

# County Submits CDBG Application

by Doris Cherry

A community development block grant (CDBG) application for \$200,000 to improve the Fletcher Hall Lincoln County Community Center at the Lincoln County Fairgrounds in Capitan has been sent to the Local Government Division of the New Mexico Department of Finance and

Administration (DFA) office in Santa Fe.

Lincoln County Commissioners selected the CDBG project after two public hearings during which the fairgrounds project was discussed. At the first hearing in Ruidoso Downs, the community center at the fairgrounds was the only project proposed by the

citizens who attended. But there were questions whether the facility is used as a recreational facility, and if it would qualify for the CDBG. Fair association members at that public hearing presented information showing the building used as an exhibit hall and office is used as a community center, and thus could

qualify for a CDBG which receives funds from the federal Housing and Urban Development (HUD) program. CDBG programs are designed to assist counties and communities which have moderate to low income residents. At the second public hearing in their chambers in the Lincoln County Courthouse in Carrizozo on

October 14, commissioners heard a request for funds for the community center, and a new request to apply for a CDBG for a mobile health clinic. Commissioners had considered the mobile health clinic project two years ago, and rejected it in preference of a CDBG for the Carrizozo Health Clinic project. Lincoln

County Medical Center had offered to provide cooperative funds if the county applied for a CDBG for the Carrizozo Clinic. During the CDBG hearings this year Lincoln County Commissioner L. Ray Nunley argued that

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## Carrizozo Fire Dept. To Drain And Test Hydrants In Town

Carrizozo households may experience a drop in water pressure and possibly discoloration of water the next two Monday evenings. The Carrizozo Volunteer Fire Department will be draining and checking the fire hydrants as required by the state.

Carrizozo Fire Chief LeeRoy Zamora said the firemen will conduct pressure tests and make sure the hydrants are working properly.

Monday, November 17, during the evening hours, the fire department will be testing hydrants from 8th Street to Highway 380. Monday, November 24, hydrants from 8th Street to 13th Street will be tested. Zamora said another date will be set to test the hydrants south of 13th Street.

## There Is No Written Report About Fort

As of Wednesday, November 12, there is still no written report on the investigation personnel and operational problems at the Fort Stanton women's correctional facility.

THE NEWS contacted the Mike Toms, New Mexico Secretary of Corrections public information officer on Wednesday. Toms said he spoke with Secretary Rob Perry "just the other day" and the secretary said he had not yet received a written report.

Toms said he would advise THE NEWS when a report is received.

## Smokey Bear Museum Now Open Every Day

Smokey Bear Museum is now open from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Saturday, and from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Sunday.

The Village of Capitan has taken over operation of its little museum located next to the fire station. "The longer hours have made a difference," said village clerk Deborah Cummins to the village trustees Nov. 10. She said by opening earlier than the state park, the museum is getting the early visitors.



FLETCHER HALL LINCOLN COUNTY COMMUNITY CENTER is the official name of the building at the Lincoln County Fairgrounds in Capitan. Lincoln County has submitted an application for a Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) to make improvements to the building that is used by county residents more than 200 days a year. For more information about the building see page 4.

## Capitan Considers Bond Election

by Doris Cherry

In 1998, a major general obligation bond for the Village of Capitan will expire.

Looking for a way to finance needed projects in the village, Capitan trustees during their meeting November 10 heard a report on how to pursue a new bond. Mayor Norm Renfro said the purpose of the discussion was to see if the village could renew the expiring bond without increasing tax mills. He said all bond money would go to improving subdivision streets.

Bonds are like a loan, with the value of all properties within the municipalities acting as collateral. An election must be held to allow voters to say yes or no to the bonds being sold, and paid back by property taxes. If voters approve the bond issue, the village will go to a bonding company that would arrange for and make the actual sale of bonds. Private individuals, banking institutions, or the New Mexico Finance Authority will purchase the bonds. Once the bonds are sold, Capitan gets the money for earmarked projects and the construction process begins. Taxes imposed on all properties in Capitan will go toward paying off the bond debt.

Perry Baird, vice president of Rauscher Pierce Refsnes, Inc. of Albuquerque, presented information to the trustees that showed how much the village could bond based on new valuations. For the 1997 tax year, properties within Capitan were valued at \$8.6 million, which is 23

percent higher than 1996 values. This was due to the re-evaluation by the county assessor's office. Baird estimated the village's valuation will increase nine percent a year.

Based on the valuation, Baird said the village could have a bond election for \$550,000 with a 10 year pay back, or \$635,000 with a 12 year payback. Baird said current interest rates for the bonds, which are like a loan, are about 5.5 percent, with some bonds with as low as five percent. Baird said the taxes would be paying back the bonds plus the interest. "About \$733,000 would be paid back to get the \$550,000," Baird said.

Baird also explained the limitations on municipal bonding. By state constitution, municipalities can only incur themselves four percent of total valuation for general purpose projects. There is no limit on bond elections for water or sewer projects.

Because of the ongoing cost of issuing the bonds, Baird said that for communities the size of Capitan it is better to sell the bonds through the state Finance Authority. But the downside of that is local citizens could not purchase the tax exempt municipal bonds.

By state constitution, all general obligation bonds require voter approval. Baird said some communities are doing bond elections by mail. Rio Rancho had a successful mail-in bond election. But to minimize the cost of holding an election for the bond issue, municipalities routinely hold a bond issue election with the regular municipal

election for mayor, councilors and judge.

Neither proposed bond will raise the current tax rate of 10.516 mills. Baird said the village could pursue a higher amount, if it increases the mill levy on properties. Renfro and trustees did not favor any bond election that would raise the current property tax mills. "If we raise the mills we'll all get run out of town," Renfro said.

Trustees took no action to place a call for a bond issue election on the March ballot, but said they would consider it and make a decision before December 9. Trustees must approve a resolution calling for the

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## County Crime Stoppers Are Looking For Arsonist

by Doris Cherry

Lincoln County CrimeStoppers are looking for an arsonist.

Police believe someone started the fire that destroyed the woodshop of Larry and Lorene Caywood in Capitan on November 3.

Capitan Fire Chief David Cummins, during the Capitan trustees meeting Nov. 10, said the arson fire was put on the CrimeStoppers notices. Cummins also publicly thanked all fire departments which responded and assisted with the fire--Bonito, Ruidoso Downs and, Fort Stanton.

The fire call came in about 9 p.m., Cummins said. In 13 minutes the first units arrived at the Caywood property on Main Road. Cummins said he called the other departments for assistance before he even left the fire station, because he wanted assurance there would be enough water. "We never ran out of water," Cummins said. There were two fire hydrants on the street, and a tanker from Bonito and the two Capitan pumps shuttled water to the fire.

Cummins gave special credit to the Ruidoso

Downs Fire Department which "left when we did" and offered to cover the rest of the village during the fire.

Most of all, Cummins complimented his department and the 16 of 20 volunteers who showed up to fight the fire in Larry Caywood's furniture shop.

Cummins told THE NEWS that fire fighters were able to save about half of Caywood's shop. An investigator from the state fire marshal's office came from Santa Fe and pronounced the fire as arson started. Cummins said he contacted Ruidoso Police Chief Lanny Maddox, who is in charge of the Lincoln County CrimeStoppers program and had the incident placed on the CrimeStoppers list. Anyone with information about the fire can contact Lincoln County CrimeStoppers at 257-4545. All information provided to CrimeStoppers is confidential, and anyone reporting a crime that results in a conviction could earn a reward.

In other business, trustees heard from citizen Chuck Johnson who requested the village repair the false front of village

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CAPITAN VETERANS PARK REDEDICATED during a ceremony on Veterans' Day, Tuesday. The monument was constructed in 1954 by Mr. Carabajal, father of Erma Trujillo as a tribute to Maggie Trujillo who was a prisoner of war during the Korean Conflict and other local veterans. Capitan High School Band and Choir played and sang patriotic songs, and the honor guard from the American Legion Post #54 provided a 21-gun salute to close the ceremony. Congressman Joe Skeen's wife Mary read a letter and presented a flag flown over Congress. Otero County Electric Co-operative Inc. will install a flag pole at the park that was refurbished with volunteer help. County Commissioner Bill Schweitmann and Capitan Mayor Norm Renfro spoke.

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March election before December 9. Village attorney Robert Beauvais said the village should get the bond election on the March municipal ballot because it will mean little additional the fairgrounds had too long been neglected, especially the exhibit building which is used at least 200 days a year as a community center. Nunley made the motion to apply for a CDBG for funds to improve

the community center. But the choice for the project was not unanimous. County commissioners Wilton Howell and Monroy Montes voted against it. Nunley, and county commissioners Bill Schweitmann and Rex Wilson voted for it.

