

# Juveniles Arrive At Camp Sierra Blanca

by Doris Cherry  
Camp Sierra Blanca (CSB) returned to its roots Wednesday, as the first juvenile offenders arrived to begin a six-month stay at "boot camp." CSB originally was built as a camp for juvenile delinquents. The state eventually converted the camp to a minimum security detention facility for men inmates to alleviate overcrowding at the main

prison. It remained as this until 1986 when the state corrections department moved the minimum security prisoners to a new facility near Las Cruces. CSB was empty for a short while until state corrections brought some minimum security women inmates from the main women's prison in Grants.

When the state moved the men from CSB, the intent was

to convert the camp into a juvenile "boot camp" operated by a private company. The state began a slow process of developing a request for proposals to find a private operator of the camp. The women prisoners were placed at the camp temporarily. Then they were moved up the road to vacant Fort Stanton that the state had unsuccessfully tried to sell, rent or lease.

Now the women prisoners remain at Fort Stanton and the juveniles are arriving at CSB.

Six nonviolent minimum security juvenile male offenders arrived at CSB yesterday morning, August 6, said executive director Scott Willis for the Associate Marine Institutes (AMI). AMI presented the best proposal to the New Mexico Children Youth and

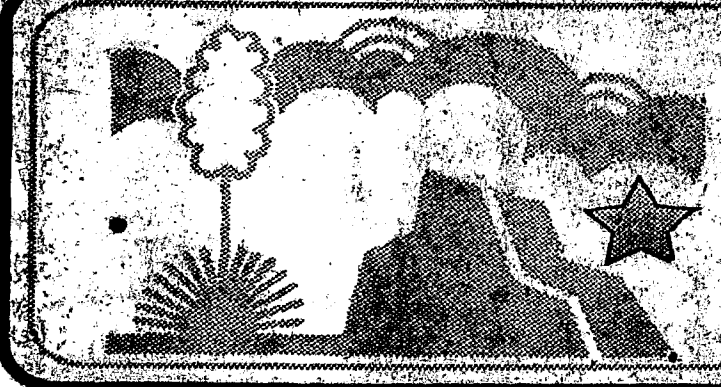
Families Department to operate the camp at CSB, the first of its kind in New Mexico. Willis said six more juveniles arrive next Wednesday, then six more the following Wednesday until they have full enrollment of 50 by the third week of November. The staggered arrivals allow staff to give the juveniles more personalized attention, to orient them slowly to disci-

plines and other procedures before a new group arrives.

Mostly first and second time offenders, the 14-18 year old low-to-minimum security male juveniles will all be from New Mexico, Willis said.

Willis comes to CSB from the Last Chance Ranch in

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## White Oaks Area Residents Request Road Maintenance

by Ruth Hammond  
A group of people living in the White Oaks area are requesting the Lincoln County Commission to have road maintenance on County Road 72 (A040) and (A001). The request is in a letter signed by 27 citizens of White Oaks. Five copies of the letter, one for each county commissioner, addressed to the Lincoln County Commission, were hand delivered to Lincoln County Manager Frank Potter Tuesday and states:

"We, the citizens of White Oaks, need your help in order to have road maintenance done on the above referenced roads.

"A severe problem has existed since 1994 when the water shed was damaged from the Patos Fire. With no serious road maintenance or corrective work done in the past three years, the increased run-off continues to erode the roads. Block Spring Canyon on Road 139 has washed out to where there is only one car width's passage.

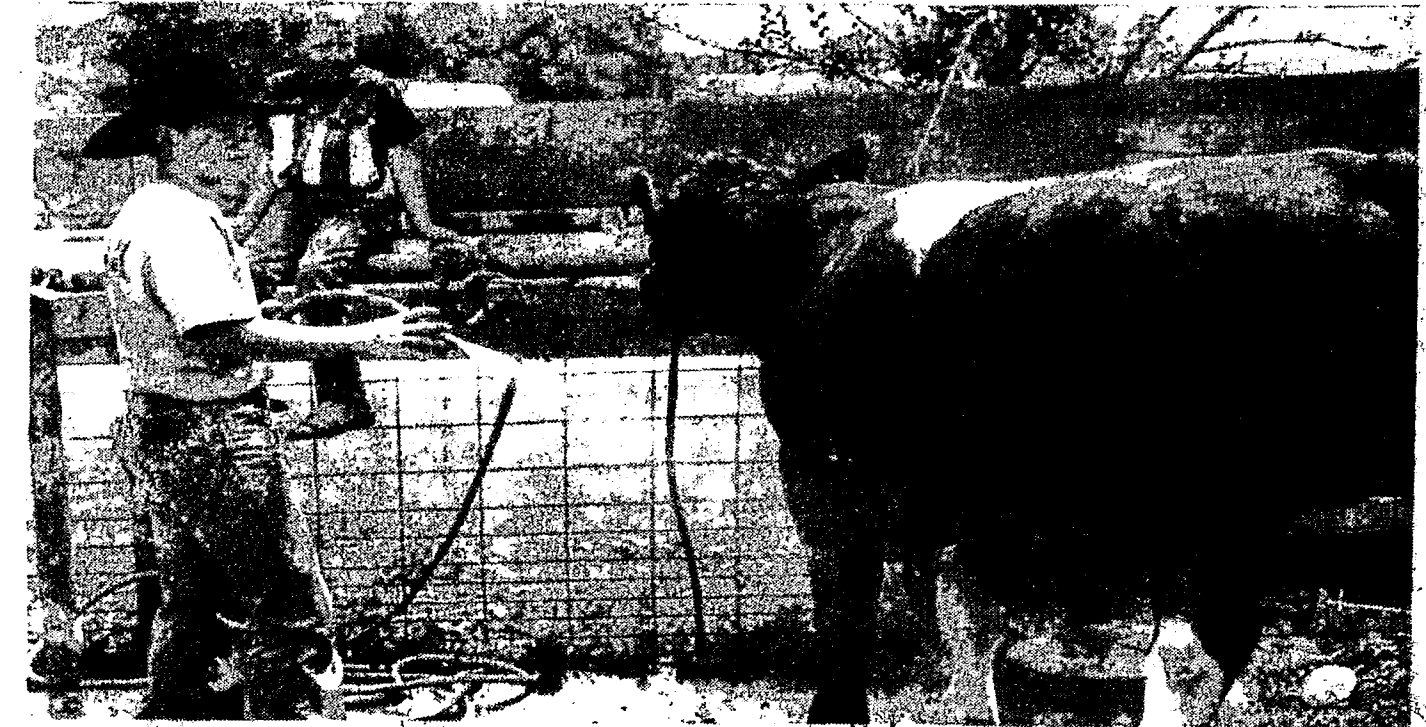
"It is our understanding that this responsibility is a cooperative agreement between the County of Lincoln and the Forest Service, with the Forest Service to furnish materials, and the County to provide equipment and labor.

"As of the first of May, 1997, conversations with Ranger Hawks informed us that he had road funds and diverts for these roads. Ranger Hawks had met with Albert Hernandez, the Lincoln County Road Superintendent, and together, they had selected a site to obtain gravel for the roads.

"Now that sufficient materials are at hand, numerous phone calls have been made to prompt action from the County Manager and the Lincoln County Commissioners, we are asking for immediate assistance."

The letter states that the following services are affected: mail service, access to businesses, ranches, tourists, public access, emergency services, fire and medical, law enforcement, recreation, and employed commuters.

The situation may be discussed by the county commissioners during the August 12 Lincoln County Commission meeting. A request has been made by individuals to have the matter placed on the agenda for that meeting.



**FAIR RITUAL** - Junior livestock exhibitor Court Franklin hoses his medium weight market steer while friend Kendal Wilson watches. Washing livestock is an annual ritual for exhibitors at the Lincoln County Fair in Capitan. The fair began Tuesday and continues through Saturday, August 9. It concludes with the annual junior livestock auction at 1 p.m. (See related article for fair schedule).

## County Land Use Plan Public Hearings Begin

by Doris Cherry  
Beginning August 11, the Lincoln County Agriculture and Rural Affairs Advisory Committee will conduct a series of public hearings on the final draft of the Comprehensive Land Use Plan. All hearings will begin at 7 p.m. On Monday, August 11, the hearing will be held in the Corona Senior Citizens; on Tuesday, August 12 the hearing will be held in the Hondo School Cafeteria; on Thursday, August 14 the hearing will be in the Ruidoso Downs Center Citizens Center; on Monday, August 18, the hearing will be held in the Lincoln County Commissioners room in the courthouse in Carrizozo and the final hearing will be held on Tuesday, August 19 in the Capitan Senior Citizens Center. Copies of the draft Comprehensive Land Use Plan will be available for viewing at the locations five days prior to the hearing. The draft plan is the result of four years of public input and participation by the county Ag and Rural Affairs Advisory Committee. In March 1995, about 8,000 questionnaires were mailed to county residents, and by December 1,758 completed questionnaires were returned. The ag affairs committee then held public hearings to solicit ideas and concerns from county residents about the future of the county. Although those meetings were not well attended, the comments contributed significantly to the goals and policies in the draft land use plan.

## Status Report: Lincoln County Comprehensive Land Use Plan

**Public Notice:** The Lincoln County Agriculture and Rural Affairs Committee has announced that the draft Lincoln County Comprehensive Land Use Plan document will be receiving public input during August at various communities in Lincoln County.

**Background:** Land use planning is an on-going process and is carried out by individuals, like landowners, ranchers, along with government agencies everyday. The Lincoln County Land Use Plan is not intended to usurp these planning efforts, but to coordinate and facilitate ideas and activities that reflect the on-going land use planning efforts of all its citizenry.

**Purpose:** The plan is to provide a direction from the people of Lincoln County to assist private, county, state and federal decision makers involved in private and/or public lands planning and management. It is a guide to protect the private rights in these lands and to protect and enhance the customs and cultures in the county, as well as the economy and tax base necessary for the well being of the people and for the protection of the environment and its resources. Lincoln County is a special place due in part to the ties between water, land and the customs and cultures. The planning process is an effort to protect these

resources and their connections. The plan recognizes that change is inevitable; it does not attempt to keep the status quo nor turn back the hands of the clock. Rather, the plan has identified goals and policies that can provide the direction for coordination and cooperation between the citizens and the county and between the county and the various federal and state agencies involved in land use planning and management. These goals and policies are directed at protecting private property rights (land and water) and customs and cultures; coordination for improv-

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**RALPH AND ROSALIE DUNLAP**, grand marshalls of the Old Lincoln Days parade, held Sunday, August 3, wave for the crowd as they pass the old Lincoln County courthouse. The parade featured lots of horses and riders, and participants of the Last Escape of Billy the Kid folk pageant.

## County Fair This Week

Sounds of clucking chickens, bleating sheep and goats fill the Lincoln County Fairgrounds at Capitan this week, as the Lincoln County Fair is in full swing. Today, Thursday, at 1 p.m. the Cabrito Show features market goats. The poultry show begins at 2 p.m. or 30 minutes after the cabrito show. The exhibit hall is open until 8 p.m. Friday features the Dairy Heifer Show at 10 a.m., followed by the Breeding Cattle Show held one hour after the dairy heifer show. The Steer Show is scheduled for 1 p.m. Everyone is welcome to enter the Pet Show that begins at 8:30 a.m. Saturday. The pet show is open to all species of animals that are not shown in the fair. All pets must be restrained, and unruly pets will not be allowed. Entries for the Pet Show will be taken starting at 7:30 a.m. in the show ring. Another Saturday fair favorite is the Special Lead Class, at 9:30 a.m. in the show ring. The contest is open to Lincoln County boys and girls ages two through nine years in two categories, 2-5 years and 6-9 years old. Exhibitors show at halter a sheep or goat of any age, breed or sex. The junior livestock auction begins at 1 p.m. Saturday in the show ring. The fair wraps up around 3 p.m. when inside exhibits are released. Then it's all over for another year.

