

School Board Candidates File Tuesday, Dec. 19th

by Doris Cherry

School districts in Lincoln County are holding board elections on February 6, 2001.

Anyone wishing to be a candidate for a school board position at any of the schools in Lincoln County must file between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m. Tuesday, December 19 in the office of the Lincoln County

Clerk in the Lincoln County Courthouse in Carrizozo.

Registered voters who live within their respective school districts, including those who live outside Lincoln County, are eligible to file. Names of all candidates who file on December 19 will appear on the election ballot.

Any registered voter wishing to be a declared write-in candidate must file with the

Lincoln County Clerk before 5 p.m. on January 2. Names of write-in candidates do not appear on the ballot, but the ballots do indicate if someone has filed as a declared write-in candidate for a specific position.

All candidates filing for positions must have updated affidavits of voter registration that show the candidates' physical residential

address (to show the candidate lives within the school district.)

In addition to the elections for the board positions, voters in the Hondo and Corona School Districts will be asked whether or not a property tax of \$2 per each \$1,000 of net taxable value of property (commonly known as two mill levy or SB9) should be imposed for tax years

2001 through 2004. These two mill levy funds can only be used for capital improvements for the district and cannot be used for salaries.

Most districts use these funds for needed building maintenance, uniform replacements, and toward ongoing construction projects.

Below is a listing of the positions open for each district and the people who cur-

rently fill them. Also listed are the precincts that are consolidated into the one polling place per school district.

Capitan Municipal School District:

Qualified voters in Lincoln County precincts 3 and 5 and portions of 1, 2A, 2B, 4, 6, 7, 10 and 12C will vote at the

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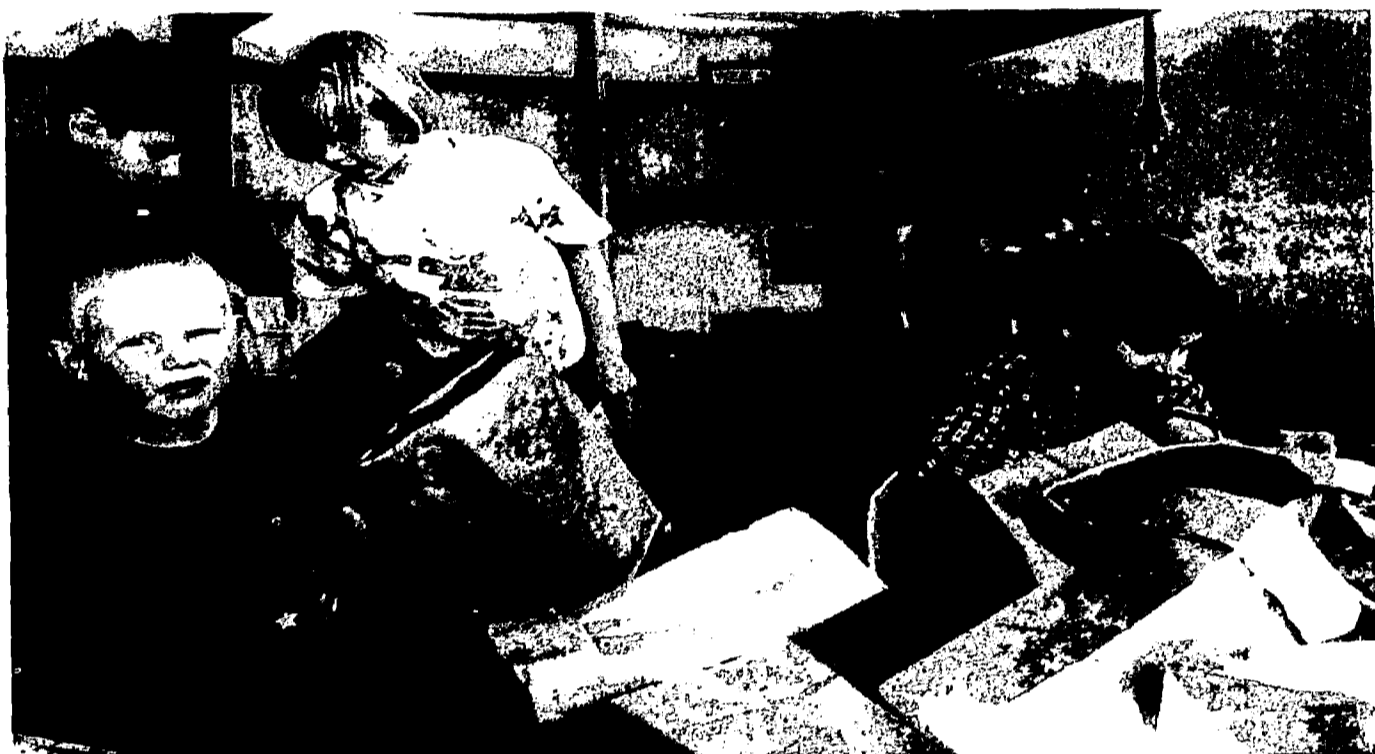
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CARRIZOZO, NM 88301



SANDY SACKING. Young volunteers had a fun time filling paper sacks, and their shoes, with sand on Saturday, Dec. 16. Volunteers gathered at the Carrizozo Fire Department to prepare the 5,000 luminarias that will be the featured attraction of the Carrizozo Christmas Eve luminaria display.

Carrizozo Declines Sewer To Cimarron

by Jeff Hammond

Rebecca Means spoke to the Carrizozo Town Council at their meeting Tuesday, Nov. 12 and asked what would have to be done to get water and sewer to the Cimarron Site. The Cimarron site is on Highway 380 east of the overpass. Means said that since the property was inside the city limits that she has the right to have water and sewer.

In the discussion that followed the mayor directed town foreman Jim Payne to find out if there was a line on that side of the road for water that the Cimarron site could be hooked to. The discussion also disclosed there would be expense to run sewer lines under the highway, and the pump station that would be needed to pump the sewage up to the lines. Payne stated the drop of the land is such that the hook-up would be extremely expensive, more money than the town has. The mayor suggested the town approve a septic tank installation if approval can be acquired from the state engineers office.

Kirk Noel spoke to the trustees, for the second time, about his proposal to use the old Belco building, behind Four Winds Restaurant, in his sandstone/flagstone cutting business. Noel said he was currently supplying rock for a building in Albuquerque, and he had to ship the raw stone all of the way to

Belen to be cut which was good if the delivery was in the northern part of the state, but what about his orders into Texas. The time, distance and overall expenses would prove to be too costly.

Noel went on to assure trustees that the rumors circulating about noise, dust and traffic were unfounded. He said that in the cutting process water was used so there would be no dust, and also said the trains would make much more noise and dust. Noel said he is comfortable with taking over the property with the pile of old broken up asphalt where it is, stating that the only thing he might do would be to

push the pile further away from the building.

Town resident Barbara Culler asked about water needs. Noel explained that the water used in cutting is saved for future use (recycled), saying that sometimes the grit cuts rocks almost as efficiently as the banded blade he uses.

The mayor urged Noel to apply to the town planning and zoning committee to change the zoning from C-1 to M-1.

Noel also informed the council that his business would provide at least three jobs for the community.

Trustees voted to approve

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Capitan Fires Police Officer

by Doris Cherry

Capitan trustees fired police officer Victor Rodriguez during their meeting Tuesday, December 12.

After coming out of a closed door session with village attorney Don Dutton to discuss police personnel matters and threatened litigation relating to the public safety facility project trustees voted 3-1 to accept the recommendation from police chief Carroll Durbin to terminate Rodriguez, who had been hired two months ago. Trustee Leroy Montes ab-

stained from voting, but cited no reason or gave no explanation.

"We can do this with or without cause because he was a probationary employee," said Capitan Mayor Norman Renfro. All newly hired employees are considered probationary for their first six months working for the village.

Nearly three years in the making, the Capitan Public Safety Facility appears to be nearing completion. After the closed session, trustees unanimously authorized Dutton to close the Public

Safety Facility project. Dutton said the contractor Taylor Construction had signed a certificate of substantial completion, the architect had signed the certificate of occupancy, and there was recommendation from the fire chief to accept the building as it is. Dutton then recommended the village withhold a total of \$7,804.25 from the payment to Taylor Construction. Of that \$1,000 would be held until a water heater and fan for a heater are installed, \$1,800 for attorney fees, \$1,051 for natural

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County To Hold Hearing On Water Plan Dec. 21

At 2 p.m. Thursday, December 21, the Lincoln County Commission will hold a public hearing on the regional water plan as part of their regular meeting that begins at 9 a.m. in the commission chambers in the Lincoln County Courthouse in Carrizozo.

Items to be considered by commissioners, as listed on the tentative meeting agenda, are:

-Presentation to outgoing Lincoln County Assessor Patsy Serna for her 30 years of service to the county.

-Manager's projects report.

-Palo Verde Slopes Subdivision Road improvement plan.

-Discussion of Gavilan Canyon Road speeds.

-Summary review plat approval for Diablo Canyon Subdivision, Type V presented by surveyor D.T. Collins.

-Work Force Development Board activities report presented by area program director Gary Cozzens.

-Proposals for county com-

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Capitan Employees To Get One Time Merit Pay

by Doris Cherry

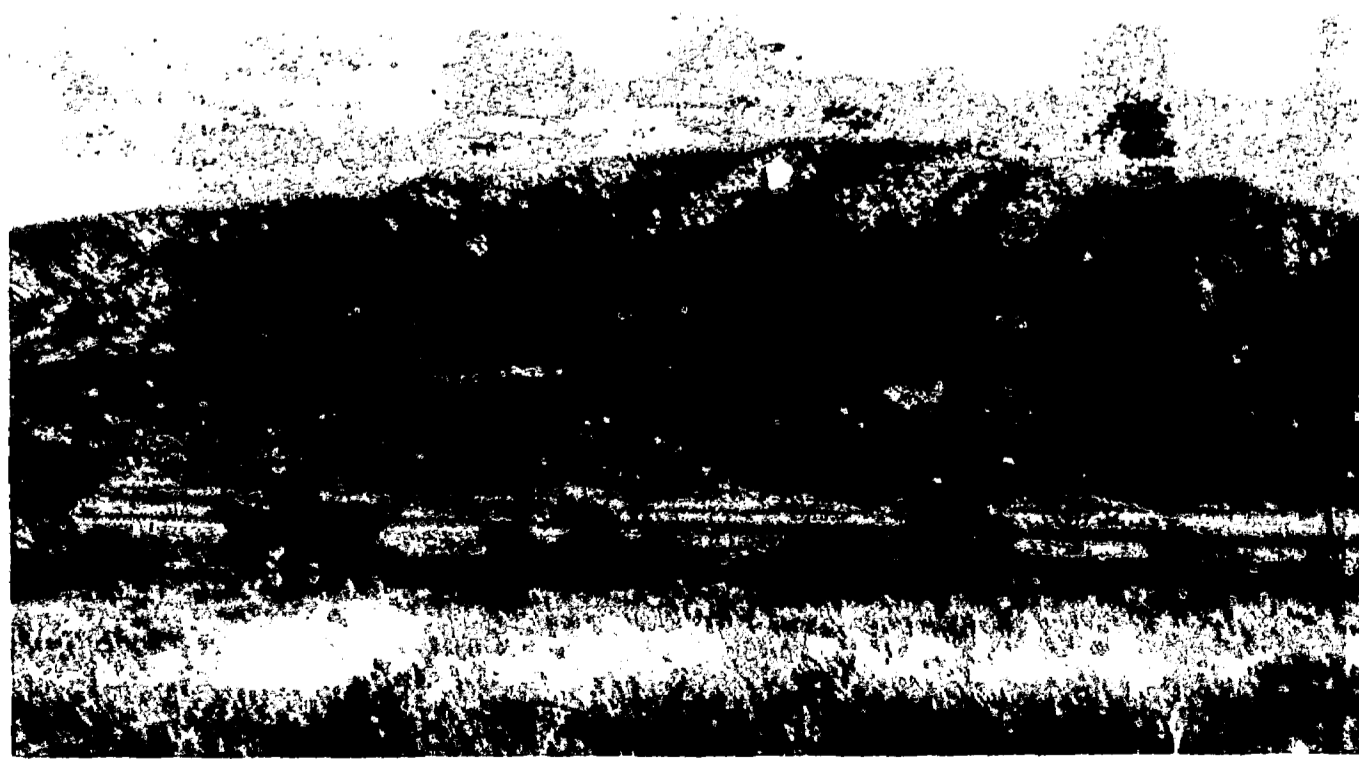
Merry Christmas Capitan Village employees, a \$200 "one-time merit increase" will be with your next paychecks.

