniel are the sons of Ron and Rita Crawford, owners of the Ace Hardware Store here in Capitan, and even though they are relatively new folks in our little metropolis, they are certainly very welcome ones. And as Dakota visited them last summer and was my most able assistant when we were flooded that one memorable afternoon, he and I have a special friendship.

I think he is one of the finest young teenagers I have had the pleasure of meeting. Just wish more of our youth were like him, but on to his picture and a bit of the story about him. Dakota is 14 years old and is in the 9th grade in school. He lives in California in the Bay area and is very active in sports, especially football, but is also an avid golf player. I might add that he is tall, handsome, and has a wonderful personality, a rare attribute in this day and age, I might add. In the picture that I asked him for, he and his little brother, Danny, are, and I quote, "Just hangin' out at our ranch."

Dakota will be returning to his home in California the end of this week and I know his parents and his little brother will miss him very much. And I will also miss him. He has been a very interesting and welcome visitor to my casa since he came to Capitan.

And now on to little brother Daniel, Danny, as I think he is called, is eight years old and is in the second grade here in the Capitan Schools. He lives with his parents in Glencoe and is also engaged in sports. His sports are soccer and baseball. Danny is also one of my special friends.

He has visited me several times and he is a most interesting and intelligent little lad. I expect big things will be their contribution to society over the coming years and their especially fine parents are to be congratulated as well as both of the boys.

With so many of our youth riding up and down the main drag banging their boom boom boxes, I think they are called and I can think of some



names a bit more apropos for both the boxes and the boxer's owners, it is most refreshing to the mature generations to meet youngsters that know how to act in public.

Any my other picture is of my very special little great granddaughter and great grandson. Have had these for a few weeks and wanted to put them in along with some other folk's children.

Son Thomas felt I was stressing my own a bit on the "too Mucho" shall we say, so have been waiting for a good opportunity to slip this special photograph of Kirbi Christin and Grady Tighe Sullivan, children of Paul and Diane Sullivan of Dallas, TX for all to see.

Am also enclosing one of the very few photographs that I just received from Omaha of my one and only granddaughter, Katie Maureen Anderson, said picture also taken in front of one of the many places we visited on our trip to Ireland. And haven't the vaguest idea where that one

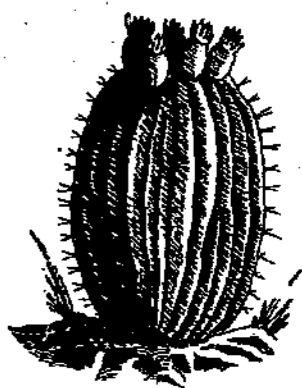
beautiful voice and sings in the children's choir at the Episcopal Cathedral in Omaha. It has a beautiful name, but like most things of the moment do not have the "foggiest" what it is.



I have been there a few times and it is beautiful, and awe inspiring and the music is like it is coming from the heavens above, especially, to me because I can view my one and only granddaughter being a part of this beautiful and inspiring group of children singing as if they were also in the same chorus as the Angels.

And Katie is the daughter of Dr. Patricia Sullivan-Anderson and Jace Anderson of Omaha. They were just here but just for a week, and of course their visit had to be shared with all the family as well as the ones from Outer Space. Nuff said? In fact, am still putting that I did not have more one on one time with each of them.

And so for another week, with so many photographs submitted, am sure my allotted space is already full. So God bless everyone that reads my column and even those who cannot be bothered. Have some news promised for next week, but everyone leads such busy lives have to almost lasso them to get it, but I do understand, just want you readers to know why some weeks there is not very much of down to earth news. Sorry.



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Capitan Needs Location For Head Start Program

by Doris Cherry

This fall Capitan preschoolers may find they have several new "grandparents." Until the Capitan Head Start program receives grant funding for operation and relocation of a new facility, the preschool children enrolled in the program may find themselves in class at the Capitan Senior Center.

During a special meeting Tuesday at the Lincoln County Fairgrounds in Capitan, Lincoln County Commissioners considered a request to use a county-owned facility to temporarily house the Capitan Head Start program for about 15 children. Commissioners met with officers of the Lincoln County Fair Association. Commissioners had discussed at the July 8 meeting allowing the Head Start program to temporarily use the fairgrounds building. They made no decision then, instead requested the fair association to have figures about cost to use the fairgrounds.

Capitan Head Start requested the space on a temporary basis, because the delay of the new post office construction displaced the Head Start program. Plans were to move the building Head Start was in last year to another location. Head Start was first housed at the school, but increased enrollment forced the preschool program to the old Country Store location owned by Dabra Ingle.

However, someone forgot to consult Lincoln County Head Start administrator Sandy Gladden about the status of the Capitan program. County manager Frank Potter invited Gladden to the meeting where Gladden said she only learned of the request to house the Head Start in the fair building after the July 8 county commission meeting. She said Region 9 Education Cooperative that administers the Head Start program in Lincoln County applied for a federal grant for facility and land purchase for the Capitan Head Start program. "If approved a portable facility, Head Start and ADA compliant, would be available in about three months," Gladden said. "But I have no idea when it will be funded."

Head Start requires students to be in class only 128 days, so the program could be delayed this fall until the facility is established, Gladden said. "If the grant isn't approved, we'll need an alternate space," she said.

Gladden said Head Start requires a 25 percent local "in-kind" match, usually rent and utilities paid. She did not have figures of those costs for the fairgrounds facility because she was not involved in the preliminary discussions, Gladden said.

Fair Association president Shorty Sanders said his group discussed the proposal to place Head Start in the fair building during their last meeting. Association officers also consulted with the Head Start people about the rent and utilities, which Ingle provided at no cost. "About \$7,000—we don't have that kind of money."

Sanders was concerned about conflicts on scheduling use of the facility. "We have other functions here all the time, they'd have to move chairs for elections, CowBells, sheriff's posse," Sanders said.

Sanders presented the association's list of seven stipulations for placing Head Start in the fair grounds facility. The list requires Head Start to pay its own utilities; clean and maintain the areas used daily; insurance liability be provided by Capitan Schools releasing the fair association and the county

from any responsibility; Head Start have the meeting area ready for any scheduled meeting or event with prior notice from the association; Head Start pays for the additional phone cost; Head Start provide own storage; and the agreement be temporary for one school year while Head Start finds permanent housing.

The association had no estimates of utility costs to use the facility on daily basis because it is not used that way now. Sanders said the office area, although separate from the exhibit hall, does not hold the heat well. He offered use of the new insulated storage room that has a door to the outside.

Also the building would need physical changes to meet Head Start program requirements of a fenced yard and accessible bathrooms, Sanders said.

Sanders suggested other locations in the village, such as the chamber of commerce building.