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# Snow Play Area Lease Approved

Ruidoso Village Councilors opened the way for a new snow play area at the Eagle Creek Sports Complex when they approved leasing land from the Eagle Creek Intercommunity Water Supply Association.

Last winter Alto area restaurant owner Tom Dorgan approached the council about leasing land at the sports

complex for a winter skating rink and snow play area. Councilors liked Dorgan's proposal to put a skating rink on one of the softball fields during the freezing months, but they could not lease the land for the snow play area because it is on Eagle Creek Water Association property. After several months of negotiating with Eagle Creek Wa-

ter Association, Dorgan returned to Ruidoso council on July 29 to finalize the leases between himself and the village, and the village with Eagle Creek Water Association.

Deputy village manager Alan Briley said Eagle Creek Association could not lease the land outright to the private individual, however it could lease the land to Ruidoso which could sublease the land to Dorgan. In exchange, the village agrees to pay Eagle Creek Association a portion of the rent that represents Eagle Creek's property.

Councilors placed a time limit on the lease, requiring Dorgan to show proof of financing for his proposed snow play area within 60 days. They also required Dorgan to begin construction of the area within one year. The 10-year lease requires Dorgan to pay a basic rental of \$1,000 a year plus 20 percent of receipts from tubing, skating, skate rental, and food and beverage sales after gross revenues exceed \$100,000. Also Dorgan's company agrees to furnish the village separate receipts from the tubing areas, which will be located on the Eagle Creek property, with those revenues going to Eagle Creek Association.

The snow play area will include a ice skating rink, tubing run on the hill beside the ball parks area, a snack bar/grill, skate storage and maintenance area. Dorgan told councilors he hopes to begin work on the area immediately to open by winter.

As the resort community grows, so does its litter problem. Councilors began the process of drafting an ordinance to establish an official Keep Ruidoso Beautiful committee. Ruidoso recently joined the Keep America Beautiful organization which

provides technical support and information on abating litter problems.

In other business, councilors:

—Approved a resolution to accept the fourth quarter budget review for fiscal year 1996-97.

—Approved the preliminary and final plat of Lot 1A, Block 3, mountain View Estates Unit 1.

—Okayed a resolution to begin the process to petition for annexation of 21 acres of county land located next to Lookout Estates, near the forest service fire tower.

—Accepted an agreement with Lincoln County Medical Center and Presbyterian Healthcare Services to provide Emergency Medical Services.

—Approved concept of agreement with state highway department for new street lights along the new stretch of Highway 70. Councilors agreed to be consistent in lighting the new improved highways within the village. In June the council signed agreements with the state highway department for lighting on the proposed improvements on Highway 48 (Mechem Drive).

—Authorized staff to solicit requests for proposals for a consultant to draft and conduct a survey/questionnaire for the village "Visioning" process. The surveys will poll residents about what they see or want for Ruidoso's future.

Councilors also canceled their August 26 meeting, because it conflicts with the New Mexico Municipal League State Conference in Las Cruces.

## Juveniles Arrive

Florida, a camp for moderate risk juvenile offenders ("moderate" meaning the juveniles committed 20-40 felonies). In the four years Willis was executive director, there were no escapes and no recidivism.

Willis has been with AMI for more than 12 years, and has been an executive director for about nine years. CSB is the fourth such program Willis has set up.

"We counsel through reality therapy," Willis said. "We believe hard work is good therapy."

The program emphasizes respect and focuses on academics. The camp will have its own school with certified teachers, counselors and recreation therapist presenting a performance based curriculum seven days a week. Willis said AMI has found the juveniles' academic levels increase as much as three years in six months.

Juveniles will garden and raise animals, and be involved in other vocational instruction. They are expected to prepare and cook food, and to maintain the grounds.

Willis hopes to do community service for the state forestry and U.S. Forest Service on fire issues.

AMI hired 16 of its CSB staff locally, including vocational instructors, counselors, certified teachers. AMI only brought in five site managers. Willis said all the entry level staff have opportunity to move up to managerial positions, if they too work hard and have a desire.

"The juveniles will leave (here) with increased self esteem, a good work ethic and a strong handshake," Willis said.



STATE 4-H RECORD BOOK winner in market beef, Jordan Dixon of Nogal, was recognized at the recent State 4-H Conference at New Mexico State University. He will represent New Mexico at the National 4-H Congress in Memphis, Tenn. this fall. The 4-H and Youth Development Program is part of NMSU's Cooperative Extension Service.

## County Land Use

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dence and acknowledge the limited nature of government as intended by the nation's founding fathers. Furthermore, we affirm that the highest and best use of lands are best made through free markets and by the protection of private property rights, consistent with the cultural, historic and economic interests of the County.

Based on those "cherished traditions" the document declares that all natural resource and environmental decisions affecting Lincoln County shall be guided by the principles of: protecting health, safety and private property rights and interests on private and public lands; protecting local customs and culture; maintaining traditional economic structures through self determination and risk taking; and opening new economic opportunities through reliance on free markets.

The preamble further states that the nature and interest of Lincoln County government land use planning is to enhance the natural resources, protect health, safety and county tax base of its citizens through the protection of private property rights; facilitate a free market economy; and establish formal intergovernmental coordination between Lincoln County and the state and federal governments.

In the lengthy, and somewhat difficult to read, preamble, Dr. Thal states that the rural values of Lincoln County are in grave danger of disappearing due to ever growing and unchecked populations moving into isolated communities and agricultural areas who do not share or value those traits rural people hold. The result "is often a very emotional clash of will, mon-

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### BOOKMOBILE SCHEDULE

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

TUESDAY, AUGUST 12:	
Corona Post Office	12:30-2:30 p.m.
Carrizozo Otero Electric	4-6:30 p.m.
WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 13	
Carrizozo Otero Electric	7:30-8:30 a.m.
Nogal	8:45-10 a.m.
Capitan Smokey Bear Cafe	10:30-12:00 p.m. & 5:30-6:30 p.m.
Fort Stanton	12:10-1:10 p.m.
Lincoln Post Office	2:45-3:30 p.m.
Hondo Store	4-5:00 p.m.

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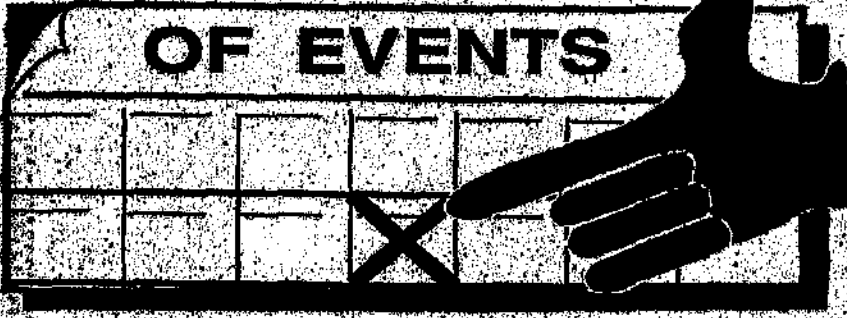
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# Carrizozo Chit Chat

## CALENDAR OF EVENTS



### THURSDAYS

—Alcoholic Anonymous 8 p.m. Carrizozo Senior Citizens Center. Call 648-2313 for information.

### THURSDAY-SATURDAY, AUGUST 7-9

—Lincoln County Fair, Capitan.

### SUNDAY, AUGUST 10

—Music jam session 1-4 p.m. at 321 Lincoln Street in Capitan.

### MONDAY, AUGUST 11

—Lincoln County Ad Hoc Detention Center committee 1 p.m., commissioners meeting room, Lincoln County Courthouse, Carrizozo.

—Capitan Village Trustees public hearing 8:30 p.m. on proposed ordinance to raise elected officials salaries, followed by regular meeting at 7 p.m. village hall.

—Writers Group 7 p.m. downstairs Carrizozo Masonic Building.

—Lincoln County Ag and Rural Affairs public hearing on draft Comprehensive Land Use plan 7 p.m. Corona Senior Center.

### TUESDAY, AUGUST 12

—Ruidoso Annexation Ad Hoc Committee 9 a.m. village hall.

—Lincoln County Commissioners meeting 9 a.m. commissioners conference room, courthouse in Carrizozo. Public hearings at 11 a.m. for beer and wine license and at 1 p.m. for subdivision regulation changes.

—Lincoln County Lodgers Tax Committee 10 a.m. Circle B Campground, Highway 70, east of Ruidoso Downs.

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

—Lincoln County Adult Singles 6:30 p.m. K-Bob's in Ruidoso.

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

—Ad and Rural Affairs public hearing on Land Use Plan at 7 p.m. Hondo School Cafeteria.

### WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 13

—Ruidoso Library Board 12 noon convention center.

—Eagle Creek Intercommunity Water Supply Association 6:30 p.m. Capitan Village Hall.

—Carrizozo Lodge #41 AR&AM 7:30 p.m.

### THURSDAY, AUGUST 14

—Carrizozo Lodger's Tax Advisory Board 1 p.m. city hall.

—Ruidoso Arts Commission 4 p.m. village hall.

—Third Annual Rancho de Torres Mass 6 p.m. at the Aldaz Ranch west of Lincoln. Meet at Sacred Heart Catholic Church in Carrizozo to caravan to location.

—Capitan Board of Education 6 p.m. board room, school administration building.

—Lincoln County Democratic Party 7 p.m. Jack and Chuck Johnson home in Capitan. Turn at balloons about one mile south of the state highway "Capitan" historic sign on Highway 48.

—Comprehensive Land Use Plan public hearing 7 p.m. Ruidoso Downs Senior Center.

### School Registration

Carrizozo School registration for all students, K-12, will be held Thursday, August 14 and Friday, August 15 from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. School starts Tuesday, Aug. 18.

### Little League Winners

Carrizozo Little League season ended last month with the playoffs. Winners received trophies following the barbecue July 26.

Winners were: 1. King's Crushers, sponsored by King's Food Mart; 2. Sturges Diablos, sponsored by Sturges Venture Market; and 3. The Leslie Family Bulldogs, sponsored by the Leslie family. Trophies were also presented to the sponsors and the players presented balls to the coaches and assistant coaches.

The most improved award went to Monique Morales. Timothy Barola was named the rookie. Johnny Beltran received the award for defenses and Anthony Beltran received the award for offense.

Leslie Samora thanked the coaches and assistant coaches who volunteered their time, patience and energy, the umpires, the Carrizozo Volunteer Fire Department for wetting the field and burning the weeds, all the parents who contributed food and helped with the clean up day, and all the workers who planned events, worked concessions, sold signs, chalked and lined the field, the school, city hall, sponsors and others for all their help.

After the trophy presentation and pictures were taken for THE NEWS the swimming pool was open for the group.

### School Pizza Social

A pizza social will be held



### Rancho De Torres Mass

The third annual Rancho De Torres Mass will be celebrated Thursday, August 14 at 6 p.m. at the Aldaz ranch followed by a potluck dinner. The public is invited to attend this special event that celebrates the history of faith in Lincoln County. The Mass will feature the Sacred Heart Choir of Sacred Heart Catholic Church in Capitan. The Rancho de Torres Church, with its cemetery, can be seen along Highway 380 west of Lincoln. This is the site of one of the oldest churches in Lincoln County. For directions to the Aldaz ranch meet at Sacred Heart Church, Capitan at 5:30 p.m.

### White Oaks Historical Officers

The annual meeting and election of officers of the White Oaks Historical Association was held at the White Oaks School House July 25.

The following officers were elected during the business meeting: president Bessie Faye Leslie reelected, vice president Pat Cooper, secretary Inez Ballinger, treasurer Mrs. Robert Leslie.

The Board of directors have done a superb job in maintenance of the old school house to keep it in good condition including a new painted roof and porch with steps.