During their meeting December 12, Capitan trustees approved a one time merit increase proposed by mayor Norm Renfro. He said during the budget process last spring it appeared there would be no money for any kind of merit increase, but since then the village administrator left his position which was not filled. As a result the village had some additional funds. Renfro suggested \$200 for all permanent employees except those who had been there less than two years and they would get \$100.

That led to a brief discussion on the technicalities of permanent employees, they become permanent once trustees approved a temporary hiring by the mayor and are considered probationary permanent employees until they have worked for the village for six months. Resident Lonnie Lippmann said he had had opportunity to observe village staff both inside village hall and in the field and he thought anything less than \$200 was "unconscionable." "They deserve more and you should give them what you can afford," Lippmann said. "You've got a hell of a staff."

Trustee John Whitaker agreed and made the motion to give all permanent em-

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FROSTED PEAK. Carrizozo Peak northeast of Carrizozo got a frosty coating on Tuesday night and early Wednesday morning as a brief but wet snow storm blasted through Lincoln County. The storm left 1-3 inches of snow county-wide, and delayed school in Hondo. The snow is a reminder that winter begins on December 21.



Letters To Santa To Be Published In The News Dec. 21

Letters to Santa will be published in the December 21 edition of THE LINCOLN COUNTY NEWS. Letters to Santa may be mailed to the LINCOLN COUNTY NEWS at P.O. Box 459, Carrizozo, NM 88301 or brought to the office at 309 Central. If the office is closed, please drop letters in the slot in the bottom of the door. All letters to Santa should be in THE NEWS office by 5 p.m. Monday, December 18, to be included in the Dec. 21 issue.

School Board Candidates

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Lincoln County Fairgrounds office in Capitan.

Positions up for election on the Capitan Board of Education are Position 1, filled by Tom Trost and Position 2, filled by appointed member Gray Tregembo.

Carrizozo Municipal School District:

Qualified voters in the precincts in Lincoln County and Socorro County that are wholly or partially within the Carrizozo Municipal School District will vote at the Carrizozo Municipal School Administration Building in Carrizozo.

Positions open on the Carrizozo Board of Education are Position 1, now filled by Eldon Offutt and Position 2, now filled by Gray Gallacher.

Corona Municipal School District:

Qualified voters in Lincoln County precincts 1, 2A and 3, Socorro County precinct 9D and Torrance County precincts 8, 11 and 12 will vote at the Corona Senior Citizens Center in Corona.

Positions to be filled on the Corona Board of Education are Position 4, now filled by Alvin James and Position 5 now filled by Denise Bird.

Hondo Valley Public School District:

Qualified voters in Lincoln County precincts 3, 12A, 12B and 12C will vote at the Hondo Valley School gym lobby.

Positions up for election on the Hondo Board of Education are Position 1 now filled

by Lucinda Loveless and Position 2 now filled by Salem Sager.

Voter registration for the school district elections closes January 9, 2001 at 5 p.m.

Registered voters may vote by mail-in absentee ballot, or absentee in person at the Lincoln County Clerk's office in the Lincoln County Courthouse in Carrizozo. To vote by mail-in absentee ballot, the registered voter or a qualified household member must request application for absentee ballot from the Lincoln County Clerk's office. Once the application is received, the voter must complete, sign and return the application to the Lincoln County Clerk's office, which will send the voter an absentee ballot. The voter must complete, sign and return the absentee ballot to the Lincoln County Clerk's office before 7 p.m. election day February 6, 2001. The clerk's office recommends that voters mail their ballots before February 2 to reach the clerk's office by election day.

Absentee in person voting will be conducted at the Lincoln County Clerk's office in the Lincoln County Courthouse in Carrizozo between the hours of 8 a.m. and 5 p.m. each day beginning January 12 until 5 p.m. February 2.

For an application for absentee ballot and/or more information contact the Lincoln County Clerk's office at 505-648-2394.

Carrizozo Declines

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Resolution No. 2000-18, the All Hazard Response Agreement requested by Lincoln County. The resolution states that the town will allow the fire department to respond to hazardous emergencies in other than the town limits.

Lincoln County Hazard Response is setting up training schedules, and a mock disaster will be staged to acquaint all attending personnel with "The Real Thing". Something to prepare for, in hopes of never needing the real thing.

Trustees also approved the Official holiday calendar for the town for the year 2001.

Police Chief Angelo Vega gave summaries of his attendance to law enforcement related conferences, and he requested trustees urge our legislators to approve funding to upgrade and remodel the academy.

Vega reported about the police department's firearm qualification and training completed by all officers except for police officer John Robinson who was absent for the birth of his son Sunday night.

Vega requested and received final approval to purchase a 1993 Chevy Caprice police car from the Village of Capitan for the price of \$1,500. Vega stated that due to one of the town's cruisers being in the shop with some electrical problem, he had been in contact with Capitan Mayor Renfro and Capitan Police Chief Durbin who informed him of their intention to sell one of Capitan's

units. Vega called the trustees and the town attorney who all expressed approval for the purchase. Vega said the blue book value of the car was \$8,300.

Trustee Eileen Lovelace applied to the town for permission for conditional use to move her business Eileen's Hands & Hoofs to her home. There was some discussion about licensing and Lovelace informed the board that her business meets state licensing standards and passes inspection every six months. Trustees approved her application.

There was also a discussion about the dump site hours, and the possible addition of duties to the animal control/maintenance job description.

Town foreman Jim Payne stated the dump was available for use during the week, and he is in the process of setting up a scheduled for the four hour coverage on Saturdays without having to actually hire a person for the position, or overextend the hours of our existing maintenance employees.

Holiday Program December 19 In Ruidoso Midtown

Grab your coat and gloves and join the Ruidoso Valley Chamber of Commerce at its first Mountain Sounds of music at 6 p.m. Tuesday, December 19 on Sudderth Drive in midtown next to the Tall Pines RV park.

Listen to a reading of the "Night Before Christmas" by Jim Kavelege and performances by the ENMU Choir, ENMU Bell Choir and the Ruidoso Brass Quintet.

Come enjoy along and afterwards enjoy touring of the "lights".

For more information call the Ruidoso Valley Chamber of Commerce at 257-7395.



High winds whipped Lincoln County last week, preceding a storm that blew in cold rain and 1-3 inches of snow county wide on Tuesday night, delaying school in Hondo on Wednesday morning.

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

Forecast for today through Tuesday for Carrizozo, Hondo Valley and Lincoln County high plains:
Today, Thursday, December 14:

Partly cloudy and breezy winds 10-15 miles per hour and gusty. High temperature 54. Chance for precipitation 0 percent. Thursday night, partly cloudy. Lows in the 20s.

Friday through Monday, December 15 through 18: Partly cloudy with highs in the 50s. Lows in the 20s.

Tuesday, December 19: Mostly sunny, with highs in the 50s. Lows in the 20s.

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

Today, Thursday, December 14:

Partly cloudy with southwest winds 10-15 miles per hour. High temperatures of 45 to 49. Chance for precipitation 0 percent. Thursday night partly cloudy with slight chance of snow showers. Lows in the 20s.

Friday through Monday, December 15 through 18:

Partly cloudy, with highs in the 40s, lows in the 20s. Some high thin clouds, otherwise mostly sunny days and mostly clear overnight. Highs to 54, lows 22.

Tuesday, December 19: Mostly sunny. Highs in the 40s, lows in the upper teens to low 20s.

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Obituary for

Flora Lee Bryan

Flora Lee Bryan died at the Ruidoso Care Center on October 30, 2000. Flora was born to Barnum and Rose Lee O'Neal Greenwood on June 30, 1915 in Hazen, Arkansas. From there the way was westward through Oklahoma with lengthy stops at Idabel and Broken Bow to New Mexico where they lived in Cloudcroft and Alamogordo before settling in Corona. There Flora Lee Greenwood married Walter Ernest Bryan when she was 18 years old.

Their union produced a daughter Barbara and five sons: David, Jimmy, Gilbert, William and Edward. Flora used her life in the highest of callings, serving others as a Christian (Baptist), ranch wife, mother, grandmother and great-grandmother. Except for David who died as an infant, her sons and daughter survive. She is also survived by sisters Ruby Perkins Gill of Longmont, Colorado and Magdalyn Langetieg of Ponte Vedra Beach, Florida. Her husband Walter preceded her in death in 1976. She is survived by eight grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.

ENMU Ruidoso Has Graphic Arts Program

A new graphic arts program, supported by grants from the McCune Charitable Foundation of Santa Fe and the Hubbard Foundation of Ruidoso is now in operation at the Ruidoso Center of Eastern New Mexico University.

Under the direction of art instructor and local artist Karen Reeder, the lab is located at Ruidoso High School and is available for evening college art students, and daytime advanced high school art students.

Supported by additional furniture and equipment and technical assistance from the Ruidoso Municipal Schools, and ENMU, the lab allows local students to learn the latest techniques and digital imaging software and internet products.

For more information or to register, call 257-2120 or 1-800-934-3668.

Capitan Employees

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ployees the \$200 "one time merit increase". All trustees voted yes.

Capitan will become a partner in the Eastern Workforce Development Program. Area program director Gary Cozens requested the village sign onto the program to enable the village to have a chief elected official represent them on the Workforce Development Board. With representation on the board, the village will have a say about decisions that affect the local workforce development programs.

Currently Lincoln County provides the only "one stop" workforce center, located in Ruidoso, in the state, Cozens said. The center serves about 4,800 clients with unemployment, department of labor, welfare to work, adult education and literacy and youth programs. While there is some liability to becoming a member of the workforce development board, the village risk management insurance should cover it, or the development program can provide an insurance, Cozens said. He did not explain what liability is involved.

The 51 member workforce development board will consist of 28 private business representatives and 25 elected officials from municipalities and counties served by the eastern New Mexico district. The Workforce Development one stop center is in the Ruidoso State Bank building in the Sierra Mall on Mechem Drive.

Renfro said he has heard the state secretary of labor praise the One Stop program as the most successful in the state. The Workforce Development Program was initiated by the federal Workforce Development Act of 1998. The act resulted in the consolidation of 25 state and federal programs in New Mexico.

Proposed plans for the village hall addition can now be viewed. In response to a question from an audience member, Renfro said there are hopes to go to bid on the project early in January. A new meeting room and offices for the mayor and clerk and restrooms are planned.