On October 31, prior to a special meeting in Carrizozo, Montes refused to sign the CDBG application for the community center. During the meeting

he said that in his opinion the fairgrounds project was not viable, because is a recreational facility and the county has made a commitment to the fair association. It was at that meeting Montes verbally resigned as commission chairman. Vice chairman Howell assumed the chair, and after a special meeting Monday, November 3 also said he was not going to sign the CDBG application.

According to information

from the manager's office obtained by THE NEWS, Nunley signed the CDBG application on Nov. 4. The application deadline was November 7. County manager Frank Potter delivered Lincoln County's CDBG application to Tony Elias, executive director of South-eastern New Mexico Economic Development District in Roswell. Elias delivered Lincoln County's application and about 14 others from the area to Santa Fe.

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cost. Otherwise the village would have to incur the cost of a special election.

Trustees also delayed their acceptance of the Lincoln County All Hazards Plan to allow fire chief David Cummins and police chief Carroll Durbin to review the document. Trustee Connie Hopper, who is Lincoln County Emergency Program Manager, presented the plan that coordinates response to all hazards and disasters. Part of Hopper's job is to help develop the all hazard emergency operation plan for the county. Ruidoso has its own emergency manager and plan that coordinates with the Lincoln County plan. Hopper said the county would come in and help with a hazard or disaster if local resources are exhausted.

Hopper said the plan outlines how emergency agencies can communicate in a disaster, how to provide information to the public, how to deal with media, and the roles of law enforcement, fire departments, EMS, fire and rescue, public works, transportation and resources. Already accepted by the Lincoln County Commission, Hopper is seeking approval of the plan from Capitan, Ruidoso Downs, Corona and Carrizozo.

Cummins said he felt left out of the process that developed the plan. "The fire department was left out of the loop," Cummins said. He then asked if Capitan and Carrizozo Fire Departments could be involved in developing a plan. Hopper said the plan was "not set in stone." Trustees

agreed to consider the plan at a special meeting.

Trustees did approve the Lincoln County Local Emergency Planning Committee constitution and by-laws. Begun with an "ad hoc" committee of local citizens and representatives of various public agencies, the committee is mandated by federal law. Hopper said the committee would be made up of mayors, councilors, commissioners, school board members, school superintendents, all fire chiefs, sheriff, utility companies, civic groups and individuals. "The committee will finish the (all hazard response) plan," Hopper said. "We need a lot of input," she added.

Cummins said the committee will promote communication between departments. "It gives us a purpose," he said.

Hopper said that to test the effectiveness of the hazard response plan, a mock disaster is planned for the spring.

In other business, trustees:

—Accepted recommendations from the village planning committee to approve the re-plot of property for Curtis Payne, and a re-plot of property for Bonnie Holland.

—Authorized advertisement for proposals for long term maintenance of the cemetery, as requested by the village cemetery board.

—Approved a budget increase to create a budget line item for Smokey Bear Museum salaries and another line item for inventory, because the village took over operation of the museum since the budget was developed and approved.

## Hot Foot Teddy Convention Wants To Come To Capitan

by Doris Cherry

Smokey Bear was once called Hot Foot Teddy. A group of Smokey Bear aficionados, calling itself after the old Hot Foot Teddy, wants to hold a convention in Capitan.

November 10, during the regular Capitan Board of Trustees meeting, citizen Cindy Livingston introduced Jim Vanmeter from the Hot-foot Teddy Collectors Association. Vanmeter said his group, that has 365 members nationwide, would like to have its next convention in Capitan. "Especially since it is home of Smokey Bear," Vanmeter said.

Vanmeter, who has extensive Smokey Bear memorabilia collections, donated a personalized Smokey Bear plate to the Smokey Bear Museum. Vanmeter has 36 albums of history of the Smokey Bear and Hot Foot Teddy fire prevention bear symbols.

"The Smokey Bear era is coming back," Vanmeter continued. "If you want a good museum, now is the time to

get very involved." Fire prevention education cutbacks in the 1970s resulted in 36 percent more fires started by children playing with matches in the 1980s. Because of this many states started fire prevention programs.

Village clerk Deborah Cummins said her children get a lot of fire prevention education at Capitan School.

Livingston said Vanmeter has the largest Smokey Bear memorabilia collection "ever produced." She said the village could get a lot of publicity if Vanmeter's collection was brought for viewing, and with involvement by Smokey Bear artist Rudy Wendolin. Jean Pablo, from the Rudy Wendolin Smokey Bear Education Foundation, said Wendolin has established the foundation that promotes the Smokey symbol for education.

At the meeting Pablo unveiled the foundation's new t-shirt which features

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### THURSDAYS

—Alcoholic Anonymous 8 p.m. Carrizozo Senior Citizens Center. Call 648-2313 for information.  
—Carrizozo School Library preschool story time 9 to 9:45 a.m. Call Rosemary Shafer at 648-2346 for information.

### 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, NOVEMBER 13

—Annual turkey dinner 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Trinity United Methodist Church in Carrizozo.  
—Carrizozo Lodgers Tax Advisory Board 1 p.m. town hall.  
—Ruidoso Arts Commission, 4 p.m. village hall.  
—Open House Capitan school library 3:30-6 p.m.  
—Capitan Board of Education 6 p.m. administration building.  
—Lincoln County Democratic Party 6:30 p.m. Aspen Room Swiss Chalet Inn Ruidoso. Speakers congressional candidates E. Shirley Baca and state senator Mary Jane Garcia.

### TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 18

—South Central Mountain RC&D Council 9:30 a.m. Carrizozo Rec Center.  
—Ruidoso P&Z 2 p.m. village hall.  
—Lincoln County Solid Waste Authority 2 p.m. authority offices Ruidoso Downs.  
—Carrizozo Board of Education 6 p.m. school administration building.  
—Lincoln Historic Preservation Board 7 p.m. Lincoln Fire Department building.

### WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 19

—Lincoln County Fair Board 7 p.m. Fletcher Hall Lincoln County Community Center, fairgrounds, Capitan.

### THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 20

—Carrizozo FCE Roadrunners, 1 p.m. REA building. Bring a Christmas reminiscence to share.  
—Ruidoso ICIP Advisory Committee 1:30 p.m. village hall.  
—Lincoln County Medical Center Board of Trustees, 6 p.m. conference room, LCMC Ruidoso.  
—General Cancer Support Group 7-9 p.m. Texas-NM Power Co. office Ruidoso.

### FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 21

—Lincoln County Commissioners 9 a.m. Ruidoso Convention Center.  
—Open House 5-7 p.m. at Grizzly Den Video in Carrizozo, sponsored by chamber. Public welcome.

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**THOUGHTS**

From the Editor's Desk

**The Official Name Is...**

By Keith Hammond

The mystery has been solved. When Montoy Montes made the statement 13 days ago about the building at the Lincoln County Fairgrounds, he said, "It changed from a recreational facility to a community center and I don't know by what action or how that could have happened because it continues to be a Lincoln County facility." Mr. Montes also said, "How it went from a county facility to a community center, is bothersome to me because that also misrepresents some of the facts."

The mystery has been solved. Whatever action that was taken happened a long time ago because 24 years, two months, two weeks and six days ago it was OFFICIALLY dedicated as the Fletcher Hall Lincoln County Community Center. Maybe Mr. Montes should do more research before making his statements.

A special dedication ceremony for both the building and grounds was held at 8 p.m., Friday, August 24, 1973. The large sign was unveiled at that time. The special ceremony was held in conjunction with the 20th annual Lincoln County Fair.

We would like for Mr. Montes to explain why he believes it "misrepresents some of the facts," for county commissioners to acknowledge the OFFICIAL name of the building as Fletcher Hall Lincoln County Community Center. It would seem that using the OFFICIAL name would be important for the county.

We wonder if Mr. Montes statement, "It continues to be a Lincoln County facility," means that he believes a county-owned facility is not allowed to be a community center. We would like for Mr. Montes or anyone else to show us a law that states counties are not allowed to own community centers.

We also have concerns about other statements made by Mr. Montes 13 days ago: "Just want to continue to do what is right," and "follow the book." If Mr. Montes wants to do what is right, he would "follow the book" regarding his resigning as chairman of the Lincoln County Commission. A grandstand play may get attention but we believe the proper procedure would be for Mr. Montes to submit a written resignation to be accepted by the board of county commissioners. We also believe it was improper for Mr. Montes to allow vice chairman Wilton Howell to chair the special meeting November 3 in Ruidoso while Mr. Montes was attending the meeting. We believe that Mr. Montes will continue to be chairman until his resignation is accepted, and as chairman he should preside at the county commission meetings.

We believe that if Mr. Montes wanted to "do what is right" he would have objected to one county commissioner changing the November meeting place without approval from the entire commission. Mr. Montes said he was surprised the meeting was to be held in Carrizozo which could indicate that he knew in advance that Mr. Howell had requested the November meeting be held in Ruidoso. Is this "doing what is right" Mr. Montes? Did you give Mr. Howell the authority to change the November meeting place, and if you did, where did you get the authority to give him that authority? Any questions either of you may have had about the action taken in November last year should have been discussed in an open meeting, not slyly as it was done.

