

LCSWA Hires Rick Simpson As Manager

by Doris Cherry

After two advertisements for manager, and interviews with more than 16 people, a three member committee of Lincoln County Solid Waste Authority (LCSWA) board members unanimously selected Rick Simpson as manager.

As soon as the LCSWA board members announced their selection after a short

closed session at the end of the regular LCSWA board meeting Tuesday, August 22, Simpson announced he would resign as chair and from the LCSWA board. Simpson, a Lincoln County Commissioner, was the county's representative on the LCSWA board. He was appointed an interim director this spring after former manager Jerry Wright was

terminated. Simpson had applied for the LCSWA manager's job in the first advertisement.

The LCSWA manager selection committee of Capitan trustee Debra Ingle, who is also the vice chair of the LCSWA board, Ruidoso Downs appointee former mayor Jake Harris and the mayor of Carrizozo met Monday night to interview final-

ists Karon Petty from Ruidoso, LeLand Gamble from Capitan, Antonio Biancaniello from Alamogordo, Alfred Hendrix from Carrizozo, Tim Burd from Carrizozo and Les Olson from Organ, NM. Simpson was excluded from the selection committee and did not attend closed sessions dealing with the manager's position because he was an applicant.

The committee had interviewed Simpson, acting director Carol Virden, and three other applicants following the first advertisement for the job. The LCSWA board chose to re-advertise for the position after the first interviews, finding none of the applicants met the requirements of five years of experience in solid waste. All finalists in

the first round were included as finalists following the second advertisement.

"In the last 90 days we have worked to find a new manager," Ingle said after the closed session Tuesday. She said the selection committee reviewed 21 applications, and interviewed 11.

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LINCOLN COUNTY RESIDENT Doris Cherry met briefly with U.S. Senator Jeff Bingaman and U.S. Secretary of Energy Bill Richardson on August 16 during a luncheon honoring Bingaman and other Senate Energy Subcommittee members. The lunch was hosted by the American Gas Association at a hotel in Hollywood during the Democratic National Convention. Cherry was a New Mexico delegate.

Capitan Administrator Leaves Suddenly Aug. 15

by Doris Cherry

Lacking the money to afford him, Capitan's first ever administrator Steve Barela quit on August 15.

According to Capitan Mayor Norm Renfro, Barela showed him and the village trustees that the village budget cannot afford an administrator. Trustees gave Barela a \$40,000 a year contract, which was to be reviewed in November. Renfro said Barela asked for a severance pay when he first realized the village

could no longer afford him. When the trustees refused Barela self terminated, Renfro added.

Barela was unavailable for comment about his leaving.

Renfro also said trustees held their second meeting of the month on Monday, August 20, where they held a public hearing for the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) program, and the village Infrastructure Community Improvement Plan (ICIP). Trustees took no action on changing the plan which lists a continuation of work on drainage in the downtown core area of the village.

Resident Lonnie Lippmann suggested the village seek a CDBG for a health clinic. He also asked the clinic be added to the ICIP. The ICIP is not only used for CDBG programs, it is used to help determine the need for funding by the state legislature.

Village officials and residents got their first look at the preliminary plans for the village hall expansion during the meeting Monday. Renfro said there were several changes requested by trustees and residents. These changes will be taken back and incorporated into the design which will again be presented during the September 12 meeting.

LCSWA Increases Rates for Everyone

by Doris Cherry

Beginning with September bills, the cost of trash service for all customers of Lincoln County Solid Waste Authority will go up.

Meeting Tuesday, August 22 in their offices in Ruidoso Downs, the LCSWA board members approved two resolutions that increased monthly rates for both residential and commercial customers. Residential rates will increase by \$1 a month for customers in Ruidoso Downs, Capitan and Carrizozo. Residential rates will increase by \$1.50 a month for customers who live in the county. Simpson said the residential rate increase will generate \$7,348 in 11 months from Capitan, \$6,633 in 11 months from Ruidoso Downs, \$4,730 in 11 months from Carrizozo and \$65,554 in 11 months from the county accounts. New rates for Capitan, Carrizozo and Ruidoso Downs will be \$10.25 plus tax a month. The new county rate will be \$6.75 plus tax a month and is billing for a three month period. All new rates will be reflected on the September billings.

(Editor's note: This was the first time the LCSWA board acted to raise its residential service rates. Since its creation in 1991, the LCSWA board had operated under the assumption it had no power to set rates for residential customers. Instead the LCSWA board thought it had to go back to the governing bodies of Capitan, Carrizozo, Ruidoso Downs,

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C'zozo May Save One Million Dollars

by Jeff Hammond

The Town of Carrizozo could save \$30,000 in construction costs. Don Curnutt of Engineers Inc. told trustees during the town council meeting Tuesday that by combining a couple of the scheduled construction projects, G, H & I Streets, as well as a few blocks of D Avenue into one project, Carrizozo could save as much as \$30,000.

Curnutt explained that each time you hire a company one of the money considerations included in the bid is mobilization cost, the cost for insurance to move the equipment and set up on the new job location. Curnutt went on to say the designs for these projects are completed. The project designers, Engineers Inc., recommend waiting until January to advertise for proposals. During winter months the ground freezes, making excavation difficult. Waiting

until January to advertise, then adding the time taken to award the contract, time for the contractor to move in equipment and set up, ready to work, the ground will no longer be frozen, work can then safely be started.

Curnutt continued on to include information about the design and placement of a sewage treatment plant Engineers Inc. had erected in Magdalena. During the "working out the bugs" portion of that project Engineers Inc. discovered several flaws in the original design. Engineers Inc. then halted construction on that project.

The engineer who had originally designed the sewage treatment plant for Magdalena no longer worked for Engineers Inc., so the firm hired a new consultant, Dr. Hansen from New Mexico State University (NMSU). Hansen heads the NMSU waste water operations program. When Hansen re-

viewed the Magdalena design it was discovered that the proposed sewage treatment plant offered to Carrizozo for about two million dollars could be brought in for about one million dollars.

Curnutt acknowledged that "no one likes to admit making mistakes" but by halting construction on the Magdalena project, then reevaluating and redesigning at Engi-

neers Inc. cost, it was discovered that a savings of a million dollars could be made constructing the Carrizozo sewage treatment plant.

Curnutt said Engineers Inc. has a meeting scheduled with Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) next week. Engineers Inc. wants to review with EPA the issues and problems found

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Free GED Classes In Carrizozo

Free GED preparation classes will begin September 5 in Carrizozo.

Classes will be held every Tuesday and Thursday, from 5-8 p.m. at Otero County Electric Cooperative office community room on 12th Street in Carrizozo. The classes are designed to prepare adults to take the General Equivalency Diploma (GED) exam.

Call instructor Bob Hemp-hill at 648-2336 or Sandy K&shmar at 1-800-934-3668 for more information. The program is sponsored by the Ruidoso Center of ENMU. Students must be 16 years old or older to be eligible.

The GED exam is offered on the third Friday of every month at the Ruidoso Center of ENMU. Call 1-800-934-3668 for details.



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Carrizozo May Save

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with the Magdalena project, then in turn discuss the permit application Engineers Inc. put in for the Carrizozo

plant. Based on what comes out of that meeting, Engineers Inc. would like to reapply for the permit for the Carrizozo plant. The redesign would take a couple of months, and at that time Engineers Inc. would be ready to make a presentation to the town council sometime in January. Curnutt's arguments were simply "Why pay two million dollars for something you can get for one million?"

Tony Elias of Southeastern New Mexico Economic Development District

(SNMEDD) updated trustees on the status of some existing Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) projects. Elias explained that the new proposed application procedures haven't been finalized and suggested that Carrizozo proceed as if nothing has changed, to follow last year's rules.

During audience participation, Betsy Hammerick currently living on B Street, who's young daughter said "B is for BUMPY" voiced her concern over getting B Street re-paved.

Hammerick said that currently there are 29 dwellings on B Street, eight houses are abandoned, and one mobile has been abandoned. B Street goes past the school, and consideration should be given to that project due to its being a school bus route for school buses.

Trustees voted to approve changing zoning from C-1 to C-2 for Carrizozo Automotive Repair & Recycle at the corner of 13th Street, E Avenue and Highway 64.

Gilbert Barela's application for conditional use to place a manufactured home at 1806 J Avenue was approved, but trustees ordered Barela to sign a contract stating he would comply with the setback ordinances, install skirting within 30 days, and establish a driveway. Town clerk Leann Wehbrecht offered to type up an agreement for Barela to sign.

Trustees approved two business registration applications, Gordon Walters Carrizozo Automotive Repair & Recycle & Wrecker Service, and Frank Walker's Antique Liquidators, and Diana Zamora's business name change to Chris & Di's Four Winds Restaurant.

The planning and zoning commission (P&Z) submitted an updated application for special exceptions to the zoning ordinance form. Trustee voted approval to accept using this form in the future.

Pat Voss, P&Z board member said the P&Z appreciated Leann Wehbrecht and Margaret LaBelle for all of their work in getting the form put together.

Trustees voted to approve \$2,200 for airfare, carfare, and motel expenses for Dennis Emery of Misco Co. to fly to this area to train the newly hired water treatment plant operator. Trustees suggested that town foreman Jim Payne arrange for himself and at least one of his assistants attend the training for backup purposes.

Jim Niebaum, vice-president of Baxter Mountain Enterprises Inc., did a show and tell displaying several types and combinations of gravel, sand and other construction and aggregate products available at Baxter Mountain Enterprises Inc. located near White Oaks.

Trustees agreed to pay mileage and per diem for trustee Tommy Guevara to attend the annual conference in Carlsbad.

LCSW Hires Rick

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"Last night after the last interview we stayed to cuss and discuss who we want as our last shot for the Lincoln County Solid Waste Authority and its customers," Ingle added. "The committee selected Rick Simpson as the next Lincoln County Solid Waste Authority manager, and he is to bring to us in 30 days a complete reorganization plan."

Ingle said they met with Simpson who agreed to the \$35,000 a year, with review in 90 days.

Viriden will remain on until September 1, Ingle continued. "Then the manager will decide what will happen." Ingle said Viriden will be compensated for her time and effort. "And we thank her for all her help."

"As of Wednesday at 4 a.m. until dark, Rick will take his position," Ingle said somewhat jokingly. (Simpson has been driving the haul truck to the landfill on days when they are short staffed.)

Since Simpson was chair of the LCSWA board, Ingle as

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The following report is based on information from the National Weather Service web site.

The forecast for Carrizozo, Hondo Valley and Lincoln County:

Today, August 24:

Partly cloudy, with a slight chance of afternoon and evening thunderstorms. High temperature 89 in Carrizozo, Hondo Valley, Lincoln Valley and Lincoln County high lands. Chance for precipitation 10 to 20 percent. Low in Carrizozo of 68, lows in other areas from 47.

Friday through Sunday,

August 25-27:

Partly cloudy, with a slight chance of afternoon and evening thunderstorms. Highs mid 70s to 80s. Lows mid 40s to 50s.

The forecast for Ruidoso, Capitan and the northern Sacramento Mountains:

Today, Thursday, August

24:

Partly cloudy with a slight chance of afternoon and early night time thunderstorms. High temperature in Ruidoso and Capitan 78. Chance for precipitation 10-20 percent. Low of 46.