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1) Attorney Charles Rennick, chairman of the Lincoln County Democratic Party and Planning Commission, and council for Ruidoso ETZ etc. 505-257-2635.

2) Patsy Sanchez, Lincoln County Planning technician, doing business as Tierra Verde Property Specialists. 505-648-2385 / 505-648-2326.

3) Harvey Foster, President Ruidoso Board of Realtors 505-257-4750 / 505-258-3773.

If they are successful, your homes and property will be SUBJECT to all kinds of draconian rules and regulations that may be determined by the same group, including UNWARRANTED inspectorial SEARCHES!

If you want to protect your rights, attend the Lincoln County Commission meeting, Thursday, December 21, 2000 at the Lincoln County courthouse, Carrizozo, New Mexico. For further information contact the above or:

Lincoln County Manager, Thomas F. Stewart, 505-648-2385.

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TODAY, THURSDAY, DECEMBER 14

- Ruidoso Arts Commission 4 p.m. village hall.
- Capitan Board of Education 6 p.m. administration building. Business includes an update on superintendent search, 1999-2000 fiscal year audit presentation and other business.
- New Mexico Music with Tomas Vigil at the Hubbard Museum of the American West. Call 378-4142 for more information.
- Corona Trustees 6:30 p.m.
- Lincoln County Planning Commission special meeting, 7 p.m. Commissioners chambers in the Lincoln County Courthouse in Carrizozo. Business includes review of Eagle Ridge Subdivision.

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 15

- Last day of school before Holidays for Capitan Elementary school. Early dismissal at 12:05 p.m. Classes resume January 2 for all schools. (Capitan High and Middle School dismissed for the holidays on Wednesday.)

MONDAY, DECEMBER 18

- Special Dept. of Taxation meeting about agricultural valuations, 1 p.m. NM Tax Department office, El Paseo Road in Las Cruces.
- Ruidoso/Lincoln County Extraterritorial Zoning Commission, 6:30 p.m. Ruidoso village hall.

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 19

- Carrizozo Action Team 9 a.m. Natural Resources and Conservation Service (NRCS) office.
- Special Dept. of Taxation meeting about agricultural values, 1 p.m. Goddard High School in Roswell.
- Lincoln County Solid Waste Authority, 4 p.m. LCSWA offices in Ruidoso Downs.
- Carrizozo Board of Education meeting 7 p.m.

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 20

- Capitan-Carrizozo Natural Gas board 6:30 p.m. Wells Fargo Bank community room, Carrizozo.
- Lincoln County Fair Association board meeting 7 p.m. fairgrounds office in Capitan.

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 21

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

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 22

- Capitan Village Hall closed for Christmas Holiday
- Early dismissal at 12 noon for Carrizozo Schools to begin Christmas Holiday. Class resumes January 3.

MONDAY, DECEMBER 25

- All public offices, banks and post offices closed on Christmas.
- Ruidoso Public Library closed today and Tuesday, December 26
- Zia Senior Citizens Centers closed on Christmas and Tuesday, December 26.

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 26

- Offices of the Town of Carrizozo, Village of Ruidoso and County of Lincoln County remain closed for Christmas holiday.

CARD OF THANKS!

The family of Manuelita Candelaria wishes to thank everyone for the flowers, cards, food, calls, visits and prayers during the loss of our loved one.

Special thanks to Capitan choir for providing the music and to the ladies who served the food, and to Fr. Bergs for a lovely service.

CARD OF THANKS!

The immediate family of Mary Frances Fuller of Corona, who passed away October 25, 2000, extends our heartfelt thanks to all our friends and neighbors for your many acts of kindness and support during this difficult period. The generosity of spirit that you demonstrated toward Mary Frances and toward us during her last weeks are etched in our memories. Your prayers and your thoughts sustained her, as they sustain us now. Mary Frances loved this community. She would be gratified, as we are, to know that its members returned that love in kind.

Kennan Fuller
The Jeanene & AJ Gibbs family
The Harrell & Patricia Fuller family

Carrizozo High School

COUNSELOR'S CORNER

Happy holidays! It's hard to believe the year is half over and finals are next week. Test scores from the PSAT and ACT arrived last month and the results were good. I was glad to see many sophomores and juniors taking the assessments. Many students voiced that they wished they had studied more. Regardless, our scores were good and well within average range. Those students who took the assessments for practice will be more relaxed the next time and test results will improve.

I have been encouraging students to participate in ongoing community or volunteer service. This is so important. It develops and builds important life skills such as, character, social skills, and self-discipline. Recently, I have not seen any scholarship applications that do not require ongoing community service. This means that a student needs to volunteer on a project throughout the year, not periodically. Students need to start their community service as freshmen and continue throughout their high school career.

Parents of seniors need to encourage their sons and daughters to develop and write their resumes and scholarship essays during this winter break. Most scholarship applications are due during next semester. It is much easier to be prepared than to try to complete requirements the night before. Also, students need to approach their principal, teachers, and community members, to request letters of recommendation. It is important that the person writing the recommendation saves a master copy so the letters may be altered to reflect the scholarship being applied for. Juniors need to apply for the Discover card scholarship. Please get a file folder for your son or daughter to keep ALL school related material in. Correspondence that may seem unimportant may be necessary for documentation later.

I had the privilege of driving some of our basketball boys to Socorro last week. I was very impressed with these fine young men. Their behavior was excellent and we had fun too.

National Honor Society is sponsoring a canned food drive to benefit a domestic violence shelter. All canned goods can be dropped off at my office and will be delivered before Christmas. Please support this wonderful effort.

I read something very interesting that I thought I would share, it goes like this, "... my background and circumstances may have influenced who I am, but I'm responsible for who I become." Encourage your sons and daughters to dream and fill their lives with new experiences. Please call me if you have any questions about your child or school.

Karen Haughness

Elderly Woman Battered; Reward Offered For Info

Ruidoso Police and the Lincoln County Sheriff's Office are looking for a young female suspected of battering a 72 year old Ruidoso woman, robbing her bank account and leaving the elderly woman stranded in Philadelphia Canyon east of Bonito Lake.

Police are looking for a young white female suspect who is five foot seven inches tall with a medium build, blue eyes and smooth complexion. The young woman was wearing a baseball cap with her long dishwater blonde hair pulled through the back in a ponytail. She was wearing a red checkered shirt with paint stains and faded blue jeans.

Ruidoso/Lincoln County Crimestoppers are offering a \$1,000 reward for information that will lead to the arrest and magistrate court bindover of the perpetrator(s) of this crime. To make an anonymous report call 257-4545.

According to information from Ruidoso police, at 2:14 p.m. Monday, December 11, detectives of the Ruidoso Police Department were notified by the Lincoln County Sheriff's Office that they had responded to a report of an elderly woman walking down Bonito Lake Road. Lincoln County Sheriff Tom Sullivan said Lincoln County dispatch center received a call at 1:19 p.m. about an elderly woman walking down Bonito Lake Road. When deputies responded they found the woman, who had two black eyes and bruises. Deputies learned the woman was from Ruidoso and the alleged assault had originated in Ruidoso so they contacted Ruidoso police.

The woman was transported to Lincoln County Medical Center (LCMC) in Ruidoso where she was treated and later released.

Ruidoso detectives interviewed the woman at LCMC. From the interview detectives determined the victim had been battered at her residence by a young female, who then forced the elderly woman at gunpoint to drive to a local bank and withdraw money from her account. The suspect then forced the victim to drive to Philadelphia Canyon, on the road to Bonito Lake. Ruidoso Det. Robert Layher said the suspect took the victim's keys from her car and left the woman stranded there.

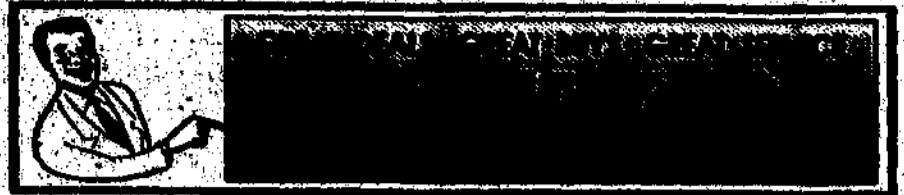
Layher told THE NEWS his department is following some leads but the investigation to the crime was still very active. Sullivan also told THE NEWS his department is continuing to investigate the incident.

Special Christmas Music At Smokey Bear Park Saturday

Santa Claus will be at Smokey Bear State Park this Saturday, December 16, from 5:30 p.m. to 7 p.m.

The Lone Star Kids from San Antonio, TX will do a special performance of Christmas music and dancing at the Smokey Bear State Park in Capitan between 5:30 p.m. and 7 p.m. There is no charge. The group is hosted by the Menagerie, Wildland Firefighter Museum and Smokey Bear State Park.

The drawing for the merchant's gifts will be held at the Smokey Bear State Park at 7 p.m.



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THOUGHTS

FROM THE EDITOR'S DESK

Christmas is on the way

By Ruth Hammond

Before you finalize your Christmas plans, remember to include a visit with Santa Claus. He will be at Smokey Bear State Park in Capitan this Saturday, December 16 from 5:30 p.m. to 7 p.m. There will be special music and lots of fun for the oldsters as well as the children. Santa Claus will also be in Carrizozo on Saturday, December 23 at Spencer Park. He makes this annual visit riding on a Carrizozo fire truck. Don't let cold weather keep you away.

And you can save the really special event of touring Carrizozo and Lincoln on Christmas Eve to see the pretty luminarias, or farolitos as they are sometimes called. This tradition is a beautiful sight that everyone should see, and we encourage you to see them all. McDonald Park in Carrizozo is especially pretty this year with the decorated trees. And of course the Lincoln County Courthouse in Carrizozo is a special attraction you won't want to miss.

Here it is 11 days before Christmas and the latest we heard was that the presidential snafu is settled, more or less. It is a shame the situation had to drag on for such a long time. Apparently some people are pleased with the results, others are unhappy, and the majority are just glad it is finally over, that is if it is over. This election will be debated for years and years and it will be interesting a few decades from now to read the analysis of what happened.

Holidays are supposed to be happy times but they can be stressful and this long drawn out presidential business has been extremely stressful for the public. Now we will probably be hearing about how the delayed finality of the presidential election will affect the nation. Seems that each of the candidates should have decided months ago what to do first. Selecting cabinet members, aides and key personnel is not something that is left to the last minute. It is safe to assume that preparations for the inaugural balls were in the scheduling process a long, long time ago.

Unusual circumstances this year in the presidential election may have long-lasting effects. Hopefully there will be major changes in election procedures in many states, possibly at the national level, and they are needed. Last week when the paper absentee and early voting ballots were inspected in Lincoln County it didn't take long for the people doing the inspecting to see that there was nothing wrong. That is the way it should have been in Florida and anywhere else ballots were recounted, or inspected, or whatever. Using proper equipment should be mandatory, not discretionary, as seems to be the case.

Merry Christmas should be what people are saying instead of, "Do you know who the president is?" Merry Christmas should be uppermost in everyone's minds. This is the holiday season, a time forgiving good wishes to one and all. This is the holiday season, not an eternal election season. This is the time to visit Santa and see luminarias.

Getting in the Christmas spirit may be easier now and we want to extend our holiday greetings to everyone. Next week THE NEWS will publish letters to Santa from the children. These letters are a sheer joy to read. We do hope you will include this annual tradition in your schedule along with your other happy plans for the holiday season.

Santa will be here soon!



INSIDE THE CAPITOL

by JAY MILLER

SANTA FE - How can New Mexico remedy its teacher shortage? Many groups are working on the problem, which is reaching crisis proportions in some communities and in certain special fields. And some of those solutions are the type of creative thinking we need.

