

\$3.9 New Jail Will Cost \$8.4 Million To Pay Back

by Doris Cherry

On May 18, Lincoln County Commissioners will hold a public hearing on a proposed ordinance that authorizes the county to enter into \$3,968,458 loan with the New Mexico Finance Authority to finance the construction of a new detention center.

At their meeting April 20, held in their chambers in the Lincoln County Courthouse in Carrizozo, county commissioners approved a resolution declaring their intent to adopt an ordinance that au-

thorizes the loan with the New Mexico Finance Authority (NMFA), and obligates the county to pay a principal amount of \$3,968,458 for the new detention center.

Kathy Sylvia, loan analyst for NMFA, said the loan was locked into a 5.74 percent interest rate on March 30 when the NMFA board gave conditional approval of the county's loan application.

County manager Tom Stewart told county commissioners he appeared before the NMFA board on March 30 meeting to answer questions about the detention center. Some of the conditions to finalize the loan include passage of an ordinance for the \$3.9 million loan for the detention center construction. Actual money from the loan will be available about six

weeks after passage of the proposed ordinance on May 18. Sylvia said there is a 30 day protest period following adoption of the ordinance. If no protests are filed the loan will be processed and funds available soon after.

County commissioner Ray Nunley noted from reading the loan documents included in his agenda packet, that June 27 is indicated as the

actual closing date on the loan. County commissioner Leo Martinez asked what would happen with the loan if the project is delayed. Sylvia said the interest rate is good for six months after the NMFA board approval on March 30.

Martinez asked Stewart about the \$80,000 already spent on the new jail project. Stewart said the revenues

from the one-eighth gross receipt tax for the jail project are now coming in from the state tax and revenue department and are being used to pay for architect fees and other costs. He added he anticipates enough revenues collected from now until the close of the loan to reduce the overall amount.

County attorney Alan Morel had some concerns over concepts behind the requirements and the required re-

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ER NURSE Patricia Reynolds (above) completes a report in the new nurse's station in the new Emergency Room wing at Lincoln County Medical Center (LCMC) in Ruidoso. The new wing, which includes new patient seating next to a large picture window with a view of Sierra Blanca (below), has nine beds and new entrance doors for ambulance and patients. The ER addition, and the new front street side entrance were funded in part with \$1.2 million from county funds, with hospital mill levy funds and donations from the LCMC Auxiliary (also known as Pink People.) LCMC administrator Jim Gibson recently submitted a request for county funding for the next phase of the hospital project -- remodeling of the operating room area and the moving of the materials storage room to create a new ambulatory operating room.



County Okays \$\$ To Hondo Clinic

by Doris Cherry

Pending the nod of approval from the state Department of Finance and Administration (DFA), a new fund will be set up with \$180,000 of hospital mill levy money for the new Hondo Valley Health Center.

After four years, the little clinic building given to Hondo by the county commissioners and moved from Carrizozo, is ready to become

a real health clinic. At the April 20 Lincoln County Commission meeting held in the Lincoln County Courthouse in Carrizozo, Hondo School superintendent Barbara Casey introduced Sefarino Montano, CEO of the La Casa de Buena Salud health group that will operate the clinic. With humble beginnings in Portales in 1977, La Casa de Buena Salud, Inc. now has clinics in

Portales, Clovis, Roswell and now Hondo. With a total operations budget of \$7 million a year, the organization receives state and federal funds through various grants.

La Casa de Buena Salud, Inc. clinics accept Medicaid and Medicare patients, and have sliding scale fee for people with incomes up to

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Ruidoso Removes Well Watering Ban

by Doris Cherry

Within one week, owners of domestic water wells drilled after July 1996 on property in Ruidoso will be able to use those wells to water their lawns.

Domestic well owners in Ruidoso also will be required to put up a village supplied sign stating "domestic well" to advise the public and village staff why the lawn is green.

At the April 25 Ruidoso Village Council meeting, councilors unanimously approved amendments to the Water Conservation Ordinance that removed the village's prohibition on using water wells during water restriction times, and adds new language to allow residents and businesses to hand water flower beds, tree wells and potted plants with

a hose during the hours of 3 p.m. to 10 a.m. during water restriction times. The ordinance sets the hours of outdoor watering at all times, regardless if in drought, to hours between 3 p.m. and 10 a.m. It also creates only three water phases--the first in times of no drought allows outdoor watering (sprinkling lawns) only with an odd/even basis, second phase restrictions allow sprinkling lawns only on Tuesday and the third allows no sprinkling. The village manager and water department supervisor will determine the water conservation phases, based on several factors. However, at the request of water supervisor Richard Sanchez, the council will have to take action to go into the strictest phase.

On April 20, lowered pro-

duction of the village wells, lowered levels in the Alto and Grindstone reservoirs, and continued lack of precipitation triggered the Phase 4 of the old water conservation ordinance. This phase prohibits all outdoor watering at anytime, unless done by hand with a bucket or some other container. The strictest phase with no outdoor lawn watering or sprinkling will continue under the new ordinance when it takes effect.

At the April 25 meeting, under reports village manager Alan Briley reported on the Phase 4, and said there is ample water if the village conserves it. He said the re-

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County Budget Cycle Begins

by Doris Cherry

Lincoln County departments are now working on the nuts and bolts of the preliminary budget to operate county government for the next fiscal year. Departments held work sessions on April 25 and 26 preparing for a presentation on May 4 when Lincoln County Commissioners will hold a special meeting at 9 a.m. in their chambers in the Lincoln County Courthouse in Carrizozo to discuss the proposed budget.

At this special meeting county commissioners will hear from representatives of outside agencies that have made more than \$255,000 in requests for county money next fiscal year. On April 20 Lincoln County manager Tom Stewart reported on the budget at the Lincoln County Commission meeting in Carrizozo. At that time, several non-county agencies had submitted more than \$250,000 in requests. The deadline for external agency requests was April 25.

Requests submitted by the April 20 commission meeting included, \$47,536 as the county's contribution toward salaries in the New Mexico State Cooperative Extension Office; \$10,000 for the Tribute To Hispanic Culture;

\$40,239 for the ENMU Ruidoso Center parking lot improvements; \$6,000 for Little Rascals Club after school care; \$1,000 for South Central Mountain RC&D Council; \$3,500 in dues to the Southeastern New Mexico Economic Development District (SNMEDD) that assists with the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) programs; \$1,000 to the Lincoln Historic Preservation Board; \$1,050 for the NM State Rural Bookmobile; \$87,500 for the USDA Wildlife Service (animal damage control); \$4,500 for the Capitan Public Library; \$2,000 for the Claunch-Pinto Soil and Water Conservation District; \$18,046 for NM Association of Counties; \$22,000 Humane Society of Lincoln County for kennel services based on use by county residents; \$10,555 for White Mountain Search and Rescue; and an invoice for \$23,500 from the Village of Ruidoso to house the juvenile probation office (JPO).

Stewart said the county attorney will be advising county commissioners about the request from Ruidoso for the JPO rental. He said he understood the rental was to be excused in exchange for space for the Ruidoso library

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

The extended forecast for Carrizozo, Hondo Valley and Lincoln County high plains is:

- For today, Thursday, April 27:
Mostly sunny, with a high of about 83 degrees, and low in the mid 50s in Carrizozo and mid 40s in the uplands.
- Friday, April 28:
Warm and dry, with highs from the upper 80s to low 90 and lows of 40 to 45 degrees.
- Saturday, April 29:
Breezy with a chance of thunderstorms. Highs in the low 80s to 85 degrees, lows from 35 to 45 degrees.
- Sunday, April 30:
A chance of thunderstorms and cooler. Highs of 75 to 80, lows of 35 to 45.
- In the Capitan and Northern Sacramento Mountains:
Today, Thursday April 27:
Mostly sunny with highs in Ruidoso of upper 70s and near 80 in Capitan. Lows of near 40 in Capitan and upper 30s in Ruidoso.
- Friday, April 28:
Warm and dry with highs in the lower 80s in Ruidoso and Capitan, lows of low 40s in Ruidoso and 45 in Capitan.
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County Budget Cycle

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parking lot and work on other village projects. He said negotiations are currently going on with the village.

As for the current 1999-2000 budget the general fund

budget overall is at 71 percent expended. However there are some funds that exceeded their budgeted expenditures—juvenile detention, corrections, a recently approved \$5,000 appropriation to the Otero County Forest Health study, and a settlement deductible of \$10,000. Stewart said he has contacted the New Mexico Department of Finance and Administration (DFA) about the over-expenditures in these departments. He said the county will not need a separate resolution to balance these funds as long as it is within the overall general fund budget.

With the 1999-2000 fiscal year three-fourths expended, the county's overall general fund should be at 75 percent, Stewart explained. The four percent equates to \$128,248, which Stewart estimated to be enough to cover the overruns in the two correctional departments and the funds committed to the forest study. "No adjustments are recommended at this point,"

Stewart said. "We will continue to monitor the budget execution closely."

At the first of the meeting, Lincoln County Treasurer Joan Park presented a quarterly financial report to the county commissioners who were acting as the county board of finance. She reviewed the budget ending March 31. It showed the county at 73 percent in collecting the budgeted receipts. Park said currently her office is collecting the second half of property taxes, which will be reflected in the April and May financial reports. Park pointed out that interest made on county investments was about six percent below what was estimated. She attributed this to the county having less to invest than in the past. She presented charts showing the county's general fund balance at the end of March to be at \$1,040,154. With all other funds, including a new reserve for gross receipt tax revenues, the county's funds were at \$3,974,873 at the end

of March.

For the new county gross receipt funds—the one-eighth percent for the Indigent Health Care Fund and the other one-eighth for the new detention center—which began January 1, no true picture of collections will be available until March taxes come to the county from the state. County commissioner Leo Martinez asked if the gross receipt taxes are up in Lincoln County. Park said her office gets a gross receipt tax revenue trend report from the state and it appears Lincoln County is not down in its collections.

The state also requires the county to create a reserve fund equal to one fourth the amount received in the gross receipt taxes. The state keeps a small percentage of the collections as an administrative fee.

When asked about investments and why there were no certificates of deposit with Ruidoso State Bank (RSB), Park said it is the depository bank for the county's checking accounts and other funds. Also it will not pay the minimum interest rate set by the state for the county investments, so RSB had refused to hold the county's certificates of deposit, Park said.

Because RSB has sold to an out of state company, Park said she is considering a request for proposals (rfp) for banking services. She said she has met with an advisory group made up of representatives of the area financial institutions and companies to review and consider possible changes to the county investment policy. The county has operated under the same policy for four years. "By the next board of finance meeting (July) I will have a proposal for changes to the county investment policy," Park added.

How the county can invest is outlined by the county investment policy which by state law is very protected. "The rule for county investments is safety first, liquidity second and yield third," Park said.

County commissioner Leo Martinez asked if the financial advisors will have control over how the county invests. He said municipalities and counties have gone broke in the past because of bad investments. Also he wanted to know if the county commission was liable if there was a loss on the investments.

Park said she was approached by three banks offering their financial services to help her tailor an rfp for the county depository bank. By law the county must offer all local banks a pro rata share of the county money, if the banks pay the interest rates according to the county investment policy. If the banks refuse, then the refusal must be on record. "We have no problem of the banks taking our money," Park said.

County funds held in RSB were all in checking accounts with \$552,304 in county operational account, \$4,690 in the county detention trust account, \$26,380 in the county warrant account (for payment of bills), \$862,927 in the county investment account, \$7,000 in the Narcotics Enforcement Unit confidential fund account. Wells Fargo Bank holds investments for Corona Schools funds, which the county administers. Certificates of deposit of county funds are held by Wells Fargo Bank, First National Bank, Pioneer Savings, First Federal, and the local government investment pool through the state totaling \$2,685,000.

As for who is liable if the county investments lose money, Park said the investment policy addresses the use of a broker, who would be liable if there is a loss. If there is a real problem, the liability will rest with the board of finance and the treasurer, she said.

New Jail Will

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serve account of \$281,000 or 25 percent of the one-eighth gross receipt revenue each year. Sylvia said she estimated it will take about two and a half years for the county to totally fund the reserve account. Once it is funded at \$281,000, all revenues from the one-eighth gross receipt tax will be sent to the county for the detention center project, or operation.

It will take the county 30 years to pay back the \$3,988,458 loan. The cost to the county for the loan is \$4,247,800.89 in combined periodic gross interest, a .25 percent administrative fee, \$273,792.90 NMFA gross debt service fee for a total combined cost to the county of \$8,408,172.87. The county's annual payment on the NMFA loan will be \$374,059 a year. The debt payment was based on an estimate of revenue from the county's one-eighth percent gross receipt tax imposed last year and which began collection on January 1.

Morel said the proposed ordinance for the loan is more than 60 pages and he would review it with comments at the May 18 public hearing. County commissioners also discussed how to address the required loan reserve perhaps with some type of surety bond. County commissioner Bill Schwetzmann said they could discuss options at the May 18 public hearing on the loan ordinance.

County commissioners unanimously approved the public hearing on the ordinance that authorizes the \$3.9 million loan from NMFA.

During Stewart's manager report, he said the detention center architects Nims Calvani was to meet with the jail administrator and himself to review the details of the proposed facility. A request for bids was to be released April 20, with opening

of bids scheduled for May 16. A ground breaking is anticipated for May 30.

Stewart also reported on the request for proposals (rfp) for operation of the new detention center. The rfp was issued on February 23 with response by April 5. However, two firms indicating serious intent requested an extension of time and additional information, which included blue prints of the new facility. Stewart said he granted the extension until April 19 and would bring the proposals to the county commissioners for a decision at the May 4 budget hearing.

