

Cree Fire Started By Kids Smoking Dope

By Doris Cherry

An investigation by the Ruidoso Police Department based on information received by the Ruidoso/Lincoln County Crimestopper, Inc. led to the identification of two female and two male individuals involved in igniting the Cree Fire east of Ruidoso which burned almost 8,700 acres of pine and pinyon-juniper on mostly national forest and state

lands.

According to a release from Ruidoso Police Chief Lanny Maddox, three of the four individuals suspected are juveniles and one is a 21 year old adult. Police interviewed three suspects and obtained taped confessions. The fourth individual is currently out of state.

A preliminary investigation of the Ruidoso Cree Fire was initiated the day the fire

started, Sunday, May 7 by a joint task force comprised of Ruidoso Police Department, New Mexico State Police, U.S. Forest Service, Lincoln County Sheriff's Office and Otero County Sheriff's Office. A point of origin for the Cree Fire was determined during this preliminary investigation.

After the interview of the suspects, police also determined that improper use of

fire, a campfire, and marijuana usage were the elements involved in the ignition of the Cree Fire.

Ruidoso Police Department has provided transcripts and paperwork to the U.S. Forest Service Investigator as a team effort to close the case. Charges are pending as the investigation continues.

Cree Fire was listed as 100 percent contained on

Wednesday, May 17. Because of the containment, the fire was transitioned to a Type 3 incident and as such, resources including manpower, were cut by 80 percent, said Ruidoso emergency management coordinator Thomas Chavez. Diminished winds and higher humidity over the weekend helped fire fighters to achieve their goal of 100 per-

cent contained by this week.

Only three structures were burned in the Cree Fire, but hundreds of residents were evacuated from their homes in Lower Eagle Creek, Fawn Ridge, Pines of Gavilan, Homestead Acres and at times Ranch Ruidoso. All residents were allowed to return to their homes by late last week.

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CARRIZOZO KINDERGARTEN CLASS OF 2000 will graduate at 6:30 p.m. Friday, May 19, in the old gym. Students pictured are (top row from left) Bryce Sandoval, Jordan Vinson, Marshall Ventura, Marriah Ventura, Gaby Barela, Sara McNatt, Catalena Vega. Middle row from left are Lane Carter, Derek Vega, Carmen Tate, Andrea Beltran, Nathan Balkema, Shayna Zamora, Analicia Beltran and Justin Vega. Front row from left are Rawuel Pino, Corina Morales, Carl Barela, Tavi Nash, Jaime McCarthy, Sean Medina, Koty Vega, Keesha Chavez, Danielle Castro.

Absentee And Early Voting Is Underway

Absentee voting for the June 6 primary election is now underway.

Absentee voting by mail started April 27 and early, in person voting, began Wednesday, May 17.

Under early in person voting, a registered voter who is eligible to vote in the primary election, can cast a ballot any time between 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. at the Lincoln County Clerk's Office in the Lincoln County Courthouse in Carrizozo. A satellite early voting poll is set up at the Ruidoso Senior Center,

where registered voters can do early voting from 9:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. Monday through Friday until June 1.

Early voting ends Thursday, June 1. Mail in absentee balloting ends Saturday, June 3, however the county clerk must accept completed official mailing envelopes containing absentee ballots until 7 p.m. on Tuesday, June 6, primary election day.

For more information about early voting or absentee voting call the Lincoln County Clerk's office at 505-648-2394.



Weather for today, Thursday, May 18 through Sunday, May 21, for Lincoln County taken from the National Weather Service website.

Today, May 18:

Mostly sunny with west winds 10-15 miles per hour. High temperature in Carrizozo near 80, low middle 40s.

Friday, May 19:

Partly cloudy with a slight chance of a shower or thunderstorm on the east slopes. Highs 70-80, lows of mid 30s to mid 40s.

Saturday through Sunday, May 20-21:

Variably cloudy with a chance of showers and thunderstorms on mainly east slopes. Highs of 70 to 80, lows of 40s to near 50.

For Ruidoso, Capitan and northern Sacramento Mountains:

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Mostly sunny with west winds 10 to 15 miles per hour. High temperatures in Ruidoso near 70 in Capitan lower 70s. Lows in the middle 30s.

Friday, May 19:

Partly cloudy with a slight chance of a shower or thunderstorm on the east slopes. Highs 70s in Ruidoso and near 80 in Capitan, lows in mid 30s in Ruidoso and mid 40s in Capitan.

Saturday and Sunday, May 20 and 21:

Variably cloudy with a chance of showers and thunderstorms mainly on the east slopes. Highs 70s in Ruidoso and 80 in Capitan. Lows of 40s in Ruidoso to near 50 in Capitan.

Public Hearing Friday On LCSWA Rate Increase

By Doris Cherry

At 2 p.m. Friday, May 19, Lincoln County Solid Waste Authority (LCSWA) will hold a public hearing on proposed increases to the residential trash collection rates at the LCSWA offices in Ruidoso Downs.

A rate increase is needed to keep LCSWA solvent and to provide for a balanced preliminary 2000-01 fiscal year budget that the State Department of Finance and Administration (DFA) will accept. Until recently, LCSWA board operated with the understanding it had no power to impose rate increases. Rather the governing bodies of the member entities would have to approve a rate increase for their constituents. After review of the LCSWA joint powers agreements, LCSWA attorney Don Dutton advised the LCSWA board does have the ability to raise rates, after holding public hearings in the affected communities.

At the public hearing Friday, LCSWA board will consider rate increases for Agua Fria, Capitan, Carrizozo, Ruidoso Downs and Lincoln County residential accounts. The proposal is to raise residential rates for Agua Fria, Capitan, Carrizozo and Ruidoso Downs to \$12.50 a month, and the county to \$9.25 a month.

LCSWA member, and Capitan village trustee, Debra Ingle announced the public hearing during a report she gave to the Capitan Village

Trustees at their regular meeting Tuesday, May 16.

"Lincoln County Solid Waste Authority is cleaning up its act," Ingle said. At the May 9 LCSWA meeting, there was a consensus of the board to vote no confidence and remove manager Jerry Wright, she said. Ingle said LCSWA hired an interim person, Carol Virden, temporarily for 60 to 90 days to help locate the LCSWA accounts. Already Virden applied for and received permission from DFA for an extension for submitting the LCSWA preliminary budget.

Also a complete audit of the LCSWA books has been requested, Ingle added.

Dutton, who is also Capitan village attorney, said LCSWA will look for an executive director/manager with experience in the solid waste field.

Trustee Leroy Montes asked if LCSWA is in the hole. Ingle said they don't know at this point, not until

Carrizozo Children's Baseball Signups Will Be Held May 23

Sign up for Carrizozo children's baseball will be held from 4-6 p.m. Tuesday, May 23, at Carrizozo Recreation Center.

There will be T-ball for children three through five years old, and coach pitch baseball for children ages six and seven. There is a \$5 registration fee per child.

For information call 648-1335.

all money and funds have been accounted for. She said she voted no on the last proposed budget brought to the board, because it was \$205,000 in the red.

Dutton said the public hearing on Friday is the first of several public hearings to be held about the rate increase. The next hearings are June 6 in Carrizozo and June 13 in Capitan. Ingle said LCSWA currently has the lowest residential rates in the state.

Montes said he did not believe people would object to a rate increase if they get the service.

Dutton said he did not think Capitan would want to take over its own trash service. "I think trustee Ingle is looking out for the interests of the residents of Capitan and the authority (LCSWA) for the good of all," Dutton added.

Montes said he feared for the future of the authority (LCSWA) if it continues to hire friends instead of professionals. "I think Carol is a good friend of one of the board members," Montes said of Carol Virden. "Did we get rid of Jerry Wright just to give a friend a job?"

Ingle said they had been trying to get rid of Wright for two and a half years. She said she discussed the situation with LCSWA with Capitan Mayor Norman Renfro. "I don't know if we hired a friend, I do know we need to know where the money is,"

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Fire Danger Regulations

The Town of Carrizozo will be enforcing all restrictions due to the Fire Danger with no tolerance. Restrictions are as follows:

- 1.) Absolutely no fireworks whatsoever.
- 2.) Absolutely no open flames or campfires.
- 3.) Absolutely no charcoal briquettes. (This includes public and private land).

If caught violating these restrictions in the Town of Carrizozo, you will be cited.

Leroy Montes
Fire Chief
Town of Carrizozo

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Fort Stanton Open House Sat., May 27

By Doris Cherry

State Representative Dub Williams, County of Lincoln, and Fort Stanton, Inc. invite everyone to join them at the Fort Stanton Open House on Saturday, May 27.

Open house festivities begin at 1 p.m. on the Fort Stanton Parade Ground.

Entertainers include the Flying J Wranglers, Michael Beyer, Lanny Maddox and Harvey T. Scott Wells who will recreate the life and times of Kit Carson and James McSwane will appear as Sheriff Pat Garrett.

Open House also features re-enactment groups, who recreate the lives of the men and women of historical times. Units will recreate the lives of US Army soldiers in they 1870s, Buffalo Soldiers and Confederate troops from the Civil War.

Also for the first time in 50 years, the Open House pro-

vides an opportunity for the general public to tour the grounds of Fort Stanton.

Founded in 1853, Fort Stanton played a pivotal role in the history of southern New Mexico. During the Civil War, Confederate and Union soldiers fought over the Fort. Troops based at the Fort played a role in the Lincoln County War, and the African-American 9th and 10th Cavalry, known as the Buffalo Soldiers, were also stationed at Fort Stanton.

Fort Stanton Open House is being held in conjunction with the Merchant Marine and Veterans Memorial Ceremony set to begin at 10:30 a.m. at Fort Stanton Merchant Marine Cemetery.

Food will be for sale at the open house.

For more information about the Open House contact Dick Weber at 1-505-338-7711 or by e-mail: dick@zianet.com.

LCSWA Public Hearing

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Ingle added. Montes said in his opinion LCSWA has never worked, and now it should consult a professional.

Dutton said LCSWA was in an emergency situation because DFA did not approve the preliminary budget LCSWA submitted.

Trustee John Whitaker said he did not like that the LCSWA entities no longer have a say on a proposed rate increase. "Unless we pull out and I don't like that idea," Whitaker added.

Montes then asked why Capitan collects the solid waste fees for LCSWA. Ingle said that it was set up that way by the mayors who were in office when LCSWA was organized.

Renfro made a request that LCSWA consider a senior citizen rate because Capitan has so many retired and elderly people.

When Montes said perhaps the village should consider looking for a company to collect trash. Dutton said more than eight years ago, the Town of Carrizozo was paying more to the private

disposal company than it does now to LCSWA. "LCSWA is like CCNG (Capitan-Carrizozo Natural Gas), owned by its entities," Dutton said.

Trustees, also: -Tabled the preliminary 2000-01 budget until the May 30 special meeting.

-Approved the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Agreement for \$25,000 to be used for recodification of ordinances and writing of a draft subdivision ordinance.

-Accepted the contract with Ronnie Hemphill for the 1999-2000 fiscal year audit.

-Discussed a request for a water tap at the school owned baseball fields. Village administrator Steve Barela was to contact the youth baseball organizers and the school about the water tap, and who would pay for water if installed. The youth baseball leagues had received a donation of 2,500 square feet of sod, to be delivered the week of May 19 and needed water for the grass.



KINDERGARTEN GRADUATION PRACTICE. Carrizozo Kindergarten students practice for their big day -- graduation on Friday, May 19, at 8:30 p.m. in the old gym. Students in the Carrizozo Kindergarten Class of 2000 will graduate as seniors in May 2012.

Memorial For Sam Tobias On Friday

Memorial services for Sam Tobias are scheduled for 11:30 a.m. Friday, May 19, at Spencer Theater on Airport Road. A potluck luncheon will be held at Cedar Creek Picnic area near Ruidoso after the memorial service.

Tobias was killed Monday, May 15 when the twin-engine Cessna 337 he was riding in crashed in a steep canyon near Alamogordo. The pilot Leo Koponen was also killed. Tobias was acting as air attack supervisor for the Scott Able Fire south of Cloudcroft. The accident occurred shortly after the plane took off at 12:30 p.m. to conduct a surveillance mission.

According to a release from the US Forest Service Alamogordo office, Tobias, 47, had been stationed on the Smokey Bear Ranger District of the Lincoln National Forest in Ruidoso as the Recreation Staff Officer for the last 12 years. Prior to coming to Ruidoso Tobias worked on the Tonto Basin Ranger District of the Tonto National Forest in Arizona from 1975 to 1988. He had a degree in forestry from Penn State University.

According to Lincoln Forest Supervisor Jose Martinez, Tobias was well liked and highly regarded for his recreation work and countless missions in air attack. "This man died in service to his country," Martinez said. "He will be missed by many people."

Tobias, born June 27, 1952, is survived by his wife Jackie Abels Tobias of Alto, a Ruidoso public school teacher. He and Jackie were married on March 21, 1981 in Roosevelt, AZ. Sam is also survived by his mother Ruth Tobias of Irwin, PA; a brother, James Tobias of Irwin, PA; and a sister Terry Brown of Indiana, PA and her husband Charlie; two nephews and a niece.

Funeral arrangements are under the direction of LaGrone Funeral Chapel in Ruidoso.

Koponen, 49, an experienced pilot, worked for Courtney Aviation of Columbia, CA. A memorial service for him is planned at Columbia Airport. He is survived by his wife, children and grandchildren.