The entire nation is facing shortages, which makes New Mexico's problem even more severe. At 47th in the nation in average teacher salaries, we aren't able to attract anyone from out of state, except from Mississippi and North and South Dakota. Some of our neighbors used to pay less than us, but now New Mexico is some 10 percent below the regional average, and we are losing teachers to all the surrounding states. New Mexico's average teacher salary last year was \$32,398, compared with a national average of \$40,582.

It is oft noted by this state's decision makers that New Mexico already is doing more than it can for teachers and schools because of our low personal income, which ranks down around 49th in the nation. Unfortunately, having a Third World economy doesn't give us any extra points when competing with other states for teachers. If education truly were a federal responsibility, as it sometimes appeared from the rhetoric in the presidential campaign this year, we would have a national school equalization formula, similar to our state formula, that would make New Mexico competitive with other states. But that isn't going to happen.

It also is noted that New Mexico contributes a higher percentage of its budget to schools than most states. That is because we made the decision 25 years ago to collect school taxes at the state level and redistribute the revenue through the previously-mentioned equalization formula. We can't back-track on that decision without running afoul of federal equity mandates.

It further is noted that New Mexico has pumped more money into schools every year without seeing any improvement in student performance relative to other states. That's true, but other states have pumped even more money into their schools, while our expenditure per student has fallen to near the bottom.

Few, if any, people in this entire state do not think education should be the top priority for our state's resources. The problem is that it costs so much. Public schools make up close to half the state's budget. It is easy to give large yearly increases to an agency that comprises

only one percent of the budget, but when a large increase is given to schools, it consumes nearly all the available new revenue.

So what's the answer? Local school board members long have said they just need to find more "dedicated" teachers who aren't in it for the money, but it isn't easy to find such creatures. Others suggest encouraging more teacher college graduates, but less than half of all graduates teach in state. Grads in some specialized fields are totally gobbled up by other states.

The state Board of Education will recommend a 7 percent salary increase to help approach the regional salary average. Lawmakers might want to consider this traditional approach with some new ideas from other groups.

Think New Mexico says if its recommendations for decentralizing school structure are enacted, the

money saved on administrative salaries could improve teacher salaries. The Albuquerque Chamber of Commerce recommends restructuring teacher career paths to provide mentor teachers and master teachers who might be paid as high as \$80,000 to \$100,000. It also suggests performance incentives, possibly funded by private sources.

In Santa Fe, where salaries are below average and the cost of living is way up there, a cooperative program with the University of New Mexico trains people with degrees in other fields, while they are on the job teaching.

And a cooperative program with the Santa Fe Community College encourages teacher assistants with free credit hours to start degree programs to become certified teachers. Another program encourages parents to become teacher assistants.

BLM Plans To Hire More Fire Crews In Roswell/Carlsbad Area

Up to 20 new firefighting and fire management positions will come open in the Roswell and Carlsbad Field Offices of the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) next year.

BLM is taking applications for the temporary seasonal positions over the internet at www.nm.blm.gov/jobs, or by calling the BLM seasonal job hotline at 303-236-6706. Temporary seasonal positions include fire crew members, engine operators and biology technicians. Salaries start at \$8.71 an hour.

Applicants must be U.S. citizens, 18 years or older, and may have to pass a physical fitness and/or a drug test.

About half of the seasonal positions will become permanent, year round jobs or career seasonal jobs and

the rest will be temporary seasonal positions lasting up to six months a year.

Federal legislation passed by Congress and supported by President Bill Clinton increased budgets for federal agencies with firefighting programs.

Interested persons may contact the Roswell BLM Field Office at 505-627-0272 for more details on these positions.

A national budget watch group, Taxpayers for Common Sense, have published a 52-page report for forest reform and calls on the incoming president and Congress to act within their first 100 days to address the rising cost of wild fires.

Copies of the report are available on line at <http://www.taxpayer.net/forest/>.

EMTs Needed, Classes Begin On January 21

More volunteer Emergency Medical Technicians (EMT) are needed in Lincoln County.

Jim Stover, director of the Lincoln County EMS, told Capitan village trustees during their meeting December 12 that Capitan has a fine group of EMTs now, but they need help. "All our volunteers have jobs and other activities in their lives," Stover said. "But we get more calls (for ambulance) all the time."

In order to train additional EMT volunteers, Eastern New Mexico University in Ruidoso will offer a basic

EMT course beginning January 21. Successful completion of the 140 hour class will qualify students to take the state EMT exam. Once they pass the state exam, the new EMTs can serve on the ambulances.

Stover said there is financial aid for people who are interested in the class but unable to pay the tuition.

The class will run until May 11.

For more information about the class, call Stover at Lincoln County Medical Center in Ruidoso, or ENMU-Ruidoso.

Smoke Jumpers Are At Work In Lincoln County

Smoke jumpers. The term conjures images of highly trained, physically tough firefighters and hot summers full of flames. So why are six smoke jumpers working in Lincoln County in November?

"They are working to reduce the amount of vegetation available to fuel a wildfire around Lincoln and Fort Stanton," said Jim Desmond, fire management officer for the Bureau of Land Management (BLM), Roswell Field Office. "This is their off season and they are available to help us with this project."

Actually a series of projects around Lincoln and Fort Stanton will reduce the amount of brush and small trees by removing them with mechanical means, such as chainsaws and large machinery, or by prescribed fire. Removing the brush will reduce the intensity of any wildfire that may occur.

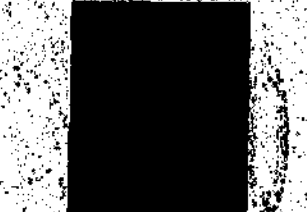
Smoke Jumpers Shannon Orr, Tim Schaffer, Dawson

Kelsey, Mark Motes, Dennis Terry and Lee Rickard are from Boise, Idaho. They will live at Fort Stanton and work in the area until the end of November when they return home. After a break for the holidays, another crew of smoke jumpers will come to Lincoln County to continue work on projects.

The year 2000 was the busiest fire season on record. Through November 12, 90,482 fires had burned 7.25 million acres. Because of this BLM and other federal agencies have reevaluated their fire fighting priorities. Emphasis now is on reducing vegetation.

"Our projects near Lincoln and Fort Stanton focus on cutting the excess brush or trees and then either piling the debris for burning later, or chipping the debris," Desmond said. "We believe this work will go a long way to reducing the risk of fire in the area."

PSYCHIC PREDICTIONS FOR THE NEW MILLENNIUM



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Week of Dec. 14-20, 2K

Sagittarius (Nov 22- Dec 21) You can't always get what you want, but you can WANT WHAT YOU GET! Don't waste your time on unnecessary things or people.

Capricorn (Dec 22- Jan 19) Don't expect too much from others at this time. Everyone is busy. You are not being ignored. Everything will work out.

Aquarius (Jan 20- Feb 18) A strange time for you. This could be confusing. Stop...Relax... If possible take a nap and regroup. Make the world stop spinning.

Pisces (Feb 19- March 20) Get ready to go on a journey. Some will take a trip and others will dream of distant places not yet seen. Get Ready!

Aries (Mar 21- Apr 19) If you had your eye on something to buy, this could be a good time. Research everything about it first. Plan ahead...go Slow!

Taurus (Apr 20- May 20) It's time... good luck... good people... and good food come to you. You might have to open the door to let it all in. Wear a warm smile.

Gemini (May 21- June 20) Get enough sleep or you'll find yourself grouchy and irritable. Take care of yourself first, and THEN others.

Cancer (June 21- July 22) Don't let the holidays weigh on your mind with all the other things you need to do before the end of the year.

Leo (July 23- Aug 22) I don't take a lot of money for Christmas to cheer family and friends up. Call someone just to say you love them!

Virgo (Aug 23- Sept 22) Watch what you spend on. Don't expect the unexpected to come through. Do it for yourself and do it right.

Libra (Sept 23- Oct 22) You're stronger than what you thought! You always make it out one way or another. Put one foot in front of the other.

Scorpio (Oct 23- Nov 21) Your warm smile will melt the coldest of hearts. Throw in a hug or two and you'll have it made! Enjoy Yourself!

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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.

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EL PASO CLIMATE CONTINUED

surface, but in reality the cold increases with rapid intensity as they ascend. A familiar illustration of the sun's rays passing through the air without warming the air itself, may be seen in window glass, through which the rays of the sun may comfortably heat a room, while the temperature of the glass will not be sensibly affected. However, the sun's

rays communicate heat to the earth's surface on which they strike, and to the vapor of water in the air through which they pass. Much moisture in the air therefore, accumulates great heat and shuts humanity in between earth's hot surface at their feet and the warm stratum of moisture above their heads. But where the air is comparatively devoid of vapor, the sun's rays striking the earth are partially absorbed, the amount depending upon the character of the surface, and partially reflected. The reflected part passes back through the lower stratum of the atmosphere into the overlying strata, and is diffused therein. The heat absorbed by the surface of the earth is in part communicated by convection to the air lying upon it, thus warming the air itself; while the other part is also radiated, and in the absence of absorbing moisture is likewise diffused in the upper regions of the atmosphere. Thus an arid air reduces heat.

the consequent lack of diffused heat in the air on any summer's day, however warm it may be in the sunshine, one will always find pleasant coolness in the shade.

Another result of aridity is the rapid absorption of moisture by the air. Just as a dry sponge will suck up water more quickly and in larger quantities than if already partially wet, so a dry air will more quickly and thoroughly drink up moisture than can air partially saturated. This is why, unless violently exercising, perspiration is seldom troublesome. It is not that perspiration fails to form upon the brow, but rather that it is absorbed by the air before it can trickle down the face.

All know that when a solid is converted into a liquid, heat is absorbed and rendered latent. Familiarity with this fact has come to every boy made to turn the family ice cream freezer. Salt melts the ice, and the process of melting withdraws the heat of the cream and causes it to freeze. In like manner, the changing of a liquid to a gas or vapor causes active heat to become latent. The sprinkling of a street cools the air, because the water is evaporating or changing into vapor, absorbs heat from the air. As water sprinkled on the store room floor evaporates, it cools the air in the store, by rendering latent some of its heat. The Hindoo, to ameliorate his intensely hot climate, hangs cloths saturated with water across his rooms. As the water is evaporated from the cloths the heat of the room is modified. Fanning gives relief from heat by removing from contact with the body air which has been nearly saturated with moisture and putting in its place air less saturated, which immediately absorbs a part of the perspiration, thereby cooling the flesh. Hence, as long as fanning is continued a measure of relief is experienced. And hence, the laborious summer fanning, day and night, everywhere practiced in low altitudes and to which only uncomfortable and fatigued sleep gives temporary cessation.

But nature in El Paso performs on a vast scale these functions which man elsewhere so feebly imitates for his comfort.

Sunshine as Opposed to Cloudiness.

Dr. Denison, ex-president of the American Climatological association, said:

"There is little necessity for advocating the utility of sunshine. All life depends upon sunshine and for successful existence it must have it. The variations for cloudiness range from 65 per cent of the time in the interior lake region down to less than 30 per cent in the southwestern portion, (New Mexico and Arizona). A preponderance of sunshine should be mentioned as favoring the possibility of much to be desired out door life and also the camping out idea in summer time."

In the signal service report of 1888 is a table giving the "fifteen stations of The Signal Service having the least average cloudiness and fifteen stations having the greatest aver-

age cloudiness". Yuma, Prescott, Fort Stanton, El Paso, Fort Lays, Fort Grant and Denver are included in the first fifteen, or "least average cloudiness."

