

County Commissioners Meet Tuesday, Dec. 8

by Doris Cherry

Lincoln County Commissioners conduct their regular December meeting at 9 a.m. Tuesday, December 8, in their chambers in the Lincoln County Courthouse in Carrizozo.

Commissioners will hold two public hearings at 1 p.m. to consider a proposed ordinance that will increase lodgers taxes from two to four percent, and to address maintenance of subdivision roads and road front footage assess-

ments.

Other items on the unofficial, tentative 43 item agenda include:

--Agreement to provide janitorial services at sub-office.

--Elected officials salary increase.

--Glencoe Rural Events Center advisory board.

--Request from Lincoln Fire Department for 50 yards of base course gravel.

--Request for funds to help pay for the design and print-

ing of 200,000 brochures highlighting state monuments and Billy the Kid Scenic Byways.

--Appointment to Southeastern New Mexico Economic Development District (SNMEDD) board.

--Appointment to Lincoln County Solid Waste Authority (LCSWA) board.

--Appointment to Road Review Committee.

--Gavilan Canyon Road, request for flashers at ball park and legislative assis-

tance.

--Payroll audit.

--Detention Center; draft RFP, inmate work policy, Friday judicial review of inmates, Chaves County agreement to house juveniles.

--Amendment to 1998-99 Cash in Lieu of Commodities contract with Area Agency on Aging.

--Designate authority for Emergency Operations Center.

--Agreement with South

Central Mountain Resource Conservation and Development District for RC&D secretary.

--Consideration of bids for utility vehicle, construction of new White Oaks fire station, electronic inmate monitoring.

--Discussion of roads platted but not built.

--Resolution for budget adjustments.

--Resolution to remove items from 1997-98 inventory.

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--Resolution establishing meeting dates.

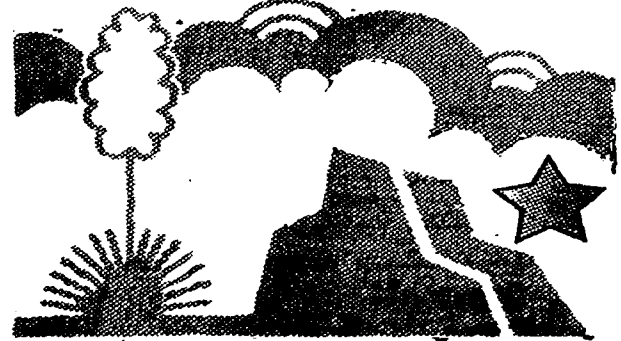
--Approval of interim loan agreement with the New Mexico Finance Authority and White Oaks Fire Department.

--Extraterritorial Zoning request from Ruidoso Mayor Robert Donaldson.

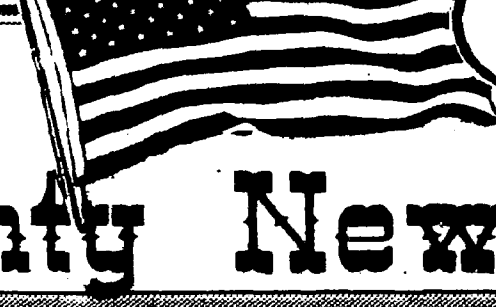
--Proposed plans for use of \$25,000 special appropriation

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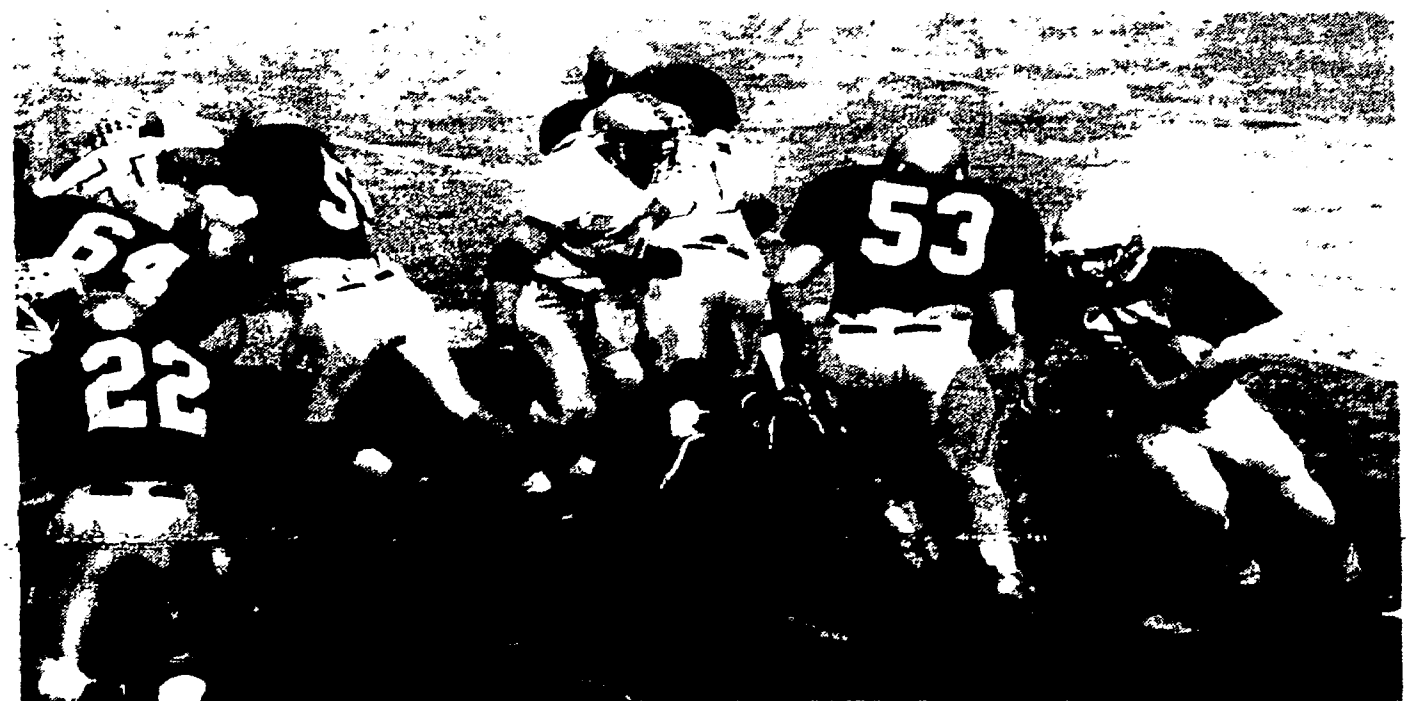


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RUIDOSO WARRIOR SOPHOMORE Ben Lundquist #17, runs the ball during one of the many plays the Warriors made in Saturday's semi-final State Class AAA football game against Raton. Also pictured are #53 sophomore Casey Turner, #22 junior Frank Dorame, #64 senior Reny Reid-head and #55 junior Keith Bassett. Ruidoso won the game 36-0. The Warriors play the Artesia Bulldogs for the state Class AAA title at 12:30 p.m. Saturday, in Horton Stadium in Ruidoso.

Ruidoso Approves Changes For Use Of Lodgers Tax \$\$\$

by Doris Cherry

Ruidoso Village Council approved amendments to the 1998-99 budget for purchasing more land for recreation, stop lights, and to make final payment on trash collections.

During their short regular meeting November 24, councilors okayed the budget amendments presented by finance officer Lorri McKnight. The first amendment was for \$133,000 to purchase 5.275 acres at \$25,000 an acre, adjacent to the White Mountain Sports Complex on Hull Road and closing costs of \$1,125. The land will be used to expand the recreation complex. Funds will be taken from the general fund.

Another amendment was for \$200,000 to install two stop lights on Sudderth Drive at Center Street and Country Club Drive in the Mid-town area. This money also will come from the general fund.

A reimbursement to the village from Norwest Bank from the lease of solid waste equipment made last budget cycle will be added to the general fund and required a budget amendment. McKnight also reported that a new line item was established in the village solid waste fund to make the final payment to the Lincoln County Solid Waste Authority (LCSWA) on the last monthly bills collected on

Ruidoso residential customers.

Councilor Bob Sterchi questioned if the village was receiving the Environmental Gross Receipt Taxes now that LCSWA no longer provided trash services to the village. Village manager Alan Briley said the village will receive the taxes if the tipping fees at the regional landfill exceed the cost of operation in a one year period. The costs are calculated on an annual basis, Briley added.

Councilors approved changes to the policy for use of lodgers taxes for special events. Village clerk Tammie Maddox explained that during

a special meeting in September and its regular meeting in October, the village lodgers tax committee reviewed, modified and recommended the council approve the changes to the policy. During those meetings the committee agreed to develop a point system for eligibility to try on a trial basis for one year. If the point system proves beneficial, the committee will recommend it become part of the special events policy.

Maddox also discussed the funding eligibility and criteria for use of the lodgers tax

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Carrizozo To Participate In Santa Cops Program

by Barbara Culler

The Town of Carrizozo Board of Trustees met Tuesday, November 24, for their regularly scheduled meeting. Mayor Manuel R. Hernandez and trustees Eileen Lovelace and Wesley Lindsay were present.

Chief of Police Angelo Vega told the trustees that Carrizozo will be a part of the Santa Cops program this year. He said that anyone who wishes to make donations to the program may bring them to either the Carrizozo Police Department or to District Attorney's office at the Lincoln County Courthouse. Applications are also available at both locations for people in need of the Santa Cops program.

The public hearing to amend the municipal code for impoundment, time for redemption was held. No one from the public attended the hearing to make any comments.

The hearing was to amend the code to read: time for redemption, all impounded animals shall be redeemed within seven days after impoundment. Any animal not redeemed within the required period shall become property of the animal shelter and may be placed for adoption upon payment of the license fee, the impoundment fee of seven

dollars per day, care and feeding charges of twenty-five dollars and veterinary charges or the animal may be released to the humane society or humanely destroyed. A motion to publish for final adoption of the change was approved.

Vega, during his police department report, told the trustees that he had three telephone quotes for repair of the sidewalk in front of the Senior Center and Police Department. The three quotes are from: Carrizozo Ready

Mix, Carrizozo; Alpine Concrete, Capitan; and Valley Transit Mix, Ruidoso. Lovelace will not be voting on awarding of the repairs so it was tabled until the December 8 meeting.