The National Transportation Safety Board and the U.S. Forest Service are conducting investigations of the accident.

Gavilan Canyon Road To Be Closed May 30 To June 2

Lincoln County Commissioners are holding their regular May meeting today, May 19, in their chambers in the Lincoln County Courthouse in Carrizozo.

As the last item of regular business, listed after a 1 p.m. closed session, county commissioners will conduct a public hearing on the 2000-01 preliminary budget. In the budget resolution, commissioners establish three priorities—one to find additional sources of revenue, two to build a new detention center, and three effect Indigent Health Care. Commissioners will continue the existing 1.75 mills for general county government.

Commissioners started their meeting with a presentation to Kathy Williams who is retiring from the health clinic and the county EMS program. Following that, county manager Tom Stewart introduced the new county indigent health care fund administrator Teresa Montoya. She was hired from five applicants. Montoya graduated from UNM with a Bachelor's of Business Administration and has worked in positions of responsibility in both private industry and government. In November 1998 she was hired as Indigent Health Care Program Assistant for Otero County.

During the manager's report, Stewart told about the detention center progress. A pre-bid conference was held at the proposed new jail site by architect Nims Calvani on May 4. Four general contrac-

tors attended. In addition four other contractors have indicated interest. On May 5, Stewart met with Otero County Electric Cooperative, Inc. representative Mark Wall to coordinate the routing of electricity to the site. Bid opening for the actual construction job will be May 17. A ground breaking ceremony is set for May 30.

The current detention center now has 38 inmates in the main facility, 12 in the annex, three on electronic bracelet monitoring, 21 at Corrections Corporation of America (CCA) in Estancia and three in the Otero County Detention Center in Alamogordo for a total of 77. "This is an increase of six from last month," Stewart said.

On May 30 to June 2 the lower half of Gavilan Canyon Road will be closed due to a re-paving project, as part of the county's road co-op program. The construction activity will be on Gavilan Canyon Road south from Warrior Drive (at Ruidoso High School) to just past the Ruidoso Solid Waste Transfer station. The closure date was changed from the original schedule of May 15-19 to the new date to facilitate the last week of school.

Stewart also reported on a letter he wrote to Dave Harkness of the New Mexico Farm & Ranch Heritage Museum in Las Cruces advising him of the potential concern over the proposed move of the 1902 bridge over the Rio Hondo in Picacho. Stewart said an individual is raising a petition to keep the bridge in Lincoln County. The museum had requested permission to obtain and move the bridge from Lincoln County to the museum in Las Cruces.

Fort Stanton Open House and Memorial Day Ceremony will be held May 27 at the Merchant Marine Memorial Cemetery at Fort Stanton and on the Fort Stanton parade grounds. Events begin at 9 a.m. with a re-enactment of Cavalry soldiers in reveille at the Fort Stanton parade ground flagpole. The Memorial Day Ceremony begins at 10:30 a.m. at Fort Stanton Cemetery and the open house welcome begins at 1 p.m. at Fort Stanton.

Stewart also attached news releases from Senator Pete Domenici about his request for funding for Lincoln County health facilities. One request is for funding of telecommunications at Lincoln County Medical Center (LCMC) in the amount of \$1,940 and the other request is for \$500,000 to expand the health facilities at the county sub-office in Ruidoso and \$200,000 to expand the Carrizozo Health Clinic. "I will continue to track the progress of the appropriations," Stewart said.

Commissioners also approved a proclamation making May 21-27 Veterans Appreciation Week, as requested by Larry Holt, with

the American Legion Post #57 in Capitan, who is coordinating the Merchant Marine and Veterans Memorial Ceremony.

Other items on the commission meeting agenda include:

-Ambulance bill collections report from county treasurer Joan Park.

-Public hearing at 10 a.m. for a proposed ordinance approving the loan agreement and intercept agreement from the New Mexico Finance Authority regarding the new detention center.

-Consideration of bids and rfp's for inmate medications, return to duty physical examinations, resurfacing roads in Deer Park Woods and Ranches of Sontaga.

-Proclamation in honor of Cree Firefighters.

-Bid for Lincoln County Detention Facility.

-A request from Carrizozo area county residents Nikko and Diane Chavez for enforcement of the county trash ordinance.

-Environmental Health reports on Forest Health/Water Rights Transfers/watersheds; review of fire conditions and re-enactment of the Resolution banning all open flame and fires and the sale or use of display fireworks for the next 30 days.

-Report on the meeting between commission chairman Rex Wilson and Ruidoso Mayor Robert Donaldson on fire districts, DWI program, library usage and use of old police station.


-Resolution regarding the proposed Carrizozo Postal Operations move.

-Appointments to the 911 Committee, Lodgers' Tax Committee, Road Review Committee.

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FIRST AND THIRD TUESDAYS

-Jalayne Spivey of the District II Office of the State Engineer is at Ruidoso Village Hall from 9 a.m. to 12 noon.

TUESDAYS

-Alcoholics Anonymous 8 p.m. Carrizozo Senior Center. Call 648-1145 for information.

WEDNESDAYS

-Moms In Touch prayer group, 9 a.m. Ancho. Car pool from Carrizozo. Call 648-2480 for information.

-Alcoholics Anonymous open meeting, 7 p.m. Capitan Senior Citizens Center.

THURSDAYS

-Carrizozo School Library Story Hour 9:30-10:30 a.m. for preschoolers age 3-5.

-Lincoln County Adult Singles Group 8:30 p.m. Call 354-2635 or 258-3201 for information and location.

-Capitan Chamber of Commerce Bingo, 8:30-10 p.m. Chamber building on Second Street.

-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. Call 354-4032 for information.

SATURDAYS

-Capitan Public Library open from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

TODAY, THURSDAY, MAY 11

-Lincoln County Commission meeting, 9 a.m. commissioners room in the Lincoln County Courthouse in Carrizozo.

-Capitan Middle School band and choir performance 6:30 p.m. Traylor Gym.

FRIDAY, MAY 19

-Lincoln County Solid Waste Authority special meeting, 2 p.m. LCSWA offices in Ruidoso Downs for public hearing on proposed residential trash rate increase.

-Carrizozo Kindergarten Graduation 6:30 p.m. old gym.

-Lincoln County Fair Queen contest clinic, 7 p.m. Smokey Bear Restaurant in Capitan. All potential contestants are encouraged to attend.

SATURDAY, MAY 20

-Carrizozo School Sports Banquet.

MONDAY, MAY 22

-Finals start at Carrizozo High School.

-Capitan Middle and High School Student Awards Program.

-Capitan Middle School parent advisory committee meeting 6 p.m.

TUESDAY, MAY 23

-Carrizozo elementary field day.

-Finals start for Capitan middle and high school students.

-South Central Mountain RC&D Council 10 a.m. Room 253, Otero County Courthouse in Alamogordo.

-Early release for Capitan students at 2 p.m.

-T-ball and pitch baseball signups for children ages 3-7 at 4-6 p.m. Carrizozo Recreation Center.

-Special Ruidoso Village Council workshop to discuss yard waste, 5 p.m. village hall.

-Carrizozo Town Trustees, 6 p.m. city hall.

WEDNESDAY, MAY 24

-Capitan Kindergarten Graduation, 9 a.m. Traylor Gym.

-Capitan Elementary Awards Program 12:30 p.m. Traylor Gym.

-Carrizozo Family & Community Education (FCE) club meets at 1 p.m. at the Otero County Electric Cooperative building meeting room, 12th Street in Carrizozo. Program on stress management by Ann Terrell, retired nurse and member of LaJunta FCE club. Visitors welcome.

-Highway 380 Improvement Project Open House 1-3 p.m. San Juan Church, Lincoln.

-Early release of Capitan students at 2 p.m.

-Carrizozo schools dismissed 2:45 p.m.

-Highway 380 Improvement Project Open House 6:30-8:30 p.m. Traylor Gym at Capitan School.

-Carrizozo High School Baccalaureate, 7 p.m. Santa Rita Church in Carrizozo.

THURSDAY, MAY 25

-No school for Capitan students, staff in-service day.

-Early dismissal at Carrizozo School.

-Lincoln County Democrats post primary convention meeting 6:30 p.m. Cree Meadows Restaurant in Ruidoso.

FRIDAY, MAY 26

-Last day of school for Capitan and Carrizozo students. Capitan students pick up report cards from 8 to 8:30 a.m.

-Capitan High School Baccalaureate 6 p.m. Cummins Gym.

-Carrizozo High School Graduation 7 p.m. in the old gym.

SATURDAY, MAY 27

-Carrizozo Clean Up Day. Meet at city hall between 7:30 and 8:30 a.m. Kids can earn free passes to the pool.

-Fort Stanton Merchant Marine and Veterans Memorial Ceremony 10:30 a.m. Fort Stanton Cemetery.

-Fort Stanton Open House, activities begin as early as 9 a.m. with official opening at 1 p.m. at the parade grounds on Fort Stanton.

-Lincoln County Ranch Rodeo 2 p.m. Lincoln County Fairgrounds in Capitan.

-Capitan High School Graduation 8 p.m. Tiger Field.

MONDAY, MAY 29

-Memorial Day, all public offices and banks closed.

TUESDAY, MAY 30

-Ruidoso Village Council 8:30 p.m.

-Special Capitan Trustee meeting to adopt preliminary budget, 7 p.m. village hall.

WEDNESDAY, MAY 31

-Lincoln County Lodgers Tax Committee 10:30 a.m. Ruidoso Convention Center.

C'zozo Jump Rope For Heart Is A Success

Carrizozo Elementary raised a total of \$2,501.54 for the Jump Rope for Heart event, \$500 more than raised last year.

This was the second year for Jump Rope For Heart to be held in Carrizozo Schools. Jump Rope For Heart is a fund raising event of the American Heart Association.

The elementary students celebrated their efforts with a Jump Rope for the Heart field day. Each child participated in jump relays, jump

tag, old fashioned jump rope long jump, and double Dutch jump rope. "It was an exciting afternoon geared toward the heart," said teacher

Tylice Jackson. "Thank you Carrizozo and all other sponsors. By donating you are helping to save a life, who knows maybe your own."

Each class in Carrizozo Elementary competed for who could raise the most money. Phoebe Cogdill's third grade class won by earning \$650. The students won a free movie and popcorn party. In Cogdill's class was the top fund raising student-Kathleen Schlarb for the second year in a row.

Kathleen raised \$284.91. Other top raisers were fifth grader Samantha Narvaez Portillo with \$175.75, fourth grader Jordan McKinley with \$150, second grader Scott Barela with \$125, first grader Joel Ferguson with \$75 and kindergartner Gabriella Barela with \$54.

American Heart Association will give "thank you" gifts to each student who collected a donation of \$1 or more.

by Tylice Jackson

Forest Fire Smoke Can Affect Health

Many people in New Mexico are finding themselves in the path of the smoke from forest fires.

The New Mexico Department of Health urges citizens to be aware of the effects of forest fire smoke on their health. Immediate effects of short term exposure to forest fire smoke are sore eyes, cough, tearing of eyes and runny nose. Citizens can also experience cold symptoms, persistent cough and sore throat when they are physically exhausted, under psychological stress and poor nutrition.

Forest fire smoke can also lead to increased levels of carbon monoxide (CO) which can cause headaches, nausea, dizziness and decreased mental function.

Intermediate exposure to forest fire smoke (from days to weeks) can lead to lung or airway congestion and persistent cough or in combination with other factors can lead to acute bronchitis.

Persons who are in a location where they can smell smoke, or experience symptoms of cough, eye, nose, mouth, or throat irritation should move indoors and stay there with the windows closed as long as it is safe to do so. If individuals continue to smell smoke, or experience symptoms while indoors, they should consider evacuating to another location away from the fire and smoke.

Persons who have asthma, emphysema or chronic bronchitis which do not respond to regular medications of severe symptoms should visit an urgent care/emergency room or contact their medical provider.

For severe shortness of breath, chest pain, decreased mental function or other life-threatening condition call 911 immediately.

Fewer symptoms were reported in persons who ran a Hepa-filter in their homes

during a recent California fire. However personal masks proved to be unhelpful because smoke particles are too small to be filtered through them.

RC&D To Hear About Forest Health May 23

South Central Mountain RC&D Council meets at 10 a.m. Tuesday, May 23, in Room 253 of the Otero County Courthouse in Alamogordo.

The morning portion of the meeting will be held in conjunction with an informational session sponsored by the Otero County Commission concerning a proposed watershed and forest health study of the Sacramento Mountains.

The council will conduct its business meeting following the informational session.

The public is invited to attend the council and informational meetings.

Youth Fine Arts Classes Begin June 26

Students in grades three through eight are invited to participate in the Fine Arts in Historic Lincoln.

Classes begin June 26 and are conducted from 9 a.m. to 12 noon and 1 to 4 p.m. Sessions are June 26-30, July 10-14 and July 17-21.

Students will get a chance to do stone carving, story telling with drawing, painting, crafts and music.

Each class session has a \$5 per student registration fee, which covers transportation and lunch each day.

Class size is limited so students need to sign up early.

To register or for more information call The Hubbard Museum of the American West at 505-378-4142 or 1-800-263-5929.