County commissioner Wilton Howell suggested the county owned senior center. Capitan Zia Senior Citizens Center site director Louie Padilla said the facility is under utilized, primarily for the noon meal program. County commissioner Ray Nunley was concerned having the children in the building would jeopardize the state-funded senior program.

County commissioner Rex Wilson said no decision could be made as there had been no formal request for use of county-owned property. "I believe the funding from the feds determines our next step," Wilson said.

Nunley suggested letting the Head Start program directors assess the fair building, and other locations and come back with recommendations. But county commissioner Bill Schwettmann was frustrated. "We've asked for this four different times yet we still have no figures," he said. "Why is this so difficult?" Howell said they should not have expected the fair board to come up with figures. County commission chairman Monroy Montes said if Gladden had been involved since the start she would have the figures.

Wilson still supported the idea of having the preschoolers in the senior center. "I think it's good to mix, the seniors with the kids. They'll all have a great time."

County commissioners requested Gladden to return with her report on the proposed temporary facilities at the August 12 regular county meeting.

Chit Chat . . .

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sophomore this year and plays the flute in the Carrizozo Grizzly Band. Her parents are Mike and Jamie Gieb of Carrizozo.

Fifth Generation Baby

Arlaena Olyvia Nicole Means was born July 13 at 2:24 a.m. in Ruidoso to Tabitha Means. Arlaena weighed 5 lbs. 2 oz and was 18 1/4 inches long. Grandparents are Burdette Means and Barbara and Marcos Barela Sr., great grandparents are Marcos and Dolores Villescos Jr. and Bob Means, and great great grandmother is Eulalia Chavez, all of Carrizozo.

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CORONA NEWS

Excitement for the summer festival is building. Families are expecting members to return for that weekend or longer, and several classes plan reunions.
 Tammy McDougall says that the Class of 1987 will have a re-graduation party Friday evening at the home of her parents, Lee and Clint Sultemeier.

Charles Ryberg has phoned Betty Ann Bell that his plans are indefinite, depending on the condition of his sister and brother-in-law who were injured in an accident early last week. Ellen Joy and Lee Masters were riding motorcycles with another couple when a van sideswiped them. Lee has a broken shoulder and may lose a foot. Ellen Joy has concussion, broken left shoulder, elbow, knee and ankle. Fortunately she is a right handed artist.

The Crown Cow Belles July meeting was an informal supper honoring Crown's Man of the Year Dwayne Frost. Members and guests sat on the lawn at the Clint Sultemeier ranch home and enjoyed roast beef with all the trimmings and the cake baked for Mr. Frost by Martha Garcia. At the festival Crown will have packets of recipes and info concerning beef and nutrition at the booth of Steve Patton. Mr. Patton is the Melrose artist who does the brand pictures.

Kim and Audie Padilla, T or C, came Saturday to pick up their children, Marsha and Thomas, who had been visiting for two weeks with cousins, the Kesslers.

Mrs. R.L. Sharp and Jerry Sharp attended a family reunion in Tula, TX last weekend.

The Mike Linceys are moving from Estancia to Alamogordo where Mike is to be a loan officer with the Alamogordo Federal Savings and Loan. Kathy will teach biology and physical science at Alamogordo High School and Sue will continue as CEO for Family Affairs and attend school.

Patsy and Lee Mulkey and Dorothy Nell Lightfoot are in Silver City for bus driver training this week.

Mike Trotter has bought the Green houses. He is improving the Green home and septic system for himself. Mr. Trotter, a retired contractor who has worked in Canada and Alaska as well as the lower 48 states, plans to raze the four little houses when he locates a landfill large enough to accept the rubble.

Mrs. Royce Washburn was in Albuquerque July 19 to attend memorial services for a cousin, Tom Cantrell, who was killed in a boating accident at Fresno, CA. Mr. Cantrell, 45, held the world's record for motorized speed boats. Mrs. Cantrell and the younger of their two daughters were with him in Fresno when the accident occurred July 12.

Dorothy Felts, 67, and widow of Connie Felts, died Tuesday, July 15 in Flagstaff, AZ, where she had lived since the death of her husband. Mrs. Felts had been declared free of cancer for about two years, but her death is attributed to complication from radiation and chemotherapy. Services and interment were in Flagstaff last week.

Mrs. Byron Yancey left

Tuesday morning for Roswell where she will babysit for a few days with new granddaughter, Meggen Colleen Yancey.

Corona is saddened by the deaths of two longtime friends. Edna Griffin Robinson died Friday afternoon at her ranch home. Elizabeth Lackey died Saturday morning in Plainview, TX where she was residing in a rest home near a son, Wilburn Lackey and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Royce Washburn have returned from Canada and the Calgary Stampede where Justen was second in the saddle bronc. He made it to the top ten of the Canada-US PRCA. He needed to mark an 81 to make it to the final four but scored 79.

Debbie Torrez, Edgewood, brought a spirited program to the Corona del Ray Women's Aglow meeting here Saturday. She stated that "Denial is the drug of choice". Mrs. Torrez is a natural health practitioner and reflexologist. Women's Aglow collects fabric scraps, bedding, towels, and notions to make adult bibs and absorbent bed pads for nursing homes. They have made and delivered 1,453 of these already. Shelly Frost will pick up any contributions.

OBITUARIES

CLIFTON "BUSTER" A. ALFORD

Graveside services will be conducted in Waynoka, Oklahoma at a later date for Clifton "Buster" A. Alford, 82, of Roswell, who died July 19, at his residence.

Clifton was born June 27, 1915 in Lewisburg, Missouri. On July 4, 1969, Clifton married Erma L. Quinn in Carrizozo. She survives him at their family home.

Formerly of Carrizozo, Clifton had been a resident of Roswell for the past 10 years. Before retiring, he worked as an electrician.

In addition to his wife, Erma, other survivors include his son, Robert Keith Alford and his wife, Joletha, of Roswell; brother, James Alford of Tatum, NM; sisters, Fay Bennett and husband, Vernon, of Galveston, TX; Wanda Paulhamus and husband, Woody of Vega, TX; sister-in-law, Millie Alford of Roswell; one grandchild, and numerous nieces and nephews.

IDA ELIZABETH LACKEY

Ida Elizabeth Lackey, 76 of Plainview, Texas, formerly of Corona, died July 19, in Plainview. She was born July 4, 1921 in Itasca, Texas.

Mrs. Lackey had been a life long resident of the Corona area. She was a member of the First Baptist Church in Corona and the Cedarvale Quilting Club. Not only was she a homemaker but she was very active with the ranching. She had driven the school bus for the Corona School district and she had also been employed with the US Forest Service serving on a fire look out tower. She married Fred H. Lackey December 18, 1936 in Cedarvale, NM, he survives her in Corona.