The school house will continue to be open on Saturdays and Sundays through September, weather permitting, according to Mr. Robert Leslie who conducts tours. You can

at the Carrizozo School cafeteria Thursday, Aug. 14 from 4 p.m. to 6 p.m. Parents and students are invited to attend and meet the new principal and coaches.

### In the Service

Air Force Airman Max L. Miller has graduated from basic military training at Lackland Air Force Base, San Antonio, TX. He is the son of Glen E. Miller of Carrizozo.

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

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# THOUGHTS

From the Editor's Desk

## Exhibition government?

By Ruth Hammond

Professional football may have the right idea. They begin with a series of exhibition games before the regular season starts. The exhibition games give them a chance to play but the games don't count towards anything. The players and coaches have time to study what will or won't work on the playing field. These exhibition games give them the opportunity to try their different game plans, hopefully to find which ones work best.

Maybe government should be run the way the professional football league does business. If our elected officials had a set period of time to try and run government before they take office it would give them the opportunity to try different methods of enacting laws. They could try and run government the same way business is run, with one person making all the decisions instead of following established rules. They could sign treaties and pacts without the approval of the other governmental branches, and they could demand that their orders be obeyed.

If our elected officials had a set period of time to try and run government before they take office they would have time to appoint several different people for the same position and by the time they are sworn in would know which person would be best. Actually they would know which person was most willing to follow directives made by the elected official and not ask any questions as to whether the directives were harmful or helpful.

When the professional football league begins their exhibition season there is the danger that players could get hurt because they aren't playing touch football. The players don't grab a flag from the opposing team's rear pocket, they actually try to tackle the ball carrier. Contact football helps condition the players for the regular season but there is the danger of being injured.

If our elected officials had a set period of time to try and run government before they take office, they wouldn't take the chance of getting injured but it would help keep the general public from being hurt by the decisions being made by the elected official. If our elected officials had a similar exhibition time trying to run government, the people would benefit most. We wouldn't have to watch as our friends and neighbors lost their jobs and had to move away from the homes of their choice. We wouldn't have to watch as retarded and elderly people were thrust from their homes and sent to places where they received less than adequate care. We wouldn't have to watch these terrible things happen because this would only be a "pretend" or exhibition of how the government could be run instead of how it is now being run.

The professional football league has set aside a definite length of time for the exhibition games. The coaches know their game plans must be finalized by the time the regular season begins. They probably won't try their secret plays during exhibition games but they can try similar situations that will help them know if their plans will work. The coaches can watch to see if the line will hold and protect the quarterback or if players need to be moved from one position to another for the best strategy.

If our elected officials had a set period of time to try and run government before they take office it would save taxpayer money because no actual money could be spent. No actual business would be conducted because it would all be an exhibition of what the elected official could do instead of actually doing it. No actual decisions would be made but the suggested, or "play" decisions would help us know in advance what this elected official was planning to do, and whether the public would be injured.

The idea of government being run the way the professional football league does business would never work, but we do know of one elected official who has been playing at running the government, and it has been quite an interesting exhibition.

Run government like football?

## Summer Rains Help Shorten Fire Season

Heavy rains during June, a month usually known for its dryness, virtually eliminated the 1997 summer fire season.

August is here and monsoon type rains have flooded lowlands and high peaks, filling reservoirs and dirt stock tanks throughout the county.

With the extra rain comes high grass and shrub growth. When this growth dies back in the fall, after the first frosts, it could become fuel for wildfires.

New Mexico State Forestry Division, with its regional office in Capitan, reports this season has been "real slow" as compared to the last two to three years.

"The slow season has given us time to work on other projects," said fire officer Bill Rogge. Other projects are educational in nature, and include public relations articles about the local volunteer fire departments which cooperate with state and federal fire agencies and work with the local forest health groups.

This year's state forestry booth at the state fair will highlight areas in New Mexico that have urban/forest interface with high probability for catastrophic fire.

There have been some small fires this summer in Lincoln County, all caused by lightning.

Lightning the first week of June started two small fires. On June 1, lightning hit a snag near Muskeg Road off Cedar Creek. Bonito Fire Department responded to the call and kept the fire to less than half an acre.

On June 3 lightning started a fire in the lower Eagle Creek area. Bonito Fire and U.S. Forest Service responded to that strike and kept the fire to one acre.

There were no fire calls from June 3 until June 30,

when lightning again struck Lincoln County. A strike near Carrizozo burned less than 1/10th of an acre before it went out. Carrizozo Fire Department responded. Another fire started by lightning west of Highway 54, north of Carrizozo. White Oaks and Carrizozo Fire Departments both responded and kept the fire to three quarters of an acre. Two strikes were reported in Hondo, but stayed at a minimum due to the rain.

July, typically the wet month, was untypically dry and hot. On July 2, lightning started a half-acre fire near Carrizozo Golf Course. Again Carrizozo fire department responded.

July 15 lightning started a 35 acre fire on the Gallacher ranch. White Oaks and Carrizozo Fire Depts. again responded.

July 19, the Justus Fire started with lightning. Located in the far northeast corner of Lincoln County, that fire consumed more than 300 acres of grassland before it was put out by crews from State Forestry, Corona and Capitan Fire Departments and Vaughn Fire Department.

On July 24 lightning started a fire in the Fort Stanton area that charred only one and a half acres before crews from Fort Stanton Fire Department and the U.S. Forest Service extinguished the flames. On July 28, lightning hit south of Capitan, starting a pile of slash on fire. The property owner, who was set to do a control burn on another pile of slash, decided to let the lightning caused fire to burn, and leave the other pile until later.

Rogge said there were a lot of false alarms during June. While there were lots of light-

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## Inside The Capitol

by Jay Miller

**SANTA FE** — Attention all candidates in the 2nd Congressional District. If you haven't cranked up your campaign yet, you are months behind.

While attention has focused on the 3rd Congressional District, where it was a given that the 1998 race would start the day after the May special election, U.S. Rep. Joe Skeen and former state Rep. Shirley Baca, last November's general election opponents, have been organizing since the beginning of the year.

In early March, Skeen announced he has Parkinson's disease, but that it won't affect his ability to function as a congressman — and that he will seek re-election in 1998. Ten days later he mailed a fundraising letter to his supporters urging them to help him retain New Mexico's seniority on the House Appropriations Committee, where he chairs the Agriculture Subcommittee and is a member of the Interior and National Security subcommittees.

It isn't hard to figure that all three subcommittees are vital to New Mexico. In Washington parlance, Skeen is an "appropriation cardinal." Neither he nor Sen. Pete Domenici use that term back home to describe themselves because it would sound cavalier, but in Capitol Hill circles they wield power.

Baca never quit running for the House after losing to Skeen last November. She is in the race until she wins, she tells me, however long that takes. Baca says when she went to U.S. Rep. Bill Richardson two years ago for campaign help, Richardson's first question was whether she was committed to running more than once.

Richardson saw running again as the secret to beating an incumbent. He ran twice before winning his seat and so did his successor Bill Redmond. Both ran against incumbents in their first race, and because of foresight and luck, both had an open seat for which to run the second time.

Baca isn't expecting an open seat on her second run because Rep. Skeen is running hard, but she does see encouraging signs. The district is changing, she says. Mid-decade census figures show it now is a majority-minority district, with 46 percent of its makeup being Hispanic.

It is the most Hispanic congressional district in the country represented by an Anglo. It is the second most Hispanic district in the nation held by the GOP. And it is now

the most Hispanic district in New Mexico.

There are other promising signs for Baca. In 1996 the district was one of the few in the nation where the incumbent GOP congressman faced a primary challenge, while his Democratic challenger avoided one. Last year Skeen beat back Republican Greg Sowards, who is reported to be considering another run. Other Republicans may be doing the same.

Baca not only didn't have primary opposition in '96, she didn't have to fend off a Green while battling Skeen. Two years earlier Green Rex Johnson took 5 percent of the vote when Skeen was opposed by Democrat Ben Chavez.

It didn't hurt Baca that her campaign press secretary last year was Patricia Wolff, who had polled 12 percent of the vote as a Green candidate in the '94 land commissioner race.

Another positive sign for Baca is that as a result of giving Skeen his closest race ever, she already is picking up support from major groups

that ignored her last year. Skeen pulled in almost five times the political action committee money as Baca in '96, but Baca will close that gap this year and next. PACs like challengers who have run strongly before and so do political parties.

Baca says she has visited each of the 17 counties in her district at least twice since the beginning of the year. In the April Democratic precinct meetings, Baca says her organization captured about two-thirds of the county party structures. She hopes that will discourage other Democrats from jumping into the race.

But it may not. Baca's strong performance last year may serve as an enticement to other Democrats to try their luck. She hopes to raise \$100,000 by the end of this year to scare 'em away.

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### Status Report...

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ing forest and rangelands; priorities for wildlife management, enhancement of mining; and environmental health and services (such as water, waste, roads and fire protection).

The usefulness of the plan is in supporting and fostering the on-going cooperation between the citizens and the county. Also, once in-place, the plan requires that federal and state planning and actions in Lincoln County must coordinate with the county to ensure consistency with the county plan; moreover, ensure that their actions do not adversely impact property rights and or customs and cultures of Lincoln County. The plan outlines strategies and the organizational framework for supporting and enhancing on-going coordination and cooperation.

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**Spaceport Progress**  
U.S. Senator Pete Domenici announced the quest for a commercial spaceport in New Mexico advanced on the federal level. The U.S. Department of Transportation has granted a "notice of availability" to the state for its application for a commercial spaceport. This is the first major hurdle of the New Mexico Office of Space Commercialization and to clear to proceed with plans for a reusable space launch facility, or spaceport, in southern New Mexico.

**NMSU Award For Powell**  
The Fabian Garcia Founders Award of Excellence was awarded to New Mexico Commissioner of Public Lands Ray Powell Jr. July 25 in Las Cruces. The award is given by New Mexico State University's College of Agriculture and Home Economics in memory of its most celebrated graduate. Garcia was a member of NMSU's first graduating class in 1894. He was director of the university's ag experiment station from 1913 to 1945.