Trustees accepted the resignation of Sammy Roper as animal control/maintenance officer and authorized Vega to re-advertise the position for one week in the December 3 Lincoln County News. The

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Suspect Arrested; Charged With First Degree Murder

A 39 year old Capitan man is being held without bond in the Lincoln County Detention Center on charges of first degree murder and armed robbery in the second degree. The charges stemmed from the investigation into the stabbing death of Allsup's clerk John Diebler on August 29 in Ruidoso.

According to a press release from Ruidoso Police, at 9:35 a.m. Wednesday, November 25, Capitan police chief Carrol Durbin and state police officer Justin Fedric arrested Johnny Ray Gutierrez without incident at his residence in

Capitan on a warrant issued by Magistrate Judge William Butts. Ruidoso Police Department in cooperation with District Attorney Scot Key had prepared the affidavit for Gutierrez's arrest based on evidence found in the investigation of the murder.

Diebler was a clerk at the Highway 70 Allsup's store in Ruidoso when he was found stabbed to death in the bathroom of the store on August 29.

According to reports, police also received a Crime Stopper's tip about the murder.

Dr. Injured In C'zozo Airport Plane Crash

by Doris Cherry

A Capitan area doctor who moved to Lincoln County earlier this year was injured in a plane crash at Carrizozo Airport early Monday.

According to state police, Dr. Conrad Curtis, 67, of Capitan and Las Cruces, was injured when his privately owned military training plane lost power about 100 feet on take-off from the airport. When Dr. Curtis lowered the landing gear when the plane nosedived into a pasture at

the south end of the runway.

Responding to a 911 call into the Lincoln County Sheriff's office at 8:08 a.m., Carrizozo police chief Angelo Vega and

nearly resident Bob Curtiss went to the scene of the accident and located the doctor. They put the doctor in the police vehicle to await Carrizozo ambulance crew Sammy Roper and Kathy Williams and Physician's Assistant, Certified Ernie

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CRUMPLED NOSES. A member of the National Transportation Safety Board photographs the crumpled air force training airplane, owned and piloted by Dr. Conrad Curtis, that crashed soon after take off from Carrizozo airport early Monday. Dr. Curtis suffered a broken nose and lacerations to the forehead as a result of the accident.

Ruidoso Approves Changes

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funds for promotion. Mayor Robert Donaldson said the council subcommittee had reviewed the policy changes line by line and made amendments that basically clarified the language.

Councilors unanimously approved the policy that sets aside 50 percent of the lodgers tax special events funding to be used for new events. The policy outlines when and how organizations must apply for the funds and how they must provide their own matching dollars to the lodgers taxes.

Emphasized in the new policy is the comment that applications for funding for events or festivals that enhance the economy of the village will be considered favorably.

In the policy, it requires the organization applying for lodgers tax funds to be an established organization that can demonstrate its ability to accomplish a proposed project in compliance with the policy. The group must complete all required forms and applications. All media advertising

must include the village approved Ruidoso logo. Applicants are recommended to coordinate advertising with the village's contracted advertising and marketing firm for the best possible promotions of the event.

All lodgers tax funds provided to an organization for an event must be matched by the organization. In the first year, the organization must match 20 percent of the Lodgers Tax funds allocated. For example, if the organization receives \$1,000 in lodgers tax funds, it must match \$200. In the second and subsequent years, organizations must expend dollar for dollar of lodgers tax funds allocated. For instance, if an organization receives \$1000 in lodgers tax, it must spend \$1000 of its own money.

The policy sets a limit of \$5,000 per organization for recurring events per fiscal year. Applications for recurring funded events must be submitted before March 1 of each year. Applications for new events must be submitted no later than four months before the event.

Promotions and advertising eligible for lodgers tax funds are advertising placement in radio, TV, magazines, newspapers, InterNet, electronic media, directly related advertising costs and/or any reasonable production costs; outdoor and indoor advertising on signs and billboard rentals; printing including cost of promotional material, brochures, posters, color separation and layout; direct mailing and distribution of promotional materials; funds used to attract new events to Ruidoso with approval of the council.

Items not eligible for funding include special advertising products other than the official Ruidoso pin approved by

the governing body, staff compensation, meals, lodging, entertainment or travel expenses and telephone.

The village now has an official agreement with LCSWA for use of the transfer station and recycling. Briley said the agreement has two parts. The first allows LCSWA to dump garbage at the transfer station for \$4.50 a cubic yard. In the second part, LCSWA will continue to provide recycling services to the village with Ruidoso paying LCSWA \$4,200 a month. The agreement includes performance criteria and remediation procedures so both sides know their responsibilities.

Sterchi asked what had become of the discussion of having the village take over trash collections in the county areas next to the village. Briley said the option was still available, but LCSWA was providing the service at an acceptable level at this time. Sterchi made the motion to approve the agreement contingent to approval by the LCSWA attorney. Councilors all voted yes.

During reports from officials, Donaldson said architect George Stanton had toured the School House Park site for the Teen Center and will soon provide a draft plan. Donaldson said the Teen Center Committee was planning a meeting with students at the high school and middle school to get their input for a teen center.

Councilors also adopted the Village Emergency Operations Plan. Village emergency manager Thomas Chavez said the plan established policies, guidelines and procedures to help Emergency resources function effectively as a team in a disaster. The plan is in full compliance with Title III of the Super Fund amendments and Reauthorization Act of 1986.

Planning Meeting To Be Held Tuesday

Carrizozo Soil and Water Conservation District and the USDA Natural Resources Conservation Service invite the public to attend a meeting Tuesday, December 8 at 9:30 a.m. at the NRCS office, 409 Central in Carrizozo.

As a result of the 1998 Farm Bill Conservation Needs Assessment, an application was submitted for the 1999 Environmental Quality Incentives Program (EQIP).

The Upper Tularosa Basin Geographic Priority Area was selected for funding in 1999. The purpose of the meeting is

to seek input for the following:

1. Contract Ranking Criteria
2. Development of a timetable for implementing EQIP for the Geographic Priority Area
3. An information and education program to inform the public
4. A cost-share practice list, cost-share rates, and average costs for conservation practices

If you have any questions about this meeting, please call the office in Carrizozo at 648-2841.

BOOKMOBILE SCHEDULE

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

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 8	
Corona Post Office	12:30 p.m.-2:30 p.m.
Carrizozo-Otero Electric	4:00 p.m.-6:30 p.m.
WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 9	
Carrizozo-Otero Electric	7:30 a.m.-8:30 a.m.
Nogal Post Office	9:00 a.m.-10:00 a.m.
Capitan-Smokey Bear Restaurant	10:30 a.m.-12 noon
Fort Stanton	12:10 p.m.-2:10 p.m.
Lincoln Post Office	3:30 p.m.-4:30 p.m.
Hondo Store	5:00 p.m.-6:00 p.m.

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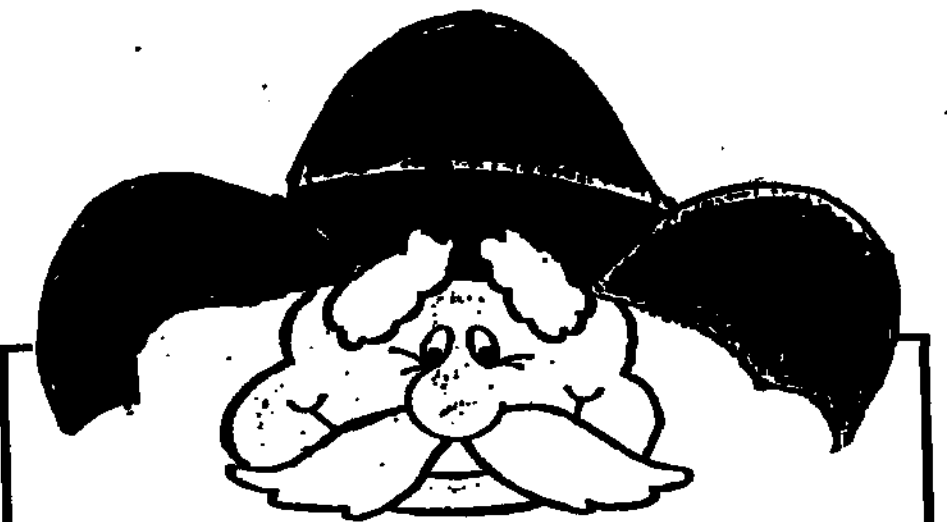
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Saturday, Dec. 12

Participating Merchants:

Angel Tree Exchange	The Menagerie
Cabin Fever	Mule Creek Antiques & Wagons
Capitan Shell & Taco Bell	Smokey Bear Motel
Farmer's Country Market	Smokey Bear Museum
Guthrie's Cutting Corral	Smokey Bear Restaurant
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Holiday Hoedown

Saturday, Dec. 5, 1998
9:00 am to 4:00 pm

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for Glencoe Rural Events Center.

-Legislative request by New Horizons for sprinkler systems.

-Special appropriation project for Lincoln sidewalks.

-Request for summary plat review approval by William D. and Helen L. Winter.

-Street names submitted for final approval by 911 Addressing Committee.

-Joint powers agreement between Lincoln County and Ruidoso Police Department for housing and care of prisoners.

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-Special presentation.

-Executive session for threatened and/or pending litigation; acquisition and/or disposal of real property.