Friday through Sunday,

August 11-13:

Partly cloudy with a slight chance of afternoon and early night time thunderstorms. Highs 70s to 80s. Lows 40s to 50s.

OBITUARY

FREDERICK "Chavalo" G. SANCHEZ

Frederick "Chavalo" G. Sanchez, 68 year old Alamogordo resident died July 19.

He was born May 31, 1932 in Carrizozo, to Abraham Sanchez and Felipe Rodriguez. He had lived in Alamogordo for 20 years coming from Los Angeles, CA. He was a member of the Immaculate Conception Catholic Church, and a veteran of the Korean War.

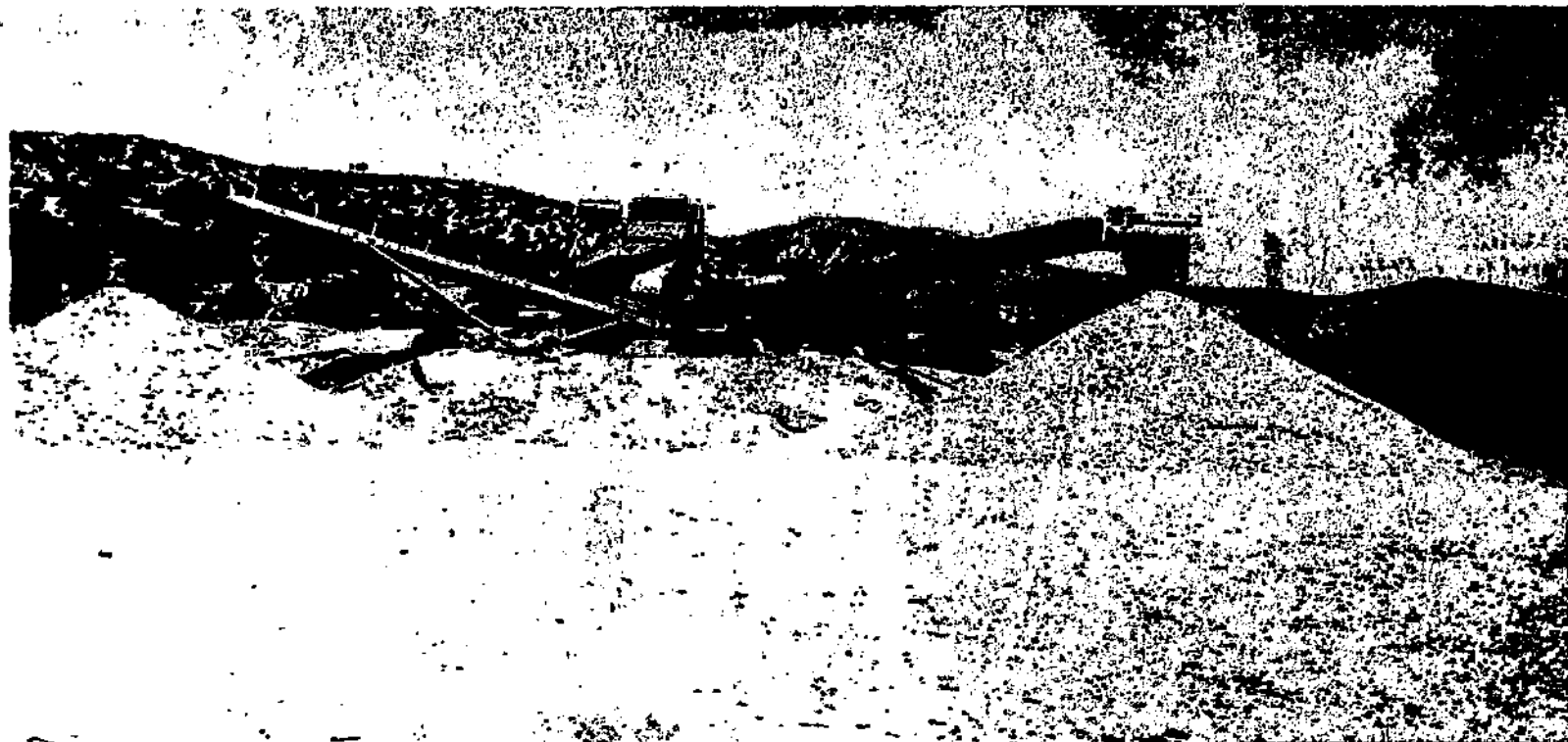
He is survived by his wife, Socorro Casares Sanchez of the family home; son Ricky Sanchez of El Paso, TX; daughter Victoria Silva of Albuquerque; three grandchildren; five brothers, Frank Sanchez of San Demas, CA, George Sanchez of El Paso, Raynell Sanchez of Albuquerque, Herman Sanchez of Lavern, CA, and John Sanchez of San Diego, CA; four sisters, Nena Ortiz and Polly Chavez both of Carrizozo; Rita Roybal of Alto, and Rosylene Sanchez of Albuquerque, and many nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his parents, his step-mother Ramoncita Sanchez, two brothers, David (Andy) Sanchez, and Victor Jaramillo.

A graveside memorial service will be held on Saturday, August 26, at 2:00 p.m. at Our Lady Guadalupe Catholic Cemetery in Carrizozo, with Fr. Dave Bergs officiating.

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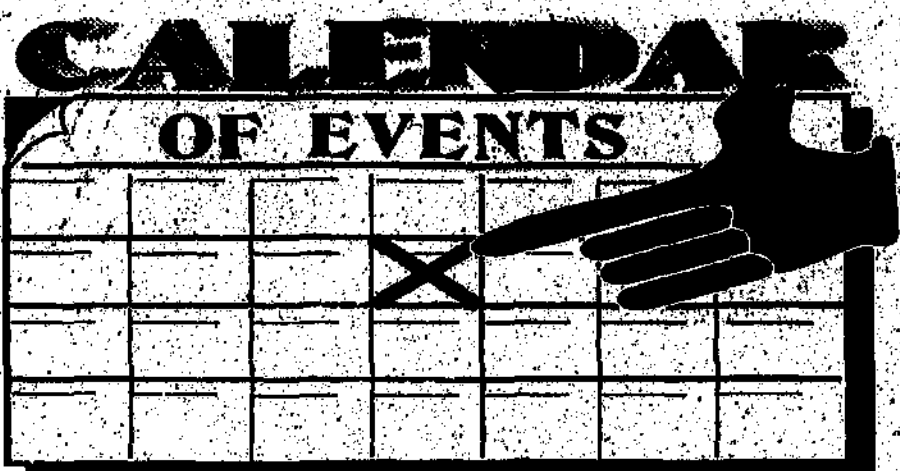
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State Okays Hondo Clinic Management

The last final hurdle blocking the opening of the Hondo Health Clinic was cleared last week.

Lincoln County Commissioners during their regular meeting August 17 in their chambers in the Lincoln County Courthouse in Carrizozo learned the New Mexico Department of Finance and Administration (DFA) had approved La Casa de Buena Salud as a sole source service for management of the facility. County commissioners unanimously authorized the county attorney, manager and commission chair Rex Wilson to negotiate and sign a joint powers agreement with Hondo Schools to provide mill levy money to operate the Hondo Health Clinic.

"I am extremely happy to advise that DFA has approved of Hondo Valley Public Schools sole source service," said Lincoln County attorney Alan Morel. "This was a huge hurdle, and now we don't have to do a rfp for the Hondo clinic management."

Morel had received a letter from the DFA on July 28 seeking justification for La Casa de Buena Salud as a sole source, asking about the agreement between a group calling itself the Hondo Valley Community Health Center Advisory Committee (not Hondo Schools) and the \$1 proposed lease of the facility. Morel said he responded to the four issues that the county was not involved with the selection. Morel also said that Hondo Valley Schools superintendent Barbara Casey had written DFA a

detailed response about the process taken to select La Casa de Buena Salud.

This week, Morel told THE NEWS he was working on the joint powers agreement (JPA) between the County of Lincoln and Hondo Valley Public Schools that will allow the county to turn over hospital mill levy money to the district in order to operate the health clinic. Morel said the agreement is much like a service agreement between the county and other non-governmental entities for services. Morel said the county commission will not have oversight over the clinic or the money, but will require a budget for the clinic to be submitted when they consider how much mill levy money they will provide on a yearly basis. Once the JPA is

completed and signed by the county, it will be sent to Hondo Valley Public Schools for approval and signing, then on to DFA for final approval before the money can be transferred.

During discussion at the August 17 meeting, Serafino Montano, CEO of La Casa de Buena Salud (LCBS) clarified it is a private, non-profit organization. As for the \$1 a year lease, Montano said Casey had agreed to the \$1 a year lease if LCBS provides free health care to Hondo Schools students. Montano also asked, where the figure of \$150,000 came from, when the original amount asked for was \$180,000. County manager Tom Stewart said the figure was recommended by the Lincoln County Medical Center administrator Jim Gibson as an estimate based on the costs to operate the Carrizozo Health Clinic.

Montano said he expects the clinic to be operational soon. A nurse practitioner has been hired and they were interviewing an office manager. As for the license, Montano said because the

facility was remodeled it did not have a complete set of plans to show how it complies to ADA and other codes. He said he himself has been doing the reports and he has submitted the

building plans to the state licensing division which was reviewing the plans to set an inspection date. Once they have a temporary license they will open to see patients, Montano added.

FIRST AND THIRD TUESDAYS

-Jayne 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 7 p.m. Carrizozo Senior Center. Call 648-1145 for information.

WEDNESDAYS

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

THURSDAYS

-Lincoln County Adult Singles Group 6:30 p.m. Call 354-2635 or 258-3201 for information and location.

-Capitan Chamber of Commerce Bingo, 6:30-10 p.m. Chamber building on Second Street.

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, AUGUST 24

-Classes starts for students at Carrizozo Schools.

-Friends of Smokey 6:30 p.m. in Friends of Smokey Headquarters on Smokey Bear Blvd. (west of Shell station).

-Lincoln County Democratic Party meeting and pot luck dinner, 6:30 p.m. home of Bob and Thelma Stephens on Burch Lane west of Capitan. Candidates will speak and Doris Cherry delegate to the national Democratic Convention will give a report. Call 354-2329 for more information or directions.

SATURDAY, AUGUST 26

-Carrizozo Joe's Coffee Shop grand opening 1-4 p.m. 113 Central, Carrizozo. Free samples, door prizes, entertainment.

-Special meeting of Lincoln Historic Preservation Board, 4 p.m. community church in Lincoln for public hearing and final review of certified local government grant projects.

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 4, LABOR DAY

-All schools and public offices closed for Labor Day.

-7th Annual Carrizozo Street Fair, parade at 9 a.m. activities throughout the day. For information, call 648-2921 and ask for Gary.

-Capitan Chamber of Commerce meeting postponed until Monday, September 11 because of Labor Day. Meeting will be at 12:30 p.m. at Chamber Building on 2nd Street.

LCMC Selects New Slogan

"Excellence in Healthcare" is now the new slogan for Lincoln County Medical Center in Ruidoso.

Lincoln County Medical Center (LCMC) physical therapist Mary Jo Rodriguez submitted the winning slogan, which was chosen best of the 30 entries. She was recognized and awarded with a gift basket of prizes on Friday, August 18.

LCMC officials held a contest for a new slogan after determining it was time to

update the old one—Small Town Hospital, Big City Care. A panel of judges made up of members of the LCMC Auxiliary selected the new slogan.