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THOUGHTS

FROM THE EDITOR'S DESK

Fire Fighting Vacation

By Ruth Hammond

New Mexico is the brunt of jokes all across the nation, on TV, radio and in newspapers. The "joke" is that a prescribed burn was started during drought conditions. Few of the people making the jokes are aware that the fire near Los Alamos could easily have been gotten under control if the two, skilled 20 person fire crews had responded when called as was promised. The call for help was at 3:30 a.m. but someone decided to wait until a senior fire official arrived at 8 a.m. to approve the deployment.

Evidently someone in the office that was to dispatch the two, skilled 20 person fire crews to help get the fire in the Los Alamos area under control was unaware that an uncontrolled fire will not wait four and a half hours before raging completely out of control. Thank goodness for the people in Lincoln County that the dispatchers in the Lincoln County Sheriff's Office don't wait for a senior officer to arrive before dispatching emergency equipment.

Getting help quickly is the most important thing. Here in Lincoln County fire and emergency crews were notified immediately and that was a major factor in getting the Cree fire under control before hundreds of homes were destroyed. Paid fire fighters and volunteers worked side by side day and night to control the Cree fire. Our thanks to each and every person who helped fight the Cree fire.

Listening to the "jokes" about New Mexico being on fire makes us wonder if these people realize that it is difficult to control a fire in a dense forest that is full of dry brush. The drought conditions that have elevated the fire danger in New Mexico also hinder the majority of fire fighting efforts. Fire restrictions are now in effect in all of Lincoln County and will continue until the dry conditions ease.

Every precaution must be taken to prevent fires. Fire fighters, paid and volunteer, must be ready to respond quickly if a fire starts. There is a problem that could cause some volunteer fire fighters to reconsider whether they want to continue as volunteers. Many of the volunteer fire fighters are county employees and when they responded to help fight the Cree fire they were "off the clock" as county employees. County employees are required to use their vacation time when they respond to an emergency during working hours. They don't get paid by the county when responding to an emergency and their vacation time is depleted each time they respond during working hours.

Considering the county personnel policies allow military leave with pay for a maximum of 15 days each calendar year, it seems a similar plan should be enacted for county employees who are emergency volunteers. Volunteers who respond to help extract victims from vehicles and help protect lives and property during fires and emergencies should not be deprived of their much needed vacation time any more than a person who is on military leave.

The county personnel policy should be reviewed and incentives should be given for volunteers as well as military. Protecting lives and preserving our way of life is the major purpose of both the military and emergency volunteers. We need fewer jokes about New Mexico burning and more understanding about national pride.

No jokes about New Mexico fires



INSIDE THE CAPITOL

SANTA FE - With his yearly war on the Legislature ended, Gov. Gary Johnson has emerged more eager than ever to resume his battle against the war on drugs.

Johnson bowed to requests from Republican legislators to put his campaign in neutral during the regular and special sessions of the New Mexico Legislature. Maybe that is why the governor called the special session two months earlier than last year.

Lawmakers were concerned that Johnson's advocacy of drug legalization would impede their legislative efforts. But with many other items taking center stage, the drug issue was only a minor consideration during either session.

Republicans in each house introduced legislation making it clear they aren't in the governor's corner on the topic. Democrats tried to attach amendments attacking the governor for his drug legalization efforts, but the Democrat leadership of both chambers discouraged the efforts, which failed.

The most obvious attempt to embarrass the governor was a line in the general appropriations bill, passed by the special session, prohibiting spending to "promote the legalization or decriminalization of controlled substances." Johnson not only vetoed it, he took a full page of his five-page message explaining his 44 line-item vetoes to expound on the failures of the drug war and the violations of his freedom of speech.

Gov. Johnson ended his veto message with a paragraph announcing that he will continue his advocacy for a new drug policy throughout the remainder of his term. And with that announcement, he kicked off a new series of public appearances at schools, clubs, associations and a new college seminar at the University of New Mexico examining the history of drug wars in the United States.

The timing of a "60 Minutes" segment on Gov. Johnson's legalization advocacy coincided nicely with his promise to hold it down during the legislative sessions. The 12-minute feature was taped in December but not aired until April. It was Johnson's biggest national exposure so far. He'll make another big splash next month at the Western Governors Association conference in Hawaii, where he has gotten drug policy on the agenda. His hope is that the National Governors Association will take it up next.

The governor has said he will not spend state money on trips to advocate drug legalization. He also

has backed off on legalizing heroin, not because he doesn't believe in it, but because it "freaks out" people so much more than the idea of legalizing marijuana.

In addition, Johnson says he will no longer speak at elementary or secondary schools during the school day - only after school to students who want to stay to hear his message. Prompting that decision was an encounter with a group of parents who sought a restraining order to keep the governor away from the school their children attend.

Johnson's drug legalization advocacy has lost him nearly 20 percent of his public support. But he vows not to quit, even after leaving office. He says he realizes that many will say that he has done no good for New

Mexico, but he says he was given the opportunity to be governor and he wants to do everything he can with that opportunity.

As the governor goes on with his advocacy, it will be interesting to see if Republican lawmakers decide they want to ask him to suspend his effort during next fall's general election. He may do them more harm here than during legislative sessions.

Johnson already has said he will be glad to campaign for anyone who supports his school voucher ideas. At least one Democrat is running who supports vouchers. If the governor supports that Democrat and continues his drug legalization advocacy, the fall campaign could get very dicey indeed.

Catastrophic Wildfires In The Southwest

Blame It On Smokey and The Owl

By J. Zane Walley

"With 18,000 people evacuated in New Mexico, it's time we held the Administration accountable. The federal agencies have demonstrated they cannot do their jobs and it's time we get someone who can." Idaho Congresswoman Helen Chenoweth-Hage.

High winds blew an Aspen tree across an Otero County Electric Cooperative utility line in the New Mexico, Lincoln National Forest on Thursday, May 11. That shorted electrical lines; sparks flew and the dry undergrowth in Scott-Able Canyon practically exploded. In short hours thousands of acres burned. As the fire spread it consumed residences, automobiles, and massive amounts of timber. A Forest Service employee and a contract pilot died in a plane crash during the fire, at least twenty-five families lost their homes, wildlife

habitat was razed and millions upon millions of taxpayer dollars thrown at the fire.

This disastrous event was entirely preventable. It is a precisely documented direct result of over-regulation by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife and the U.S. Forest Services.

Bill Mershon, Director of Otero County Electric Cooperative explained the situation leading up to the fire. "We had a contract crew clearing our utility line easement on the Sacramento River two years ago. The crew was working toward Scott-Able Canyon when the Forest Service ordered us to "cease and desist" the clearing operations. They determined that cutting was potentially in violation of the Endangered Species Act (ESA) and a court injunction enjoining all timber harvest activities. I have no doubt that if the Forest Service had not shut our clearing operation down, we would

have cleaned up Scott-Able Canyon."

Max Goodwin, Lincoln National Forest District Ranger, verified in a telephone interview that the ESA regulations are so inflexible that the fire hazards they create will accelerate, not only in the Lincoln National Forest, but indeed on public lands across America. "Utility Companies have the right to clear a 30 foot swath of brush on their easement. They are also allowed to cut three to five "hazard trees" per mile. The problem is that in a mile of forest there are hundreds of tall trees that could blow across power lines in a strong wind. Our hands are tied by court injunctions and the ESA that primarily protects the spotted owl.

At the core of this particular ESA obstacle to sound fire prevention practices is the very definition of a "hazard tree." The tree that sparked the Scott-Able fire obviously would have been termed as such. Aspens have a very shallow root system and are frequently uprooted in high winds. However, under prevailing Forest Service regulations, if the tree was living and over 24 inches in diameter, it could have not been removed. Bill Mershon states, "The definition of a "hazard tree" is so unclear that we never know if we are doing the right thing or not. One forest ranger will look at a tree and say it is OK to cut it, then the next ranger that comes along says it is not to be cut!" Mershon sees a tremendous benefit in using a common sense approach in removing any trees that could fall across the utility lines. "If we could remove the timber that poses a threat, not only would it prevent future electrical fires, but would be an effective firebreak. It would also help keep the lights on in our members' homes!"

The ESA provided fuel in plenty for the Scott-Able fire as it does for wildfires across the West. Logging has been largely shut down since the spotted owl was listed. "Smokey the Bear" fire suppression has been the standard practice for almost 50 years. These practices endanger not only residents that live in or near public lands, but the very endangered species that they are presumed to protect.

Barry Hill, Associate Director of the Government Accounting Office testified about these serious concerns before the House of Representatives in 1999. He stated, "The Forest Service lacks a cohesive strategy for overcoming barriers to effectively and efficiently reduce fuels on national forests. This has transformed as many as 39 million acres of the West's national forests into a tinderbox."

Mr. Hill also testified, "Many experts agree that fuels must be reduced by mechanical means, including commercial timber harvesting." He additionally remarked that the use of timber harvesting to reduce fuels has been limited by concerns about adverse effects on other stewardship objectives, such as the ESA. He pointed out that in 1997, "Timber harvesting was used to reduce fuels on only about 95,000 acres, or less than 5 percent of the land that is projected to need fuel reduction."

Congresswoman Helen Chenoweth-Hage (R-Idaho) said it bluntly, "With 18,000 people evacuated in New Mexico, it's time we held the Administration accountable. The federal agencies have demonstrated they cannot do their jobs and it's time we get someone who can."

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EDITOR: Several years ago, when "controlled burns" in Lincoln County raged out of control, I wrote a letter questioning the intelligence, or lack thereof, of those responsible for conducting them during the windy season. Now, in the fiery glow of the recent tragic developments in New Mexico and the Grand Canyon in Arizona, I must also question their sanity.

The ancient Greeks had a saying that "only a fool stumbles over the same stone twice". Need I say more?

Several prominent New Mexico politicians have called for a moratorium on "controlled burns" until an investigation determines what they are doing wrong or if there might not be a better way. I am with them 100% on this. Interior Secretary Bruce Babbitt has suspended the burns for one month, which is better than nothing, but I have a better idea. Stop them until it rains and/or the damned winds stop blowing so hard.

There may be another factor at work here, "the arrogance of power". Some of these government bureaucrats act as though they were the Lords of the Earth and they will listen to no one.

They and all the rest of us would be well served to heed the words of Lord Acton (English historian 1834-1902) who said, "power tends to corrupt, absolute power corrupts absolutely"

DONALD QUEEN
Carrizozo, New Mexico

EDITOR: Writing this letter is one task that I have continued to move to the bottom of my work list. It is a spring newsletter to all of you, as well as a letter of farewell. Trite as it may sound, I am leaving your school district on May 31 with very mixed emotions. I mean that sincerely.

My time in Carrizozo has been very blessed. I have learned and grown so much professionally. I have been associated with an extremely effective staff and school board, and, most of all, I have come to love the students so much. The community of Carrizozo has also been very welcoming and supportive of me. Thanks so much to all of you for your open hearts, minds, and arms. I will miss you, and I am so thankful to have had each one of you on my path these last two years.

It is hard to believe that this school year is already ending. We have been moving at a very quick pace in all areas. The new staff members that I wrote you about in the fall have proven to be excellent additions to our system. They, along with the rest of the staff, have been very involved in the student's learning and activities. I hope that all of you realize how very fortunate we are to have these high-caliber teachers in Carrizozo, New Mexico.

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LINCOLN COUNTY HEADSTART COORDINATORS Sylvia Wilson, Bernadette Prudencio and Sherry Morin braye high winds to fry up hundreds of hamburgers for the annual Lincoln County Headstart end of school year picnic, held at Carrizozo School on May 17.

Capitan School Board Okays 2000 - 01 Budget

by Doris Cherry

Capitan School staff will get a four percent salary increase in the next school year. But next year there will be fewer certified staff because of the decreased funding due to the loss of enrollment this school year.

During the budget hearing held during the regular board meeting on Thursday, May 11, school board member Gary Tregembo voted against approving the preliminary budget. He gave no reason for his vote. School board members Tom Trost, James Hobbs, Grant Dean and Ervin Aldaz voted in favor of the preliminary 2000-01 school year budget.

The 2000-01 school year budget funding from the state will be based on the enrollment counts taken on the 40th, 80th and 100th day of the current 1999-2000 school year. But this year, the district enrollment was down about 60 students from the previous school year. Because of this, the district cut out 4.2 staff positions due to retirement and other attrition, and shuffled the remaining staff to meet the needs.

School superintendent Diana Billingsley said the four percent salary increase and benefits will cost the district about \$150,000. However, the per student increase in funding from the state will give only a \$43,500 overall increase for Capitan School District. Billingsley said the district will make up the remaining \$106,500 needed to balance the salary increase by shifting staff positions and reducing the overall staff by not filling three teaching and one instructional assistant vacancies.

Member Aldaz asked if the reshuffling of staff would result in any loss of services for students. Billingsley said they looked at class numbers and saw they could shuffle teachers in the elementary, where there will be only two

first grades instead of three. The position left open by the retirement of kindergarten teacher Joanne Washburn will not be filled. Other positions not filled are the high school art teacher, and the high school special ed teacher. Instead, there will be only one teacher for the high school and middle school special education programs. Art programs will be covered by Regina Lane hired to substitute for retiring Jerry Rice.

Tregembo asked about the funding for the district's all day kindergarten. Billingsley said the district has applied for funding from the state's new all day kindergarten fund, but only 20 percent of the districts applying will receive any money. "Our chances to get the funding are not good, because we are not a school district in need of improvement," Billingsley added.

Aldaz commented that the state was not concerned with keeping up quality, rather would have a district slip backwards before it got any help from the state. "That's real progress," Aldaz added.