Variability vs. Equability.

Dr. Denison proves by comparing "twenty-five dry and twenty-five moist prominent stations and health resorts in the United States" & the "fifteen least variable signal stations in the United States" for 1883:

"how uniformly variability goes with dryness and equability goes with moisture." He claims that "variability is quite a uniform constituent of dry high climates, and that as the dryness predominates, the marked variability is less felt, and is less, if at all objectionable. On the other hand, marked atmospheric equability, wherever found, is 'prima facie' evidence of excessive humidity."

"It is toadyism to the mistakes of medical antiquity for equability to be any longer insisted on as a constituent of the best climate for phthisis. It is all right and essential for humid climates, but for dry, cool and elevated resorts it is out of the question. Besides the quantity of stimulation which is associated with variability, there is an important consideration in the purifying of the atmosphere which variability indicates. This happens through the alternate expansion by heat and the contraction of the air by cold, together with the nightly chilling and sometimes freezing, which regularly renders it inimical to germ life."

The purity of atmosphere which is represented by warm, moist and equable climates, is not to be compared with that purity which is represented by the opposite attributes. The first is where the temperature so continually hovers within the limits of the microbes' needs, where sound as well as heat is smothered in a short distance, and the sun's rays give a dusky red glow. The second -- indicating a comparative absence of germs -- is where exposed meat can cure and not spoil; where far distant objects appear near, and the unobstructed rays of the sun give nearly as white a light as does an electric lamp."

Gen. A.W. Greely, chief signal officer, in an article entitled "Where Shall We Spend Our Winter?" in Scribner, November, 1888, says: "The map of absolute humidity for January shows, with other data herewith, that 'dry warm air' is found in southwestern Texas and the southern portions of New Mexico and Arizona."

"One of the greatest benefits to be derived from health resorts in winter is the opportunity and inducement for exercise in the open air, and since invalids shrink from chilling temperatures there is a necessity of not only warm days, but also absence of high winds and low relative humidity, conditions which, especially the winds, tend to rapidly abstract heat from the body."

"Besides clear bright days, without too frequent rains, are needed to enliven and cheer the invalid, and remove him from the depressing impressions which always result from confinement through stress of dull or stormy weather."

"Chart V. gives for fourteen stations covering the country most frequented in winter, the velocity of the winds at 3 p.m., about the hour at which the wind is at its highest. Winds below ten miles an hour may be considered satisfactory. El Paso, Charlotte and St. Paul show the least wind. Santa Fe, San Francisco and San Antonio are most liable to high winds."

Dr. W.M. Yandell, formerly city health officer for El Paso, in a paper read before the American Climatological association at Denver, September 2-4, 1890, said:

"An interesting point to note in the table, is that while the average hourly velocity in El Paso and San Antonio for December, January and February, is almost the same, San Antonio being in the northern belt, is according to Gen. Greely, 'most liable to high winds,' while El Paso not being in the 'norther belt,' shows the least wind. None of the territory embraced in this paper is within the northern belt; all of it is noted for almost constant, moderate wind movement, except in the coldest weather, when it is generally calm."

Summary "Dr. Denison says: 'The preferable climates for the great majority of consumptives in the United States varies according to the case, from 1500 feet elevation in the north in winter, to 10,000 feet as a possible extreme in the southern portion in summer.'"

"In Buck's 'Reference Hand-book of the Medical Sciences,' under article Arizona, the statement is made, based upon reports of medical officers of the U.S. Army, that 'The exceptional dryness and purity of its atmosphere, the wonderful clearness of its skies and the very small number of rainy days, there occurring, would all seem to point of the desirability of the territory of Arizona as a health resort for patients suffering from pulmonary phthisis, or from other diseases of the respiratory system. . . . The climate advantages of Arizona are almost identical with those to be found in New Mexico.'"

"Under article New Mexico, it is stated that 'The datea for Fort Bliss and El Paso do not, strictly speaking, belong in a chart representing the climate of the New Mexico; nevertheless I include them, because, while El Paso lies across the Texas boundary line, it is but a few miles beyond that line and climatologically considered belongs quite as much to New Mexico as does Fort Selden.'"

"In same article 'The reader's attention is called to the extraordinary cloudlessness of the sky at El Paso.'"

"Silver City is mentioned as 'enjoying the exceptional advantage of shelter from wind.' Under general remarks in same

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Church Directory



Mountain Ministry Parish, Sierra Blanca Presbytery

Nogal Presbyterian Church:
 BIL BEHRING, 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., Capitan, NM 364-2025
 Tuesday Bible Study.....7:00 pm
 Sunday School.....10:00 am
 Sunday Evening.....6:00 pm

First Baptist Church
 HAYDEN SMITH, pastor
 314 19th Ave., Carizozo, NM 648-2868 (church) or 648-2107
 Sunday School.....9:45 am
 Worship Service.....10:35 am
 Sun. Evening.....Training at 6:15 pm
 Evening Worship.....7:15 pm
 Wednesday Bible Study.....7:00 pm

Carizozo Community Church (A/O)
 JOHNIE 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 BERG, pastor
 213 Birch, Carizozo, NM, 648-2858
SATURDAY:
 Capitan Sacred Heart.....5:00 pm
 C'ozo Santa Rita.....6:30 pm
SUNDAY:
 Capitan Sacred Heart.....9:00 am
 C'ozo Santa Rita.....10:30 am
 Corona St. Theresa.....1:00 p.m.

Church of Christ
 Ave. C at 12th, Carizozo, NM,
 Sunday School.....10:00 am
 Worship Service.....11:30 am
 Evening Worship.....7:15 pm
 Wednesday Bible Study.....7:00 pm

St. Matthias Episcopal Church
 REV. CANON JOHN PENN, rector
 Corner of E. Ave. & Sixth, Carizozo, NM
 1-305-267-2368
 Holy Eucharist.....9:30 am Sunday

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

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

United Methodist Churches
 TOM WOODARD, pastor
 1000 D. Ave. 648-2803 / 648-2848
 Carizozo, NM 88301
 Sunday School (All Ages).....10:00 am
 Worship Service.....11:10 am
 Choir Practice (Tuesday).....6:30 pm
 United Methodist Women Every 3rd Wednesday.....1:00 pm
 Fellowship Dinner 4th Sunday of Month 12:30 pm

Capitan Church of Christ
 LESLIE EARWOOD, minister
 5th & Lincoln / 338-4827
 Sunday Bible Study.....10:00 a.m.
 Worship Service.....11:00 a.m.
 Evening Worship.....6:00 p.m.
 Wednesday Bible Study.....7:00 p.m.

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

First Baptist Church of Corona
 CAL WEST, pastor / 849-7976
 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

Bill Winkler

Steam's Insurance Agency

CAPITAN MUNICIPAL SCHOOLS District Report Card

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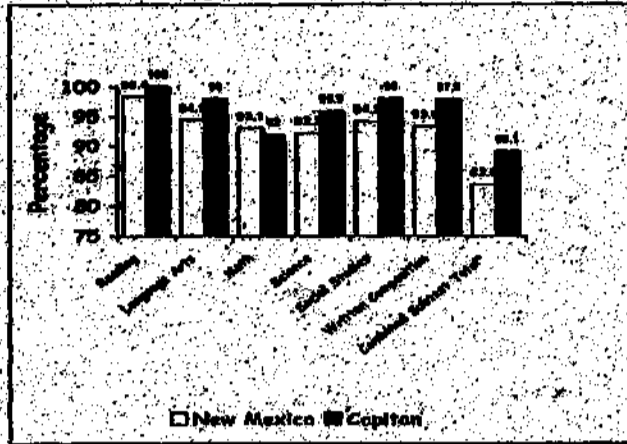
STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT

New Mexico High School Competency Examinations

Students are required to pass this examination in order to receive a high school diploma. Competence is measured in the areas of reading, language arts, mathematics, science, social studies, and written composition.

New Mexico High School Competency Examination

Percent of Sophomores Passing on First Attempt



This % represents 10th grade students who took all six subtests and passed all six subtests on their first attempt.

Table with 7 columns: Reading, Language Arts, Math, Science, Social Studies, Written Composition, Combined Subjects. Rows for New Mexico, Capitán, and Capitán Middle School.

STUDENT ATTENDANCE

Student Attendance Rate

Attendance rate is defined by the total number of days that students actually attend school during the school year divided by total days enrollment.

Student Attendance Rate in Percentages

1999-2000

Table with 2 columns: School, Attendance Rate. Rows for New Mexico, Capitán Municipal Schools, and individual school types.

Districts across the state collected and reported attendance data in a variety of ways. Due to the incomparability of the data, no state average could be calculated.

Results:

The average elementary student and middle school student was absent 10 days in 1999-2000 out of 180 school days. The average high school student was absent 8 days in 1999-2000 out of 180 school days.

STUDENT DROPOUT

Student Dropout Rates

New Mexico reports an "event" dropout rate, which represents the total number of students, grades 7-12, who drop out during a particular school year.

- A dropout is defined as an individual who: was enrolled in school at some time during the previous school year; was not enrolled at the beginning of the current school year; has not graduated from high school or completed an approved educational program...

Total Dropout Rate in Percentages

1999-2000

Table for Grades 7-8: Number, Percent for New Mexico and Capitán Middle School.

Table for Grades 9-12: Number, Percent for New Mexico and Capitán High School.

Total Transition Year Dropout Rate

Table for Total Transition Year Dropout Rate: Number for New Mexico and Capitán.

PARENT & COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT

Reporting Parent and Community Involvement

- To demonstrate parent and community involvement, schools are asked to report on the following: the existence of a school-level parent and community involvement plan; responses to questions on the Quality of Education Survey; and the existence of a school newsletter that is prepared for multiple audiences...

Parent and Community Involvement Plans

1999-2000

Table with 2 columns: School, Goal. Rows for Capitán High School, Middle School, and Elementary School.

Summary of Quality of Education Survey Questions

1999-2000

Percent in Agreement

Table with 2 columns: Question, Percent in Agreement. Rows for New Mexico and individual school types.

School Newsletters

1999-2000

Table with 2 columns: School, Number of Newsletters. Rows for Capitán High School, Middle School, and Elementary School.

Results:

ACT provided a monthly district-wide newsletter to all parents. Elementary teachers sent home grade-level newsletters advising parents of upcoming activities and academic study areas for the week.

SCHOOL SAFETY

Reporting School Safety:

- To demonstrate school safety, schools are asked to report the following: an accepted school-level safety plan; a plan for community involvement in the implementation and revision of the school-level safety plan; a plan for staff development in the area of school safety; identified goals and benchmarks for progress toward school safety; the number of police-reported incidents of vandalism, student-to-student incidents, and non-student incidents; and responses to questions #1 and #2 on the Quality of Education Survey.

Table with 4 columns: School, School-level Plan, Community Involvement, Staff Development. Rows for Capitán Elementary, Middle School, and High School.

School-Level Safety Plan Goals and Benchmarks

Table with 3 columns: School, Goals, Benchmarks. Rows for Capitán Elementary, Middle School, and High School.

Summary of Quality of Education Survey Questions

1999-2000

Percent in Agreement

Table with 2 columns: Question, Percent in Agreement. Rows for New Mexico and individual school types.

Number of Police Reported Incidents

1999-2000

Table with 7 columns: Assault, Battery, Sexual Abuse, Possession, Gang Activity, Drug Violation, Other. Rows for New Mexico and individual school types.