LCMC and the Carrizozo and Corona Health Clinics are managed by Presbyterian Healthcare System, which are governed by a local community board of trustees.

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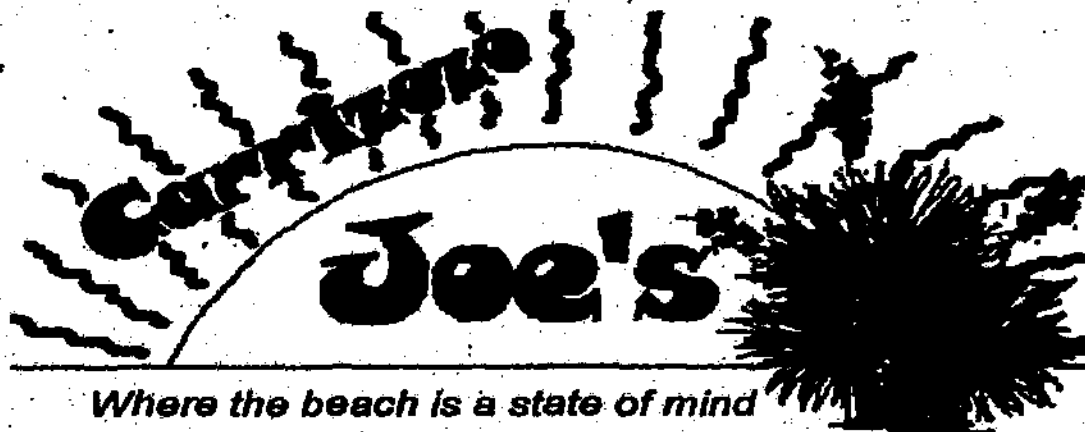
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THOUGHTS
FROM THE EDITOR'S DESK

Expensive gas and trash

By Ruth Hammond

Things happening in and around Lincoln County this week include the cost increase for trash service and the news that Capitan Carrizozo Natural Gas customers will be paying much more. The trash increase is minor for residential customers in Capitan, Carrizozo and Ruidoso Downs and county residents. Capitan, Carrizozo and Ruidoso Downs residents will pay an additional \$1 a month with the new rate being \$10.25. County residents will pay an additional \$1.50 a month with the new rate being \$6.75, billed every three months. Commercial customers will pay \$48 a month, an increase from the previous monthly charge of \$28. The Lincoln County Solid Waste Authority (LCSWA) board did agree that businesses using poly carts should continue at the same fee for now.

Raising trash rates will not be popular with anyone, especially people who live in Lincoln County part of the year and are required to pay for all year service. A county part-time resident said today that it is difficult to find a dumpster because many have been removed or moved from their previous location. Looking for a dumpster is minor compared to the problems LCSWA will cause if they change the day and time of the LCSWA board meetings. One LCSWA representative wants LCSWA to meet on Friday nights, which would be a disservice to the public. The public is invited to attend the LCSWA meetings which are held on a Tuesday afternoon once a month.

As for the increase in gas prices, the Capitan Carrizozo Natural Gas (CCNG) board of directors met August 18 and said that CCNG will have to pay more for gas and this increase will be passed on to the consumers. The gas bill that CCNG sends out each month to customers does not list a rate and it will be difficult for customers to know whether the new increased rate is in effect or what. Many CCNG customers have asked *The NEWS* why the monthly bill doesn't include the cost per unit. We also wonder:

Sometimes things happen without an explanation and sometimes the explanation is garbled. The CCNG board said that customers would pay \$1.49 or \$1.59 or \$1.60 more than what it was. Does this mean gas customers will pay \$1.49 more a month or \$1.49 more per unit of gas used each month? People do want to know. A cost of \$1.49 to \$1.60 per month is not much but if the \$1.49 or \$1.60 is multiplied by the units of gas used it could be an enormous increase. One person said that natural gas prices were going to go sky high. Apparently they will.

Holding onto the past and expecting prices to remain the same is not practical, but expecting cost increases will certainly cause a hardship for many people, especially those on fixed incomes. CCNG can increase or decrease prices at any time without approval from any state board because as a municipal owned utility it does not have to receive permission for price changes from anyone. The letter that CCNG will send next month is supposed to explain the new cost increase, when it will go into effect and why. Maybe it will also explain why monthly bills do not list a unit price for the convenience of customers who want to know exactly how much they are paying for gas.

Keeping warm will cost more



EDITOR: My letter was poorly arranged. My ire was not directed toward the CowBelles. I merely thought it was strange that they couldn't find someone who didn't have to go to the auction. My criticism was for the quilt person who does not exist. And I've been made to understand that it does not matter that I was hurt, but that I complained.

JANICE GNATKOWSKI
Ancho, New Mexico

EDITOR: In answer to Janice Gnatkowski's letter to the editor in last week's issue.

We, the Canyon CowBelles of Carrizozo both as individuals and as a group angrily resent being labeled "lazy". We had a great County Fair, making nearly \$800.00 and we thank each and every person who bought a slice of pie at \$1.50 or tea or coffee or a muffin or a brownie or a Rice Crispie Treat for 50c.

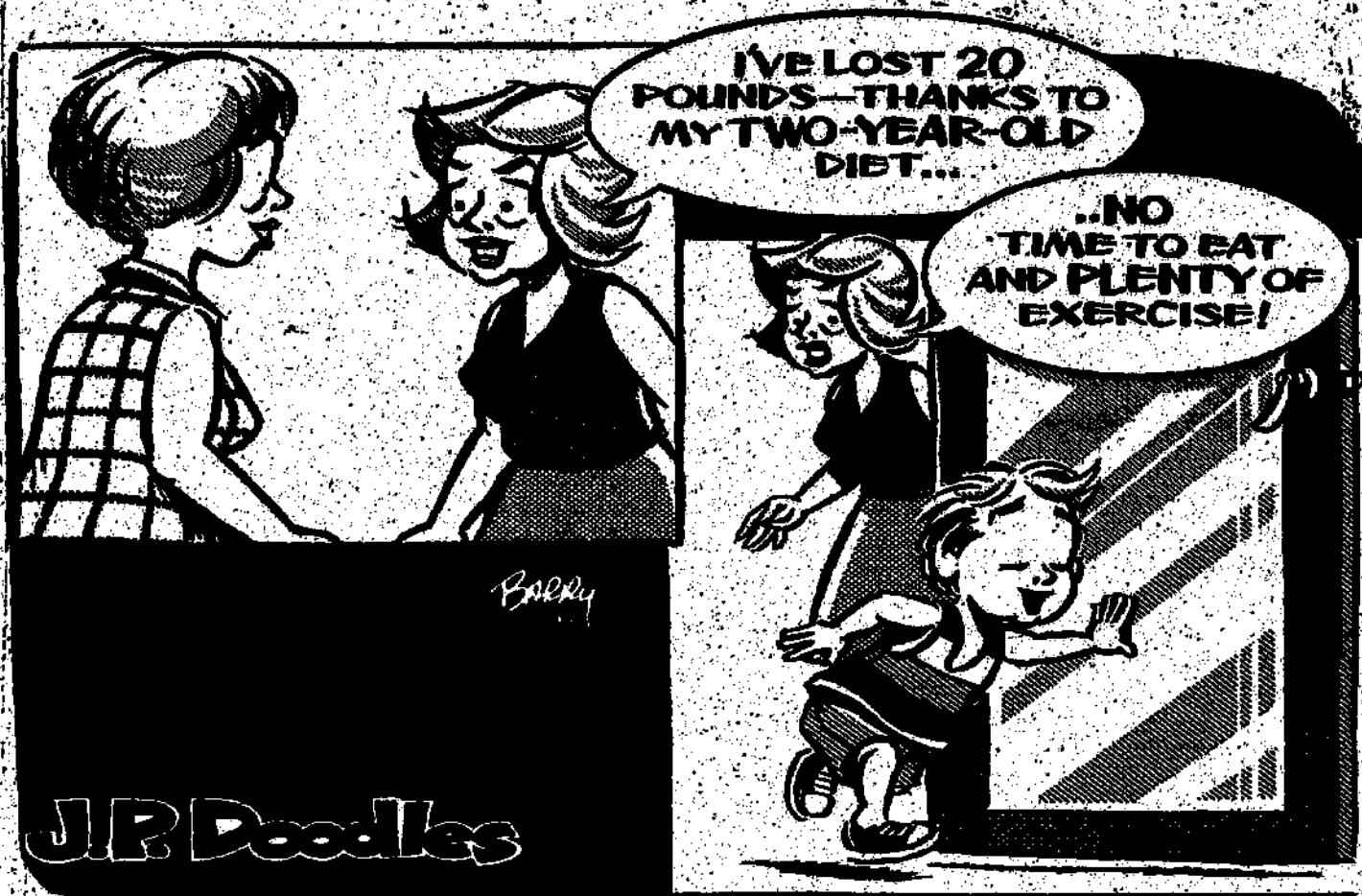
Every CowBelle who sent goodies or manned the booth had children or grandchildren participating in the fair. It's not easy to find time to bake between feeding, shearing, washing, sewing or showing animals.

We, the Canyon CowBelles, as a group and as individuals donated To Cream of the Crop, A Canyon CowBelle idea promoting livestock born, bred and entered by Lincoln County kids into the Lincoln County Fair, Carrizozo Buyer's Club, Kairos Outside, a scholarship for an ag student, and about any other do-gooder project that comes along, such as feeding the Kairos Outside counselors on August 26. We put on an "Ag Day" at school and feed the entire school for lunch, every year. We also man the CowBelle booth at the State Fair for two days.

In addition, the Canyon CowBelles publish the Range Rider newspaper that goes into the schools statewide via Jewell Carter of the 100 ranch in the Claunch area. Mrs. Carter has been published in "Agri-News", "Livestock Weekly", "The Fence Post", "Ag online Website", among others. Also, Carol Wilson who is published in "New Mexico Stockman" and whose photo graced the July edition.

We hosted a mini info seminar on water rights by Suzanne Smith Dean. We actively write or call Senators and Congressmen on land rights issues because

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INSIDE THE CAPITOL

by Jay Miller

SANTA FE - Oh, that we had their problem. Communities throughout New Mexico find it difficult to sympathize with the agony of Albuquerque businesses concerning the economic hardships they are suffering because of the Big-I reconstruction that disrupts the middle of that city.

New Mexico cities, towns and villages along US 66, 80 and 95 can remember the 1980s, when our nation's Interstate system took travelers away from main streets and sped them at 70 mph around the edge of town. Gone were the days of attracting tourist dollars with a clever sign or a good deal. That was real economic hardship. Some hamlets didn't survive.

What's more, the communities bypassed by the Interstates were the lucky ones. At least they were linked by a federally-funded superhighway with the rest of the nation - and that is a major economic development consideration, indeed.

Albuquerque was originally scheduled to be bypassed also. Much of the rationale for construction of the new highway system was that it would strengthen national defense by allowing the rapid movement of troops and equipment to where they were needed. And that meant bypassing all bottlenecks.

But Albuquerque and other major cities around the nation banded together and convinced the federal government that inner-city transportation problems also could be solved by running interstate highways through the middle of town and essentially providing free urban expressways.