Volunteers Needed For Luminarias

All volunteers are needed Saturday, Dec. 12 at the Carrizozo Fire Station on 8th Street in Carrizozo to help fill paper bags with sand and candles for the annual luminaria display which is held Christmas Eve in Carrizozo. A total of 10,000 bags will be filled and placed on flat bed trailers for distribution Dec. 24. The volunteer program Dec. 12 begins at 9 a.m. and will continue until completed. Volunteers are welcome to participate any portion of the day.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

- FIRST & THIRD MONDAYS**
 —Writers' Group 7 p.m. Carrizozo Rec Center.
- FIRST & THIRD TUESDAYS**
 —Craig Hipple of the District II Office of the State Engineer is at Ruidoso Village Hall from 9 a.m. to 12 noon.
- TUESDAYS**
 —Alcoholic Anonymous 9 p.m. Carrizozo Senior Citizens Center. Call 648-1145 for information.
- WEDNESDAYS & THURSDAYS**
 —Ruidoso Public Library story time, 2-3 p.m. Wednesdays, 10-11 a.m. Thursdays, for children 3-6.
- THURSDAYS**
 —Preschool Story Hour, 9:30-10:30 a.m. Carrizozo School Library, for children 3-6.
 —Lincoln County Adult Singles Group 6:30 p.m. Call 354-2635 or 258-3201 for information and location. Or e-mail at www.nogal.com/leasg.
 —Alcoholics Anonymous 8 p.m. Carrizozo Senior Center. Call 648-1145 for information.
- FRIDAYS**
 —Alcoholics Anonymous big book open discussion 7-8 p.m. Capitan Senior Center 354-4032 for information.
 —Metaphysical discussion group in Carrizozo, 6:30 p.m. call 948-5434 for information.
- TODAY, DECEMBER 3**
 —Ruidoso High School Band winter concert, 7 p.m. First Christian Church on Hull Road in Ruidoso.
- SATURDAY, DECEMBER 5**
 —Carrizozo Woman's Club Holiday Hoedown 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. dinner, door prizes, wassail 2-4 p.m. Woman's Club Bldg.
 —Ruidoso Festival of the Trees, 3-7 p.m. Ruidoso Convention Center. No admission.
- SUNDAY, DECEMBER 6**
 —Santa Rita Church Quilting Group craft show and bake sale, 11:30 a.m. Parish Hall.
- MONDAY, DECEMBER 7**
 —Christmas Open House at Ruidoso Public Library through December 11. Sponsored by Friends of the Library and Ruidoso Woman's Club. Refreshments and door prizes daily.
 —Capitan Chamber of Commerce, 12:30 p.m. chamber building on 2nd Street.
 —Republican Party and Republican Women of Lincoln County Christmas Party, 6 p.m. cocktails, dinner 6:30 p.m. Tickets purchased at door or by calling Beverly Calaway at 354-9128 or 648-2525.
- TUESDAY, DECEMBER 8**
 —Ruidoso Utility Council, 9 a.m. Convention Center.
 —Lincoln County Commission 9 a.m. Lincoln County Courthouse in Carrizozo.
 —Carrizozo Soil and Water Conservation District meeting 9:30 a.m. NRCS office in Carrizozo, seeking input on Environmental Quality Incentives Program for the Upper Tularosa Basin Geographic Priority Area.
 —Carrizozo Town Council 6 p.m.
 —Lincoln County Enhanced 911 Rural Addressing Committee 6:30 p.m. Lincoln County Commission chambers courthouse Carrizozo. Public hearings on naming roads.
 —Ruidoso Village Council 6:30 p.m. Public hearing on changes to ordinance concerning political signs.
- WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 9**
 —Carrizozo Chamber of Commerce, noon, Norwest Bank community room.
 —Ruidoso Library Board, noon, library.

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Carrizozo To Participate

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deadline for applications is to be December 10.

Approval was given for police secretary Diane Chavez to attend the uniform crime report training in Alamogordo December 1.

Municipal court clerk Cynthia Morales received approval to attend a state mandated class New Court Staff Orientation December 2-4 in Albuquerque.

Trustees approved the request for mileage for Municipal Judge C. O. Romhger to attend a customer service seminar in Alamogordo on December 15.

The trustees gave approval of Resolution 1998-30 Carrizozo Volunteer Fire Department Fire Prevention Code and Rescinded Resolution 1998-25.

Trustees approved resolution 1998-31 providing for the withdrawal of Village of Ruidoso as a collection member of the Lincoln County Solid Waste Authority

(LCSWA), terminating Village of Ruidoso obligations pursuant to joint resolution and joint powers agreement, providing for Village of Ruidoso to remain a member of the Lincoln County Solid Waste Authority as partial owner of the Otero/Lincoln County Regional Landfill was re-approved. This gives the resolution a number which it did not receive when it was previously approved on April 14, 1998, by the trustees.

Approval was given for per diem and mileage to Hernandez and town clerk Carol Schlarb for attending the Community Development Council application hearings, Dec. 2 in Hobbs.

Schlarb gave each trustee a copy of the guidelines for procurement regulations for review purposes. When the trustees have reviewed the regulations, Schlarb, will put it on the agenda to discuss or adopt any alternatives the trustees may suggest.

No action was taken on approval for attending the 1999 Region VIII Conference in Taos, Jan 13-15. Schlarb and deputy town clerk Margaret LaBelle did not want to attend.

Trustees discussed the drainage problem on 12th Street at the Rainbow Inn. Several suggestions to solve the problem were brought up. The trustees asked Schlarb to contact Ralph Meeks, District Engineer for the State Highway Department, in Roswell.

Marion Spencer said that she would pay an electrician to put a light on a pole to shine on the flag at Fred Chavez Park. Town foreman Jim Payne said that the pole is already there and just needs the light. The power is already to it. Payne says that the box needs to be up on the pole where the children can't play with it and it needs to be locked. He says the light was turned out because of children playing with it. Payne says it is already set up for the light to shine on the flag. Lindsay and Payne will go look at it and let Spencer know what is needed.

The next meeting of the Town of Carrizozo Board of Trustees is December 8 at 6:00 p.m.

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Carrizozo Police Arrest Fugitive From Canada

By Doris Cherry

Carrizozo police arrested Allan Charles Whitequill, 43, Regina, Saskatchewan, Canada, on charges of criminal damage to property (over \$1,000) and aggravated burglary for the break-in at Otero County Electric Cooperative, Inc. (OCEC) office in Carrizozo on Saturday, November 28.

Whitequill, described as a transient on the run for a year and a half from a second degree murder charge in Regina, gained entry into the OCEC office by breaking the glass entry door. There was no money in the office. Whitequill did find a frozen turkey in the office refrigerator. He cooked the turkey in the microwave and ate it. He then damaged the office while trying to access the bathroom.

According to Carrizozo Police, OCEC employee Rusty Silva, who was passing by the office, was the first to notice the broken door. When Silva stopped he heard someone trying to kick out of the inside of the metal-foyer to the community room.

Carrizozo police officer Duane Vinson responded to a 911 call to the Lincoln County Sheriff's Office at 7:40 a.m. When he arrived he found Silva detaining the subject by having the man put his hands

out of the hole he had made in the metal panel. State police officer Sam Houston and police chief Angelo Vega soon responded and assisted Vinson in the arrest.

Officers handcuffed Whitequill in the community room and took him to Lincoln County Detention Center (LCDC) where he was booked on charges of aggravated burglary and criminal damage to property over \$1,000. Upon arrival at LCDC Whitequill advised he was wanted for murder. An NCIC check affirmed that there was a warrant from Regina to arrest Whitequill on charges of second degree murder. He was held on \$5,000 bond for local charges and no bond for the warrants.

Vega began communications with Canadian officials who advised Monday they were preparing extradition through the Office of International Affairs, Criminal Division of the Dept. of Justice in Washington D.C.

Vega commended Silva for his quick action in detaining Whitequill and officer Vinson for his timely response to the scene. Vega also thanks state police officer Sam Houston for his efforts in the investigation.

Corona Museum Open House
 A Christmas Open House will be held at the Corona Museum Friday, Dec. 11 from 2 p.m. to 8 p.m. and Saturday, Dec. 12 from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Refreshments will be served.

Dr. Injured In Crash

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Gonzales, EMTs stabilized Dr. Curtis, who had a broken nose and lacerations to the forehead, and transported him to Lincoln County Medical Center in Ruidoso. Carrizozo fire department crews also responded to the scene, but there was no fire with the accident.

Emergency crews said the rain-softened ground in the pasture lessened the doctor's injuries and damage to the aircraft.

State police officers Jose Salazar stationed out of Capitan and Albert Venegas from Alamogordo investigated and secured the accident scene while officials from the Federal Aviation Agency National Transportation Safety Board investigated.

Vega told THE NEWS he was thankful the accident was not more serious. He also said he appreciated the efforts of all emergency personnel involved.

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Jim Lee and Jim Jr. Hawkins

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It's Festival of Trees Time!

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 Gingerbread Houses & Food Booths
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December 5, 1998 * 3:00 PM to 7:00 PM at the Ruidoso Convention Center
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Dance to Bad News Blues * 8:00 PM to Midnight
 Dance Admission - \$5.00

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THOUGHTS
From the Editor's Desk

One, two, three...

By Ruth Hammond

If you don't read the sports column on page 6 in The Lincoln County News this week you will miss out on a big scoop that was exclusive to the News. You won't hear about it on TV or radio or read about it in any other publication. It is exclusive to the News.

Fortunately the episode reported in the sports column was not followed by a slew of skunks chasing the culprit through the area. The culprit has not been seen in the area again, which leads us to believe it may have found a place to roost. If you see something as big as a small compact car perched in a tree, you better watch out.

In addition to the "sighting" Friday evening, several interesting things have happened. The pre-census workers have completed their information gathering and mapping in preparation for the year 2000 census. Seems it is early to begin the pre-census but we were told it is necessary to start early to help verify where people live. Apparently during the 1990 census several New Mexico residents were not counted. One area near Roswell was listed as being a rural area with no population when the fact was that several homes were in the area and had been there for 20 or 30 years or more. Those people were not counted. Accurate population figures are needed for the allocation of federal funds which are based on the census.

New Mexico has been listed as the worst undercounted of the 50 states in the 1990 census. Let's hope the pre-census workers have submitted the necessary information and that we will all be counted in the year 2000 census. It might be surprising to get an accurate count of how many people prefer living in New Mexico.

Data for the census is just one important issue of the year 2000. We keep hearing that the majority of the computers around the world will crash in the year 2000 because computers won't be able to process the last two digits, which are 00. Major corporations are scrambling to update their computers and hopefully governmental computers will be updated to keep from losing their information.

Occasional computer glitches are a nuisance but the year 2000 fiasco could really cause problems. Can you imagine what would happen if computers storing vital information went on the blitz? It could affect traffic signals, airline reservations and flights, banking, recordings of births and deaths, drivers license information, actions taken by Congress and state legislatures, and where would we be?

Using a pen and paper to keep track of vital information worked for decades but the electronic age has changed the way records are kept. We no longer are known by name and personal characteristics but by numbers. We have telephone numbers, account numbers, drivers license numbers, social security numbers, vehicle license plate numbers and VIN numbers, credit card numbers, calling card numbers, zip code numbers, area code numbers, address numbers, and who said we would never use the math we studied in school?

Ball players rely on statistics, which are numbers. Students are graded according to their scores, which are numbers. Property taxes are computed according to valuation, etc., which are numbers. The list of numbers we use in our everyday lives is endless. When we call a major company we are asked to punch in numbers to get the person we want to talk to, and often we get another recording.

