

# County Commissioners Accept 1997 Tax Rates

by Doris Cherry

Lincoln County tax rates overall went down for the 1997 tax year, but higher property values in certain areas, especially Ruidoso and Alto, will result in higher taxes for some county property owners.

Lincoln County Commissioners unanimously accepted the 1997 Certification of Tax Rates during a 10-minute special meeting in

Ruidoso on Tuesday. All commissioners voted for the rates, including Wilton Howell who last month voted against accepting the county's budget.

The tax rates serve as the foundation for the actual tax bill for each property. The tax rates are multiplied times the net taxable value shown on the notice of re-evaluation sent to property owners from the county assessor's

office earlier this year. Lincoln County Treasurer's office prepares the 1997 tax bills based on the tax rates, then mails the tax bills in October. The first half of taxes are due by November 10 and delinquent by December 10.

Information provided by Lincoln County Assessor Patsy Serna shows that the tax rates for residential and non-residential properties actually decreased

from last year.

"Yes rates are all down," Serna told *THE NEWS*. "But in some school districts property owners will see an increase in taxes."

"Properties in the Alto area got raised, some from 50 to 100 percent, to get at the current market value," Serna said.

Overall the net taxable value of all properties in Lincoln county increased from \$339,326,249 in

1996 to \$406,195,662 in 1997, which was due to the state-mandated re-evaluation of properties to current market value. (Taxable value is one-third the actual market value.) In Ruidoso alone, the net taxable value of residential properties in Ruidoso went from \$122,684,823 in 1996 to \$153,839,347 in 1997, which is more than one-third of the total county value.

Taxes on residential properties in Ruidoso school district, but outside of the municipality of Ruidoso, have increased by 30 percent from last year, Serna said. The net taxable value of residential properties in the Ruidoso area increased by 42 percent from last year because of

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### White Oaks Man's Death Tentatively Ruled As Suicide

Law enforcement officers are tentatively calling the death of Luke "Scotty" O'Michaels, 63, of White Oaks, a suicide.

According to Lincoln County Undersheriff Rick Virden, he and deputies Ken Jones and Larry Cearley responded to a report received at 2:34 p.m. Wednesday, September 10, that O'Michaels was dead in his White Oaks home, possibly he was beaten. Virden said he contacted the Ruidoso Major Crime Unit which sent two officers to help investigate the scene and the Office of Medical Investigator which sent OMI Danny Sisson. Officers processed the scene until 9 p.m. but they found no evidence of an altercation, vandalism or theft.

"All evidence found at the scene indicates suicide," Virden told *THE NEWS*. He said all officers involved with the investigation reached consensus that O'Michaels had died from a self-inflicted gun shot. Officers found only one spent bullet from the weapon, and neighbors interviewed indicated that O'Michaels kept the gun loaded with only one bullet.

O'Michaels' body was sent to the OMI in Albuquerque for autopsy to provide official documentation on the cause of O'Michaels' death, but all indications from that office support the officers' conclusion that the death was by suicide, Virden said.

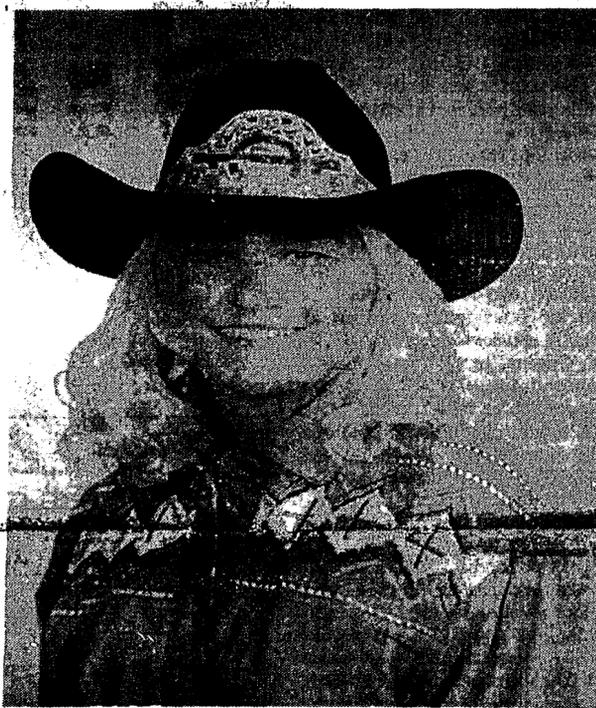
### Maureen Sullivan's Exclusive Interview With Film Director In This (News) Issue

The movie *The Outfitters* will begin filming next month in Lincoln County. The majority of the film will be shot in Carrizozo and Capitan.

The film is a modern day western romantic comedy written by Reverage Anselmo. He is also the director of the film and has owned a home in Capitan for 14 years.

An exclusive interview with Reverage Anselmo is in the Capitan Notes column written by Maureen Sullivan on page 6 of this issue of *THE NEWS*.

Next week Mrs. Sullivan will interview Penny Fearon, producer of the film.



LINCOLN COUNTY FAIR QUEEN COURTNEY MAY will represent Lincoln County at the State Fair Queen Contest this week in Albuquerque. She will compete with 16 other girls. Courtney is the 17 year old daughter of Jimmy and Theresa Clark of Capitan and Ben May of Claremore, OK. She is a senior at Capitan High School where she participates in FFA, National Honor Society, Math Club, C. Club, track and the Capitan High School Rodeo Club.

### Capitan School Count On 20th Day Is 637 Students

by Doris Cherry

Capitan School District is bulging at the seams, with 637 kids enrolled on the 20th day of school.

Capitan Board of Education during its meeting September 11, learned that enrollment this fall exceeded the projected numbers by 30 kids. "We projected 607," said school superintendent Diana Billingsley. Last year the district had 611 students.

"I don't know where they're all coming from, they're in the district, and their families have jobs," Billingsley said. This year, the school board passed a policy to exclude all newly enrolling students who live outside the district, because of the crowding. However, students who live outside the district and who were enrolled in Capitan school last fall or before are allowed to continue at Capitan.

Capitan elementary (grades K-5) has most students, with 279 on the 20th day. Middle school (grades 6-8) has 146 students and the high school has 212. The 637 enrollment does not include students in the special DD program.

Enrollment numbers on the 40th

day of school determine how much money it receives from the state. If the district meets its projected enrollment it will receive all the funding for that projected number. Any number above the projected enrollment is funded later in the school year, after approval by the state legislature.

Extra numbers have created some problems. In the elementary, a large second grade class mandated the district hire another teacher. In the high school, there were numerous scheduling problems. Compounding the problem, high school teacher Nell Davis had to reduce her working day to mornings for medical reasons. High school principal Darrel Stierwalt said he and counselor Gerald Montes are searching for a part-time English teacher to take over Davis' afternoon classes.

As enrollment increases, so does the number of students riding the buses. One of the more crowded routes is the Ruidoso/Alto bus which picks up kids in the southernmost part of the school district. Some of the students

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### Ruidoso Lowers Speed Limit in Mid-Town To 25

by Doris Cherry

Slow down in Ruidoso's mid town, because the speed limit is now 25.

Ruidoso village council approved lowering the speed limit from 30 to 25 miles per hour on Sudderth Drive in mid-town during their meeting Sept. 9. Suggested several months ago by councilor Bill Chance, village deputy manager Alan Briley contacted the state highway department to do a traffic speed survey on Sudderth Drive in the mid town area. The speed study was conducted on March 27, 1997. In August, Briley received the highway department's report which concluded the speed limit needed to be lowered to 25 mph. In addition, the highway department requested the village

develop a plan for a speed-limit enforcement campaign.

Ruidoso police chief Lanny Maddox told councilors it will be an education process and officers will warn motorists, unless it is a "blatant violation, like going 45." Village manager Gary Jackson said the police department has been enforcing the limits. He referred to the police report in the councilor's packets which showed Ruidoso police had issued 1,415 citations so far this year, compared to only 851 this time last year. He said there is a direct correlation to speeding and accidents.

"We will look at this area," Maddox said. "This will be a learned situation with continued enforcement. But Ruidoso will never be a speed trap!"

Maddox said this summer a

pedestrian was hit in the mid-town area where pedestrian and vehicle traffic has been heavy. There are seven crosswalks in the mid town area.

Councilors also approved an ordinance that amends the village traffic ordinance to comply with new laws passed by the state legislature this year. Included in those are stiffer penalties for DWI and DUI, a mandate that DWI offenders participate and complete a screening program and use of prior DWI convictions from anywhere in the U.S. as second or subsequent convictions in New Mexico.

The new laws also require windshields to be unobstructed and equipped with wipers and windows to be transparent; and

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### Carrizozo School Gets \$80,000 To Remodel Library, Clegg Hall

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Carrizozo School Board accepted an \$80,000 appropriation from the New Mexico Public School Capital Outlay Council to renovate and remodel the school library and Clegg Hall.

During its meeting Tuesday, September 16, the school board voted unanimously to accept the appropriation. Now the district must inform the state it has accepted the appropriation, and begin plans for the remodeling. "This is sorely needed," said school superintendent Paula Papponi.

The board also approved a new substitute teacher's policy that reflects the new federal minimum wage.

During the public input portion of the meeting, parent Rose Kratochvil requested a closed session meeting with the board to discuss her concerns about the actions of "one or two" people in the school system. Board president Steve Harkey cautioned Kratochvil that she could not discuss any specific personnel, or student, in an open session of the meeting and he would give her five minutes to speak. "These are general statements," Kratochvil

responded. "These statements are directed to the school board."

Kratochvil also said she was given information about what she could and couldn't say according to the rules in the state Open Meetings Act.

In her written statement, Kratochvil also said she believed the school board has been "grossly misinformed and deliberately uninformed about actions of certain people within the school system. The unethical and illegal actions of these people undermine this entire community's efforts to deal with some long-

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GOVERNOR GARY JOHNSON stopped in Carrizozo Sunday on his annual across the state Trek for Trash. He congratulated several youngsters for helping by picking up these bags of trash. Shown with the governor from left are Monique Morales, Ariel Vallejos and Adrianna Zamora.

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the re-evaluation by the assessor's office which brought the properties to current market value. With the overall higher value of the properties in that area, and the state yield control formula which keeps the state's portion to a five percent increase from last year, the increase is only 30 percent. In dollar terms, that means a residential property with the taxable value of \$11,392 in 1996 that was taxed \$249.03, now has a taxable worth of \$16,386 and taxes of \$323.62.

According to Serna, Ruidoso Downs residential property taxes will increase an average of eight percent. Residential properties in the Capitan School District but out of the village of Capitan went

to \$82,425,347 in taxable value this year, from \$63,750,417 last year. However, with higher valuations, and yield control, the residential property taxes for county properties in Capitan School District went up an average of 17 percent.

Other areas experiencing increases of properties taxes are residential properties within Ruidoso which increased an average of two percent, residential properties in Ruidoso Downs which increased an average of eight percent, and properties within the village of Capitan which increased an average of four percent.

However, values of most properties in Capitan, Ruidoso Downs, Hondo valley and Carrizozo stayed about the same, Serna added.

Tax rates are listed as mills, and actual property tax is determined multiplying the number of mills by each thousand

dollars of net taxable value of the property listed on the notice of re-evaluation sent to all property owners in the spring. For example, if a residential property has a net taxable worth (which is one-third actual market value) of \$1,000, and the tax rates for that location is 19.750 then the property owner would pay \$19.75 in taxes.