Also at the meeting, county commissioners were introduced to the new detention center administrator John Buffington, employed by Correction Systems Inc. (CSI) which contracts with the county for administration of the current jail. Stewart was involved in the interviews of administrator applicants. Buffington retired from the Federal Prison System in 1999 after 20 years. His last post was as unit manager of a 300 bed unit of the federal medical center in Fort Worth. He also worked seven years as an analyst for the U.S. Parole Commission in Dallas. He also is a certified facilitator for the Seven Effective Habits of Highly Effective People program.

Capitan Trustees Will Meet May 2

Capitan Village Trustees will hold their regular meeting at 7 p.m. Tuesday, May 2, instead of the second Tuesday, or May 9.

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

WEDNESDAYS
 -Moms In Touch prayer group, 9 a.m. Ancho. Car pool from Carrizozo. Call 648-2460 for information.
 -Alcoholics Anonymous open meeting, 7 p.m. Capitan Senior Citizens Center.

THURSDAYS
 -Carrizozo School Library Story Hour 9:30-10:30 a.m. for preschoolers age 3-5.
 -Lincoln County Adult Singles Group 6:30 p.m. Call 354-2635 or 258-3201 for information and location.
 -Capitan Chamber of Commerce Biago, 6:30-10 p.m. Chamber building on Second Street.
 -Alcoholics Anonymous 8 p.m. Carrizozo Senior Center. Call 648-1145 for information.

FRIDAYS
 -Alcoholics Anonymous big book open discussion 7-8 p.m. Capitan Senior Center. Call 354-4032 for information.

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

TODAY, THURSDAY, APRIL 27
 -Carrizozo Spring Band Concert, 7 p.m. old gym.

FRIDAY, APRIL 28
 -Carrie Tingley Children's Hospital doctors will hold an outreach clinic for children with orthopaedic problems at 1900 White Sands Blvd. in Alamogordo. To make an appointment or for more information call 1-800-472-3235, ext. 5270. Advanced scheduling is requested.

SATURDAY, APRIL 29
 -Carrizozo Schools host district track meet at Capitan field.

MONDAY, MAY 1
 -Capitan Chamber of Commerce, 12:30 p.m. chamber building on 2nd Street.
 -Capitan Schools ACT parent group meeting 1-3 p.m.
 -Carrizozo Town Planning and Zoning Board meets 6:30 p.m. town hall.

TUESDAY, MAY 2
 -Capitan School FFA awards banquet, 6 p.m. Traylor gym.
 -Capitan Village Trustees 7 p.m. regular meeting rescheduled from the May 9 meeting.
 -James A. Hipps, Post #67, American Legion in Capitan meets at 7 p.m. at Capitan Senior Citizens Center. Officers for the 2000-01 year are Commander Robert Stephens, vice commander Arthur Blazer, adjutant Larry Holt, finance officer Floyd Danielson and chaplain Robert Rice.

WEDNESDAY, MAY 3
 -Billy the Kid Scenic Byways Committee, 12 noon Hubbard Museum of the American West, Ruidoso Downs.
 -Capitan School Staff Appreciation Awards program 6 p.m. Traylor Gym.
 -Town of Carrizozo preliminary budget workshop 6 p.m. at town hall.

THURSDAY, MAY 4
 -Blood drive, 8:30 a.m. to 6 p.m. Gateway Church of Christ in Ruidoso, sponsored by LCMC Auxiliary.
 -Lincoln County Commissioners special meeting at 9 a.m. in their chambers in the Lincoln County Courthouse in Carrizozo to hold a preliminary budget hearing and consider a request for proposals for transition to and operation of a new county detention center.
 -Carrizozo Schools Cinco de Mayo celebration and School Wide Open House, begins at 6 p.m. Folk dancing and other events in the old gym, open house in every class room.

FRIDAY, MAY 5
 -Capitan school district wide in-service day, no school for students.

MONDAY, MAY 8
 -Lincoln County Tourism Council meets at 10 a.m. in White Oaks, to plan the Miner's Day event.

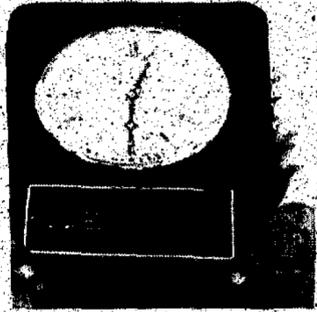
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CAROL SCHLARB, former Carrizozo Municipal Clerk/Treasurer, received a plaque of appreciation from the New Mexico Municipal Clerks & Finance Officers Association April 13 during their spring meeting in Cloudfcroft. Schlarb began working as billing clerk in Carrizozo in 1976. She was appointed deputy clerk in 1979 and was appointed clerk/treasurer in 1981. She worked continuously for the Town of Carrizozo until March 2000. Schlarb became a member of the New Mexico Municipal Clerks and Finance Officers Association (NMMCFOA) in 1983 and held office in that organization for each year starting in 1984. She was nominated to alternate district director for Dist. 6 in 1984, was president-elect in 1995-96, was vice-president in 1995-96, and president of the association in 1996-97. As president she sat as a member of the board of directors for the New Mexico Municipal League. She also represented the New Mexico Municipal Clerks and Finance Officers Association as president at the International Institute of Municipal Clerks conference in Buffalo, NY. Schlarb attended the three year course in 1985, 1986 and 1987 to earn her certification as municipal clerk. She attended the Advanced Academy of Education (AAE) in 1993 and earned the AAE. The inscription on the plaque states: Presented to Carol Schlarb with Grateful Appreciation For Your Years of Dedicated Service to the New Mexico Municipal Clerks & Finance Officers Association, April 2000.

\$\$ For Hondo Clinic

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200 percent of the federal poverty level, Montano said. The plan is to have the clinic open 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., five days a week.

But county attorney Alan Morel was concerned that La Casa De Buena Salud, Inc. was chosen as the health provider without going through a request for proposals (rfp) process. He recommended waiting for the requested attorney general opinion whether the county needs an rfp to choose its hospital and clinics health care management. Morel said La Casa De Buena Salud will qualify for reimbursement from the new county Indigent Health Care Fund. Later in the discussion Morel said no rfp were done for operation of Carrizozo or Corona clinics.

This led to a long discussion about whether the county can pay the \$180,000 in hospital mill levy revenues to the Hondo clinic, or La Casa De Buena Salud, or to the school without the rfp. Montano said the organization could be considered a sole source provider. But Morel said he wanted an rfp just to find out if the organization was the sole source.

Casey and a Hondo Valley Public Schools board member said they had an advisory committee whose members looked for all possible options for a medical provider and came up with La Casa De Buena Salud. Casey reminded commissioners that the county had given the building and \$20,000, to move it and set it up, to Hondo Schools in 1996, with no further assistance, when at the same time the hospital mill levy ballot language stated one mill of the hospital mill levy was dedicated to the Carrizozo, Corona, and Hondo clinics.

After considerable discussion about the rfp and Mo-

rel's concerns, county commissioner Leo Martinez recommended they get the project moving. "The services are needed," he said.

Morel finally said the county could write a letter to DFA asking for permission to transfer the mill levy funds from the county to Hondo Valley Public Schools, Government to government fund transfers do not require rfps and are allowed by state law. "But I'm not too sure Hondo Schools can spend the money (with La Casa De Buena Salud) without an

rfp," Morel added. Morel said he had recommended an rfp for a number of months. "It was my advice for a long time," he added.

After even more discussion, Simpson made the motion to pay the \$180,000 of mill levy funds to Hondo Valley Public Schools depending on DFA approval. The vote was unanimously in favor.

According to county manager Tom Stewart, Morel had sent the letter of request to DFA. As of April 26, there had been no reply.

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THOUGHTS

FROM THE EDITOR'S DESK

Choices must be made

By Ruth Hammond

Carrizozo took action on several agenda items Tuesday that should be of interest to local residents. The 40 acre McBride well site property was annexed, again. Does this mean that the town acquired twice as much property than if the site hadn't been annexed at two different meetings? The town also vacated a street. Does this mean the town adds 40 acres in an area and loses a street in another area?

Having no objections at either public hearing, the town council approved both actions. It was not announced if the owners of property adjoining the McBride well site or if the owners of property adjoining the street requested to be closed had been notified by certified mail of the possible actions. Maybe adjoining property owners don't have to be notified by certified mail of any possible action to be taken on property near their property. If adjoining property owners were required to be notified by certified mail and weren't, it seems there could be a few problems.

Other agenda items of interest included the lengthy discussion about a salary increase for the municipal court clerk, discussion about the town needing more money and where it will come from, the mayor making a motion on one action, the announcement that the water department, which usually helps fund the general revenue fund is now hurting and there may be an increase in water rates, and the surprise statement that "hopefully by the middle of next month the town will know whether Alesca will be locating in Carrizozo or not locating in Carrizozo." This statement was a surprise because the town residents voted last year to approve a one-eighth gross receipts tax with that money to be used to help Alesca locate in Carrizozo. Now we are told there is some question as to whether Alesca will locate in Carrizozo. Come on guys, if there is something else going on the people should be told the entire truth about it. Rumors that Alesca is talking to other entities about locating in other entities have been going around, but we thought the town residents approving the gross receipts tax settled the question of where Alesca would be located and it was just a matter of getting all of the federal and state permits approved before actual construction of the Alesca facility begins.

Circumstances change, as we all know, and there could be several factors involved concerning the decision as to whether Alesca will locate in Carrizozo, but the public should be told what those factors are. Writing to federal and state elected officials won't help unless the people writing the letters know what issues are involved. Letters written to federal and state elected officials from people should be specific as to what type of assistance is needed.

Every problem has a solution but if people don't know what the problem is they certainly can't ask for help with a solution. If the problem is in acquiring permits from the federal government, the federal elected officials might be able to help. If the problem is in acquiring permits from the state, state elected officials might be able to help.

Secret talks won't solve a problem. Town officials have a choice to make; should they share their information with the public or should they continue to keep it a secret?

Share those secrets, please!

State National Bancshares, Inc. To Acquire Ruidoso State Bank Later This Year

Ruidoso State Bank and State National Bancshares, Inc. of Lubbock, TX have announced the recent signing of a definitive agreement. The transaction is anticipated to close in September or early October. Currently Ruidoso State Bank has about \$104 million in deposits, four locations—two in Ruidoso, one in Carrizozo and one in Capitan. Ruidoso State Bank has served the area since 1953.

State National Bancshares, Inc. is a \$1.2 billion multi-bank holding company headquartered in Lubbock. New Mexico locations for State National Bank include Las Cruces, Truth or Consequences, Alamogordo, Belen, Deming, Elephant Butte, Socorro and Ruidoso.

Tom Battin, president and CEO of Ruidoso State Bank, said in a release, "Our Board of Directors and employees are excited about the transaction. This allows us to take our bank to the next level for the good of our customers."

"Our bank history has been focused in community banks in Texas and New Mexico

communities like Ruidoso," said Tom Nichols, president and CEO of the State National Bancshares. "We are looking forward to our association with the board, management and staff of Ruidoso State Bank and to continue in their tradition of quality by offering personal, financial and community service."

At the closing Battin will become chairman of the board. Carl Bartley, currently president of State National Bank of Ruidoso will continue as president.



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INSIDE THE CAPITOL

SANTA FE - Was the secretary of state's decision to require that all absentee ballots be distributed by county clerks an attempt to a) protect the integrity, security and secrecy of the absentee ballot, b) rob the Republican Party of an advantage, c) make life easier for government bureaucrats, d) prevent voters from becoming confused or e) all of the above?

Officially, the answer is a). After a bitter 1998 campaign saw the state GOP mail all Republican voters an absentee ballot request with a bold notice on the outside advertising "a special message from your governor" and a Democrat congressional candidate mailing absentee ballot applications with his logo on them to all Democrats, the 1999 Legislature passed a law telling the secretary of state to adopt rules to protect the integrity, security and secrecy of the absentee ballot.

Gov. Gary Johnson signed the measure, so apparently both parties felt something needed to be done about all the absentee ballot applications that floated around the state two years ago.

But when the secretary of state recently promulgated a rule limiting distribution of the applications to only county clerks upon request by individual voters, state GOP Chairman John Dendahl called it an undue burden on the people's right to vote and hinted he may go to court.

The GOP has always taken better advantage of the absentee ballot than Democrats. Even before parties were allowed to mail absentee ballot requests, Republicans came out well ahead in absentee balloting. The Democrat Party and its candidates, except for Phil Maloof, have not had the money for mass mailings to all party members. Democrat campaign ohests are usually lower than those of Republicans. They have more party members to send mail to. And the exercise isn't as cost effective.

Democrats tend to split their ballots much more than Republicans. That's the only way Republicans win elections in most counties. And Democrats are not as likely to request an absentee ballot as are Republicans. So all the way around, Republicans are helped by easy absentee balloting. So did a Democrat secretary of state decide to limit Republican use of absentee balloting as much as possible? The answer depends on who is responding to the question.

Denise Lamb, the Bureau of Elections director in the Secretary of State's Office says it is possible for one voter to get five or six absten-

tee ballot applications from parties and candidates in an election. She says this has caused election day confusion and delays for election officials, as voters, having forgotten they balloted absentee, show up at the polls ready to vote a second time.

Undoubtedly, that happens occasionally. If people don't remember voting absentee, they can complete affidavits testifying they haven't voted before, vote separately by paper ballot, and have the ballots counted later if they hadn't voted before. That takes election officials a little longer, but the goal of elections is to encourage more people to vote, not to make life easier on election officials.