And now it is time for Albuquerque to pay for that advantage it gained 35 years ago. Even businesses located far from the highway construction claim they are suffering severe losses of business. The tears are big, but sympathy from rural New Mexico is hard to find.

Many New Mexico's biggest complaint is that there isn't a decent bypass around the big Duke City.

Why didn't they take the money for redoing the Big-I and use it to build that bypass? Downtown merchants wouldn't be complaining and the rest of us would be ecstatic.

As long as we're raging on Albuquerque, we'll note that Hoop-It-Up, the nation's most popular three-on-three basketball tournament, says the Albuquerque event has the most violence of any city on the tour. That includes 42 other sites such as New York, Los Angeles and Atlanta. To aid in keeping the peace, the organization uses 40 security guards, 14 experienced supervisors from its Dallas home office and eight supervisors from Albuquerque.

One problem is that Albuquerque has the second most participants on the tour, with 1,392 teams that gather in University Stadium's parking lots. And nearly all those teams have to officiate their own games because, unlike most cities on the tour, there aren't enough referees in Albuquerque.

The Duke City tends to be rough on referees. This summer, a softball umpire received a fractured skull because he threw a pitcher

out of the game for repeated swearing. Last year, an Albuquerque legislator unsuccessfully to increase the penalty for assault on a referee.

Some officials attribute the Albuquerque tournament's heavy amount of violence to the town being basketball-crazed or more competitive than other cities. Not only does the Albuquerque event have men fighting each other, but kids, girls, gangs and even police get in the act. That's right, two teams of Albuquerque police officers got into a skirmish last year. At least it's not as bad as four years ago when the event was held at the state fairgrounds and beer was served. People were coming off the sidelines with chairs to enter those fights.

The tendency toward violence doesn't seem to be a statewide phenomenon. The Gus Macher tournaments held around the rest of the state don't seem to produce similar reports.

And how about the new Triple-A baseball stadium that Albuquerque wants? Those things end up getting built at public expense. So far Albuquerque is talking about a local tax, but hold onto your wallet once Legislature rolls around.

LCSW Hires Rick

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vice chair called for an election of new officers at the next regular LCSWA meeting in September. Simpson who then resigned his position as chair, and from the LCSWA board, said he would submit a written resignation to the board at the September meeting.

As for his position as county commissioner, Simpson said he would not have applied if it had interfered with his ability to serve as a county commissioner. "I advised the other county commissioners of my application and I let them know I would resign from my Lincoln County Solid Waste Authority board position," Simpson said.

Simpson then showed his copy of a legal opinion from the county attorney stating Simpson did not have a conflict of interest by being a county commissioner and at the same time working for the Lincoln County Solid Waste Authority. He would not be able to be a LCSWA member for the county however. Even with the opinion Simpson filed a declaration with the county clerk.

Lloyd Maness Named To Wool Growers Board

Lloyd Maness of Corona will join John Cooper of Tinnie and Mary Skeen of Pecho as members of the New Mexico Wool Growers Inc. board of directors. Maness and other new members were named to the NM Wool Growers Inc. board during their recent summer meeting, according to president Ron Merritt Jr. of Yeso. Members of the board will direct work and policy of the organization. NMWGI represents and promotes all aspects of the sheep industry in New Mexico.

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Sagittarius: (Nov 22- Dec 21) You have too many things on your mind! Sort and throw away what is not needed and then go for the gold! You can do it!

Capricorn: (Dec 22 - Jan 19) Don't worry, it only steals away your good energy. Think positive with prayer and rejoice.

Aquarius: (Jan 20 - Feb 18) Stop for a minute and think! Do you Really want to do that? What are the consequences? It could change your life forever.

Pisces: (Feb 19 - March 20) "Ouch!" Did someone hurt your feelings? Was it worth it? Learn from it and then take back your own energy and feelings.

Aries: (Mar 21 - Apr 19) How is your love life? That good huh! It could get better if you really really are sweet! Treat others like you treat yourself.

Taurus: (Apr 20 - May 20) When was the last time you read a good book? It's time! Learn, Listen, Live, Love, and Laughter. Good for the soul!

Gemini: (May 21 - June 20) It's good to listen to others - they mean well. But when it comes down to the nitty-gritty go with your own feelings...Always!

Cancer: (June 21 - July 22) Running in circles will only make you dizzy. Stop, sit down by the river, relax, and dream of what you really want.

Leo: (July 23 - Aug 22) Taking a trip may help you understand the situation a little bit more. Get away from the tree so you can see the leaves.

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CHILDREN

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Stoddard returned to their home in Tennessee Sunday. Their daughter was one of the endurance riders but had to return home before the ride ended. Her brother, an electrician had a terrible accident and was killed while on a job. Our sympathies go to the family.

The Lincoln County FCE council met at the Carrizozo Woman's Club last week for their quarterly meeting.

Lincoln County Fair was discussed, the successful lunches for the District 4-H contests held at Capitan, the upcoming state meeting to be held in Tucumcari October 11-13 and the Achievement Day September 22. Also the scholarships were discussed and a letter will be sent to the schools. The members were encouraged to enter the pie contest at the "Art In The Orchard" Sunday, September 17. It will be held at the Coe Ranch this year.

An update on Phyllis Schlegel was given. She has been in the hospital in West Virginia.

The nominating committee was appointed. They are Barbara Van Gorder, Carrizozo; Sally of Hondo Valley and Angie Provine of Capitan.

Following lunch, a very informative program was presented on sugar diabetes.

The Lincoln County Photography Club had as their guests four Boy

Scouts from Ruidoso Troop 90. They were working on their photography badge and gave a presentation on their projects. The Scouts were Daniel Lucero, "A Day in His Life"; Chris Kluthe, "Speed Stacking of Cups for Entertainment"; Josh Lynch, "His Cat"; and Joe Lynch, "Eagle Creek Fire Retention Dam". Herb Brunell had taken the boys on field trips and taught the basics of camera, lighting, etc.

Cheryl Sullivan gave a slide program on her and her mother's trip to New Zealand and Tasmania. Cheryl had spent six months in New Zealand 20 years ago and had a great time meeting with friends that she had made.

The club members will meet at the Flying J August 25. Other dates to remember are September 13 and November 16 for a swap meet of cameras, equipment etc., and a seminar on October 28 "Visual Journey".

The next meeting will be September 21 and the subject matter for the photos will be "Still Life".

The Lincoln County Historical Society held their meeting and program at the San Juan's Church Saturday afternoon. The program on Civil War uniforms, arms and equipment for both the soldiers and their mounts was given by Ira Radke, Lincoln Monuments and Jeff Wooten of Ft. Seldon. Radke concentrated on the Infantry and Wooten on the Cavalry. A wonderful

program and the two interacted so well with each other.

Lincoln had about two inches of rain Friday. I think it was pretty general in the Lincoln, Ruidoso and valley area.

The Lincoln Pageant and festivals held their meeting at the pageant grounds Sunday evening. Several reports of the Old Lincoln Days were given.

The Southwestern Championship Tomahawk contest was well received. The contestants came from as far as California and Dallas, TX. A gentleman from Albuquerque won the knife with the leather handle and engraved blade. Their Black Soldier participated in the pageant performance. The Texas 4th Cavalry also had the Texas 5th Cavalry participating with them.

Craig Van Winkle of Capitan headed the Southwest Mountain Men activity. Pricilla Romero of Capitan catered the party for the cast.

Other items discussed were add-on at the Lincoln County Fair for the 4-Hers/FFA pageant participants. Shamra Metts was appointed to look into scholarship requirements for the group to follow in their scholarship program to be instituted.

Thanks went to Teresa and Margaret Woodard, tickets; the young ropers who did such a marvelous

job doing the rope tricks; Lincoln County Sheriff's Department; St. Monuments, and to all who made the Old Lincoln Days another successful year.

Mr. and Mrs. Dick Kuns left for their home in Scottsdale after visiting Susie's mother, Betty Schrecengost.

The La Paloma Gallery had special showing over the weekend featuring Sharon Fullingham from Luis Lopez (south of Socorro). She is in the process of doing a multi vignette set of life sized monumental bronze of Native American figures. They will be displayed at the Santa Ana Pueblo north of Albuquerque.

Because of the casting process this particular show could only be over the weekend, as the figure has to be under climate control as it gets too soft. This is just one of the several special showings that Hugh Fox of the gallery has planned.

The Spinning Bees met Saturday at the La Placita. The spinners were learning how to spin alpaca/llama wool, making plans for their spinning workshop to be held September 8-9 at the La Placita. If you are interested in attending contact Elaine Brannen at 505-354-6303.

OBITUARY

ART BLAZER
Memorial service for Art Blazer, 78, of Capitan was August 21 at St. Joseph's Mission with the Rev. Floyd Goodloe officiating. Burial followed at the Blazer Cemetery in Mescalero.

Art died August 16 in Capitan. He was born May 31, 1922 in Mescalero and had lived in the Mescalero/Capitan area all of his life. He was on the Board of Directors for the Otero County Cooperative for 31 years, a member of the Mescalero and Capitan American Legions, having served as their Commander. He was an active member of the Trinity Southern Baptist Church in Capitan.

He married Josephine Mayberry on June 3, 1990 in Capitan.

He is survived by his wife, Josephine of Capitan; two sons, Arthur "Butch" Blazer and his wife Karen, and Kenneth R. Blazer all of Mescalero; a daughter, Beverly LaPaz and her husband Alfred of Mescalero; eight grandchildren, and 13 great grandchildren. He is also survived by three step-sons, David Haskins of Longmont, CO, Randy Haskins of Capitan, and Scott Haskins of Midland, Texas; and two step-daughters, Sandra Crist of Roswell and Lisa Barrera of Artesia; and former wife Leeta Blazer of Mescalero. He was preceded in death by a son

Thomas John Blazer, and wife Cora Carpenter Blazer.

Arrangements were under the direction of LaGrone Funeral Chapel of Ruidoso.

Community Orchestra Warming Up

Area musicians now have an opportunity to revive their musical talents by performing in the Eastern New Mexico University at Ruidoso Community Orchestra.

All instruments are needed and welcome, especially violins and other strings.

Rehearsals begin August 29 in preparation for the December 4 concert at The Spencer Theater. This semester the orchestra will rehearse Vivaldi's "Concerto in C Major for Guitar Strings" with local classical guitarist Tomas Vigil. The orchestra also plans to perform

"The Cat and the Fiddle" a musical/narrative which was a hit at the 1999 Winter Concert. Another presentation will be "Three Songs for Soprano, Alto and Orchestra" arranged by conductor, Ugo DiDio. Other compositions to be rehearsed include: Gluck Symphony in G Major, "Mazurka" by Von Weber, "Spanish Dance" by Moszkowsky, "Shennandoah" by Walter, an Irish jig "Behind the Haystack", "O Holy Night" and many more.

Registration for the Community Orchestra is underway now. Rehearsals are every Tuesday at 7 p.m. at Ruidoso High School Fine Arts Building. Scholarships are available to pay tuition for the one hour class.

For more information on enrollment and scholarships, call ENMU at 257-2120 or toll free outside the Ruidoso calling area, 1-800-934-3668.

For more information about the orchestra, call Barbara Job at 336-7054 or e-mail your questions along with your name, address and telephone number to orchestra@zianet.com. An orchestra member will answer e-mail inquiries.