The overall proposed budget is \$3,542,505 with 61 full time employee positions. The majority of that goes for operational which includes teachers in grades 1-12, special education and other certified staff and instructional assistants, and their benefits, supplies and materials, capital outlay and supply assets for a subtotal of \$2,002,047. Other funds go for non-certified clerical and maintenance staff and athletics/activities increments for coaches and sponsors.

One of the staff in a new position this fall will be Dale Jackson. The board approved unanimously the hiring of Jackson as the middle school principal. Jackson was chosen over three applicants who were interviewed for the job. Current principal Bill MacVeigh will retire at

the end of this school year.

The board also: -Approved hiring of non-certified personnel with Trost, Aldaz, Tregembo, and Dean abstaining from voting from their family members who are employed at the school. Noncertified personnel hired were: in elementary, Kathy Dean, Inge Sedillo, Anna Silva, Mozie Sparks, Janell Thomas and Ruby Trost, in middle school Cathy Darrah, Erma Nichols, Gloria Whitam, Rose Ann Wright, high school Stephanie Aldaz, Debbie Anderson, Beverly Brazel, Sherry Gown, Dinah Roybal, in cafeteria Theresa Baca, Jennifer Barnwell, Wynell Kenemore, Liz Montes, Catherine Ventura, Lisa Zamora; maintenance Mike Pumphrey, Jerri Wilson and Nick Pacheco; administration Dawn Goodrum, Liz Montoya and Frances Traylor.

-Accepted the resignation of Sharon Santos from the cafeteria.

-Approved the resolution authorizing the sale of the \$25,000 in New Mexico severance tax bonds appropriated to the school district from the 2000 state legislature. The money will be used to purchase a new school vehicle. The unusable van (because it does not meet school transportation rules) will be traded in on the new vehicle. The money should be available by July.

-Awarded the three year contract for audit services to Terry Cone of Portales for \$3,500 for year one, \$3,600 for year two and \$3,700 for year three.

-Accepted an \$8,000 grant from the Joan Dale and R.D. Hubbard Foundation. The money will be used for the elementary accelerated reading program which had helped Capitan elementary students have the best reading and reading comprehension scores in the state.

-Approved the awarding of the Jack O. Pogue Scholarship of \$250 a year for four years to an education student to be awarded to graduating senior Codi Montes who plans to major in Ag education.

-Approved the awarding of the Jesse Faye Scholarship of \$415 to graduating senior Holly Schlarb.

-Authorized the purchase of 1.2 acres of property north of Highway 380 east of the forest service station for the settled price of \$25,000, to be used as a parking area during the reconstruction of Highway 380.

Hwy. 380 Project Open House May 24

The New Mexico State Highway and Transportation Department is holding an Open House on Wednesday, May 24 to discuss the proposed improvements to U.S. Highway 380 in Lincoln County.

The first open house will be held at 1-3 p.m. at San Juan Church in Lincoln, the second will be held at 6:30-8:30 p.m. in Traylor Gym at Capitan School.

State Highway Department is proposing improvements to U.S. Highway 380 from the intersection with U.S. 54 in Carrizozo to the intersection with U.S. 70 in Hondo, about 43 miles.

The purpose of the Open House is to update the public on the status of the project since the last public information meetings held in September 1999. Exhibits

and information packets will be available with updates of the project and outlines of the engineering recommendations.

Members of the study team will be available to discuss particular aspects of the project. Participants are encouraged to make comments during the Open House.

The public will have opportunity to comment on the design elements of the proposed project. The public will also be able to comment or request additional information regarding cultural resources as well as bicycle, pedestrian and/or equestrian issues.

Proposed improvements include pavement rehabilitation, addition of shoulders or shoulder widening, bridge replacement, minor horizontal and vertical corrections and drainage improvements.

Camp Sierra Blanca Honor Youth Clean Highways 380 & 48

A group of honor youth from Camp Sierra Blanca have begun a bi-monthly program to clean up six miles along Highways 380 and 48 near Capitan.

The group had their first clean up on May 5.

Camp Sierra Blanca plans to reward these youth for their work in cleaning up what had become an eyesore with a trip to Grand Canyon, planned for early June. The camp is short of funds needed to pay for the trip.

Anyone wishing to donate cash or aluminum cans can drop them off at El Paisano Restaurant in Capitan.

Lincoln County Ranch Rodeo At Fairgrounds In Capitan On May 27

The 11th annual Lincoln County Ranch Rodeo Association rodeo will be held Saturday, May 27, at the Lincoln County Fairgrounds in Capitan.

The rodeo starts at 2 p.m. Immediately following the rodeo there will be a barbecue catered by Rustic Roots, and a dance until midnight.

Lincoln County Ranch Rodeo Association is a non-profit organization set up to preserve family values and the ranching culture and customs of Lincoln County. Proceeds from the rodeo go to the Cowboy Crises Fund which offers financial help to families or individuals in times of emergency.

There is admission to the rodeo.

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The Great Southwest.

The Mining Resources of the Vast Mining Region Surrounding El Paso.

Northern Mexico, New Mexico, Arizona and Texas.

PART 14

BANCO NACIONAL OF MEXICO.

Rodolfo J. Garcia, a young man 24 years of age, son of Lic. Irineo Garcia Chavarri, commenced as an employee of the Branch of Banco Nacional of Mexico in Monterey, in the year 1893. In October 1897, he was made first cashier of the Banco de Coahuila in Saltillo, which position he held two years. In November, 1899, the Banco Mercantil, of Monterey, was established and he was made cashier of same, holding this position for eight months. In July, 1900, he was offered the position of general manager of the branch of the Banco de Coahuila in C. Porfirio Diaz, which he opened, and in January, 1901, he accepted the general management of said branch. Augustine de Aldana is cashier; Antonio Rangel Lopez, paying teller.

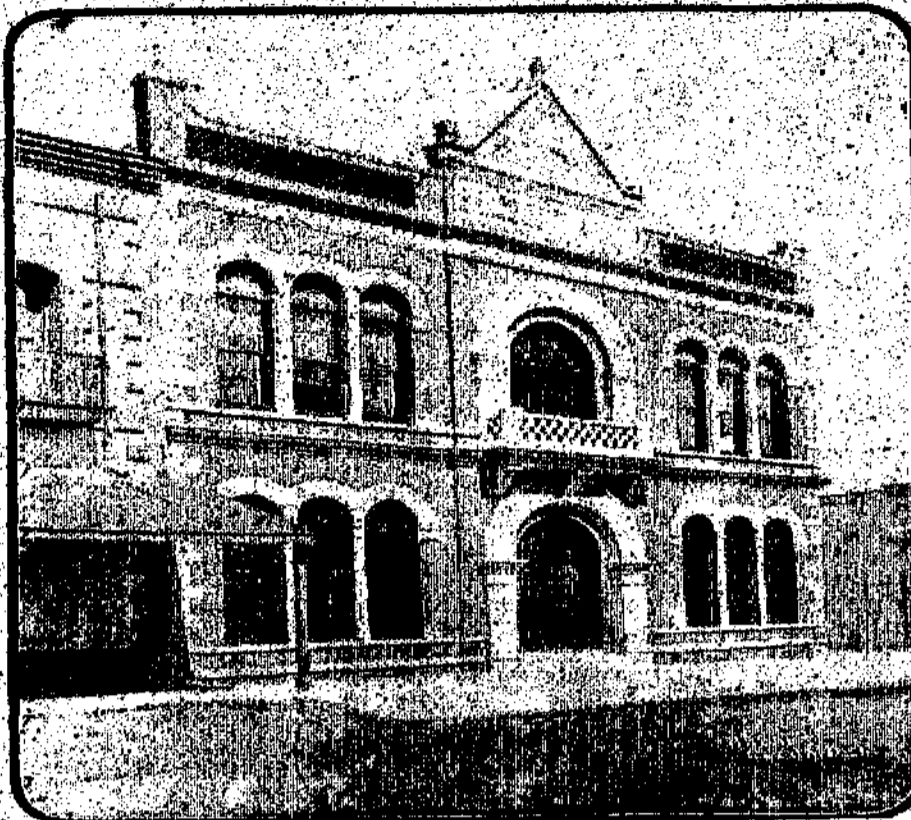
Central, Mexico City; Banco Internacional, Hipotecoris, City of Mexico, and all the banks in the different states and their branches.

Foreign correspondents are: Muller, Schall & Co., New York; Hamburg Filiale der Deutsche Bank, Hamburg; Deutsche Bank, Berlin; London Agency, London; Deutsche Bank Berlin, Berlin; S. de Neufville & Co., Paris; Bremer Filiale der Deutsche Bank, Bremen.

The bank was opened April 1, 1898. The building is two stories, of brick, and finished in stone. Its principal customers are cotton growers and manufacturers. It has a capitalization of \$1,600,000.

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Sacramento and White, are well timbered and watered, and along the Bonito, Ruidosa and other streams are located many successful farmers and horticulturists.

The Jarilla District Almost in the center of the valley, midway between the two walls that enclose it, and 50 miles north of El Paso, are the famous Jarilla

mountains that have given up such a wealth of both placer gold and quartz.

In this mountain are the famous gold producers Nannie Baird, Lucky and others, and only recently Pat Kelly

and his associates struck the largest and richest vein of gold quartz yet discovered. The railroad line lies three miles from the mountain and the traffic therefrom was sufficient to justify a spur into the diggings.

Mineral Resources of New Mexico.

How the Mining Industry Progresses in Development in the Various Districts of the Territory, and the Opportunity Offered for Profitable Investment.

The E.P. & N.E. RY. The Resources of the Country Tributary to it.

About two and a half years ago the El Paso and Northeastern railway was completed from El Paso to Capitan, NM, with its branch line from Alamogordo to the famous summer resort, Cloudcroft. The country traversed by this road and tributary to it, is rich in natural resources, such as mining, stock raising, etc. The mountains,

Of all the mining camps along the line of the railway, as far as Carrizozo, Jarilla shows the most general development and the greatest surface mineralization. The principal gold and copper mines of the district are the Lucky and Nannie Baird, the former having been developed 240 feet and the latter 130 feet. Since the beginning of operations in 1898, over \$60,000 worth of ore has been shipped from the development work done. The company owning the properties are blocking out ore preparatory to large and continuous operations which will be necessary when local treatment facilities are installed.

Considerable work is being done by smaller operators and many properties have changed hands within the past year, passing from prospectors and speculators into the hands of men with sufficient means to develop them.

In the northern portion of the Jarilla district some rich silver ore has recently been found.

Jarilla Turquoise Mines

Here are located the world famous Jarilla turquoise mines, which have made fortunes for their owners and reputations for numerous eastern jewelry houses. Turquoise are found in thin seams, varying from a hair's breadth to an inch, in the trachite, and the mines closely resemble the diamond mines of South Africa. About 800 feet of development work has been done in the properties. This year a number of companies have been organized for the purpose of developing claims in the Jarilla mountains, and another year hence will doubtless see it a wealthy and steadily producing camp.

Jarilla Placers.

The finding of gold in the Jarilla placer fields created somewhat of a sensation in the southwest last year. The gold is very coarse and more plentiful than in any of the bonanza diggings opened up in late years. The extent of the placer field is three by seven miles. Operations are conducted entirely by the dry washer plan, water being very scarce, and about 75 percent of the value of the dirt is recovered. From six to seven yards of dirt can be moved each day by three men and a dry washer, and \$50 is the daily earnings of each of the washers. The ground returns from \$5 to \$20 per yard. Authentic Spanish records give the Jarillas the credit for being one of the chief sources of

the supply of gold possessed by the Montezuma, some of the Aztec tribes living there a portion of each year and picking up considerable gold after heavy rains.

The Cattle Industry. The success of Messrs. Cox and Lee, the Newmans, Mr. Fleck and others in the lower and upper valleys is evidence of the favorable conditions in this country for the cattle business. Millions of acres of government land are still open. It has been demonstrated that water is available at an average depth of from 30 to 40 feet, and artesian water has already been secured in the upper valley.

Other large cattle interests have ranges at interval throughout the entire valley; and in the radiating canyons and on the plateaus in the mountains the sheep, goat and cattle interests are exceedingly extensive. It is estimated that the total number of cattle in the Tularosa and the valleys immediately tributary to it, is approximately 75,000. By virtue of the reduced cost of handling cattle since the completion of the railroad, it is conservatively estimated that a net value of nearly 50 percent has been added to that interest.

Coal Mines.

At Capitan the New Mexico Fuel company has six mines in operation and gives employment to more than 500 men. This, together with cattle, farming, fruit growing and other industries, forms the groundwork for enormous business transactions that are constantly growing in volume.

The commercial center of the coal district is the town of Capitan, that stands in a beautiful basin a mile southeast of the mining town. It is the center of supply for a wide range of country, and is enjoying a solid, stable growth.

Advantages.

Throughout the mining camps, good roads, having a down hill haul from the mines, connect with the railway. It has been the policy of the E.P. and N.E. to assist in every possible manner in the development of the mineral resources, and a sliding freight rate has been inaugurated, which enables the owner of a low grade mine to ship his product at a cheap rate. This encouragement has resulted in the working and development of many low grade properties which might otherwise have been left untouched. Without doubt the mining and other resources of the whole Southwestern New Mexico will attract thousands of prospectors and investors within the next two years, and many surpassing rich camps will be opened. At this time little development and great values are shown, and the man who is fortunate enough to secure a good claim, can thank his lucky stars that he got in on the ground floor for a very little money and labor.