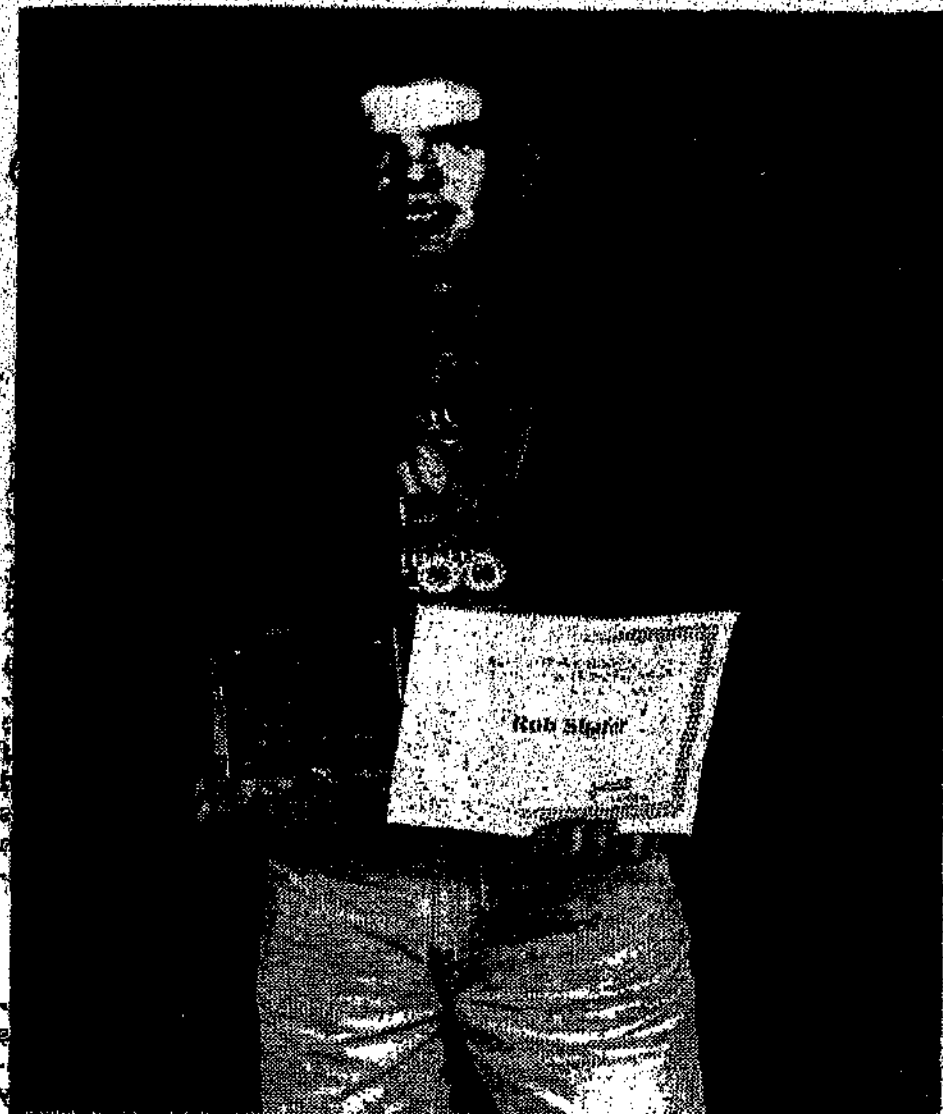
**Free Tax Workshop**  
Small business tax workshops which cover basic federal and state tax information are being offered at the Albuquerque IRS office. These free workshops will offer presentations from Immigration & Naturalization, NM Taxation & Revenue Dept., Service Corps of Retired Executives, NM Dept. of Labor, Social Security, Administrative Services, Workers Comp. Admin., NM Society of certified public accountants and the Internal Revenue Service. The one and one-half day workshops will begin Thursday, Aug. 21 from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. and continue Thursday, Aug. 28 from 8 a.m. to 12 noon. The workshops will be repeated Sept. 18 & 25, and Oct. 16 & 17. For information call 505-837-5515.

**Disaster Loans**  
Businesses depending on farmers and ranchers in Lincoln County and 13 other New Mexico counties can now apply for low interest economic injury disaster loans from the U.S. Small Business Administration. These loans are available to help businesses meet normal operating expenses that cannot be met due to the effects of a disaster. A snow storm, ice, freezing temperatures, high winds, and driving rain which occurred April 24 and 25, 1997 caused many farmers and ranchers to experience reduced incomes which may have had an adverse economic effect on businesses depending upon these producers. For more information call 1-800-368-6303. The deadline for filing is March 9, 1998. Farmers and ranchers are not eligible for this loan program but may be eligible for disaster assistance through other federal agencies.

**Jason Martel Completes Basic**  
Navy Seaman Jason D. Martel, son of Mary R. Martel of Alto, recently completed U.S. Navy basic training at Recruit Training Command, Great Lakes, Ill.

**Boys And Girls Ranch**  
Representatives from New Mexico Boys and Girls Ranches, Inc. will attend the Lincoln County Fair in Capitan Aug. 9 to accept donations of any 4-H or FFA livestock. They will provide transportation for any donated animals and answer questions about Ranch operations.





**STATE 4-H CONFERENCE CONTEST WINNER:** Robert Shafer of Carrizozo won high point individual in the wool judging contest at the State 4-H Conference at New Mexico State University in July. The 4-H and Youth Development Program is part of NMSU's Cooperative Extension Program.

**NEWS AROUND LINCOLN COUNTY**

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Call him at 648-2521 for information.

The White Oaks School House Museum annual attendance report from July 20, 1996 to July 20, 1997: 2,269 visitors with 39 states represented and 13 foreign countries represented.

State represented were Alabama, Arkansas, Arizona, California, Colorado, Washington D.C., Delaware, Indiana, Iowa, Idaho, Illinois, Florida, Georgia, Kansas, Louisiana, Maine, Maryland, Michigan, Missouri, Minnesota, Mississippi, North Carolina, New Hampshire, New Jersey, New Mexico, Nevada, New York, Pennsylvania, Oklahoma, Ohio, Oregon, South Carolina, South Dakota, Tennessee, Texas, Utah, Virginia, Wisconsin, and Washington.

Foreign countries represented were eight groups from Germany, six groups from England, two groups from Canada, and people from Japan, Tanzania, France, Denmark, New Zealand, Australia, Mexico, Brazil, Italy and Switzerland.

Four groups were from Holloman Air Force Base Youth Center, First Baptist Church in Alamogordo, Boy Scout Troop 117 from Bixby, Oklahoma, Hondo Valley School group, University of New Mexico Continuing Education, Albuquerque Senior Center, and Sun Tours of Albuquerque.

Attendance in 1996-97 was 2,140 with 41 states represented and 9 foreign countries. Attendance in 1994-95 was 1,891 with 37 states represented and 12 foreign countries. Attendance in 1993-94 was 1,590 with 41 states represented and 12 foreign countries.

**Capitan Chamber Meeting**  
The Capitan Chamber of Commerce met August 4. The Lincoln County Sheriff's Posse has been approached by the chamber to take over the Smokey Bear Stampede parade next summer.

It was learned that a movie

will be made in the Capitan area between early October and the middle of November. The movie will include scenes at the Smokey Bear Motel.

It was felt that the chamber of commerce building on Second Street is too small to house the Head Start program in Capitan.

Chamber members were told that Dr. Ed Harmon is now operating the "old iron mine" north of Capitan.

Play bingo on Thursday night at 7 p.m. at the chamber building on Second Street.

**Successful Lincoln Days**  
Rains continued through last week, but eased up over the weekend, making the Old Lincoln Days one of the most successful yet.

The Lincoln County Sheriff's Posse trail ride participants were part of the Old Lincoln Days Parade Sunday. Lincoln County Sheriff's Deputies assisted with traffic control for the annual event.

**Learn About And Join 4-H**  
4-H wants to establish a club in Ruidoso. 4-H Expo Saturday will be held August 16 outside Wal-Mart in Ruidoso from 9:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. 4-H members and leaders will show the benefits of the organization by displaying completed projects and scrapbooks. Lincoln County Home Economist Betty McCreight will be present to answer questions. Anyone interested in knowing more about 4-H is invited to attend. 4-H is a youth organization that teaches leadership, teamwork, character, community involvement and skills such as gardening, baking, rocketry and woodworking. For more information call the county extension office at 648-2311.

**Capitan Library Birthday Party**  
The Capitan Public Library's first birthday party will be held Saturday, Aug. 16 from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the library, 106 S. Lincoln in Capitan. Everyone attending will be invited to sign the birthday card. Refreshments will be served and door prizes will be awarded. The library is open Tuesday through Friday from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

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# CAPTAN NOTES



**JOHN BAILEY OF CAPITAN** (center) was inducted into New Mexico State University's Sam Steel Society on May 16 by Miley Gonzalez, associate dean and director of academic programs for the College of Agriculture and Home Economics (left) and Bobby Rankin, animal and range sciences department head. The society honors the memory of Sam Steel, who would have been the university's first graduate had he not been killed just months before his graduation in 1893. Bailey, who received a bachelor's degree in animal science, will be attending Montana State University in the fall. He plans to pursue both a master's degree and doctorate in animal science. (NMSU Agricultural Communications photo by J. Victor Espinoza).

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

Am in my usual state of ennui, defined by Webster as listlessness and dissatisfaction resulting from lack of interest or boredom. And have been giving a wee bit of thought to sending in my resignation, but after attending the wonderful anniversary party for Frankie and Nora Silva last Saturday night and hearing some very nice compliments on this otherwise "dreary column and making threats if I discontinue," thought better of it. And as Jackie Gleason used to say, "And away we go." for another week.

And luck seems to be with me because Janice Herd brought me the news regarding the Corriente CowBelles and the information regarding N.E. Britton and Ralph Dunlap. Thank you Janice. You are a lifesaver in more ways than one. A most special gal in case you readers do not know that.

But back to the wonderful party honoring Frankie and Nora, two most wonderful people. The crowd was tremendous, the food delicious and the entertainment was especially enjoyable.

The highlight for me was when two pretty little ones in the troupe dashed over to our table and plucked two fine gentlemen to dance in the Congo Line. Only hitch was the little girls were just that, little I mean, and the two distinguished gentlemen were none other than six footer Lincoln County Commissioner Schwettmann and Sheriff Sullivan. But both gentlemen were just that, gentlemen, and went with the pretty little girls to the Congo Line. They were especially good sports and we all had a good laugh at their participation.

After the dancing troupe packed up for their departure, the orchestra began and in an instant it seemed the dance floor was covered with couples dancing away. I kept watching for Bill and Roxanne Butts to dance close to our table but they were unaware of anything but their dancing and they were good.

Always good to see Ruby and Tom Trost. Saw so many to wave at, but not too many to visit with. On the way out, did get a chance to visit and hug Leota Pfingsten who I had not seen for a long time. And she is one

of the ladies that warned me about not even thinking about quitting this column. O.K. Leota, you made your point. Will keep on truckin', with the Good Lord's help. Sure was good seeing G you.

The following is a copy of the life's history of one of Capitan's most famous citizens-Nathaniel E. Britton:

The only son of Custer and Lena Britton, Britt was born November 12, 1912 in Erath County, Texas, just north and west of Lingleville. Britt had three sisters, Nina, Lucylee, and Martha and they were raised in a rural setting with farming being the family business.

Britt attended school in Erath County and graduated from high school in Stephenville. In high school he played on championship football and baseball teams. In fact, most of the graduating seniors flunked one class to return for one semester and make another run at a state football championship. However, Willie May Wolfe reported her brother Hugh for this scheme and he was forced to graduate. Hugh was the star running back who later played for the University of Texas and the New York Giants. This was a serious blow to the football team.

The depression years made attending college a very difficult proposition. After working and saving for several years, Britt entered Tarleton College in Stephenville. He completed two years of school and worked for Dr. Vern Scott, a prominent veterinarian in Erath County.

From Tarleton Britt transferred to Texas A&M where

he graduated with a degree in Animal Husbandry in 1938. While at A&M he worked at the sheep barn and roped when he could borrow a horse. After graduation Britt worked for the Chandlers on a ranch near San Angelo, Texas. During this time he courted and then married Deel Pauline Moss, a school teacher from Lingleville on June 7, 1940.

(To be continued next week.)

The Corriente CowBelles held their annual picnic July 28 at the home of Gene and Mary Lou Parker on the Bonita River.

N.E. Britton was named Pioneer Rancher this year for his many years of managing ranches which set the foundation for agriculture today.

And Ralph Dunlap was named Man of the Year for his years of help in educating our youth on the many aspects of agriculture. Hope to get a story on Ralph for next week's edition.

And for this week, will call it a day and try to make the five o'clock post office closing. There is a reason for getting this in today, but that is a secret.

And Happy Birthday to our very special postmaster Mike Currin who made his debut into this ole world on August 6th and the year ain't ary of our business, or is it???

Sayonara and adios for another week. Will have lots of notes from the senior center next week, I think.

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## OBITUARY

### AMANDA LOUISE SCARBOROUGH

Funeral service for Amanda Louise Scarborough, 75, of Ruidoso was August 6 at the First Christian Church with the Rev. Vern Edmondson. Burial followed at Forest Lawn Cemetery.

Mrs. Scarborough died August 2, at Lincoln County Medical Center. She was born January 28, 1922 at Anson, TX. She married Tom Scarborough in August of 1950 and he preceded her in death on January 20, 1992.