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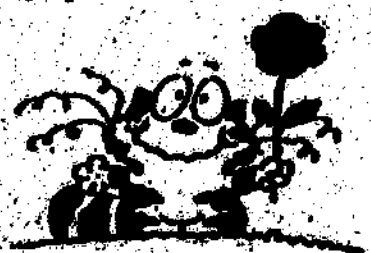
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A GLIMPSE OF THE MINING HISTORY OF THE SOUTHWEST

The following information is taken from the 'International Industrial Record', a mining publication (Devoted to the General MINING and Industrial Interests of the Great Southwest), which is printed on the front page of the 80 page booklet, and was published in El Paso, TX on July of 1901. The Lincoln County News will publish the entire booklet in the following weeks depending on space available. The publication is filled with in-depth history of the mining industry in and around Lincoln County and New Mexico. We hope you enjoy it.

The Great Southwest.

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

Northern Mexico, New Mexico, Arizona and Texas.

PART 28

MOGOLLON MOUNTAINS
Graham.

Ninety miles northwest

of Silver City, in the Mogollon range of mountains are the camps of Mogollon, Cooney and Graham, and several

smaller ones.

Some very extensive operations have been conducted in this section, the most important and successful of which is that of the Helen Mining company, of which John T. Graham and Moffitt of Denver are the chief factors. The ore is gold and silver, averaging about \$25 to the ton. Water power for the operation of the mill and hoisting plant has been developed in White Mountain creek, and electricity for lighting the mill, the mine and the camp is also derived from the same source.

Mogollon.

The Last Chance mine at Mogollon is being operated by Mr. Earnest Craig of London, England. This mine carries large bodies of good grade gold and silver ores, which are worked in the amalgamating plant on the property.

The Little Fanny is perhaps one of the richest mines in the camp, and is being systematically developed under the management of Mr. Millard. This mine has produced for many years, but unfortunately has been tied up by litigation for some time past.

The Colonial Group

Known as the Maud S. property, and owned by Boston people, is one of the great properties of the camp, and is extensively developed and equipped with a ten-stamp mill and all machinery necessary for the extensive operations soon to be commenced by a new company which has recently bonded the property.

Camp Cooney.

The Cooney Mining district has produced \$4,500,000 in gold and silver and \$400,000 in copper.

There are about 150 mining locations in the district, one-third of which have produced shipping ore, much of it assaying better than \$100 per ton.

On Mineral creek there are three mills, the Queen mill, the Sheridan mill, and the Silver Bar mill, all of which are supplied with water from Mineral creek.

The Silver Bar company own and operate what is known as the Old Cooney mine, as well as a number of other good claims in the same locality. The Cooney mine is remarkably rich in copper, carrying gold and

silver values.

EMPIRE MINES COMPANY

The Empire Mines company, with mines located in the Hanover Gulch, owns and operates under lease some of the richest mines in the great gulch. The company's mill and concentrator is located at the Ivanhoe mine close to the railroad, and regular shipments of ore and concentrates are made to smelters. The property of the company is under the able management of Mr. J.W. Bible, of Hanover, N.M., who is a young man of thorough knowledge of mining and milling, and who knows more about the great wealth of Hanover Gulch than any man in the district. Any information in regard to Santa Rita, Hanover Gulch and adjacent rich copper district, will be reliably given by this gentleman.

SIERRA COUNTY, N.M.

Gold is found in Sierra county, N.M., in both quartz veins and placers, but principally in fissure veins. Between two and three hundred claims have been located on these veins, which show pay ore at the surface, and the work done on these varies from mere assessment holes to the principal mines that have been developed to a depth of 500 feet.

Nature of the Ore.

Copper and iron sulphide and some comparatively free milling quartz. With depth the ore becomes smelting and concentrating material. The percentage of copper in the ore shipped to the smelters is from one to twelve units. In concentrates sometimes as high as 20 units. Silica in crude ore from 40 to 85. Smelter certificates show the ore to carry from 2 to 14 ounces of gold, and

from 3 to 65 ounces of silver. The bulk of the ore and concentrates shipped, however, will average about \$70 per ton.

As to Production

The Opportunity group has produced 23,000 tons of ore and over half a million dollars. The Bonanza mine 7000 tons and \$200,000. The Richmond, 5000 tons and over \$200,000. These are the largest producers so far.

Milling facilities are not practically good. The saving has been from 50 to 75 per cent at the best. A modern custom mill is badly needed, and a fortune awaits the parties who will build one. Sufficient water and an ideal concentrating ore, with proper appliances, 90 to 95 per cent would be the saving.

The owners of the mines are reasonable people, but they are not giving away their claims, or giving bond on long time rainbows. During the past two years some thirty mines have been sold, mostly around Animas Peak, and the highest price paid was \$17,000. That mine has become the largest producing and the best paying in the district, and the owners would now ask a very large sum. The greatly improved

price of copper and lower smelting rates have of late been very beneficial to these mines. With a good custom mill this progress would be rapid.

Freights.

From the mine to the El Paso smelter fare from \$6 to \$7 per ton; from mine to mill 75 cents to \$1.50 per ton.

The Geological Formation.

An eruptive country rock, by the experts classed as andesite. The ore veins are found accompanying dikes of fine grained felsite and birdseye porphyry which cut through the country northeast and southwest. Most of the veins are fairly easy working, on drifts contract prices have been from \$3 to \$6 per foot. Incline shafts on vein are cheaply driven, but vertical shafts in the country rock have generally been found very expensive.

There is an extensive placer field which is open to locators, and there are always some men at work who make from \$1 to \$5 per day. An occasional nugget brings up the average. Of course some men are luckier than others, here as elsewhere. Most of the gold is found within a few feet of the surface. The miners scoop up the pay streak dirt and run it through dry washing machines. The nearest water is distant five miles, and about 400 feet below the gold level. Several companies have been formed to work these placers on a high scale, but the immense cost of bringing in sufficient water has made the project appear of doubtful profit. A new company has recently been organized to exploit this field with a machine on the Bucyrus type. This is probably the very best method and likely to succeed.

The total output of the Hillsboro mines in dollars and cents is over \$2,000,000. In the Kingston district the Lady Franklin, Black Colt, Bullion, Superior, Comstock, Caledonia, Kangaroo, Brush Heap, Illinois, Templar, Virginus, Keystone, Cumberland, Gray Eagle and a few other properties had up to 1893 made an output of over 8,000,000 ounces of silver, sold at an average price of 93 cents per ounce. All of these mines made large profits, from 20 per cent on the Gray Eagle to 80 and 90 per cent on the Lady Franklin and others. At Lake Valley from only three claims there was mined in the space of a few years and with very great profit -- over \$6,000,000. At Hermosa and at Chloride there was also some very profitable silver mining. No great fortunes have been made yet in the gold districts,

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Corona News

The FFA students of Corona High School have had a busy and successful summer beginning with the FFA convention in June in Las Cruces. Those in attendance were: Andrew Bagley, who ran for a state office, Keith Shafter, and Shaline Lopez.

Shaline finished in the top ten in the creed contest and fifth in the state quiz contest. Dal Frost, Rachael Lueras, Megan Romans, Victor Perez, Courtney Perez and Sarah Stewart, participants in the Ag Issues Contest.

Dal Frost, Corona FFA President attended the FFA Camp in Portales where Mr. Widner was a presenter. FFA students conducted a cleanup day at the school, arena, and around town prior to the Corona Festival. They even worked on the school playground to remove the woodchips before the new playground equipment is installed.

Megan Romans, Delia Gonzalez, Tara Seely, Rachael Lueras, Dominica Fernandez and Rhiannon Alirez helped serve 362 people at the FFA dinner during the festival. The meal was cooked by Mr. and Mrs. Lynell Widner (Lane's parents) from Estancia. They were assisted by Kay Sulzmeier, Karen Seely, Shelly Frost, Karen Light-

foot (Lane's aunt) from Animas and Susie Widner (Lane's aunt) of Albuquerque. The ranch rodeo had 252 people to pay at the gate and 19 teams to enter the rodeo.

Special recognition goes to Lane Widner, Trays and Roemann Lightfoot, Dwayne Frost and Johnny Muncy. FFA students Rankin Frost, Keith Shafer, and Brandon Biebelle built panels for the Lincoln County Fair. The paint and finishing touches were provided by Tara Seely, Alexandra Stewart, James Roper, Rachael Lueras and Matthew May. FFA students helped work the concession stand at the county fair one day under the supervision of Karen Seely. Also helping with the concession stand were Chaparral 4-H members.

The Corona FFA would like to recognize all who helped with their summer projects and their continued support throughout the year.

Corona FFA and 4-H exhibitors had a good showing at the Lincoln County Fair this year. Congratulations to all of the exhibitors! Showing sheep were Quirt McDaniel, J.R. Shafer, Rankin and Dal Frost. Rankin had the Reserve Grand Champion, Dal had a 1st black face lamb, J.R.

received a 3rd and 4th, while Quirt showed a 3rd and 4th place lambs. J.R. Shafer showed the Reserve Champion Cabrito and also the Prize winning cake, which was a Red Velvet and netted \$800.00!

Dal Frost had the Grand Champion Steer which he had purchased from Gordon and Jan Barham from Carrizozo, and also had a 5th place steer.

Exhibiting pigs were Dal Frost, Keith Shafer, J.R. Shafer, Victor Perez, Rachael Lueras, Tysa Davidson, Quirt McDaniel and Chelsea Muniz.

In the Duroc Dight class Keith Shafer placed first and Tysa Davidson placed 4th. In the heavy class Dal Frost placed second, and Quirt McDaniel placed 3rd. Tysa Davidson placed 4th and Chelsea Muniz also exhibited in this class. Keith Shafer won the Champion of Breeds with his 1st place lightweight Duroc. Dal Frost and Rachael Lueras showed in the Hampshire lightweight class and Dal also exhibited in the Heavyweight class. Victor Perez had a light weight in the Polands and placed 2nd. Dal Frost had an entry in the heavy weight Polands and placed 5th. Keith Shafer had a 1st place in the York lightweight class and J.R. Shafer had a 3rd place in the York lightweight class, and a 6th place pig in the heavy weight division. Keith had the Reserve champion pig in the York class.

Showing in the Cross class lightweight was Victor Perez, Rachael Lueras, and Tysa Davidson. Keith Shafer placed 4th in that class. Tysa Davidson had the Grand Champion mare, 3rd in western pleasure, 2nd in photography.

Tommy and June Tyree have recently returned from a trip to Texas for the Mongford reunion. On their trip they went to Marfa, Ft. Davis, Mason, and then to Terlingue, TX to visit Casey (grandson) and wife Mira. They had a nice visit in Shfter, a little mining town in the 1940s where Tommy was born.

Two weeks ago Mrs. Curtis Duke and Mrs. Jerry Rasak attended an overnight DAR workwhop at Elephant Butte Inn. Husbands grumbled, but Lanita and Wanda enjoyed the two day respite from chores.

The first weekend of August, Inez Grant took her mother, Mrs. Cassie Brooks Bentsen, to Branson, Missouri for the Brooks family reunion. 132 attended. Mrs. Bentsen, the only one of her generation living, says she was treated like royalty at the Grand Country Inn where they stayed. They saw the Passion Play with seven Brooks in the cast. The two main characters, cousins, gave Mrs. Bentsen a video of the play. Garth Brooks, the grandson of a favorite first cousin did not attend, but Jeanie Shepard was there, entertained at the Inn, took Inez and Cassie to breakfast and gave them tapes of her latest original songs.