Tax rates are determined by many factors. The state debt service for all properties in all areas is 1.347 mills. To that is added the total county operational of 6.520 mills for residential properties, and 10.434 for all non-residential properties. Then comes municipal operation and municipal debt service (to pay off bonds). Ruidoso's debt service and operational for residential properties is 11.939 mills and for non-residential properties is 13.318 mills. Debt service and operation for Ruidoso Downs is 5.759 mills for residential and 7.650 mills for non-residential. Carrizozo's municipal operational and debt service is 9.576 for residential and 10.004 for non-residential. Corona's operational and debt service is 4.425 for residential and non-residential properties. Capitan's operational and debt service is 10.516 for residential and 10.772 for non-residential properties.

School districts contribute their share of tax needs. Ruidoso's operational, debt service and capital improvements (SB 9 or two mill levy) total 7.884 for residential and 8.235 for nonresidential. Carrizozo school operational, debt service and capital improvements total 8.057 for residential and 8.189 for nonresidential. Corona schools operational, debt service and capital improvements total 4.356 for residential and nonresidential properties. Hondo schools operational, debt service and capital improvements total 10.410 for residential and 10.446 for nonresidential. Capitan schools operational, debt service and capital improvements total 4.239 for residential and 4.309 for nonresidential properties.

All properties in the county also are taxed for Lincoln County Medical Center and Carrizozo Health Center. Properties within the Chaves Soil and Water Conservation District are taxed .621 for residential and .698 for non-residential properties. Carrizozo Soil and Water Conservation District rates are .705 for residential and .698 for nonresidential, and the Claunch-Piwo Soil and Water Conservation District rates are .701 for residential and .708 for nonresidential.

Other taxes include millage on properties within the Ruidoso school district to pay for the Ruidoso branch college operational; 13.517 mills on properties in Alpine Valley Sanitation District and 6.745 mills on properties in Sun Valley Sanitation District to pay for the community water systems in those areas.

The 1997 Tax Rates are for properties in:

Ruidoso in Ruidoso School district—residential 31.689 mills, nonresidential 39.188 mills.

Ruidoso Downs, in Ruidoso school district—residential 25.509 mills and nonresidential 33.520 mills.

Ruidoso school district but out of municipality—residential 19.750 and nonresidential 25.870.

Carrizozo, in Carrizozo school district—residential 27.863, nonresidential 33.828.

Carrizozo school district, but out of municipality—residential 18.908 and nonresidential 24.522.

Corona, in Corona district—residential 19.020 and nonresidential 24.425.

Corona school district, but out of municipality—residential 15.216 and nonresidential 20.698.

Hondo school district—residential 21.261, nonresidential 26.779.

Capitan, in Capitan school district—residential 24.985 and nonresidential 30.716.

Capitan school district, but out of municipality—residential 15.090 and nonresidential 20.642.

For more information call the assessor's office at 648-2306.

# Courtney Maynard Is Named All-Tournament At S-Rosa

Coach Joseph Sanchez and his Carrizozo Grizzly varsity volleyball team gained some valuable experience these last two weeks, that will help his team later on in the season.

Carrizozo hosted the Magdalena Steers on Sept. 5 and lost the match in three games. The scores were 8-15, 7-15, and 6-15. Sanchez was pleased with the team effort and saw some improvement in his team in the three-game loss to the Steers. "We were not consistent in our serving, and we didn't do a good job in handling Magdalena's dinks", stated the coach.

The following night, Sept. 6, Carrizozo faced off against Quemado, and played their best match of the season according to coach Sanchez, although Quemado won the match 3 games to 1, scores were 10-15, 10-15, 16-14, and 13-15 in the final game which saw Quemado rally from a 13-8 deficit to end the match. Courtney Maynard had a good game at the net, Amber Vallejos did a good job setting, and Mollie Hightower had a nice game hitting during the match. "We had that fourth game and let it slip away", said Sanchez. "We could have sent the match to a fifth game, but failed to show a killer instinct".

On Thursday, Sept. 11 Carrizozo traveled to and participated in the Santa Rosa Tournament. Thursday's action was spent going through pool play for seedings. The Grizzlies lost to Melrose 4-11 and 11-16; faced

Dora and lost 4-11 and 9-11; lost to Santa Rosa 6-11 and 1-11. On Saturday Carrizozo faced off against a powerful team from Hagerman, and got beat 3-15 and 5-15 — according to coach Sanchez Hagerman is the best team he has seen all season and were "awesome".

Carrizozo then faced off against Santa Rosa and won the match 15-13 and 15-12, which put the Grizzlies in the Consolation Championship against Mora — Mora won the match in three games 4-15, 8-15, and 0-15. Coach Sanchez praised all of his players for their effort during the tournament, especially during the Santa Rosa victory — Nicki Duncan was singled out for her strong serving, Joanie Bingerman for her great hits, Amber Vallejos for her all around play, Melanie Whittaker for her best performance of the year against Santa Rosa, Melissa Nava for the great improvement in her game, Mollie Hightower for having a good tournament throughout, freshman Kayla Hammond for her steady nerves while serving the point winner against Santa Rosa, and finally Courtney Maynard for her all around play which was rewarded by being named to the all-tournament team.

This week's action finds Carrizozo hosting Corona on Thursday (today) at 5:00 p.m., varsity team only. On Saturday both the JV and varsity will host NMMI starting at 1:00 p.m. Mountainair will be here on Thursday, Sept. 25.

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standing problems within the school," she added.

Kratochvil said she had "rock solid evidence" that could be used in court to prove several "civil, criminal and possibly federal charges." She offered packets of information that included copies of letters and audio tapes of meetings, for the board members to read at their own leisure, but Harkey was reluctant to accept the packets.

Kratochvil said she did not really want to take the situation to the courts, but she said the "one or two people need to be held accountable for their actions...A lot of decent people are going to look very bad in the public eye when the school loses the lawsuit," Kratochvil said. "If for any reason, I am unable to convince the board to at least look at what I want to show them, then I will have no other alternative except to file charges against the school...I only want you to take the packet of information I have for each of you home and look at some of the information, at your own leisure. Then if you see fit, give me a half hour closed session with certain people present." She also requested the board ask her questions in the special meeting.

"I'm sorry, sometimes the truth hurts, but in the long run, lies will do a lot more damage," she said finishing her written statement.

Harkey then said her points were well taken, and the board would take it into consideration.

"Why is it so hard to ask questions and say yes we'll look at

it?" she asked of the board. She then demanded to know when Harkey would give her an answer.

Harkey said he could not comment then. "It wouldn't be fair to us or you," he said.

Kratochvil then spoke of a hearsay report about board members saying they were interested in the situation. "But nothing came of it," she added. "Just 15 minutes and I can present the blatant facts."

At that point Papponi stood up, and announced loudly, "As Educational Officer of the Carrizozo School District, I cannot allow this interrogation of the board at this time!"

Then Harkey told Kratochvil that he had given her more than five minutes to speak and closed the subject.

Kratochvil stayed at the meeting until teacher Bryan Wetzel gave a report on the progress of the Power Hour in the middle school. After the report, Kratochvil left the building. The Carrizozo police officer whom both Papponi and Kratochvil had requested to be present at the meeting also left when Kratochvil did.

Wetzel said the Power Hour is working well, but is in a stage of adjustment now because many 6th graders are getting help with writing. Wetzel showed the board the book used during the power hour that encourages students to utilize various subjects in practical ways. "They're getting lots of math now, which they

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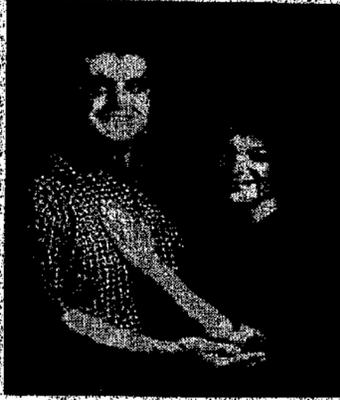
# CALENDAR OF EVENTS

- THURSDAYS**  
 —Alcoholic Anonymous 8 p.m. Carrizozo Senior Citizens Center. Call 648-2313 for information.
- SUNDAYS**  
 —Music jam session 1-4 p.m. 320 Lincoln Street Capitan.
- MONDAYS**  
 —TOPS 5:30 p.m. at Otero Electric office Carrizozo.  
 —Writer's group 7 p.m. downstairs Carrizozo Masonic Building.
- TUESDAYS**  
 —Lincoln County Adult Singles 6:30 p.m. K-Bob's Ruidoso.
- THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 18**  
 —Ruidoso Airport Advisory Board 6:30 p.m. village hall.  
 —Lincoln County Personnel Board grievance hearing 6:30 p.m. commissioners' meeting room, courthouse in Carrizozo.  
 —Cancer Support Group 7-9 p.m. Texas-NM Power Company office in Ruidoso.
- FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 19**  
 —Lincoln County FCE Achievement Day, registration 9 a.m., program 10 a.m. Trinity Baptist Church, Capitan.  
 —Gov. Gary Johnson to speak at the Governor's Business Advisory Council, noon to 4 p.m. Swiss Chalet Inn, Ruidoso.  
 —Lincoln Historic Preservation Board special meeting 7 p.m. Lincoln Volunteer Fire Department building in Lincoln.
- SEPTEMBER 17-23**  
 —Book Fair, Carrizozo School Library, open 8:20 a.m. to 3:20 p.m.
- SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 20**  
 —Carrizozo Masonic Building family cleanup, 9 a.m.  
 —Lincoln County Democratic Party fall fiesta, 1-5 p.m. McTeigue property in Hondo. Follow balloons off Highway 70.
- MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 22**  
 —Special Capitan School Board meeting 6 p.m. board conference room in the administration building.  
 —Special Capitan Trustees meeting to award lease for Smokey Bear Museum, 7 p.m. village hall.
- TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 23**  
 —Lincoln County Republican Women board meeting 10:30 a.m., lunch 11:30 a.m. Cafe Mescalero on Carrizo Canyon Road near Ruidoso. County Commissioner Rex Wilson to speak.  
 —Carrizozo Schools in-session day, students attend class in the morning only, buses run at 12:30 p.m.  
 —Carrizozo Town Council 6 p.m. public hearing on proposed changes to uniform traffic code, town hall.
- WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 24**  
 —Carrizozo FCE club 1 p.m. Otero Electric Co-op Office in Carrizozo.
- THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 25**  
 —Ruidoso CIP Advisory Committee 1:30 p.m. village hall.

# Carrizozo Chit Chat

## Najar Wedding

Raymond Najar and Nancy Uveges will be married Sept. 26 in Fort Lauderdale, Florida. Raymond is a 1993 graduate of Carrizozo High School. He was in the U.S. Marines from August 1993 until August 1997 and is now in construction work in Boca Raton, Florida. Raymond's parents are Albert and Mary Najar and his grandmother is Oralla Najar, all of Carrizozo.



Nancy is a 1990 graduate of Lacy Township High School in New Jersey. She received her BA in psychology from Florida Atlantic University in Boca Raton. She is a property manager. Her parents are Robert and Eileen Cyr of Port Charlotte, Florida.

## Student Art At State Fair

Several Carrizozo school students have their art work on exhibit at the New Mexico State Fair in Albuquerque.

Second grade: Kyle LaBelle, Casey Barala, Kendal Wilson, Erin Hightower, Jude Renney, Sara Comstock, Spur Lovelace, Jarro Lovelace.