Other survivors include two sons, Wilfred Lackey and wife Sue of Quemado, NM, and Wilburn Lackey and wife Polly of Plainview, TX; one daughter Louella Meadows and husband Bobby of Moun-

tainair; one sister, Louise Albright of Kansas; two half sisters, Billie and Janice of Texas and one half brother Jack also of Texas; a number of nieces, nephews and cousins eight grandchildren and two great grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her parents and one brother, Ernest.

Funeral services were conducted July 22, at the First Baptist Church in Corona, with Rev. Norman Lackey and Rev. John Sprull officiating. Burial followed in the Cedarvale Cemetery with Mark Lackey, David Lackey, Randall Lackey, Kevin Lackey, Jonathan Lackey and Hand Meadows serving as pallbearers.

Arrangements were entrusted to the Harris-Hanlon Mortuary in Mountainair.

EDNA THELMA GRIFFIN ROBINSON

Edna Thelma Griffin Robinson, 88, of Corona died July 18, at her residence. She was born September 21, 1908 in Ingram, Texas.

Mrs. Robinson was a member of the First Baptist Church in Corona; Phythian Sisters of Corona and the

Cedarvale Quilting Club. She had been a resident of the Corona area since homesteading there in 1932, coming from Hunt, Texas.

Edna married James Elvin Robinson August 27, 1932 in Roswell. He survives her of the home. She is also survived by three sons, James Lyndon Robinson and wife Phyllis of Greeley, CO, Arlen Derrell Robinson and wife Jackie of Edmond, OK, and Rex L. Robinson and wife Sheila of Blue Water, NM; one daughter, JoAnn Harley and husband Lee of Fort Collins, CO; one sister, Annie Pearl Sumner of Mountainair; 11 grandchildren and 16 great grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her parents, son, Keith Allen Robinson and two brothers, Clarence Griffin and B.E. "Wee" Griffin.

Funeral services were conducted July 21, at the First Baptist Church in Corona with Rev. John Sprull officiating. Burial followed in the Corona Cemetery with her grandsons serving as pallbearers. Honorary pallbearers were all her friends.

Arrangements were entrusted to the Harris-Hanlon Mortuary in Mountainair.

La Traviata Opera

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father convinces her to leave Alfredo because of the family reputation. In the third act Violetta is again at the Paris salon where hired entertainers, gypsies and matadors, entertain. This is the act that Maria Bonitez performs as a gypsy girl. By the end of the act, Alfredo denounces Violetta whom he believes loves another—Baron Douphol. Alfredo's father comes to the salon and denounces his son's behavior. Douphol challenges Alfredo to a duel.

The sad final act shows Violetta six months later, in the final stages of consumption. She is dying. In a letter she learns the Baron was only wounded in the duel with Alfredo, who had learned the truth and is on his way to beg her pardon. When Alfredo arrives he and Violetta makes plans to leave Paris. But it is too late, she staggers and falls dead at her lover's feet.

Even the weather cooperated with the production of La Traviata, cooling the theater with a brief shower before the production and no extra rain throughout the performance.

But the rain was part of the season opening production of Arabella, by Strauss. Sung in German, the complicated music set well with the complicated plot of a Viennese family in dire financial straits. This viewer found it interesting that Santa Fe Opera chose an opera with a libretto that features the father of the family, County Waldner performed by Dale Travis, who lost his fortune to gambling.

Production of the opera was very good, and the stage design was unusual and highly effective. Janice Watson performed Arabella well, but her age was slightly distracting because the character Arabella is a young woman of marrying age. Dawn Kotoski was excellent as the younger sister Zdenka, who is forced to dis-

guise herself as a boy to repulse any threat to marrying Arabella to a rich man.

In the end Zdenka gets the man she secretly loves throughout the story, Mattar (played by Gert Henning-Jensen), and Arabella gets Mandryka (David Pittman-Jennings) who has money. Arabella is attracted to Mandryka, even though her father makes a deal to get money in exchange for Arabella's hand.

Both performances last weekend were sold out. But rain during Arabella sent many patrons in the open air seating to seek cover in the back.

On July 26, this reporter will attend the World Premier of "Ashoka's Dream" by Peter Lieberson, who was raised in Santa Fe and who tells of how he used to mow the lawn at the Santa Fe Opera grounds. The opera, sung in English, features 13 performers and chorus. In three acts the opera tells the story of Ashoka Maurya, a King of India in the third century B.C., the only ruler to unify India until the 19th century. Ashoka's revolutionary approach to government was based on a code of compassion, non-aggression and universal tolerance. The opera shows Ashoka's transformation from angry, isolated conqueror to enlightened ruler.

Remaining performances this season are: Arabella—July 23, August 1, August 6, August 14 and August 21; Semels—July 25 and 31, August 7, 13 and 22; Ashoka's Dream—July 26 and 30, August 8; La Traviata—July 29, August 4, 9, 12, 16, 19 and 23; Così Fan Tutti—July 28, August 2, 5, 11, 15 and 20.

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2:42 p.m. a 911 caller reported trespassing at the Baptist church in Capitan. Three kids were at the location skateboarding without permission. Capitan police responded.

6:04 p.m. Ruidoso police reported an accident without injuries at mile marker 295 on Highway 70. Two vehicles were in the roadway. State police were notified and a deputy responded.

6:26 p.m. a deputy requested a wrecker on Highway 380 at Indian Divide. A deputy responded.

8:33 p.m. Ruidoso police reported receiving a cell phone call about livestock, a cow, on Highway 380 at mile marker 20. Socorro State Police were notified.

8:36 p.m. a cell phone caller reported a vehicle fire at mile marker 312 on Highway 70. Roswell State Police were notified.

8:36 p.m. a cell phone caller reported a yellow cow on Highway 54 at mile marker 106. A deputy responded.

9:46 p.m. a caller requested an officer for a subject who needed a place to stay. The caller advised that she had lost her wallet in Socorro because that was when she last saw it, and she, her husband and two year old girl needed a place to stay for the night. Carrizozo police responded, then called Hayden Smith with Carrizozo First Baptist who advised to take the people to the motel room and church would pay the next day. The subjects were taken to a motel.

A deputy made a report of a burglary at a location in Alto.

July 17:

9:38 a.m. a cell phone caller reported an auto burglary at a gas station off Highway 70. The phone company employee advised that someone broke into the company truck and took tool boxes and shovels. A deputy responded and took a report.

1:33 p.m. a caller reported a woman and her nine year old girl were stranded by her boyfriend in Corona. The woman was on route to Michigan and needs assistance. State police were notified.

2:42 p.m. a forgery/larceny was reported at a location in Alto north. A deputy was assigned.

7:39 p.m. a caller reported a fire on Gallacher Road north off Highway 54 on Gallacher Road. The caller advised that the smoke was visible from Nogal Mesa, and appeared to be about 900 acres. Carrizozo fire department, White Oaks Fire Department and two deputies responded. State forest was notified, and at 9:05 p.m. Benito Fire Department was requested to assist with water. Bonito Fire returned to its station by 2:50 a.m.