The most important number to remember today is that there are only 22 shopping days left before Christmas. Check the ads in The News for the best buys for all your gift needs. A gift subscription to the News is a great gift for family and friends living away from Lincoln County. Someone you know might want to read a scoop.

The number for today is ?

Calendar of

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—Eagle Creek Water Board, 6:30 p.m. Capitan Village Hall.

—Carrizozo Lodge #41 AF&AM, 7:30 p.m.

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 10

—Final day to pay Lincoln County Property Taxes before they become delinquent.

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

—Capitan Board of Education 6 p.m. administration building. Agenda includes bond election update.

—Capitan Elementary Music Program, 7 p.m. Traylor Gym. Preview for school children at 2:30 p.m.

—Libertarian Party of Lincoln County 7 p.m. Texas NM Power office, Ruidoso.

—ENMU Community Orchestra Concert 7 p.m. First Christian Church, Hull Road, Ruidoso.

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 11

—Christmas Open House at Corona Museum, 2-3 p.m. Friday and 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday. Refreshments.

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 12

—Smokey's Christmas at the Park and Capitan Merchants Open House.

—Volunteers needed to fill luminaria bags at Carrizozo fire station on 8th St. Starts at 9 a.m.

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 13

—Bake sale, starts at 9 a.m. Norwest Bank in Carrizozo by Trinity United Methodist Women.

—Christmas Festival, musical Christmas pageant by Kala's Kommunity Kids and Community Christmas Choir, 4 p.m. Trinity United Methodist Church in Carrizozo. No admission.

MONDAY, DECEMBER 14

—Capitan Village Trustees, 6:30 p.m. public hearing, 7 p.m. regular meeting.

—Carrizozo Schools Christmas Concert, 7 p.m. old gym.

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 15

—Day to file declaration of candidacy for school board elections for all school districts in the county. Candidates file between 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. in the Lincoln County Clerk's office in the Lincoln County Courthouse in Carrizozo.



Inside The Capitol

by Jay Miller

SANTA FE - Following the 1998 election troubles in Bernalillo County, expect to see a big election reform bill in the 1999 Legislature.

Albuquerque newspapers have editorialized that "absentee" should be put back in the absentee ballot concept since the county clerk can't get the ballots counted in less than two days.

Voters now have the option of voting absentee from the privacy of their own home even if they don't have a good excuse. Political parties are taking advantage of wide-open absentee balloting by mailing multiple ballot requests to frequent voters. Some opponents call it abuse.

But the absentee ballot has become popular with many voters. They say they have more time to ponder the candidates, constitutional amendments and bond issues at home, and even do some research rather than standing in a voting booth with a line behind them. Supporters also suggest that election laws should accommodate voters, not government clerks.

Democrats complain that absentee ballots are discriminatory because the directions are complicated and confusing. They also say the court created an unfair situation when it ruled that people who receive an absentee ballot cannot go to the polls on election day if they change their mind, or lose or destroy their ballot. The only way they can vote is by attesting they never received their ballot in the mail. Democrats also want political parties out of the absentee voting process, citing the confusion created by voters who receive multiple ballot requests.

Republicans counter that absentee voting is a way to increase turnout. That is why Democrats introduced the law change in the Legislature five years ago, they contend. But studies show that people who vote absentee tend to be the same folks who already were voting - and the vast majority of those people tend to be Republicans. The major Republican worry is that counting difficulties allow for fraud.

It appears some adjustments in the law are necessary to allow for absentee ballot processing to begin before the polls open on election day. That could allow for fraud too, but it may be about the only change in the law Gov. Gary Johnson will sign.

The one other election law change for which Johnson has announced his support is the March 2000 presidential primary in conjunction with the seven other Rocky Mountain states, but many legislators and some political leaders have voiced concern with moving primary elections for other offices to March or paying for an additional election. A March election would occur within a few weeks of the 30-day legislative session and would disadvantage lawmakers in gathering nominating petition signatures and campaigning.

Some sentiment has been

heard for moving the primary election the other direction. Instead of being three months earlier, it could be three months later. A September primary election would mean a much shorter general election campaign and less time for negative advertising to saturate the airwaves. About 40 percent of the states hold their primary elections in August or September.

New Mexico should have a special attraction to presidential candidates since we have voted for the winning presidential candidate in every election but one since statehood. That is a record no other state can come near matching. Arizona, which switched to a

March primary two years ago, says its early primary already is paying dividends for the 2000 election because hopefuls are visiting the state and setting up organizations.

But Gov. Johnson faces more trouble than other governors in the Rockies. All eight are Republican but six have Republican legislatures. Nevada has split control. Both houses of the New Mexico Legislature are Democrat controlled.

If Johnson wants to be part of the regional presidential primary and get a facilitated absentee ballot counting process, he's going to have to give Democrats a little of what they want. And Johnson doesn't compromise.

County Wins Road Dispute

by Doris Cherry

Lincoln County won a lawsuit filed in a dispute over who is responsible for maintaining a private, but long used, road.

Last summer, property owners Adele Simpson and Dee Bourke filed a suit against the county because it would not maintain a road that was located between Squaw Valley and Tall Pines Subdivisions. The owners said the county had maintained the road for years, but stopped in 1991.

The property owners sought a writ of mandamus from the court to require the county to add their road to the routine maintenance list because it had been used by the public and the county had maintained it. The suit went to District Judge Jerry Ritter's court in Alamogordo where it was heard on August 21.

In the suit, the county, represented by county attorney Alan Morel, asserted that the road is private and was shown as such on all official plats and documents. The county also responded that the property owners had purchased their property knowing the road is private, but petitioned the county for maintenance and the county commissioners refused. The county said the road does not meet county standards.

Simpson and Bourke were represented by attorney J. Robert Beauvais.

At issue was whether the county had a duty to maintain the road and if so, was the county's duty enforceable through an order of the district court. In the documents for the suit, it states Simpson owns a tract of land between Squaw Valley and Tall Pines Subdivisions, but not in a subdivision itself. She resides on her lots only four to five months a year and her access is by a road which connects

Squaw Valley Road in Alpine Valley Subdivision and Sierra Blanca Trail in Tall Pines Subdivision. Both subdivisions have other access roads.

Judge Ritter's findings include: Simpson's deed states her access is by private road, which does not and never has met, county standards. Dedicated roads in the adjoining subdivisions do not meet current county standards either and would not be accepted if they were tendered for dedication today.

In the findings for the case, it states the Simpson's road is not a public highway as established by state law. It was never accepted by the county

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In Loving Memory Of:

Ernest V. Joiner

by Vicki (Jones) McNair

Sunday, Nov. 1, 1998, my Dad had a heart attack that would prove fatal. I happened to telephone the house as the ambulance stood in the driveway. As I heard the news, the Power of Love took over. He had had a prior heart attack; he had a pacemaker; he was 87 years old. Nothing short of God Himself was going to stop me from seeing him again. I called the airlines and the rental car company, knowing that I might lose my job. I landed in Albuquerque at midnight; I got the car and began the drive to Southern New Mexico. Arriving at 2:30 in the morning, I napped in the cold car until dawn. When dawn came, I did not know if I had a living father. If I did, nothing on earth was going to stop me from seeing his smile again!

I found him in the Ruidoso Medical Center, weak and looking awful; but within minutes of my arriving, he was smiling again. He soon began looking better and was determined to eat those pancakes. The Power of Love. It was a very long ambulance drive up north to the Cardiac Care Unit in Albuquerque on the 7th floor of Presbyterian Health Care Center. The next five days were a gift; I was so thrilled that he was alive. I will never forget them; I would not trade them for anything. He laughed and smiled and held my hand tightly for six days. He told the great old stories to new people, and amazed them all, and the eight shift nurses began calling him Ernest.

Late Monday night on Nov. 9, 1998, I lost Daddy. He never quit. I had told him that it was his job to do his best, as the Cardiac Care Unit started decreasing the amount of powerful drugs that were supporting his cardiac function. It was like he was focused on it; it was his job to breathe — and to hope, even unconscious, that one of these blessed dawns would bring a rebound. He never quit. He breathed steady and determinedly even after he could no longer grip my hand; the rebound did not come. Daddy, love life, and he proved it to his very last breath.

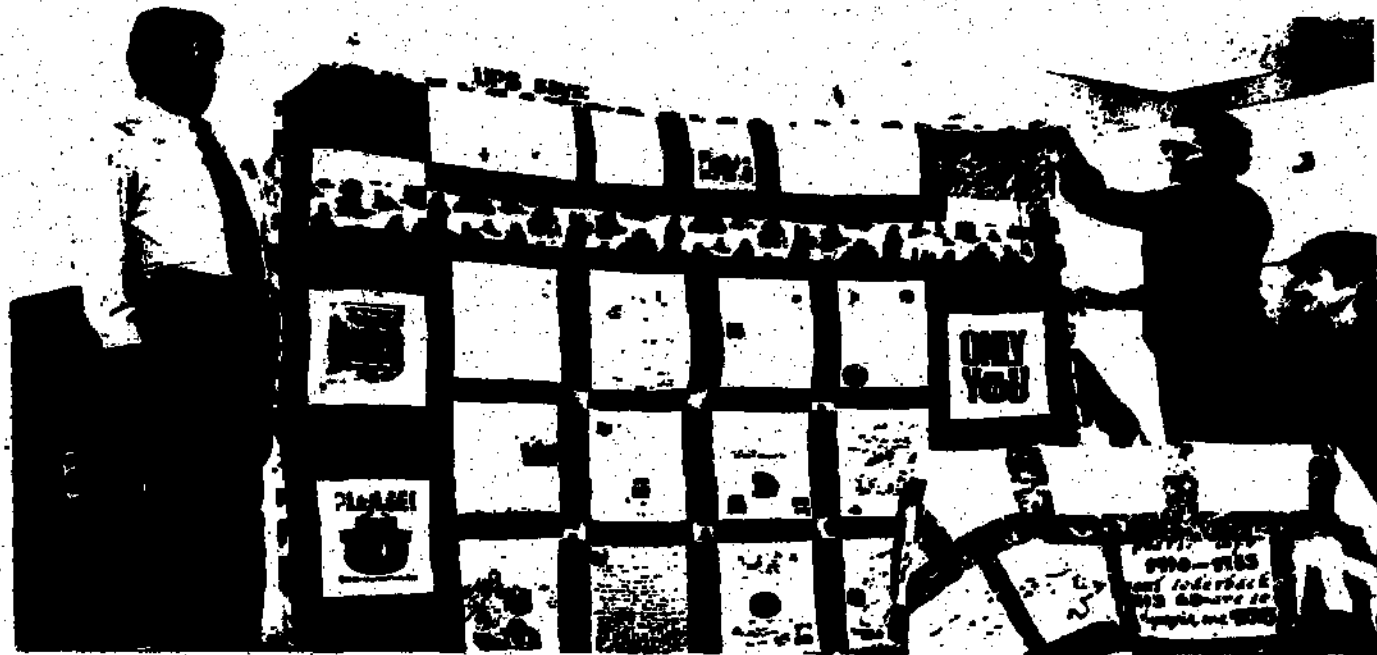
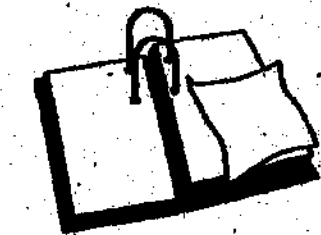
I drove from Albuquerque to Ralls, to the First Methodist Church on Sunday, Nov. 15, 1998, in order to tell you how much your love and friendship meant all through the years to my Dad. No matter how far away his path took him, he never forgot you. He thought about you. He loved you. I heard in church that Sunday morning about how everyone had turned out to harvest a family's cotton crop and to save them from ruin, and I was not surprised. This is the community that held my father up, emotionally, psychologically, and financially, after our first newspaper burned to the ground. You held him up. All through the years, there were the cards, and letters, and reunions, and the Ernest V. Joiner Appreciation Day. You held him up, and put him back into business. You Lighted Up His Life! He loved you for it; the deep, deep down good people of Ralls. I thank you for him; he would want me to.