Third grade: Krista Padilla, Alex Wallace, Nicole Nava, Jacob Verdugo, Timothy Barala, Stephen Margie, Kaitlyn Vega, Samantha Fortillo, Robert Datchover, Sofia Ramirez.

Fourth grade: Mathew Barala, Savannah Morales, Mary Beth Shivers, Christopher Vega, Nanasha Renney.

Fifth grade: Heather Renney, Cody Craig, Jesse Samora, Nathan Chavez, Brandon Morales, Oran Green, Sonya Vega, Stephanie Brewer.

Sixth grade: Ariel Vallejos, Monique Morales, Bud Clay Hammond.

Seventh grade: Jason Philhower, Trevor Douglas, Ciji Bingerman, Kimberly Vega, Ashlie Samora, Luke Miller, Anthony Beltran, Cheri Sanchez, Tabitha Crisp.

Eighth grade: Brandon Langley, Bianca Baca, Bernice Sambrano, Matt Offutt, Ward Lesley, Nick Huerta, Levi Boble, Robert James.

Ninth grade: Kayla Hammond, Ruby Matthews, Chris Margis.

## 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. Please call Ruth at 648-2333 with your news items.

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## OBITUARY

**PETRA VEGA LOPEZ**

Funeral Mass for Petra Vega Lopez, 85, of Carrizozo was at Santa Rita Catholic Church September 15, with Fr. Dave Bergs officiating. Mrs. Lopez died September 8, at her home. She was born July 1, 1912 at Carrizozo and had lived there all of her life. She was a member of Santa Rita Catholic Church and was a homemaker. She married Florentino Lopez Sr. on April 8, 1931 in Carrizozo. She is survived by her husband Florentino of Carrizozo; son Tino Lopez of La Mesilla, and a daughter Flavia Lueras of Carrizozo; three grandchildren, Liz Lueras, Margaret LaBelle, and James Lueras, and two great grandchildren.

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**THOUGHTS**

From the Editor's Desk

**Gov. Changes Weather?**

By Ruth Hammond

Autumn officially begins Monday, September 22. Usually the first day of autumn is not much different than other days but a cold front from the west is supposed to be pushing in with a force this weekend that could cause us to want to unpack winter clothing and forget the warm weather we have been enjoying.

Cooler days and even colder nights are in the forecast. We can watch as leaves change colors after the first frost. We will need to light our furnaces and winterize our homes. Summer clothing can be packed away as we watch for the first snowbird.

Change is what makes us appreciate the different seasons. We know that we don't have time to get tired of the weather because it will change soon enough. Winter will follow closely behind Autumn. The first snowfall could arrive at any time.

The possibility of snow was probably one thing Governor Gary Johnson was not thinking about when he rode his bicycle through Lincoln County Sunday and Monday. It was exceptionally warm Sunday when he arrived in Carrizozo wearing a safety vest and a yellow and black riding outfit. He was talking to the other two bike riders with him. A highway patrol vehicle followed closely, blinkers flashing. Several people were waiting in their cars at the intersection of Highways 380 and 54 to get a glimpse of the governor as he made his annual Trek for Trash ride.

The governor said there was a lot of trash on Highway 380 just this side of San Antonio and he was considering talking to the highway department about it. He didn't say anything about trash here in Lincoln County, but he had only been in Lincoln County for a few miles. He was pleased that youngsters in this area had helped the trek by picking up several bags of trash.

When the governor left Carrizozo there were four other riders with him and once again they were talking as they rode. We weren't close enough to hear what they were saying and don't know if the governor was talking about the trash alongside the highway or if he was making plans for more state decisions only he would make without the approval of the state legislature.

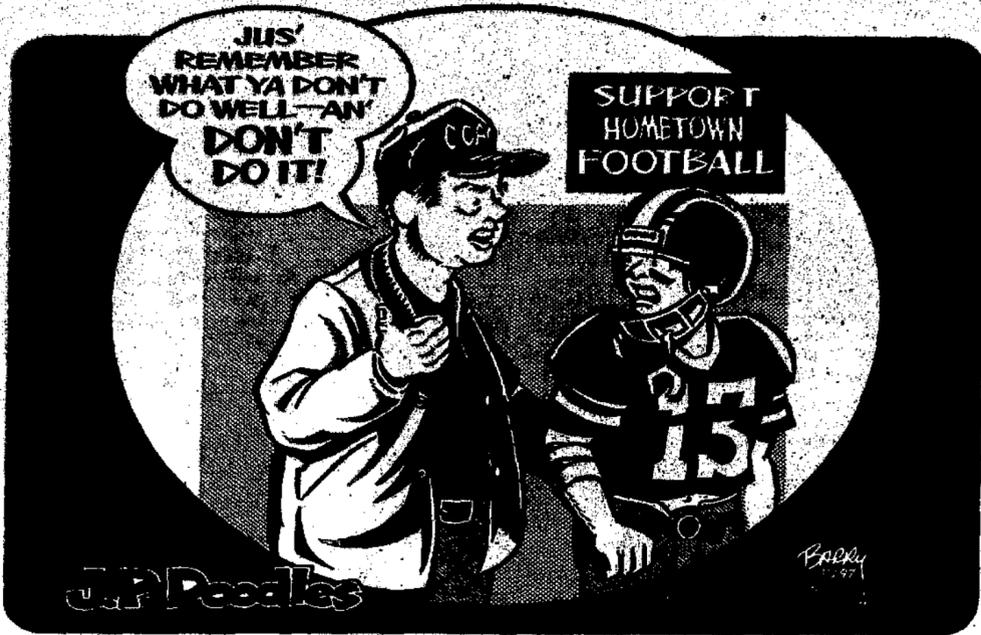
The governor and his Trek for Trash group stopped in Capitan to rest before going on to Lincoln where they stopped for the night. Early Monday morning they began their trip again on their way to Roswell. The trek ended in Hobbs after going through Artesia and Carlsbad. The weather cooperated during the governor's across the state trip by not changing drastically and the governor and the other riders probably appreciated that.

The governor may have a completely different attitude about weather because it is one thing he has no control over and there is no way he can make a decision that will affect it. When the governor causes people to lose their jobs it doesn't affect the weather. When the governor causes people to move away from their homes it doesn't affect the weather. When the governor ignores rulings of higher courts it doesn't affect the weather.

The governor does like the changes in the weather because it gives him the opportunity to be involved in sporting events all year. He can ski, swim, ride bicycles, run, or climb mountains. He doesn't have to wait for one particular season because his athletic interests are for winter, spring, summer and autumn.

Even if the weather was nice last Sunday when the governor was in Lincoln County, the forecast is for a cold front this weekend. Maybe the governor planned it that way. Maybe the governor does have some control over the weather and arranged for it to be nice when he was here and be cold this weekend. We will know for certain tomorrow. The governor will be in Ruidoso tomorrow for a meeting. If the cold front doesn't hit until after the governor leaves it could prove he has more control over the weather than we would have thought was possible. Brrrrrrrrrr!

Does governor control weather?



**Inside The Capitol**

by Jay Miller

**SANTA FE** — What we have here is a lack of PROGRESS. That's the snappy name Gov. Gary Johnson gave his new welfare reform plan. The Legislature's plan was FAIR a dangerous name considering the insults that fly back and forth between Johnson and lawmakers.

To the surprise of the governor, Human Services Secretary Duke Rodriguez, and maybe one or two other people in the state, the New Mexico Supreme Court stopped PROGRESS. We aren't even left with FAIR, the Legislature's watered-down proposal. What we have is AFDC, which doesn't say anything. It's the old system from the days before colleges granted degrees in creative acronyms.

Just as with Indian gaming compacts and across-the-board budget cuts, the state's high court read Johnson the constitution he promised to uphold — the part about separation of powers. But Gary's not a quick learner. He says he won't change. "Regardless of what the court says, I'm bound by my own sense of who I am to do what I think is right." (Read it over a couple of times. It eventually makes sense.)

But it doesn't make sense as far as running a government is concerned. Not when the state constitution, and in this case the federal welfare reform law, mandate cooperation between the executive and legislative branches of government. But that's not the way Gov. Johnson plays the game.

Some attribute Johnson's inability to grasp the separation of powers concept to having been out climbing Sandia Mountain the day when the

subject was covered in his political science major at the University of New Mexico. That theory no longer holds up, because Johnson was present all three times the state Supreme Court ruled on the subject. Likewise with the four federal courts that ruled on the gaming compacts.

No, Gary Johnson has had separation of powers beaten into his head. But that's not who he is, as he puts it. Johnson is a one-man show. He built a successful business while making all the important decisions. He participates only in individual sports, not in team sports. Achievement is a very important word in his personal credo. Teamwork isn't likely to be found even in last place.

Gary Johnson evidently experiences no sense of accomplishment from throwing the block that springs a ball carrier, from sacrificing a runner to second, from passing the ball around until someone gets free, or from setting a pick for the team's hot shooter. We'll never hear him say, "Aw, shucks, I couldn't do it without the rest of the team." It's gimme the ball and get out of my way.

In short, Gary Johnson doesn't work and play well with others.

That's too bad. He's a nice guy and certainly not anti-social. He shows up at as many charity functions as Bruce King did, which is a lot more than any other governor for a long time. But when it comes to running government, he has to be the entire show and that's not the way the founders of our country designed the system. In fact that's exactly what they were trying to get away from. They didn't trust government.

They'd had enough of King George and wanted to make it impossible for our head guy to take action without the approval of a legislative body elected by the people.

Gary Johnson's ideas are good. Public acceptance of PROGRESS is likely very high. Maybe it needs to be

tempered some by the Legislature's kinder, gentler plan that Johnson vetoed before imposing his plan. But for the most part, the people I talk with like what they see. If Gov. Johnson can implement his welfare and Medicaid reform plans, he should and will be given a second term to right some other wrongs.

At federal urging, legislative leaders are requesting the governor's participation in designing an acceptable compromise, but that isn't even an option being considered by King Johnson and his Duke of Welfare Reform. They are looking at appealing to the same federal court system that four times upheld the state Supreme Court on gaming compacts.

**Carrizozo School . . .**

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apply to physical activities," Wetzel said. "This is where the Power Hour really shines, it doesn't give kids instructions, it gives them application."

Afterwards, high school principal Robert Chavez gave a report on the new scoreboards in the gym.

The board then recessed to a lengthy closed session to discuss limited personnel matters and information pertaining to an identifiable student. After the long closed session, the board took no action on the discussions during the closed session.

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**Special Olympians**

New Mexico Special Olympics will host the 1997 state equestrian competition Sept. 19 and 20 in Clovis.

**Carrie Tingley Outreach**

Children with orthopaedic problems can be scheduled for an outreach clinic Friday, Oct. 3 when physicians from Carrie Tingley Hospital at the University of New Mexico Health Science Center will examine patients at the New Mexico School for the visually handicapped in Alamogordo. Call 1-800-472-3235, ext. 5270 for more information and for appointments.

**Motorcycle Comments**

The Bureau of Land Management (BLM), Roswell Resource Area is seeking public comments on the draft recreation area management plan for Haystack Mountain off highway vehicle area. The 30-day comment period began Sept. 3 and will close Oct. 3.

Public comments will assist the BLM in addressing areas of the plan that should be changed or improved. Call 505-627-0203 for more information.