In this day of computer processing, it should be fairly easy to catch anyone trying to mail in five absentee ballots. As for putting campaign messages on ab-

sentee ballot requests, New Mexicans should be so accustomed to commercialism in all phases of their lives that little is sacred anymore.

We've learned to screen out advertising when reading newspapers, magazines, our mail or the Internet, and certainly when watching TV. And we unquestioningly accept electioneering at the polls without letting it overly influence us.

And what about answer e) all of the above? That's probably the most realistic. We must be confident that our voting process is not subject to fraud or voter turnout will fall even further. And surely there are a few out there who would love to compromise the integrity of the absentee ballot.

But we should be trying to make it easier to vote, not harder.

LCSWA Needs Rate Increases To Survive

Lincoln County Solid Waste Authority needs a rate increase in residential trash rates in order to survive its next fiscal year.

With the rising cost of fuel, and the need for a raise for employees, Lincoln County Solid Waste Authority (LCSWA) members at their meeting April 25 learned that a 25 percent residential trash rate increase is needed. However, only the governing bodies that are represented on the board can change the residential trash rates.

LCSWA manager Jerry Wright requested a special meeting at 2 p.m. Tuesday, May 2 to review the LCSWA business study from Gene Simmons of the ENMU Small Business Development Center. Wright said the study will include a breakdown on costs and rates, population growth, services and needed income to operate effectively.

Wright said he would prefer a \$9.25 monthly rate for all entities served by LCSWA. Currently the county pays the lowest rate for LCSWA at \$5.25 a month. Wright also suggested adding a monthly rental fee of \$1.50 to trash rates in Ruidoso Downs, Capitan and Carrizozo which have the poly cart service.

County rates would be affected most, with a rate increase of \$4 a month to the same \$9.25.

Commercial rates for LCSWA service will need to go up at least 15 percent in the first year of a three year rate increase program, Wright said. He showed com-

parison rates of commercial service in several communities in the state. From a high of \$82 a month for a once a week three yard service in Belen to a low of \$17.67 a month in Fortales more than half polled had commercial rates higher than \$40 a month.

Wright estimated the rate increases could provide an additional \$248,000 a year. Capitan representative trustee Debra Ingle said the \$248,000 will barely cover what LCSWA is now short, if the \$225,000 in environmental gross receipt taxes (EGRT) are not counted. LCSWA finance officer Beverly Foote said the \$225,000 in EGRT are transferred into general operations. Wright said the additional revenue from the rate increases and the EGRT revenues will cover all that is needed for operations, plus enough for annual lease purchase payments on a new side-loader collection truck.

Ingle asked what will happen if one of the entities refuses to raise residential trash rates. Wright said LCSWA will have to cut service to the entity's residents.

Steve Barela, Capitan village administrator, suggested Wright meet with each entity with a presentation on the rate study charts to show the need for rate increases. Wright said he met with Carrizozo Town Trustees who seemed receptive to a rate increase. "Some of the trustees are business people who realize you cannot operate at the same rate," Wright said.

In his manager's report, Wright told how LCSWA will set a roll-off container at location for a community cleanup at a cost of \$250 plus tipping fees. He said Carrizozo is creating a burden with its ambitious cleanup. Carrizozo member, and LCSWA vice-chair, Beid Bradley said the town is putting brush at a location different than the roll-off. The fire department will use the brush to practice fire techniques.

Also for Carrizozo, another employee was hired to allow the roll-off container to be open every Saturday at the convenience station east of town. It will cost \$10 a cubic yard to dump into the container.

Wright also said LCSWA will remove any deer killed by a vehicle within a member municipality.



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Ruidoso Removes Ban

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restrictions are to emphasize conservation to make residents conserve water. "A lot of people are saying the restrictions are water rationing," Briley said. "I hate the word ration. This is (restrictions) conservation and with conservation we have ample water to make it to the monsoons."

Briley also reported the village soon will hire two part time code enforcement officers to help with enforcing the water restrictions and other village codes.

Mayor Robert Donaldson said the top 150 residential water users of 7,500 accounts, use a total of 200,000 gallons a day in the growing season. "When we go into Phase 4, we save water real quickly," Donaldson added.

The discussions about the restrictions, ability for disabled people to hand water and the use of domestic wells were carried on from the reports to the public hearing on the ordinance that proposed to change the

existing water conservation ordinance. Donaldson said Ruidoso is the only community in the state that is enforcing the rule to prohibit the use of domestic wells (drilled after 1996) on properties in a municipality that is under restrictions for use of village provided water.

Donaldson said when the domestic well regulation was put in place with the water conservation ordinance in 1996, many residents thought it was unfair that domestic well owners could water their grass when they could not. Councilor Leon Eggleston, who with councilor Bill Chance voted against the domestic well rule in the last ordinance change, said it is the state engineer's job to regulate domestic wells. He said in his opinion, the state was using Ruidoso as a scapegoat (by requiring the village to regulate domestic well use.) "We do all kinds of jobs for the county, why do we have to do something for the state

engineer?" Eggleston asked.

Eggleston said if the high water users were allowed to use domestic wells to water their lawns, it would lighten the demand on the village water system, and its water rights. Donaldson said that is why the issue was worth reviewing. But councilor Linda Flack asked why they thought the top 150 water users in the village would drill wells for their landscaping. Under current water rates, the cost of water per thousand gallons rises exponentially after 25,000 gallons a month is used by one residential customer.

Chance suggested the council next review its water rate structure and further raise the cost of water used over 25,000 gallons a month. "We can address the water hogs with the higher rates," Chance said. "It's hard to change a lifestyle unless it hurts."

Councilors also changed their rules about hand watering. Donaldson said the village has received a number of calls from people who were physically unable to carry buckets. He recommended the new ordinance changes include wording to allow such individuals to water with a hose. During the public portion of the hearing Myrtle Arrington, who lives in upper canyon, asked why she could not use a hose to water from a bucket. She said she wanted to hook up plumbing to allow use of the gray water from her washing machine, but learned the state environment department will not allow that. Donaldson said the state is very backwards in its regulations about using gray water, which he hopes will be addressed by future legislatures.

Councilors spent considerable time debating the definitions of hand watering, how it will be allowed and regulated, and about the use of domestic wells.

At one point citizen Lynn Roberson asked if the highway construction company Meadow Valley was subject to the water restrictions, since it used village water for wetting down the roadbeds, and washing the orange barrels. Briley said the village has no obligation to supply Meadow Valley with water. But Donaldson said he would rather the village sell the company water at the rate of \$6.40 a thousand gallons, than shut down the project. Also the water conservation ordinance does not apply to the use of water for construction purposes, such as washing down a deck to refinish or watering down newly poured concrete or other type construction uses. Briley said commercial water users consume less than one-fifth of the daily treated water supply.

T.E. Arrington, upper canyon resident, asked why car washes can operate, and about the mayor's previous comments about the village not having enough water storage. Donaldson said commercial businesses are allowed to use water because it is their livelihood. Also the car washes use less water than by washing a car at home. As for water tanks, Donaldson said the water situation is not a storage issue, rather is now a water rights issue. "We have plenty of water, but not enough rights," Donaldson said. The village is planning to sell \$2 million worth of bonds to purchase additional water rights in the Ruidoso basin. "We're doing all we can, it's too bad the worst drought in 30 years was this year," he added. Donaldson said he was unsure why the village had not taken steps to acquire additional rights over the last 30 years.

Chuck Craig, upper canyon resident, supported the removal of restrictions on do-

mestic water wells. He said if the availability of water is not the problem for the village, rather the water rights to use it, then water is not the issue in use of the domestic wells. He also asked why drip irrigation will not be allowed, since it is water saving. Donaldson said even with drip irrigation if forgotten it can use considerable water.

Urger by the Arringtons, the council discussed the wording of hand watering and developed an acceptable definition and application. They also discussed requiring residents to use some type of shut off device while using hoses to manually water, but decided against adding it to the ordinance.

Donaldson said it was unfortunate the village had to pass ordinances that penalize the majority, because of the abuses of the few.

After councilors passed the ordinance changes, Donaldson said he hoped the changes would make it easier for residents to comply with and understand the water conservation ordinance.



JUST FOR COMMISSIONER SIMPSON. Lincoln County Commissioner Bill Schwettmann displays a special "picture" he had framed for Commissioner Rick Simpson which he presented to Simpson during the April 20 county commission meeting as a special "glad you're better" gift. The print shows a cowboy and his dog on the saddle of a horse. Simpson was injured in a horse riding accident in February and has since recovered.

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Cibola National Forest Conducts User Survey

This year visitors to the Cibola National Forest, Mountainair Ranger District, may see forest service employees near a sign that reads "Voluntary Recreation Use Survey Ahead."

Employees will be asking people about their visit to the ranger district.

The recreation visitor survey will gather basic information. Information on how many people recreate on federal lands and what activities they engage in while there will be used for forest planning and for local community tourism planning. Visitors will also be asked how satisfied they were with their visits and how much money they spent.

All responses to the survey will be confidential, and a person's name will not be written anywhere on the survey. The basic interview will last about 15 minutes.

Surveys will be taken nationwide and information will be used in local, state and national forest planning.

For more information about the survey, visit the forest service website at <http://www.fs.fed.us/recreation/recuse/recuse.shtml> or call the Cibola National Forest headquarters at 505-346-2650.

Obituary

PATRICIA ANN SKEEN

Memorial service for Patricia Ann Skeen, 64, of Alto was April 24 in LaGrone Funeral Chapel of Ruidoso. Officiating was Lewis Duncan.

Mrs. Skeen died April 18, at her home. She was born October 10, 1935 at Dayton, OH. She was a past member of the Lincoln County Republican Women and she moved to Alto from Los Angeles in 1991.

She married David C. Skeen on March 19, 1955 at Los Angeles and he preceded her in death on February 2, 1999.

She is survived by a son, David Thomas Skeen and his wife Gayla of Alto; two daughters, Pamela Sue Skeen of Phoenix and Cynthia Ann Wilson and her husband Cone of Roswell; two sisters, Nonna Jean Winnick of Carson CA, and Carolyn Kaffer of Dawson PA, and four grandchildren.

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

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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.

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PART II

El Rodeo.

El Rodeo is near 2 days travel from Topia by way of the Quebrada, turning off to the southeast at Aguacaliente, between Le Bajada and Tamazula, where there are boiling hot springs, and ascending the Rodeo arroyo. The principal mine is El Desague, owned by Sr. Severo Amador, of Culiacan and El Rodeo. There are two other strong properties, owned by other parties. The ores are of silver, more similar to the ores of Topia than any other camp shown on the map, containing a high percentage of lead, much sulphur, some zinc, iron, antimony and arsenic. Mr. Amador's mine is down to the water level, but unlike nearly all Mexican mine owners in this district, past and present, he is not deterred, but is installing pumps and other machinery for still more elaborate development.

Chacala.

Chacala lies southwest of El Rodeo, 4 hours ride, at an altitude of 2000 feet. It is essentially a gold camp, the ores carrying but a

small quantity of silver. The principal mines are La Candelaria and San Juan, owned by Mr. Thomas Dismuke and partners, of Chacala and Nashville, Tenn., and Mino de Oro, owned by Sr. Lucio Rivera, of Topia. When the writer was here during the early part of the year Mr. Dismuke was crushing ore of 4 ounces per ton with a Davis mill, and reducing by chlorination, purchasing liquid chlorine from Germany, but he was preparing to enlarge his plant and make his own chlorine on the spot. The ores are very refractory, but high grade, the loss in treatment being about 20 per cent. Population of Chacala, about 1000. Chlorination has now been changed for the cyanide process.

San Juan del Norotal.

San Juan has long been an intermittent producer of gold and silver. It has one mine dating back before the conquest that up to the present has not been entirely explored. It has gold placers, also, and is now attracting renewed interest by recent discoveries of copper

ore in its vicinity. It is best reached from Topia via the Tamazula Quebrada, turning off to the northwest at a place called Amacuable, an Indian village just above Aguacaliente, crossing the divide between this quebrada and that of Sianori, and crossing the quebrada at Rancho San Geronimo. This is the usual traveled route to San Ferrnando. It can also be reached via Sianori.

El Tigre.

El Tigre is another mine owned by Sr. Eraclio Amador, that has been a famous producer of gold and silver, and has by no means been exhausted, but the peculiar policy of its owner has kept it idle for several years.

Near the Tigre, on the right bank of the Sianori River, or quebrada, is the copper mine Fanny, recently discovered, owned by Sr. Antonio Anita, of Topia and Durango. It is 20 inches wide in ore, the vein being double this width, carrying some silver and 25 per cent copper. There is one parallel vein within the boundaries of this property, toward which the main vein dips. It is a day and a half from Topia, via Sianori.

Sianori.

This is one of the oldest camps in the district. Its mines have been worked as far back as history goes, and none of them have yet been exhausted. They have reached the water level, however, and with the exception of one where there is pumping machinery, all are now practically idle. The principal mines are Azulac, San Rafael, San Miguel, La Honda, Xicotencal, La Luz and San Antonio. Sr. Eraclio Amador holds the preponderance of interest here, and although the mines are admitted to be good enterprises by competent miners and metallurgists who have visited them, yet it seems no satisfactory arrangements could ever be made with Mr. Amador, so they remain in statu quo, while with pumps

the camp would boom as of yore.

Mr Amador has a 10-stamp mill, 6 concentrating tables, pans and settlers, a smelter, small saw-mill, the whole lighted by electricity, and he drains one mine, where is now working, with pumps. He has an air compressor as well. Power is derived from the Sianori river and from several boilers. The ores from these mines carry silver and gold, the latter in small quantities, readily yielding to treatment by concentration and pan-amalgamation.