Other Criminal Offenses

Table with 6 columns: Assault, Possession, Sexual Abuse, Gang Activity, Drug Violation, Alcohol Violation. Rows for New Mexico and individual school types.

Vandalism

Table with 7 columns: Graffiti, Criminal Damage, Assault, Arson, Hitting Property, Other. Rows for New Mexico and individual school types.

Results:

The Capitán Municipal Schools completed its School Safety Manual with the cooperation of parents, local and county police departments, fire department and EMTs.

QUALITY OF EDUCATION SURVEY

Quality of Education Survey:

By statute, all New Mexico schools are required to administer the Quality of Education Survey to parents on an annual basis. The Quality of Education Survey contains 20 questions.

Please contact each local school for the results of questions 16-20.

Quality of Education Survey Results

Percent Agree or Strongly Agree Spring 2000

Large table with 5 columns: Question, New Mexico, Capitán, Capitán Middle School, Capitán High School. Rows 1 through 20.

LEGAL NOTICE

RESOLUTION AND PROCLAMATION OF REGULAR SCHOOL DISTRICT ELECTION

WHEREAS, the Board of Education of the Capitán Municipal School District No. 28 (herein the "Board" and the "District", respectively), in the County of Lincoln and State of New Mexico, has determined that a Regular School District Election, (herein, the "Election") be held on February 6, 2001, pursuant to Sections 1-22-1 through 1-22-19, NMSA 1978; and

WHEREAS, the Board has determined that two (2) positions on the Board are to be filled at such Election by submitting to the qualified electors of the District the names of candidates qualified to appear on the ballot for election to the positions to be filled; and

WHEREAS, the persons who desire to fill such positions on the Board shall be required to file declarations of candidacy or declarations of intent to be a write-in candidate, all in accordance with Sections 1-22-1, et seq., NMSA 1978;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF THE CAPITAN MUNICIPAL SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 28 CONSTITUTING THE GOVERNING BODY OF SAID DISTRICT, IN THE COUNTY OF LINCOLN AND STATE OF NEW MEXICO:

Section 1. On the 6th day of February, 2001, there will be held in the Capitán Municipal School District No. 28, Lincoln County, New Mexico, a regular school district election for the purpose of submitting the names of candidates for the two (2) positions to be filled on the Board, to the respective qualified electors of the District.

Section 2. At such Election the following at-large positions on the Board shall be filled by the qualified electors of the district, to wit:

- Position 1: For a four-year term starting March 1, 2001; and Position 2: For a four-year term starting March 1, 2001.

Section 3. The Voting Districts for this Election are as follows:

Table with 3 columns: Voting District, Election Precincts, Polling Places. Rows for District 1.

In addition, absentee voting shall be permitted as described in Section 9 herein.

Section 4. The polls for said Election will be open between the hours of 7:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m. on the day of the Election.

Section 5. A declaration of candidacy for membership on the Board to be filled at the election shall be filed with the County Clerk of Lincoln, the proper filing officer, during the period commencing at 9:00 a.m., December 19, 2000, being the third Tuesday in December, and ending at 5:00 p.m. on the same day, pursuant to Section 1-22-7, NMSA 1978.

Section 6. In making a declaration of candidacy, the candidate for membership on the Board shall submit a sworn statement of intent in substantially the form provided in Section 1-22-8, NMSA 1978.

Section 7. A person who desires to be a write-in candidate for membership on the Board at such Election shall file with the County Clerk of Lincoln, a declaration of intent to be a write-in candidate before 5:00 p.m. on January 2, 2001, being the thirty-fifth day preceding the date of the Election.

Section 8. A person is a qualified elector of the District if he or she is a citizen of the United States, at least 18 years of age on the day of the Election and a resident of the District on the day of the Election. In order to vote, qualified electors of the District must have previously registered with the County Clerk of Lincoln County or any voter registration agent in accordance with law. Any qualified elector of the District who is not now registered and who wishes to vote at such Election should register during regular office hours prior to 5:00 p.m. on January 9, 2001, being the twenty-eighth day immediately preceding the Election at the office of the County Clerk of Lincoln County, Lincoln County Courthouse, Carrizozo, New Mexico or by any registration agent at a designated agency as provided in Section 1-4-47, NMSA 1978 and 1-4-48, NMSA 1978.

Section 9. Absentee voting will be permitted in the manner authorized by Section 1-6-1 et seq., NMSA 1978; provided, however, that pursuant to Section 1-22-19, NMSA 1978, qualified electors may also vote absentee in person at the office of the County Clerk of Lincoln County, during the regular hours and days of business from 8:00 a.m., January 12, 2001, being the twenty-fifth day preceding the Election, until 5:00 p.m., February 2, 2001, being the Friday immediately prior to the Election.

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

PASSED AND ADOPTED this 12th day of October, 2000.

Attest: /s/ James Hobbs Secretary, Board of Education

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RESOLUCION Y PROCLAMACION DE ELECCION REGULAR DEL DISTRITO ESCOLAR

CONSIDERANDO QUE, la Junta de Educacion del Distrito Escolar Municipio Num. 28 de Capitán (en esta, "Junta" y "Distrito", respectivamente), en el Condado de Lincoln, y el Estado de Nuevo Mexico, ha determinado que se llevara a cabo una Eleccion regular del Distrito Escolar (en esta, la "Eleccion") el 6 de febrero de 2001, conforme a las Secciones 1-22-1 a 1-22-19 NMSA, 1978; y

CONSIDERANDO QUE, la Junta del Distrito ha determinado someter a votacion en dicha Eleccion a los electores habilitados que se llenaran dos (2) posiciones en la Junta con los nombres de los candidatos habilitados para aparecer en la boleta de eleccion para las posiciones que se llenaran; y

CONSIDERANDO QUE, las personas que quieren llenar las posiciones en la Junta se requieren someter declaraciones de candidatura o declaraciones de intento ser candidato de nombre llenando por escribir, todo conforme a las Secciones 1-22-1, et seq., NMSA 1978; y

AHOR, POR LO TANTO, LA JUNTA DE EDUCACION DEL DISTRITO ESCOLAR MUNICIPIO NUM. 28 DE CAPITAN EL CUAL CONSTITUYE EL CUBRPO GOBERNANTE DE DICHO DISTRITO, EN EL CONDADO DE LINCOLN Y ESTADO DE NUEVO MEXICO RESUELVE:

Section 1. El 6 de febrero de 2001 se llevara a cabo una eleccion regular en el Distrito Escolar Municipio Num. 28 de Capitán, Condado de Lincoln, Estado de Nuevo Mexico con el fin de presentar a todos los votantes respectivos habilitados del Distrito los nombres de los candidatos por las dos (2) posiciones que se llenaran en la Junta.

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**COUNTY OF LINCOLN
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., Wednesday, January 10, 2001 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.

**BID NO. 00-01-025
BUNKER GEAR FOR THE
GLENCOE PALO VERDE
VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT**

The County is requesting bids on bunker jackets, pants, boots, gloves, helmets and liners for fighting structural fires for the Glencoe Palo Verde VFD. All items must be UL certified to meet or exceed NFPA Standard 1971-2000 Edition. Bid packages 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.

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, January 18, 2001 at the Lincoln County Courthouse.

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.

JANE WILLIAMS
Purchasing Agent

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**BID NO: 00-01-026 RESURFACING OF
ROADS IN PALO VERDE SLOPES
SUBDIVISION**

The Lincoln County Board of Commissioners will review the bids and make their final determination during a regular County Commission meeting on Thursday, January 18, 2001 at 9:00 a.m. at the Lincoln County Courthouse.

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

All bids must be clearly marked on the outside of the sealed envelope with the Project 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 rights to accept or reject all or any part of any bid, waive minor technicalities and award the bid to best serve the interests of Lincoln County.

JANE WILLIAMS
Purchasing Agent

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LEGAL NOTICE

**IN THE PROBATE COURT
STATE OF NEW MEXICO
COUNTY OF LINCOLN
PROBATE # 1849**

**IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF
GREGORY ROBERT McQUEEN
Deceased.**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned has been appointed personal representative of this estate. All persons having claims against this estate are required to present their claims within two months after the date of the first publication of this Notice or the claims will be forever barred. Claims must be presented either to the undersigned Personal Representative or filed with the Probate Court.

DATED: 10/10/2000

Janet McQueen Harry
340 Joya Loop
Los Alamos, NM 87544
667-9222 (W)
672-1526 (H)

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**COUNTY OF LINCOLN
NOTICE OF INVITATION
TO SUBMIT BIDS**

**BID NO. 00-01-006
INSTALL FIRE SPRINKLER SYSTEM AT
NEW HORIZONS
DEVELOPMENTAL CENTER (Rebid)
Due: January 10, 2001, 2:00 p.m.**

Sealed bids will be received at the Lincoln County Courthouse, 300 Central Ave. (P.O. Box 711) Carrizozo, NM 88301 for construction of a wet-pipe, automatic fire sprinkler system at the New Horizons Developmental Center, 804 "E" Avenue, Carrizozo, NM until 2:00 p.m., January 10, 2001 at which time the bids received 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. The Lincoln County Board of Commissioners will review the bids and make their final determination at their meeting on January 18, 2001.

All new CPVC pipe and fittings, sprinkler heads, pipe hangers and traps required are being quoted for the project. The successful bidder will be required to provide labor and all other materials and services necessary to complete the project and pass testing and inspection by the New Mexico State Fire Marshal, Code Enforcement Division. Complete details are provided in the Engineer's Drawings. Coordination with the designer of the system, Accent Fire Safety Associates of Santa Fe, is required.

A mandatory pre-bid walk-through will be held on January 3, 2001. Prospective bidders should meet at the County Manager's Office at 10:00 a.m. A tour of the project site will follow. Engineer's Drawings will only be available at the Pre-Bid Meeting.

Prospective bidders must hold a State of New Mexico Fire Protection (Sprinkler Systems) MS-12 Classification License. A Bid Bond in the amount of 5% of the base bid must accompany the bid. A Performance Bond in the amount of one hundred percent (100%) of the amount of the contract price will be required of the successful bidder.

Copies of the Invitation to Bid can be obtained in person at the Office of the County Manager, 300 Central Ave., Carrizozo, NM or will be mailed upon written or telephonic request to 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.

JANE WILLIAMS
Purchasing Agent

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RESOLUTION NO. 2000-12

WHEREAS, the Governing Body in and for the County of Lincoln, State of New Mexico, meeting in regular session on the 10th day of November, 2000, has set the meeting dates for the Lincoln County Board of Commissioners; and

WHEREAS, the Lincoln County Board of Commissioners shall meet at 9:00 A.M. in the Commission Chambers at the Lincoln County Courthouse, in Carrizozo, New Mexico, unless otherwise specified.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Lincoln County Board of Commissioners hereby adopts the following regular meeting dates:

- * Thursday, January 18, 2001
- * Thursday, February 15, 2001
- * Thursday, March 15, 2001
- * Thursday, April 19, 2001
- * Thursday, May 17, 2001
- * Thursday, June 21, 2001
- * Thursday, July 19, 2001
- * Thursday, August 16, 2001
- * Thursday, September 20, 2001
- * Thursday, October 18, 2001
- * Thursday, November 15, 2001
- * Thursday, December 20, 2001

RESOLVED IN BOARD ACTION this 10th day of November, 2000.

**BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF
LINCOLN COUNTY, NEW MEXICO**

REX WILSON, Chairman
L. RAY NUNLEY, Vice-Chairman
LEO MARTINEZ, Member
WILLIAM H. SCHWETTMANN, Member
RICK L. SIMPSON, Member

ATTEST:

By: Lorea Vallejos, Chief Deputy Clerk
MARTHA PROCTOR, Clerk

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RESOLUTION NO. 2000-14

WHEREAS, the Governing Body in and for the County of Lincoln, State of New Mexico, meeting in regular session on the 10th day of November, 2000, has approved and adopted the Official Holiday Calendar for Lincoln County.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Lincoln County Board of Commissioners hereby adopts the following as the Official Holiday Calendar for Lincoln County.

- * Martin Luther King, Jr. Birthday: will be observed on Monday, January 15, 2001.
- * Lincoln's Birthday: will be observed on Friday, November 23, 2001.
- * Washington's Birthday: will be observed on Monday, December 24, 2001.
- * Good Friday: will be observed on Friday, April 13, 2001.
- * Memorial Day: will be observed on Monday, May 28, 2001.
- * Independence Day: will be observed on Wednesday, July 4, 2001.
- * Labor Day: will be observed on Monday, September 2, 2001.
- * Columbus Day: will be observed on Monday, October 8, 2001.
- * Veteran's Day: will be observed on Monday, November 12, 2001.
- * Thanksgiving Day: will be observed on Thursday, November 22, 2001.
- * Christmas Day: will be observed on Tuesday, December 25, 2001.
- * New Year's Day: will be observed on Tuesday, January 1, 2002.

RESOLVED IN BOARD ACTION this 10th day of November, 2000.

**BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF
LINCOLN COUNTY, NEW MEXICO**

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ATTEST:

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Ademas habra un Distrito para votantes en Ausencia segun se expresa en la Seccion 10 mas adelante.

Seccion 3. Los Sitos de Votacio en dicha Eleccion permaneceran abiertos entre las horas de las 7:00 a.m. y las 7:00 p.m. el dia de la Eleccion.

Seccion 4. En dicha Eleccion, las siguientes posiciones en general de la Junta se llevaran por los votantes habilitados del distrito, es decir:

- Posicion 1: Por un plazo de cuatro años comenzando el 1 de marzo de 2001; y
- Posicion 2: Por un plazo de cuatro años comenzando el 1 de marzo de 2001.

Seccion 5. Una declaracion de candidatura para ser miembro de la Junta que se llenaran en la Eleccion se presentara con el(la) Escribano(a) del Condado de Lincoln, el oficial apropiado de registracion, durante el periodo comenzando a las 9:00 a.m., el 19 de diciembre de 2000, esa fecha siendo el martes tercero de diciembre, y terminando a las 5:00 p.m. el mismo dia, conforme a la Seccion 1-22-7, NMSA 1978.

Seccion 6. Al declarar la candidatura, el candidato que quiere ser miembro de la Junta sometera una declaracion jurada de intento en la forma substancial conforme a la Seccion 1-22-8, NMSA 1978.

Seccion 7. Una persona que quiere ser miembro de la Junta por medio de ser candidato de nombre llenado por escribir en dicha Eleccion presentara con el(la) Escribano(a) del Condado de Lincoln, una declaracion de intento de ser candidato de nombre llenado por escribir antes de las 5:00 p.m. el 2 de enero de 2001, que es el dia treinta y cinco que antecede la fecha de la Eleccion.

En dicha Eleccion, la siguiente cuestion sera sometida a la consideracion de dichos votantes del Distrito que se hayan inscrito y esten habilitados:

**CUESTION SOBRE IMPUESTOS PARA
MEJORAS MATERIALES DE
LAS ESCUELAS PUBLICAS**

"Se le debiera otorgar la autorizacion a la Junta Escolar del Distrito Escolar Publico Num. 20 de Hondo, Condado de Lincoln, Estado de Nuevo Mexico para que imponga un impuesto de propiedad de \$2.00 por cada \$1,000.00 de valor neto tributable de la propiedad asignado a dicho Distrito conforme alCodigo de Impuestos Sobre la Propiedad para los años tributables 2001, 2002, 2003 y 2004 con el fin de hacer las mejoras materiales siguientes en el Distrito, es decir, construir, remodelar, anadir a, proveer equipo para y amueblar los edificios escolares, comprar o mejorar los terrenos escolares y comprar programas y equipo de computadora para el uso estudiantil en las aulas escolares publicas, el mantenimiento de los edificios publicos y de los terrenos escolares excluyendo las sumas de los salarios de los empleados del Distrito, y la compra de vehiculos para las actividades escolares con el fin de transportar a los estudiantes a las actividades extracurriculares?"

Seccion 8. El impuesto que contempla la cuestion del impuesto para las mejoras materiales se agregara tambien a cualquier impuesto que se imponga para pagar el servicio de la deuda de bonos o para cualquier otro fin. Dichos impuestos para pagar la mejoras materiales seran autorizados conforme a la Ley de Mejoras Materiales de las Escuelas Publicas, es decir, las Secciones 22-25-1 a 22-25-10, NMSA 1978 (siendo Capitulo 5, Leyes de Nuevo Mexico, 1975. Sesion Especial, segun fueron enmendadas y suplementadas).

Seccion 9. Una persona es elector habilitado del Distrito si el o ella es ciudadano (a) de los Estados Unidos, tiene por lo menos 18 años de edad el dia de la Eleccion y es residente del Distrito en la fecha de la Eleccion. Para votar, los electores habilitados del Distrito deben haberse registrado previamente con el (la) Escribano(a) del Condado de Lincoln, o cualquier auxiliar de registracion conforme a la ley. Cualquier elector habilitado del Distrito que no este registrado ahora y que desee votar en dicha Eleccion debe registrarse en la oficina del (de la) Escribano(a) del Condado de Lincoln, en el Edificio de la Corte en Carrizozo, Nuevo Mexico, durante las horas habiles antes de las 5:00 p.m. el 9 de enero de 2001, cayendo esa fecha veinte y ocho dias antes de la fecha de la Eleccion, o por cualquier agente de registracion de votantes en una agencia designada conforme a la Seccion 1-4-47 NMSA 1978 y Seccion 1-4-48, NMSA 1978.

Seccion 10. La votacion en ausencia se permitira conforme lo prescriben las Secciones 1-6-1 et seq., NMSA, 1978; siempre que conforme a la Seccion 1-22-19, NMSA, 1978 los electores habilitados podran votar presentandose personalmente en la oficina del (de la) Escribano(a) del Condado de Lincoln durante las horas y en los dias habiles entre las 8:00 a.m., el 12 de enero de 2001, fecha que cae 25 dias antes de la fecha del la Eleccion, hasta las 5:00 p.m. el 2 de febrero de 2001 que es el dia viernes que antecede inmediatamente la fecha de la Eleccion.

Seccion 11. La votacion se llevara a cabo usando maquinas electorales; salvo la votacion en ausencia la cual se llevara a cabo usando boletas de papel. Se colocara por lo menos, una maquina electoral en el sitio electoral de cada Distrito Electoral.

APROBADA Y ADOPTADA este dia 17 de octubre de 2000.

/s/ BRAULIO ALVARADO
Presidente, Junta de Educacion

(SELLO)

Doy Fe:
/s/ Lucinda Loveless
Secretaria(o), Junta de Educacion

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REWARD! REWARD! REWARD!

Please Tell A Friend! Ask Your Kids!
Lost in Carrizozo, Lincoln County Dec. 1, 2000. Blonde, 7 y.o. male (not neutered) Cocker/Retriever mix medium sized (35 lbs.). Long haired, white-tipped paws and underside of short 4" tail. Answers to the name "Buddy".

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Schedule of Christmas Events

Today, Thursday, December 14
 -Christmas Open House at Ruidoso Public Library, all day through Friday. Door prizes daily.

Friday, December 15
 -Capitan Village Hall Holiday Open House, 2-5 p.m.

Saturday, December 16
 -Capitan Merchants Holiday Open House.
 -Christmas at Smokey Bear Park in Capitan. Santa Claus visits at 5:30-7 p.m. Special performance of Christmas music and dancing by "Lone Star Kids" from 5:30-7 p.m. Drawing for Merchants gifts at 7 p.m.

Sunday, December 17
 -Carrizozo First Baptist Church Christmas Program, during regular morning services.
 -Carrizozo Community Church Assembly of God Christmas program to remember "Jesus is the Reason for the season." Presented by the children's church, 4-5 p.m. Refreshments will be served afterwards.
 -Start of judging for Capitan Chamber of Commerce Christmas Lighting Contest. Judging runs through December 23.

Tuesday, December 19
 -First Mountain Sounds of Music program at 8 p.m. in Ruidoso Midtown next to the Tall Pines RV Park.

Wednesday, December 20
 -Carrizozo AWANAS Christmas caroling hayride from 6-8 p.m. throughout town. Call Hayden Smith at the First Baptist Church for information.
 -Corona Elementary School Christmas program 7 p.m.

Thursday, December 21
 -Ham holiday dinner at Carrizozo Zia Senior Citizens Center, noon.

Saturday, December 23
 -Santa Claus annual visit to Carrizozo, 2 p.m. Spencer Park. Sponsored by Carrizozo Volunteer Fire Department. Santa needs a list of shut-ins, contact any fire department member.

Christmas Eve, Sunday, December 24
 -"Christmas Eve in Old Lincoln" featuring tree trimming, hot cider and Santa at the Lincoln State Monument. More than 2,000 farolitos (luminarias) will line the main street of Lincoln. No cost. Call 505-653-4372 for more information.
 -Carrizozo Community Luminaria Display with more than 4,000 luminarias along the town's major streets. Volunteers needed to meet at 1 p.m. at the fire department to begin setting out and lighting luminarias. Lighting to begin at 4 p.m.

SANTA RITA COMMUNITY CHRISTMAS MASS SCHEDULE

Sunday, Christmas Eve, December 24
 -Christmas Eve Mass at 5:30 p.m. at St. Theresa's Catholic Church in Corona.
 -Christmas Eve Mass at 8 p.m. at Sacred Heart Church in Capitan.
 -Christmas Eve Mass at 10 p.m. at San Juan Church in Lincoln.
 -Midnight Mass at Santa Rita Catholic Church in Carrizozo.

Monday, Christmas Day, December 25
 -Christmas Day Mass 9 a.m. Sacred Heart in Capitan
 -Christmas Day Mass 10:30 a.m. Santa Rita in Carrizozo.

Old Lincoln Town

by Rosalie Dunlap

Being gone I don't have much news this week.

The Lincoln County FCE clubs had their annual Christmas party at the Silver Dollar in Tinnie Friday. Everyone had a great time. Some of the members meet at Phyllis Zumwalt's to wrap gifts for the Casa project-giving gifts to the children who have parents in prison. A gift exchange was held amongst the members also.

Lincoln is ready for Christmas. Santa is coming Christmas Eve at the Lincoln Courthouse; luminaries' sacks are being prepared and there will be the other usual church services and receptions. There will also be open house at the Anderson-Freeman

Museum December 16 from 1:30-3:30.

Ralph and I attended the game at Las Cruces between the Lobos and the Aggies. It was a close game all evening and went into overtime. The Aggies lost by two points.

The Pan Am Center was nearly full. The community was showing it's support for the team after the announcement of sanctions. The University had a two for one ticket and it was a great success.

It was too bad the present team has to suffer the penalty of others of several years past. Three seniors will not be able to play in any of the post-season games.

We also did some business in El Paso, but didn't get any Christmas shopping done.

A Glimpse Of

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article, it is stated that below the thirty-fifth parallel, the winters become mild.