**Inspection Nominations**

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**LETTERS**

**to the editor**

**EDITOR:** It was my first village meeting! I had heard very little of the post office controversy. Not knowing the principles involved; or the real issue at stake, I went anyway. The first citizen to speak was confrontational and condescending. I think his original intent was honorable. A western style post office would have been nice. I can imagine if I had been approached with a petition, I, like so many others, would have signed. So many things in politics are personality driven. Too bad the personalities driving this couldn't have been more genteel. Perhaps we could have contacted the postal authorities and asked if we as a village of community minded volunteers, would be allowed to put the finishing touches on an already completed, functioning building. Even a "warehouse box-style building" could have been given personality, with a little finish work.

I did not speak-up at the meeting, as I am a resident of a little over two years. Those of us that have recently moved here need to remember that it wasn't local architecture, planning and zoning, that drew us here. The charm of this community, is the people.

CAROLYN LEINNEWEBER  
Capitan, New Mexico

**Strong Families Help Build Strong Schools**

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

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

When the formation of this partnership was announced a research report was released documenting the importance of family involvement in learning.

The report points to 30 years of research showing that "greater family involvement in children's learning is a critical link to achieving a

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

The following is a summary of this report.

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

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

Third, limit television view-

ing on a school night to a maximum of two hours even if that means that the remote control may have to disappear on occasion.

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

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

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

Seventh, set a good example and talk directly to your children, especially your teenagers, about the dangers of drugs and alcohol and about the values you want your children to have.

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# Capitan School Count

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...ing that bus live in another district. One of the favorite stops is in the Alto area, because it is the last stop at 7:30 a.m.

But there have been problems caused by the large number of students at the Alto area bus stop, which is at a real estate company. Recently the company sent a letter to Capitan and Ruidoso school districts, informing them they could no longer use the company's parking lot for a bus stop. So the driver and bus contractor wrote parents of students who live in Ruidoso or further out, informing them they would have to be at the bowling alley bus stop on Mechem Drive by 6:45 a.m. and could not bring their children to the Alto stop.

This has caused problems for at least one out of district family. Stephanie Chico asked if anything could be done to allow her to bring her children to the Alto stop, because she is unable to get to the bowling alley stop by 6:45 a.m. Chico said when she called the superintendent about the situation, she was told to be at the bowling alley stop, or transfer her kids. This will be her children's fifth year at Capitan. "I believe this is one of the top schools," Chico said. "My kids have learned a lot from this school. I've never been before the board before, but I feel they're giving me a hard time."

Board president Beverly Calaway suggested a meeting of Chico, Billingsley and bus contractor Frank Silva. Silva said the problem is not of space on the bus, which has 60-65 kids, although not all ride every day. It is the Alto stop where some 20-30 students get on the bus. Last year, the Alto stop was at a convenience store. Silva said, the store "took us out" because some parents were not picking up their kids who were causing problems in the building. So the stop was moved across the highway to the real estate company, which now has informed the district they can no longer use their property for a stop.

Silva, the bus driver John Foglesong, and board members have been looking for a new stop location, but have yet to find a suitable place.

Board member James Hobbs said the problem was not the schools. "The problem is using private property for a bus stop," he said.

Board member Tom Trost told Chico that he understood it was a burden for her to make the 6:45 bus. "But we can't make exceptions," Trost said. "20 other people complied. As soon as we change the route for you, we have to change the route for 20 others." "I'm always there to pick them up," Chico said.

Trost suggested Foglesong also meet with Chico, and Calaway asked the meeting be as soon as possible.

In personnel action, the board accepted the resignation of high school science teacher Sidney Hammonre effective September 29 and change of contract for Davis. Calaway gave a personal thanks to Hammonre for "all her extra special effort. She was an exceptional teacher. It's Capitan's loss," Calaway said. She then directed a letter be drafted thanking Hammonre for all her years of teaching at Capitan. Hammonre has taken a science teaching position at the new Rio Rancho High School.

Billingsley said the science position was very difficult to fill at this time of year. Also she said the district may possibly hire an English teacher for two periods to fill the void caused by Davis' contract change. They have seven applications for the English position. A parent at the meeting, whose child was having

scheduling problems in the high school, asked the board to hire another full time high school teacher.

The board also accepted resignation from instructional aide Elizabeth Boese because the working hours conflict with her college class schedule.

The board approved hiring of Marshal Grahn as second grade teacher, Wypell Kenemore as cafeteria cook, Lisa Aguilar as cafeteria/dishwasher, Sherrl Gowen as technology substitute (who will fill in for teachers who are learning computer at the library) and Lando Baca as junior high football coach. Gowen's position is funded with a technology grant. Baca's position is being paid for by the Football Club.

After the action, second grade teachers Mary Shanks and Laura Jones introduced Grahn to the board and audience. They very much appreciated the third teacher, because of the large class. Now each second grade teacher has about 17 students. "We thank the board as they saw the need in the lower grades," Shanks said. "Smaller class size is essential."

Grahn has three years experience as first grade teacher.



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# CAPITAN NOTES

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

At the moment I am stuck between the Young and the Restless and the Old and the Senseless. Such a busy week I have had should not even be "had" by folks half my age. The past week I have felt a kinship with the Whirling Dervish and have even attempted to make square root out of the circles I have been going in. So much for my confused state of mind and my humble apologies are proffered.

And while I am at it, any and all errors you read in the ensuing paragraphs, I will endeavor to atone for later. It has been a doozy of a week and I do mean doozy. Old ladies half my age are resting comfortably in an easy chair or rocker with no thought or worry other than the call to meals. I envy them, or do I really? Am really most thankful to the Good Lord above for giving me an opportunity and the wherewithal to put these bits of This and That on paper.

I have been hearing wisps of hearsay and news regarding the movie that is to be shot in our area and last Saturday I had the honor of interviewing Revere Anselmo, the producer, and met Penny Fearon of Brooklyn, New York. Revere's address is worldwide so will not endeavor to pin it down for you other than to say he does have a very special place up in the mountains. (You do have to pass the cemetery on the way to the road leading to his encampment and as Agatha Long, my bestest friend at the moment first turned off the main road and headed for the cemetery I became a bit alarmed for I wasn't ready for that place yet. At least I did not think I was. Today after two hectic days, I might not mind. Just kidding.)

And back to Revere Anselmo, the director of the soon to be filmed movie *The Outfitters*. The script was originated and written by Mr. Anselmo and shooting of the film will be in Smokey Bear, the rodeo grounds, and the Rodeo Bar in our immediate locale. And he informed me that we will not recognize the Rodeo Bar when he has finished giving it a complete overhaul. They will begin shooting on October 13, which incidentally is Columbus Day, and the first scene will be in Tularosa followed by scenes in Capitan, Carrizozo and Encinosa, which happens to be the lovely home of Agatha Long. Agatha and Revere have been good friends for over 15 years.

There are some well known actors and actresses coming to Capitan and vicinity to take part in this production: Del Zamora, Eduardo Yanez, Sarahi Lassez, who appeared in a movie with Sean Penn and whose parents live in Magdalena. Revere said they were especially fortunate in getting her for a part. There will be lots of extras needed and tryouts for these lesser parts will be held at the rodeo grounds, so please check with the Village Hall for more particulars regarding this. Dana Delaney is also one of the leading characters and me, myself and I are looking forward to meeting her in person, if it is possible, because she is one of my favorite television actresses.

Revere Anselmo is a most personable young man, handsome enough to be the leading man himself, but most of

all, very, very intelligent and very, very much a man of the world. I had the honor and pleasure of meeting Revere several years ago and I feel most honored that he gave me this interview.

I also met the director of this forthcoming film and she is a delight, so hold your horses and hang onto your sombrero guys, cuz she is a dreamboat "a walkin'". Will have some info on this lovely lady next week and incidentally her name is Penny Fearon. (A penny fer yer thoughts young fellers right now.)

Revere Anselmo is the step-grandson of Ed Morton and his wife of Capitan and in some way is connected family-wise to Frank Warth, our former mayor and his lovely wife Jo. And even though I was informed of the connection, my weary brain did not quite absorb it. There will be follow-ups coming along each week, I hope, and will try to keep you folks posted on the happenings. But for now, we are indeed jubilant that they chose our little city for this honor and we will do our best to make you folks glad that you did also.

Welcome one and welcome all. It looks like Capitan will be havin' a ball!

Phyllis Macaw dropped by last week and said she just wanted to brag a little. She should brag a lot and has good reason. Harold and Phyllis Macaw's oldest son, Gordon Macaw, was recently accepted by the Border Patrol. And for those of you that are not aware of what an honor this is, the Border Patrol is a very tough group to get in with. He is now attending the Border Patrol academy in Charleston, South Carolina and is scheduled to graduate on December 3, 1997. What a wonderful Christmas present for Gordon and a wonderful Christmas present for his fine parents. Thank you Phyllis and Harold for deciding on Capitan for your home and we all welcome you.

I had a most pleasant Sunday accompanying Pat Sullivan, my daughter-in-law, to church Sunday in Lincoln. Just entering the portals always gives me a sense of awe, but this Sunday we had to walk to the back of the church, enter the Sacristy, step upon the beautiful altar, then descend the steps to the place for we common folks. In all my years of mass attendance, I had never done that. The reason we were allowed in such a hallowed place was because the front part of the church's floor was undergoing a make-over. I always enjoy going down there because Lincoln holds such a feeling of "going back in time" that I love. My late husband always said I should have been born in the last century because I hated progress so vehemently. Well folks, I darned near was born in the last century that is. And after the services we were invited to the beautiful and awe inspiring residence of David and Jennie Vigil.

The invitation was to celebrate the baptism of their grandson and my apologies because I have forgotten the name of the precious little boy and the clock is ticking away and this missive must be ready for pick-up in just a few moments. I did try to call the grandparents but received no answer. Anyway, it was a most delightful morning, with the baptismal service, the delicious

rolls and coffee, and the tour of the enchanting home as well as the pleasant conversation with the members of the parish. And all in all it was a most lovely day.

And so for another week, I hope, sayonara and God Bless each of you.

## No More Free Babysitting At Football Games

by Doris Cherry

Capitan Elementary-aged students may no longer attend Capitan football games without an adult.

Recently, Capitan elementary principal Richard Clevenger sent letters to all elementary student parents about a new policy that requires elementary-aged children to be accompanied by an adult at all home football games. Children are being asked to remain in the grandstand area, and will not be allowed to leave the football field area to roam about campus once they've come through the gate. Students will not be allowed to have the impromptu touch football games behind the grandstands.

Clevenger told the Capitan Board of Education at its meeting September 17, that he began the policy because school playground and football equipment was being damaged, and he was concerned a student could get injured. He said that the Monday following the last home game, he found beer bottles on the playground. Clevenger said the problem is mostly with elementary and middle school aged children.

High school principal Darrel Stierwalt said football games have become a babysitting service because parents drop their children off for a game, and often do not pick them up soon after the game is over. He said in

other schools, teachers are hired for crowd control. Stierwalt also said there have been problems enforcing the no tobacco and alcohol policy. "We've found several beer cans by the VotAg shop," Stierwalt said.

School superintendent Diana Billingsley said the district is liable for any injury occurring on the playground or campus, especially where there is no monitoring.

Board member James Hobbs was concerned such a strict policy will drive kids away. "It's one of the great things about this school, kids can play. Don't gun them off (with this policy)," he said.

"We're trying to explain," Clevenger said. "We don't want to drive the kids away."

## OBITUARIES

**MARGE GARNER**  
Funeral service for Marge Garner, 80, of Ruidoso was September 16, at the Episcopal Church of the Holy Mount. Officiating was the Rev. John Penn.