Jacob Grey has arrived

at his destination in Gushiegu, Ghana, Africa, after 17 hours from Detroit to Accra and another 16 hours on to Gushiegu by jeep. Jacob, 19, is enthusiastic about his work and expects others to come over to help with the colleges.

The ladies at the Baptist church honored Kayla Lueras with a pink and blue shower in the fellowship hall of the church Sunday afternoon. Special guests were Kayla's mother, Faith Hignight of Las Cruces, and aunt Phoebe Cogdill of Carrizozo. The night before, the females of the tribe had a sleep over and saw a movie in Kayla's home while the men had taken Troy on a three day camping trip at Bonito Lake to celebrate his sixth birthday. Helping with the fishing and camping were Troy's father, Randy Lueras, uncle Arly Dial and grandfather Bill Hignight of Las Cruces.

The Foster sisters had a short family reunion when Amy arrived from Winnemucca, NV with husband Randy Nicholson and their three daughters, Sheena, Caroline and Tori, Sunday evening. Nicholson's stayed until Thursday. Amy teaches at the college in Winnemucca.

On Monday, Aug. 14 a brunch was given by Corona Schools to welcome back the school staff for another school year. Jeane Gibbs and Edie Porter came up with the menu as well as edible decorations. There were tables covered with forest

green tablecloths that held a smorgasbord of delicacies. There were three kinds of breads; cranberry, zucchini / pineapple, and apricot. Served with the breads were butter cremes. A

wonderful spinach, ham, green chili quiche, a silver tray of fresh fruit with pineapple centerpiece that held a delicious fruit dip, trays of fresh veggies that were complemented with

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A Glimpse of

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but from the placers and the Trippe, Richmond and Snake mines very respectable sums have been made by lessees.

The very rich ore bodies, so far as known, have been practically exhausted, and the search for more is greatly discontinued. The decline in silver operates against the medium grades and the want of proper reduction works prevents the profitable working of the inexhaustible bodies of low grade ores. The experiments made in concentration have not been thorough enough; neither Wilfleys, vanners or jigs are by themselves sufficient. In a modern mill the ore goes through a series of processes and each process will save from 40 to 60 per cent of the value of the pulp that comes to it, so that the tailings finally flow off with trifling loss. In this field there is a fine opening and certain profit for the investment of capital.

There are hundreds of square miles in the mineral belt yet unexplored. It is not likely that the first wave of prospectors found all the treasures that nature has stored in the hills. The great deposits of silver chlorides and sulphides found in the Bridal Chamber at Lake Valley and in several Kingston mines have their counterparts waiting for the lucky man, but the

hills, like the Scriptures, must be intelligently searched before they give up their treasures. The prospector can work all the year; if anything perhaps better in winter time. Many of the mines, also, are open to leasing, and chances of thus striking rich deposits are worth consideration. Long time and very liberal leases are the rule.

Recent discoveries of rich gold and tellurium ores have been found so far on one claim on Trujillo creek, about six miles south of Kingston. Between \$20,000 and \$30,000 has already been realized on sale of ore. All this has been in small bunches of ore close to the surface.

Quite a number of miners and prospectors are going into this new field. The section had been entirely ignored, and beyond a little assessment work nothing was done there. Now, with ore showing up worth thousands of dollars per ton, it is likely to be heard of around the world. On Terra Blanca creek, not far from these new discoveries, are a number of good mines, notably the Log Cabin, a steady producer of good ore which brings from \$100 to \$500 per ton.

MORE OF SIERRA COUNTY, N.M.
Nature of the Ore
NEXT WEEK

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 8:00 p.m.
- Spirit of Life Apostolic Pentecostal Tabernacle**
ALLAN M. MILLER, pastor
209 Lincoln Ave, Capitlan, NM 354-2025
Tuesday Bible Study..... 7:00 pm
Sunday School..... 10:00 am
Sunday Evening..... 6:00 pm
- First Baptist Church**
HAYDEN SMITH, pastor
314 10th Ave, Carrizozo, NM 648-2968 (church) or 648-2107
Sunday School..... 9:45 am
Worship Service..... 10:55 am
Sun. Evening..... Training at 8:15 pm
Evening Worship..... 7:15 pm
Wednesday Bible Study..... 7:00 pm
- Carrisoso Community Church (A/G)**
JOHNNIE L. JOHNSON, pastor
Corner of C Ave. & Thirteenth, 648-2188
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
213 Birch, Carrizozo, NM, 648-2853
SATURDAY:
Captain Sacred Heart..... 5:00 pm
Czozzo Santa Rita..... 8:30 pm
SUNDAY:
Captain Sacred Heart..... 9:00 am
Czozzo 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..... 11:00 am
Evening Worship..... 7:15 pm
Wednesday Bible Study..... 7:00 pm
- St. Matthias Episcopal Church**
REV. CANON JOHN PENN, rector
Corner E. Ave. & Sixth, Carrizozo, NM
1-505-257-2925
Holy Eucharist..... 9:30 am Sunday

The Word of Life Church
REV. CHUCK FULTON, pastor / 648-2339
711 E. Ave., Carrizozo, NM
Affiliated w/ the Evangelistic Assembly Church
Sunday..... 7:00 p.m.

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

United Methodist Churches
ROM WOODARD, pastor
1000 D. Ave. 648-2853 / 648-2848
Carrizozo, NM 88301
Sunday School (All Ages)..... 10:00 am
Worship Service..... 11:10 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 Smokey Bear Blvd./Capitan
Preparation Prayer..... 10:00 a.m.
Sunday Morning Worship..... 10:30 a.m.

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

Trinity Southern Baptist Church
Phone 354-2044
Capitan (South on Hwy. 48)
Sunday School..... 9:30 a.m.
Worship Service..... 11:00 a.m.
AWANA Wednesday..... 6:00 p.m.

First Baptist Church of Corona
CAL WEST, pastor / 649-7975
Sunday School..... 10:00 a.m.
Worship Service..... 11:00 a.m.
Wed. Bible Study..... 7:00 p.m.
Fellowship Dinner..... First Sunday of Month

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LEGAL NOTICE

**TWELFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT
COUNTY OF LINCOLN
STATE OF NEW MEXICO**
No. CV-00-178
Division

IN RE: Matter of ANNY BABY HECKMAN
Changing Her Name to ANNY BABY

NOTICE OF FILING

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that ANNY BABY HECKMAN has filed a Petition with the District Court, Twelfth Judicial District to make application for a change of name to ANNY BABY. Such application to the Court will be heard on the 11th day of September, 2000, at 8:30 o'clock, A.M., at the Lincoln County Courthouse, 300 Central, Carrizozo, New Mexico.
Said Petitioner is a resident of Lincoln County, New Mexico.

ANNY BABY HECKMAN

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LEGAL NOTICE

**STATE OF NEW MEXICO
COUNTY OF LINCOLN
TWELFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT**
No. CV-00-079

CHASE MANHATTAN MORTGAGE CORPORATION,
a New Jersey corporation,
Plaintiff,

vs.
DARLA K. GODWIN,
Defendant.

NOTICE OF SALE

Notice is hereby given that on the 8th day of September, 2000, at the hour of 11:00 a.m., the undersigned Special Master, or her designee, will, at the front entrance of Lincoln County Courthouse, 300 Central, Carrizozo, New Mexico, sell all of the right, title and interest of the above-named Defendant, in and to the hereinafter described real estate to the highest bidder for cash. The property to be sold is located at 145 Grandview, Capitan, New Mexico 88316, and is more particularly described as follows:

Lot 24, Block 4 of BIG COUNTRY SUBDIVISION, Lincoln County, New Mexico, as shown by the plat thereof filed in the office of the County Clerk of Lincoln County, February 8, 1973, in Tube No. 478.

Subject to all taxes, utility liens and other restrictions and easements of record, and subject to a one (1) month right of redemption by the Defendant Darla K. Godwin, the foregoing sale will be made to satisfy a foreclosure judgment rendered by this Court in the above-entitled and numbered cause, being an action to foreclose a mortgage on the above-described property. Chase Manhattan Mortgage Corporation's judgment is \$58,716.53, and the same bears interest at 7.5% per annum, which accrues at the rate of \$12.07 per diem, commencing on August 1, 2000, with the Court reserving entry of final judgment against said Defendant Darla K. Godwin for the amount due after foreclosure sale, for costs and attorney's fees, plus interest as may be assessed by the Court. Chase Manhattan Mortgage Corporation has the right to bid at such sale all of its judgment amount and submit its bid verbally or in writing. The Plaintiff may apply for any part of its judgment to the purchase price in lieu of cash. The sale may be postponed and rescheduled at the discretion of the Special Master.

The Court's decree, having duly appointed Shirley Colmenero, as its Special Master to advertise and immediately offer for sale the subject real estate and to apply the proceeds of sale, first to the costs of sale and the Special Master's fees, then to pay the above-described judgment, interest, and costs of sale, and to pay unto the registry of the Court may balance remaining to satisfy future adjudication of priority mortgage holders;

NOW, THEREFORE, notice is hereby given that in the event that said property is not sooner redeemed, the undersigned will as set forth above, offer for sale and sell to the highest bidder for cash or equivalent, the lands and improvements above described for the purpose of satisfying, in the adjudged order of priorities, the judgment entered in the partial final judgment and decree of foreclosure together with any additional costs and attorney's fees, costs of advertisement and publication, a reasonable receiver and Special Master's fee to be fixed by the Court. The total amount of the judgment due is \$58,716.53, plus interest to and including date of sale of \$470.73 for a total judgment plus interest of \$59,187.26. Sale is subject to the entry of an order of the Lincoln County District Court approving the terms and conditions of this sale.

WITNESS MY HAND THIS 27th DAY OF JULY, 2000.

SHIRLEY COLMENERO, Special Master
3021 Del Prado
Alamogordo, NM 88310
(505) 437-9741

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LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF INVITATION TO SUBMIT BIDS
NOTICE is hereby given that competitive sealed bids will be received by the Lincoln County Purchasing Agent at Lincoln County Courthouse, 300 Central Ave. (P.O. Box 711), Carrizozo, NM 88301, until 2:00 p.m., Tuesday, September 12, 2000 at which time and place the bids will be opened and publicly read aloud. Bids not received by the time and date indicated above will not be accepted for consideration and will be returned unopened.

**SEALED BID NO. 00-01-011
APPLYING DUST CONTROL SUPPRESSANT
TO SELECTED COUNTY ROADS**

The Lincoln County Board of Commissioners will review the bids and make their final determination during a regular 9:00 a.m. County Commission meeting on Thursday, September 21, 2000 at the Lincoln County Courthouse.

Specifications are available at the Office of the Purchasing Agent, Lincoln County Courthouse or by calling Jane Williams (505) 648-2385.

All bids must be clearly marked on the outside of the sealed envelope with the Bid Title, Bid Number, Date and Time of Opening. If the bid is sent by mail, the sealed envelope shall have the notation "Sealed Bid" along with the Bid Number.