Our final question for Mr. Montes is why he objects to the majority vote of the commission regarding actions he doesn't agree with but he approves majority votes when the votes are in his favor. Apparently he objected to the county applications for disaster aid and the CDBG project, but he is all in favor of the meeting situation. None of these votes were unanimous, but Mr. Montes approves the ones he wanted and objects to the others.

Howell said during the Nov. 3 special meeting that the first item on the agenda for the regular November meeting should be selection of a chairman. They need to accept a resignation first.

**Fair building name is OFFICIAL!**



**Festival Of Cranes**  
The Festival of the Cranes will be held at the Bosque del Apache National Wildlife Refuge today, Nov. 1 through Sunday, Nov. 1. Kent Clegg, ultralight airplane pilot who led the flight of endangereed whooping cranes from Idal to the refuge, will be the featured speaker. He will speak in the Macey Center auditorium in Socorro tomorrow, Nov. 14. Other speakers will be Pete Stangel, director of the Neotropical Migratory Bird Conservation Initiative at the National Fish and Wildlife Foundation in Washington, D.C., and Dayton Hyde, rancher, photographer and author of 12 books about wildlife.

**Inside The Capitol**  
by Jay Miller

**SANTA FE** — Is New Mexico carrying the separation of powers too far? Gov. Gary Johnson and GOP state chairman John Dendahl think so.

The U.S. constitution and those of every state establish three branches of government. The legislative branch makes law; the executive branch implements it and the judicial branch interprets it. In the past two years, the judicial branch has ruled on three different issues that the executive branch was guilty of making law.

Johnson and Dendahl are upset that Attorney General Tom Udall, a member of the executive branch, did not defend the governor in these cases. Instead he sided with the judicial branch. Johnson and Dendahl think this is because Udall and the five members of the state Supreme Court are Democrats. Udall says it is because Johnson didn't take his advice.

in rifts between the governor and other elected officials in the executive branch. Gov. Garrey Carruthers and Attorney General Hal Stratton, both Republicans, had many tussles. Relations weren't always the best between Gov. Jerry Apodaca and Attorney General Toney Anaya, both Democrats.

The Legislature has always been happy with New Mexico's weak plural executive system. They've never been anxious to put constitutional amendments on the ballot that abolish elective offices. Twice they've eliminated elective offices but created more in their place.

Separation of executive powers among many elected officials weakens the governor but appears to be what we want, maybe because it's another check and balance or maybe because if we were given the opportunity to elect every state official, we'd do it.

Governors don't like it, and unfortunately, every time Gary Johnson challenges the Legislature and loses, he establishes new case law further weakening the executive branch of government.

At the refuge, morning and afternoon tours will take visitors through areas not normally open to the public, areas where visitors are guaranteed they will see thousands of sandhill cranes.

For more information about the schedule of events during the festival call 505-835-1828.

**Roaming Sands New Location**  
The military has decided not to hold the 1998 Operation Roaming Sands in Roswell because of budgetary and strategic reasons but could return in the future. The theater missile defense portion of the exercise has been reassigned to Norfolk, VA to support a sea based exercise scenario.

**Accepting Manuscripts**  
New Mexico State University's English department is accepting manuscript submissions for *Serape XIII* until Dec. 5. *Serape* is an anthology of poetry, fiction and nonfiction written by New Mexico authors over the age of 55. Authors may submit several pieces, but the work must not total more than 40 pages. Send manuscripts to Serape Anthology, Box 30001, Dept. 3E, Department of English, New Mexico State University, Las Cruces, NM 88003-0001. A self addressed, stamped envelope must be included with each submission.

**County Crime Stoppers**

and remodel the porch which is not useable and collects leaves and bird droppings. She also volunteered to maintain flowers if the village purchased containers and soil to be placed in front of village hall. Clerk Cummins discouraged the project, saying two years ago that was tried and local kids destroyed the plants at night.

Mayor Norman Renfro said the village will send a wish list to the state legislature that requests funds for a new town hall with adequate meeting room and office space for the mayor and judge.

last year the Legislature put an amendment on the ballot abolishing the elected, three-member Corporation Commission, but also abolishing the governor-appointed Public Utilities Commission and combining them into an elected, five-member Public Regulation Commission.

Voters have shown their appreciation of being allowed to increase the number of elected officials by approving both constitutional



**Jordan Dixon Wins Trip**  
Jordan Dixon of Nogal has won an all-expense-paid trip to the national 4-H Youth Congress in Memphis, Tenn., Nov. 28-Dec. 2.

Dixon, a Carrizozo High School senior, received the award for his record book keeping in the 4-H market beef project that summarizes nine years of involvement in 4-H and the market beef project. His other 4-H projects include photography, arts and crafts, swine, sheep and horse.

This is Dixon's 10th year as a 4-H member and his second year as a member of the Mal Pais Colts 4-H club. He said the most important thing that his years in 4-H have taught him is responsibility.

Dixon, 17, is the son of Mark and Lisa Dixon. After graduating from high school he plans to attend college and major in architectural engineering.

**Basic Training Graduate**  
Army Pvt. Tomas G. Richardson has graduated from One Station Unit Training (OSUT) at Fort Sill, Lawton, OK. He is a 1995 graduate of Hondo High School. His parents are Robert and Peggy A. Richardson of Hondo.

**Photography Winner**  
Captain photographer Lionel W. Lippman was awarded first place in the people category of the Fall American Photography exhibit at the Museum of the Horse in Ruidoso Downs.

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**Domenici Asks Why Bugs Bunny & Frankenstein Get Stamp While Hispanic Heritage Is Overlooked**

**WASHINGTON** — After questioning why Frankenstein and Bugs Bunny get more respect than 400 years of Hispanic history, Senator Pete Domenici gained a new pledge from the Postmaster General Nov. 3 to push for a commemorative stamp marking the anniversary of Hispanic settlement in the Southwest.

Domenici expressed his outrage with the rejection of his request for a commemorative postage stamp honoring the 400-year anniversary of the first, continuous European settlement in the United States. It was in 1598 that Juan de Onate established the first permanent European settlement at San Gabriel, just north of present-day Espanola.

Domenici brought the issue to the attention of Postmaster General Marvin Runyon during a hearing to review U.S. Postal Service operations. The U.S. Postal Service Citizens Advisory Committee rebuffed the New Mexico commemorative stamp request when it met in October.

"Bugs Bunny got a stamp. As one who represents a very large Hispanic community, I think they should be hopping mad when Bugs Bunny is recognized over their 400 years of involvement in our culture and history," Domenici told Runyon.

"Dracula, the Mummy, the Phantom of the Opera, the Wolf Man and Frankenstein's monster are all honored with a stamp. But the 400th anniversary of Onate, the first permanent European settlement in the United States does not," Domenici said. "I think there are some misplaced, even monstrous, values here."

Runyon commended Domenici for his presentation on issuing a centennial stamp and said he would pursue the matter.

In 1598, Juan de Onate was appointed governor of New Mexico and assigned to lead a colonizing expedition into the northern most lands claimed by Spain. That year, Onate with about 200 colonists founded San Gabriel.

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# LETTERS to the editor

**EDITOR:** When people complain about the apathy and indifference in our country, they surely have not experienced the spirit and enthusiasm that one finds in our area.

Because the Capitan Public Library depends upon the financial support of the public, the call went out recently for help in support of its Arts and Crafts Sale -- and the response was "above and beyond". Artists and craftsmen from throughout the area willingly donated their work while others set out to make certain that all would be able to see and sample the creativity of the community. And the public came, knowing that every dime or dollar spent on those items would be used to make the young Library more beneficial and receptive to the needs of the community and surrounding areas.

Such an overwhelming response is an indication that indifference need not be the norm and, in our village, it obviously is not.

We commend everyone who helped make the event a success. The volunteers of the Capitan Public Library are indebted to them for their generosity and participation in this worthwhile project and invite all to visit the Library again soon to enjoy the results.

**NADINE WILLIAMS**  
Committee Chairman  
Capitan Public Library

## C'zozo Chit Chat

### Woman's Club Program

All women interested in the area's history are invited to attend the Carrizozo Woman's Club meeting tonight, Nov. 13, at 7 p.m. Ann Buffington will discuss pioneer women in our area. Hostesses for the meeting are Betty Payton and Debbie King. Club president Donna Harkey invites all ladies to join this service organization. For more information contact any member.

### Preschool Story Time

Carrizozo School library's preschool story time now has an enrollment of 14 students who are three and four years old. The class begins at 9 a.m. Thursdays and is open to all preschool age children ages three and four.

Students have been listening to stories, singing songs, and making masks, tambourines, arm janglers, and panda bear plates. After each story time, students may check out library books to take home. The students dressed in Halloween costumes Oct. 30 and enjoyed treats.