Marge died September 12 at her home. She was born October 17, 1916 at Denver, CO. She was a member of the Episcopal Church of the Holy Mount.

She is survived by her son Ronnie of Ruidoso, a nephew, and several cousins. She was preceded in death by her husband Weldon M. Garner on September 14, 1983.

**GARY DOUGLAS GOWDY**

Services for Gary Douglas Gowdy, 44, of Ruidoso were September 11, at the First Baptist Church of Ruidoso Downs. Officiating was the Rev. Shon A. Wagner and the Rev. David Jordan. Burial followed at Forest Lawn Cemetery in Ruidoso.

Mr. Gowdy died September 7, at Ft. Bayard Medical Center. He was born August 16, 1953 at Pampa, TX and moved to Ruidoso in 1969. He graduated from Ruidoso High School in 1972.

He is survived by his mother, Peggy Gowdy of Ruidoso; two brothers, Terry Gowdy and his wife Patti of Truth or Consequences and Mark Gowdy and his wife Deana of Ruidoso; sister Kim Gowdy and her husband Tim Moore of Woodward, OK; five nephews, and two nieces.

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## Capitan School Plans Meeting On School-To-Work Program

by Doris Cherry

Capitan Board of Education invites the public to participate in a special public meeting at 6 p.m. Monday, September 22 in the board meeting room in the school administration building. The purpose of the special meeting is to discuss how to prepare students for the working world.

During the special meeting the school's Vocational Education Community Advisory Committee, many invited business and community leaders, and the public can discuss how they and Capitan schools can work together to prepare students for careers. They also will discuss the jobs available in our area. Capitan School To Work instructor Jan LaRue will lead the discussion.

During the board of education meeting September 11, school board members also learned about a grant to fund a county-wide "School-To-Careers" program. Gary Cozzens, School to Careers coordinator for Regional 9 Educational Cooperative located out of Ruidoso, explained that the program will partner area community and business leaders with the five school districts in the county. Funding received this year is for planning, Cozzens explained. Over the next three years, the grants will increase in amount.

New Mexico gets \$13.5 million in grants over the next five years to establish the program with \$2 million available this first year, Cozzens said. The grants have three levels; technical assistance, planning with \$20,000 available to Region 9 this year; and \$1.56 million for statewide implementation.

The School to Careers/Work program has three components: school-based, work-based and connecting activities offered at different levels for elementary, middle school and high school.

To test the programs, Cozzens said the New Mexico State Board of Education, at its August meeting in Ruidoso, adopted a "Career Readiness: Competencies with Benchmarks for Kindergarten through 12th grade." The competencies and benchmarks include academic requirements for career readiness, and outline what competencies are expected of students in various grade levels. These are to be infused throughout the school districts' curricula. It follows

guidelines established in the 1994 federal School-To-Work Opportunity Act that requires career information be made available to all students in grades K-12 by infusing it into current curriculum.

Under the state "System for Employability" adopted in 1992, districts already must teach career awareness in grades K-6, career major (skills development and technology preparedness) in grades 11-12 and post secondary. Under the program students must demonstrate their ability to display employability skills of leadership, task analysis, managing change, teamwork, negotiation skills, interpersonal skills, resource management, technology and systems application, work ethics, self-esteem, self-assessment, problem solving, creative thinking, listening/speaking, mathematics competency and career decision making. Students will be required to identify career interests and aptitudes to develop an educational goal to support personal career goals. They also will be required to demonstrate technical knowledge in computer operations or technology needed for the students' chosen career field.

Cozzens said students will be allowed to change their career choice as they learn more about it first hand in the work place.

Now at Capitan high school 16 students are involved in the School-to-Work program.

The School to Careers Program is coordinated with Eastern New Mexico University in Roswell which has its branch in Ruidoso. Dr. Jim Miller with ENMU-Ruidoso, school superintendents Diana Billingsley from Capitan, Mike Gladden from Ruidoso and Paula Papponi from Carrizozo are currently serving on a committee to do a needs assessment for vocational training in the county, Cozzens said. Their hope is to establish a vocational school in the county. "The school boards and school superintendents recognize the need for a vocational school," Cozzens said.

Already ENMU-Ruidoso is in the planning stage of adding vocational classes.

Cozzens asked the board to consider how the program will be sustained after grant funds end, how the school district will

involve business and labor, and how to integrate the program with the Welfare reform.

Cozzens also said only five percent of the grant will go for local administration. "The kids are the recipients of the grant," he said.

Exciting things are in store for Capitan students this fall, as the Spencer Theater for the Performing Arts opens. In October, students in grades 3-8 will be given tours of the theater and treated to special performances of the Velvet Rabbit, said Margaret Lahey, Educational-Community Outreach Coordinator for the Spencer Theater. Students also will be given lessons in theater etiquette, and they will have opportunity to meet with performers.

In December, students will be treated to special performances of Dickens's "A Christmas Carol" and later Amago, a masked ensemble. High school drama classes will be allowed to use the theater at no cost. The Hubbard Foundation is paying for all busing costs, Lahey said.

Next year, the theater plans to begin an apprentice program for seven junior or senior students from the area to work at the theater. The apprentices develop their own curriculum in the mentoring program. Spencer Theater also plans to have master classes for exceptional students in the performing arts.

Spencer Theater benefactors Jackie and Dr. H.N. Spencer said they want to share with the children of the area, Lahey said.

In coordination with the Spencer Theater, the Museum of the Horse is sponsoring a student art month.

Lahey asked if she could have curriculum syllabus to help determine how to fit her educational program into the school's classroom. She also said she would like to hold workshop for drama teachers as well.

In other business, the board:

—Applauded FHA Parliamentary Procedure team members Heather Woodell and Mike Martinez for their team's silver medal at the national FHA leadership conference in San Diego in July. The team won second place out of 51 teams. Martinez and Woodell presented a report on their summer adventure to San Diego—cruising to Baja Mexico, San Diego Zoo—with a well-done computer program. The students thanked the board for its help with their expenses to attend the conference.

—Heard village of Capitan clerk Deborah Cummins and street supervisor Terry Cox request financial help from the school district to purchase gravel for school bus routes. The superintendent was unsure if school money could be used for

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The village cooperating with the Governor's Trek for Trash, organized a little contest, but the FFA was the only organization to respond and help. Those students picked up 45 sacks of trash Sunday and, of course, won the prize. Mrs. Munis picks up from her office to the rail crossing, and was disappointed Monday morning to look out her window, and see more trash.

OHS athletes had a busy last week. The boys won here in football Saturday over Pine Hill 62-57. It was a well matched game with plenty of scoring. The girls volleyball team won here over Vaughn Tuesday, over Hondo here Thursday, lost to Navajo Alamo there Friday, but regained confidence and won over Temple Baptist in Albuquerque Saturday.

Pamela Vickrey has returned to her work as an elementary teacher in the Farmington schools. She spent about 10 days here after her father, Nolan Vickrey, called her to come for what turned out to be his last days. Nolan, 75, was laid to rest Saturday, Sept. 6 at Cedarvale, the community that he had called 'home' all his life. When a younger friend heard of his death she remarked, "Oh he was so sweet to dig so many graves. I wonder who will dig his?" He had many friends whom he was always willing to help, whether to dig a ditch, mow some grass or use his tractor to lift a cow out of a neighbor's storage tank. Nolan attended school in Cedarvale and graduated from Corona High School. At reunions he liked to comment that he was the only member of his class who had not had time to retire. He was preceded in death by his parents, Charles and Maggie Myers Vickrey, by a brother, Woody, and by his wife of 43 years, Lola Merritt Vickrey.

Among the out of state people and family members here for the Vickrey funeral were: Dorothy Mosely-Kiely of El Paso, Shorty Vickrey, daughter and son-in-law, Kermit, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Schmidt of San Antonio, and Robert W. Minton III of Salmon, Idaho. Others were: Madaline and Jeanette, daughters of Everett Vickrey, their husbands and brother Joux all of Alamogordo, Judy and Nathan Vickrey of Taos, Dean Vickrey of Edgewood, Dana Wilden of Albuquerque, and Charles Vickrey, who with his mother sang at his uncle's service.

Travis Lightfoot and Todd Proctor won the incentive team roping at Winslow, AZ last weekend.

Mr. and Mrs. Michael Erramouspe of Santa Theresa, spent several days last week with Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Erramouspe.

Beverly Petersen of Castaic, CA arrived Monday to spend a week with her mother, Mrs. Jackie Davidson and Mr. Davidson. A reator, Beverly was reviving her quilting skill Tuesday morning at the senior center.

Chase Runyan, wears with pride the buckle given at the NM State Fair for the top

Black Angus heifer.

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Mrs. R.L. Sharp and Jerry Sharp returned to the ranch late Thursday, having attended the State Fair since Saturday to show support for Mrs. Sharp's great-grandchildren in their various activities. Julie Paiz of Portales showed two Chisini steers which placed 4th and 5th. She will take the two to the Eastern NM Fair in Roswell.

Kendra Encinas, Los Lunas, 14, won the Ladies Lead Class. She wore an all wool outfit, black overalls, white turtle neck sweater and black cap with gold buckles and buttons. She led a Rambouillet ewe from the Sharp ranch here, a ewe that had been carefully washed and blocked, the wool carded. Kendra had help from two aunts, Janie Cartwright who made the outfit, and Martha Sharp who did the button holes.

Senior citizens Mr. and Mrs. Bill Harelson and Mrs. Joyce Winchester picked up trash along a mile of US54 early Monday morning.

Ethel and Jack Livingston of Baton Rouge, LA visited with friends here and in Cedarvale Saturday. They were excited over the arrival of two new granddaughters, one to Mary and husband in Louisiana and one to Tom and wife in Hawaii.

Ray Husband of Yuuca Valley, CA spent the Labor Day weekend with his mother Ruth Davidson and Mr. Davidson. He was accompanied by a friend who wanted to see the New Mexico ranch.

Crown CowBelles will again furnish the noon meal for those attending the NMSU. Barn Test Friday, October 10. This year they will prepare the hot meal and take it ready to serve at the ranch headquarters at twelve o'clock.

Mrs. Michael Kessler and daughters went to Broadview Friday to have lunch with an uncle, Ray Ware. They then went on to Muleshoe, TX to see the new baby in the Ware family. Renee's brother is on a cruise with the US Navy, and his wife Courtney and daughter Karen Elizabeth six week old are spending two weeks with the new grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. James Brown before returning to their home in Norfolk, VA.

Corona teenagers were excited Tuesday to see the John Anderson tour bus parked near the motel. Mr. Anderson was generous with his autographed pictures. He was accompanied by a brother and his father, and all were pleased with the hunt. Another in the party was Mr. Knight who developed the Knight Muzzle Loader. The bus left Sunday.

David Tracey left Sunday of last week for France and a visit with his mother and other relatives. His aunt here says that the trip involves plane, train, bus, and taxi transportation. David was born in France to Burnell and Joette Tracey.