11:24 p.m. a caller requested animal control for a dog which had been hit by a car but was still alive. Capitan police responded.

11:50 p.m. an alarm company advised that a burglar alarm was sounding at a shop on Highway 48. A deputy and state police responded, and the alarm company arrived to take care of the alarm.

July 18:

3:52 a.m. a caller reported two horses at mile marker 84 on Highway 380 by Capitan. The livestock inspector was notified, who advised it was three horses.

11:28 a.m. an accident without injuries was reported in the south-bound lane at the intersection of Highways 37 and 48. State police were notified.

11:53 a.m. a caller reported threats at a location in the Hondo valley. The nephew was making threats. The caller wanted to take the subject to the VA hospital, and if the nephew didn't want to go, he wanted him arrested. A deputy responded and advised the nephew decided to go to the VA hospital.

12:11 p.m. an alarm company advised of a residential alarm sounding at a location in Alto. Dispatch requested state police because all were busy. State police advised all was okay, a worker had set the alarm off.

12:35 p.m. a person walked in and requested animal control at a location in the Nogal area for a person with a written agreement about breeding dogs. Two deputies responded and advised the subject it was a civil situation and should be taken to magistrate court.

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

July 14:

8:45 a.m. a caller requested an ambulance at a location off Highway 70. Honda ambulance responded.

2:10 p.m. a caller reported two juveniles shoplifting at a business in the Alto area. A deputy responded.

6:13 p.m. a caller reported a breaking and entering. A gate in front of a business east of Ruidoso Downs was cut and several items were taken. The caller requested to speak to a deputy two days later. A deputy responded.

7:27 p.m. a caller reported criminal damage by juveniles throwing rocks at buildings and vehicles. Carrizozo police responded.

8:11 p.m. Ruidoso police advised of firearms at Spencer Theater site. Directly south someone was shooting a hand gun, a shell landed in the roadway. At 8:42 p.m., another call advised that the shooting had changed locations and was now in Rancho Ruidoso estates. A deputy responded.

10:11 p.m. an unknown male from Capitan reported a traffic offense on 4th street-vehicles were racing up and down. Capitan police were notified.

11:46 p.m. a caller requested a deputy to help locate his daughter and bring her home to Capitan.

The daughter should have been home three hours before, she was visiting a friend in Capitan. Capitan police were notified.

July 15:

8:43 a.m. a caller requested an ambulance for a 21 year old man having a seizure at a location off Highway 70. Ruidoso Advanced Life Support (REALS) ambulance and a Hondo first responder responded.

2:28 p.m. a 911 caller reported a domestic at a location on Gavilan Canyon. Her brother was fighting with a man who does work around the house. She again called and advised that her son left with her keys because she had taken his keys away from him. Deputies responded and attempted to locate the subjects but were unable to make contact. Then came another 911 call, advising that the subjects were back. The deputies were notified.

3:40 p.m. a caller requested an OMI at a location in Palo Verde slopes for an unattended death of 85 year old. Three deputies and an OMI responded.

4:53 p.m. a caller requested an ambulance at a location in Alamo Canyon for an elderly woman who fell. Hondo ambulance responded and transported the patient to Lincoln County Medical Center (LCMC) in Ruidoso.

5:03 p.m. a caller requested an officer for a vehicle lockout at a location in Capitan. A small child locked the vehicle doors and

would not open them. Capitan police responded and opened the vehicle.

4:59 p.m. a 911 caller advised of subjects at a location on Gavilan Canyon who were wanted on a warrant. Two deputies responded and arrested a juvenile whom they transported to the juvenile detention facility in Otero County.

6:41 p.m. a minister on a cell phone reported a possible drunken driver on Highway 54 going south from Corona. A grey vehicle was passing at a high rate of speed and was all over the road. The responding deputy contacted the vehicle, and advised all was okay.

9:12 p.m. a 911 caller hung up. A deputy responded.

9:19 p.m. a clerk at a business requested to speak with a Carrizozo officer regarding a domestic. The officer responded, then requested a deputy meet with him. A deputy responded.

10:10 p.m. a caller reported harassment. A male subject called, made a threat, then hung up at a location off Highway 70 east of Ruidoso Downs. A deputy responded.

12:40 p.m. Carrizozo fire department requested a wrecker at a location on Highway 380 at the construction area. A wrecker responded.

12:55 p.m. Corona ambulance reported a one vehicle accident with injuries at mile marker 18 on Highway 42 in Torrance County.

Church Directories

Spirit of Life Apostolic Pentecostal Tabernacle
ALLAN M. MILLER, pastor
209 Lincoln Ave, Capitan, NM 354-2025
Tuesday Bible Study..... 7:00 pm
Sunday School..... 10:00 am
Sunday Evening..... 6:00 pm

First Baptist Church
HAYDEN SMITH, pastor
314 10th Ave, Carrizozo, NM 648-2968 (church) or 648-2107
Sunday School..... 9:45 am
Worship Service..... 10:55 am
Sun. Evening..... Training at 8:15 pm
Evening Worship..... 7:15 pm
Wednesday Bible Study..... 7:00 pm

Carrizozo Community Church (A/G)
JOHNIE L. JOHNSON, pastor
Corner of C Ave. & Thirteenth, 648-2188
Sunday School..... 10:00 am
Worship Service..... 11:00 am
Thursday Bible Study..... 7:00 pm

Santa Rita Catholic Community
FR. DAVE BERGZ, pastor
213 Birch, Carrizozo, NM, 648-2853
SATURDAY:
Capitan Sacred Heart..... 5:00 pm
C'zozo Santa Rita..... 8:30 pm
SUNDAY:
Capitan Sacred Heart..... 9:00 am
C'zozo Santa Rita..... 11:00 am
Corona St. Theresa..... 4:00 pm

Church of Christ
PAUL WETZEL, minister
Ave. C at 12th, Carrizozo, NM, 648-2998
Sunday School..... 10:00 am
Worship Service..... 11:00 am
Evening Worship..... 6:00 pm
Wednesday Bible Study..... 7:00 pm

St. Matthias Episcopal Church
FR. A. TRIPP, priest
Corner of E Ave. & 56th, Carrizozo, NM 1-258-4144
Holy Eucharist..... 9:30 am Sunday

United Methodist Churches
BOB BOYD, pastor
Trinity - Carrizozo
1000 D. Ave., 648-2893/648-2848
Sunday School (All Ages)..... 10:00 am

Worship Service..... 11:10 am
Choir Practice (Wednesday)..... 6:30 pm
United Methodist Women Every 3rd Wednesday..... 1:00 pm
Fellowship Dinner 4th Sunday of Month..... 12:30 pm

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

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

Christ Community Fellowship
ED VINSON, pastor
514 Smokey Bear Blvd./Capitan Inter-denominational
Sunday School..... 9:30 a.m.
Sunday Morning Worship..... 10:30 a.m.