Community participation is welcome. Any adult who would like to share talents of telling or reading stories to the preschoolers may contact Rosemary Shafer at 648-2346.

### PFK To Meet

Carrizozo People for Kids (PFK) regular meetings are held the second Monday of the month at 3:30 p.m. in the school library. Anyone interested in helping the school and students is welcome to attend. For more information call 648-2346 or 648-2417.

PFK announced the Halloween carnival booth

winners: 1.) Third grade, 2.) kindergarten, 3.) Carrizozo Woman's Club. Booth winners received cash prizes of \$15 for first place, \$10 for second place, and \$5 for third place. Costume contest winners were Tori Hamby in the birth to preschool category, Bailey Shivers and Nathan Chavez in the K-5th grade category, and Stella Brewer in the mid high to high school category.

### School Library

Carrizozo School library is sponsoring a November author's birthday club. Grades 2 through 5 are reading books by authors who were born in the month of November. When they have read the required amount, two books for second grade and three books for grades 3-5, they will be invited to a birthday party at the end of the month. Refreshments will be served. Students will be expected to return a form listing book titles and authors and including a parent signature before attending the party.

The Carrizozo School library is a public library and has a good collection of quality books and a wide variety of magazines and newspapers, all available to be checked out by the public. People in the community are welcome to use the library. For more information about the library call Rosemary Shafer at 648-2346.

The Lincoln County News invites people to submit items of interest for the Carrizozo Chit Chat column. There is no charge.

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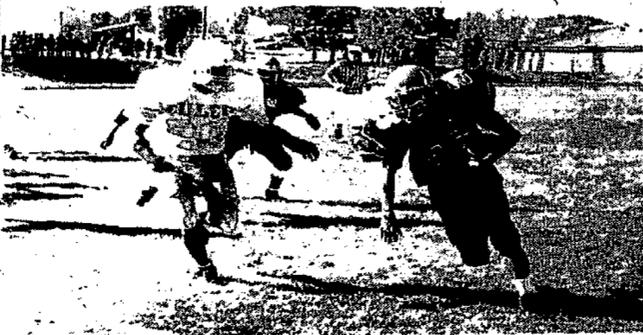
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**JAMES TACEY** rambles during Capitan's 50-8 victory over Dulce.

**WILLIAM PADILLA** #81 (dark jersey) on left, David Worrell #63 (on right) taking care of business for Capitan during Dulce game.



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**CAPITAN NOTES**



**CAPITAN MIDSCHOOL HOMECOMING COURT.** On back from left are 8th grade court members Jackson Noel, Jessica Neal, Sam Boese, Dennis Brockman, Jennifer Buff and not pictured is Amanda Holman; middle row are 7th grade court Nalon Muniz, Stephanie Kelsey, Jessica Tulley Mitchell, Bo Sparks; front row are 6th grade court Stirling Jenkins, Candle Turner, Rebecca Armstrong and Chance Huddleston. Midschool homecoming king and queen will be crowned at the middle school basketball game at 7 p.m. tonight (Thursday, Nov. 20.)

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

Please Lord above tell me this is not happening. My thoughts are so far back in time at this writing, my eyes so wet with tears and my thoughts so jumbled that it will be a small miracle if I can extricate thoughts and create some semblance of continuity. You readers deserve that.

However I just returned from the Memorial Service that our World War II veterans participated in. You see, my late husband was a Navy recruiter and he had some sadness to carry with him til he passed away. Namely that he had talked the son of his dearest friend into enlisting in the Navy and the boy was killed.

Many years later, his own son was a candidate for Annapolis in 1957. Not even thinking along those lines while in high school, taking examinations for mathematics courses that he had never taken proved his undoing and because of his disappointment he enlisted in the Marines one memorable night with some of his buddies. I thought his father would have a heart attack, he was so angry.

Four long years later, Terrence Patrick returned a very much changed young man and he never quite recuperated. For 10 years none of us knew just what he had endured, what had made him so different, so cynical, so not giving a continental damn about anything or anybody. But he had been to war, real war, fighting in the jungles of Laos before we ever got involved in Vietnam. And before he could be released from the service, after turning down offers of much better things: officers candidate school, duty at the white house, to name one or two, when his reply was still, "No, all I want is OUT," he then had to sign a paper that for 10 years he would never ever tell another living soul that he had been outside of the continental limits of the United States because sir, they said, "You were never there!"

"Tell that to the Marines that were there."

And so getting that off my chest perhaps you can understand the sadness that filled my heart this morning at the Memorial Services held here in Capitan.

And as even sadness has its pleasant aura, must admit that I certainly enjoyed the morning's program. I was a bit late and our Honorable Mayor was just finishing his speech, but from the round of applause, am certain it was a memorable one. Then our esteemed commissioner, Mr. Schwetmann gave a splendid address, our very special, handsome postmaster Mike Currin gave the prayer, and lovely Mrs. Joe Skeen, so beautiful and so eloquent, gave the final address.

Then the separating and the hugs with friends, the wiping of tears and a bit of conversation with a few favorite folks. Always a welcome hug from Gerry Rice and a special treat was the short visit with Tootie

and E.J. Fouratt. Both looking like they had just stepped off a magazine cover. So darned good looking, but both such special folks to me.

A very, very tragic and sad thing occurred this past week. On Monday night to be exact, the studio where Larry Caywood created his beautiful furniture and picture frames for Lorene's paintings was burned to the ground. Only the small part that was metal was left standing, but that metal part warped badly from the heat of the blaze.

What causes these tragedies, we know not. Why some folks have to take such a financial and emotional beating, we know not.

It is an especially low blow for Lorene and Larry. Brand new merchandise being readied for Christmas orders lay in the fiery ashes, and hopes of filling orders dashed. This wasn't just an emotional disaster, it was a financial disaster as well.

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# Capitan News Notes

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People have been kind, considerate and generous, but people soon forget because they also have problems to tend to. Lorene's and Larry's daughter arrived in the middle of the

night with her infant, ready to do what she could to be of help to her parents. Lorene said the local fire department were just wonderful. They arrived very, very shortly and did

their best, but the fire had a good start before the dog could convince Larry that something was wrong. Larry was home. Lorene was not. After their dog's insistent barking, Larry realized there was cause for the dog's alarm. What he saw was his property burning.

Our prayers go out to all of you and we hope that all folks will dig a little deeper in their pockets and give as generously as possible to help these deserving people. You may contribute at the Ruidoso State Bank and you also may make a donation at the post office, the Market, the Hardware Store, and Donna's beautiful shop on the corner. We will contact some other places on Wednesday. Any amount you can give will be so appreciated and we all thank you.

Am not certain if all of you know who the new pretty girl is at village hall. And in case you don't, let me clue you in. Her name is Kathryn Griffin and she was raised in Corona. She has always loved the way of life in a small town so nine years ago she moved to Capitan and we are glad she did. She has one son who is 10 years old and his name is Justin. And Kathryn we are so glad that you did decide to make Capitan your home.

Just a bit of this and that about some of my favorite folks:

I swear that James Sanchez gets more handsome every time I see him at church. I want to do a profile on James, Lynda and their lovely daughter and he promised, so we will hold him to his word.

Gary and Jo Lanning, I want you to come over one of these days and view your beautiful new home from my little high up front window. It looks just like a framed picture and I dread putting the winter covering on that window because I have certainly enjoyed viewing it morning, noon and night. How lucky Capitan is to have you folks living here and we certainly all welcome you and then some.

Always a pleasure going to the post office even if you just get the regular run of bills and material for your wastebasket. That Mike gets more handsome every day of his life and Robin is a special eyeful, such a sweetie. I always want to reach over and give her a big hug. Love Betty Lou too, but she is sometimes busy at other places. We are so fortunate to have three such very special people posted at our post office.

And just ran out of ribbon, so adios and sayonara.

## Tigers Trounce Dulce 50-8; Host Texico In Semi-Finals

By Bartley McDonough

The Capitan Fighting Tigers shot down the Dulce Hawks on November 8 and earned the right to play the Texico Wolverines in semi-final action. This game will be played in Capitan on Saturday, Nov. 15, with kick-off scheduled for 1:00 p.m. It was Capitan 50, Dulce 8.

Capitan received the opening kick-off and began on its own 35-yard line. After two first downs, Raymond Harris broke loose for 42 yards and the initial Tiger TD. James Tacey fought hard to get the extra two points. Capitan 8, Dulce 0.

Dulce had difficulty moving the ball in a series of plays that featured a big solo tackle by Raymond Harris. It was here that a couple of penalties, holding and clipping, cancelled a fine run by the Tigers' Justin Joiner and a 31-yard TD run by Harris. The Tigers were forced to punt. The Hawks eventually punted to Josh Long whose excellent run-back was nullified by a clip. Moments later a 60-yard pass play, Joiner to Harris, was good for a TD. The Tigers were unable to convert and the first quarter ended with Capitan up 14-0.