Agriculture and Horticulture. Following are some of the (SEE PAGE 7)

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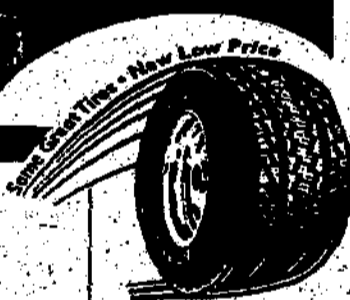
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For those who live in the enervating low altitudes of the Southwest, the climate of the Sacramento mountains has a peculiarly exhilarating influence. The strength-sapped toiler feels that he has been born again and endowed with the physical strength of a giant. From point to point one is inclined to wander, forgetting self and business cares, and tempted to forever forswear the turbulence and strife of the city.

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Rob Shafer Receives Ford Scholarship

Rob Shafer, a 2000 graduate of Carrizozo High School, has been awarded a \$1,000 college scholarship by Ford Trucks, and Ruidoso Ford-Lincoln-Mercury in Ruidoso. Shafer is the son of Scott and Rosemary Shafer of Carrizozo, and plans to study Animal Science at Colorado State.

The scholarship is one of

330 awarded by Ford Truck to FFA members who are high school seniors planning to attend college. This is the third year of the Ford Truck FFA Scholarship program which attracted 3,442 applicants this year.

Scholarships are awarded on behalf of a participating Ford Truck dealer.

Letters to

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Students from all grades have been involved with a variety of field trips and learning experiences this school year. You have probably noticed how many permission slips were signed, how often buses were leaving with loads of kids, and how many sports events our teams attended. Student travel was a big expense this year, but it was worth it. Our kids were able to gain valuable knowledge and experiences at Holloman Air Force Base, in caves, at the Malpais, in area communities, at state competitions, and in so many more places. We, as a staff, feel that we should support these types of educational experiences so that the children of Carrizozo have as many opportunities as possible to learn and observe in different communities and settings.

Successes in the sports arena and vo-ag programs have been another positive aspect of the 1999-2000 school year. I know that most coaches and sponsors are very dedicated and hard working, but our teaching staff seems to go many extra miles on behalf of their students. Of course, a successful athletic or agricultural program cannot be built without support from other staff members, administration, the school board, parents, and community. Most of all, our students contribute to the overall success of our programs. The kids are ALL HEART, and they represent us well-win or lose. I am so very proud of their many accomplishments this year.

There are many more successes I could share with you, but I am sure that I would forget someone or some special event. Let me just invite you to visit our campus and see for yourself how our Grizzlies are growing. If you come by during the summer, you will have to wear a hardhat. Phase II of the high school remodeling will begin on May 30, and there will be work going on in the other buildings as well. We are renovating some restrooms, painting, and doing ceiling work all over campus. All of us are proud of our school and the buildings. We want them to look good and to serve the students and community well.

Again, I would like to thank you for your support of Carrizozo Municipal Schools and of me.

**Glena Goodwin
Carrizozo Superintendent**

Ruidoso Okays "Litter Getters"

by Doris Cherry

This summer in Ruidoso groups of young people will be out looking for litter and earning money for their program or organization.

At their May 9 meeting, Ruidoso Village Councilors approved the "Litter Getters" program proposed by Parks and Recreation Department, and Keep Ruidoso Beautiful. Nonprofit youth or adult civic groups will be eligible to raise funds by cleaning up litter in an area of the village in need of help. Councilor Bill Chance, council representative on the Keep Ruidoso Beautiful committee, said volunteers in the program will be assigned to an area and be paid for their help. New Mexico Clean and Beautiful program will pick up the bill for any youth group participating. The village will pay adult groups for their services.

"We really need this program," Chance said.

With that Chance made the motion to approve the program, which received unanimous support from the council.

Groups participating in the program will be given a handbook which includes group information, equipment check-out list, site location and final payment report. For more information about the program contact the Ruidoso Parks and Rec-

reation Department.

Councilors approved a wine growers license for Wines of New Mexico, Inc. to be used at 2801 Sudderth Drive, Unit D, "New Mexico Wineries." There were no protests to the new license.

There was also no public comment during the hearing on the zoning re-designation of the Community Commercial District, previously known as C-2, to C-2a. The area includes Blocks 1-7 in Hamilton Terrace Subdivision, Block 3 and 4 in Young Heights Subdivision, Blocks 5-7 and 11 and 11a in Cree Meadows Country Club Subdivision, Kelly Tract, all of Eiland Driver Tracts, Cree Meadows Heights, first addition, Cree Meadows Heights third addition, Mystic Pines Condos and Town and Country Estates Blocks 1, 2, 4 and 8. The area extends from Terrace Drive to Sierra Blanca Trail.

The C-2a zoning will have the same zoning and restrictions as the C-2 at this time, said village planner Darrel Bremner. The village is dividing the C-2 District into smaller districts to better address the needs of the community commercial district. If any changes are made in the zoning designation, the general public will be notified and allowed to comment.

Public Meeting on Forest Roadless Initiative May 25

The public will get a briefing on the content of the U.S. Forest Service's Draft Environmental Impact Statement (DEIS) and Proposed Rule on the proposed Roads and Roadless Area Management Policy at a public meeting at 6:30 p.m. Thursday, May 25, at Ruidoso Convention Center. In October, 1999, President Bill Clinton proposed a new road management policy to protect roadless areas on national forests. Public meetings were held by Forest Service officials nationwide. More than 500,000 comments were received by December 20, the close of the first comment period.

Officials held 12 meetings on the President's Roadless Initiative in the Southwest Region, including two held in communities within the Lincoln National Forest.

The national Roadless Area Conservation Draft Environmental Impact Statement

(DEIS) and Proposed Rule document is to be available this month, according to the Forest Service press release.

Documents will be available on the Internet at www.roadless.fs.fed.us. Printed or CD versions can be obtained by writing to: Rocky Mountain Research Station, Publications Distribution, 240 West Prospect Road, Fort Collins, CO 80526-2098. Order should specify if the summary or the summary and full document are requested, and if printed or on compact disc.

Fort Stanton Cemetery To Be Managed By Veterans Commission

New Mexico General Services Department has agreed to transfer the management and future planning of the Fort Stanton Cemetery to the New Mexico Veterans Service Commission.

In a release from the New Mexico Veterans Service Commission (NMVSC), Michael D'Arco, NM Director of Veteran Affairs requested the transfer from the state general services department to the NMVSC. Last week D'Arco met with GSD secretary Steve Beffort, who agreed to the transfer.

GSD will continue ownership of the cemetery on behalf of the state, while NMVSC will manage the cemetery.

Cemetery space in New Mexico is of primary concern to veterans and their families. Currently there are two National Veterans Cemeteries in New Mexico—Fort Bayard and Santa Fe. While Fort Bayard has potential for future burials, the cemetery in Santa Fe may be filled within 20 years. Currently, discussions are on-going between the NMVSC, Congress and the Department of Veteran Affairs for future development of the Santa Fe Cemetery.

In explaining this proposal to the Veterans Service Commission members, D'Arco said Fort Stanton is one of the best alternatives to future burial space needs.

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Corona News

Mrs. Johnnie Erramouspe recently made a trip to Logan to watch her granddaughter, Elyse run in the elementary track meet. Elyse placed first in the junk race, first in the 75 yard dash, second in the softball throw, second in the 100 yard dash, and fifth in the potato sack race. Afterwards, Johnnie went on to Nara Vista to visit Todd and Jeannie Tatum and other granddaughter Amanda for the week-end.

The Corona FFA recently held its Annual FFA Banquet at the Corona Auditorium. Opening ceremonies were conducted by the Chapter Officers. A welcome was given by Courtney Perez, introduction of guests by Meghan Romans, presentation of the FFA Creed by Keith Shafer, and Invocation was by Carrizozo FFA member Rob Shafer. Then a delicious meal of beef brisket, potato casserole, green salad, hot rolls, dessert, tea, lemonade, and hot coffee were served by FFA members. Introduction of keynote speaker was Dal Frost, who introduced Tommie Lightfoot from Animas, who is the 1999-2000 State FFA Vice-President. Tommie talked about motivation, and since she at one time lived in Corona talked about her love for the community of Corona. Then the senior ag students recognized their parents, they were called up front and presented with a certificate of appreciation.

Sales awards were presented by Brandon Biebel to James Roper and Rhiannon Alirez. Scholarship award presented by Meghan Romans in the memory of Lance Brown was awarded to Bennie Garza. The FFA scholarship award was pre-

sented to Courtney Perez by Laura Gonzalez. Dal Frost presented greenhand degrees to Laura Gonzales, Meghan Romans, Shaline Lopez, Rhiannon Alirez, Monique Johnson, Tara Seely, and Albert Sanchez.

Chapter degrees presented by Courtney Perez were to Dal Frost and Delia Gonzalez. 7th and 8th grade pins were presented by Rankin Frost to Taos Muncy, Elysa Winchester, Keith Shafer, Tabatha Winchester, Rachael Lueras, Matt May, Randy Warren, Leslie Brown, James Roper, and Michael Finley. Star greenhand award went to Dal Frost presented by Laura Gonzalez. Star chapter award went to Rankin Frost presented by Victor Perez, outstanding member award was awarded to Courtney Perez by Delia Gonzalez. Dekalb award presented by Dal Frost was received by Brandon Biebel, public speaking award was presented to Shaline Lopez by Rachel Lueras, state and national award recognition was given to John Gnatowski and Rocky Bagley by Shaline Lopez. Leadership awards presented by FFA instructor Lane Widner presented leadership awards to the senior members, Courtney Perez, Brandon Biebel, Sarah Stewart, and Rankin Frost.

Other leadership awards were presented to Victor Perez, Rachael Lueras, Meghan Romans, Keith Shafer, Dal Frost, and Shaline Lopez. Judging awards were given for the following judging: livestock-Dal Frost, horse-Rankin Frost, land-Delia Gonzalez, homestyle-Laura Gonzales, entomology and horticulture-Shaline Lopez.

wildlife-Rachael Lueras, poultry-Courtney Perez, wool-Courtney Perez and Dal Frost. Outstanding judge for the year was Rachael Lueras.

Chapter officers year in review was given by the 1999-2000 year officers which consisted of Dal Frost-president, Meghan Romans-vice-president, secretary-Laura Gonzales, treasurer-Brandon Biebel, reporter-Delia Gonzales, sentinel-Rankin Frost, and student advisor-Courtney Perez.

Keith Shafer presented the officers with a plaque. Introduction of 2000-2001 officers were introduced as Dale Frost-president, Victor Perez-vice president, secretary-Rachael Lueras, treasurer-Keith Shafer, reporter-Meghan Romans, sentinel-Laura Gonzales, public relations director-Shaline Lopez, and student advisor-Delia Gonzales.

Greenhand officers for 2000-2001 are Victor Perez-president, Rachael Lueras-vice president, James Roper-secretary, Taos Muncy-treasurer, reporter-Randy Warren, and Elyssa Winchester-sentinel. Appreciation certificates were presented to a group of people that had shown support to the Corona FFA. Certificates were given to people in and out of the community. Honorary chapter degrees was bestowed upon Travis and RoeAnn Lightfoot, Edie Porter, and the Corona Board of Education members Rick Gage, Danny Lueras, Jeanne Gibbs, Denise Byrd, and Alyin James. Closing ceremonies were conducted by the new chapter officers.

The 1999-2000 Athletic/Academic banquet was held May 11th in the Corona School Auditorium. Welcome was given by principal Travis Lightfoot. Roxanne Erramouspe, English teacher presented the following awards: top 7th grader-Tabatha Winchester, top 8th grader-Rachael Lueras, reading award to Randy Warren, creative writing to Keith Shafer, most improved English student-Chauncy Jinks, excellence in

writing to Marilee Bryan and Shaline Lopez. Mrs. Erramouspe presented the yearbook staff which consisted of students Sarah Stewart, Rachael Lueras, Monique Johnson, Rhiannon Alirez, Shaline Lopez, Tara Seely, and Deminica Fernandez. Mary Smith, ESL teacher, presented the 8th grade career/life skills to Keith Shafer, ESL award to Carmen

Noriega, Spanish academic award to Manuel Noriega and linguistic achievement to Christina Beltran. History and Health teacher presented the health award to Meghan Romans, drivers education to Meghan Romans, and drivers education most improved to Josh Tabor. Receiving the US Gov't award was Marilee Bryan and most improved to Manuel Noriega. World Cooperative Gov't award to Delia Gonzales and most improved to Andrew Bagley, World History to Rhiannon Alirez and most improved to Carmen Noriega. US History award went to Shaline Lopez and Laura Gonzales and Most Improved to Chauncy Jinks. NM History award to Rachael Lueras and Shaline Lopez, most improved to Randy Warren. Sherrill Bradford, math teacher gave the following awards: 7th-Tabatha Winchester and Taos Muncy, 8th-Keith Shafer, 9th-Shaline Lopez, outstanding effort award to Chauncy Jinks, Meghan Romans, and Tara Seely. Mrs. Bradford also teaches Fine Arts and Tabatha Winchester received the award. Kristi Widner, business and physical education teacher gave awards to the following students: Brandon Biebel-most improved in accounting, Monique Johnson-introduction to personal business, personal business-Dal Frost, business law-Josh Tabor, US history-7th grade-Taos Muncy, economics-Delia Gonzales, accounting-Marilee Bryan, computer applications to Taos Muncy and Matt May. PE awards went to Dal Frost, Taos Muncy, Meghan Romans, Keith Shafer, and Matt May. The hardworker award went to Monique Johnson.