Capitan Church of Christ
LESLIE EARWOOD, minister
5th & Lincoln / 336-4627
Sunday Bible Study..... 10:00 a.m.
Worship Service..... 11:00 a.m.
Evening Worship..... 6:00 p.m.
Wednesday Bible Study..... 7:00 p.m.

Trinity Southern Baptist Church
FLOYD GOODLOE, pastor
Capitan (South on Highway 48) 354-3119
Sunday School..... 9:45 a.m.
Morning Worship..... 11:00 a.m.
AWANA Wednesday..... 6:30 p.m.

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TWELFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT COUNTY OF LINCOLN STATE OF NEW MEXICO

No. CV-97-000981
 GEORGE CAPITAL MANAGEMENT, INC. Plaintiff
 HEATHER PARKER BRANCH, MILES BRANCH aka MILES BERNARD BRANCH, LISA BRANCH, and THE UNKNOWN SUEURS OF LISA J. BRANCH. Defendant(s).

NOTICE OF SUIT STATE OF NEW MEXICO

to the following above-named Defendant(s):
 Heather Parker Branch and Miles Branch aka Miles Bernard Branch, LISA BRANCH, and THE UNKNOWN SUEURS OF LISA J. BRANCH. Defendant(s).
 You are hereby notified that the above-named Plaintiff has filed a civil action against you in the above-entitled Court and cause, the general object thereof being to foreclose a mortgage on property located at 145 West Circle Ave, Ruidoso, Lincoln County, New Mexico, said property being more particularly described as:
 LOTS 13 AND 14, BLOCK 1, OF THE RUIDOSO DOWNS HEIGHTS, LINCOLN COUNTY, NEW MEXICO, AS SHOWN BY THE PLAT THEREOF FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY CLERK AND EX-OFFICIO RECORDER OF LINCOLN COUNTY, NEW MEXICO, ON MARCH 28, 1987.

Unless you enter your appearance in said cause on or before September 11, 1997, judgment by default will be entered against you.
 Plaintiff's attorneys:
 ELIZABETH MASON
 320 Gold Ave., S.W.
 Albuquerque, New Mexico 87102
 505/243-2323

WITNESS the Honorable Karen L. Parsons, Judge of the Twelfth Judicial District Court, Lincoln County, New Mexico, this 14th day of July, 1997.
 ALICE BACA BAXTER
 Clerk of the District Court
 By: Elizabeth Lueras Deputy
 87188
 Published in the Lincoln County News on July 24 and 31, and August 7 and 14, 1997.

PUBLIC HEARING

Notice is hereby given that the Lincoln County Board of Commissioners shall hold the final Budget Hearing for Fiscal Year 1997/1998 at 8:00 A.M., on Monday, July 28, 1997, at the Ruidoso Civic Events Center, 111 Sierra Blanca Drive, in Ruidoso, New Mexico. Agenda is available 24 hours prior to the meeting. Auxiliary aides are available upon request; please contact Martha Guevara at 648-2385 at least 48 hours in advance of the meeting to make any necessary arrangements.
 MONROY MONTES, Chairman
 Lincoln County Board of Commissioners
 Published in the Lincoln County News on July 24, 1997.

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 (200 Central Avenue), Carrizozo, New Mexico 88301, until 3:00 P.M., Thursday, August 7, 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. 1997-1: PICKUP, 4x4 CLUB CAB, 1/2 TON, 1998 MODEL.
 BID NO. 1997-2: HEAVY-DUTY REVERSIBLE SNOWBLOW AND SALT SPREADER TO BE INSTALLED ON 1998 FORD LINT-9000

DUMP TRUCK

The Lincoln County Board of Commissioners will review and make their final determination during a regular commission meeting scheduled for 2:00 A.M., on Tuesday, August 12, 1997.
 Specifications are available at the Office of the Purchasing Agent, Lincoln County Courthouse, Carrizozo, or by calling Martha Guevara at 606/648-2385.
 All bids must be clearly marked on the outside of the sealed envelope with the bid number(s) shown above. Lincoln County reserves the right to accept or reject 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
 Published in the Lincoln County News on July 24, 1997.

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

Notice is hereby given that the Lincoln County Board of Commissioners shall hold a Public Hearing beginning at 1:00 p.m. on Tuesday, August 12, 1997, at the Lincoln County Courthouse, Commissioners Meeting Room, in Carrizozo, New Mexico, to consider proposed amendments to the Lincoln County Subdivision Ordinance No. 1997-4.
 All parties and interested citizens will have the opportunity to be heard. Copies of the proposed amendments may be obtained from the County Manager's Office at the Lincoln County Courthouse in Carrizozo, twenty-four (24) hours prior to the meeting.

MONROY A. MONTES
 Chairman
 Lincoln County Commission
 Published in the Lincoln County News on July 24, 1997.

MEETING NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that the Lincoln County Board of Commissioners shall hold a special Board meeting beginning at 8:00 A.M. on Monday, July 28, 1997, at the Ruidoso Civic Events Center, 111 Sierra Blanca Drive, in Ruidoso, New Mexico. The purpose of the meeting is to consider the adoption of the Final Lincoln County Budget for Fiscal year 1997/1998 and any other proper business that comes before the Commission for consideration. Agenda will be available 24 hours prior to the meeting. Auxiliary aides are available upon request; please contact Martha Guevara at

Board of Commissioners

MARTHA GUEVARA
 Assistant County Manager
 Published in the Lincoln County News on July 24, 1997.

LEGAL NOTICE

A Public Hearing shall be held at 11:00 a.m. on Tuesday, August 12, 1997, by the Lincoln County Board of Commissioners at the Lincoln County Courthouse, Commissioners Meeting Room, in Carrizozo, New Mexico, to consider the application of the Barnett Partners, Inc. D/B/A Casa del Cocinar, Post Office Box 8, Carrizozo, New Mexico 88301, to obtain a new Restaurant Beer/Wine Dispenser License No. 4-2547, to be located at Highway 48/Mile Marker 11, Lincoln County, Alto, New Mexico.

MONROY MONTES
 Chairman
 Lincoln County

TWELFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT COUNTY OF LINCOLN STATE OF NEW MEXICO

No. CV-97-001 DIV. III

JOHN PAUL SEDILLO and SHERLEY MAE SEDILLO, Husband and Wife, Plaintiffs,
 A.E. McGLASHAN, if living; if deceased, his unknown heirs; HARRIET SHERBURNE, if living; if deceased, her unknown heirs; SR. DANIEL VIGIL, if living; if deceased, his unknown heirs; MANUEL VIGIL, if living; if deceased, his unknown heirs; JOSE B. BACA, if living; if deceased, his unknown heirs; JOSE V. BACA; and ALLIED STORES, INC. and/or its successors in interest, AND UNKNOWN CLAIMANTS OF INTEREST IN THE PREMISES ADVERSE TO THE PLAINTIFFS, Defendants.