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

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LEGAL NOTICE

ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS

Notice is given hereby that sealed bids will be accepted at the Lincoln County Board of Commissioners, 300 Central Avenue, Carrizozo, New Mexico, for the construction of the

**LINCOLN FIRE STATION ADDITION
LINCOLN, NEW MEXICO**

According to Drawings and Specifications prepared by Nims, Calvani & Associates and described in general as:

The Lincoln Fire Station Addition consists of 1,700 sq. ft. of garage and storage space. Minimal demolition and site work will be required. Building construction consists of wood stud frame construction with stucco exterior finish and Pro-Panel metal roof. Interior finish will be painted gypsum board. Toilet room remodel will consist of removal of existing toilet fixture and installation of accessible fixtures. Gas unit heaters will be installed at the garage and storage rooms. Electrical work includes lighting, power and special systems.

Sealed bids will be received at the Lincoln County Board of Commissioners Office until:

Tuesday, September 19, 2000 at 2:00 p.m.

Bid will be opened and read aloud at that time and that place. Bids received after that time will not be accepted. Interested parties are invited to attend.

A Pre-bid site visit will be conducted on Tuesday, September 5, 2000 at 1:00 p.m., at the Lincoln Fire Station. All interested Parties are invited to attend. Proposed Contract Documents may be examined at:

Nims, Calvani & Associates
525 San Pedro NE, Suite 110
Albuquerque, NM 87108
(505) 255-6400
(505) 268-6954 (fax)

Builder's News and Plan Room
3435 Princeton Dr. NE
Albuquerque, NM 87107
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(505) 883-1627 (fax)

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Albuquerque, NM 87102
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(505) 242-4758 (fax)

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Albuquerque, NM 87102
(505) 243-2817
(505) 842-0231 (fax)

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El Paso, TX 79925
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LEGAL NOTICE

The Lincoln Historic Preservation Board will hold a Special Meeting on Saturday, August 26th, 2000. The meeting is scheduled to begin at 4:00 p.m. at the Community Church in Lincoln, New Mexico.

AGENDA

- I. CALL TO ORDER
- II. ROLL CALL
- III. Third and Final PUBLIC HEARING
Certified Local Government Grant Projects -
Grant Steering Committee - final review.
- IV. ADJOURN

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Rates Increased

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the county and Corona in order to get a rate increase. As costs went up, rates stayed the same, creating a deficit situation that threatened the existence of the authority. Finally, LCSWA attorney Don Dutton after researching all bylaws and joint powers agreements issued his opinion that the LCSWA board did have the power to set rates as needed to operate.)

The LCSWA board also approved a resolution that adjusted their 2000-01 fiscal year budget by \$179,819 to reflect the additional revenue from increase in the residential rates.

Rates for commercial trash service also went up when LCSWA members unanimously approved a resolution. All commercial rates in Capitan, Carrizozo and Ruidoso Downs will be \$45 a month, with commercial poly karts to remain the same fee for now. The county rate of \$49 a month will continue the same. Simpson said the reason for the large increase is because the county commercial accounts are paying far more for the very same service, picked up by the same truck on the same routes and the increase will make all rates equitable while bringing in more very much needed revenue. The cost of a 40-yard roll off container also went up, as board members approved a resolution that increases the fee for emptying a container from the previous \$250 to \$300. Simpson said this brought the cost of a LCSWA roll off up to the cost of the private

competitor.

Then the board approved a new employee classification grid, which was estimated to cost \$34,529 a year to implement. While the board approved the grid, Ingle was reluctant to include the proposed expenditure to implement the grid on the resolution that adjusted the budget for the rate increases. Ingle said she preferred to wait until they begin to get the new revenue, and after they see Simpson's reorganization plan before they adjusted the expenditures. "We can't afford to expend money we don't have yet," Ingle said. "No doubt the employees need the increases and have for some time, but not until we have the money."

The new employee classification grid takes into account the years of service and the type of position. Virden said most adjustments to salaries are very minor.

Another resolution approved was for the Infrastructure Capital Improvement Plan (ICIP) for 2001 that lists the purchase of a walking floor trailer as the first priority, purchase of a side loader (collection truck) as second priority, roll off tractor as third, 10 roll off containers, 20 yard recycling roll off. The ICIP is used in seeking legislative funding and grants. The next grant cycle for solid waste will be in spring 2001, after the state legislature meets.

Later in the meeting Simpson presented a proposal to lease a walking floor trailer

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red, yellow, and green bell peppers that were carved into containers for three veggie dips.

Fred Porter carved a whale from a watermelon. Inside the whale were melon balls of honeydew, cantaloupe, and watermelon. The whale was lying on a silver tray on a bed of assorted salad greens and green grapes. A basket was also made from another watermelon and, across the handle of the basket were flowers that were cut out of jicama that was dyed with assorted food coloring in shades of yellow and pink, the center of the flowers were slices of carrots. A greenery bow on the basket handle was made with iris plant leaves. The basket was filled with fruit and melon balls. Sitting around the tables were ducks made from yellow crooked neck squash, dressed in their finery.

A large tray of cheese tidbits as well as a large wheel of cheese was on the table, running around and across the cheese were frolicking mice made from long rooted radishes, with big radish slices for ears and whole cloves for eyes.

Every brunch needs a centerpiece — how about one made with the tops of

celery, parsley, red leaf lettuce, roses made from radishes and jicama flowers of yellow and pink accented by blades of its foliage. The centerpiece was designed in a crystal swan bowl. The large silver punch bowl held a refreshing orange juice punch with an ice ring made of fresh grapes, kiwi, and peaches, served along with the punch were steeping carafes of hot coffee. The staff was very impressed and appreciative to Jeanene and Edie, and expressed how much they enjoyed the brunch, and the charming decorations. Jeanene and Edie appreciate their husbands for their help and support during the days of preparation, and also to Janice Bonds for coming in early to help set up the brunch.

Corona Lady Cardinals volleyball team for the year 2000 will be coached by Rick Gage. Team members this year will be senior Marilee Bryan, juniors Monique Johnson, and Rhiannon Alirez, sophomore Tara Seely, freshman Rachael Lueras, and 8th grader Estee Holman. Dominica Fernandez is on the injured list at this time.

to supplement the one in use now. With another trailer LCSWA can haul all of its own trash to the regional landfill, instead of having to pay to use the Ruidoso transfer and hauling system. LCSWA received cost figures to lease the trailer, and roll off trailer and 10 new roll off containers.

Ingle agreed on the need, but again said the authority needs to keep in the black. "So do salaries first, then the walking floor trailer next," she said.

Simpson also reported they had established a loading ramp for the walking floor trailer at the old county landfill off Airport Road. Simpson had sought and was granted permission to use the landfill site from the county commission at their meeting August 17. Simpson said with this new central location they got the loading ramp out of the LCSWA yard in Ruidoso Downs. Harris had complained of the trash loading and solid waste transfer in the middle of the village as being the only such operation in a municipality in the state.

Illegal dumping continues to be a problem for LCSWA which has 35 cases going to court. Simpson said there are 80 others to be filed and just last week a LCSWA employee caught two businesses illegally dumping in a residential container. Simpson said when drivers suspect illegal dumping of commercial trash in residential dumpsters they call into the office and an employee goes to the container and sifts through the trash until he finds written evidence of the business. Simpson said the employee then confronts the business owner and has had at least one admit to using a residential can. Also last week, employees recovered two stolen cash registers and safes and some other items the police department are investigating.

Residents can report possible illegal dumping by getting a license plate number and/or a name if the person doing the dumping is known, and report it to the Lincoln County Sheriff's Office dispatch or LCSWA offices in Ruidoso Downs at 378-4769.

Virden reported she had completed a request for pro-

posals (rfp) for engineering services on the final closure of the Class C Landfill near Capitan. She also reported that she had received a letter from the state advising there would be no grant funding until 2001.

Ingle also discussed a request by the mayor of Carrizozo to change the LCSWA meeting date to night, possibly a Friday. Ingle said Friday nights would not serve the public who are invited to attend the LCSWA meetings. She requested they return the meetings to 2 p.m. the third Tuesday of each month. Both Carrizozo and Capitan boards of trustees meet on the second and fourth Tuesdays of each month. The mayor of Carrizozo was not at the Tuesday, Aug. 22 afternoon LCSWA meeting, and had sent the town clerk Lee-ann Wehbrecht with his proxy vote. The board did not take action on moving the meeting date until the mayor of Carrizozo was able to respond to Ingle's recommendation.

Lincoln County Democrats Meet Tonight

Lincoln County Democrats meet tonight, Thursday, August 24, at the home of Bob and Thelma Stephens on Birch Lane west of Capitan.

The pot luck dinner meeting starts at 6:30 p.m. Guests are asked to bring a favorite dish. Meat, tea and coffee will be provided.

All candidates are invited to speak, and member Doris Cherry will give a report on her recent participation at the Democratic National Convention in Los Angeles.

For more information call 354-2329 or 338-1145.

Special Saturday Registration At ENMU-Ruidoso

Registration for fall classes at ENMU in Ruidoso has been scheduled for Saturday, August 26 from 8 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. at the Ruidoso Center in the Sierra Mall.

Registration for fall session courses continues daily between the hours of 7 a.m. and 6 p.m.

257-2120 or outside the Ruidoso area toll free at 1-800-834-3688.

FAST ACTION

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tfn-Aug. 3

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4tp-Aug 3, 10, 17 & 24

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tfn-July 27

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4tc-Aug-10, 17, 24 & 31

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2tc-Aug 17 & 24

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ALFALFA HAY FOR SALE in Honda Valley. Contact Ralph Montes. 505-653-4526
tfn-May 18

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY

HEAD START TEACHER: Region IX Education Cooperative (Lincoln County Head Start) is seeking a highly qualified individual committed to early childhood programs for the Carrizozo Head Start site.
Minimum qualifications:
1. High School Diploma and CDA Certification;
2. Willingness to obtain an Associates Degree;
3. Strong written, verbal and interpersonal communication skills; and
3. Bilingual (Spanish/English) preferred, not required.
Only fully-qualified individuals need inquire. Application deadline is August 28, 2000, 4:00 p.m. Call REC IX - (505) 257-2368. (Fred Romero or Teresa Barnett) or (Linda Brown at Carrizozo Public Schools - (505) 648-2348) for complete job description and application. REC IX is an equal opportunity employer.

SALARY: Dependent upon training/experience per REC IX Non-Certified Salary Schedule, plus the benefit package of REC IX.
START DATE: September 5, 2000.
CONTRACT DAYS: 182 days corresponding with the Region IX calendar - 8:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. daily.
SELECTION PROCESS: Applications, resumes, letters of interest will be screened by an application screening committee. Finalists (2-3) will be interviewed by an interview committee.
APPLICATION PACKET MUST CONTAIN: Letter of interest. Resume. Application (Notarized).

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EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY
Lincoln County Solid Waste Authority is accepting applications for a temporary full - time position of Solid Waste Collection / Transport Driver. Position requires Class A CDL drivers license and at least three years experience driving tractor and trailer. Positions will be filled as needed. You may pick up applications at 222 Second Street, Ruidoso Downs, NM or call (505) 378-4697. Applications deadline will be August 28, 2000, 4:00 p.m.
1tc/Aug. 24

HOUSE FOR RENT: 2 BR, 907 8th St., Carrizozo, adjacent to school. Contact Rosemary at 648-2165 after 5 p.m.
1tp-Aug 24

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VACANCY NOTICE
August 17, 2000

POSITIONS:

- * Behaviorally Disordered Special Education Instructional Assistant.
- * Substitute Nurse (Board Certified)

CONTRACT: As per 2000 - 2001 pay schedule.