She is survived by two sons, T.D. Scarborough and his wife Suzanne of Albuquerque and John L. Scarborough and his wife Kathy of Bend, OR; daughter Sara N. Crispell and her husband Dough of Lexington, SC; eight grandchildren; three brothers, Willis G. Johnson of Ruidoso, Herbert L. Johnson of Dallas, and Forrest D. Johnson of Andrews, TX.



# FORT STANTON FACTS and FICTION

by Betty Lou Jones

Everyone was just a little wore out this Monday morning. Know Tom Carter appreciated the early morning phone call from me asking about some mail. It was delivered along with the other on Sunday so no problem. Hurried down to the post office to ask Jake, the mailman, to take the cancellation stamp back to Lincoln once more for Cherie to use on any letters we didn't get postmarked. When Jake arrived it was bad news. With the UPS strike happening we had many extra packages and much more mail than usual. Being so tired and a Monday morning too, it was a little rough, but close to 1:00 had all the mail up. Mike was there checking out the vending machine, our books, and all the other things that have to be checked on when he has been gone. He will once again be gone for another week of training in Albuquerque. Debra Ingle in and still looks like it is full steam ahead for the new office.

Going to the chiropractor all last week trying to get myself together from a little buckaroo accident, I was busy. Last weekend many of us posse members sold envelopes at the civic center. Monday thru Thursday it was eight full hours of work. Rode only one day and was afraid I wouldn't be in condition to make the ride, but really felt better riding. Two weeks ago while waiting for a ride with one of the ones who were going to mark some of the trails, Silky threw me in the front yard and was too stove up to go on and help with the trails. Got up a little dazed, took all my goodies in the house and then went out to get back on for a minute. He seemed okay and I'm not sure why or what made him throw me, but do know it is sure taking a while to get to where I can bend over.

Disappointed I couldn't help that day — Pat and I took off Friday to see if we could help. Not finding anyone at Fort Stanton or close to Fort Lone Tree, we took off on our own little ride and followed the trail they had marked the day before. As we started to go down a little draw, Dollar would not go. Pat heard a rattle and there was the biggest snake either of us had seen. He tried to kill it with some rocks but it crawled in some brush and then into a hole under a tree. The rattling sounded like a field of locusts. Just wish we could have seen how many rattlers it had. On down the way and through a gate we followed the trail that was marked and easy to find. Curtis Payne, Tom Wolf, the Smiths and Carters really did a great job marking and finding a new route this year, especially for us that had ridden the two years before.

With the mail so heavy at the first of the month and not knowing if Mike would be back, I had been skeptical wondering if I would even try to ride. Thursday afternoon I got off and went home and called Jane Livingston to find out where most of the letters would be. She had all that were picked up from the Ruidoso Chamber, Smokey Bear Restaurant, Roy's Gift Gallery, Capitan Post Office and the La Placita in Lincoln. She and I addressed the envelopes and I finished postmarking the ones not cancelled. She insisted I wear her chapel! Such a help.

Went home and fed the dogs and horses and went around by Carrizozo to White Oaks wondering if any riders would show with all the heavy rains we had been having during the week. Sure enough, a camp was set up at the east end of White Oaks with the

Carters and Smiths cooking hamburgers and hot dogs. Joe was anxious to try out his new trailer with sleeping room.

The riders from Dallas, Albuquerque and Fluvanna had arrived and we enjoyed quizzing them about why and all the things of how they found out about our ride. Helen and Tom Wolf and their visitors also came as well as Marc and Curtis. We all took off for home, knowing that several were still planning to show.

White Oaks was a busy place the week before with the Leslie reunion going on. We went and danced several dances and enjoyed seeing Margie Payton Biggers and Suzy Morris and all the Ladies. We miss seeing Margie so much that it was a treat to visit with her.

The closer it got to Friday, I sure was hoping Robin could handle the mail. A little early on Friday we managed to get most of the mail in the boxes and hurrying home we got the horses saddled and the saddle bags full of film, my quilt blocks, a few late straggling letters, water and we were off to the S-Curve to see what was conspiring. A.D. Powers, chairman, and Tom Wolf were working on setting up the camp for the first night. The clouds were building but didn't look too bad. After talking to these two for a few minutes we decided to go meet the 35 riders that had left White Oaks that morning. As we rode east we saw Johnny Cox and his family feeding their cows and heard the thunder rolling. On up to the old Pat Flatley place and now Tinsleys, we decided not to go on when it started raining. We tied the horses and waited in the little shed for over an hour and a half and then heard the voices as they arrived all wet and glad to be off that steep ride. Several said it was just a little too much and a little too slick for comfort. It is so hard to make it a happy medium. Either it is too far, too short or we travel too fast or too slow.

Other than those fuses it was ideal.

The riders were really wet but glad they hadn't had to deal with lightning or hail. Taking several panoramic shots with the windmill in the background we headed on down the trail to the camp. With the help of Shawn Wilson and Riley Stufflebeam, Freda McSwane and Leon and Jane Livingston, had moved all the vehicles and the camp was ready for the riders to eat the good food of barbecue, cole slaw, biscuits, cake and applesauce and beans. A.D. put enough on each plate to feed a family. They figured they fed close to 100. Mark and Curtis with the help of one of our paid riders made music til around 10:00. Many had left earlier with the long ride they had taken and the wet rain making them tired.

Right after Pat and I left the camp there was a down-pour and A.D. said the whole area was one sheet of water.

Many had to be pulled out of their muddy parking places. As we were leaving to take the horses back to the house, Kersti, Audrey and Jace came by and Tina Ritter gave her a ride on her paint horse called "Slick" — Kersti said, just like all this mud, really "Slick". She sang with Mark and Curtis, played with a little friend she met from Carlsbad and wanted to spend all night there. Promising her she could stay the next night Audrey slipped out of the wet mud and went on home.

Breakfast and a beautiful morning found many of the riders ready for the ride on Saturday. With all the rain and mud they didn't leave as soon as planned and mainly delayed a little so they could get all the rigs out of the mud. One again the vans were ready to bus the driver to the camp site near Honito Corral. While waiting for the riders to return I got some more blocks done with the ground crew making several. A couple from Hobbs, who are our official photographers and dish washers, were some of the ones helping me out.

Across the highway and

(SEE PAGE 10)



**DUANE CILLESSEN OF THE CAPITAN FFA CHAPTER** is the winner of the Home and Community Development Proficiency Award at the 1997 State FFA Convention held on the campus of NMSU in Las Cruces. Presenting the award is Debbie Bond the 1996-97 State FFA Secretary from Carrizozo.



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**August 18 - County Commission Meeting Room /Carrizozo**

**August 19 - Capitan Senior Citizens' Building**

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 648-2985 at least 48 hours in advance of the meeting to make any necessary arrangements.



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**CORONA FESTIVAL 1997.** Corona American Legion leads the annual Corona Festival Parade on July 26. The festival featured class reunions, get togethers and a turkey shoot. Alumni dressed up floats, and themselves, for the parade. Pictured are the Class of 1963, Class of 1957 and 'Lost in the 60s' the Class of 1967. Visitors lined the main street of Corona for the parade, making the Festival and Parade THE event for the tiny village.

Crown CowBelles will meet at 11:30 a.m. Monday, Aug. 11 at La Cocina de Corona. Dr. McKinley, Supt. of Schools will speak on EPSS.

The Cedarvale reunion was proclaimed a success with 132 registering Saturday and others coming Sunday. Hosts for this year were Judge and Billie Hamilton of T or C and Beryl and Dorothy Gustin of Artesia. They were named to host the reunion again in 1999.

Jimmy Bryan of Panama Canal Zone and Jimmy Jr., CPA, of Las Cruces, have been at the ranch for the last two weekends.

Mike Kessler celebrated their wedding anniversary July 31 by undergoing dental surgery. The family then went to T or C for swimming and fishing for a long weekend.

Maryah Romans has been nominated to Who's Who among American High School Students. This honor is based on grade point, school activities and community involvement.

Mildred and Bill Criddle and daughter, Elizabeth, Jumping Branch, West Virginia arrived Monday of last week for a visit with Pauline McCloud and will remain for the Cedarvale reunion. Elizabeth is a 1997 graduate of Huntington College with a major in science.

Michael Sanchez of Fort Sumner spent several days last week here with his father, Tim Sanchez. Then Mr. Sanchez spent the weekend in

Fort Sumner with Michael, and Tim's daughters, Tina Marie and Lisa Ann. The family plans a move to Portales before the start of school.

Mr. and Mrs. Lee Campbell stopped by Saturday to leave a plaque to go on the Stone Burr grist mill they have donated to the Corona Museum. It gives a little of the history of the mill. They were on their way home to Alamogordo from the Cedarvale reunion and were accompanied by a daughter, Fara, who shared her garden produce.

There was a surprise ending to the Cedarvale reunion when at noon Sunday the children and grandchildren of Dorothy and Beryl Gustin appeared with a big cake and flowers in honor of the Gustin's 55th wedding anniversary.

Pete Porter and Helen Minor Porter hosted a Minor family reunion during the festival weekend. In attendance were: Shirley Minor Jennings, Fairbanks, Alaska, Bil-

lie Joe Minor Briggs and family, Wilcox, Arizona, Philip and Sally Minor and family, Joyce Minor Snyder and family, all of Plains, Montana, Juanita Judd of Alamogordo. Johnnie Faye Minor Fulman is now deceased, but her family came from Farmington, Moriarty and Willard.

Some of the Porters here to join in the celebration were: Dorothy Simmons and Linda Greer, Carrizozo; Charles and Clara from Stanley, Luther

and Carol from Springton, Oklahoma, Johnny and Nancy from Tularosa, Vivian Buxton from Roswell, Myrtle Kaiser from Los Chaves, Mark from Albuquerque, Bertha Snodgrass from Bosque Farms, Marie Wilson Porter from Belen, Lorena Mariner from Las Cruces, and Floyd Earl Proctor of Eunice.

The reunion of the class of '57 included fellowship, parade, a time of silence and prayer to honor friends and family members who have died, lunch at the auditorium and extended fellowship.

Classmates in attendance were Jack Allras, Tony Archuleta, Viola Baca Marquez, Bill Bryan, Clifford Bryan, Jimmy Bussey, Teresa Chavez Aragon, Pat Huey, Glenda James Sullivan, James Ed McKibbin, Helen Minor Porter, Paul Otero, Alice Porter Berry, Leslie Sharp, and Charley Wade. Graduates Eddie Knight, Joann Robinson Barley, and Rita Sanchez Garcia were unable to attend.

Many honored guests joined the class of '57 during their reunion. These included family members, friends, and teachers of the class of '57: Dorothy Kerr and Zelfa Atkinson. Of those who were not there we especially remembered Charley Strickland who died years ago and Joann Barley because of the recent death of her mother.

The work of Glenda James Sullivan in producing a commemorative document was much appreciated by all.