Christmas will be hard this year without him; he adored Christmas! I was going to give him a little computer so that he could get Online and stay in touch with All Of Us by e-mail! Wouldn't that be great! My love to all of you, and I wish you Health and Happiness This Holiday Season and Always. Daddy will return to Ralls, as another Son of Texas comes home to Rest.

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CAPITAN NOTES

By MAUREEN SULLIVAN



SMOKEY BEAR QUILT with blocks by many of the people involved with the Living Smokey Bear in the 1950s is shown by Capitan Post Master Mike Currin, Fort Stanton Post Master Willie Hobbs and clerk Christie Sepkowitz. The quilt will be silent auctioned at the Capitan Senior Center at 5:30 p.m. on December 12. The post office is also selling changes to win a quilt with a snowflake pattern. Tickets are \$2 or three for \$5 and are available at the post office. Drawing for the quilt will be on December 18. Bid sheets for the silent auction are also available at the post office. Proceeds go to the Capitan Post Office Scholarship fund.

Imagine my surprise when I saw my name in print other than at the top of this column, as follows:

EDITOR: This is a request for Capitan residents to supply Mrs. Sullivan with personal news. I live out of state and my main purpose in purchasing this newspaper is to read about my hometown area and those people I grew up with. Thanks so much, Sandy Moore, San Jose, California.

And thank you Sandy Moore and hope it puts a bit of the zip into the rest of our readers.

So with that, adios and sayonara for this week and God bless each and everyone that reads this trivia.

Warm Clothes For Kids

A Warm Clothes for Kids campaign is being held in Lincoln County. Donations of all kinds of good used kids clothing, including jackets, hats, gloves, pants, sweaters, boots, shoes, etc., in all sizes will be accepted to help meet the needs of children. Clothes may be dropped off at 1st National Bank in Ruidoso or Church of Christ in Ruidoso, or with any Optimistic Club of Ruidoso member. Call 258-9228 for more information. Families needing clothes should contact Christian Services at the Church of Christ, 415 Sudderth, phone 257-4381.

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By the time this goes to print we will be in another month, December that is and I cannot remember with any clarity where the other 11 months went. I began to think about getting ready for the holidays in September and did go so far as to get some boxes and other Christmas trappings down from their hide-aways and every time I got the urge to get some things out of the way, shall we say, I could look with favor on anything that kept me from delving into the numerous plastic sacks that held their identity.

Well to make a long story short, the things are all scattered thither and yon, but not a bell nor a twinkling star has made it's way to the Christmas tree, which to date is merely the middle pole for the branches to rest on. Every Christmas I promise myself I will not be caught short this year. And each year, you already guessed it, am still procrastinating, and it will be another Christmas that ends with all of us huffing and puffing and vowing to each other, next year it will be different. But will it? I doubt it.

Hope all of you had a wonderful Thanksgiving. We had dinner at Tom and Pat Sullivan's, guests being myself and special little great grandson Lucas Sullivan, son of Mike and Jackie Sullivan, formerly of Dallas, Texas but now new residents of Lincoln County.

A lot of you folks remember Mike, especially the school friends that he had here in Capitan. We are happy to have the Mike Sullivan family here in Capitan. Family besides, Mike, Jackie and Small Lucas, includes Zack the eldest lad and Tommy, the one year old new addition to the family. Am certainly looking forward to having them back in the family circle and hope they will all be happy here.

A few bits of this and that from the Omaha World Herald:

1. Never give up. The mighty oak tree was once a little nut that held it's ground.
2. If you want people to notice your faults, be sure to start giving advice.
3. It is surprising what an amount of NOTHING some folks can accomplish.
4. Domestic peace is the luxury you enjoy between the children's bedtime and your own.
5. Most of us aren't prepared to accept success, especially somebody else's.
6. An angler always hopes to catch a fish so big that he won't have to lie about it.
7. Sports serve society by providing vivid examples of excellence.
8. Why does a slight tax increase cost you \$200 and a substantial tax cut saves you 30 cents?

9. The secret of getting ahead is in getting started.

10. Sometimes a smile happens in a flash, but the memory of it can last for a lifetime.

Just called the Senior Center hoping to get some news from Louie Padilla, our Center director. As I have to get some checks in the mail for the county taxes, cannot wait to hear from him.

The following was given to me by Pat Orsak and have been saving it for one of those times when I am almost devoid of any local news, so here goes, and thank you Pat.

I'm sure some people out here might remember seeing my aunt and uncle who performed on a trapeze and were called "The Flying Cromwells" and they performed without a net. One time they were performing in Chicago and before they went on my aunt had a feeling and asked her husband if he had checked the rings on the trapeze. He said he had. But while up there one side of her trapeze broke and down she went. My uncle Frank tried to catch her and he went down. My Mom saw them being carried out and fainted. They never returned to work on the trapeze again but did continue to work for Ringling Brothers Circus, he as a clown and my aunt as a wardrobe lady for quite a few years. Also when my Uncle Frank was a very little boy his father carried him on his back walking a tight rope wire across Niagara Falls. And he was the first man to do this and his hair turned white by the time he got across. Guess my relatives were both daredevils.

When the Flying Cromwells got better from falling from their trapeze they asked my Mom and Dad to bring their money and some jewelry to them at the hospital. My Mom and Dad did not have a car at that time so they had to ride the street cars in Chicago. They were quite nervous about bringing valuables to my aunt and uncle so my mother baked a two layer cake for them and frosted it. When they got to the hospital my aunt wanted to know where the money was. My mom said, "Cut the cake and you'll see." She had put the jewelry and money between the layers and they all thought that was a great idea. And thanks Pat for all this information. Will put your car driving story in next week.

And as I cannot reach Louie by telephone and because of the tax deadline must bring this to a close and get my checks to Mike at the post office but will close with the

following item in last week's newspaper. Almost did not see it because first I scan the paper quickly, then when I have a bit more time, sit down and try to read everything.

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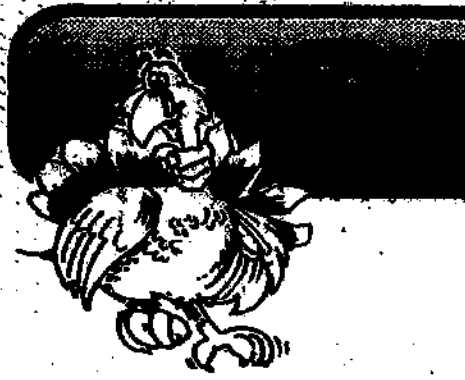
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LCN EXCLUSIVE:
"Wild" Chicken Sighting
In Carrizozo Area

Keeping with our motto of "We cover all kinds of sports" we submit the following: A report of a "wild chicken" was received by this reporter when he reported to work Monday morning, and we proceeded to investigate the "sighting" in an exclusive interview with the two "sighters".

According to one of the sighters the incident (sighting) took place somewhere near the residence at 502 'E' Ave. on Friday evening, within the Carrizozo city limits. When asked by this reporter to try and describe the "wild chicken", she said, "It was yea high, and about this long, and was yellow in color!" Which leads us to believe that this creature of the wild was the size of 'Big Bird' or a yellow 2-door Volkswagen, depending on the size of the neck, which we were unable to get a confirmation on.

Don't get very many reported sightings of "wild chickens" here in Lincoln County, but it only goes to show that our county is a hunter's paradise. Elk, deer, antelope, turkey, fish, bear, Barbry Sheap, mountain lions, bobcats, coyotes, fox, quail, dove, ducks, etc., you name it we've got it, and now "wild chickens".

||| We don't know if this "trophy size" beauty is in season or not, but you daring hunters out there could check it out with our local police department, who were notified of this sighting, but were unable to make contact with the intruder at last report.

A neighborhood chicken owner was called to the site later that day, but he too, was unable to help the two witnesses who reported the incident, but did suggest to the two sighters that the next time they saw the "wild chicken" they should, "Shoot it, and cook it!"

Trying to gather every bit of evidence on the sighting we interviewed the second witness, and asked him for a few comments on the events of the day and he replied, "It took us by surprise, we had never encountered anything like this before, and actually I'm kind of worried about our neighborhood skunks, if they try to go after this monster they might not fare so well".

Don't know if this incident will be reported anywhere else except in this column, like we said, this is an exclusive. ESPN, eat your heart out!!!

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Worship Service..... 11:10 am
Choir Practice (Wednesday)..... 6:30 pm
United Methodist Women Every 3rd Wednesday..... 1:00 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
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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 6:00 p.m.

Christ Community Fellowship
ED VINSON, pastor (inter-denominational)
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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
REX BERESFORD, 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.

impressive victories over the weekend. Ruidoso (11-2) jumped all over Raton from the opening gun and ran away with a 36 to 0 win, that saw the Warrior defense hold Raton to a mere 89 yards total offense, and forced six fumbles (recovering three).