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

**September 5:**  
 4:51 p.m. a caller requested animal control to put down two dogs belonging to a woman, at her request, including a male pit bull. The pit bull was scheduled to be put down on an order from Magistrate Judge Bill Butts, but the woman requested the caller to put down both dogs. The female dog had slipped her chain and according to the owner could not be caught. She feared further legal action by her other neighbor, so she made the decision to take the action. A deputy responded and advised that both dogs were out of service.  
 5:53 p.m. a caller requested a deputy because an adult punched her son, a minor, in the face. The caller's son was employed and another employee hit him. Two deputies responded, and arrested the subject.  
 A caller reported damage to property at an RV park. Subjects on a motorcycle were driving across a grassed area in the right of way. A deputy responded.  
 8:08 p.m. a 911 caller reported a stranded motorist, an elderly woman, at mile marker 100 on Highway 54. State police were notified.  
 A person reported a burglary at a location in Lincoln. The deputy who took the call the day before was notified.  
 10:55 p.m. an unknown woman walked into the sheriff's office and reported a stranded motorist at mile marker 116 on Highway 54. The people had a small child with them. A deputy and wrecker responded.  
**September 6:**  
 1:29 a.m. a caller reported a domestic in Palo Verde Slopes. The caller advised that the neighbors next door were yelling and arguing, and he had heard gunfire, but he didn't know if it was coming from next door. A deputy, Ruidoso Downs police and state police responded, but the call was canceled, as all was okay at the scene.  
 4:44 a.m. Ruidoso Downs police advised of a horse on Highway 70 about 13 miles east of Ruidoso Downs. The horse was running in and out of traffic. State police were notified.  
 3:02 a.m. Carrizozo police advised of a traffic stop at the intersection of Highways 380 with the arrest of three subjects, and they needed a wrecker.  
 8:56 a.m. a caller requested an officer for peace keeping at a location in Carrizozo, to stand by in a child custody delivery, the grandfather brought the child. Carrizozo police responded.  
 10:45 a.m. a caller requested animal control for a kitten in her yard. Capitan police responded.  
 11:32 a.m. a 911 caller on a cell phone reported a possible drunken pedestrian. A man was walking on the south side of Sudderth Drive in the 2900 block. Ruidoso police were notified.  
 12:26 p.m. Ruidoso Downs police reported for a man who wanted another male subject to stop bothering him in Capitan. Capitan police were notified.  
 3:15 p.m. Corona ambulance advised they were on their way to LCMC from Corona football field with two injured football players. The ambulance arrived at LCMC at 4:46 p.m.  
 4:34 p.m. a caller requested animal control to put down a sick dog. Carrizozo police were notified.  
 4:59 p.m. a 911 caller requested a Game and Fish officer because someone killed a deer in Alto. Game and Fish Department was notified.  
 5:41 p.m. a caller requested to visit with an officer. Capitan police responded.  
 6:19 p.m. a caller requested a wrecker at Capitan post office for a milk truck. A wrecker was notified.  
 10:52 p.m. a caller reported subjects harassing dogs-kids were driving by his house shining flash

lights and yelling at his dogs. Capitan police were notified.  
**September 7:**  
 12:34 a.m. a caller reported suspicious activity at a store in Hondo, the caller requested an officer check out a vehicle which was close to another vehicle which had a broken window. State police were notified.  
 5:36 a.m. a 911 caller reported an accident with injuries and requested an ambulance and the fire department at mile marker 287 on Highway 70. A pickup missed the curve and went through the guard rail and rolled at least once. Hondo ambulance and fire department responded, but the patient was already taken to LCMC.  
 7:49 a.m. a 911 caller requested an officer for a trapped raccoon at a location in Enchanted Forest. Game and Fish Department was notified, and a deputy responded to bring a cage.  
 10:15 a.m. a caller reported a neighbor was making threats because payment for work was incomplete. Capitan police responded.  
 10:50 a.m. a caller requested an ambulance for an elderly man fell. Capitan ambulance responded.  
 11:27 a.m. a caller requested a VIN check of a boat and trailer. A deputy responded.  
 12:20 p.m. a caller reported a larceny under \$250-windows were broken out of a vehicle and tapes were taken over the Labor Day weekend. A deputy was assigned.  
 2:39 p.m. an officer was requested at Water Canyon gate where some subjects had been locked into the property. Carrizozo police and a deputy responded.  
 4:14 p.m. state police advised of a hit and run accident at a business in Capitan. Capitan police responded.  
 4:16 p.m. a 911 caller advised that a man was driving on a revoked license on Smokey Bear Blvd. Capitan police responded.  
 8:15 p.m. a 911 caller reported a pedestrian hit on Highway 70 in Hondo Valley. The caller advised that three Mexican car haulers hit the pedestrian and kept on going west bound. State police was notified. Two deputies, and RALS responded. RALS arrived at the scene at 8:40 p.m. and arrived at LCMC at 8:50 p.m. RALS advised they saw the car haulers at mile marker 271, and Ruidoso Downs police were notified.  
 9:06 p.m. a 911 caller reported a possible fight might happen at a location on 2nd Street. Capitan police were notified.  
 9:51 p.m. a 911 caller reported an intoxicated female was beaten up and she had just walked out of her house on C Ave. Carrizozo ambulance responded and transported the woman to Gerald Champion Memorial Hospital in Alamogordo. Carrizozo police responded and arrested a subject.  
 10:42 p.m. Carrizozo police requested an ambulance at the jail to look at a prisoner. Carrizozo ambulance and another Carrizozo officer responded and transported the prisoner to LCMC.  
**September 8:**  
 2:25 a.m. a caller reported a vehicle in the middle of Fort Stanton Road at Airport Drive. Someone was in the front seat. State police were notified.  
 9:42 a.m. a 911 caller requested an ambulance for an eight month old baby with high fever and choking. A Hondo EMT and RALS responded.  
 3 p.m. a caller reported an accident without injuries by the dumpsters in Squaw Valley. A deputy and a wrecker responded.  
 3:40 p.m. a caller reported hunters trespassing on a ranch north of Capitan. A deputy responded.  
 6:02 p.m. a caller reported a traffic offense north bound on Birch, a car speeding. Carrizozo police responded and spoke with the subject in the car.  
 6:09 p.m. a caller reported an accident without injuries involving

a cow in Kraut Canyon off Bonito Lake Road. The vehicle which hit the cow left the scene. Two deputies, and the livestock inspector responded, but only found six head of cattle, which were not injured. Also there were no skid marks or broken glass.  
 7:49 p.m. a caller reported receiving threats to her granddaughter. Carrizozo police responded.  
 9:52 p.m. a 911 caller reported a domestic going on behind her house. Carrizozo police responded, but advised it was unfounded.  
 9:59 p.m. a caller requested to speak to an officer because her daughter's friend was kicked out of the house by her parents. Capitan police responded.  
 10:40 p.m. a caller requested an ambulance. Carrizozo ambulance, and a deputy responded, then requested an OMI from the office of the medical investigator. A funeral home was then requested.  
**September 9:**  
 5:24 p.m. a caller reported a two vehicle accident at Highway 48 and Lakeshore Drive. One vehicle rear-ended the other. State police were notified.  
 5:27 p.m. a 911 caller reported shooting a BB gun at a residence in Agua Fria, someone shot the back windows with a BB gun. Ruidoso Downs police, and a deputy responded.  
 7:54 p.m. a 911 caller reported a domestic violence in progress at a residence in Corona. The caller reported for the brother of the victim whose boyfriend was beating her up. Three deputies responded.  
**September 10:**  
 1:26 p.m. a caller reported a two vehicle accident on Highway 380 west of Carrizozo. State police and Carrizozo ambulance responded arriving at the scene at 1:50 p.m. and arriving at Lincoln County Medical Center (LCMC) in Ruidoso at 2:44 p.m.  
 2:34 p.m. a 911 caller from White Oaks reported finding a dead person at a residence in White Oaks. The undersheriff requested the Major Crimes Unit from Ruidoso Police, and he also requested an OMI.  
 6:30 p.m. a caller reported shots fired at a deer on their residence in Bonito Canyon. Three men, who were possibly drunk, in a pickup shot at the deer and nearly hit his house. A deputy and a Game and Fish Department officer responded.  
 7:19 p.m. a deputy advised he was making an arrest at Littleton Canyon off Bonito Lake where two subjects illegally killed a deer. The deputy arrested the subject wanted on a warrant. The deputy advised that the game and fish officer did take possession of the deer and cited the subjects.  
 7:30 p.m. a 911 caller reported a possible domestic, family feud, then hung up. Dispatch called the number back, but no answer. Carrizozo police responded to the location, and advised that all was okay, at that time.  
 7:53 p.m. a 911 caller reported a drunken man exited the bar and began walking in traffic on Highway 70 in Ruidoso Downs. Ruidoso Downs police was notified and responded, then advised they had the subject in custody.  
 8:25 p.m. a caller reported a cat in a trap at some apartments in Capitan, and the caller wanted someone to remove the cat and the trap because she didn't know it was there. Capitan police responded.  
**September 11:**  
 12:25 a.m. a 911 caller reported a lost hunter on top of the Capitan Mountains. State police were notified.  
 7:29 p.m. a caller from a lodge reported criminal damage, the wing window on his pickup was broken. A deputy responded.  
 11:49 a.m. a 911 caller requested an ambulance for a 73 year old man who had a possible stroke. Capitan ambulance was called but the run was canceled, Ruidoso Advanced Life Support (RALS) ambulance responded arriving at the location on Angus Route at 12:02 p.m. and arriving at LCMC at 12:37 p.m.  
 2:11 p.m. a caller requested a case number of a report.  
 2:14 p.m. a caller reported his husky type dog was missing at mile marker 4 on Highway 37. A deputy responded.  
 2:32 p.m. a 911 caller was static and hung up. Dispatch sent a deputy to check the location of the call in Hondo. The deputy advised that lightning knocked out the phone. The phone company was advised.  
 6:18 p.m. a 911 caller reported large amounts of smoke in the Maggardo Creek area. Nogal Fire Department and a deputy responded.  
 8:04 p.m. a caller was calling for another party who requested an

officer about someone trying to kick out windows on a vehicle. Carrizozo police responded and checked and all was okay.  
 8:16 p.m. a caller requested an officer to pick up a cat in a trap, the neighbors kept setting off the trap and it won't catch anything anyway. Capitan police responded, at 9:28 advised he had a prisoner. Dispatch called a counselor and advised her of the situation with the woman, who took a knife and tried to push it into her chest, and the officer arrested her for protective custody.  
 9 p.m. a police officer advised that a passerby reported an accident without injuries 15 miles west on Highway 380, just east of the construction area. Two deputies responded checked through the construction zone and advised they found nothing.  
 9:15 p.m. Carrizozo police advised that a passerby told him of a stranded motorist about 22 miles north on Highway 54. The motorist ran out of gas. The officer advised he spoke with a wrecker, who wasn't able to go. Another wrecker was dispatched.  
 11:50 p.m. a 911 caller reported a possible accident at the intersection of Highways 37 and 48 in Bonito. The caller advised she heard screaming tires and a loud bang, but she hadn't checked it out for herself. At 11:55 p.m. the second 911 call advised the vehicle was up a tree in her yard because they had missed the stop sign off Highway 37. A deputy, state police and a wrecker responded.  
**September 12:**  
 7:15 a.m. a 911 caller requested an ambulance for an accident with injuries on Gavilan canyon. RALS and state police responded.  
 8:35 a.m. a caller requested animal control for dogs at large. A deputy responded.  
 9:22 a.m. a county appraiser reported an accident without injuries and damage to a fence and gate at Highways 37 and 48. State police

were notified.  
 9:31 a.m. a caller requested animal control in Alto for an injured dog which was tied up, it was a stray with no collar or tags. A deputy responded, but the call was canceled because the reporting party handled the situation.  
 11:23 a.m. a caller reported a gas leak in Carrizozo. The truck and travel trailer were heading south on Highway 54. Carrizozo police responded.  
 4:24 p.m. Fort Stanton corrections reported a suspicious car at the bridge near Fort Stanton. When officers approached the car, it left at a high rate of speed on the Airport road. State police and Ruidoso police were advised to be on a look out.  
 4:16 p.m. a 911 caller reported a two vehicle accident at Methuen and Fort Drive. Ruidoso police were notified.  
 6:07 p.m. a motel requested a case number of a report of a larceny which happened in July.  
 8:31 p.m. Ruidoso police advised a deer, which was hit twice, was in the roadway in Alto. The police had received a call phone call about the deer, Bonito security checked the area, found blood but no deer.  
 9:11 p.m. a caller requested close patrol of a house and business because the owners were on vacation, and no one was at home. Carrizozo police responded.  
 11:32 p.m. a stranded motorist was reported at mile marker 339 on