AMENDED NOTICE OF SUIT STATE OF NEW MEXICO to the above-named Defendants, GREETINGS:

You are hereby notified that the above-named Plaintiffs have filed a civil action against you in the above-entitled Court and cause, the general object thereof being to quiet title to the following described real property:
 That certain real property located in Lincoln County, New Mexico described as the NW¼ NW¼ of Section 22, Township 7 South, Range 18 East, N.M.P.M.
 That unless you file a responsive pleading or motion in said cause on or before the 23rd day of August, 1997, judgment by default will be entered against you.
 DAVID M. STEVENS, Esq.
 HENNIGHAUSEN, OLSEN & STEVENS, LLP.
 P.O. Box 85
 Alto, New Mexico 88302-0085
 (505) 336-7077
 WITNESS, the Honorable Karen L. Parsons, District Judge of the Twelfth Judicial District Court of the State of New Mexico and the Seal of the District Court of Lincoln County, this 2nd day of July, 1997.

EUGENIA VEGA, Clerk of the District Court
 (SEAL)
 By: Elizabeth Lueras, Deputy
 Published in the Lincoln County News on July 3, 10, 17 and 24, 1997.

Board of Commissioners

LEGAL NOTICE

The Village of Capitán Board of Trustees will hold a public hearing at 8:30 p.m. on August 11, 1997 at the Village Hall Bldg. The purpose of the public hearing is to discuss repealing Ordinance 88-1, establishing Ordinance 97-8, Increase in Elected Officials Salaries. A copy of Ordinance 97-8 is available at Village Hall. Ordinance 97-8 will be considered for adoption at the regular meeting on August 11, 1997 at 7:00 p.m. at the Village Hall Bldg. The public is encouraged to attend. Deborah Cummins, Clerk-Treasurer, CMC Village of Capitán
 Published in the Lincoln County News on July 24 and 31, and August 7, 1997.

Sheriff's Report

12:38 a.m. a grass fire was reported 20 miles south of Hondo. Hondo Fire Department responded and advised it was on the reservation. State forestry and the BIA were notified.

1 p.m. a person walked in and reported a dog chased a horse into the fence and injured it. A deputy responded.

1:41 p.m. state police in Alamogordo reported a one vehicle accident with injuries on Arabella Highway. RALS, and Glencoe Fire Department responded after Hondo fire did not respond. RALS transported the injured to LCMC.

1:53 p.m. a caller reported a head on collision at Highways 380 and 70. RALS responded at 2:09 p.m. and transported the injured to LCMC. State police responded at 2:22 p.m., and state highway department was there by 2:06 p.m.

3:40 p.m. a 911 caller reported a grass fire 28 miles east of Corona on Roadrunner Ranch. Corona Fire Department, Capitán Fire Department and State Forestry responded.

6:16 p.m. a caller requested an officer for a man and woman in a luxury car who left without paying for their meal. Carrizozo police responded.

7:14 p.m. a caller requested an officer at a motel where a woman had locked her keys in a rental truck. Carrizozo police responded.

A caller requested a report of a run away juvenile. A deputy responded.

10:13 p.m. a 911 caller requested an ambulance for a 69 year old man with problems breathing. Capitán ambulance responded by 10:32 p.m. and transported the patient to LCMC.

10:57 p.m. a caller reported hearing two gun shots, then a woman scream at a location in the Lincoln area. A deputy and state police responded and advised the woman caller appeared to have been drinking and the report was unfounded.
 July 19:

5:12 a.m. a caller reported domestic violence at a location off Highway 70. A man is at her house and he wants to file on another man for domestic violence. State police were notified.

6:59 a.m. a 911 call phone caller reported an accident without injuries on Highway 285, about 10 miles north of Roswell. A vehicle was sideswiped by a semi truck. State police were notified.

11:05 a.m. a caller requested animal control at a location on Gavilan Canyon Road. The responding deputy found no animal traps at the location. He advised the caller to contact the humane

society about the situation.

11:29 a.m. a 911 caller requested an ambulance at a ranch north off Highway 246 for an 84 year old woman with hip pains. Capitán ambulance responded and transported the patient to LCMC.

12:35 p.m. a 911 caller reported shots fired in an area off Gavilan Canyon. A deputy responded and met with the complainant.

2:10 p.m. a caller requested to speak with Carrizozo police about confidential information. Carrizozo police responded.

3:33 p.m. an unidentified 911 caller reported a subject wanted on a warrant at a ranch. Three deputies and state police responded.

3:34 p.m. a 911 caller reported a domestic at a location off Highway 70. The caller's ex-husband broke out the windows of her house. Three deputies and state police responded.

4:52 p.m. a 911 caller reported a grass fire along Highway 54 where construction is underway. Carrizozo fire department responded.

5:08 p.m. a caller reported a grass fire three miles north of Carrizozo on Highway 54. Carrizozo fire department advised they would check to see if it was the same as the previous call.

6:21 p.m. a 911 caller reported a dog bite at a residence on 4th Street, a juvenile was bit and an infant was nibbled on. Capitán police responded.

6:33 p.m. a caller requested an officer because she had locked her keys in the car at a business. Carrizozo police responded.

7:59 p.m. a caller reported someone shooting off firecrackers at a location on Gavilan Canyon Road. A deputy responded.

8:32 p.m. a caller requested a welfare check on her elderly mother who lives in Capitán and was involved in an accident a few days before. Capitán police responded.

9:09 p.m. a deputy advised he received a call from a woman requesting animal control at a location in Favor Ridge where a wolf was in the yard and it was bigger than her Great Dane. The deputy responded.

9:17 p.m. a 911 caller reported shots fired at a location off Carrizo Creek. The caller requested an officer check out the rapid fire gun shots close to the house. Two deputies responded and checked out the area houses and advised all seemed okay.

9:48 p.m. a caller reported cows on the highway on the east limit of Capitán. Capitán police responded.

11:40 p.m. a caller requested an officer for trouble with a tenant at a motel. The TV was too loud and no one would answer the door. Capitán police and a deputy responded and found no one in the room, except a small dog.

11:53 p.m. a caller requested a welfare check on his brother who was to travel from the Nogal church camp meeting to his ranch 15 miles west of Carrizozo, because no one was answering at the ranch house. The responding deputy went to the location and found the brother and his son and both were okay, but the phone was out. The deputy advised the caller that all was okay.