Meanwhile Artesia (12-0) traveled to Silver City and downed Silver by the score of 34-0, as their defense held the Colts to only 87 total yards for the game, forcing four fumbles and recovering two. Both teams are playing strong defense and both offenses are explosive, which will make for one Ha... of a game this Saturday in Ruidoso. Prediction? (Upset of the Season). I'll take Ruidoso. Go with home team.

Last time Ruidoso made it to a state championship game? Try 1988 when they were coached by now Artesia coach Cooper Henderson. Warrior's present coach is Les Carter.

Basketball is in full swing, and the Carrizozo boys' varsity will be at the Hondo Classic starting today (Thursday), Friday and Saturday. The Girls' varsity will be at home tomorrow (Friday) hosting NMMI, followed by a match against Mesilla on Saturday, Dec. 5 in Carrizozo. The Hondo Classic for girls will be Dec. 10, 11, and 12.

We were slow getting out of the gate over the weekend in our NFL picks as both the Cowboys and Steelers lost on Thanksgiving day, but were able to salvage the week on Sunday and Monday night. Although we were on the losing end of a couple of last second squeakers including Bills loss to Pats and Oilers losing to Seahawks. All in all we ended up 9-6 for the week and go into this week with a season record of 115-86, Detroit Lions and unknowns from Baltimore continue to be my biggest problems, bet against them and they win, bet with them and they lose. Getting to where I don't like either team any more, so from here on in we're betting against them no matter what. We'll go into this week hoping that the refs will get their 'stuff' together and call 15 good games without any goofs.

Fifteen more games on tap this week with one Thursday special between Rams and Eagles. Double Ouch!! My picks are:

THIS WEEK'S PICKS (In Bold Type) THURSDAY

- * St. Louis at Philadelphia. Both teams will have trouble winning this one. I'll pick St. Louis to lose. Let's go with home team.
- SUNDAY**
- * Buffalo at Cincinnati. Bengals have good chance of winning this one at home. But Buffalo has more to gain by winning. Hard pick, go with Bills on the road.
- * Dallas at New Orleans. Sanders and Smith both out for Cowboys. We need some CB's real bad. Saints will make it interesting and close.
- * Detroit at Jacksonville. I'll get even with Lions on this one. I'm betting a buck, any takers? Come on Jaguars!
- * Indianapolis at Atlanta. Falcons try to catch Vikings for homefield advantage in playoffs. Colts still too young. This would be BIG upset if Colts could pull it off.
- * New England at Pittsburgh. Patriots have lucked out last two weeks. Steelers need can't afford to lose any home games. Go with home team.
- * San Diego at Washington. Going with cold weather team beating hot weather team. If it's sunny and mild in Washington Sunday watch out.
- * San Francisco at Carolina. Panthers always play

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Cody Patterson, Casey Van Tussenbroek, Brittany Lee, Jay Dee Herd, Jessica Ward, Morgan Gibbs.

Fourth Grade: Ashley Cole, Clint Grahm, Paige Jones, Katie Polley, Morgan Thomas, Kevin Kelsey, Brittney LaMay, Kallie Griffin.

Fifth Grade: Josh Castaneda, Taber Midgley, Brendon Osborn, Brittany Adcock, Anna Hail, Betay Hobbs, Shellah Hughes, Kelsey Stierwalt.

Sixth Grade: Principal's List: Brittany Jensen, Katrina Johns; **A-Honors:** Jennifer Bartley, Tricia Bergeron, Louren Dunlap, David Griego, Rochelle Kelley, Brandon Kessler, Katherine Kirby, Tonia Neal, Ashley Osborn, Jhovany Ruiz, Dalaina Stevens, Javier Trost, Delana West, Adam Williams, Derek Williams, Samantha Yetley; **B-Honors:** Kyle Booty, Rustin Brewer, Courtney Cummins, Ashley Garcia, Justin Griffin, Joshua Landry, Dara Lettneweber, Patrick Luna, Daniel Montes, Steve Ramirez, Veronica Reeves, Matthew Silva, Clint Skeen, Ralynne Stanbrough, Johanna Switzer, Andrew Tucker, Stephanie Williams.

Seventh Grade: Principal's List: Candel Turner; **A-Honors:** Chance Huddleston, Sandra Sanderson, Audrey Thomas, Jared Wilson; **B-Honors:** Tommy

Aldaz, Rebecca Armstrong, Sarah Barola, Kate Cherry, Colt Freemele, Jason Gentry, Brittany Mark, April Mirelez, Sheldon Moor, Derrick Nelson, Katrina Phillips, Bradie Powell, Alyx Sheehy, Falon Sparks, Rachelle Waugh.

Eighth Grade: Principal's List: Micah Appin, Kelli Blank, Alena Borowski, Allison Hendrix, Stephanie Kelsey, Lucera Montes, Joshua Osborn; **A-Honors:** Ginger Cupit, Emily Hobbs, Bo Sparks; **B-Honors:** Seth Adcock, Michael Agullar, Karen Bailey, Lorena Brockman, Madalena Cordova, Mitch Cox, Kaycee Gilson, Judd McGraw, Nalon Muniz, Tyler Skeen, Jessica Tully-Mitchell, Richard Wheeler, Chelsea BlackWright.

Ninth Grade: Chris Brown, Jennifer Buff, Rocky Burrows, Brandi Dickerson, Miranda Free, Brandon Keith, Andrew Kinsey, Jessica Neal, Shannon Sellers, Doug Smith, Riley Switzer, *Brit Ventura.

Tenth Grade: Tracey Armenta, Mandy Arrowsmith, *Darrell Brooks, Lindsey Bush, Carlo DeSantis, *Cody Glass, Melanie Hall, Casey Helms, Brooke Holland, Armand Nicolet, Dianna Smith, Jerrod Stierwalt, *Bryanne Wilkerson.

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RUIDOSO 24 KARAT GOLD BAND dances to the drum beat of the Ruidoso Warrior school song as the crowd does the famous "ax" during the semi final playoff game against Raton on Saturday.



RUIDOSO WARRIOR CHEERLEADERS rev up the crowd during Saturday's Class AAA semi-final football playoff. Ruidoso defeated Raton 36-0 and won the right to host the undefeated Artesia Bulldogs on Saturday for the state final.

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Sports

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(Con't. from P. 6)

49'ers tough plus Niners will have to do it without Young (Bryant), Steve (Young) will have to have another good day.

*Seattle at NY Jets. Jets can't afford to lose any home games and they won't against Seahawks who are just about to get knocked out of the playoffs.

*NY Giants at Arizona. Giants are fast becoming the worst offensive team in the league and defense is suffering. Cards can put up big numbers when they get rolling. They'll roll big numbers in Tempe on Sunday.

*Kansas City at Denver. (Upset, upset, upset!) Wanted to know when Broncos would lose? This week, at home! Chiefs will surprise and stifle both T. Davis and Elway. Chiefs still think they can make playoffs if they run the table, but have to get by Broncos first. They'll beat Broncos then lose the rest of their games.

*Miami at Oakland. Raiders were upset last week and will go into their annual latter part of the season swoon dive, which actually started last week. Dolphins defense will make the difference.

*Baltimore at Tennessee. Will get even with 'no names' this week also. Priest Holmes will run out of gas against the Oilers, and Marchibroda will be history in Baltimore.

*Chicago at Minnesota. Poor Bears are playing good ball, they just keep running into better teams every week. This could get ugly early, or late, but it will, get ugly.

MONDAY NIGHT

*Green Bay at Tampa Bay. Battle of the Bays. We'll go with home Bay. Both teams won last week, let's see who keeps it going. Playing in Tampa gives the edge to the Bucs. Good game.

Zozo Honor Roll

Superintendent's (4.0 GPA or higher); Principal's: Principal's List (3.5 GPA or higher)

12th Grade: Superintendent's: Elizabeth Avila, Briton Goad, Melissa Nava, Amber Vallejos, Melanie Whittaker; Principal's: Miguel Najer

11th Grade: Superintendent's: Bryan Hightower, Mollie Hightower, Renee Rael, Ryan Roper, Elizabeth Sambrano, Rob Shafer; Principal's: Cameron Douglas, Maria Pacheco, Josh Vega

10th Grade: Superintendent's: MaryBeth Bond, Daniel Garner; Principal's: Stella Brewer, Andrew Margis

9th Grade: Superintendent's: Bianca Baca, Lane Dixon, Adrian Goad, Patrick Hightower, Robert James, Branden Langley, Matt Offutt, Cerelia Sambrano; Principal's:

Stella Brewer, Andrew Margis, Andra Harkey, Nicholas Morerod

8th Grade: Superintendent's: Anthony Beltran; Principal's: Jesse Ortiz, Ashlie Samora, Cheri Sanchez

7th Grade: Principal's: Torrey Bosson, Brent Dixon, Monique Jiron, Clinton McNatt, Monique Morales, Amy Trujillo, Ariel Vallejos

6th Grade: Superintendent's: Sam Garner, Opal Greer; Principal's: Stephanie Brewer, Brandon Morales, Nathan New, Jesse Samora, Sonya Vega

5th Grade: Superintendent's: Jesse Greene, K.C. Hendricks, Whitney Whittaker, Mary Beth Shivers; Principal's: Matthew Barela, Ryan Gaines, Wade McMahan

4th Grade: Superintendent's:

Kaitlyn Vega, Adam Zamora, Sofia Ramirez; Principal's: Robert Dutchover, Nicole Nava, Aleisha Nelson, Stephen Margis, Krista Padilla, Timmy Barela, Angela Lteras, Chantal Day

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LEGALS

PROCLAMATION OF ELECTION

Section 1. On the 2nd day of February, 1999, there will be held in the Carrizozo Municipal School District No. 7, Lincoln and Socorro Counties, New Mexico (the "District") a regular school district election (the "Election") for the purpose of submitting to all qualified electors of the District the names of candidates for three positions on the Board of Education of the District (the "Board") and the public school capital improvements tax question.

Section 2. The County Clerk of Lincoln County is the proper filing officer and the county clerk of record and shall conduct this Election in accordance Election Code, except as otherwise provided in the School Election Law, being Sections 1-22-1 through 1-22-19, NMSA 1978.

Section 3. The following positions on the Board shall be filled by a vote of the qualified voters:

Position 1: (Board Position 1) a four year term commencing March 1, 1999.

Position 2: (Board Position 2) a four year term commencing March 1, 1999.

Position 3: (Board Position 3) a four year term commencing March 1, 1999.