"I think that I have proved from the records of the surgeon general's office, that Denison's propositions are correct. Admitting this, I have certainly shown from the

Signal Service records, that Texas west of the 104th parallel of longitude and New Mexico and Arizona south of the 35th parallel of latitude furnish by far the best winter climate in the United States for consumptives."

MORE NEXT WEEK THE COURTS

FAST ACTION

CLASSIFIED ADS

CALL: (505) 648-2911

FOR SALE: Computer, 400 MHz, 128 mg RAM, 6 gig hard drive, 56K modem, AC97 sound, mouse, keyboard, no monitor. 50x CD Rom. \$450. Dirk at 648-4007 after 7 p.m. 2tp-Dec. 7 & 14

LOW INCOME HOUSING now available in Carrizozo. One and two bedrooms. For information call 1-888-424-0909, ask for Carol Cheadle. 9tc-Nov. 2 - Dec. 28

WANTED BARTENDERS Full time or part time. 648-9994 or 648-2194 tfa-Nov. 2

SIDEWALK SALE - Saturday, December 16, 8:00 a.m. at 904 Tenth, off D Avenue, Carrizozo. Gas heater, artificial Christmas tree, much more stuff. Ridiculously low prices. 1tp-Dec. 14

STARRS INSURANCE AGENCY CARRIZOZO (505) 648-2911

HIGH HOPES ASK ABOUT in-store specials. Sewing and craft supplies and gifts. Collector comics and 10,000+ books. 101 Lava Loop on Hwy. 380, Carrizozo. 648-2873 tfa/Aug. 3

FOR SALE: Motel/RV Park, Hwy 54, Carrizozo. Remodeled rooms, good occupancy. \$199,900. Betty Beachum, Realtor. 505-258-5441 4tc-Nov. 30 thru Dec. 21

TRACTOR WORK Mowing, Excavating, Roads built, Gravel Hauled, water, electric, sewer lines and septic systems installed. Turn Key Mobil Sites built. 354-7000 430-5557 3tp-Dec. 14, 21 & 28

ATTENTION I Richard M. Bradley, due to health reasons, am no longer associated with Carrizozo Automotive Repair and Recycle as of November 27, 2000. 4tp/Dec. 14, 21 & 28, 2000 and Jan. 4, 2001

POSITION OPEN
DATE POSTED: December 11, 2000
POSITION: Special Education Clerk - Ten (10) Hours/Week (Flexible)
QUALIFICATIONS: * Computer Skills Required
APPLICATION: Pick up at the Administration Office.
SEND APPLICATION TO: David Cooper, Superintendent Carrizozo Municipal Schools P.O. Box 99 Carrizozo, New Mexico 88301 (505) 648-2348
CLOSING DATE: December 21, 2000 2tc/Dec. 14 & 21

CHRISTMAS INSIDE YARD SALE, Friday & Saturday, December 15 & 16 from 8:30 a.m. till ??? at 1009 B Ave., Carrizozo. Home-baked Goods; Stocking Stuffers, clothing, stuffed animals, toys and much more! 1tp-Dec. 14

COMING SOON TO CARRIZOZO EZ \$ \$ Small Loan Business 2tp-Dec. 7 & 14



County To Hold

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mission meetings offered by Ruidoso resident J.A. Junge.

-Private Property Bill of Rights presented by Oscura resident Jerry Carroll.

-Enhanced 911 Committee road name recommendations.

-1 p.m. time slot for visitors who did not request to be on the agenda.

-County Audit Findings for fiscal year 1999/2000 presented by Keith Day, The Accounting & Consulting Group.

-Protest of mail distribution to the U.S. Postal Service.

-Detention Center operational analysis and Correctional Systems, Inc. proposal.

-Bonito Lake Road update from the U.S. Forest Service.

-Status of the request for proposals for the Lincoln County Medical Center operations, presented by county commissioner Leo Martinez.

-Request for approval to issue request for proposals for health clinic operations.

-Request for approval to update the Maternal Child

Health Plan, presented by Genevieve Phelan.

-Request for approval of annual leave accrual.

-Bid award for Motorola hand-held radios and microphones.

-Bid award for E-911 equipment purchase under state contract.

-Random selection of lodgers for annual audit requirement.

-Approval of expenditures recommended by the Lincoln County Lodgers Tax Committee for funding requested by Oscar Medina, Bowlin Outdoor Advertising; funding for Regional 3 Marketing Board of the NM Dept. of Tourism.

-Appointments to the Ag and Rural Affairs Committee, Lincoln Historic Preservation Board, Senior Citizens Olympic Committee.

-Mid-year budget adjustment discussions.

-New and other business from commissioners and elected officials.

-Executive session for threatened litigation and/or pending litigation.

Capitan Fires

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gas and water used during the construction process and \$4,000 for damages to the metal paneling in the building. Dutton said Taylor was disputing some of the withheld funds, but Dutton thought he would go along with it in lieu of litigation.

That led to a discussion of the water bill, which Taylor has disputed. Renfro said he met with Taylor who said they used no water. But village water supervisor David Cox said once the water meter was set at the facility site, the village began charging the minimum water fee to Taylor Construction. As for the gas bill; heaters were turned on because water pipes in the building were charged in September 1999 and the heat had to be turned on to prevent the pipes from freezing, Cox added. Pointing out that Taylor used very little water during the project, Dutton said trustees have discretion to waive the water bills.

In response to a question from resident Mollie Mason

whether the village would pursue a penalty for the contractor, Dutton said it would require a lawsuit and could take up to two years to resolve. Dutton said this project needs to be finalized so the village can apply for its next Community Development Block Grant (CDBG). The public safety facility was a 1997 CDBG project.

Resident Lonnie Lippmann said the project is two years overdue. "I think Don Dutton has done an excellent job in negotiating," he said.

"Take it, close it and go on with it and never hire Mr. Taylor again."

Renfro said that was the feeling of the board. Dutton quickly said trustees had a feeling of consensus during their discussion in closed session. "They took no vote in the executive session," Dutton said.

OBITUARY

WYNETA NUNLEY Graveside service for Wyneta Nunley, 93, of Ruidoso was December 5, at the Oakwood Cemetery at Jacksboro, TX with Joe Williams officiating.

Mrs. Nunley died December 2 in Ruidoso. She was born June 13, 1907 at Jacksboro, TX. She lived in Odessa from 1948 until 1990 and then moved to Ruidoso one year ago from Eastland, TX. She was a retired nurse and a member of the Church of Christ.

Survivors include her son L. Ray Nunley of Ruidoso, six grandchildren, and 14 great grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her husband, E.F. Nunley in 1982 and a son, Richard K. Nunley in 1997.

Corona News

We have had cold nights moderate days and no moisture.

The school is a very busy place these days through December 21 and the beginning of the holiday break, finish all semester class work, finals. Bean Valley basketball tournament at Mountainair December 13-16, elementary Christmas program at 7 pm, December 20, where "Creations by Eadie" will be auctioned to benefit the accelerated reading program.

The annual Corona del Rey Aglow Christmas tea was as usual beautifully done in decorations and food. The talks and music were inspirational. Guests came from Albuquerque, Capitan, Ruidoso and Roswell. A special thanks goes to Lucy Lucras and Sandra Alford and families

for this event to start the wonderful season.

Janetta Stewart came home from Albuquerque late Sunday after surgery on Friday.

The Rasaks are vacationing and shopping in El Paso this week. Mr. Rasak has retired temporarily from the stove wood business and permanently from the store in Albuquerque's South Valley.

Walter Gensler Jr. age 11, spent most of Thanksgiving week in an Albuquerque hospital with a headache resulting from a benign tumor behind his ear. Doctors placed a shunt in the tumor and will watch it carefully.

The Corona Museum open house will be Friday December 8 with a book

signing by Kelly Pounds in the afternoon.

John Tracey is recuperating satisfactorily from surgery and considers ranch chores good therapy. Among those checking on him Saturday and Sunday were: Kay and Larry Kent, Corrales, J.T. Roper, Clint and Terry Roper, and two grandsons, Farmington, Amy and Randy Nicholson and three daughters, Winnemucca, NV.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Bryan have informed the grandchildren of Walter and Flora Lee Bryan that they are expected at the Bryan Ranch next September for the first annual Bryan Labor Day Reunion. These grandchildren along with their parents were disappointed that a sentence was from the Flora Lee Bryan obituary, a sentence which they think defined her life. Here it is: "Flora Lee used her life in the highest of callings: serving others as a Christian (Baptist), ranch wife, mother, grandmother and great grandmother." Her friends agree.

Isaac Montoya, his daughter, Isabel Gallegos and her five children stopped by Tuesday morning enroute to Castle Rock, CO to spend Thanksgiving with Bobby and Melissa McTaggart and their two children. Melissa and Isabel are sisters. The El Paso children were fascinated with the snow banks and ice on the pond in front of the Perkins house.

Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Mitchell, Newman, GA arrived in Bloomfield

Saturday to spend a few days with Cotton Yancey, an old US Navy buddy. Wednesday the three came to Corona to check on John Tracey and Byron Yancey. The Mitchells left Thursday morning for Houston, TX on their way home and Cotton went home Friday.

Jeff Owen, Mountain Park, native of Corona, died November 27 in Alamogordo. Services were scheduled for 11 am Friday in Alamogordo.

Joanne and Lee Barley, Fort Collins, CO spent the weekend at the ranch with J.E. and Rex Robinson. They left early Monday for Casa Grande, AZ to be with daughter, Robin Cunningham, and their three grandchildren through Thanksgiving week.

The Steve Brewers came over Thursday to have dinner with the Gibbs and Ken Fuller. Max and Seth stayed while the parents went home to Albuquerque and to work.

Mr. & Mrs. Don McCoy, Trish, Jason, DeeDee and Krista spent Thanksgiving Day at the Perkins ranch. Trisha a sophomore at Las Cruces High School is a member of the choir that will be singing at Carnegie Hall during the Easter break.

Scott Mulkey, San Antonio, TX spent last week here. He was accompanied by his children, Amanda, Josh and Caleb.

Mr. and Mrs. Lee Mulkey went to Portales for Thanksgiving with the Stove Mulkeys.

Mr. Tim Kane returned Monday from El Paso where she had been for a week helping a cousin, Dorothy Kiely who was home from a hospital stay. Mr. Kane was in Colorado, but was expected

to return Tuesday. Mr. and Mrs. E.J. Fourett stopped by Sunday. They were on their way home to Capitan after a six day vacation in Colorado.

Nominations Are Now Being Accepted For Outstanding Women

Each year the New Mexico Commission on the Status of Women recognizes 30 women as Outstanding Women of New Mexico for their achievements and leadership.

The Commission on the Status of Women is now taking nominations for the 18th Annual Governor's Award for Outstanding New Mexico Women. Nominations will be


taken until February 10, 2001.

The 30 women selected from nominations will be recognized at an awards banquet on May 5, 2001 in Albuquerque.

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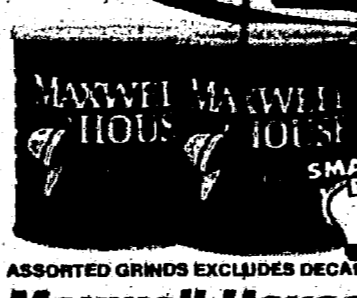
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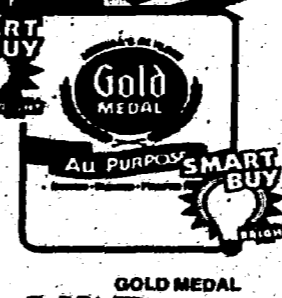
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