QUALIFICATIONS:

- * Have or is eligible for a New Mexico Instructional Assistant license if applicable.
- * TB Test.
- * Background Check

APPLICATION DEADLINE: 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, N.M. 88316
Phone: 505-354-2239
Fax: 505-354-2240

Capitan Municipal Schools policy is to select the best qualified applicant without regard to race, color, marital status, religious/creed, sex, disability/handicap, or national origin.

2tc/Aug. 24 & 31.

Public Denied Access

(Continued From Last Week)

County commissioners seem also to be unsure about prescriptive rights. During an April 11 Lincoln County Commission meeting there was discussion about a request to close a portion of the east end of the South Base Road FR57. Game and Fish Department officials wanted to keep it open for the public. Forest Service official Sam Tobias urged commissioners to keep the road open because of law enforcement and fire control issues. Tobias continued to work on the issue until his death in a plane crash associated with the Scott Able Fire in May. Citizens asked the road be kept open because of its age and its continued public use and the access it gives for hunters and others for recreation.

During the same meeting citizen Charles Nolen said the South Base Road as FR 338 and FR57 meets all the requirements of prescriptive rights because it has been used as a public right of way for decades and has had public money expended to maintain and repair it.

County commissioners took no action on the closure, rather asked the Public Land Use Advisory Council (PLUAC) to look at the public access issue and make recommendations at a future time.

Morel at that meeting said prescriptive rights can be claimed if a roadway is used as a public roadway for 10 years or more. He said the prescriptive right may be claimed by anyone who feels they have a right, including the Forest Service. However, he also said when the county closes a road it gives up its prescriptive rights.

Nolen told *THE NEWS* that a public easement by implication and prescription does exist on both FR 338 and FR 57 (South Base Road). "These public easements have been accepted by landowners for more than 50 years by requesting and accepting road maintenance for improvements on private lands, in exchange for public usage," Nolen said. "Public equipment and labor was used on the access and culvert from Salazar Canyon Road to FR-338 where the barricade was built. A public cattle guard was used on the West End of FR 338."

Nolen said all law enforcement agencies should enforce laws for removing bar-

ricades on public road easements. He also said the burden of proof (to protect the prescriptive rights) lies with the landowner. "Forest Roads #338 and #57 must remain open for public use, until the landowner contests and proves these roads do not have easements," he added.

Nolen also contends no governmental agency has the right to close any road that is public by prescriptive rights. Instead, he thinks all issues involving road access should go to the courts to be decided. "This way the issue is off the backs of the agencies, and let the courts decide," Nolen added.

"The problem is what next?" Nolen continued. "I want the public agencies to realize and accept the criteria of public roads and enforce this."

Lincoln County Sheriff Tom Sullivan told *THE NEWS* he is aware of the complaints about the locked gate on FR 338. He said he and Morel are looking for a solution before hunting season begins on September 1. "We have to look into this situation," Sullivan said. "If it is a case where a person has the right to cross private land because there is no other access to the public land then I would probably side with the person."

Predicting the issue will end up in court, Sullivan said he hopes it will be resolved before there is a confrontation between hunters and the G-F ranch at the opening of hunting season.

Nolen asks that anyone who is concerned about keeping open public access to public lands to call Congressman Joe Skeen at 505-822-0085, U.S. Senator Jeff Bingaman at 505-622-7113, U.S. Senator Pete Domenici at 505-623-6170, U.S. Forest Service Ranger Jerry Hawkes at 505-257-4005, Lincoln National Forest Supervisor Jose Martinez at 505-653-4024, Congresswoman Heather Wilson at 505-346-6781 and the Lincoln County Sheriff's Office at 1-800-887-2419.

"Remember, if we have lost our access, we have lost our public lands," Nolen concluded.

THE NEWS was unable to reach G-F manager Jimmy Clark for comments. G-F Ranch is owned by the widow of the late Gaylord Freeman.

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A Pioneer Of Golf

Ralph Petty

The following article was taken from the June/July 2000 edition of *Que Pasa?*, the official publication of the New Mexico Activities Association. The article is about long time Carrizozo and Lincoln County resident Ralph Petty.

At age 13, he picked up a set of women's hand-me-down golf clubs from his aunt, walked two blocks from his house to a municipal golf course in Alamogordo, NM and began teaching himself the game of golf. Young Ralph Petty had no idea that he would become a major guiding force in New Mexico golf in a time when there were virtually no high school or college level golf programs to speak of in New Mexico. Petty would be one of the first people to change that fact.

For the next couple of years he spent most of his spare time outside of school and his family caddy and golfing. In 1933, 15-year-old Petty, with \$15 in his pocket, drove his family's car from Alamogordo to Roswell to compete in the very first New Mexico State High School Golf Championships as a sophomore. Among the

names that he competed against were Don Klein and Dode Forrester. Klein went on to become a professional golfer and the long-time Head Golf Pro at Four Hills Country Club in Albuquerque, while Forrester also became a professional golfer, as well as Head Golf Pro at Hobbs Country Club for many years. Petty emerged victorious and will forever hold the distinction of being New Mexico's first high school state golf champion. Upon his championship victory, he persuaded Alamogordo High School to establish a golf program, thus truly distinguishing himself as a groundbreaker.

While this achievement is a great success as well as a historical landmark, Petty more clearly recalls a golf tournament that he participated in, about 8 months prior to the 1933 state golf championship. At the 4th of July Invitational at Cloudercroft in 1932, 15-year-old Petty served as his own caddy, paid for his own fee and defeated an open field of about 50-60 amateur golfers from around the nation. "Every year that tournament was a big event," said Petty. "My folks didn't even know that I

was at the tournament until I was in the semi-finals. Then, my dad showed up and served as my caddy for the last 18 holes." In fact, neither his father nor his brother had ever seen him golf before that tournament in Cloudercroft. What's more, Petty had only golfed in one previous tournament -- a small club tournament in Silver City, which he also won.

With such great success at such an early age, Ralph Petty was destined to make an impact on golf in New Mexico. By the time he graduated from high school in 1934, his family had moved to Carrizozo and opened a grocery store that he helped operate for a year after high school before taking a golf scholarship at New Mexico Normal University (now New Mexico Highlands University) in Las Vegas. Interestingly enough, like many universities at the time, New Mexico Normal did not have a golf program when Petty received his scholarship.

As a result, he was appointed the first head golf coach/teacher of the university for the 1936-37 school year. In fact, this was most likely one of the first golf scholarships to be granted in New

Mexico. "I don't really know if there were ever any golf scholarships granted before this since there weren't many golf programs," said Petty. The uniqueness of this is that he was only a student, and received school credit for coaching golf. The team was comprised of anybody who signed up for his class. "We golfed against each other and we competed against whatever few colleges that had golf programs," said Petty. "It really introduced golf to the university as well as other athletic activities."

At the end of the 1936-37 school year, the University of New Mexico offered Petty a near identical scholarship of teaching and coaching golf. However, he moved back to Carrizozo and began his business career instead. He helped his parents operate the local grocery store as well as their other various business endeavors before developing businesses of his own. Throughout his career, Petty operated a variety of mostly general merchandise stores in Carrizozo and Ruidoso. He also served as an outstanding role model as a 12-year member of the State School Board in both Carrizozo and Ruidoso.

Petty retired to Abilene, TX in 1980 where he resides today.

Petty continued to golf as an amateur throughout his professional business career. At age 21, he won the Southwest Amateur Tournament in Tucson, AZ that featured golfers from around the region. Throughout his amateur golfing career, Petty qualified for tournaments where he competed against such famous names as Sam Snead, Byron Nelson, Bing Crosby and Bob Hope.

Petty has four children, Ralph Jr. 57, John 53, Karen 50, and Sandra 43, who all have well-established careers. "I think modesty best describes him," said John Petty, describing his father. "He took a lot of pride in what he did but he didn't take a lot of credit for it." According to John, his father's involvement in education was very influential in his life, as well as the rest of his siblings. "Him (his father) being on the school board probably kept me in school," said John.

Throughout his life, Ralph Petty has been a leader and a groundbreaker -- he began exhibiting this as a young teenager. As a pioneer of New Mexico golf, Ralph Petty won the inaugural N. M. State High School Golf Championship, helped establish a golf program at Alamogordo High School and initiated the golf program at Highland University. What's most significant about Pet-

ty's achievements is that he paved the way for many others to follow. At age 15, he first played a key role in not only making more school activities available to students, but getting more students involved in activities as well. Whether or not he knew it at the time, the doors that he opened in high school and college golf have had a positive, domino effect on several generations of student athletes throughout the state at all levels.

Elk Foundation To Fund Projects In Lincoln Nat'l Forest

The Rocky Mountain Elk Foundation, New Mexico project advisory committee recently approved funding for 18 wildlife conservation projects for this year, including a project on the Lincoln National Forest.

With combined matching funds from various natural resource agencies and conservation partners, the projects will direct \$655,988 to New Mexico wildlife habitat enhancement.

On the Lincoln National Forest the projects include pinon-juniper thinning at Waterhole and White Mountain Elk Passes #2, a reconstruction of 2.5 miles of fence with passes along heavily used elk corridor on the White Mountain Wilderness boundary.

Rock Mountain Elk Foundation is an international, nonprofit conservation organization whose mission is to ensure the future of elk, other wildlife and their habitat. To learn more about the Elk Foundation, visit www.elkfoundation.org or phone 1-800-CALL ELK.

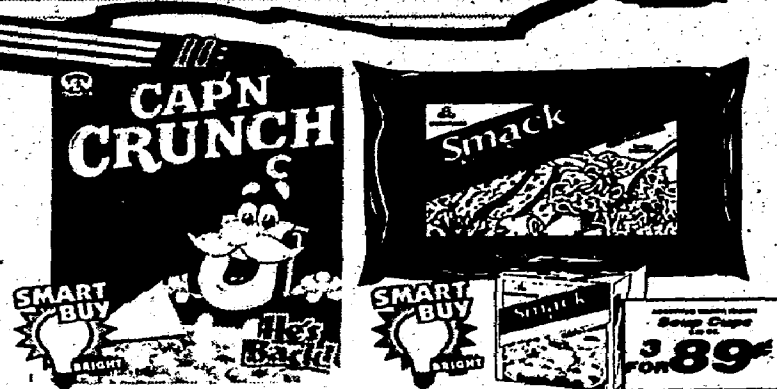
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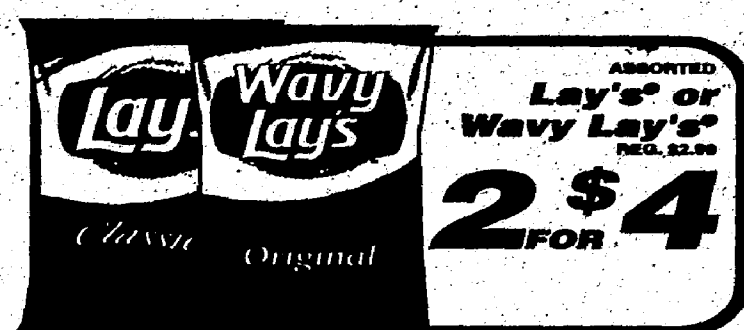
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