Section 4. Declarations of candidacy and a sworn statement of intent are to be filed with the County Clerk of Lincoln County, in Carrizozo, New Mexico, between the hours of 9:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. on December 15, 1998, being the third Tuesday in December. Candidates must be residents of the District as of the date of this proclamation. A declaration of intent to be a write-in candidate is to be filed with the County Clerk of Lincoln County, in Carrizozo, New Mexico, before 5:00 p.m. on December 29, 1998, being the thirty-fifth day before the Election.

Section 5. At such Election, the following public school capital improvements tax question shall also be submitted to the qualified, registered electors of the District:

"Shall the Board of Education of Carrizozo Municipal School District No. 7, Lincoln and Socorro Counties, New Mexico, be authorized to impose a property tax of \$2.00 per each \$1,000 of net taxable value of the property allocated to the District under the Property Tax Code for the property tax years 1999, 2000, 2001 and 2002 for the purpose of the following capital improvements in the District, i.e., creating, remodeling, making additions to, providing equipment for or furnishing public school buildings; purchasing or improving public school grounds; purchasing computer hardware and software for student use in public school classrooms; and maintenance of public school buildings or public school grounds exclusive of salary expenses of employees of the District, and purchasing activity vehicles for transporting students to extracurricular school activities?"

Section 6. The polls shall be open between the hours of 7:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m. on the Election day.

Section 7. All Lincoln County and Socorro County general election precincts wholly or partially within the District shall be consolidated into a single precinct for this Election. Qualified voters of the District shall vote at the polling place located below (except for the absent voters precinct):

CONSOLIDATED PRECINCT ONE:

(Consisting of all Lincoln County and Socorro County general election precincts that are wholly or partially within the Carrizozo Municipal School District No. 7.)

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Section 8. Absentee voting will be permitted as authorized by Section 1-22-19, NMSA 1978, and the Absent Voter Act of the Election Code, i.e., Sections 1-6-1 through 1-6-18, NMSA 1978 and 1-6A-1 et seq., NMSA. Applications for absentee ballots may be obtained from the office of the County Clerk of Lincoln County, Lincoln County Courthouse, in Carrizozo, New Mexico. Absentee ballots of District voters may be marked in person at the office of the County Clerk of Lincoln County, Lincoln County Courthouse, Carrizozo, New Mexico, commencing at 8:00 a.m. Friday, January 8, 1999, being the twenty-fifth day preceding the Election, until 5:00 p.m. January 29, 1999, being the Friday immediately prior to the Election. On the day of Election, the County Clerk of Lincoln County shall deliver the absentee ballots and other related material to the absentee ballot precinct board which may be a regular precinct board.

Section 9. The County Clerk of Lincoln County is required by law to close the registration books for the Election at 5:00 p.m. on January 5, 1999, and a person will be allowed to vote only if he or she is a citizen of the United States, at least 18 years of age on the day of the Election, a resident of the District, and registered to vote in the District at 5:00 p.m. on January 5, 1999. Any qualified elector of the District who is not now registered and who wishes to vote at such public school district regular Election should register during regular office hours at the office of the County Clerk of Lincoln County, at the County Courthouse in Carrizozo, New Mexico, at the Ruidoso Instruction Center of Eastern New Mexico University in Ruidoso, New Mexico, at certain state government offices (motor vehicle and those agencies providing public assistance and services to persons with disabilities) or by mail application through the office of the County Clerk of Lincoln County, but prior to 5:00 p.m., on January 5, 1999.

Section 10. Voting shall be by voting machine, except for absentee voting which may be by paper ballot. At least one voting machine shall be used at the polling place.

Section 11. The tax contemplated by the public school capital improvements tax question shall be in addition to any tax imposed to pay debt service on any bonds or for any other purpose. Such capital improvements shall be authorized pursuant to the Public School Capital Improvements Act, i.e. Sections 22-5-1 through 22-25-10, NMSA 1978.

PASSED AND ADOPTED this 20th day of October 1998.

/s/Steve Harkoy
President

(SEAL)

Attest:
/s/Patricia Vega
Secretary

Published in the Lincoln County News on Thursday, December 3, 1998.

PROCLAMACION DE ELECCION

Section 1. El 2do día de febrero de 1999, tendrá lugar en el Distrito Escolar Municipal No. 7 de Carrizozo, Condados de Lincoln y Socorro, Nuevo México (el "Distrito") una elección escolar regular del distrito (la "Elección") para el propósito de someter a los electores calificados del Distrito los nombres de los candidatos para tres posiciones en el Consejo de Educación del Distrito (el "Consejo") y una pregunta de impuestos de mejoramientos capitales de escuelas públicas.

Section 2. El Escribano del Condado del Condado de Lincoln es el oficial de inscripción apropiado y el escribano del condado de record y deberá conducir esta Elección de acuerdo con el Código de Elecciones, excepto como esta de otra manera provisto en la Ley de Elecciones Escolares, siendo Secciones 1-22-1 hasta 1-22-19, NMSA 1978.

Section 3. Las siguientes posiciones en el Consejo serán llenadas por voto de los votantes calificados.

Posición 1: (Posición del Consejo 1) un término de cuatro años comenzando el 1 de marzo de 1999.

Posición 2: (Posición del Consejo 2) un término de cuatro años comenzando el 1 de marzo de 1999.

Posición 3: (Posición del Consejo 3) un término de cuatro años comenzando el 1 de marzo de 1999.

Section 4. Declaraciones de candidatura y una declaración jurada de intento deben ser registradas con el Escribano del Condado del Condado de Lincoln, en Carrizozo, Nuevo México, entre las horas de 9:00 a.m. y 5:00 p.m. el 15 de diciembre de 1998, siendo el tercer martes en diciembre. Candidatos deben ser residentes del Distrito a partir de la fecha de esta proclamación. Una declaración de intento para ser un candidato por escrito debe ser registrado con el Escribano del Condado del Condado de Lincoln, en Carrizozo, Nuevo México, antes de las 5:00 p.m. el 29 de diciembre de 1998, siendo el trigésimo quinto día antes de la Elección.

Section 5. En dicha Elección la siguiente pregunta de impuesto de mejoramientos capitales de escuelas públicas también será sometida a los electores calificados, registrados del Distrito:

"¿Deberá ser autorizado el Consejo de Educación del Distrito Escolar Municipal No. 7 de Carrizozo, Condados de Lincoln y Socorro, Nuevo México, a imponer un impuesto de propiedad de \$2.00 por cada \$1,000 del valor neto de la propiedad sujeta a impuestos ubicada al Distrito bajo el Código de Impuestos de Propiedad para los años de impuestos de propiedad de 1999, 2000, 2001 y 2002 para el propósito de los siguientes mejoramientos capitales en el Distrito, es decir, erigir, renovar, hacer adiciones a, proveer equipo para o amueblar edificios de escuelas públicas;

cas; comprando o mejorando terrenos de escuelas públicas; comprando equipos de computadoras y software para uso de estudiantes en salones de clases de escuelas públicas; y mantenimiento de edificios de escuelas públicas; y los gastos de escuelas públicas excluyendo de los gastos de salarios de los empleados del Distrito, y comprando vehículos de actividades para transportar a los estudiantes a actividades escolares extracurriculares?"

Section 6. Los parajes de votación estarán abiertos entre las horas de 7:00 a.m. y 7:00 p.m. el día de la Elección.

Section 7. Todos los precintos de elección general de los Condados de Lincoln y Socorro enteramente o parcialmente dentro del Distrito serán consolidados en un solo precinto para esta Elección. Votantes calificados del Distrito votarán en el paraje de votación de abajo (excepto por el precinto de votantes ausentes):

PRECINTO CONSOLIDADO UNO:

(Consistiendo de todos los precintos de elección general de los Condados de Lincoln y Socorro que están enteramente o parcialmente dentro del Distrito Escolar Municipal No. 7 de Carrizozo.)

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PARAJE DE VOTACION:

Oficina del Escribano del Condado del Condado de Lincoln
Casa de Corte del Condado de Lincoln
Carrizozo, Nuevo México

Section 8. Votación por ausentes será permitido como esta autorizado por Sección 1-22-19, NMSA 1978, y el Acta de Votantes Ausentes del Código de Elecciones, es decir, Secciones 1-6-1 hasta 1-6-18, NMSA 1978 y 1-6A-1 et seq., NMSA. Aplicaciones para boletos de ausentes pueden ser obtenidos de la oficina del Escribano del Condado del Condado de Lincoln, Casa de Corte del Condado de Lincoln, en Carrizozo, Nuevo México. Boletos de ausentes de los votantes del Distrito pueden ser marcados en persona en la oficina del Escribano del Condado del Condado de Lincoln, Casa de Corte del Condado de Lincoln, Carrizozo, Nuevo México, comenzando a las 8:00 a.m. el viernes, 8 de enero de 1999 siendo el vigésimo quinto día inmediatamente anterior a la Elección, hasta las 5:00 p.m. el 29 de enero de 1999, siendo el viernes inmediatamente anterior a la Elección. En el día de la Elección, el Escribano del Condado del Condado de Lincoln entregará los boletos de ausentes y otro material relacionado al consejo del precinto de boletos de ausentes que pueda ser un consejo regular de precinto.

Section 9. El Escribano del Condado del Condado de Lincoln esta requerido por ley a cerrar los libros de registración para la Elección a las 5:00 p.m. el 5 de enero de 1999, y una persona podrá votar solamente si el o ella es ciudadano del los Estados Unidos, tiene por los menos 18 años de edad el día de la Elección, es residente del Distrito, y esta registrado para votar en el Distrito a las 6:00 p.m. el 5 de enero de 1999. Cualquier elector calificado del Distrito que no esta ahora registrado y que desea votar en dicha Elección deberá registrarse durante las horas de oficina regulares en la oficina del Escribano del Condado del Condado de Lincoln en Carrizozo, Nuevo México, en el Centro de Instrucción de Ruidoso de la Universidad de Nuevo México Poniente en Ruidoso, Nuevo México, en ciertas oficinas del gobierno del estado (de tránsito y esos que proveen asistencia pública y servicios a personas con incapacidades), o por aplicación por correo por la Oficina del Escribano del Condado del Condado de Lincoln, pero antes de las 5:00 p.m. el 5 de enero de 1999.

Section 10. Votación será por maquina de votación, excepto por votación de ausentes que será por boleto de papel. Se usará tan siquiera una maquina de votación en el paraje de votación.