Early in the second quarter Nathan Thomas intercepted a pass and the Tigers took over 14 yards from pay dirt. Another penalty wiped out a TD pass to Patrick Hansell. James Tacey then scored for Capitan and Harris added the extra point. Capitan 21, Dulce 0.

Dulce got a first-down here and then was forced to punt. The Hawks recovered a Tiger fumble and Martin Gonzales got a big hit for Capitan during the next series.

With 3:35 left in the first half, Joiner ran the ball in from the 11-yard line. Thomas added the PAT and the Tiger substitutes came into the game. Joey Saiz and Truman Armstrong helped the Tigers before the end of the half. Capitan 28, Dulce 0.

Dulce received to begin the second half. A short punt gave Capitan the ball on the Hawk's 23-yard line. Harris fought to the one—Tigers lost 7 yards before Cody Joiner ran through the Hawks for the score. PAT effort was no good. Capitan 34, Dulce 0.

With the Tiger subs back in, William Padilla got a good hit and Dulce had no choice but to punt. Capitan now from the Hawk 47-yard line. Joey Saiz ripped off good yardage to the Dulce 8-yard line. Anthony Garcia reached pay dirt and William Padilla added two more points. Capitan 42, Dulce 0.

With two minutes gone in the fourth quarter Truman Armstrong got away for a long gainer and the Tigers final score. Justin Joiner went up the middle to add two more points. Capitan 50, Dulce 0. From this point the clock was allowed to run without being turned off.

The Dulce score came moments later when Moses Castleberry sailed down the east sideline for 80 yards. A pass play, Vigil to Castleberry added the extra two points. The final score was now posted on the scoreboard. Capitan 50, Dulce 8.

### FOOTBALL Area Scores

- Capitan 50, Dulce 8
- Texico 25, Jal 15
- Ruidoso 21, T or C 7
- Cloudcroft 49, Escalante 23
- Ft. Sumner 25, Hagerman 14
- Mountainair 52, Melrose 12
- Dexter 48, Laguna-Acoma 6
- Clayton 35, Hatch 0
- Socorro 47, Academy 0
- Eunice 14, Manual 7
- Siver City 41, Cobre 0
- Goddard 41, Carlsbad 0
- Roswell 22, Hobbs 6
- Alamogordo 49, Deming 0
- Onate 25, Gadsden 23
- Lovington 27, Portales 8
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In volleyball action, Carrizozo lost to Hagerman in three straight games, at the Regional Tournament at Ft. Sumner last Saturday.

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No. CV-97-143  
Div. III

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Plaintiff,

**ANTONIO BRAUN, et al.,**

Defendants.

**NOTICE OF SPECIAL MASTER'S SALE**  
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on November 25, 1997 at 10:00 A.M., at the front entrance to the Village of Ruidoso Municipal Complex located at 818 Cree Meadows Drive in Ruidoso, New Mexico, the undersigned Special Master will sell and convey to the highest bidder for cash, all right, title and interest of the following named Defendants in and to the following described properties of the Crown Point Owners Association, Inc., a New Mexico corporation, located on Crown Drive in Ruidoso, New Mexico, pursuant to the following judgment liens:

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Costs and attorney fees 304.54  
\$2,095.54

(c) Crown Point Corporation, a Texas corporation; and Lucia Marin and unknown spouse, if any, jointly and severally  
Unit Week 5, Building 2, Apartment 6, Phase 1  
Maintenance fees \$2,282.00  
Costs and attorney fees 304.54  
\$2,586.54

(d) Crown Point Corporation, a Texas corporation; and David Reyes and Rachel J. Reyes, husband and wife, jointly and severally  
Unit Week 10, Building 2, Apartment 6, Phase 1  
Maintenance fees \$1,506.00  
Costs and attorney fees 304.54  
\$1,810.54

(e) Trinda Usery, Monica Dawn Stipin, and their unknown spouses, if any, jointly and severally  
Unit Week 47, Building 2, Apartment 6, Phase 1  
Maintenance fees \$1,959.50  
Costs and attorney fees 304.54  
\$2,264.04

(f) Jose R. Romero and May S. Romero, husband and wife, jointly and severally  
Unit Week 41, Building 2, Apartment 7, Phase 1  
Maintenance fees \$1,506.00  
Costs and attorney fees 304.54  
\$1,810.54

(g) Edgar L. Williams and Cathy V. Williams, husband and wife, jointly and severally  
Unit Week 25, Building 3, Apartment 4, Phase 1  
Maintenance fees \$ 907.50  
Costs and attorney fees 304.54  
\$1,212.04

(h) Juan Lorenzo Grijalva Soto and unknown spouse, if any, jointly and severally  
Unit Week 31, Building 3, Apartment 4, Phase 1  
Maintenance fees \$2,107.00  
Costs and attorney fees 304.54  
\$2,411.54

(i) Felipe Escudero H. and Alejandro Lopez A., and their unknown spouses, if any; and Felipe Escudero H. and Alejandro Lopez A., a partnership, jointly and severally  
Unit Week 6, Building 4, Apartment 1, Phase 1  
Maintenance fees \$ 948.31  
Costs and attorney fees 304.54  
\$1,252.85

(j) Richard J. Speshock, Verma A. Speshock, and their unknown spouses, if any, jointly and severally  
Unit Week 2, Building 4, Apartment 3, Phase 1  
Maintenance Fees \$1,320.50  
Costs and attorney fees 304.54  
\$1,625.04

(k) Eduardo Adib Karam and unknown spouse, if any, jointly and severally  
Unit Week 6, Building 4, Apartment 3, Phase 1  
Maintenance fees \$1,511.00  
Costs and attorney fees 304.54  
\$1,815.54

(l) Rudolfo Chavez Perez and Aida Rios de Peraz, husband and wife, jointly and severally  
Unit Week 5, Building 4, Apartment 4, Phase 1  
Maintenance fees \$ 756.00  
Costs and attorney fees 304.54  
\$1,060.54

(m) Frank E. Parks and Patsy A. Parks, husband and wife, jointly and severally  
Unit Week 1, Building 4, Apartment 5, Phase 1  
Maintenance fees \$1,098.00  
Costs and attorney fees 304.54  
\$1,402.54

(n) James E. Grant and Pamela A. Grant, husband and wife, jointly and severally  
Unit Week 6, Building 4, Apartment 5, Phase 1  
Maintenance fees \$ 938.50  
Costs and attorney fees 304.54  
\$1,243.04

(o) Manuel Espinoza and Blanca E. Espinoza, husband and wife, jointly and severally  
Unit Week 23, Building 4, Apartment 5, Phase 1  
Maintenance fees \$ 938.50  
Costs and attorney fees 304.54  
\$1,243.04

(p) Lic. Sergio Ortuno O. and Delfine Aguilar de Ortuno, husband and wife, jointly and severally  
Unit Week 1, Building 4, Apartment 6, Phase 1  
Maintenance fees \$1,809.50  
Costs and attorney fees 304.54  
\$2,114.04

(q) Juan Francisco Galen Dingler and Irma Yolanda Encarnado de Galen, husband and wife, jointly and severally  
Unit Week 7, Building 8, Apartment 2, Phase 2  
Maintenance fees \$1,217.00  
Costs and attorney fees 304.54  
\$1,521.54

(r) Cheryl G. Jolly and unknown spouse, if any, jointly and severally  
Unit Week 35, Building 8, Apartment 1, Phase 2  
Maintenance fees \$1,095.54  
Costs and attorney fees 304.54  
\$1,400.08

(s) Crown Point Corporation, a Texas corporation; and Ronald W. Franklin and Susan M. Franklin, husband and wife, jointly and severally  
Unit Week 3, Building 8, Apartment 4, Phase 2  
Maintenance fees \$2,239.73  
Costs and attorney fees 304.54  
\$2,544.27

(t) James L. Jacobs and B. Lee Jacobs, husband and wife, jointly and severally  
Unit Week 50, Building 8, Apartment 10, Phase 2  
Maintenance fees \$1,481.00  
Costs and attorney fees 304.54  
\$1,785.54

(u) Lemuel T. Youngblood and Sandra J. Youngblood, husband and wife  
Unit Week 36, Building 8, Apartment 16, Phase 2  
Maintenance fees \$1,128.00  
Costs and attorney fees 304.54  
\$1,432.54

In addition to the foregoing amounts, the Special Master's fee of \$200.00, the publication fee, and accruing costs shall be due and owing from the Defendants to Plaintiff.

The sale is made pursuant to the Default Judgment, Decree of Foreclosure, Order of Sale and Appointment of Special Master entered by the Court on October 22, 1997, in a suit brought to foreclose Plaintiff's liens for maintenance fees and assessments owed by the respective Defendants.

The Special Master will sell the interval weeks to the highest bidder for cash or certified funds, and Plaintiff may bid its judgment amounts at the sale in whole or in part as if the same were cash.