Sianori, with all mines working, supports a population of 5,000; it has now barely 500. It is reached from Topia in 8 hours.

Las Sierritas.

This name is applied to the mountains lying between Sianori and San Fernando, and which contain many partially developed mines and virgin veins. The word 'sierritas' is here used as a playful Mexican pleasantry, meaning literally 'little mountains,' whereas they appear to the writer, who spent nearly a month amidst them, as the roughest, steepest, highest and most inaccessible mountains for miles around. However, they contain many veins, mainly gold-bearing, that may be obtained by purchase at low figures or by simple location or denouncement ('denuncio').

San Fernando, Copalquin, San Ignacio and Las Tjeras have been described or touched upon in another article which appeared in the 'Engineering and Mining Journal' July 21st, 1900.

Campo Milks.

This is not a mining camp, but a timber camp in a mining region, and as a necessary adjunct to the mining industry deserves passing notice.

Metates.

The camp is a day and a half northeast from

Topia. It has but one mine, of the same name, but that one is quite an extensive property. The ore is cupriferous, containing from 30 to 50 per cent copper, and carrying 100 to 800 ounces of silver per ton. Much dead work has been done during the last few years, driving a tunnel, now completed, for an outlet below. Sr. Jose Torres and Juan N. Flores y Quijar, of Durango, are the principal stockholders.

La Miseria.

This is a gold mine, about 5 hours from Topia, owned by Mr. Lucio Rivera. It occurs in an immense dyke 200 meters high, of porphyry, the vein matter being quartz. The ore averages an ounce per ton, and is free milling. The owner does not care to work it by the 'gophering' method so often practiced here, but wishes to form a company for its systematic exploitation. It offers exceptional inducements to men with capital.

El Carmen.

This mine is a day's ride northeast of Topia, situated in the mountain slopes of the right bank of the Humaya River, which here bears the local name of Rio de El Valle, from the town of El Valle, farther upstream about 7 miles. It is a silver producer, with a little copper. The ore is very high-grade, the shipping ore averaging 700 ounces per ton. Although the property is only 200 meters long by 100 meters wide, with its surface tilted at an angle of 45 degrees, precluding any extensive work by adits, the mine produced in two years over \$200,000, Mexican money, at an expense of about \$30,000. The 'azougues' or second class ore, is reduced by the patio process, at the river, 1,000 feet below. Sr. Valeriano Flores, of El Valle, is the owner.

Srs. Lucio Rivera and Ramon Espinosa, of Topia, with Sr. Flores have the extension to the northeast, and Srs. Manuel Lopez and Jesus Sarabia, of Topia, the southwestern extension, reaching the river. It is to be hoped that these gentlemen will agree upon some plan to drive a tunnel at the water's edge beneath these three properties, to be used by all.

San Jose de Los Llanitos.

This camp, commonly known as El Pando, is a day's ride from Topia, southeast. It happens to be in another political district, of which Santiago Papasquaro is headquarters. The mines there are of silver, lead, some copper and gold. They are owned by the San Andres company, an extensive concern, the principal mines lying toward Durango.

San Bernabe.

This camp is about 5 hours' ride from Topia. The mines are of silver, with lead and zinc. The principal mines are El Picacho, owned by Mr. Lucio Rivera; San Antonio and Pajos de San Diego, owned by Mr. Sostines Yribarren. Others there are, of lower producing capacity, and a 5-stamp mill, libviation, water-power, owned by the latter gentleman. There are three distinct systems of veins, north and south, east and west, and diagonally. Near here are deposits of limestone and veins of iron ore.

THE MINES OF GUANAJUATO, MEXICO.

The little state of Guanajuato, the smallest in Mexico, is the wealthiest in the republic with the exception of the state of Puebla; and its capital, a city of 60,000 inhabitants, is one of the most picturesque places in the world, thoroughly unique and with a fascinating attractiveness.

The majority of tourists pass it by because it is off the line of travel between the United States and the City of Mexico; but those who visit it find it hard to tear themselves away, so interesting are the scenes on every hand, and the memory of the quaint old town lingers forever.

It is in the heart of the richest mineral district of Mexico, where the mountain sides, (for it is a rough country, elevated high above the sea,) are dotted over with the mouths of tunnels which extend far into the bowels of the earth, and the small river that flows through the ravine along which Guanajuato is built, is aligned with immense reduction works, ancient and solid, being constructed of stone in the days when robbers were a continual menace. To reach the city, one leaves the Mexican Central train at a town called Silao, which looks as if it had been transported bodily from Bible lands with its narrow lanes bordered with flat-roofed, one-story adobe houses, painted in delicate colors. A branch road climbs up grade eleven miles, as far as it can go, and the remaining four miles are accomplished in a tramcar drawn by six mules. The mules have all they can do going up, but the return trip is play. This is said to be the most oddly interesting street car line in the world, and the writer can well believe it. The causeway, winding close beside the little river, is a remarkable piece of engineering, begun in 1767 and finished in 1852. It passes through over and under the great haciendas or reduction works, and has a coping stone on the river side its entire length. The ravine has no outlet except at its lower end, and you find the city crowded close at its head, and extending up the steep hillsides until the wonder is how the occupants of the houses so far aloft can reach them. The streets are narrow, crooked and steep, full of odd corners and angles. A tiny triangular plaza is in the center of the city, and around it are handsome buildings—the governor's palace, statehouse, mint, a hotel, and the finest theater in Mexico. The Teatro Juarez has few equals on any continent. It is a handsome building of green stone, and varicolored marbles, artistically and expensively decorated, and the scenery is from the brush of Mexico's great scenic artist, Herrera. Its appointments are complete and luxurious.

The first mines in this now celebrated district were discovered in 1548, by two muleteers who were on their way from the City of Mexico to Zacatecas. The pioneer mine was named San Bernabe. Two years later, the famous San Juan de Rayas was discovered, then followed the Mellada, Santa Anita, Cata, Franstos, Valenciana, Sirena, La Luz, and many others. They produced about four millions a year for more than two centuries, when their area of remarkable prosperity began. From 1766 to 1803 the mines yielded 165 millions in gold and silver; and from 1803 to 1887 the production was \$355,616,500, making an enormous total. Since 1887, the district of Guanajuato has yielded between five and six millions annually, from a few of the old mines. Many properties are still imperfectly developed. All are on the mammoth vein called the Veta Madre, which underlies Zacatecas, El Oro, and other important mining districts. One mine alone, San Juan de Rayas, paid in royalties to the King of Spain, \$17,464,000; it is still being worked. It has a notable shaft of octagon shape, 11.31 meters (37 feet) in diameter.

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cars and trucks will be clearly marked on the window with discounted prices. "Even the monthly payments will be clearly marked," said Gaffney. "This should make shopping this bargains even easier. Customers can expect to find a large selection of vehicles at a wide range of prices, from top of the line luxury units to economy 4x4s and sport utility vehicles available."

APRIL 27, 28, 29

Everyone is advised that these units will be sold on a first-come, first-serve basis. With these prices, they will all be gone in a hurry.

Every vehicle will be safety checked by a certified mechanic at either the Roswell Auto Plaza, McMurtry Buick-Pontiac-CMG, or McMurtry Nissan-Jeep-Kia service centers.

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A Glimpse of

(Continued from Page 6)

ameter and 382 meters (1,253 feet) deep, which cost \$1,700,000; and the Valenciana, has one almost as wide and expensive, which is 515 meters (1,689 feet) deep and walled in with cut stone to the depth of 70 meters (230 feet).

The writer was most courteously received by the superintendent of the Sirena mine, adjoining the Valenciana which is now owned by a company of New York capitalists and has no stock for sale. It was a novel experience to ride for more than a mile into the heart of the mountain, on a little car drawn by a horse along an inclined tunnel. The ledge is of great width, carrying an average of \$60 (Mexican) in silver and \$12 in gold. The mine is 1,200 feet deep, and is kept drained by buckets which hold 400 gallons each and are emptied every four and one-half minutes. We trundled along in the cool air where never a ray of sunshine comes, our passage lighted by a large torch made of tallow and cotton cloth, wound around with small rope woven from the fibre of the maguey plant, burning slowly and brightly. Far within, we came to a recess hollowed out from the rock, in which was a shrine with lighted candles before it, and ornaments and decorations of flowers carefully arranged. Before this the miners worship daily, and so dear is it to their hearts that they would refuse to work if it were taken away. The company has a 20-stamp mill near the entrance to the mine, with a capacity of 60 tons of ore a day. The Boss amalgamation process of reduction is used, and something new in Mexico, only four other mills in that country using the process; three of these are in Pachuca and one is in Zacatecas. It is

claimed that all kinds of ore except lead ores can be treated by it, and that it saves more of the silver and gold than any other process, it is the old patio system run by machinery instead of by horses and mules. The ore of the Sirena claim is sulphurets. After stamping, it goes through thirty mesh screens, then down into rapid grinders that make 120 revolutions a minute, eight horsepower being required to work each one. There are eight of them. A continuous pan system is then operated, the pulp passing from number one into twelve others successively, receiving thirteen grindings with quicksilver. Blue stonies and salt are placed in pans one and two. Then the pulp goes into settlers, and from them to the cleanup pan, where much of the quicksilver is taken out, after which it goes to the amalgam safes and then to retorts, where it is made into \$1,000 silver bars, ready for the mint. From the Sirena mines for a distance of 2,000 meters, the vein is capped and has not been prospected much. Beyond, is an important group of mines—The Cedao, Cardones, Union and others. The Cardones is now worked by an American company, with a modern mill hoist, pumps, etc. The Union is being largely developed through a tunnel of magnificent proportions. The Cedao has produced many thousands of tons of ore, and has very expensive modern machinery, including a hoist, compressor, boilers, pumps and engines. All three are noted for their high grade, gold and silver ores, the percentage of gold being higher than in any other part of the big vein. South of this group are mines of the same rich gold ore, on one of which an American company is building a mill of large capacity.

To the west is the famous mine El Santo Nine del Najal, from which enormous amounts of gold ore have been taken, and which has a 10-stamp mill operated by Americans. The Guanajuato Consolidated Mining company crushes fifty tons of ore every day in its mill, the monthly production averaging \$20,000 in value. About 70 per cent of the silver mined in Mexico is still mined by the patio process, it being considered the best and cheapest reduction for the average ores. The process was invented by a Pachuca miner, Bartolome de Medina, in 1557. With modern machinery, adequate capital, and the energetic, scientific management of American mining men, many of the mines in the Guanajuato district will become more famous for their gold production than they have been in the past for their silver.

The wages average 75 and 80 cents a day, and to earn this the peons must make four trips to the surface with 250 pounds of ore on their backs. Some of the mines have stairways, while others are descended by the rudest of ladders, simply large poles with notches out in them. They are so deep that heavy clothing can not be worn by the workmen, and the scene when they emerge, half-clad, from the depths of the earth, bowed under the load upon their backs, while a paymaster keeps tally, is a striking one. No happier laborers can be found on the face of the earth, despite the severity of their toil and the small payment accorded it. Their wants are so few and simple that the wage covers every necessity, and there is no actual privation among them. The Mexican laboring classes are not troubled with

ambitious longings for fine houses filled with furniture, expensive clothing and luxurious food. They are satisfied with their station, can sleep on a stone pavement, and feast sumptuously on tortillas and frijoles. But pulque they must have, beloved pulque, the national drink, brewed and sold so cheaply that all may partake of it.

The sand of the river bed, below the great reduction works, are sluiced and yield a pittance to the poor,

cast off in the "tailings" from the mills.

The mint at Guanajuato is one of the finest and largest in the country, and coins more money than any other. The writer has pleasant recollections of the courteous manner in which she was conducted through the establishment, by government employees who knew not a word of English, and were not accustomed to seeing ladies traveling alone, for such is not

the habit of the Mexicanas. The process is about the same as in our own mints, but the white-haired Indians who have spent years in expert work added picturesque to the scene. They handle every piece, taking up to 20 at a time, and instantly detect any imperfection. Two others weigh each silver dollar on a delicate machine, and if it is above or below the standard, it is thrown out and done over.

On Lincoln Run

by Rosalie Dunlap

Richard Farnsworth had his supporters during the Academy Awards and they were disappointed when he didn't win. But he seemed to be the favorite for interviews by the news media. His one answer when asked about winning he said that it would be nice but if he didn't get it "he would take it in stride".

Congratulations on the nomination and we all love you Richard.

Mac, and Pam MacArthur have been traveling to Texas again. They got to see the Sand sculptures, with contestants from everywhere, attend a San Juan's Church, attend several music performances, and just had a good time.

Betty Shrecoigost attended the monthly State Acequia Commission and then helped her son Bert celebrate his birthday party in Albuquerque.

The Creative Memories group held a retreat at the Lone Tree Bible Ranch recently.

In spite of rain the Lincoln area enjoyed the latest movie at the Hubbard Museum of the American West in Lincoln. It starred Roy Rogers in the movie "Billy the Kid Returns". All the old timers enjoyed "Frog" and Roy's singing.

The museum is planning having a movie a week during the summer months.

Lincoln has seen its share of visitors and school children during the spring breaks in March and April.

Laura Christensen, son Carl and Mr. and Mrs. Leif Anker attended the Creative Connection meeting in Carrizozo Saturday night.

The NM Farm and Ranch Heritage Museum Foundation Board held their meeting at the Ellis Store last week.

Lincoln did enjoy some rain but then the winds came as usual and there went the moisture.