July 20:
 2:19 a.m. state police in Alamogordo requested a wrecker at mile marker 40 on Highway 380. A wrecker responded.
 7:35 a.m. a caller requested an officer to deliver an emergency message, a family member was very ill, to a subject in Capitán. The responding deputy found no one at home, so he left a card with a message to contact the sheriff's office.
 9:29 a.m. a 911 caller reported an accident at mile marker 28 on Highway 82 involving a semi and vehicle. State police were notified.
 10:01 a.m. a caller requested a wrecker at a Carrizozo business to give a ride to the vehicle which broke down about six miles out of town. A wrecker responded.
 10:12 a.m. a fire fighter reported an accident without injuries, involving a vehicle and deer, at Alto lake on Highway 48. When the deputy arrived, the vehicle was gone, and the deputy put down the injured deer. After contacting the

Department of Game and Fish, the fire fighter was given permission to remove the deer.

10:15 a.m. state police requested a deputy to make a welfare check of an individual at a construction area who was attempting suicide. A deputy responded, but later dispatch was advised that the subject showed up in the Clayton area and all was okay.

10:31 a.m. a caller reported people target practicing in village limits. Capitán police responded.

10:57 a.m. a 911 caller reported an accident without injuries at the Eagle Creek ball fields. A vehicle which rolled away struck an individual, who was not hurt. A deputy responded to make a report.

11:12 a.m. a caller reported a residential burglary in the ATO area. A deputy responded.

A wrecker was requested 30 miles west of Carrizozo on Highway 380 where a vehicle had a broken fan belt. A wrecker responded.

12:55 p.m. a caller reported criminal damage to property on B Ave., rocks were thrown through windows. Carrizozo police responded.

1:36 p.m. a caller reported a power line was down and sparking on 12th Street. Carrizozo police responded, and the electric company was at the scene at 2:08 p.m.

A caller reported an abandoned vehicle at a business for several days. A deputy responded, and advised that the owner wanted the vehicle towed. A wrecker was notified.

4:26 p.m. a 911 caller reported a structure fire about five blocks south of Highway 70 in the Ruidoso Downs area. Ruidoso Downs Fire Department was notified.

5:47 p.m. Carrizozo police requested assistance with an altercation involving juveniles at Carrizozo School. Two Carrizozo officers and two deputies responded.

7:30 p.m. a 911 caller reported domestic violence at a location on Gavilan Canyon. A man and woman were apparently fighting. The woman attempted to leave a truck three times and each time the man dragged her back in. The vehicle was last seen proceeding down Gavilan Canyon Road toward Ruidoso. Ruidoso police were notified.

6:31 p.m. a 911 caller reported dogs killing livestock in Cedar Creek area. His neighbor's two pit bulls and another dog were loose and it sounded like they were killing the other neighbor's pig belly pig. At 7:01 p.m. the owner of the pig called Ruidoso police and requested a deputy take a report. A deputy responded.

7:53 p.m. a caller reported an accident involving a car and deer about 20 miles east of Ruidoso Downs on Highway 70. State police were notified.

LEGALS

PUBLIC NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that the Lincoln County Agriculture and Rural Affairs Committee will hold PUBLIC HEARINGS to consider the Final Draft of the Comprehensive Land Use Plan. Meetings will be held at 7:00 p.m. in the following locations:
 * August 11, 1997 - Corona Senior Citizens Center
 * August 12 - Hondo School Cafeteria
 * August 14 - Ruidoso Downs Senior Citizens Center
 * August 18 - County Commission Meeting Room-Carrizozo
 * August 19 - Capitán Senior Citizens Center.
 A copy of the Draft Comprehensive Land Use Plan will be available for viewing at the above locations five days before the hearing. Auxiliary aides are available upon request for citizens with disabilities. Please contact Martha Guevara at 648-2385 at least 48 hours in advance of the meetings to make any necessary arrangements.
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tfn/July 24

YARD SALE: July 25-26, Friday and Saturday, 17th St. (next to C'zoza Orchard). Lots of stuff, 10:00 to 3:00.
1tp/July 24

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1tc/July 24

NOTICE OF EMPLOYMENT
The Town of Carrizozo is seeking applications for a full time New Mexico Certified Police Officer or eligible to be certified by waiver. \$7.00 to \$7.50 per hour. Uniform allowance and benefits. Must reside in Carrizozo. Complete job description and applications available at the Town of Carrizozo City Hall, P.O. Box 247, Carrizozo, New Mexico 88301. Phone 505-648-2371. Applications will be accepted until 4:00 p.m. on August 1, 1997.
/s/ CAROL SCHLARB, CMC/AEE Town Clerk/Treasurer Town of Carrizozo
2tc/July 24 & 31

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EMPLOYMENT NOTICE
Lincoln County is now accepting applications for a full-time Deputy Treasurer in the Treasurer's Office, Carrizozo, New Mexico. Obtain application and job description at the Lincoln County Manager's Office or by calling (505) 648-2385. Deadline for receipt of application is 5:00 P.M. on August 8, 1997. Lincoln County, Equal Opportunity Employer and in Compliance with ADA, Title II-A.
1tc/July 24

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tfn/June 12

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2tp/July 24 & 31

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5tc/July 3-July 31



FORT STANTON FIRE DEPT. won second place in the Smokey Bear Parade. The department trucks were "manned" by the women inmates at Fort Stanton.



CAPTAN MUSIC GROUP entertains at the first Capitán Music Festival on July 4. The group was made up of professional musicians, and musicians who just love to play. The free festival was well attended and was an addition to the many events held in Capitán on July 4.

Carrizozo May Need

(Continued from Page 1)
municipal code on driving with a suspended or revoked license. The New Mexico State Ordinance for a person driving with a suspended or revoked license is stricter than the ordinance that Carrizozo currently has. Meeks said that the town ordinance needs to be as strict as the state's.
Trustees gave approval of New Mexico Environmental Department Special Appropriation Project No. 96-33-GF Town of Carrizozo Water Filter Plant. This allows Carrizozo to receive \$50,000 to upgrade the water filtration plant holding tanks. It is not necessary for Carrizozo to match funds. The board also approved Resolution 1997-08 designating town representative as grant representative for Project No 96-33-GF. The representatives will be Kuhnelt and town clerk Carol Schlarb.
The trustees were to have approved quotes for the golf course well repairs. The quotes were unavailable so this item was tabled until the August 12 meeting. Kuhnelt said she would have these figures available for the board then.
Speed enforcement at Birch and Aspen Streets was discussed. Carrizozo Chief of Police Duane Vinson said he had talked to the individuals, whose names he has received, and has not had any complaints since then. The trustees asked Vinson to talk to town foreman Faustino Gallegos about putting a stop sign at 14th and Aspen. They asked that Vinson and Gallegos see if there are other areas where it is felt there may be a need for stop signs and report back to the trustees.
Projected reserves for the 1997-1998 fiscal year were earmarked by the trustees. Funds were earmarked for city hall, the swimming pool, and streets that do not qualify for CDBG grants.
The next Town of Carrizozo Board of Trustees meeting is scheduled for August 12 at 6 p.m.