Highway 54 north of Carrizozo, and the people were trying to flag someone down. At 11:47 p.m. state police advised of a report of an accident with injuries. The responding deputy advised it was the same situation but the woman was deceiving anything, but the ambulance was on route anyway. The deputy also requested a wrecker because the vehicle blew a motor. The deputy and wrecker helped bring in the people and put them at a motel for the night.  
 11:56 p.m. a caller from LCMC advised that a lifeline was down at a home in Lincoln and they could not reach anyone at the house. The responding deputy advised that no one was home, then he went to a neighbor who advised the subject left that morning for Albuquerque and wouldn't be back until Sunday. LCMC was advised.  
**September 13:**  
 12:18 a.m. Ruidoso Downs police advised of getting a report of several large boulders on Highway 70 at mile marker 274. State highway department was advised.  
 3:07 a.m. a motel requested an officer because a woman wouldn't be quiet in one of the rooms. A deputy and Carrizozo police responded.  
 8:39 a.m. a 911 caller requested an officer because his juvenile daughter was threatening to kill

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**Spirit of Life Apostolic Pentecostal Tabernacle**  
 ALLAN M. MILLER, pastor  
 209 Lincoln Ave, Capitan, NM 354-2025  
 Tuesday Bible Study..... 7:00 pm  
 Sunday School..... 10:00 am  
 Sunday Evening..... 8:00 pm

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

**Carrizozo Community Church (A/G)**  
 JOHNNIE L. JOHNSON, pastor  
 Corner of C Ave. & Thirteenth, 648-2186  
 Sunday School..... 10:00 am  
 Worship Service..... 11:00 am  
 Thursday Bible Study..... 7:00 pm

**Santa Rita Catholic Community**  
 FR. DAVE BERGS, pastor  
 213 Birch, Carrizozo, NM, 648-2853  
**SATURDAY:**  
 Capitan Sacred Heart..... 5:00 pm  
 C'ozo Santa Rita..... 6:30 pm  
**SUNDAY:**  
 Capitan Sacred Heart..... 9:00 am  
 C'ozo Santa Rita..... 11:00 am  
 Corona St. Theresa..... 4:00 pm

**Church of Christ**  
 PAUL WETZEL, minister  
 Ave. C at 12th, Carrizozo, NM, 648-2998  
 Sunday School..... 10:00 am  
 Worship Service..... 11:00 am  
 Evening Worship..... 8:00 pm  
 Wednesday Bible Study..... 7:00 pm

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

**United Methodist Churches**  
 BOB BOYD, pastor  
 Trinity - Carrizozo  
 1000 D. Ave., 648-2893/648-2846  
 Sunday School (All Ages)..... 10:00 am

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

**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..... 9:30 a.m.

**Mountain Ministry Parish, Sierra Blanca Presbytery**  
 DON & 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 & Youth Fellowship..... Wednesdays 8:00 p.m.

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

**Capitan Church of Christ**  
 LESLIE EARWOOD, minister  
 5th & Lincoln / 336-4827  
 Sunday Bible Study..... 10:00 a.m.  
 Worship Service..... 11:00 a.m.  
 Evening Worship..... 8:00 p.m.  
 Wednesday Bible Study..... 7:00 p.m.

**Trinity Southern Baptist Church**  
 FLOYD GOODLOE, pastor  
 Capitan (South on Highway 48) 354-3119  
 Sunday School..... 9:45 a.m.  
 Morning Worship..... 11:00 a.m.  
 AWANA Wednesday..... 8:30 p.m.

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TWELFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT COUNTY OF LINCOLN STATE OF NEW MEXICO No. CV-97-125

ASSOCIATES FINANCIAL SERVICES COMPANY OF NEW MEXICO INC. Plaintiff,

vs. OLIVER L. GARMS, THE UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF OLIVER L. GARMS, E.L. GARMS aka ROBERT L. GARMS, ROSE L. GARMS. Defendant(s).

NOTICE OF SUIT STATE OF NEW MEXICO to the above-named

Defendant(s). 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 P.O. Box 761, Ruidoso, Lincoln County, New Mexico, said property being more particularly described as:

A tract of land, being a part of Lot 22, Block 1, Western Hill Subdivision, Unit One, Lincoln County, New Mexico being the Northwesterly 50 feet of said Lot 22, Block 1, Western Hill Subdivision, Unit One, and being more particularly described by metes and bounds as follows, to-wit: Beginning at the South-west corner of said Lot 22,

Block 1, thence South 82 degrees, 08 minutes East, a distance of 50.00 feet; thence North 87 degrees, 52 minutes East, a distance of 94.24 feet; thence North 00 degrees, 58 minutes East, a distance of 59.47 feet; thence South 87 degrees, 52 minutes West, a distance of 128.87 feet to the Point of Beginning.

Unless you enter your appearance in said cause on or before October 24, 1997, judgment by default will be entered against you.

Plaintiff's attorney: ELIZABETH LOSEE SHAPIRO & MEDFORD 105 E. Moreno, Suite 100, Colorado Springs, CO 80903 (800) 288-0013 (719) 634-4888

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TWELFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT COUNTY OF LINCOLN STATE OF NEW MEXICO No. CV-97-106

THE BANK OF NEW YORK, as Trustee Under the Pooling and Servicing Agreement Dated and February 28, 1995, Series 1995-1. Plaintiff,

vs. WILLIAM M. THOMPSON and AMBER D. THOMPSON. Defendant(s).

NOTICE OF PENDENCY OF SUIT

STATE OF NEW MEXICO to the above-named Defendant(s). 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 205 Carter Circle, in the City of Ruidoso, County of Lincoln, New Mexico, more particularly described in the Complaint in said cause.

That unless you enter your appearance in said cause on or before November 7, 1997, judgment by default will be entered against you;

Name and address of Plaintiff's attorney: Hunter L. Geor, P.A., 707 Broadway NE, Suite 202, Post Office Box 25685, Albuquerque, New Mexico 87125-0685.

WITNESS the Honorable Karen L. Parsons, District Judge of the Twelfth Judicial District Court of the State of New Mexico, and the Seal of the District Court of Lincoln County, this 16th day of September, 1997.

ALICE BACA BAXTER, Clerk of the District Court, By: Susana Vega, Deputy

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NOTICE

NOTICE is hereby given that on August 21, 1997, Alto Lakes Water Corporation, P.O. Drawer 750, Alto, NM 88312, filed application No. H-719-S-20 with the STATE ENGINEER for permit to drill a supplemental well 8 1/2 inches in diameter and approximately 700 feet in depth, at a point in the NE 1/4 SW 1/4 SE 1/4 of Section 35, Township 10 South, Range 13 East, N.M.P.M., for the purpose of supplementing the following existing shallow wells:

Table with columns: Well No., Subdivision, Section, Township, Range. Lists wells H-719-S-1 through H-719-S-19.

for the continued diversion of up to 501.94 acre-feet per annum of shallow groundwater for subdivision purposes in Alto Lakes Water Corporation which serves the following:

Table with columns: Subdivision, Section, Township, Range. Lists subdivisions Pt. SE 1/4, Pt. SW 1/4, Pt. NW 1/4, Pt. NE 1/4, All of, Pt. NW 1/4, Pt. SW 1/4.

Application is made to supplement wells H-719 through H-719-S-19 to provide sufficient capacities of water during peak demand periods.

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 or 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.

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ing scheduled for 4:00 a.m. on Friday, October 17, 1997.

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

All bids must be clearly marked on the outside of the sealed envelope with the bid number(s) shown above.

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

MARTHA GUEVARA, Assistant County Manager

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ELECTION NOTICE (FIRST NOTICE)

CARRIZOZO SOIL AND WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT

To all owners of land situated in the Carrizozo Soil and Water Conservation District, Counties of Lincoln, Torrance and Socorro, State of New Mexico:

Notice is hereby given that on the 2nd day of December, 1997, between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m. polls will be open to elect two supervisors to the Carrizozo Soil and Water Conservation District in accordance with the New Mexico Soil and Water Conservation Act. Location of the polling places will be the Natural Resources Conservation Service/District Office, 409 Central Avenue, Carrizozo, New Mexico.

The positions to be filled are currently being held by Knollene McDaniel and Gordon Barham. Nomination petitions for the position of supervisor may be secured at 409 Central Avenue in Carrizozo. Owners of land within the district are eligible to serve as supervisors. Nominating petitions must be signed by at least ten eligible voters and returned to the above address by October 15th. Names of persons with nominating petitions will appear on paper ballots.

All owners of land within the Carrizozo Soil and Water Conservation District are eligible to vote. Persons may be asked by election officials to provide a tax receipt or other documentation of land ownership to verify eligibility to vote.

Absentee ballots will be available to persons requesting them by mail between October 30th and November 13th. The District will mail requested ballots 15 days before the election to persons requesting them. Absentee ballots must be returned to the address shown below by election day to be counted. Absentee voting may be done between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. at 409 Central Avenue in Carrizozo between the dates of November 17th and December 1st.

CARRIZOZO SOIL AND WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT

BILL HIGHTOWER, Chairman

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION REGARDING THIS ELECTION CONTACT: Sue Stearns between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday at 505-648-2941 or 505-354-2220.

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MEETING NOTICE

The Lincoln Historic Preservation Board will hold a special Board meeting on Friday, September 19, 1997, beginning at 7:00 p.m. The meeting is open to the public, and will be held at the Lincoln Volunteer Fire Department Building in Lincoln. Agenda is available 24 hours prior to the meeting. Auxiliary aides are available upon request; please contact Martha Guevara at 648-2385 at least 48 hours in advance of the meeting to make any necessary arrangements.

MARTHA GUEVARA, Assistant County Manager

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TWELFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT STATE OF NEW MEXICO COUNTY OF LINCOLN No. CV-97-176

STATE OF NEW MEXICO, ex rel, STATE HIGHWAY AND TRANSPORTATION DEPARTMENT OF NEW MEXICO,

Petitioner,

vs. JOHNNY & ELOISE VINSON, husband and wife,

VICKIE VINSON, LINCOLN COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS, c/o LINCOLN COUNTY CLERK,

PROPERTY TAX DIVISION OF THE TAXATION AND REVENUE DEPARTMENT,

ALL UNKNOWN OWNERS OR CLAIMANTS OF THE PROPERTY INVOLVED,

Defendants.