Dunlap Heads for Uzbekistan

The Central Asia country of Uzbekistan is the destination of Ralph Dunlap for the next two weeks. Dunlap, working under the auspices of the WinRock Foundation of Arkansas, will be working with the farmers with their trees, vegetables, and vines.

Uzbekistan is a Muslim country and was at one time a satellite of Russia. It is bordered on the north by the Ural (Aral) sea, which is being depleted. This is causing the agriculture land being encroached with salt, which in turn creates problems for the farmers.

The agriculture methods are primitive with few tools. Dunlap will help with pruning and give advice on the raising of various crops. Amos Borgio of Yakima, WA, who is a chemical expert and some dairy people, will meet Dunlap in Amsterdam they will go on to Istanbul. They will have an eighteen hour layover in Istanbul before going on to Tashkent, Uzbekistan. The average income of the rural area is \$220 a year. Uzbekistan has a total population of over 23 million people.

This will be Dunlap's third tour overseas, having gone to Palestine and Egypt. Several years ago when the satellite countries were breaking off from Russia, he expressed the desire to go to one of these countries. We will be looking forward to his report when he returns. He already has a request to give a talk to a school where the class has studied the Central Asia area.

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Preliminary Notice of Availability of an Environmental Assessment

The USDA, Rural Utilities Service has received an application for financial assistance from the Village of Capitan, NM. As required by the National Environmental Policy Act, the Rural Utilities Service has prepared an Environmental Assessment that evaluated the potential environmental effects and consequences of the proposed project. This notice announces the availability of the Environmental Assessment for public review and comment.

The proposed project consists of improvements to the water distribution system including additional storage capacity and increased pipeline sizes within and near the Village boundaries. Specific improvements include: construction of a new standpipe water tank (Tank #5) at the southeast corner of the intersection of Maria Drive and Main Road or at the northwest corner of the intersection of Maria Drive and Main Road; connection of existing water supply lines at two locations along Mt. Capitan Road; and replacing existing pipelines with larger diameter pipes at several locations. The proposed improvements will result in no long term significant impacts nor conversions to:

- * Important Farmland/Formally Classified Lands
- * Floodplains
- * Wetlands
- * Cultural Resources
- * Biological Resources
- * Water Resources
- * Coastal Resources
- * Socioeconomic Conditions/Environmental Justice

To mitigate potential impacts associated with the above items, the following activities are proposed:

- * Minimizing the land to be acquired;
- * Designing project elements within existing rights-of-way and easements;
- * Maintaining traffic, noise, stormwater, runoff and dust controls during construction;
- * Scheduling construction outside of the nesting season of migratory birds (April 1 through August 15) or conducting field reconnaissance for nesting sites;
- * Minimizing impacts to existing trees and other natural vegetation and to existing animal burrows;
- * Immediately ceasing construction if historic or cultural resources/artifacts are identified in project excavation; and
- * Reclaiming disturbed areas upon completion.

The alternatives considered to the proposed project described above include:

- * No Action
- * Upper/Intermediate Storage Tanks and Main Distribution Pipeline

Copies of the Environmental Assessment and detailed summaries and drawings of the proposed improvements are available for review at the following locations:

USDA Rural Utilities Service
620 Jefferson Street NE, Room 255
Albuquerque, NM 87109
(505) 761-4955

Village of Capitan
P.O. Box 246
Capitan, NM 88316
(505) 354-2247

Bonannan Huston, Inc.
425 S. Telshof Blvd., Suite C-103
Las Cruces, NM 88011
(505) 532-8670

For further information contact Mr. Clyde Hudson of the USDA Rural Utilities Service at (505) 761-4955. Any person interested in commenting on this proposed project should submit comments to the USDA Rural Utilities Service at the above address by May 26, 2000.

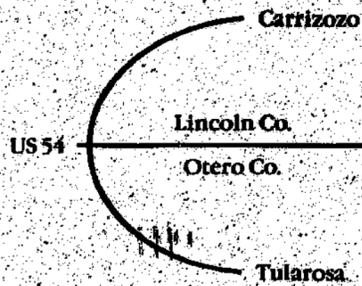
The New Mexico State Highway & Transportation (NMSHTD) in collaboration with the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) is pleased to announce a

PUBLIC HEARING

and Availability of the Environmental Assessment

US 54 IMPROVEMENTS:

Tularosa to Carrizozo
Otero and Lincoln Counties, New Mexico
Project No. TP-(NH)-054-2(12)84 CN 2994



DATE: May 9, 2000

TIME: Informal Review: 6:00 to 6:15 PM
Presentation: 6:15 to 6:45 PM
Public Comments: 6:45 to 7:30 PM

PLACE: Tularosa Community Center
1050 Bookout Road
Tularosa, NM 88352

PURPOSE OF MEETING:

The NMSHTD in collaboration with FHWA announces a formal public hearing and availability of the Environmental Assessment (EA) for the proposed improvements to US 54. The study corridor is a section of US 54 from Tularosa in Otero County, NM to Carrizozo in Lincoln County, NM (see figure). This project is being conducted to evaluate improvements to US 54 that will correct roadway deficiencies and address a variety of safety, capacity, and drainage needs. The hearing will include a presentation of project findings and an opportunity for public comment on the project design, including provisions for pedestrian, bicycle and equestrian traffic along the highway.

The EA is available for review from April 26 to May 26, 2000 at these locations:

Tularosa Community Center
1050 Bookout Road
Tularosa, NM 88352

Carrizozo City Hall
100 5th Avenue
Carrizozo, NM 88301

NMSHTD-Environmental Section
1120 Cerrillos Rd.
Santa Fe, NM 87504

FHWA-NM Division
604 W. San Mateo Rd.
Santa Fe, NM 87505

All written comments must be submitted to the following address prior to May 26, 2000.

ATTN: John Taschek (Taschek Environmental Consulting)
8901 Adams Street, Albuquerque, NM 87113
Phone: (505) 821-4700 FAX: (505) 821-7131 e-mail: taschek@aol.com

In conformance with the American with Disabilities Act (ADA), all requests for special accommodations will be addressed prior to the public information meeting. For further information or assistance contact John Faschek of Taschek Environmental Consulting.



A TIME FOR PLAY. Jacline Ortiz, Jonathan Van Tussenbroek and Justin Boss play with puzzles while waiting to go to the next station at the Kindergarten registration and preschool screening held at Carrizozo School on April 12.

County Students Enrolled At ENMU For Spring Semester

Several area students are enrolled at Eastern New Mexico University in Portales this spring semester.

Four graduates of Carrizozo High School attending ENMU and their majors are Everett L. Greer, history; Linda J. Greer, elementary education; Wendy M. Hollis, elementary education; Nathan L. Portillo, wildlife and fishery science.

Five Corona graduates attending ENMU and their majors are Logan Grant Marshall, with no major; Shayla B. Marshall, elementary education; Andrea R. Martinez, computer information systems; Thomas L. Mulkey, history; Jimmy L. Stratton, physical education.

ENMU has an enrollment of about 3,500 on its main campus in Portales. It also has a branch campus in Roswell and an instructional center in Ruidoso. ENMU-Portales offers 60 undergraduate and graduate programs.



LET'S JUMP! says Region 9 screening staff member Cairna Patterson to three year old Isaac Vega, who attended the screening to see how he was doing developmentally.

Church Directory



Mountain Ministry Parish, Sierra Blanca Presbytery
Nogal Presbyterian Church:
BILL SEBRING, pastor
Sunday School.....10:00 a.m.
Worship.....11:00 a.m.

Ancho Community Presbyterian Church:
SCOTT KING, pastor / 848-2024
Worship.....9:00 a.m.
Sunday School.....10:00 a.m.

Corona Presbyterian Church:
Sunday School.....10:00 a.m.
Worship.....11:00 a.m.
Adult Bible Study & Youth Fellowship.....Wednesdays 6:00 p.m.

Spirit of Life Apostolic Pentecostal Tabernacle
ALLAN M. MILLER, pastor
209 Lincoln Ave., Capitán, NM 354-2025
Tuesday Bible Study.....7:00 pm
Sunday School.....10:00 am
Sunday Evening.....6:00 pm

First Baptist Church
HAYDEN SMITH, pastor
314 10th Ave., Carrizozo, NM 648-2988 (church) or 648-2107
Sunday School.....9:45 am
Worship Service.....10:55 am
Sun. Evening.....Training at 8:15 pm
Evening Worship.....7:15 pm
Wednesday Bible Study.....7:00 pm

Carrizozo Community Church (A/G)
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 BERGS, pastor
213 Birch, Carrizozo, NM, 648-2853
SATURDAY:
Capitan Sacred Heart.....6:00 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
PERRY ZUMWALT, minister
Ave. C at 12th, Carrizozo, NM
Sunday School.....10:00 am
Worship Service.....11:00 am
Evening Worship.....1:15 pm
Wednesday Bible Study.....7:00 pm

St. Matthias Episcopal Church
REV. CANON JOHN PENN, rector
Corner of E. Ave. & Sixth, Carrizozo, NM
1-505-257-2356
Holy Eucharist.....9:30 am Sunday

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

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

United Methodist Churches
TOM WOODARD, pastor
1000 D. Ave. 648-2893 / 648-2846
Carrizozo, 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
CAPTAN
Adult Sunday School.....8:30 am
Worship Service.....9:15 am
Children's Sunday School.....9:30 am
Fellowship Times.....10:15 am
Adult Sunday School.....11:00 am
Choir Practice (Tuesday).....7:00 pm
Fellowship Dinner Every Third Sunday
Handmaidens (Ecumenical Women's Group) 1st and 3rd Tuesday.....9:30 a.m.

Christ Community Fellowship
ED VINSON, pastor (Inter-denominational)
514 Smokey Bear Blvd./Capitan
Preparation Prayer.....10:00 a.m.
Sunday Morning Worship.....10:30 a.m.

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

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

First Baptist Church of Corona
CAL WEST, pastor / 849-7975
Sunday School.....10:00 a.m.
Worship Service.....11:00 a.m.
Wed. Bible Study.....7:00 p.m.
Fellowship Dinner.....First Sunday of Month

Cooling Assistance Is Available For Low Income Home Owners

Applications are currently being taken for low-income families in Lincoln County, Chaves County and Lea County to help with cooling. Evaporative coolers will be provided to eligible homeowners in need of an evaporative cooler or replacement of worn out evaporative cooler.

Coolers will be provided during the months of April and May only. The type of coolers available are 4800-4800 CFM window mount or roof mount down draft.

This program is funded through the New Mexico Human Services Department - ISD - Community Development and Commodities Bureau. Priority will be given to the elderly and families with small children.

Interested families may contact the Chaves County Community Action Program office in Ruidoso at 615 Sudderth or phone 257-8843.

Lincoln County residents may also contact the Roswell office at 623-0014.



SMOKEY'S OUR FRIEND. Youngsters attending the preschool screening and kindergarten registration at Carrizozo Schools last week got a hug and a package of fire safety items from Smokey Bear and his helper Lynn Hutchison. Children are Zhane Vega, Juanita Gallegos, Graham Borden and Johnathan Van Tussenbroek.

Obituary

O.H. "Slim" Venable, 84, former Capitan resident, died April 6 in Amarillo, TX.

He was born in Rankin, TX. He served as crew chief in the Army Air Corps in the Pacific in WW II from 1940-44.

He married Mattie Ruth Horton in Roswell in 1960. She died in 1990.

Memorial services were held April 10 in Amarillo. Survivors include two sons, Jerry N. Cochran and Billy D. Venable, both of El Paso, TX; daughter Sandra Kay Rogers of Amarillo; 12 grandchildren and 10 great grandchildren.

LEGAL NOTICE

P.T.D. ORDER NO. 00-06
April 5, 2000

ORDER EXTENDING A CERTAIN DEADLINE FOR ASSESSORS IN NEW MEXICO

Pursuant to my authority under Section 7-38-85 NMSA 1978, I hereby extend the following deadline found in Section 7-38-17 of the Property Tax Code with respect to the 2000-tax year only:

- 1) The deadline for totally disabled veterans only to claim exempt status for property that qualifies. Deadline is extended from February 29, 2000 to September 1, 2000.

Done this 5th day of April, 2000.
TOM GARCIA, JR., Director
Property Tax Division

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Sands RV Park & Motel

Jerry and Larita Rasak

Bill Winkler

Stearns Insurance Agency

Rainbow Inn

LEGAL NOTICE

IN THE TWELFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT COUNTY OF LINCOLN STATE OF NEW MEXICO
No. CV-98-88
Judge Parsons

CIC CORPORATION,
Plaintiff,
vs.
P & C LACELAW TRUST, CHRIS A. CUMMINGS, INDIVIDUALLY AND AS TRUSTEE, CAMELOT OF RUIDOSO, INC., TKG LAND CO., TKG INVESTMENT CORP., GEORGE E. SALOM, FEINBERG REALTY COMPANY, JOE KENNARD, TED F. KARAM,
Defendants.

NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on the 9th day of May, 2000, at 10:00 o'clock a.m. at the north entrance to the Lincoln County Courthouse in Carrizozo, New Mexico, the undersigned Special Master will offer for sale and sell to the highest bidder, for cash, the following described property situate in the Village of Ruidoso, Lincoln County, New Mexico:

Tracts 4, 5, 6, 9, 10, 12, 13, 14, 15, 17, 18, and 19, Block 3, Camelot Mountain Subdivision, in the City of Ruidoso, Lincoln County, New Mexico.

The above tracts of land are commonly referred to as various parcels of property in the Camelot Mountain Subdivision located between Highway 70 and Sudderth Drive in Ruidoso, Lincoln County, New Mexico.