Jerry Sharp, science teacher presented his awards to 7th grader-Tabatha Winchester, 8th grader-Keith Shafer, 9th grade-Shaline Lopez, Biology award to Rhiannon Alirez and Dal Frost, science achievement award to Manuel Noriega.

Special Education teacher Bish Archer presented the award commitment to excellence to Bennie Garza and DJ Hand.

Football coach Randy Lueras presented the football team for 1999-2000 and presented the versatility award to Randy Warren, overachiever to James Roper, most improved to Victor Perez, defensive award to Chauncy Jinks, offensive award to Albert Sanchez. Cardinal guts to DJ Hand, and most valuable player to Bennie Garza. Volleyball coach Kristi Widner presented her volleyball team Sarah Stewart, Leslie Brown, Rhiannon Alirez, Tara Seely, Sunshine Lueras, Meghan Romans, Monique Johnson, Marilee Bryan, and manager Alexandria Stewart. Outstanding setter was Rhiannon Alirez, determination award to Marilee Bryan and most improved to Rachael Lueras.

Travis Lightfoot, girls basketball coach introduced his team of Sarah Stewart, Courtney Perez, Marilee Bryan, Rhiannon Alirez, Delia Gonzales, Laura Gonzales, Rachael Lueras, Meghan Romans, Deminica Fernandez, Elyssa Winchester and managers Tara Seely and Alexandria Stewart. Most valuable players went to Sarah Stewart and Courtney Perez. Best offensive to Delia Gonzales. Each lady Cardinal was presented with a medal. Boys basketball coaches Bish Archer and Marcus Johnson presented each of their players with a certificate of participation and the hustle award went to Dal Frost. Scholar athlete to Brandon Biebel, most improved to Keith Shafer, and most valuable player to Albert Sanchez.



Engagement Announced

Mr. and Mrs. John Marshall of Corona have announced the engagement and approaching marriage of their daughter, Shayla Brooke Marshall to Billy Clabaugh, of Portales, son of Mr. and Mrs. Darrell Clabaugh of Mustang, Oklahoma.

The couple will exchange vows June 3 at 2:00 p.m., at the Third and Kilgore Church of Christ in Portales. The reception will be held at the Third and Kilgore reception hall.

The bride-elect is attending ENMU. She is employed at Portales Preschool. The prospective bridegroom received his Bachelors degree from OCU in mathematics and his Masters degree in sports administration in Dec., 1999 from ENMU. He is employed as ENMU's assistant baseball coach.

The ceremony and reception are open to friends and relatives.

Track coaches Bish Archer and Randy Lueras presented their track team, Randy Warren

Albert Sanchez, Bennie Garza, DJ Hand, Andrew Bagley, Matt May and Rhiannon Alirez. Heart award went to Bennie Garza, scholar award to Rhiannon Alirez, sportsmanship award to Andrew Bagley, and all around to Albert Sanchez. Cheerleading sponsor Mitzi Smid presented cheerleaders Monique Johnson and Rhiannon Alirez with cheerleading awards and thanked the girls for all the support they showed the teams this year.

Principal Travis Lightfoot recognized the three students who participated in all three sports this year and they were Rhiannon Alirez, DJ Hand, and Albert Sanchez. Principal Travis Lightfoot then presented the seniors with their dolls, this has been a tradition at the Corona Schools for sometime.

Booster of the Decade was presented by Mitzi Smid and it was awarded to Janice Bonds. Janice has been a continued supporter of the school even after her two girls left the Corona School system. Parent Appreciation was given by the student body and each parent was presented a single long stemmed yellow rose. Closing remarks were given by the president of the Booster Club, Mitzi Smid and a light buffet was enjoyed by all attending.

The 2000 National Honor Society induction ceremony was conducted in the Corona School Board room on May 9. Current members are Courtney Perez, Brandon Biebel, Josh Tabor, Christina Beltran, Delia Gonzales, and Marilee Bryan. Inductees were Rhiannon Alirez, Dal Frost, and Monique Johnson. The welcome was given by Courtney Perez, scholarship by Christina Beltran, service by Delia Gonzales, leadership by Marilee Bryan, character by Brandon Biebel, National Honor Society pledge was conducted by Courtney Perez, and presentation of pins was by Delia Gonzales and Marilee Bryan. Sponsor is Mrs. Roxanne Erramouspe. Final remarks were given by principal Travis Lightfoot, and he stated that induction into Honor Society is not only by grades, but the citizenship that these students display. Light-

refreshments were served by Honor Society members.

The Corona board of education met May 9. Board members present were Rick Gage-president, Danny Lueras-vice president, Jeanne Gibbs-secretary, Denise Byrd and Alvin James-board members. In attendance also, were principal Travis Lightfoot, business manager-Janetta Stewart and parent Mitzi Smid. Motions carried were to approve the minutes of the April 11 and May 2 meetings, payroll and bills. Principal Travis Lightfoot gave an update on the insurance of the rock building. He also gave a construction update on the gym and the rock building.

Approved were the change orders for the gym and the rock building. Also, approved was to change graduation requirements, along with the 4 day week with Friday off. The school calendar for 2000-2001 was approved, and SB-9 purchases. The board approved the hiring of De-Ann Willoughby for the audit. The board then went into executive session to discuss personnel only and no action was taken.

After coming out of executive session the board accepted the resignation of Bob Burton from a custodian position, and that position will be open for the 2000-2001 year. Instructional assistants, Janice Bonds, Yvonne Kelley, Loretta Manning, Shirley Owen, Kathy Palomarez, Loretta Sanchez, and Karen Seely will be rehired for the 2000-2001 pending funding, and position availability. Fred Porter was rehired as a custodian pending funding. Josie Alirez and Martha Garza were hired as cooks pending funding. Edie Porter, Janetta Stewart, and Kay Sultemeier were hired for the office staff pending funding. Bus contractors hired were: Sandra Alford, Dorothy Lightfoot, Lee Mulkey, and Lee Sultemeier pending funding.

Principal Travis Lightfoot also presented a letter to the State Fire Marshall's office on the steps that were being taken to correct the findings when we were inspected, safety for students is very important to Corona Public Schools. Meeting was adjourned at 9:15 p.m. Prior to the board meeting.

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Church Directory



Mountain Ministry Parish, Sierra Blanca Presbytery

Nogal Presbyterian Church: BILL SEBRING, pastor
 Sunday School.....10:00 a.m.
 Worship.....11:00 a.m.

Ancho Community Presbyterian Church: SCOTT KING, pastor / 648-2024
 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.

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

First Baptist Church
 HAYDEN SMITH, pastor
 314 10th Ave., Carrizozo, NM 648-2998 (church) or 648-2107
 Sunday School.....9:45 am
 Worship Service.....10:30 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, 648-2166
 Children's Church.....10:30 am
 Worship Service.....10:30 am
 Wed. Bible Study.....7:30 pm

Santa Rita Catholic Community
 FR. DAVE BERGS, pastor
 218 Birch, Carrizozo, NM; 648-2859
 SATURDAY:
 Captain Sacred Heart.....5:00 pm
 0:20:30 Santa Rita.....8:30 pm

SUNDAY:
 Captain Sacred Heart.....9:00 am
 0:20:30 Santa Rita.....10:30 am
 Corona St. Theresa.....1:00 p.m.

Church of Christ
 PERRY ZUMWALT, minister
 Ave. C at 12th, Carrizozo, NM,
 Sunday School.....10:00 am
 Worship Service.....11:00 am
 Evening Worship.....7:15 pm
 Wednesday Bible Study.....7:00 pm

St. Matthias Episcopal Church
 REV. CANON JOHN PENN, rector
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 Holy Eucharist.....9:30 am Sunday

The Word of Life Church

REV. CHUCK FULTON, pastor / 648-2339
 711 E. Ave., Carrizozo, NM
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 Sunday.....7:00 p.m.

Tinnie Baptist Church

BILL JONES, pastor
 Sunday School.....10:00 am
 Church Services.....11:00 am

United Methodist Churches

TOM WOODARD, pastor
 1000 D. Ave. 648-2893 / 648-2846
 Carrizozo, NM 88301
 Sunday School (All Ages).....10:00 am
 Worship Service.....11:15 am
 Choir Practice (Tuesday).....8:30 pm
 United Methodist Women Every 3rd Wednesday.....1:00 pm
 Fellowship Dinner 4th Sunday of Month 12:30 pm

CAPTAIN
 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.

Christ Community Fellowship

ED VINSON, pastor (inter-denominational)
 514 Smekey Bear Blvd./Capitan
 Preparation Prayer.....10:00 a.m.
 Sunday Morning Worship.....10:30 a.m.

Capitan Church of Christ

LESLIE EARWOOD, minister
 8th & Lincoln / 336-4627
 Sunday Bible Study.....10:00 a.m.
 Worship Service.....11:00 a.m.
 Evening Worship.....8:00 p.m.
 Wednesday Bible Study.....7:00 p.m.

Trinity Southern Baptist Church

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 Sunday School.....9:30 a.m.
 Worship Service.....11:00 a.m.
 AWANA Wednesday.....6:00 p.m.

First Baptist Church of Corona

GAL WEST, pastor / 648-7575
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 Worship Service.....11:00 a.m.
 Wed. Bible Study.....7:00 p.m.
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Capricorn: (May 21-June 20) Again... Watch \$\$. You Don't Have... Only count on the \$\$\$ In Hand - This Slump will soon be Over.

Cancer: (June 21-July 22) Rearranging Your Schedule for Everyone Else Can Get a Little Monotonous & down-right Irritating - Don't Get Upset!

Leo: (July 23-Aug 22) It's Time to Go Outside & Play - What do You Mean You Don't Have Time - You're not getting any younger - But Do L(X)K Good!

Virgo: (Aug 23-Sept 22) Trying to Live in the Past & Go into the Future is "No Go". You'll be in a see-saw predicament - Bad for \$\$\$ & Love.

Libra: (Sept 23-Oct 22) Remember: What You Think You Feel & What Others Think You Feel is totally Two Different Feelings! Think Again!

Scorpio: (Oct 23-Nov 21) Don't Feel Guilty having a Good Time - It's About Time You change Your life & incorporate some Good Time...

Sagittarius: (Nov 22-Dec 21) If Others Bother You - Find out WHY - & Do Something About It - It's Probably something eating You up inside!

Capricorn: (Dec 22-Jan 19) Watch Your \$\$ & Love. You could lose both in a Heart Beat - Be the Sweet Peas: Yes are Just Not Guiltless.

Aquarius: (Jan 20-Feb 18) Excuse Me... What are You waiting for? You're Life will Only Change When You decide IT Will Get Going...

Pisces: (Feb 19-March 20) Watch Your words or they may come back & Bite You Someday! Be Tender & Forgiving - Help a Friend in Need.

Aries: (Mar 21-Apr 19) Your \$\$ isn't working Hard enough for You - Or - Are You Not Working Hard Enough for Your \$\$??

You Can Receive A Personal Confidential Reading Call for Appointment 257-2996

Glencoe Resident American Angus Assoc. Member

Sidney Alford of Glencoe is a new member of the American Angus Association. The association is the largest beef cattle registry association in the world. Its computerized records include detailed information on over 13 million registered Angus cattle.

Adobe Workshop Set For May 26 And 27

Lincoln County Historical Society is sponsoring a two day workshop on adobe on Friday and Saturday, May 26 and 27 in Lincoln.

The society offers lectures on adobe preservation by New Mexico State Monument Acting Director Michael Romero Taylor. Participants will lay adobes to re-establish a wall behind the historic Tunstall Store in Lincoln, then will do a mud plaster after the wall is completed.

There is a fee for the workshop. Call 505-853-4372 for times and information on the adobe workshop.

Capitan School Board Considers Group Policy

by Doris Cherry

Because of recent controversy over a parent association at Capitan Schools, the Capitan Board of Education began working on guidelines for such groups.

At the Capitan Board of Education meeting May 11, school board member Ervin Aldaz presented a proposed set of guidelines for parent groups. He had been asked by school board president Tom Trost to develop some sample guidelines. Aldaz said the school had a situation where different organizations wanted to make changes, which some parents thought were too fast and they did not want change. "Change always occurs," Aldaz said. "We need to respect differing opinions and be willing to compromise. Change is inevitable and stagnation is dangerous."

Listing the main focus of any organization as benefiting the student, Aldaz listed seven other parameters. A parent association must give an opportunity for as many interested individuals as possible to be part of the process or association. This includes when the groups hold their meetings. Associations must emphasize partnerships with appropriate parties, such as students, teachers, parents, guardians, interested community members.

Concerns should be addressed as opportunities and should be discussed to improve the goals.

Chain of command should be used at all times in order to be fair to all involved.

Fund raising will be approved and coordinated by principals if students are to be used. Fund raising should be limited to a specific project. Change is essential but is most successful when all parties are involved in the change and comfort zones are met.

Lastly he listed that if part of all of the agreed upon parameters are not being met,

the school board can disband any association and request a new one be established under the guidelines or parameters that are approved.

Once adopted, the guidelines will apply to all activity associations.

During discussion a parent questioned why fund raising had to be for a specific project. Aldaz said having a specific reason would help keep an audit trail of the money raised.