NOTICE OF PRELIMINARY ORDER OF ENTRY AND NOTICE OF CONDEMNATION

To: The above-named Defendants, and each of you. You, and each of you, are hereby notified that the Court has granted the Petitioner a Preliminary Order of Entry to immediately enter and occupy the property described below and to do such work thereon as may be required, and that unless you file objections thereto within ten (10) days after personal service of this Notice upon you, or within three (3) days after the last date of publication of this Notice, if you be not personally served, the Court shall enter a Permanent Order of Entry, restraining you forever from hindering or interfering with the occupation and use of the property; and, further, that all proceedings subsequent to the Permanent Order of Entry shall deal only with the amount of compensation due to you for the taking of the property.

You, and each of you are hereby further notified that a Petition to condemn property for public highway purposes has been filed against you with the Clerk of the District Court of Lincoln County, New Mexico, in which county the property, or a part thereof, is located, and which property is described as:

Parcel No. (6-5) is located on the east side of the intersection of Country Club Drive and Cree Meadows Drive, Ruidoso, New Mexico

Parcel No. (6-7) is located on the northeasterly side of Country Club Drive, approximately 108 feet from the intersection of Country Club Drive, and Cree Meadows Drive, Ruidoso, New Mexico

And the above property is more particularly described under its parcel number in the Petition on file in this cause, and that such highway project has been designated New Mexico TP-0048(12), in Lincoln County, New Mexico.

You, and each of you are hereby further notified that the amount alleged to be just compensation, shown with each separate numerical parcel designation, has been deposited by the Petitioner with the Clerk of the District Court and a portion or all of the amount offered may be withdrawn by a person having an estate or interest in the property particularly described in the Petition on file in this cause after the expiration of the time for the filing of an answer. This withdrawal may be made only by order of the Court upon proper motion.

You, and each of you are hereby commanded to file and serve an answer, as provided by law, to the Petition on file herein within thirty (30) days after service of this Notice on you or thirty (30) days after the last date of publication of this Notice, if you are not personally served. Unless you so appear and answer, the Petitioner will apply to the Court for judgment as provided by law. This judgment will fix the amount of compensation due to you for the condemnation of the property at the amount offered and deposited by Petitioner.

The name and address of attorney for Petitioner is: Reese C. Jones, Special Assistant Attorney General, New Mexico State Highway and Transportation Department, P.O. Box 1149, Santa Fe, New Mexico, 87504-1149.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and seal of the District Court of Lincoln County,

New Mexico, this 17th day of September, 1997.

ALICE BACA BAXTER, Clerk of the District Court

(SEAL)

By: Clydene Hull, Deputy

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TWELFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT COUNTY OF LINCOLN STATE OF NEW MEXICO No. CV-97-43

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF MORA F. TITSWORTH, DECEASED

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

ELLIS G. VICKERS has been appointed Personal Representative of the Estate of MORA F. TITSWORTH, Deceased. All persons having claims against this Estate are required to present their claims within (3) months after the date of the first publication of this Notice or the claims will be forever barred. Claims must be presented either to the Personal Representative in care of Bozarth & Vickers, P.O. Box 820, Roswell, New Mexico or filed with the District Court of Lincoln County, New Mexico.

DATED this 29th day of August, 1997.

ELLIS G. VICKERS, Personal Representative

BOZARTH & VICKERS, P.C.

By JAMES H. BOZARTH P.O. Box 820 Roswell, NM 88202-0820 (505) 622-2800

Attorneys for ELLIS G. VICKERS, Personal Representative for the Estate of MORA F. TITSWORTH, Deceased

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EQUIPMENT FOR SALE

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

\* 1977 Champion Motor Grader, 571 Detroit Diesel Engine with quick start kit. 7780 Hours, Full powershift, three forward gears, three reverse gears, Power steering. Fourteen foot one piece hydraulic moldboard. New 1200 x 24 tubeless standard tires with lug tread and tire chains. Full height ROPS cab with gauges for monitoring operation. Ripper attachment. Rebuilt front end and replaced drive chains in 1995.

Proposals will be accepted until 4:00 p.m., on September 26, 1997 at the Village of Capitan, 114 Lincoln Ave., P.O. Box 246, Capitan, NM 88316. For inquires or on site observa-

tion, contact 505-354-3247 between the hours of 8:00 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. Monday thru Friday. / Deborah Cummings, Clerk-Treasurer, CMC Village of Capitan

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LEGAL NOTICE

The Ruidoso-Lincoln County Extraterritorial Zoning Commission will hold Public Hearings on Monday, October 6, 1997. The meeting is scheduled to begin at 6:00 p.m. in the meeting room of Village Hall in Ruidoso, New Mexico.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

1.) A request for basic variance for development on side lot line from 5 ft. to 3 ft. on Lot 24, Block 10, Unit 3, Alto Lakes Golf & Country Club. Mr. & Mrs. Joseph Dewitt

2.) A request for variance for a residence in a C-1 Commercial Zone on Lot 10, Block 1, Unit 4, The Pinos de Gavilan Subdivision. Mr. & Mrs. Robert Bridges

3.) Change of zoning for Mountain Villa (formerly Eagle Estates) Subdivision from "Zoned according to Restrictive Covenants" to R-1 Residential on all lots. Auxiliary aids are available upon request; please contact Martha Guevara at 648-2385 at least 48 hours prior to the meeting to make any necessary arrangements.

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NOTICE TO PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN

that the Honorable Body of the Town of Carrizozo will hold that Regularly Scheduled Meeting on Tuesday, September 23, 1997 at 6:00 p.m., City Hall Conference Room, Carrizozo, New Mexico 88301.

AGENDA WILL BE POSTED in accordance with Resolution 96-12; Twenty-four hours prior to meeting date and made available to the public. CAROL SCHLARB, Town Clerk, CMC/AAE

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# Ruidoso Lowers Speed Limit . . .

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they also regulate the darkness of sun screening materials on windshields and windows and impose penalties for violations. Maddox said one problem with the sun screening is how to enforce it. He said the law has a "grandfather" clause that exempts darker than allowed sun screening applied to vehicles before the law takes effect. It also exempts persons with medical conditions requiring the dark screening, but that person must possess a doctor's written affidavit.

"New Mexico is one of the last states to impose this statute," Maddox said. "It came about

because of drive-by shootings." The Sunscreen law applied only to windows in passenger cars, not to windows on truck tractors, buses, recreational vehicles, multipurpose passenger vehicles and motor homes or those vehicles with glazing which complies with federal standards. Violators of the sun screen law are subject to a \$75 fine.

Councilors also approved an ordinance authorizing a franchise agreement with Rifkin Cable Income Partners, L.P. which allows the village to charge Rifkin, or Lincoln Cable Vision, a three percent fee on annual gross

revenue on basic and expanded outlet services. A provision in the agreement allows the village to increase that percentage to five percent on a 60-day notice to Rifkin. The revenues from the fee go into the village general fund, which finances general village operations. Councilor Robert Donaldson was concerned that future technology will allow the cable company to expand to telephone and InterNet services, and there could be conflict with the telephone company.

Lincoln Cablevision manager Paul Crown said the franchise fee is really a pass-through tax to the customer. "Let the people know this is a tax increase," Crown said. "It is a tax on to people's bills."

But after several minutes of discussion about technical points of the agreement, and final consensus on all points, attorney Don Dutton said the franchise "fee" is mandated by federal law to be passed on to the customers.

Although Rifkin's previous agreement had four more years to expire, the company came to the village in July seeking the new 15 year agreement. Mayor Jerry Shaw said the new franchise agreement cancels the old one, and begins with the new.

In other business, councilors: --Voted to allow the Ruidoso Valley Chamber of Commerce to choose a location on Sudderth Drive for the across street banners, and that those banners will be suspended on telephone type poles. In discussion about locating the poles, motorcycle rally promoter Ron Andrews recommended a location as close to Highway 70 as possible, because many passers-by might stop if they knew what was going on in the convention center.

Councilors also gave Andrews permission to place his motorcycle rally banner at the "Ruidoso" billboard if a location for the street banner is not ready by September 15.

--Approved a resolution establishing a five member Keep Ruidoso Beautiful Committee.

--Authorized staff to establish a Graffiti Removal Program which will utilize a machine that blasts graffiti with a baking soda wash for quick removal of graffiti on public and commercial buildings, and to establish a policy for removal on private residential structures.

--Authorized advertisement of request for proposals (rfp) for an "upscale caliber convention hotel with amenities" to be located next to the convention center. The rfp will require proposers to include a financial capability statement. Santa Fe Hospitality Co sent notice to the village on Aug. 29 that it had conducted an economic feasibility evaluation and determined that a full service hotel was not feasible for the company at this time. Jackson and Shaw said there have been other companies indicating interest.

--Authorized staff to work with the labor relations contractor to develop an organizational employee survey, based on a 99-question survey provided by councilor Bill Chance.

## Capitan School Plans . . .

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upgrading non-school property, and she said she would check. They also discussed the status of Yard Road, half of which is on school property. While Cox would prefer to see the road closed, board member Tom Trost jokingly suggested the school put a toll gate to use the road.

--Expressed their pleasure with the Elementary Open House held that night, and well attended by parents and students.

## LINCOLN COUNTY

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

May 23:  
David Swan, 19, Ruidoso: failure to pay fines, contempt of court bond set at \$217 by Ruidoso Judge Mike Line; contempt of court, failure to comply with conditions of release no bond set by Butts; released June 21, time served.

May 25:  
Peggy H. Christopherson, 50, Amarillo, TX: domestic violence, battery against household member, 12-hour detox; \$3,000 bond set by Butts posted May 27 and released; arrested by LCSO.

The following individuals were released:  
Michael Forte, 30, Mesalero: booked November 12 for domestic violence, aggravated battery, failure to comply with conditions of release; released May 23 on orders from Judge Parsons.

Steve Martin, n/a, Carrizozo: booked November 18 to serve six months for contempt of court; released May 13, time served.

Paul Hernandez, 23, Ruidoso Downs: booked November 27 for felony DWI, driving on revoked license for DUI and probation violation; released May 27, time served.

Pete Maldonado, 26, Carrizozo: booked December 18 for DWI 3rd or 4th, driving with revoked license; released on to bracelet program May 21.

Shane Rogers, 19, Ruidoso Downs: booked Feb. 21 to serve 364 days for failure to appear, abuse of aerosol; released May 2 on orders from Butts.

Robert Houston, 42, no address: booked Feb. 26 for intimidation of a witness, contempt of court, violation of conditions of release; released June 6 on orders from District Judge Robert Doughty.

Alley Hosetosavits, 18, Mesalero: booked March 26 for falsely obtaining services, allowing

self to be served; released June 2 on orders from Butts and Parsons.  
Paul Woods, 19, Glencoe: booked April 3 for probation violation; released May 7 to be transported to WNMCF in Grants.  
John Clark, 34, Hondo: booked April 8 for aggravated assault, aggravated battery; negligent use of a firearm; released June 17 after posting bond.

Carrie Welch, 24, Ruidoso: booked April 10 on warrant and probation violation; released June 23 on orders from Parsons.

Robert Denman, 28, Ruidoso: booked April 12 for receiving stolen property and theft of a credit card; released June 20 to be transported to WNMCF in Grants.

Randell Hibler, 43, Alamogordo: booked April 12 for aggravated DWI 3rd; released May 30 on orders from Butts.

Daniel James, 20, Carrizozo: booked April 16 of assault on household member; released May 29 on orders from Dean.

Richard P. Goff, 30, Ruidoso: booked April 21 on warrant from Kerr County Texas; released June 1 to be transported to Texas.

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