This foreclosure sale is made pursuant to Judgment rendered on behalf of Plaintiff CIC Corporation against Defendant P & C Lacelaw Trust foreclosing the Mortgages on the above described real property to satisfy the following obligations: Judgment against Defendant P & C Lacelaw Trust on Note Two in the amount of Three Hundred Twenty Two Thousand, Two Hundred Thirty Eight Dollars and twenty-six cents (\$322,238.26) as of June 30, 1999. The daily accrual of interest thereon is Seventy Nine Dollars and six cents (\$79.06) until this Judgment is paid in full. Judgment against Defendant P & C Lacelaw Trust on Note Three in the amount of One Hundred Seventy Seven Thousand, Four Hundred Seventy Two Dollars and sixty-three cents (\$177,472.63) as of June 30, 1999. The daily accrual of interest thereon is Forty Three Dollars and fifty-four cents (\$43.54) until this Judgment is paid in full. Further, in conjunction with similar judgments in matters Nos. CV-98-87 and CV-98-89, Plaintiff has judgment for attorney's fees in the amount of Two Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$200,000.00), including the costs of sale. In addition to the above referenced Judgment are Special Master's fees to be determined by the Court subsequent to the foreclosure sale.

The undersigned Special Master may consolidate the above referenced properties with those properties securing Mortgages in CV-98-87 and CV-98-89 for purposes of sale.

WITNESS MY HAND this 5th day of April, 2000.
By: **DAVID M. STEVENS**
Attorney at Law, P.C.
For Special Master JEANIE CLANCY

David M. Stevens
Attorney at Law, P.C.
106 Rio Street
Ruidoso, New Mexico 88345
(505) 257-0777
Attorneys for Plaintiff

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LINCOLN COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
Special Meeting
May 4, 2000 - 9:00 A.M.
Carrizozo, New Mexico

NOTICE OF SPECIAL MEETING

NOTICE is hereby given that the Lincoln County Board of Commissioners will hold a Special meeting on Thursday, May 4, 2000, at 9:00 a.m., to be held at the Lincoln County Courthouse (Commission Chambers), Carrizozo, New Mexico. The purpose of this meeting is to consider the following items and any other proper business that comes before the Commission:

1. Preliminary Budget Hearing, Fiscal Year 2000-2001
2. Consideration of RFP No. 99-00-034 - Transition to and Operation of a County Detention Center.

Copies of the agenda for the May 4, 2000 meeting will be available at the office of the County Manager prior to said meeting.

Auxiliary aides are available upon request; please contact Martha Guevara at 505/648-2385 at least 48 hours in advance of the meeting to make any necessary arrangements.

MARTHA GUEVARA
Assistant County Manager

Published in the Lincoln County News on Thursday, April 27, 2000.

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IN THE TWELFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT COUNTY OF LINCOLN STATE OF NEW MEXICO
No. CV-98-87
Judge Parsons

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Lincoln County, New Mexico. The above tracts of land are commonly referred to as various parcels of property in the Camelot Mountain Subdivision located between Highway 70 and Sudderth Drive in Ruidoso, Lincoln County, New Mexico.

This foreclosure sale is made pursuant to Judgment rendered on behalf of Plaintiff CIC Corporation against Defendant P & C Lacelaw Trust foreclosing the Mortgage on the above described real property to satisfy the following obligations: Judgment against Defendant P & C Lacelaw Trust in the amount of Three Million Eight Hundred Seventy Thousand, Nine Hundred Forty Six Dollars and seventy-nine cents (\$3,870,946.79) as of June 30, 1999. The daily accrual of interest thereon is One Thousand Five Hundred Seventy Seven Dollars and fifty-five cents (\$1,577.55) until this Judgment is paid in full. Further, in conjunction with similar judgments in matters Nos. CV-98-88 and CV-98-89, Plaintiff has judgment for attorney's fees in the amount of Two Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$200,000.00), including the costs of sale. In addition to the above referenced Judgment are Special Master's fees to be determined by the Court subsequent to the foreclosure sale.

The undersigned Special Master may consolidate the above referenced properties with those properties securing Mortgages in CV-98-88 and CV-98-89 for purposes of sale.

WITNESS MY HAND this 5th day of April, 2000.
By: **DAVID M. STEVENS**
Attorney at Law, P.C.
For Special Master JEANIE CLANCY

David M. Stevens
Attorney at Law, P.C.
106 Rio Street
Ruidoso, New Mexico 88345
(505) 257-0777
Attorneys for Plaintiff

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LEGAL NOTICE

TWELFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT COUNTY OF LINCOLN STATE OF NEW MEXICO

No. PB-00-013

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF ERNEST VICTOR SCHAEERER, Deceased

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

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 their claims will be forever barred. Claims must be presented either to the undersigned Personal Representative or filed with the District Court of Lincoln County, Lincoln County District Court Clerk, P.O. Box 725, Carrizozo, NM 88301.

DATED this 10th day of April, 2000.

Jean Margaret Schaeerer
P.O. Box 7
Ruidoso, NM 88355

Steven P. Fisher SANDERS, BRUIN, COLL & WORLEY, P.A.
Attorney for the Estate of Ernest Victor Schaeerer, deceased
P.O. Box 550
Roswell, New Mexico 88202
(505) 622-5440

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LEGAL NOTICE

STATE OF NEW MEXICO COUNTY OF LINCOLN TWELFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT

Cause No. CV-00-66

WILLIAM and CONNIE MATZ,
Plaintiffs,

vs.
GROUP I: HERSCHEL R. MORGAN, if living;
GROUP II: THE ESTATE OF HERSCHEL R. MORGAN; and his Unknown Heirs, Devisees and Assigns, if deceased;
GROUP III: Various John Does and Any Other Unknown Claimants of Interest in the Premises adverse to Plaintiffs.

NOTICE OF PENDENCY OF ACTION

THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO TO THE FOLLOWING NAMED DEFENDANTS:
Herschel R. Morgan
P.O. Box 1010
Arroyo Grande, California 93920
The Estate of Herschel R. Morgan
Any Heirs of Herschel R. Morgan

GREETINGS: You are hereby notified that William E. Matz and Connie Matz, Plaintiffs, have filed an action in the District Court of Lincoln County, New Mexico, Civil Docket No. CV-00-66 wherein you are named as the Defendants and wherein said Plaintiffs seeks to obtain constructive services upon you.

The general objects of said action are to quiet title to certain real property in Lincoln County, New Mexico.

You are further notified that unless you enter your appearance in said cause on or before 6/30/00 judgment will be rendered against you by default, and the relief prayed for in the Petition will be granted.

The address of the attorney for the Plaintiffs is as follows:

Ray Sharbutt SHARBUTT LAW FIRM
419 Mechem Drive
Ruidoso, New Mexico
(505) 630-9100 Phone
(505) 257-4147 FAX

WITNESS my hand and the seal of the District Court of Lincoln County, New Mexico, on this 31st day of March, 2000.

JAN PERRY
Clerk of the District Court

By: **Elizabeth Luerna,**
Deputy.

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LEGAL NOTICE

Lincoln County, New Mexico Notice of Meeting, Public Hearing and Intent to Adopt Ordinance

The County of Lincoln, New Mexico, hereby gives notice of its regularly scheduled meeting for Thursday, May 18, 2000, at 9:00 a.m., at the County Courthouse, Carrizozo, New Mexico. At such meeting, the County will hold a public hearing concerning and will consider for adoption a proposed ordinance relating to the authorization, execution and delivery of a Loan Agreement and Intercept Agreement by and between the County of Lincoln and the New Mexico Finance Authority. Complete copies of the Ordinance are available for public inspection during the normal and regular business hours of the County Clerk, 700 Central, Carrizozo, New Mexico.

The title of the proposed Ordinance is:

COUNTY OF LINCOLN, NEW MEXICO ORDINANCE NO.

AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION AND DELIVERY OF A LOAN AGREEMENT AND INTERCEPT AGREEMENT BY AND BETWEEN THE COUNTY OF LINCOLN NEW MEXICO, AND THE NEW MEXICO FINANCE AUTHORITY, EVIDENCING A SPECIAL LIMITED OBLIGATION OF THE COUNTY TO PAY A PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF \$3,968,458, TOGETHER WITH INTEREST THEREON, FOR THE PURPOSE OF DEFRAYING THE COST OF PLANNING, DESIGNING AND CONSTRUCTING A DETENTION FACILITY, PROVIDING FOR THE PAYMENT OF THE PRINCIPAL OF AND INTEREST ON THE LOAN SOLELY FROM THE REVENUES DERIVED FROM THE FIRST ONE-EIGHTH INCREMENT OF COUNTY LOCAL OPTION GROSS RECEIPTS TAX IMPOSED BY THE COUNTY PURSUANT TO SECTION 7-20E-9, NMSA 1978, PROVIDING FOR THE DISTRIBUTIONS OF COUNTY LOCAL OPTION GROSS RECEIPTS TAX FROM THE TAXATION AND REVENUE DEPARTMENT TO BE REDIRECTED TO THE NEW MEXICO FINANCE AUTHORITY OR ITS ASSIGNS PURSUANT TO THE INTERCEPT AGREEMENTS FOR THE PAYMENT OF PRINCIPAL, PREMIUM, IF ANY, AND INTEREST DUE ON THE LOAN AGREEMENT, APPROVING THE FORMS OF THE LOAN AGREEMENT AND INTERCEPT AGREEMENT AND OTHER DETAILS CONCERNING THE LOAN AGREEMENT AND INTERCEPT AGREEMENT; RATIFYING ACTIONS HERETOFORE TAKEN; REPEALING ALL ACTION INCONSISTANT WITH THIS ORDINANCE;

AND AUTHORIZING THE TAKING OF OTHER ACTIONS IN CONNECTION WITH THE EXECUTION AND DELIVERY OF THE LOAN AGREEMENT AND INTERCEPT AGREEMENT.

The following is a general summary of the subject matter in the Ordinance:

Preambles recite or include such matters as: the authority of the Governing Body to pledge the revenue derived from the first one-eighth percent increment of county local option gross receipts tax (the "Pledged Revenues") to the repayment of the obligation (the "Loan Agreement"); it is in the best interests of the County and its residents to finance the purchase of an existing commercial building for a new police administration facility (the "Project") by executing and delivering the Loan Agreement (the "Loan Agreement"); and recite that the Loan Agreement shall be a special limited obligation and not a general obligation of the County and that certain documents have been placed on file with the Clerk and presented to the Governing Body.

Sections 1 through 4 define the terms used in the Ordinance; ratify and confirm all previous actions taken by the Governing Body and the offices of the County directed toward the Project and the execution and delivery of the Loan Agreement and Intercept Agreement; authorize the execution and delivery of the Loan Agreement and the Intercept Agreement for the purpose of the Project; and set forth certain findings of the Governing Body which include: the need for the Project; monies available for the Project from all sources other than the execution and delivery of the Loan Agreement are not sufficient to defray the cost of the Project; and Pledged Revenues may lawfully be pledged to secure the payment of the Loan Agreement.

Sections 5 through 8 approve the forms of the Loan Agreement and Intercept Agreement to be delivered by the Governing Body; state that the Loan Agreement is a special, limited obligation of the County and shall never constitute indebtedness of the County within the meaning of any state constitutional provision or statutory limitation; provide for the use of the proceeds derived from the execution of the Loan Agreement; and approve the deposit of proceeds of the Loan Agreement.

Sections 9 and 10 relate to deposits of the Pledged Revenues and flow of funds and provide for a lien on the Pledged Revenues.

Sections 11 through 17 authorize execution of other documents related to the obligation of the County in the taking of other acts related to the Ordinance; delegate powers to the officers of the Governing Body to effectuate the provisions of the Ordinance; provide for amendments to the Ordinance; state that the Ordinance is irrevocable; provide for severability and repealer clauses; provide an effective date for the Ordinance; and provide a form for publication.

This notice constitutes compliance with § 4-37-7, NMSA 1978.

WITNESS my hand and the seal of the County of Lincoln, New Mexico, this 20th day of April, 2000.

/s/ **Martha M. Proctor,** County Clerk.

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REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL

The Board of Education of Captain Municipal Schools, hereby invites the submission of sealed proposals for multi-term audit services for the 1999-2000, 2000-2001 and 2001-2002 school years.

Proposals will be accepted until 2:00 p.m. MDT, Friday, May 5, 2000, in the Office of the Superintendent of Schools, P.O. Box 278, Captain, New Mexico, 88316. Specifications and additional information may be obtained from the same office or by calling (505) 354-2239.

The Board of Education reserves the right to reject any or all proposals, waive technicalities, and award the proposal to best serve the interest of the Captain Municipal School District.
Diana Billingsley
Superintendent

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NOTICE TO PUBLIC

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Planning & Zoning Board of the Town of Carrizozo will hold their regular meeting on Monday, May 1, 2000 at 6:00 P.M., City Hall Conference Room, Carrizozo, New Mexico.

AGENDA WILL BE POSTED in accordance with Resolution 1000-23. Twenty-four hours prior to meeting date, and made available to the public.

If you are an individual who is in need of a reader, amplifier, qualified sign language interpreter, or any other form of auxiliary aid or service to attend or participate in the hearing or meeting, please contact Leann Weibrecht or Margaret LaBelle at (505) 648-2371, City Hall, Carrizozo, New Mexico at least one week prior to the meeting or as soon as possible.