Aldaz said this was his initial presentation of the proposed guidelines. "This is a beginning point to start a discussion," Aldaz said. He also said it would not be appropriate to disband an association until the guidelines are adopted.

Trost asked board members to review the proposed guidelines, then solicit input from teachers, parents and community.

The guidelines will be a topic of discussion and possible action at the June 15 board meeting.

School board members also:

-Adopted the Substance Abuse Policy and Procedure into board policy. The policy includes tobacco with alcohol and drugs as being prohibited at the school. Teachers and staff will receive training on the new drug policy. Aldaz suggested staff be trained before the start of athletic season, "so coaches are up to snuff." Referral to the use of tobacco was also added to the board policy on students, including transit and lodging for school sponsored activities. Copies of the new policies can be viewed at the office of the school superintendent.

-Adopted the elementary, middle school and high school handbooks. The middle and high school handbooks include a summary of the new board Substance

Abuse Policy and Procedures. Students receive copies of the appropriate handbook at the beginning of the school year.

-Held first reading of new board policy on students to

include cigarette lighters under the definition of "weapon." The board will review this at the June 15 meeting.

-Adopted the math textbooks for elementary, mid-

dle school and high schools.

-Held the first reading on the music and art textbooks proposed for adoption. Copies of these textbooks can be viewed in the school administration building.

OPEN HOUSE
FOR THE PROPOSED US 380 IMPROVEMENTS PROJECT
from the
Intersection of US 380 and US 54
to the Intersection of US 380 with US 70, in Lincoln County, New Mexico
NMSHTD Project Number TPM-380-1(33)65; CN 3666

DATE: WEDNESDAY, MAY 24, 2000	DATE: WEDNESDAY, MAY 24, 2000
TIME: 1:00-3:00 p.m.	TIME: 6:30-8:30 p.m.
PLACE: The San Juan Church US 380 Lincoln, NM 88338	PLACE: Capitan Municipal Schools Traylor Gym 150 Forest Street Capitan, NM 88316

The NMSHTD, in cooperation with the FHWA, invites you to an OPEN HOUSE to discuss the proposed improvements to US 380 in Lincoln County, New Mexico. This portion of US 380 is a 2-lane facility that extends from the intersection of US 380 and US 54 in Carrizozo to the intersection of US 380 and US 70 near Hondo, for a total length of approximately 69.2 kilometers (43.0 miles). In order to improve safety the NMSHTD is proposing improvements to this portion of US 380 which include recommendations for pavement rehabilitation, the addition of shoulders or shoulder widening, bridge replacement, minor horizontal and vertical corrections, and drainage improvements. Updated engineering information will be available for review and the public will have the opportunity to comment on the design elements proposed for the project. The public will also have the opportunity to comment on or request additional information regarding cultural resources as well as bicycle, pedestrian, and/or equestrian issues.

The purpose of the OPEN HOUSE is to update the public on the status of the project since the last public information meetings which were held in September of 1999. Exhibits and information packets will be available which will provide an update of the project and outline the engineering recommendations. Additionally, members of the study team will be available to discuss particular aspects of the project. Participants are encouraged to give relevant opinions and comments to the project study team during the OPEN HOUSE.

All requests for reasonable Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA)-related accommodations for this public meeting should be directed to Shelly Herbst, Marron and Associates, Inc., 7809 Fourth Street NW, Albuquerque, NM 87107 or call (505) 898-8848.

Fire Restrictions In Effect For All Of Lincoln County And Municipalities

Fire restrictions are now in effect for all public and private lands in Lincoln County, the Town of Carrizozo, and in the Villages of Ruidoso, Ruidoso Downs and Capitan.

The Lincoln National Forest is also under fire restrictions. Fires, campfires and charcoal fires are prohibited on national forest lands, including in campgrounds. Smoking is prohibited within the Lincoln National Forest because of the extreme dry conditions. Fireworks are prohibited and spark arresters are required on any internal combustion engine (including chain saws) operated within the Lincoln National Forest.

Carrizozo Fire Chief Lee-Roy Zamora has issued fire restriction for the Town of Carrizozo due to the extreme fire danger.

The Town of Carrizozo will enforce the restrictions. There will be no tolerance of violations.

Carrizozo restrictions are: Absolutely no fireworks of any kind are allowed.

No open flames or campfires are allowed.

No charcoal briquettes are allowed on either private or public property within the town. Underwriters Lab (UL) approved white gas or propane fueled grills or stoves are allowed.

Anyone caught violating the restrictions in the town of Carrizozo will be cited.

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STATE OF NEW MEXICO COUNTY OF LINCOLN TWELFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT No. CV-00-099

Associates Housing Finance, LLC, Plaintiff, vs. Gwendolyn F. Philhower, if living, if deceased, the unknown heirs of Gwendolyn F. Philhower, and Scott Philhower, Defendants.

AMENDED

SUMMONS AND NOTICE OF PENDENCY OF SUIT

STATE OF NEW MEXICO to the Defendants: GREETINGS:

You are hereby notified that Associates Housing Finance, LLC, formerly known as Ford Consumer Finance Company, Inc. (Plaintiff) has filed a civil action to foreclose its Mortgage recorded in the Office of the Clerk of Lincoln County on June 3, 1996, in Book 1996-9, Pages 341-347, of Mortgages. The property subject to the Mortgage is located at 203 Birch, Carrizozo, New Mexico, and more particularly described as:

A tract of land in the NE 1/4 of the SE 1/4 of Section 2, Township 8 South, Range 10 East, N.M.P.M., as shown on the survey prepared by Ruidoso Land Surveying Company filed of record thereof in the office of the County Clerk and Ex-officio Recorder of Lincoln County, New Mexico, April 17, 1996, in Cabinet F, Slide No. 417, being more particularly described as follows:

Beginning at the Southwest corner of this tract, from which the Southwest corner of said NE 1/4 SE 1/4, bears South 00° 33' 36" West, 658.36 feet; thence North 00° 33' 36" East, 658.36 feet; to the Northwest corner, thence North 89° 50' 52" East, 661.42 feet; to the Northeast corner, thence South 00° 30' 38" West, 661.83 feet; to the Southeast corner, thence North 89° 51' 03" West 661.66 feet, to the place of beginning;

LESS AND EXCEPT the following 60 foot Right of Way for Birch Avenue, more particularly described as follows:

Beginning at the Southwest corner of this Tract, from which the Southwest corner of said NE 1/4 SE 1/4 of said Section 2, bears South 00° 33' 36" West, 1205.80 feet; thence North 00° 33' 36" East, 75.44 feet; thence North 33° 14' 54" East, 59.50 feet; thence North 89° 50' 52" East, 100.64 feet; thence South 53° 14' 54" West, 186.02 feet, to the place of beginning;

including all improvements to the property, including, but not limited to, the Manufactured Home described as follows:

Make: Southern Energy Model: 8001 Year: 1996 Serial No: DSETX01887AB Width & Length: 28x68

If you do not enter your appearance on or before July 13, 2000, Judgment by Default will be entered against you.

Plaintiff's attorney is Donald R. Fenstermacher, P.C. (Donald R. Fenstermacher), P.O. Box 70, Albuquerque, New Mexico 87103-0070, 505-247-4900.

WITNESS the Honorable Karen L. Parsons, District Judge of the Twelfth Judicial District Court of the State of New Mexico, and the Seal of the District Court of Lincoln County, this 10th day of May, 2000.

JAN PERRY Clerk of the District Court

By: Elizabeth Yasal, Deputy Clerk

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LEGAL NOTICE

STATE OF NEW MEXICO COUNTY OF LINCOLN TWELFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT No. CV-00-071

COUNTRY WIDE HOME LOANS, INC., Plaintiff,

vs. ARLON HOFHEINS, a single man, Defendant(s).

STATE OF NEW MEXICO to the above-named Defendant(s), GREETINGS:

You are hereby notified that the above-named Plaintiff has filed a civil action against you in the above-entitled Court and cause, the general object thereof being to foreclose a mortgage on property located at 100 Carolee in the City of Capitan, County of Lincoln, New Mexico, more particularly described in the Complaint in said cause.

That unless you enter your appearance in said cause on or before June 30, 2000, judgment by default will be entered against you;

Name and address of Plaintiff's attorney: Geer & Little, P.A., 707 Broadway NE, Suite 202, P.O. Box 25685, Albuquerque, New Mexico 87125-0685.

WITNESS the Honorable Karen L. Parsons, District Judge of the Twelfth Judicial District Court of the State of New Mexico, and the Seal of the District Court of Lincoln County, this 11th day of May, 2000.

JAN PERRY Clerk of the District Court

By: Elizabeth Yasal, Deputy

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IN THE PROBATE COURT OF LINCOLN COUNTY STATE OF NEW MEXICO No. 1831

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF HENRY WARD DILLE, DECEASED

NOTICE TO CREDITORS: The undersigned has been appointed Personal Representative of the Estate of Henry Ward Dille, deceased. All persons having claims against this estate are required to present their claims (i) within two months after the date of the first publication of this notice, or (ii) within two months after the mailing or delivery of this notice, whichever is later, or be forever barred.

MARIE DILLE c/o Helen Dille 210 La Mesa Drive Highland Village, TX 75077

Martha M. Proctor, Clerk By: Opal Hill, Deputy

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LEGAL NOTICE

Lincoln County Medical Center COMMUNITY BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING Will Meet on Monday, May 22, 2000 At 8:00 p.m. in the Hospital Conference Room The Agenda will be available at the Administrator's Office on Friday, May 19, 2000.

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LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE is hereby given that on May 4, 2000, Alto Lakes Water Corp., P.O. Drawer 730, Alto, NM 88312, filed application No. H-719 et al into H-2883 with the STATE ENGINEER for permit to temporarily change location of well and place and purpose of use of 3.0 acre-feet (1.44 consumptive irrigation requirement) per annum of shallow groundwater by ceasing the diversion of said water for subdivision use from the following existing shallow wells:

Table with columns: WELL NO., SUBDIVISION, SECTION, TOWNSHIP, RANGE. Lists well numbers H-719-S-1 through H-719-S-20 and their corresponding subdivision, section, township, and range.

Applicant proposes to commence the use of existing shallow well H-2883 located in the NE 1/4 of Section 21, Township 11 South, Range 13 East, N.M.P.M., for the diversion of 3.0 acre-feet (1.44 consumptive irrigation requirement) per annum of shallow groundwater for a car wash operation.

This is a temporary application effective for a 10 year period, with all rights to revert to the move-from point of diversion and place and purpose of use on July 1, 2010. A total of 30.0 acre-feet is to be moved during the 10 year lease period. This permit may be terminated by the applicant anytime during the 10 year period by written request of the applicant. Request is made for return flow credit at the move-to location.

The move-to well is located within the Village of Ruidoso, on Mechem St. The move-from wells are located approximately 1/2 to 2 miles northeast of AIG, New Mexico, in Lincoln County.

Any person, firm or corporation or other entity objecting that the granting of the application will be detrimental to the objector's water right shall have standing to file objections or protests. Any person, firm or corporation or other entity objecting that the granting of the application will be contrary to the conservation of water within the state or detrimental to the public welfare of the state and showing that the objector will be substantially and specifically affected by the granting of the application shall have standing to file objections or protests. Provided, however, that the State of New Mexico or any of its branches, agencies, departments, boards, instrumentalities or institutions, and all political subdivisions of the state and their agencies, instrumentalities and institutions shall have standing to file objections or protests. The objections or protests 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 St., 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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LEGAL NOTICE

VETERANS APPRECIATION WEEK PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, this year 2000 marks the 55th year since the end of World War II, which was the largest and most costly war in the history of mankind, resulting in the loss of 50 million human lives and was fought by our women and men on land, sea and in the air all around the world; and

WHEREAS, to promote awareness of our Nation's maritime heritage, the Congress in 1933 designated the anniversary of the first trans-Atlantic voyage by a steamship, the SS Savannah, on May 22, 1819, as National Maritime Day and requested the President to issue a proclamation annually in observance of that day; and

WHEREAS, the Congress established May 30th each year as Memorial Day to remember and pay our respects to our Veterans through whose valiant efforts we enjoy the freedoms we do today; and

WHEREAS, a combined Merchant Marine and Military Memorial Service will be held on Saturday morning at 10:30 AM, May 27, 2000 at the Memorial Cemetery near Fort Stanton.

Now, therefore, I Manuel R. Hernandez, Mayor of the Town of Carrizozo, Lincoln County, New Mexico, do hereby proclaim the week of May 21st through May 27th, 2000 as

VETERANS APPRECIATION WEEK

In our town and urge our children to pay homage to our women and men, who served their country with great honor and deserve to be recognized for their special contributions to the security of our Nation.

Proclaimed this 9th day of May, 2000 in Carrizozo, Lincoln County, New Mexico.

Manuel R. Hernandez, Mayor

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LEGAL NOTICE

TWELFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT COUNTY OF LINCOLN STATE OF NEW MEXICO PB-00-14

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF PATRICIA ANN SKIBEN, deceased

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned has been appointed as Personal Representative of the above-named Estate. All persons having claims against this Estate are required to present their claims within two (2) months after the date of the first publication of this Notice or the claims will be forever barred. Claims must be presented either to the undersigned Personal Representative at 6 Vista Parkway Circle, Roswell, New Mexico 88201, or filed with the Lincoln County District Court at P.O. Box 725, Carrizozo, New Mexico 88301. CYNTHIA ANN WILSON Personal Representative

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LINCOLN COUNTY LODGERS TAX COMMITTEE Regular Meeting May 31, 2000 - 10:00 A.M.