Section 11. El impuesto contemplado por la pregunta del Impuesto de Mejoramientos Capitales de Escuelas Públicas será en adición a cualquier impuesto impuesto para pagar servicio de deuda sobre cualesquier bonos o para cualquier otro propósito. Dichos mejoramientos capitales serán autorizados según el Acto de Mejoramientos Capitales de Escuelas Públicas, es decir, Secciones 22-5-1 hasta 22-25-10, NMSA 1978.

PASADA Y ADOPTADA este día 20 de octubre de 1998.

/s/Steve Harkoy
Presidente

(SELLO)

Atestiguó:
/s/Patricia Vega
Secretaria

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LEGAL NOTICE

TWELFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT
COUNTY OF LINCOLN
STATE OF NEW MEXICO

CV98-44

MATRIX FINANCIAL SERVICES,
a federal savings bank,

Plaintiff,

vs.

MELVIN H. NELSON and
CARLA JO NELSON,
husband and wife, MICHAEL WILLIAMS,
and REBECCA MONCRIEF,
Defendants.

NOTICE OF SALE ON FORECLOSURE

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the above-entitled Court, having appointed me or my designee Special Master in this matter with the power to sell, has ordered me to sell the real property situated in Lincoln County, New Mexico, commonly known as 702 Harris, Ruidoso Downs, New Mexico, and more particularly described as follows:

Lot 6 Block 5 of VALLEY VIEW SUBDIVISION, Ruidoso Downs, Lincoln County, New Mexico, as shown by the plat thereof filed in the office of the County Clerk and Ex-officio Recorder of Lincoln County, August 1, 1949.

The sale is to begin at 11:30 a.m. on December 21, 1998, at the front entrance of the Lincoln County Court House, City of Carrizozo, County of Lincoln, State of New Mexico, at which time I will sell to the highest and best bidder for cash in lawful currency of the United States of America, the Property to pay expenses of sale, and to satisfy the Judgment in favor of Plaintiff Matrix Financial Services.

Matrix Financial Services was awarded a Judgment on October 22, 1998, in the principal sum of \$15,600.00, plus interest thereon through October 22, 1998, in the sum of \$1,775.18, and accruing thereafter at the rate of 10.18% per annum (\$4.33 per diem) until paid; plus late charges through October 1998 in the sum of \$157.90, plus escrow credit in the amount of \$1,094.67, plus reasonable attorney's fees and costs incurred by Plaintiff in the sum of \$2,001.33, with interest thereon from date of Judgment until paid at the rate of 10.18% per annum; plus costs incurred by Plaintiff from October 22, 1998, until the date of sale, including the Special Master's Fee of \$158.82, publication costs, and Plaintiff's costs expended for taxes, insurance or keeping the property in good repair; plus reasonable attorney fees and costs as they shall accrue from date of judgment to date of sale, as awarded by the Court.

The sale is subject to one (1) month right of redemption in favor of the Defendants Melvin H. Nelson, Carla Jo Nelson, Michael Williams, and Rebecca Moncrief as specified in the Judgment filed herein.

DIANE DOYLE
Special Master c/o
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Albuquerque, New Mexico 87109
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PUBLIC NOTICE

The Public Land Use Advisory Council will hold their regular meeting on Monday, December 7, 1998. The meeting will begin at 9:00 a.m. in the Commissioner's Room of the Courthouse in Carrizozo.

AGENDA

- I. Call to Order
- II. Roll Call/Introduction
- III. Approval of Minutes
- IV. NEW BUSINESS
- A. National Federal Land Conference Request for Funds
- B. Western States Coalition - Request for funds
- C. Discussion - Forest Service national strategic plan
- D. Discussion - Southwest Region Forest / County MOU
- E. Environmental Impact Report - Analysis of the BLM Fallback and RAC#1, Alternatives
- F. Discussion of NEPA process for granting permits on various allotments.
- G. BLM update on Fort Stanton grazing management
- H. Discussion of Southwest Border Region Authority proposal for USDA funded Empowerment zone/Enterprise Communities and Champion Communities.
- I. Reading of correspondence received.
- V. ADJOURN

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LEGAL NOTICE
ORDINANCE 98-8

The Village of Captain Board of Trustees will hold a public hearing on December 14, 1998 at 6:30 p.m. at the Village Hall Bldg. for the purpose of discussing establishing Ordinance 98-8. Assessment Fees that would be used to purchase heavy equipment and add an addition to Village Hall. A separate assessment fee will also be discussed to purchase gravel for roads in the subdivision area. The Ordinance 98-8 will be considered for adoption at the regular council meeting to be held on December 14, 1998 at 7:00 p.m. at the Village Hall Bldg. The public is encouraged to attend.

/s/Dorothy Custumiss
Clark-Treasurer, CMC
Village of Captain

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LEGAL NOTICE
TO PUBLIC

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that the Governing Body of the Town of Carrizozo will meet on Tuesday, December 8, 1998 at 6:00 p.m., City Hall Conference Room, Carrizozo, New Mexico in regular session for the purpose of determining pursuant to Section 10-15-1, NMSA 1978 what shall constitute reasonable notice of meetings of the Board of Trustees to be held during the next twelve months.

Carol Schlarb,
CMC/AAE
Town Clerk-Treasurer
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Corona News

A Surprise Birthday Party honoring Ellis Hodge was held November 21 at the Corona Senior Center. The party was hosted by the family of Loretta Proctor. There were approximately 55 people who came to wish Ellis "Happy 85th". A sheet cake was decorated by Radna Proctor and Sissy Jones of Tatum. Punch, coffee, and ice cream were also served. The cake was decorated with a Hereford bull head at one end, and at the other Ellis's brand.

Out of town guests were Radna Proctor, Sissy Jones, Greg and Gloria Jones from Tatum, Bo Proctor, John and Mary Mohler from Farmington, Jack and Lou King from Portales, Fran Bryan from Bluewater, Charles and Joyce Hodgens from Willard, Berth Maxin from Los Lunas, Wesley and Al Jones from Eunice, Patriek and Frankie Jones from Albuquerque, Lindell Bonds from Portales, Sherrill Bradford from El Paso. Ellis's sister, Juanita Owens from Roswell, along with niece Tammy Bennett and daughter Elizabeth. Also attending from Roswell was Marie-Owen Smith.

Ellis was very surprised and really appreciated the gathering of his family and friends.

Bill and Johnnie Faye Harelson recently made a trip to Mineola, TX for a two week stay with their daughter and her husband, Pam and Glen Thurman. While there they enjoyed grandchildren, Adam and Jackie.

Glen is a pilot and Bill made several trips up in the plane and helicopter. They also visited another daughter, Penny while there. Then they went on to Killeen, TX and visited with Tom and Billie Pyburn for three days. Enroute to Texas they stopped in Roswell and spent the night with daughter Peggy and her son, Jonathan. They returned home on Sunday, Nov. 21.

Bob and Hazel Burton went to Garland, TX to attend their daughter's wedding, and visit their new great granddaughter. They spent Thanksgiving with Shirley and John Jay. They were thrilled to get to visit with the granddaughters, Janie, Jonie, Jenie and Kelsie May.

On the way to Garland they spent the night in Amarillo with another daughter, Sherry and Jimmie Flowers and family. Sherry and her daughter Sara and son Jeff, also attended the wedding. Another daughter, Shelly Swanson flew in from Denver for the wedding. It was a nice family gathering. Clay could not attend as he had to stay at the ranch to attend to chores.

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Carol Schlarb
CMC/A&E
Town Clerk-Treasurer
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Corona News

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Mr. and Mrs. Tommy Tyree went to Eunice for Thanksgiving with the Mitosh Tyrees. They returned late Saturday to be here to enjoy the rain and snow on Sunday for a total moisture content of 0.9".

Stopping by the Perkins Tuesday were Mr. and Mrs. Patrick Morrow, Clay and Kristen of Alamogordo, and Mr. and Mrs. Scott Breckenridge of Gardnerville, NV. The Breckenridges were returning from Roswell where they had attended final services for Gail's brother, John Schwab, who had died suddenly in his home in Dallas just six weeks after the other brother, Ross Jr. had died.

suddenly at his home near Texarkana.

John D. Holleyman is reported doing well one week after surgery for a second knee replacement.

Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Hughes moved into a larger home in Estancia recently, and they hosted the family Thanksgiving dinner. Mrs. R.L. Sharp and Jerry Sharp attended from Corona. Coming home with them for the weekend at the Sharp ranch were Mr. and Mrs. Johnny Paiz and two children of Portales, Mrs. and Mrs. Wayne Tubbs, and Mr. and Mrs. Labap Tubbs and two children.

Mrs. Pauline McCloud, Gayle May and Matthew May went to La Luz Thursday to have dinner with Mr. and Mrs. Randy McCloud and baby daughter Kara.

The Bob Burroughs spent last week in Iowa with his mother and other family members.

Corona FFA Goes To Kansas City

Six FFA members from Corona traveled to Kansas City Nov. 11-16 for the 71st national FFA convention. Attending were Rocky Bagley, Courtney Perez, Andrew Bagley, Brandon Paehl, Laura Gonzales, Shaline Lopez, and advisors Travis and Rae Anne Lightfoot. The Corona chapter had the opportunity to listen to several motivational speakers and attend a live performance of a hypnotist.

Rocky Bagley
Corona FFA Reporter

Capitan Honor Roll

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Eleventh Grade: Truman Armstrong, Vanessa Cox, David Hightower, Ashley Martin, Esperanza Martinez, Cody Montes, Haylee Murry, Holly Schlarb, Darren Sedillo, Shawna Shrecengost, BobbyRay Silva, Kenny Stahl, Matt Stephens, Trenna Stephens, Jesse Wright.

Twelfth Grade: Erin Autrey, Erin Autrey, Cara Baker, Amanda Bird, Kaye Christensen, Ty Davis, Martin Gonzalez, Raymond Harris, Andrea Heberling, Jami Jackson, Justin Joiner, Klay Jones, Colleen McGrath, William Morris, Dylan Smith, Faith Smith, James Tacey, Jennifer Tracey.
* Denotes all A's.

County Wins Dispute

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commission to be opened as a public road. Also the developer sold the property with documentation that the road was private.

While the suit does show that there would be some benefit to the county to open the road, it is offset by the cost to the county and taxpayers to upgrade and maintain the road.

The suit and request for writ of mandamus to require the county to maintain the road, filed by Simpson, was dismissed because there was not law to support requiring a county to maintain a road through the process of the courts.



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