Leann Weibrecht, CMC Clerk/Treasurer
Town of Carrizozo

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LEGAL NOTICE

Comment Period for Establishment of DBE Program

Sierra Blanca Regional Airport, Village of Ruidoso, New Mexico has established a Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) Program in accordance with U.S. DOT, CFR Part 26. A draft copy of the published program will be available for inspection at the Ruidoso Administrative Offices, Village Clerk's Office, 313 Cree Meadows Drive, Ruidoso, NM for 30 days following this notice, and public comments on the program will be accepted until close of business on Monday, June 12, 2000. Contact DBE Liaison Officer Tim W. Morris, Sierra Blanca Regional Airport, 313 Cree Meadows Drive, Ruidoso, NM 88345 (505) 336-8111.

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LEGAL NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that the Governing Body of the Town of Carrizozo will hold a Budget Workshop for the preliminary budget for fiscal year 2000/01 on Wednesday, May 3, 2000 at 6:00 p.m., City Hall Conference Room, Carrizozo, New Mexico.

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

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LEGAL NOTICE

IN THE TWELFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT COUNTY OF LINCOLN STATE OF NEW MEXICO
No. CV-98-89
Judge Parsons

CIC CORPORATION,
Plaintiff,

vs.
P & C LACELAW TRUST, CHRIS A. CUMMINGS, AND CAMELOT OF RUIDOSO, INC.
Defendants.

NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on the 9th day of May, 2000, at 10:00 o'clock a.m. at the north entrance to the Lincoln County Courthouse in Carrizozo, New Mexico, the undersigned Special Master will offer for sale and sell to the highest bidder, for cash, the following described property situate in the Village of Ruidoso, Lincoln County, New Mexico:

Tracts 4, 5, 6, 7 and 8, Block 4, Camelot Mountain Subdivision, in the City of Ruidoso, Lincoln County, New Mexico.

The above tracts of land are commonly referred to as various parcels of property in the Camelot Mountain Subdivision located between Highway 70 and Sudderth Drive in Ruidoso, Lincoln County, New Mexico.

This foreclosure sale is made pursuant to Judgment rendered on behalf of Plaintiff CIC Corporation against Defendant P & C Lacelaw Trust foreclosing the Mortgage on the above described real property to satisfy the following obligations: Judgment against Defendant P & C Lacelaw Trust on Note Four (A) in the amount of Three Hundred Thirty Seven Thousand, Eighteen Dollars and sixty-one cents (\$337,018.61) as of June 30, 1999. The daily accrual of interest thereon is One Hundred Thirty Seven Dollars and thirty-five cents (\$137.35) until this Judgment is paid in full. Judgment against Defendant P & C Lacelaw Trust on Note Four (B) in the amount of Three Hundred Twenty Five Thousand One Hundred Seventy Three Dollars and ninety-six cents (\$325,173.96) as of June 30, 1999. The daily accrual of interest thereon is One Hundred Thirty Two Dollars and fifty-two cents (\$132.52) until this Judgment is paid in full. Further, in conjunction with similar Judgments in matters Nos. CV-98-87 and CV-98-88, Plaintiff has judgment for attorney's fees in the amount of Two Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$200,000.00) including the costs of sale. In addition to the above referenced Judgment are Special Master's fees to be determined by the Court subsequent to the foreclosure sale.

The undersigned Special Master may consolidate the above referenced properties with those properties securing Mortgages in CV-98-87 and CV-98-88 for purposes of sale.

WITNESS MY HAND this 5th day of April, 2000.

By: **DAVID M. STEVENS**
Attorney at Law, P.C.
For Special Master **JERANIE CLANCY**

David M. Stevens
Attorney at Law, P.C.
106 Rio Street
Ruidoso, New Mexico 88345
(505) 257-0777
Attorneys for Plaintiff

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LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF SPECIAL BUDGET HEARING

Notice is hereby given pursuant to section 22-8-10, NMSA, 1978 Compilation, that the Board of Education of Corona School District #38, County of Lincoln, State of New Mexico, will, on Tuesday, May 2, 2000 at 6:00 p.m., M.D.T. at the Board Room, 250 Franklin St., present and publicly review the budget for the 2000-2001 school fiscal year.

LEGAL NOTICE

STATE OF NEW MEXICO
COUNTY OF LINCOLN
TWELFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT
No. CV-99-282

COUNTRYWIDE HOME LOANS, INC., dba
America's Wholesale Lender,
Plaintiff,

vs.
KATHRYN ANN CAPPUCILLI, aka KATHRYN A. SCHOENFELDER, a single woman,
Defendant(s).

NOTICE OF SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on May 3, 2000, at the hour of 10:00 a.m., the undersigned Special Master will, at the east door of the Lincoln County Courthouse in Carrizozo, New Mexico, sell all the right, title and interest of the above-named Defendant(s) in and to the hereinafter described real estate to the highest bidder for cash. The property to be sold is located at 112 Cree Meadows Drive, Ruidoso, New Mexico, and is situate in Lincoln County, New Mexico, and is particularly described as follows:

LOT 1C, BLOCK 1 OF FIRST ADDITION TO CREE MEADOW HEIGHTS SUBDIVISION, RUIDOSO, LINCOLN COUNTY, NEW MEXICO, AS SHOWN BY THE REPLAT OF LOT 1 AND THE WEST 60.1 FEET OF LOT 2, BLOCK 1, FIRST ADDITION TO CREE MEADOW HEIGHTS SUBDIVISION, FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY CLERK OF LINCOLN COUNTY, MARCH 20, 1998, IN CABINET G, SLIDE 77.

THE FOREGOING SALE will be made to satisfy a judgment rendered by the above Court in the above-entitled and numbered cause on March 30, 2000, being an action to foreclose a mortgage on the above-described property. The Plaintiff's judgment, which includes interest and costs, is \$575,204.07 and the same bears interest at six point eight seven five percent (6.875%) per annum from March 31, 2000. The amount of such interest to the date of sale will be \$3,683.56. The Plaintiff has the right to bid at such sale and submit its bid verbally or in writing. The Plaintiff may apply all or any part of its judgment to the purchase price in lieu of cash. The sale may be postponed and rescheduled at the discretion of the Special Master.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that the real property and improvements concerned with herein will be sold subject to any and all patent reservations, easements, all recorded and unrecorded liens not foreclosed herein, and all recorded and unrecorded special assessments and taxes that may be due.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that the purchaser at such sale shall take title to the above described real property subject to a one (1) month right of redemption.

NICK VEGA
Special Master
P.O. Box 393
Carrizozo, New Mexico 88301
(505) 646-2217

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This is a public hearing and all school patrons are invited to attend.
Done at Corona, New Mexico, this 17th day of April, 2000.

Corona School Board of Education
Rick Gage, President
Attest: Jeannene Gibbs, Secretary

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LEGAL NOTICE

IN THE CHILDREN'S COURT TWELFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT COUNTY OF LINCOLN STATE OF NEW MEXICO
No. JQ 98-02
Div. III

STATE OF NEW MEXICO ex rel. CHILDREN, YOUTH AND FAMILIES DEPARTMENT.

In the Matter of C.W., Child, And Concerning Shelly Woods and Kelly Williams, Respondents.

NOTICE OF PENDENCY OF ACTION

TO THE ABOVE NAMED RESPONDENT:

YOU ARE NOTIFIED that an action has been filed against you in the above named Court and County by the State of New Mexico in which the State of New Mexico has filed a Motion for Permanent Guardianship with respect to your child, C.W., born to you on January 17, 1989.

YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that unless you file a written response to the Motion for Permanent Guardianship within 20 days from the last date of publication, or you appear at the Hearing on the Merits on the Motion for Permanent Guardianship to be held in the above Court, Children's Court Division, located in Carrizozo, New Mexico, at 8:30 a.m. on the 31st day of May, 2000, a judgment will be entered against you and permanent guardianship of your child, C.W., will be granted to another person.

WITNESS my Hand and Seal of the District Court of the State of New Mexico.

JAN PERRY
Clerk of the District Court

(SEAL)

By: Eugenia Vega
Deputy

ATTORNEY FOR PETITIONER:

David A. Thomsen, 2200 Indian Wells Rd., Alamogordo, NM 88301 (505) 434-5050

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LEGAL NOTICE

Special Meeting
Village Council
Village of Capitan
May 2, 2000
7:00 p.m.

The Village of Capitan will hold a special meeting on May 2, 2000 at 7:00 p.m. The public is encouraged to attend.

Kathryn Griffin
Village Clerk
Village of Capitan
/s/

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LEGAL NOTICE

CAPITAN MUNICIPAL SCHOOLS NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

NOTICE is hereby given pursuant to 22-8-10 NMSA, 1978 that the Board of Education of Capitan School District #28, County of Lincoln, State of New Mexico originally scheduled for Thursday, April 6th, 2000 RESCHEDULED TO APRIL 13th, 2000 WILL NOW MEET ON MAY 11th, 2000, 6:00 P.M. M.D.T., in the Board room of the administration building, 150 Forest Street, to present, publicly review and approve the budget for the 2000-2001 fiscal year.

This is a public hearing and all school patrons are invited to attend.
Done at Capitan, New Mexico, this 7th day of April, 2000.

CAPITAN BOARD OF EDUCATION
TOM TROST,
President

ATTEST:
JAMES HOBBS,
Secretary

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Carrizozo Approves Annexation, Again

by Barbara Culler

The regular meeting of the Town of Carrizozo Board of Trustees was held on Tuesday, April 25 at City Hall. Trustees James Silva, Tommy Guevara, Wesley Lindsay, and Cynthia Morales were present. Mayor Manuel Hernandez and clerk/treasurer Leann Weibrecht were also present. Two public hearings were held during the meeting. The first public hearing was to review, discuss, and have possible action on annexation of the 40 acres where Alesca wants to build their recycling plant. The second public hearing was to review, discuss, and have possible action on vacation of Road Isle Street. During the meeting there was discussion on possibly raising water rates and trying to find ways to raise more money to cover town expenses.

The first public hearing held was for review, discussion and possible action on annexation into the town of the 40 acres (at the McBride well site) where Alesca wants to build their recycling plant. This hearing was for the annexation of these 40 acres only. There will be a public hearing for annexation of the 160 acres owned by Barbara Kelsay at a later meeting.

Jim Payne, Carrizozo maintenance foreman, asked if Alesca was going to receive the total 40 acres or just what they needed and expand the rest of the property. Hernandez said that the annexation was for all 40 acres and Alesca would lease whatever they needed, 12 or 15 acres to begin with.

Lindsay motioned to annex the 40 acres and Silva seconded. The annexation was approved by the trustees.

The second public hearing held was for review, discussion and possible action on vacation of Road Isle Street. Silva asked what was the opinion of the other trustees. Lindsay asked if Hernandez had talked to both parties. Hernandez said that he has talked to both parties and to the town attorney, David Stevens.

On behalf of the attorney and himself, Hernandez moved that the town vacate Road Isle Street to Richard Vega and leave First Street open. First Street had also been requested by Vega to be vacated. According to Stevens and the gas company there is a gas line running through First Street and should be maintained by the town. Payne asked if that would give the town maintenance access to the town's sewer and water lines that runs across the west part of the property. Hernandez said that First

Street would allow that.

Richard Vega told the trustees that the alley behind the chicken house will have to be opened so that the town would have access to the water and sewer lines behind the alley. He said that at one time the alley was open. Hernandez said that that was being looked into and that the town would make sure the alley was open to town vehicles. Payne told Hernandez that on the northeast end it was built across, there are horse pens across it, railroad ties, and old buildings stacked right in the middle of the alley. Hernandez said that it would be looked into at another time because they could not act on it that night as it was not on the agenda.

Guevara motioned to vacate Road Isle Street which joins Richard Vega's property and it was seconded by Lindsay. The motion was approved 3 - 0, with Silva abstaining from voting.

There was discussion on the resolution for salary adjustment for the judicial department. Action on this resolution was tabled until after the first budget workshop. The vote on the motion to table was 3 - 0, with Morales (the current municipal court clerk) abstaining from voting.

Municipal Judge C. O. Rominger asked, during the discussion, for approval of the resolution to raise the municipal court clerk's salary from the current \$6.50 per hour to \$8.50 per hour. Rominger said that this would put the salary in line with most towns of Carrizozo's size. He said that the municipal court clerk is required by state law to go to school in Taos to be certified each year. The job, Rominger said, has more responsibility at the current time than when he took over as judge and that there is a lot of stress in the position. Morales was asked when she received her last raise. She said it was in the last fiscal year. Rominger said that he knew that it would be hard right now to do this, but that it would have to be done sooner or later. He said that the federal government will eventually be raising the minimum wage to \$6.75 per hour.

Rominger also mentioned during the discussion that attending the school in Taos was expensive. Eileen Lovelace, a member of the audience, asked if the line item for travel and school did not cover the full expenses. Currently \$75 per day is allowed. He said that rooms ran between \$80 and \$100 per night and that this should be addressed at the next budget session. Weibrecht said that at a later time the trustees could address the issue of expenses by changing the ordinance to read allowing actual expenses.

Hernandez told Rominger that he and Weibrecht had checked for the money and that the town could not go as high as Rominger was asking. Hernandez said that at the most go 25 cents per hour now and 25 cents at the beginning of the fiscal year to bring the clerk up to where Rominger wanted. Rominger said that if they were going to do that they would have to go 50 cents now and 50 later to get anywhere close.

Hernandez said there was enough money in judicial to give the clerk the increase to the end of this fiscal year, but after that, he asked who would foot the bill. Rominger answered by saying that he realized that

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Calendar of

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TUESDAY, MAY 9

-Public Hearing on US Highway 54 improvements from Tularosa to Carrizozo, 6 to 7:30 p.m. in the Tularosa Community Center at 1050 Bookout Road in Tularosa. Copies of the Environmental Assessment for the project will be located until May 28 at the Tularosa Community Center and Carrizozo Town Hall.