The Special Master may continue the Special Master's sale scheduled November 25, 1997, provided that the Special Master or her representative appears at the time designated for the sale and announces the postponement or sale to another specific date.

**SARAH PROTHRO**  
Special Master

**Lee Griffin**  
**LEGAL SERVICES INC., P.C.**  
1096 Mechem Drive, Suite 102  
Ruidoso, New Mexico 88345  
Attorney for Plaintiff

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**NOTICE OF MEETING**

Lincoln County Medical Center's Board of Trustees will meet on Thursday, November 20, 1997, at 8:00 a.m., in the Hospital Conference Room. The Agenda will be available at the Administrator's Office, on Monday, November 17, 1997.

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**NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING**

Notice is hereby given that the Lincoln County Board of Commissioners shall hold a Public Hearing beginning at 1:00 p.m., on Friday, November 21, 1997, at the Ruidoso Civic Events Center, 111 Sierra Blanca Drive, in Ruidoso, New Mexico. The following proposed ordinance will be considered:

(1) Proposed Amendments to the Lincoln County Subdivision Ordinance No. 1997-4  
All parties and interested citizens will have the opportunity to be heard. Copies of the proposed ordinance may be obtained from the County Manager's Office at the Lincoln County Courthouse in Carrizozo, twenty-four (24) hours prior to the meeting.

**MARTHA GUEVARA,**  
Assistant  
County Manager

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date March 28, 1978.  
Written comments will be received by the Lincoln County Commission, Lincoln County Courthouse, P.O. Box 711, Carrizozo, NM 88301-0711, until 5:00 p.m., Friday, November 28, 1997.

A more detailed description of the project is available for review at the Lincoln County Courthouse, County Manager's Office, 300 Central Avenue, Carrizozo, NM 88301, (505) 648-2385.

**FRANK POTTER,**  
**LINCOLN COUNTY**  
Manager  
Certifying  
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Officer

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**LEGAL NOTICE**

A Public Hearing shall be held at 11:00 a.m. on Friday, November 21, 1997, by the Lincoln County Board of Commissioners at the Ruidoso Civic Events Center, 111 Sierra Blanca Drive, in Ruidoso, New Mexico, to consider the application of Y. Salm and Karen J. Sager, D/B/A Wortley Hotel, Post Office Box 299, Tinnie, New Mexico 88351, to obtain a new Restaurant License No. A-2980, to be located at Highway 380, Lincoln, Lincoln County, New Mexico.

**MARTHA GUEVARA,**  
Assistant  
County Manager

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**TWELFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT COUNTY OF LINCOLN STATE OF NEW MEXICO**

No. CV 97-000081

**G.E. CAPITAL MORTGAGE SERVICES, INC.**

Plaintiff,

vs.

**HEATHER PARKER BRANCH, MILES BERNARD aka MILES BERNARD BRANCH and LISA J. BRANCH,**

Defendant(s).

**NOTICE OF SALE**  
**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that the under-

signed Special Master will, on December 10, 1997, at 11:00 a.m., at the main entrance of the Lincoln County Courthouse, Carrizozo, New Mexico, sell and convey to the highest bidder for cash all the right, title and interest of the above-named defendants in and to the following described real estate located in said County and State:

**LOTS 13 AND 14, BLOCK 1, OF THE RUIDOSO DOWNS HEIGHTS, LINCOLN COUNTY, NEW MEXICO, AS SHOWN BY THE PLAT THEREOF FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY CLERK AND EX-OFFICIO RECORDED OF LINCOLN COUNTY, NEW MEXICO, ON MARCH 26, 1997.**

The address of the real

property is 145 West Circle Drive, Ruidoso, New Mexico. Said sale will be made pursuant to the Decree of Foreclosure entered on October 27, 1997, in the above entitled and numbered cause, which was a suit to foreclose a note and mortgage held by the above plaintiff and wherein plaintiff was adjudged to have a lien against the above-described real estate in the sum of \$128,801.19, plus interest from October 1, 1997 to the date of sale at the rate of 7.250% per annum, or \$26.70 per day, the costs of sale, including the Special Master's fee of \$200.00, publication costs, and plaintiff's costs expended for taxes, insurance or keeping the property in good repair. Plaintiff has the right to bid at such sale and submit its bid verbally or in writing. The Plaintiff may apply all or

any part of its judgment to the purchase price in lieu of cash. Defendant Lisa J. Branch has a second lien on the Property in an amount to be determined hereafter. As the date and time stated above, the Special Master may postpone the sale to such later date and time as the Special Master may specify.

Dated: 11-10, 1997.

**DARRELL N. BRANTLEY**  
Special Master  
1215 New York Avenue  
Alamogordo, NM 88310  
505/437-7310

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**NOTICE**

NOTICE is hereby given that on October 22, 1997, Aristeo Lucero, Arbolado Route, HC-79, Box 100, Tinnie, New Mexico 88351, filed application No. RA-8377 & RA-8377-S with the STATE ENGINEER for permit to change place of use of 22.035 acre-foot per annum of shallow ground water diverted from the shallow wells No. RA-8377 located in the NE¼ SE¼ SW¼ and RA-8377-S located in the SW¼ NW¼ SE¼ both in Section 32, Township 8 South, Range 18 East, N.M.P.M., by causing the irrigation of 7.345 acres of land described as the S¼ SE¼ of Section 32, Township 8 South, Range 18 East, N.M.P.M.

The applicant proposes to commence the use of said 22.035 acre-foot per annum of shallow ground water for the irrigation of 7.345 acres of land described as the S¼ SE¼ of Section 32, Township 8 South, Range 18 East, N.M.P.M.

After a division of family land, the owner of water rights desires to relocate to land owned by him some 250 feet north of the present location.

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

tmi  
cc: Santa Fe  
C/RRR No.: P 391 748 509

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**NOTICE**

NOTICE is hereby given that on October 29, 1997, Village of Capitan, P.O. Box 246, Capitan, NM 88316, filed application No. H-685-S-4 with the STATE ENGINEER for permit to drill a supplemental well 8" inches in diameter and approximately 1000 feet deep, to a point in the NE¼ Section 18, Township 9 South, Range 15 East, N.M.P.M., for the purpose of supplementing the following existing shallow wells:

Well No.	Subdivision	Section	Township	Range
H-685	S¼ SW¼ NW¼	8	9S	14E
H-685-S	Blk. 24, Original Capitan Townsite	10	9S	14E
H-685-S-2	NE¼ SW¼ NEM	18	9S	15E
H-685-S-3	SE¼ SE¼ SE¼	12	9S	14E

for the continued diversion of up to 220.95 acre-foot per annum of shallow groundwater for municipal purposes within the Village of Capitan.

Any person, firm or corporation or other entity objecting that the granting of the application will be detrimental to the conservation of water within the state or detrimental to the public welfare of the state and showing that the objector will be substantially and specifically affected by the granting of the application shall have standing to file objections or protests. Provided, however, that the State of New Mexico or any of its branches, agencies, departments, boards, instrumentalities or institutions, and all political subdivisions of the state and their agencies, instrumentalities and institutions shall have standing to file objections or protests. The 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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C/RRR No.: P 391 748 190

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**LEGAL**

NOTICE is hereby given that on October 31, 1997, Village of Ruidoso, P.O. Drawer 69, Ruidoso, NM 88345, filed application No. H-1979-S-7 with the STATE ENGINEER for permit to supplement the following existing wells:

Well No.	Subdivision	Section	Township	Range
H-1979	NE¼ NE¼ NW¼ (Projected)	36	10S	13E
H-1979-S	Pt. SW¼	34	10S	13E
H-1980	SW¼ NE¼ NW¼ (Projected)	36	10S	12E
H-1981	SE¼ NE¼ NW¼ (Projected)	36	10S	12E
H-1982	NE¼ SE¼ NW¼ (Projected)	36	10S	12E

for the continued diversion of up to 5648.0 acre-foot per annum of groundwater as adjudicated in Chavez County Cause No. 20294 & 22600. Consolidated, Sub-file No. R.203, by using existing well H-2540-Expl., located in the SW¼ NE¼ SW¼ of Section 34, Township 10 South, Range 13 East, N.M.P.M., for municipal purposes within the Village of Ruidoso.

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

cc: Santa Fe  
C/RRR No.: P 391 748 193

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**PUBLIC MEETING NOTICE**

The Lincoln County Board of Commissioners will hold their next two (2) regularly scheduled Board meetings at the Ruidoso Civic Events Center, 111 Sierra Blanca Drive, in Ruidoso, New Mexico. The meetings are open to the public and agendas are available 24 hours prior to the meetings. 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.