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# Sheriff's Report

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

July 27:  
 7:12 a.m. a caller requested animal control for a skunk in a trap. Captain police responded.  
 8:18 a.m. a caller requested search and rescue for a 32 year old man in the Monjeau Trail area. A deputy, state police officer and forest service officer responded and the subject was located at 9:06 a.m. and was okay.  
 9:55 a.m. a caller requested an officer for animal control on B. Ave. Cats were in a trap. But before an officer could respond, the caller advised he had found the owner and released the cat to the owner.  
 12:29 p.m. a forest service officer requested a wrecker in the Bonito Lake area for an out of service pick up. A wrecker responded.  
 12:35 p.m. a caller requested animal control on Gavilan Canyon Road for a wild dog he wanted to trap. The man advised he had called several times for a trap and he was upset.  
 12:53 p.m. a deputy requested a case number for a burglary of a residence.  
 3:37 p.m. state forestry requested an office for criminal damage at the state park in Capitan. Some juveniles had cut trees and branches. Captain police responded.  
 5:37 p.m. a caller reported a

burglary/theft from a residence under construction across from the caller's home. The caller advised that three men took something from the site, and the subject saw him come to look and they fled in a white truck. At 7:07 the responding deputy advised the owners had arrived and nothing was missing.  
 9:49 p.m. a caller reported shots fired near a residence off Highway 246 north of Capitan. A vehicle was seen in the area. A deputy responded but made no contact.  
 10:05 p.m. a caller requested a welfare check on his son at a residence in Carrizozo. Carrizozo police responded and advised all was okay.  
 10:12 p.m. a caller requested an officer for a person locked out of a vehicle at a business. Carrizozo police responded.  
 July 28:  
 9:17 a.m. a caller requested an ambulance at Carrizozo clinic to transfer a patient to LCMC. Carrizozo ambulance responded.  
 9:33 a.m. a caller reported a broken door/damage to the front door at a location on Lake Shore Drive in Alto. A deputy responded.  
 10:09 a.m. a 911 caller reported a fire east of Highway 48. A lightning struck a tree close to a house. Capitan fire department and state forestry responded and advised it was a controlled burn and a lightning strike.  
 10:10 a.m. a caller requested an

ambulance on Trail 19 up South Fork Campground near Bonito Lake for a 42 year old man with a broken leg. Ruidoso Advanced Life Support (RALS) ambulance and Bonito Fire Department Rescue team responded.  
 1:14 p.m. a caller reported property on Canyon Road damaged by livestock. A deputy responded.  
 1:35 p.m. a caller reported a larceny, theft of a purse at a dinner theater in the Alto area. Two men in a blue sports cars were suspected. A deputy responded.  
 3:31 p.m. a 911 caller from a pay phone at Rancho Ruidoso area hung up without leaving a message. The second 911 call had screaming and hollering in the background. The responding deputy found no one at the phone and advised it was unfounded.  
 5:07 p.m. a 911 caller requested an ambulance for an unattended death. The caller reported he believed the person was deceased. Two deputies, the Officer of the Medical Investigator (OMI) and Carrizozo ambulance responded. The funeral home staff met the ambulance in Carrizozo.  
 5:10 p.m. a caller reported a larceny of a chain saw from the back of a pick-up truck at a ranch in the Honda area. A deputy responded.  
 5:46 p.m. Sierra Blanca Airport reported smoke from the ski run area or lower Eagle Creek. Bonito Fire Department responded.

5:50 p.m. a caller reported harassment, claiming his neighbor called the cops on him for every little thing, and he wanted to know information on the complaints. Also the neighbor was cursing his children, calling them SOB's. Capitan police responded.  
 6:50 p.m. a caller requested an ambulance in Capitan for a woman with septic shock. Capitan ambulance transported the woman to Lincoln County Medical Center (LCMC) in Ruidoso.  
 8:08 p.m. an unknown woman on a cell-phone reported a field fire about 20 miles north of Carrizozo off Highway 54. Carrizozo fire department was notified, but the call was canceled because it was a controlled burn.  
 9:01 p.m. an EMT requested an ambulance for a man with a possible stroke. Capitan ambulance transported the patient to LCMC.  
 7:42 p.m. a caller reported cattle on Valley View Drive in Palo Verde Slopes, again. A deputy responded and found the brand on the cattle. Dispatch contacted the possible owner who advised he didn't think the cattle were his. The cattle had eaten several apple trees at residences in the area.  
 11:14 p.m. a 911 caller requested an officer at some apartments in Capitan. The caller advised it sounded like someone in the alley was really pissed off. Capitan Police and two deputies responded and met with some kids at a business nearby.  
 4:30 p.m. a Children Youth and Families Department worker requested a deputy to refer an incident to a law enforcement agency, pending investigation. A deputy responded.  
 July 29:  
 An ambulance was requested for a patient transfer from Lincoln to St. Joseph's Hospital in Albuquerque. Capitan ambulance responded.  
 10:25 a.m. a caller reported cruelty to animals at a location in Nogal Canyon. The horses there looked like they were not being fed or cared for. A deputy responded.  
 10:45 a.m. a caller reported a larceny of a motorcycle from a location off Highway 48. A deputy responded.  
 11:22 a.m. a caller reported three head of cattle on private property in Palo Verde Slopes. The livestock inspector was notified.  
 2:56 p.m. a caller reported a dog bite in the Oscuro area. A woman was bitten by a dog in Carrizozo and she was at the health clinic in Carrizozo. A deputy responded, and advised he would turn the incident over to Carrizozo police.  
 3:09 p.m. a fire fighter reported a traffic hazard on Highway 48, at the bottom of Snow Flake Hill. An out of service van was partially in the roadway. Ruidoso police were notified.  
 5:02 p.m. a caller reported an accident on Highway 70 near Riverside. A vehicle hydroplaned off the roadway and there were no injuries. Two deputies responded and state police were notified.  
 5:17 p.m. a caller reported a traffic hazard on the north side of Highway 48 on Angus Hill, rocks were on the roadway. State highway department was notified.  
 6:40 p.m. a 911 caller reported a domestic at an RV park on Highway 380. A man and woman were fighting. Capitan police responded.  
 July 30:  
 1 a.m. Ruidoso Downs police reported livestock in Palo Verde Slopes. Dogs were chasing cattle. State police were notified.  
 9:17 a.m. a campground owner reported dogs running at large with no tags, chasing cars, but weren't mean. A deputy responded.  
 9:40 a.m. a caller reported a dog bit him on the back of the leg, and he needed the dog checked out for shots, etc. The animal control officer responded.  
 5:05 p.m. a caller reported livestock, cattle, on private property in Palo Verde Slopes. The livestock inspector was notified and a deputy responded.  
 6:21 p.m. cattle were reported on Highway 37, south of Nogal. A deputy responded.  
 6:43 p.m. a caller reported kids were playing by the big creek in Capitan. A deputy responded.


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<p><b>First Baptist Church</b>                  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</p>	<p>—CAPITAN—                  Adult Sunday School..... 8:30 am                  Worship Service..... 9:15 am                  Children's Sunday School..... 9:30 am                  Fellowship Time..... 10:15 am                  Adult Sunday School..... 11:00 am                  Choir Practice (Tuesday)..... 7:00 pm                  Fellowship Dinner Every Third Sunday Handmaidens (Ecumenical Women's Group) 1st and 3rd Tuesday..... 8:30 a.m.</p>
<p><b>Carrizozo Community Church (A/G)</b>                  JOHNNIE L. JOHNSON, pastor                  Corner of C Ave. &amp; Thirteenth, 648-2186                  Sunday School..... 10:00 am                  Worship Service..... 11:00 am                  Thursday Bible Study..... 7:00 pm</p>	<p><b>Mountain Ministry Parish, Sierra Blanca Presbytery</b>                  DON &amp; MARJORIE DANIELS, co-pastors 648-2650                  Nogal Presbyterian Church:                  Sunday School..... 10:00 a.m.                  Worship..... 11:00 a.m.                  Ancho Community Presbyterian Church:                  Worship..... 9:00 a.m.                  Sunday School..... 10:00 a.m.                  Corona Presbyterian Church:                  Sunday School..... 10:00 a.m.                  Worship..... 11:00 a.m.                  Adult Bible Study &amp; Youth Fellowship..... Wednesdays 6:00 p.m.</p>
<p><b>Santa Rita Catholic Community</b>                  FR. DAVE BERGS, pastor                  213 Birch, Carrizozo, NM, 648-2853                  SATURDAY:                  Capitan Sacred Heart..... 5:00 pm                  Czozo Santa Rita..... 6:30 pm                  SUNDAY:                  Capitan Sacred Heart..... 9:00 am                  Czozo Santa Rita..... 11:00 am                  Corona St. Theresa..... 4:00 pm</p>	<p><b>Christ Community Fellowship</b>                  ED VINSON, pastor                  514 Smokey Bear Blvd./Capitan Inter-denominational                  Sunday School..... 9:30 a.m.                  Sunday Morning Worship..... 10:30 a.m.</p>
<p><b>Church of Christ</b>                  PAUL WETZEL, minister                  Ave. C at 12th, Carrizozo, NM, 648-2996                  Sunday School..... 10:00 am                  Worship Service..... 11:00 am                  Evening Worship..... 6:00 pm                  Wednesday Bible Study..... 7:00 pm</p>	<p><b>Capitan Church of Christ</b>                  LESLIE EARWOOD, minister                  5th &amp; Lincoln / 336-4827                  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.</p>
<p><b>St. Matthias Episcopal Church</b>                  FR. A. TRIPP, priest                  Corner of E Ave. &amp; Sixth, Carrizozo, NM 1-258-4144                  Holy Eucharist..... 9:30 am Sunday</p>	<p><b>Trinity Southern Baptist Church</b>                  FLOYD GOODLOE, pastor                  Capitan (South on Highway 48) 354-3119                  Sunday School..... 9:45 a.m.                  Morning Worship..... 11:00 a.m.                  AWANA Wednesday..... 8:30 p.m.</p>
<p><b>United Methodist Churches</b>                  BOB BOYD, pastor                  Trinity - Carrizozo                  500 D. Ave., 648-2893/648-2846                  Sunday School (All Ages)..... 10:00 am</p>	

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The Village of Captain 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 87-5, Increase in Elected Officials Salaries. A copy of Ordinance 87-5 is available at Village Hall. Ordinance 87-5 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 Captain  
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**TWELFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT COUNTY OF LINCOLN STATE OF NEW MEXICO**  
No. CV 97-00081

**G.E. CAPITAL MORTGAGE SERVICES, INC.** Plaintiff,  
vs.  
**HEATHER PARKER BRANCH, MILES BRANCH aka MILES BERNARD BRANCH, LISA J. BRANCH, and THE UNKNOWN SPOUSE 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  
**GREETINGS:**

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 Drive, 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 RECORDED OF LINCOLN COUNTY, NEW MEXICO, ON MARCH 25, 1987.**

Unless you enter your appearance in said cause on or before September 12, 1997, judgment by default will be entered against you. Plaintiff's attorneys: **ELIZABETH MASON** 320 Gold Ave., S.W. Albuquerque, New Mexico 87102  
508/243-2323  
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 Lucas Deputy  
97.266  
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**NOTICE**

The Village of Corona is now accepting sealed bids on a 1985 4wd, 1/2 ton Chevrolet Pickup. Bids may be mailed to Village of Corona, P.O. Box 37, Corona, NM 88318 or delivered to the Village of Corona Tuesday through Friday from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Deadline for bids is August 14, 1997 at 5:00 p.m.  
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**TWELFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT COUNTY OF LINCOLN STATE OF NEW MEXICO**  
No. CV 97-141 Div. III

**IN RE THE NAME CHANGE OF RUBY COLLEEN ARMSTRONG,** Petitioner.

**NOTICE OF SETTING**  
The Petitioner has given notice of the 25th day of August, 1997, the matter of the name change of Ruby Colleen Armstrong shall come on for hearing before the Honorable Karen Parsons at the Lincoln County Courthouse, Carrizozo, New Mexico, at the hour of 8:30 a.m.

All persons in opposition shall be heard at that time or their objections shall forever be barred.  
Name of Petitioner's attorney: Patricia S. Orth, 301 Mechem #5, Ruidoso, NM 88345. 505-287-3825.  
Clyde Hall, Calendar Clerk  
Published in the Lincoln County News on August 7 and 14, 1997.

**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 - Captain 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 aids 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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**NOTICE OF MEETING**

Lincoln County Medical Center **COMMUNITY BOARD OF TRUSTEES** will meet on Thursday, August 21, 1997, at 6:00 p.m., in the Hospital Conference Room. The Agenda will be available at the Administrator's Office, on Monday, August 18, 1997.  
Published in the Lincoln County News on August 7 and August 14, 1997.