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'Wedding Anniversary'

by Kathryn Fambrough

Harvey and Kathryn Fambrough, of Hagerman, will celebrate their 64th Wedding Anniversary on July 25. Children will all come to help celebrate the occasion, also some grands and possibly some greats.

It all started on July 25, 1933, during the peak of the depression. I came to Ancho in January 1933, met Harvey Fambrough and we were married on July 25 of the same year.

Harve had built a surface bank for the Sowder Ranch near Ancho, with a Fresno and a team of mules. He was happy to get that job, which paid him \$125.00, and that was enough for us to make the trip to Roswell, buy a new saddle and get married! It seems like a very little money now, but in those days a little money went a long way. We did not worry about how we would make it financially, we just believed we could — and we did.

My mother had a 1930 Chevy Coupe, and although it was not an old car, it had many things wrong with it. The tires were bad, so a long while was wired to the passenger side to be used in the place of a jack, in case of a flat, and then, flats came often on our trips. Not an inch of pavement in southern New Mexico. The brakes were bad so it was difficult to stop. Anyway, we took Mom's car to Roswell to be married (100 miles each way).

We made it fine to our destination and even through the marriage ceremony, although our plans were slightly altered. We had planned to get our license in Roswell, then drive back to Lincoln for the wedding. We failed to take into account that the wedding

had to be performed in the same county where the license was obtained. So in bewilderment we were married by the Justice of Peace, right there in that big old court house in Roswell. I thought it looked like the White House! When we left, I didn't feel very married, since no one was there to throw rice nor to wish us happiness. There was no celebration and no chance to get into our pretty clothes, just bought there in Roswell.

We shopped before going for our marriage license, trying to gather enough courage to go through with it. I got a pretty, street length white dress with red buttons down the back, and a beautiful lacy, straw white picture hat with a wide taffeta, red and white polka dot ribbon around the crown, with a big bow and streamers in back. I was proud of my new clothes, but I never got to wear them.

All our new clothes and the saddle were secured in the trunk of the car. We had bought "22" shells for my younger brother, for hunting rabbits. They were in the seat of the car, with other items we had bought for gifts for other family members. Trips to Roswell were very rare.

We started toward Lincoln, where other members of the family awaited our return. They had been making preparation for the wedding. After things turned out as they did in Roswell, we decided to tell the folks we were not married yet, and there would be another trip necessary before we could get the license, so wedding plans were put on hold. Actually, we did have to leave the license with the J.P. for recording,

then the marriage certificate would be mailed to us.

It was late in the day when we arrived back in Lincoln, to the home where we would spend the night. This was our wedding night and we were fully aware of the custom of "chivarees" for newly-weds. So we played it cool and told the folks that we would have to make more plans.

Mrs. Purcella, (mother-in-law of Harve's younger brother, Harry) was planning beds for everyone. Since she had more people than beds, she paired off married couples, then put the single ladies in one bedroom and the single men in another. Of course, they thought I was single so I was to share a bed with Harry's wife, and Harve was to share the bed with his brother. This arrangement did not bother us nearly as much as the thought of a chivaree. Sometimes they got rough with the groom, and the main idea was to keep the newlyweds apart as long as they could.

The next morning, we left for the Fambrough ranch where we were to live for a time. We were driving through the "gap" in Capitan Mountain laughing and talking about how we had fooled them all, when suddenly, our laughter ceased! Flames were licking out from under the hood. We were horrified, and momentarily couldn't think what in the world to do. We had to make a quick decision, since the flames grew higher and higher, as the gas line fed the fire. I could not jump from the car on my side since the long pole had me entrapped. The brakes would not stop the car, so my new husband shifted gears and slowed the vehicle down, so he could jump first, then I could follow. I jumped off-balance and fell into the barrow ditch which was muddy. I was hysterical by this time.

We were both running

about, trying to find loose dirt to throw on the fire, but there was none. The recent rains had washed every grain of loose dirt down the mountain side, and the road was merely hardened adobe. In desperation Harve ran to the trunk, opened it and retrieved his new saddle and our suitcase. The fire was spreading so fast, he had to leave anything else that was there. I was thankful that my old shoes were in the suitcase. I had put my new white pumps on when in Lincoln, and they were kicked off while I was riding. I didn't have time to locate them before jumping from the car. The flames were fast to spread and we had no doubt that the car would burn until fire reached the gas tank, then explode.

The "22" shells started exploding, boom! bang! pop! I felt badly because my little brother had no way to get more shells, and hunting rabbits was his only recreation.

While the car was still in flame, we saw another car coming down the road. Harve ran to intercept the driver, to find it was a man he knew well (Mr. Floyd Taylor). He was not going our direction, but agreed to take us home, although it was a quite a distance out of his way.

We arrived home and dreaded to tell my mother that she no longer had a car. Such a far away place to live with no transportation, and we felt so badly about that. She accepted the news with thanksgiving that we were both safe. We made a dismal sight — me, all dirty and tear stained. A new rush of tears started when I tried to talk. Harve didn't cry, but I am sure he wanted to.

Later, we learned that the car quit burning before the fire reached the gas tank!! That was a real surprise. Someone came along and found the half-burned car, jacked up the back wheels and removed our two new tires

that had just been put on in Roswell. We thought it would show our appreciation for the use of the car.

Our marriage started with a BANG! We had our share of bad luck, but our

blessings have been many. That was 64 years ago, and we both keep going. We now live in Hagerman. Harve is a native of Lincoln county; born and raised at the foot of Jack's Peak, 10 miles from Ancho.

Principal Hired

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are excused. If there are no excused absences, then a selected committee determines if the student is suspended long-term from class in the high school. In the elementary, students absent more than 10 days will be referred to the Juvenile Probation Office. At the junior high level, students missing more than 10 days are suspended from school, rather than a specific class.

Board members asked if many students abuse the absences. Cogdill said last year there was a small percentage at first, but as the school year wore on students realized there were no consequences for being absent which lead to even more absences. Cogdill said one or two students might come under the sanctions this year, but he hoped the new policy will prevent that.

School superintendent Paula Papponi said the new absence policy will be included in the student handbooks. The school requests parents to review the handbook with their children, and parents must sign a sheet that is returned to school. Cogdill suggested the new principal stress the new policy to students, and board member Lisa Shivers suggested the policy be read during the first assembly when the principal meets the student body.

"Hopefully this policy will make the students more aware and they will come to school and their grades will come up," said Shivers.

In other business, the board:

—Heard Papponi report she, Rosemary Shafer and the architect are to meet with the state Critical Capital Outlay Committee in Hobbs to present their request for funding.

—Approved the adjustment to the 1997-98 budget to replace the tentative ending cash balance from the 1996-97 school year with the actual ending cash balance.

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