8:00 A.M. ON FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 21, 1997  
8:00 A.M. ON TUESDAY, DECEMBER 16, 1997

**MARTHA GUEVARA**  
Assistant  
County Manager

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Written comments will be received by the Lincoln County Commission, Lincoln County Courthouse, P.O. Box 711, Carrizozo, NM 88301-0711, until 5:00 p.m., Friday, November 28, 1997.

A more detailed description of the project is available for review at the ERD County Manager's Office, 300 Central Avenue, Carrizozo, NM 88301, (505) 648-2385.

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**OBITUARY**

**W.S. "Dick" BUNT**

Funeral service for W.S. "Dick" Bunt, 87, of Ruidoso Downs was November 7, at the First Baptist Church in Ruidoso Downs. Officiating was the Rev. David Jordan. Burial followed at Forest Lawn Cemetery.

Mr. Bunt died November 5, at Lincoln County Medical Center. He was born March 29, 1910 at Pittsburg, TX. He served in the Army during World War II. He was a 32 degree Mason and a member of the Masonic Lodge in Gallup. He was a former mayor of Ruidoso Downs. He married Zula Coffman on November 30, 1935 at Pittsburg, TX.

He is survived by his wife Zula of Ruidoso Downs; son Kenneth Bunt and his wife Terri of Grants, NM and two grandsons. Arrangements were under the direction of LaGrone Funeral Chapel of Ruidoso.



**FAST ACTION**

**Lincoln County News  
CLASSIFIED ADS  
CALL: (505) 648-2333**

**HELP WANTED:** House-keeping and wait persons. Apply in person at the Worley Hotel in Lincoln.  
tfn/Aug. 14

**FOR RENT:** In Capitan, large clean 1-BDRM Apartment. \$295.00 furnished or \$295.00 unfurnished. Water, sewer and garbage paid.  
354-2006.  
tfn/Nov. 13

**I BUY HOUSES,** land and income property. Fast Action.  
354-3415.  
tfn/Oct. 9

**MUST SELL!!!**  
Never lived in-1997 full Tape & Texture Palm Harbor doublewide with 3 bdrm, 2 bath, parent's study, huge greatroom, fireplace, country kitchen w/island, walk-in pantry, formal dining and much much more! Includes delivery and set, and 2 evap. coolers. ONLY \$466.89 mo. \*tax 10%dp, 360mo., 7% fixed apr.  
**CALL NOW FOR FREE COLOR BROCHURES**  
1-800-374-6360

**FOR RENT:** Apartments and Kitchens for rent by the week or month. Free utilities and maid service. Smokey Bear Motel - Capitan.  
354-2253.  
tfn/Oct. 9

**FOR SALE:** Remodeled 14x70, 2BR on 1/3 acre city lot in Carrizozo. Under \$600.00 down. Under \$200.00/month. No payment for 90 days. B100  
1-505-296-0243.  
tfn/Nov. 6

**WANT TO BUY HORSES,** call Ruidoso 505-257-3640 evenings.  
2tp/Nov. 6 & 13

**AMERICA'S CHOICE**  
ONLY (12) 1997 Model homes left. ALL must go! Prices have been slashed. MUST move by end of year. Singles and Doubles. Immediate delivery.  
**WE HAVE LAND AVAILABLE NOW!!**  
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CARRIZOZO  
(505) 648-2911**

**CHRISTMAS IS COMING.** Computerized monogram - a special gift, clothing, linens, dashmats, horse blankets, quilts. Call Ruidoso 505-257-3640 evenings.  
2tp/Nov. 6 & 13

**FOR SALE:** Alfalfa Hay and Oat Hay. Three Rivers Cattle Co. 648-2448.  
tfn/June 12

**FOR SALE LLAMA'S**

- \* 1-Gelding 3yr. old, white w/ dark brown markings. \$800.00.
- \* 1-Stud 3 yr. old, white w/ brown patch on rump. \$900.00.
- \* 1-Female 6 yr. old, bred and due March of '98, all brown. \$2,000.00.
- \* 1-Baby-Cria 4 mo. old, all white female, a real cutie. \$1,500.00.

CALL 354-3373  
4tp/Nov. 6, 13, 20 and 26

**FOR SALE:** 1990 Chev., 4-door, Corsica. Call 505-659-4260.  
2tp/Nov. 6 & 13

**FOR SALE:** 2 BR, 1-Bath, frame stucco in Carrizozo. Kitchen and bath remodeled. New paint. Large storage outbuilding.  
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2tp/Nov. 13 & 20

**SALES HELP WANTED**  
**TEXAS REFINERY CORP.** needs mature person now in CARRIZOZO AREA. Regardless of training, write W.D. Hopkins Dept. W-88301, Box 711, Ft. Worth, TX 76101-0711.  
2to/Nov. 6 & 13

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2tp/Nov. 13 & 20

**THANK YOU ST. JUDE,** for favors granted. B.C.  
1tp/Nov. 13

**FOR SALE:** 1987 Chevy Crew Cab. Basin Pipe & Metal, Alamogordo.  
4tc/No. 13 & 26  
Dec. 11 & 24

**ABSOLUTE AUCTION**  
November 23, 1997  
Ruidoso, NM  
7AC. Mini Mtn. Ranch: 3,000+SF, stucco-tile roof, 3 BR, 3BA, Cedar, texture tile, carpet, F.P., well, Nat. Gas, paved Dr, creek, Nat. Forest, pines, pasture, wild life, views, horses. Full of quality antiques.  
(505) 257-5510 or -5201  
FAX -2684  
1tc/Nov. 13

**OBITUARIES**

**FRED F. DALE**  
Fred F. Dale, 85, died Oct. 6 in Graham, Washington.  
He was born June 4, 1912 in Jicarilla, Lincoln County, New Mexico. He lived in Lincoln County and New Mexico for 46 years before moving to Graham, Washington 39 years ago.  
He was involved with the Northwest Rodeo Association and was a stock contractor and contracted for many years as a team roper. He owned a well drilling business for 20 years.  
He is survived by his wife of 62 years, Lillian Lee Dale, sons Gleason, Glenn and Gary Dale, 10 grandchildren and six great grandchildren.  
Funeral services were held Oct. 10 at Puyallup, WA with interment at Sumner Cemetery.

**DORIS B. SHOEMAKER**  
Graveside service for Doris B. Shoemaker, 82, of Ruidoso was November 8 at Forest Lawn Cemetery with the Rev. Jim Hovland officiating.

Mrs. Shoemaker died November 3, at Lincoln County Medical Center. She was born March 19, 1915 at Pottstown, PA. She married George Shoemaker on November 28, 1935 at Pottstown, and he preceded her in death on September 20, 1983.

She is survived by two sons, James R. Shoemaker and his wife Kathy of Laguna Beach, CA, and David L. Shoemaker and his wife Donna of Sausalito, CA, and a granddaughter.  
Arrangements were under the direction of LaGrone Funeral Chapel of Ruidoso.

**Carrizozo Schools HONOR ROLL**

**12th Grade:** Superintendent's List 4.0 G.P.A. or higher - Amanda Baca, Jordan Dixon; Principal's List 3.5 G.P.A. or higher - Eldon Offutt.

**11th Grade:** Superintendent's List 4.0 G.P.A. or higher - Elizabeth Avila, Briton Goad; 3.0 G.P.A. or higher - Amber Valles, Melanie Whittaker.

**10th Grade:** Superintendent's List 4.0 G.P.A. or higher - Bryan Hightower, Mollie Hightower, Renee Rael, Libby Sambrano, Robert Shafer; Principal's List 3.5 G.P.A. or higher - Robin James, Ryan Roper; 3.0 G.P.A. or higher - Simon Beltran, Autumn Gieb, Svon Peters, Josh Vega, Andrea Wyatt.

**9th Grade:** Superintendent's List 4.0 G.P.A. or higher - Daniel Gardner; Principal's List 3.5 G.P.A. or higher - Mary Beth Bond, Stella Brewer; 3.0 G.P.A. or higher - Kayla Hammond, Andrew Margis, Lisa Sanchez.

**8th Grade:** Superintendent's List 4.0 G.P.A. or higher - Bianca Baca, Lane Dixon, Adrian Goad, Patrick Hightower, Robert James, Brandon Langley, Cerilia Sambrano; Principal's List 3.5 G.P.A. or higher - Andra Harkey, Nick Morero, Matt Offutt; 3.0 G.P.A. or higher - John Serna.

**7th Grade:** Superintendent's List 4.0 G.P.A. or higher - Anthony Beltran, Ciji Bingerman, Jesse Ortiz, Ashlie Samora, Cheri Sanchez; Principal's List 3.5 G.P.A. or higher - Trevor Douglas, Felisha Grey, Jason Philhower, Kimberly Vega; 3.0 G.P.A. or higher - Tabitha Crisp.

**6th Grade:** Superintendent's List 4.0 G.P.A. or higher - Torrey Bosson, Brent Dixon; Principal's List 3.5 G.P.A. or higher - Monique Jiron, Monique Morales, Ariel Valles, Adrianna Zamora; 3.0 G.P.A. or higher - Ashley Furness, Bud Clay Hammond, Paul Morales.