**MEETING NOTICE**  
Lincoln County Ad Hoc Detention Center Commit-

tee will hold a meeting on Monday, August 11, 1997, beginning at 1:00 p.m. The meeting is open to the public, and will be held at the Lincoln County Courthouse, Commissioners' Meeting Room, in Carrizozo. Agenda is available 24 hours prior to the meeting. Auxiliary aids are available upon request; please contact Martha Guevara at 648-2385 at least 48 hours in advance of the meeting to make any necessary arrangements.

**MARTHA GUEVARA** Assistant County Manager  
Published in the Lincoln County News on August 7, 1997.

**NOTICE TO PUBLIC**

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that the Carrizozo Ledger's Tax Advisory Board will hold their regular scheduled meeting August 14, 1997, at 1:00 p.m., City Hall Conference Room, Carrizozo, New Mexico, 88301.  
**AGENDA WILL BE POSTED IN ACCORDANCE** with Resolution 96-12, Twenty-Four hours prior to meeting date and made available to the public.

**PAT VOSS,** Secretary-Treasurer Carrizozo Ledger's Tax Advisory Board  
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**NOTICE TO PUBLIC**

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that the Governing Body of the Town of Carrizozo will hold their Regular Scheduled Meeting on Tuesday, August 12, 1997 at 6:00 p.m., City Hall Conference Room, Carrizozo, New Mexico 88301.  
**AGENDA WILL BE POSTED** in accordance with Resolution 96-12, Twenty-Four hours prior to meeting date and made available to the public.  
**CAROL BOBKERS** Town Clerk, CMC/AEE Town of Carrizozo  
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**FORT STANTON FACTS and FICTION**

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up by the iron mines we left with about 30 more riders for the second day. Curtis and Jo Smith in the lead. My inspiration for each ride (Lucille Smith) was not along this trip and we surely did miss her. She makes everyone want to try a little harder. We wound around some pretty country, passed "Dog Tank" and when we got to a gate with an old tree by it, I took pictures of each rider to make a postcard. Now into the snake country—we lucked out without seeing a lone. Bob Woodard and his granddaughter closed the gates and on down through some rocky land we ended up at the Fort Lone Tree a little early.

The ground crew was there with arms and food all ready for all the riders to start eating. Thanks to Charlene and Tim for allowing the horses to water at the Fort. York, Mary Dell Jones, Livingstons, Ruth Birdsong, Glen and Carol Benham, Ben and Clarence Leslie, Mrs. Gil-land, Margaret Woodard, and many others were all set with sandwiches, apples, oranges, chips and all kinds of drinks for everyone. When we took off for Fort Stanton they all even serenaded us with "Happy Trails to You"!!

Clouds were once again gathering but not a bit of rain fell on this part of the ride. A little more to the southeast found us in the camp early enough to do a few things before supper time. A.D. and crew had steaks, potato salad, beans, biscuits, homemade ice cream, ginger snaps and drinks for over 100 people. It was close enough to the highway where we could see the traffic that came from the pageant. Many attended this year.

A very impressive award ceremony for the youngest, oldest and new riders was prepared by the officers with Tom Carter "M.C."ing. Gordon Snidow prints, cookbooks, T-shirts, posters and envelopes were handed out for these awards. We still have all of these items if any of you would like to buy some. More good music ended at 10:30 with several heading toward their camp early in the night.

Another beautiful place to take pictures we lined up with Sierra Blanca in the background and headed to Lincoln about 8:00. Another little dif-

ferent route found us in Lincoln about 9:30. As we rode along many of the riders signed my special envelope. This one will be put in the frame with the signed posters. The mail carriers turned in the mail and Cherie accepted it at the post office. I was a little disappointed as I look too long changing into my posse uniform and didn't get to see this part of the ride. On to the end of Lincoln and 12 posse members and several of our new friends rode the parade back up the middle of Lincoln. Many said it was the first time they had been in a parade but had really enjoyed themselves all three days.

Just a little info about a few of the riders. Jack Waters from Ruidoso, who is a chiropractor, rode the first and second day; Mr. Sparks from Carlsbad was a hit with Kersti, as his wife and three year old little girl came along to help him; Teresa Ray and Edith Bunch were both from Tularosa. They both had very good trail horses. Teresa, a retired school teacher, wore bonnets with matching shirts and won over all the other riders with her friendly smile while riding her little mare. Edith works at Bonita as a park ranger and had a beautiful sorrell horse. C.W. Berryman and Fannie Flint were from Fluvanna, TX. He was the one who gave us much enjoyment playing the guitar with Curtis and Marc. Bobbie Fincannon, riding a gray, who has rode many a trail ride at symposiums, on the mule trail rides and other places won Carol Benham over and even got her to get on her horse and have her picture made. Thanks Bobbie! Fran Mayer from Albuquerque was riding a little black Appaloosa. We were all interested in her traveling from Albuquerque in a little 1966 black and white pickup and a blue trailer about the same year model. Everyone stated it probably was the best vehicle in the bunch. Blair and Tom Carter's, two friends from Dallas, Anita and Randy, who were former marines and are lawyers, were very interesting with their Arabian mare and buckskin gelding.

Two more riders were from Corona and sorry I never could remember their names. Helen Wolf's friend was the

other rider who we were really glad to have joined us and another one I never got her name. The members riding from the Lincoln County Sheriff's Posse group were Tom and Blair Carter, Roland and Verla Gaster, Jo Smith, Curtis and Marc Payne and Matt Daniels, Bob and Teresa Woodard, his nephew Ben, Jo Manning, Ted Anderson, Mickey Williams, who rode Joy Slanes' horse (sure wish Joy would have joined us), Gay Harris, our artist and her daughter Marie Stokes, Pat Jones, Tina and Ron Kutter and boys Austin and Michael, Tom Sullivan, and myself. John Downey the horse show was just a little tired too!

Tempers were short and the workers were wore out, but as Ruth Birdsong said at the first night, "As soon as a month goes by we will all be "gung ho" once again. She and I have been through this many times before!! The White Oaks fire department didn't do very good with their breakfast they served the first day, going into the hole but this is one of those things you cannot control when people are running late and hurrying about doing too many things.

Didn't get a count on the envelopes but had many go to different states in the USA, three to overseas, most to the 790 area that is Odessa and Lubbock, Capitan, Nogal and all around New Mexico. California is usually a big state that has several sent to it. Everyone riding received a leather star with their name on it. These were made by Jo Smith and will be a treasure and keepsake for the years to come.

The ground crew who never gets to experience the fun of riding is our group. This was this event so successful! They along with the sponsors and land owners make this ride possible for all of the rest of us. We all say thanks to them!!

After the parade Gay Harris, myself and the Woodards stayed and sold envelopes, posters, and caps, shirts and stamps. Another big thanks to Rosalie and Ralph Dunlap for allowing us to use their altar where it was cool.

Thanks to each and all of you who helped work so long and hard to make this such fun. May God be with you all til we meet again next year!!!



**NOTICE** is hereby given that on July 10, 1997, Alto Lakes Water Corp., P.O. Drawer 750, Alto, NM 88312, filed application No. H-719 or al into H-272-S-5 thru S-8(T) with the STATE ENGINEER for permit to temporarily change location of well and place of use of 50.0 acre-foot of shallow groundwater by ceasing the diversion of said waters from the following shallow wells:

Well No.	Subdivision	Section	Township	Range
H-719	NW¼ SW¼ SE¼	34	10S	13E
H-719-S	NW¼ NW¼ SW¼	34	10S	13E
H-719-S-2	NW¼ NW¼ SW¼	26	10S	13E
H-719-S-3	NE¼ SW¼ NE¼	34	10S	13E
H-719-S-4	NE¼ SW¼ NE¼	34	10S	13E
H-719-S-5	SE¼ SE¼ NE¼	34	10S	13E
H-719-S-6	SE¼ SE¼ NW¼	34	10S	13E
H-719-S-7	NW¼ SE¼ NW¼	34	10S	13E
H-719-S-8	SE¼ NE¼ NW¼	34	10S	13E
H-719-S-9	SE¼ NW¼ NE¼	34	10S	13E
H-719-S-10	SW¼ SW¼ NE¼	25	10S	13E
H-719-S-11	NW¼ NW¼ SE¼	26	10S	13E
H-719-S-12	NE¼ NE¼ NE¼	25	10S	13E
H-719-S-13	NW¼ NE¼ NE¼	25	10S	13E
H-719-S-14	NE¼ NE¼ NE¼	25	10S	13E
H-719-S-15	SW¼ SW¼ SW¼	24	10S	13E
H-719-S-16	SW¼ SE¼ SW¼	35	10S	13E
H-719-S-17	SE¼ SW¼ SE¼	35	10S	13E
H-719-S-18	SW¼ SW¼ SE¼	35	10S	13E
H-719-S-19	SE¼ SE¼ SE¼	35	10S	13E

and ceasing its use for golf course/municipal uses within 2114.0 acres of land located in part of Sections 25, 26, 27, 33, 34, 35, and 36, all in Township 10 South, Range 13 East, N.M.P.M. Applicant proposes to commence the use of the following existing shallow wells:

Well No.	Subdivision	Section	Township	Range
H-272-S-5	NE¼ NW¼ SW¼	14	11S	13E
H-272-S-6	NW¼ NE¼ NE¼	15	11S	13E
H-272-S-7	SW¼ NE¼ SE¼	10	11S	13E
H-272-S-8	SE¼ NW¼ SW¼	14	11S	13E

for the diversion of 50.0 acre-foot of shallow groundwater for golf course and domestic purposes within the SE¼ of Section 10 and the E¼ of Section 15, both in Township 11 South, Range 13 East, N.M.P.M.

This is a temporary application, with all rights to revert to the move-from points of diversion on November 1, 2001.  
Any person, firm or corporation or other entity objecting that the granting of the application will be detrimental to the objector's water right shall have standing to file objections or protests. Any person, firm or corporation or other entity objecting that the granting of the application will be contrary to the conservation of water within the state or detrimental to the public welfare of the state and showing that the objector will be substantially and specifically affected by the granting of the application shall have standing to file objections or protests. Provided, however, that the State of New Mexico or any of its branches, agencies, departments, boards, instrumentalities or institutions, and all political subdivisions of the state and their agencies, instrumentalities and institutions shall have standing to file objections or protests. The objections or protest shall be in writing and shall set forth specific reasons why the application should not be approved and must be filed, in triplicate, with Thomas C. Turney, State Engineer, 1900 W. Second Street, Roswell, New Mexico 88201, not later than ten (10) days after the date of the last publication of this Notice. If no valid objection or protest is filed, the state engineer will evaluate the application for impairment to existing water rights, public welfare of the state and conservation of water within the state.

cc: Santa Fe C/ERR No.: P 067 535 604

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# Sheriff's Report

6:51 p.m. a caller reported possible intimidation of a witness. Her son was a witness in a felony case, and the suspect who was charged had been hanging around the area. A deputy responded.

8:52 p.m. a 911 caller reported an accident without injuries involving a deer on Highway 48 near Alto Lake. The caller was unable to stop for the accident because she would have been rear-ended by two cars and she didn't know if the deer was alive or dead. A deputy responded, state police and New Mexico Dept. of Game and Fish were notified. The deputy advised he went all the way to the convenience store and made no contact with a deer.

8:54 p.m. a caller reported an accident involving a cow at mile marker 1 on Highway 37. There were no injuries. State police, a deputy and a wrecker responded.

8:59 p.m. an unidentified woman reported juveniles blocking the driveway at a business in Capitan and blocking private driveways. A deputy responded and talked to the kids.

9:09 p.m. Socorro state police reported a stranded motorist about five miles out of Carrizozo on Highway 54. A 22 year old woman called on a cell phone that she had a flat tire and no spare. Carrizozo police and a wrecker responded.

10:01 p.m. a deputy requested a locksmith for the owner of a car with keys locked inside across from the old courthouse in Lincoln. A locksmith was notified.