NOTICE OF MEETING: NOTICE is hereby given that the Lincoln County Lodgers Tax Committee will hold its regularly scheduled meeting on Wednesday, May 31, 2000, at 10:00 a.m., at the Ruidoso Convention Center, 111 Sierra Blanca Drive, Ruidoso, New Mexico.

Copies of the agenda for the May 31, 2000, meeting will be available at the office of the County Manager prior to said meeting.

Auxiliary aides are available upon request; please contact Martha Guevara at 648-2385 at least 48 hours in advance of the meeting to make any necessary arrangements. MARTHA GUEVARA Assistant County Manager

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NOTICE TO PUBLIC

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Governing Body of the Town of Carrizozo will hold a Regular Scheduled Meeting on Tuesday, May 23, 2000 at 6:00 P.M., City Hall Conference Room, Carrizozo, New Mexico.

AGENDA WILL BE POSTED in accordance with Resolution 1999-23, Twenty-four hours prior to meeting date and made available to the public.

If you are an individual with a disability who is in need of a reader, amplifier, qualified sign language interpreter, or any other form of auxiliary aid or service to attend or participate in the hearing or meeting, please contact Leann Wehbrecht or Margaret LaBelle at 648-2371, City Hall, Carrizozo, New Mexico at least one week prior to the meeting or as soon as possible. Leann Wehbrecht, CMC Town Clerk Town of Carrizozo

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LEGAL NOTICE

REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS FOR DESIGN PROFESSIONAL SERVICES RFP - #2000-1

Qualification-based competitive sealed proposals for design professional services will be received by the Village of Capitan, P.O. Box 246, Capitan, 114 Lincoln Ave., Capitan, NM 88316 until June 25, 2000 2:00 P.M. The Village of Capitan is requesting proposals for professional architectural services for an addition to the existing Village Hall located at 114 Lincoln Ave., Capitan, New Mexico.

Copies of the Request for Proposals, Project Description and Scope of Work can be obtained in person at the office of the Village Clerk at 114 Lincoln Ave., Capitan, New Mexico 88316 or will be mailed upon written or telephone request to P.O. Box 246, Capitan, New Mexico 88316 (505) 354-2247 Village Administrator, Steve R. Barela.

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LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF SPECIAL BUDGET HEARING

Notice is hereby given pursuant to Section 22-8-10, N.M.S.A., 1978 compilation, that the Board of Education of Carrizozo School District #7, County of Lincoln, State of New Mexico, will on Wednesday, May 31, 2000, at 5:00 P.M., M.D.T., at the

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF INTENT PUBLIC HEARING TUESDAY, MAY 23, 2000

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT the Governing Body of the Town of Carrizozo will hold a Public Hearing during their regular meeting on Tuesday, May 23, 2000 at 6:10PM, City Hall Conference Room, Carrizozo, New Mexico for the purpose of annexation of 160 acres.

Leann Wehbrecht, CMC Clerk/Treasurer

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Administration Board Conference Room, 800 D. Ave., present and publicly review the operating budget for the 2000-2001 fiscal year. This is a public hearing and all school patrons are invited to attend. Done at Carrizozo, New Mexico, this 15th day of May, 2000.

CARRIZOSO SCHOOL BOARD OF EDUCATION

STEVE HARKEY President

ATTEST: Lisa Shivers, Secretary

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tfn/Mar. 16

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3tc-May 4, 11 & 18

VACANCY NOTICE

POSITION:
* Social Studies Instructor (Secondary) with Coaching (Football & Track)
* 3rd Grade Teacher
* 5th Grade Teacher
* Special Education Teacher (Secondary)
CONTRACT: As per 2000 - 2001 teacher salary schedule.
QUALIFICATIONS: Have or is eligible for New Mexico teaching license and coaching license. Ability to be a successful mentor. Excellent interpersonal skills.
APPLICATION DEADLINE: May 31, 2000 Noon or until filled.
PROCEDURE: Call or write for application. Submit letter of interest, resume and application to:
Office of the Superintendent
Capitan Municipal Schools
P.O. Box 278
Capitan, NM 88316
Phone: 505-354-2239
Fax: 505-354-2240

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8tp/Mar. 30-May 18

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Capitan Municipal Schools policy is to select the best qualified applicant without regard to race, color, marital status, religion/creed, sex, disability/handicap, or national origin.
2tc/May 18 and 25

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1-505-296-0243
tfn-March 2

BIG GARAGE SALES: Saturday, May 20 and Sunday, May 21, start 7 a.m.. Village of Nogal, there will be signs along road. Follow the signs. My sale is 50 yards south of Mercantile, turn west, go 300 yards. I still have my Jeep and RV, books, records, hub caps, and a lot more. Johnie L. Johnson. Phone 354-9107
1t-May 18

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Ruidoso Closes Block Of Grindstone Drive

As part of the second phase of the Ruidoso Main Street Project, a block of Grindstone Drive from Wingfield to the intersection with Sudderth Drive will be closed to through traffic.

Ruidoso Village Council at its May 9 meeting approved the closure after village police chief Lanny Maddox said the block of the street has long been a hazard in the winter because it ices over, the steepness and site distance of the intersection.

"We have had problems with this street, it's a safety issue," Maddox said. Village attorney John Underwood said the village must be very careful of someone using the street which will become an easement just to the residences on the block. Also he questioned if the village will continue to maintain the easement after the north end is closed. He suggested the village spell out all maintenance and improvement costs and obligations.

Councilor Leon Eggleston said the street is dangerous. Village manager Alan Briley said the village is not vacating the street because of the utilities along it. Briley also said by closing the street it will provide two additional parking places on Sudderth Drive. Councilors also discussed a request to install a three-way stop sign at the intersection of Amelia Street and Main Road in the Upper Canyon. Eggleston said many people speed up through the stretch of Main Road after the first bridge, past the new fire station. As a way to slow traffic

and for the safety of pedestrians and the fire station, he proposed a three way stop at Amelia, the street next to the fire station. Councilor Ron Anderson said there is not enough site distance from Amelia.

Briley said the according to traffic control manuals, the village cannot install a sign just to slow traffic down. "As an engineer, I cannot advise you to use a stop sign to slow down traffic," Briley said. "Rather we need enforcement and signage to control the traffic flow." Maddox then asked for the chance to assess the intersection for the speed problems. "Maybe we don't need a stop sign, maybe a flashing light or other device," Maddox said. He suggested an assessment of the area to be sent to the village traffic committee for consideration and recommendation.

Councilors made no motion on the proposal. Councilors also approved the mayor's appointment of Mike Revelly to the Extra Territorial Zoning Commission.

Councilor Bill Chance invited councilors to a meeting with the Otero County Commission on Tuesday, May 23, in the Otero County Courthouse in Alamogordo to hear Dr. Lawrence Garrett who will be conducting a study on forest health of the Sacramento Mountains. "It's time to do something," Chance said. "We need to gather all the information and cooperate to develop a science. Because without the science we are at the mercy of environmental tree huggers."

Carrizozo Police Join Seat Belt Crackdown

From May 22-29, Carrizozo Police Department is joining in Operation ABC Mobilization, the nationwide law enforcement crackdown on "deadbeat drivers"—adults who drive with unbuckled children.

Research shows that 13 percent of people who regularly drive children admit they do not always buckle them up.

According to information from the Carrizozo Police Department, they are participating in the Mobilization because it gets results. In the last three years restraint use for infants is at 97 percent and at 91 percent for children one to four years old.

"Deadbeat drivers themselves admit the probability of a ticket and fine will get them to restrain their child passengers," said Carrizozo police chief Angelo Vega in a release. "Our officers will write tickets because they know that is what it takes to prevent the unspeakable tragedies that can occur when children ride unbuckled."

"No one should look the other way when they see a child at risk," he added. "No

matter how short the ride, allowing a child to ride unbuckled is always life threatening and never worth the risk."

Vega said the public can provide its support by speaking to friends, relatives and neighbors who drive with an unbuckled child. "If reminding them that they're putting their child in danger won't work," Vega said, "then tell them if the police spot them, they'll be ticketed and fined."

"It's time for everyone to declare zero tolerance for deadbeat drivers and unbuckled children," Vega concluded.

Carrizozo police and police officers throughout New Mexico will be focusing on child passenger safety during the Super Blitz May 15-29. Police throughout the state will be looking for drunk drivers, speeders and unbuckled motorists, especially children.

County Democrats Hold Post Primary Convention May 25

Lincoln County Democrats will hold their Post Primary Convention meeting at 6:30 p.m. Thursday, May 25, at Cree Meadows Country Club, North 40 Road.

Delegates to the state post primary convention will be selected at the meeting.

All Democrats are invited. Dinner can be ordered from the menu.

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Youth Can Earn Pool Passes At Carrizozo Town Clean Up Day

Carrizozo kids can earn free passes to the town swimming pool this summer by participating in the Carrizozo Clean Up Month from May 15 to June 15.

Corona News

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principal Travis Lightfoot conducted a tour of the gym renovation for the board members.

The Corona Cardinal yearbook for 1999-2000 will be dedicated to Supt. Sid Miller. This was announced by Sarah Stewart at the athletic/academic awards banquet. The student body feels that Mr. Miller has made a big difference in the Corona School system the last two years. Thank You Mr. Miller!

Brandon Biebelle, senior at Corona High School is still competing in New Mexico high school rodeo and still doing well. He is currently setting 2nd in the saddle bronco riding and the top 4 will be able to compete in the finals at Springfield. III. Brandon recently placed 2nd in saddle bronc and 3rd in team roping at the 1st rodeo in Alamogordo. At Silver City he placed 2nd in the saddle bronc and 3rd in the calf roping in the 2nd rodeo.

Charlie and Riley Tutley from Cedarvale are doing well in NM high school rodeo association also. At Alamogordo 2nd rodeo, Charlie placed 1st in the calf roping, and 1st in the team roping. At Silver City Riley placed 1st in the calf roping 2nd rodeo.

Corona 4-H's are also busy rodeoing and recently competed in the Curry county 4-H rodeo in Clovis. Jordan Muncy placed

7th in the goat tying, 2nd in the barrel race, 7th in the flag race, 5th in the pole bending. Jordan competes in the novice age group (9-12). Victor Perez and Taos Muncy competed in the Junior division (13-15). Victor placed 3rd in the Break-a-way roping, 9th in the calf touching, 1st in steer stopping. Taos placed 4th in ribbon roping. Another 4-her Casey Sisk in the Junior Div. placed 12th in the ribbon roping, 5th in steer stopping, and won the steer riding.

Former Corona resident, Lewis Ray McInness passed away Sunday, May 14 in Cortez, CO. He is survived by his wife, son, a brother and sister. Memorial services were held in Cortez, CO on Wednesday, May 17.

The First Baptist Church hosted a Mother-Daughter banquet on May 12 at the La Cocina de Corona banquet room. A group of approximately 61 mothers and daughters enjoyed a meal of brisket, scalloped potatoes, green beans, tossed salad, and cake. Corsages were presented to the oldest mother present, Geraldine Perkins, and the youngest Mother, Kayla Luera. Music was furnished by the Corona Community Choir. Mothers and daughters were given favors. The hostess for the evening was Sherry West, wife of Pastor Cal West.

Carrizozo Mayor Manuel Hernandez proclaimed the month during the last town council meeting. He invites everyone to participate in the kick-off clean up day on Saturday, May 27.

Clean up day participants need to meet at Carrizozo Town Hall between 7:30 and 8:30 a.m. Trash bags will be furnished by Carrizozo Hardware. Children will be eligible to earn free passes to the swimming pool by collecting and bringing in bags of trash.

Participants will be treated to a hamburger lunch served on the POW park across from City Hall.

Anyone with a truck or trailer who would like to volunteer to help should contact Suzi Fern at Carrizozo Police Department, 648-2351 as soon as possible to sign up.

The Town of Carrizozo and its employees are offering the Clean Up Day to instill pride in the Town and a willingness to work together to preserve and enhance the community.

Quilt Art Exhibit At Ruidoso Library

Ruidoso Public Library is hosting an exhibition of Art Quilts by international artists Carol Meyer as part of the "Art in Public Places" program during May and June.

The exhibit opened May 2. Meyer has been a resident of Ruidoso since 1995 and teaches classes on quilt making throughout the U.S.



FUN AND FIELD DAY. Carrizozo elementary students line up to try their hands at a relay during the elementary field day on Wednesday, May 17. Coaches Mel Holland and Pat Ventura kept the students running and playing despite a stiff and chilly wind.

Fire And Smoking Restrictions At BLM Land Surrounding Fort Stanton Area

As of Friday, May 12, the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) imposed fire and smoking restrictions on the 28,000 acres of public lands it manages surrounding Fort Stanton.

Under these restrictions it is prohibited to build or use an open flame fire, campfire,

charcoal fired cooker or wood stove; smoking except within an enclosed vehicle or building; using a chainsaw; the use of all fireworks, including those labeled safe and sane.

The use of petroleum-fueled stoves, lanterns or heating devices is still allowed at developed recreation sites.

Violations of the fire and smoking restrictions is punishable by a fine of not more than \$1,000 or imprisonment of not more than 12 months, or both.

Questions about fire or smoking restrictions on BLM public lands can be directed to Howard Parman at 505-627-0272.



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