**5th Grade:** Superintendent's List 4.0 G.P.A. or higher - Opal Greer; Principal's List 3.5 G.P.A. or higher - Stephanie Brewer, Sam Gardner; 3.0 G.P.A. or higher - Cody Craig, Brandon Morales, Jesse Samora.

**4th Grade:** Superintendent's List 4.0 G.P.A. or higher - Whitney Whittaker, Mary Beth Shivers; Principal's List 3.5 G.P.A. or higher - Hendricks, Jerilyn Lovelace, Jesse Greene, Mathew Barela, Justus Wilson.

**3rd Grade:** Superintendent's List 4.0 G.P.A. or higher - Kaitlyn Vega; Principal's List 3.5 G.P.A. or higher - Chantel Day, Robert Dutchover, Stephen Margis, Aleisha Nelson, Sofia Ramirez, Adam Zamora, Samantha Portillo-Narvaez, Alex Wallace.

**Carrizozo Municipal Judge's Report**

Carrizozo Municipal Judge Bill Meeks reported the following judicial activity for October: one marriage performed, 14 warrants for arrest, bench/criminal, 14 summons issued, all types, 22 cases docketed, and 17 licenses pulled.

The following financial summary was reported for October: \$565 general fund fines levied and \$224 court cost levied; \$1,355 general fund collections, \$238 court costs collected, and six hours community service time worked, value \$30.

Amounts owed: \$617 unpaid assessments as of Oct. 31, 1997 and \$1,058 time payments owed.

Disbursed to Town of Carrizozo: \$977 fines, \$278 bond conversion, \$100 contempt fee. Other disbursements: \$170 correction fees, \$51 court automation, \$27 judicial education, \$222 bond refund to defendant.



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

**First Baptist Church**  
HAYDEN SMITH, pastor  
314 10th Ave, Carrizozo, NM 648-2968 (church) or 648-2107  
Sunday School..... 9:45 am  
Worship Service..... 10:55 am  
Sun. Evening..... Training at 6:15 pm  
Evening Worship..... 7:15 pm  
Wednesday Bible Study..... 7:00 pm

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

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

**Church of Christ**  
PAUL WETZEL, minister  
Ave. C at 12th, Carrizozo, NM, 648-2996  
Sunday School..... 10:00 am  
Worship Service..... 11:00 am  
Evening Worship..... 6:00 pm  
Wednesday Bible Study..... 7:00 pm

**St. Matthias Episcopal Church**  
FR. A. TRIPP, priest  
Corner of E Ave. & 6th, 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 Services**..... 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

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

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

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

**Capitan Church of Christ**  
LESLIE EARWOOD, minister  
5th & Lincoln / 338-4627  
Sunday Bible Study..... 10:00 a.m.  
Worship Service..... 11:00 a.m.  
Evening Worship..... 6:00 p.m.  
Wednesday Bible Study..... 7:00 p.m.

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

# CORONA NEWS

Fog, cold and snow early Sunday caused something of a lull for hunters, some without a deer, a few with as small as four-points. There were complaints about the scarcity of deer.

Crown CowBelles met Thursday, Nov. 6 at La Cocina de Corona for lunch and then went to the high school board room for the business meeting and program. There were nine members and three guests present, Maxine Brown, Shirley Owen and Martha Proctor who was on her way to a conference in Albuquerque.

President Lee Sultemeier reported on the success of the ranch ram test dinner. The membership list needs updating after the dues are paid, now payable at \$12.00.

The report of the nominating committee was approved and the following officers were elected each by acclamation: President, Lanita Rasak; 1st Vice-President, June Tyree; 2nd VP, Lee Sultemeier; secretary, Trish Cox; and treasurer, Wanda Duke. Officers will be installed at the December meeting and Ruth Shannon will be asked to do the installation ceremony.

The theme for the poster this year is "Beef Is What You Want". Jeanene Gibbs and Tommy Tyree will be asked to judge. NM CowBelles will celebrate 40 years at the annual convention in Albuquerque the first weekend in December with a 2:00 p.m. meeting Dec. 5 at the convention center. The national president will speak. Mrs. Rasak and Mrs. Duke will attend. They will take with them the poster contest winners from Corona schools.

Shelly Frost presented the program beginning with a video "Keepers of the Flame" made by the Soil Conservation Service. It shows 50 years of conservation and celebration. History tells us how conservation has led us through the years and saved the future. She stressed that we are all "Keepers of the Flame". She will have a meeting to show how she herself is preserving pictures and articles in special albums. Her albums are called "Creative Memories".

The next meeting will be a covered dish dinner, installation of officers and gift exchange in the Rasak's new guest house, the date during the first week of December. Before the meeting Mrs. Rasak and Mrs. Duke were seen cleaning a flower bed at the senior center. They planted bulbs, crocus, tulip and miniature iris. Mrs. Rasak has given the center a Ficus tree for interior decoration.

Hunters reported seeing two javelinas near the Gallinas and two east of the track, not the same hunters, and no evidence of alcohol.

Mr. and Mrs. Allen Campbell stopped by briefly Thursday. They had traveled from Alamogordo to San Diego to above the Arctic Circle during the summer and had returned as far as Denver when Allen suffered a heart attack on the golf course Sept. 7. Angioplasty was not successful, but a shunt is. He says he feels better than for several years. They will spend a couple of months in Alamogordo with his family. Traveling companions are Dusty and Melva Ketterman of Pueblo, Co. We are enjoying the salmon. Allen. Allen reported Roslie Ashcraft in serious condition, poor health.

Bobbie Tracey had guests Wednesday of last week, her sister, Ruth Fahr of Petaluma, CA and Ruth's two daughters, Bonnie Tracey of Albuquerque and Nola Taylor of Chico, CA. Bonnie and Nola returned to their home, and the next day Mrs. Fahr went on to Alabama to visit a granddaughter and a great granddaughter while awaiting the arrival of another great grandchild.

Clifford Bryan of La Luz, was visiting his old home and former hunting grounds this weekend, except that this time he was chauffeur and his stepson, Rick, the hunter.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Petrose and two children of Cortez, CO visited the Virgil Owen family over the weekend. Robert took his venison home with them. Leanna Owen went home with them for a couple of weeks. They took Lisa Oliver home to Farmington. She had been here for a short time with her cousin, Leanna. Les Owen of Las Cruces, came for the hunting too, but did not hunt.

Mrs. Leon Erramouspe went to Logan over the weekend to watch her granddaughter play volleyball.

Bob Bradford stopped by Sunday noon on his way home to El Paso from Palmer Lake, CO. Because of blowing snow he had spent the night in Raton.

Teresita Barajas has returned from a two week trip to California, where seven of her ten children live. She was able to visit with those families, but the high point of her vacation was a 30 year reunion of her work crew who were employed by the California Employment at Marina Del Rey. Mrs. Baraja's job was to educate, train and place people. She enjoyed her work, and she enjoyed meeting again with those with whom she had worked for all those years.

Elementary teacher, Mrs. Betty Ann Bell, attended the 25th Regional International Reading Association Conference in Tucson, AZ, on October 30-November 1. Over 2,000 teachers from Arizona, Oklahoma, Arkansas, Texas, and New Mexico were in attendance. Mrs. Bell facilitated a session on: Painting with Words - The Joy of Students and Teachers Composing Original Poetry, which was taught by professors Olga Liguori and Edith Norris from University of Texas at El Paso.

She attended a variety of keynote sessions and workshops by leading researchers and authors in the field of reading. Her favorite workshop featured children's author - illustrator Jim Harris, the author of *Jack in the Cornfield* (1997), and illustrator of *The Three Little Javalinas*. She brought back materials and ideas to share with our staff and other schools upon request. Mrs. Bell is the state secretary for the New Mexico Council of the International Reading Association.

Corona Del Rey Women's Aglow will meet Saturday, Nov. 15 at 2:00 p.m. in the Corona School auditorium. Sue Mikul of Mayhill will speak.

## Hot Foot Teddy

(Con't. from P. 2)

Wendolin's painting of a reclining Smokey, dreaming of being that little bear cub clinging to a charred tree--the little Smokey of the 1950 Capitan fire.

Wendolin will be 88 in February. He just recently received an award from the DAR for his fire prevention message, Pablo said. Wendolin was hired by the federal government to design a symbol for the fire prevention bear. Wendolin's Smokey Bear is considered the most widely recognized symbol in the U.S. and other countries.

Pablo said Wendolin sent his best of everything to the citizens of Capitan.

Capitan Mayor Norman Renfro recalled Wendolin's visit to Capitan in 1984. Wendolin sat in Smokey Bear Restaurant and sketched Smokey. The sketch hangs in the restaurant now.

Vanmeter was to meet with state and federal foresters about support of a Hot Foot Teddy Convention.

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