10:09 p.m. a caller reported he was run off the road between Corona and Willard and he wanted to file charges on the white monster truck. State police were notified.

10:09 p.m. a cell phone caller requested a deputy on Highway 54, about mile marker 136 for a vehicle running without lights. The responding deputy advised the vehicle was having alternator problems and he was going to escort it back to Carrizozo where the driver would get a room and fix the car the next day.

10:15 p.m. Carrizozo police advised of a minor accident on a business parking lot near the intersection of Highways 54 and 380. Another Carrizozo officer responded.

10:41 p.m. a 911 caller requested an officer assistance because he needed to talk with a woman at a location on 2nd Street, Carrizozo

two vehicle accident at mile marker 287 on Highway 70. State police, a deputy and Honda ambulance responded.

6:17 p.m. a caller reported a purse stolen at a business in Ruidoso, but the caller lived in the county. A deputy responded.

7:08 p.m. a caller reported an accident without injuries, a one vehicle roll over, at a location one mile east of Highway 246. When the deputy arrived the vehicle had been turned back on its wheels and no report was made at the request of the owner.

8:28 p.m. a deputy advised he was going to execute a warrant on a man involved in a domestic incident that morning. Two other deputies responded to help take the subject into custody.

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police responded. 10:54 p.m. Ruidoso police reported water was over the bridge at Gavilan Canyon near the Mullan league field. The county road department responded.

11:07 p.m. a 911 caller reported a suspicious vehicle and requested an officer to check out the vehicle which kept passing in front of a house in Cedar Creek area. Two deputies responded and advised they made no contact with a vehicle as described by the caller.

2:04 a.m. state police requested assistance in a high speed pursuit from mile marker 84 on Highway 54 headed into Carrizozo. Carrizozo police responded. At 2:15 a.m. dispatch called state police to advise the vehicle was reported turning on Snake Road back to Tuberosa. At 2:28 a.m. someone advised the vehicle was away and possibly went to Round Mountain and the driver would come back out on Highway 70. Carrizozo police and all other units were advised that he was away.

5:45 a.m. state police requested an ambulance at an accident with injuries about five miles north of Corona on Highway 54. Corona ambulance and wrecker and Alamogordo ALS responded to meet Corona ambulance.

7:12 a.m. a caller requested office because she was attempting to locate her husband who had dropped her off at a motel in Carrizozo, then said he would be right back. But he didn't come back. The woman advised her husband had been drinking, but they had not been fighting. The subject returned 9:33 a.m. and all was okay.

8:15 a.m. a 911 caller reported an injured horse near Bonito Lake. The caller was unable to contact the horse's owner.

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2th/July 31 & Aug. 7

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1th/Aug. 7

## Summer Rains Help . . .

(Con't. from P. 4)

ning strikes, all were self-extinguished with heavy rains, or the grass or timber was too wet to burn.

State Forestry officials will be at the next Lincoln County Forest Health Coalition meeting set for 7 p.m. Thursday, August 14 at Texas New Mexico Power Company office on Mechem Drive in Ruidoso. The group plans to form a local emergency planning committee for fire and other forest hazards.

Rogge told THE NEWS that this is a good time for property owners to do controlled burns. He strongly encourages property owners wanting to do burns to contact the Lincoln County Sheriff's Office at 648-2341 in Carrizozo or toll free from other portions of the county at 1-800-687-2419 and advise the dispatcher of the location, time and date the burn will be conducted. He also suggested property owners contact the State Forestry office at 354-2231, and the Smokey Bear Ranger Station of the national forest at 257-4095 to advise them of the burn.

Rogge said property owners with questions about controlled burns should contact the state forestry office.

### HELP WANTED: Bartender and Cook, Outpost Bar and Grill in Carrizozo. Call 648-9994 or 648-2194.

7th/Aug. 7

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2th/Aug. 7 & 14

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### CAPITAN MUNICIPAL SCHOOLS VACANCY ANNOUNCEMENT

POSITIONS: Cafeteria Cook (8.5 hour work day), Cafeteria Dishwasher (8.0 hour work day).  
WORK YEAR: 1997-98 School Year.  
QUALIFICATIONS: High School Diploma or GED, Current TB Test.  
PROCEDURE: Call or write for application. Submit letter of interest, resume and application to Office of the Superintendent, Capitan Municipal Schools, P.O. Box 278, Capitan, NM 88316. Phone: 505-354-2239. Fax: 505-354-2240.  
DEADLINE: Wednesday, August 13, 1997 / 12:00 Noon. A.A.E.O.

The Capitan Public Schools is committed to providing equal educational and employment opportunity regardless of sex, marital or parental status, race, color, religion, age, or national origin. Title IX of the Educational Amendments of 1972, prohibits discrimination on the basis of sex in any educational program or activity receiving Federal financial assistance. Equal educational opportunity and equal employment includes: admission, recruitment, extra-curricular programs and activities, facilities, access to course offerings, counseling and testing, financial assistance, employment, health and insurance services, and athletics.

Responsibility for equal employment and educational opportunity throughout the school district rests with the Superintendent of Schools. All grievances or requests for information should be referred to: Superintendent of Schools, P.O. Box 278, Capitan, NM 88316.

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### RASAK RANCH

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Corona, New Mexico



# Country Land Use . . .

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politics, and power. Most of the rural interests are buried by the overwhelming numbers of urban people pressing against them from behind.

Thal states that urban and rural ideologies are approaching an impasse, with urban people wanting to change what they are so attracted to in conversations. Thal writes that many rural people are concerned about big corporations, and people with big money, are buying up ranches and farms for tax write offs, and many fear the "one world" concept.

"The pain is clear in the faces of the people," Thal writes, "struggling to come to terms with the growth of Lincoln County and the face of a different American; an American suddenly on their doorstep demanding more than they believe they have to give. It is for many of the people in Lincoln County both frightening and unjust."

Once past the poetic preamble, the draft plan is broken down into sections dealing with different issues, suggested goals and policies.

Section Four provides an overview of resource conditions and trends. It describes forest health, lists acreage of public and federal lands, lists revenue derived from agricultural interests and the trend toward revenue based on real estate development and tourism. For example, total gross receipts from the construction industry in 1996 were \$57,515,636, with 2,802 tax returns filed in that industry. In 1990, gross receipts for finance, insurance and real estate totaled some \$9 million. By 1996, more than \$8 million was derived from real estate alone.

The statistics are graphically detailed with pie charts,

that are easily understood.

Subsections in Section four include Wildfire policies, with the pros and cons of prescribed fires; Air Quality that lists prescribed burns/wildfires, automobile and fireplace emissions as the major threat to air quality; Water Quality that receives an entire page and lists mainly the pinon/juniper management programs now underway, and states there is minimal contamination from pesticides and fertilizers and from improper disposal of solid waste; Range Conditions that states effective measures have been taken to restore range land to a point of climax vegetation.

Endangered species are addressed as a subsection in Section Four with Dr. Thal summarizing that the influence of tourism and real estate development have on the natural resources conservation will be increasingly felt by those who rely upon the gathering of natural resources as a means of livelihood.

Predator Control is defined, with statistics from the Animal Damage Control Division of the NM Dept. of Agriculture. Thal summarizes that with the economic shift from agriculture to tourism and real estates, there is increased pressure on local agencies to curtail predator control.

Under Mineral Resources Thal states there were no revenues derived from mining, oil or gas extraction in 1996. However, the Ag and Rural Affairs Committee listed gravel mining as a major mineral resource.

Section Five deals with Goals, Policies and Action Plans for protection of custom and cultures; private property rights; water resources and coordinated planning with federal and state agencies.

Dominant through this section is the theme of protecting private property rights while protecting the custom and cultures of the county. The draft land use plan establishes policies which requires the county to not adopt regulations that destroy private property rights. It urges the county to work closely with the federal agencies by asserting its legal authority under the National Environmental Protection Act to be a joint planner with those federal agencies. It urges the county commission to consider recommendations of the PLUAC in making public land use decisions; it urges the county to take an active role in supporting land disposal decisions which target federal lands that are difficult to manage or are in isolated tracts for sale to the private sector.

Forest and Range Land are addressed in a section that includes issues related to the lands such as local residents finding restricted access to forests for timber and wood heating fuel and not enough community-based forestry businesses so many forest-related jobs and revenues are lost to the county. The section also includes goals, policies and action plans for Forest and Rangelands.

Issues related to agriculture, including concerns about development taking water formerly used for agriculture, and the fear that the youth of the county do not understand or appreciate the value of water, water rights, and agriculture to the culture. Goals, policies and action plans for Agricultural Lands include the goal that Lincoln County is to protect agricultural lands that are predominately rangelands and to promote the continuation of agricultural pursuits by protecting private property rights, relying on self-determination and supporting open market conditions. Action plans include working with Soil and Water

Conservation Districts in planning and developing long-range plans.

Wildlife Resources are outlined in goals, policies and action plans, requiring the county to support sound management of wildlife resources on forest and rangelands to meet the multiple uses by residents and visitors. It specifically states the county should enter into formal agreements with the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service and NM Department of Game and Fish to avoid listing of threatened and endangered species and de-list recovered species, and the county should do everything in its power to prevent the taking of private property rights through implementation of the Endangered Species Act. Another goal is for the county to oppose the introduction or transplant of threatened or endangered species within the boundaries of the county.

Mineral Resources receive similar goals, policies and action plans again stressing private property rights and encouraging open access to public lands for prospecting and exploration to provide incentives for private investment in mining.

The land use plan also lists Environmental Services with issues related to environmental health and disease. Goals require early monitoring and reporting of environmental diseases (such as Hanta Virus, bubonic plague, etc.) to humans, plants and animals.

Water System issues are listed, as are goals and policies on these systems, including coordination and support of the Lincoln County Subdivision ordinance for proper waste water management.

Roads issues, goals and policies require the county to coordinate with state and federal agencies in the planning and development of road maintenance in the county.

Fire Protection issues include upgrading of rural vol-

unteer fire department equipment; better communications between the western side of the county; concerns that residential areas are being constructed in forest lands without adequate fire protection measures; inadequate water resources for fire fighting in most of the county; and concerns about the state fund for fire districts. The goals for the county include support of the rural fire districts, and planning for fire prevention and development of emergency preparedness and evacuation plans in residential areas that are at high risk of wildfires.

The final section deals with the implementation of the Lincoln County Land Use Plan as a guide to land use, environmental and resource planning and management activities in the county. "It is not a typical land use plan with regulatory, or zoning requirements. Regulations to deal with urban growth and development are found elsewhere; most notably in the Lincoln County Subdivision Ordinance and represented by the County Planning Committee. The management of urban growth is vested in the incorporated town and villages as well as spelled out in the Ruidoso/Lincoln County Extraterritorial Zoning Ordinance and the Lincoln Historic Ordinance."

Implementation of the land use plan is to be done to protect the custom, culture and private property rights of the citizens of Lincoln County. The plan states the county will take an active role in coordinating the land use planning activities with other agencies, it will encourage people to take an active role in decisions that will impact the future of Lincoln County and the county will take the lead in establishing vital links between federal, state, regional and private agencies whose actions and policies may impact the future of Lincoln

County. To accomplish this, the county should compile a list of key agencies and appropriate contact people and a copy of the comprehensive land use plan should be mailed to all those agencies.

Implementation responsibilities are given to the county Ag and Rural Affairs Advisory Committee and the PLUAC to monitor federal, state and local governmental compliance with the Comprehensive Land Use Plan and Lincoln County Ordinances; monitor and advise the Lincoln County Commission of impacts of federal, state and local legislation and regulatory actions; monitor takings or potential takings of property rights, or infringements on the custom, culture or economic stability of the county; and report regularly to the Lincoln County Commission on the activities and findings of the committees.

Citizens are highly encouraged to attend any or all of the public hearings to be held in August to make comment or to suggest changes or additions to the draft land use plan.


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