THURSDAY, MAY 11

-Capitan School Board special budget hearing, 6 p.m. school administration building.



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1tc-April 27

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County Changes Personnel Policy Family Medical Leave

by Doris Cherry

Lincoln County Commissioners at their April 20 meeting held in their chambers in the Lincoln County Courthouse in Carrizozo adopted changes to the county personnel policy concerning family medical leave.

The changes were necessary to make the county's personnel policy comply with the federal Family Medical Leave Act. The changes require the county to continue to pay its portion of an employee's medical insurance if the employee is on extended medical leave.

Another change allows an employee to take up to 12 weeks a year in extended medical leave.

County commissioners unanimously approved the ordinance that makes the changes to the county personnel policy.

In other business, commissioners:

-Rejected the bid submitted for a study of medical requirements for Lincoln County, because the bid was over budget and was for too long a time frame. Bids were \$33,500 and \$34,000.

-Appointed Charles "Butch" Nolen to the Road Review Committee and tabled appointment to the 911 committee until the next meeting.

-Accepted the recommendations from the county lodgers tax committee to provide \$1,000 for the New Mexico Realtors Association Convention in September and \$1,300 for another printing of 20,000 Lincoln County brochures.

-Approved a summary plat of part of section 31, township 10 south, range 14 east as requested by land owner Joel Cavazos. Commissioners required a statement to be added to the plat and disclosure state if in the next seven years any of the five lots are split, whoever splits the lot will be responsible for building an access road.

-Took no action on a request to place trash dumpsters for the Ranches of Sonterra on the old county landfill site because the site has excessive exposure to the elements which could result in littering. It was agreed to help the home owners find a new location for the dumpsters if the property where the dumpsters are currently located is sold.

Blood Drive In Ruidoso Friday, May 5

-Gave approval to the pre-application for a \$50,000 grant from the U.S. Commerce Department to be added to the \$50,000 appropriated from the legislature and \$5,000 in "in-kind" services from the county for an economic feasibility study for Fort Stanton.

Lincoln County Medical Center Auxiliary is hosting the second community blood drive of the year on Friday, May 5 at Gateway Church of Christ on Sudderth Drive in Ruidoso.

-Heard a report from county manager Tom Stewart on the plans for the May 27 Memorial Ceremony at Fort Stanton Cemetery and Open House at Fort Stanton parade square.

The blood drive begins at 8:30 a.m. and goes until 6 p.m.

-Authorized a request for proposals (rfp) for data processing. The current contract with Triadic for data processing expired June 30, 1999, and recent attempts to renew the contract were unacceptable in price.

Recent changes to blood donor qualifications now allow persons 80 years old or older to donate blood. Eligible donors must be at least 17 years old, weigh at least 110 pounds, feeling well and healthy. Donors should bring an I.D. and list of current medications they take.

-Awarded the bid for a 100 watt VHF repeater station to Advanced Communication of Las Cruces for \$8,400. Four bids were received but only two met all specifications.

For more information about being a blood donor call LCMC Auxiliary at 257-4381. Donors who give blood four times this year will get a t-shirt at the end of the year.

Carrizozo Approves

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at that time the town will have problems straight across the board and unless the town cuts positions or does something there will not even be money then. Hernandez said that the town will be spending \$28,000 and bringing in \$27,000 so you are already going into the red and that if you do that for two or three years you are going to have the National Army Guard up here. Rominger said that he understood that.

Hernandez also said that at the last regular meeting he stated that he believed that anybody that is certified ought to be making a decent wage, but the town has three or four other employees that are that much or 25 cents lower. Rominger said that the responsibility level, the stress level, and the certification of the position itself, not the individual, would make it very hard replacing anybody with that kind of wage. Hernandez said he understood that. Rominger said that something needs to be done now and then worry about the rest of it in the budget workshop. Hernandez said that talking about positions and how hard they are to fill...he has had his load of them...how many water men have we got. Rominger said to fill yes, but then the clerk has to go off for training before

they can start doing the job. Hernandez said that he agreed with Rominger and if the town had a pot of gold he would be the first one to say, go ahead. Rominger said that the town will have the same problem in July and that the town needs to start looking down the road at that time.

Hernandez asked Weibrecht to make the money issue a little bit clear. Weibrecht said that until they find out what everyone's wish list is for the next fiscal year, it is all put together, and the revenues for next year are considered, she can not tell if anyone will get raises next year. Rominger said that the time is coming to start looking for additional sources of revenue for the town. He said that he has some ideas but that was not the time to bring them forth. He asked that the trustees give him as much as they can at this time. Guevara asked Rominger how much was being paid by other towns right now. Rominger said it was about \$8.50. Lindsay said that if he could be shown where the money was coming from he was all for it. Hernandez said that if Rominger could show him and the council that Rominger's figures for the next fiscal budget are correct, he would have no problem with the increase. Weibrecht said that the

judicial revenue was \$9,000 over projections. Rominger said that the judicial department is bringing in about six times what previously was brought in. Payne said that amount could not be depended on. Rominger agreed. He said that he is fair in the fines, is not as high he can be on some, and are using what the state says they should be but can go as high as the state level. Rominger said that the town can not depend on the police department or the municipal court to fill the void in funding.

Lovelace said that in the last eight years basically the water department has supported the general revenue fund. Weibrecht said that the water department is hurting right now. Lovelace said that she could understand raising the rates as the water department is starting to hurt. Rominger said that a lot of the people talking about this should be at the budget meeting as it is open to the public (the first budget workshop will be held Wednesday, May 3).

The trustees tabled review, discussion, and possible action on the resolution for salary increase for four employees until after the budget workshop.

Morales motioned to table the review and discussion of possibly increasing the mileage from 21 cents to 25 cents. The trustees ap-

proved. Approval was given by the trustees for Payne and Carrizozo Chief of Police Angelo Vega to inspect three pickups that Otero County Electric Cooperative has available for purchase. Approval was also given for the purchase of these three pickups for a negotiated price of from \$0 to \$1,000 total for all three pickups upon Payne and Vega's inspection. Payne said that Sierra Blanca Motors, Ruidoso Ford, Desert Sun Motors, and Otero County Electric Cooperative were contacted for used four wheel drive pickups, mileage under 100,000 miles, and body in fair to good condition.

Pat Voss representing the Carrizozo Planning and Zoning Commission (P&Z) recommended Lucy Rickman to fill one of the empty positions on the P&Z. The trustees approved the appointment.

The mayor and trustees presented Eileen Lovelace a plaque for her years of service as a Carrizozo trustee. As Lovelace shook hands with the members of the board, Hernandez said that they presented the plaque to her for her years of service that were appreciated and that it was nice working with her for two years.

MORE NEXT WEEK

NOTICE TO LINCOLN COUNTY PROPERTY OWNERS PROPERTY TAX DELINQUENT DATE

Lincoln County Treasurer reminds Lincoln County property owners that they must pay their second half property taxes by May 10, 2000 to avoid penalties and interest.

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INTEREST shall accrue at the rate of one percent (1%) per month or any portion of a month. (Statute 7-38-49 NMSA 1979.)

PENALTY on taxes that become delinquent, shall be imposed at one percent (1%) of the delinquent tax total, or a minimum of five dollars (\$5.00), for each month they remain unpaid. (Statute 7-38-50).

By NM State Law, property taxes are the personal obligation of the property owner, whether or not the tax bill was received. Mail payment or contact us at the address and phone number listed below should you have questions regarding your property tax bills.
Thank you.

Joan E. Park
Lincoln County Treasurer
P.O. Box 709, Carrizozo, NM 88301
648-2397 or 648-2525

Corona News

The Corona School Board held its monthly meeting on Tuesday, April 11. A school budget workshop was held at 6:00 p.m. and presented by business manager Janetta Stewart. Attending the workshop were board members Rick Gage, Danny Lucras, Jeanene Gibbs, and Denise Byrd. Supt. Sid Miller, principal Travis Lightfoot, teachers Betty Ann Bell and Rocann Lightfoot, administrative assistant Kay Sultemeier were also present.

The board meeting began at 7:00 p.m. with a welcome from president Rick Gage and pledges were given. Present also at the board meeting were members Danny Lucras, Jeanene Gibbs, Denise Byrd, and Atvin James. Others present were Betty Ann Bell, head teacher elementary, and Fred Porter, maintenance supervisor. Approved were the minutes of March 14, payroll/bills, 2000-2001 salary schedules.

Betty Ann Bell handed out the elementary newsletter, Supt. report was about the work on the board policy. Principal Travis Lightfoot gave a report on the construction work at the gym and rock building, that the FFA placed 8th in wool and 11th in livestock at the State FFA judging. Also discussed was the 2000-2001 school calendar, and the Parent/Teacher survey. The board went into executive session to discuss personnel. No

action taken and only personnel was discussed. Approved was hiring of the certified staff for 2000-2001. Instructional assistants, custodians, cooks, office staff, and bus contractors will be done at the May meeting. Motion was made and seconded to adjourn the business meeting at 10:17 p.m.

2000 Spelling Bee results as promised. Judges for the Spelling Bee were Ginger Shafer, Betty Ann Bell, and RoeAnn Lightfoot. Pronouncer was Jeanene Gibbs. Oversized pinwheels were presented to the judges and pronouncer. PTO provided cookies and punch. Each student was given participation certificates. Smiley face frisbees, gum and suckers. Winners were awarded a Heritage Dictionary, and medals were presented for the first three places.

* Kindergarten - 13 rounds:
1st place Taylor Huey, 2nd place Moriah Holleyman, 3rd place Ryan Davidson.

* First Grade - 7 rounds:
1st place Jordan Huey, 2nd place A.J. Bechtel, 3rd place Blanca Noriega.

* Second Grade - 10 rounds:
1st place Lance Merritt, 2nd place Christopher Kelley, 3rd place Elizabeth McConnell.

* Third Grade - 8 rounds:
1st place Luanne Jebens, 2nd place Dulcie Sultemeier, 3rd place Kallie Tabor.

* Fourth Grade - 9 rounds:
1st place Chelsea Muniz, 2nd place Tysa Davidson, 3rd place

Justin Duke.
* Fifth Grade - 17 rounds:
1st place Michael Alirez, 2nd place J.R. Shafer, 3rd place Jordan Muncy.

* Sixth Grade - 13 rounds:
1st place Maricela Noriega, 2nd place Juanita Romero, 3rd place Alexandra Stewart.

There are three new students in elementary, Clara Serrano, Luanne Jebens, and Justin Duke. Also in elementary the students were given a safety program by officer Dave Thomas, and the Tai Kwan Do instructors are checking classroom performance of their students in the program. Field trips to ride the Little Train and view the zoo were pre-school and kindergarten students. Highlight of that trip was getting to press the control panel for sounds on model trains, this trip was funded by School To Work. Elementary Students K-1-2 went to see the Three Little Pigs at Spencer Theater and it was well attended by students and parents. Driver and gas was furnished by Hubbard Foundation. Tickets for the theater and pizza was furnished by the PTO.

The Elementary Reading Bee was held and the winners will be going to Melrose on April 25 to compete. Winners were Alicia Palomarez, Jordan Huey, Kylen Straley, Lance Merritt, Josh Gage, Rebekah Brown, Tysa Davidson, Quint McDaniel, Jordan Muncy and J.R. Shafer. Good luck to these students!

Tammy McDougal and children, Taylor and Nathan came in Saturday from Oklahoma City. OK for a weeks stay with her parents. Clint Leary and Lee Sultemeier. Greg will fly in to Albuquerque on Thursday. Tammy came early to help with wedding preparations.

Byron Yancey and Bill Harelson made a trip to Wichita Falls, TX over the weekend to help Byron's sister build a fence. While there they were able to make a trip over to see Bill's sister, about two miles from Byron's sister's home.

Hazel Burton has just returned from a week's stay in Littleton, CO, where she kept her grandson, Kyle. Lance and Craig while their parents, Steve and Shelly Swanson made a week's trip to Hawaii. Hazel said the country up there was breathtaking, and she enjoyed the change of scenery.

The Presbyterian church held a potluck dinner on Sunday after services. The Corona choir performed at the Presbyterian and Baptist churches. Approximately 70 people were in attendance. The Corona Choir participants are Sherrill Bradford who is the director and plays the piano for the group, Jerry Sharp, Bill Harelson, Jim Norman, Jeanene Gibbs, Janell Kane, Patsy Mulkey, Michele Huey, Janetta Stewart, Karen Seely, Mary Smith, Tabatha Winchester, Aleshia Winchester, Erdine Behunin, and Catly Yancey are the choir.

Michael Kozeliski, a member of Congressman Joe Skeen's Washington staff, was in Corona at the Senior Citizens Center on Monday, April 17 to listen to issues related to health care and seniors in the community. If you were unable to attend, the pamphlets are available at the Senior center. Mike is from Gallup and attended NM State U, and told us that he had run track with Lee Land while at college, and had met Callie Gnatkowski while attending college. Lee and Callie are former Corona students. June Tyree furnished the refreshments for the group, and there were about 10 people

attending the session.

Geraldine Perkins and Sherrill Bradford made a 12 hour round trip to El Paso. Yes, both attended Palm Sunday services.

Honoring their mother, Fara Greene, at a surprise birthday party Saturday evening at the Santa Theresa Country Club were son, Paul Holmes of Austin, daughter Kara Linn and husband, Wade Jones and 19 month old Calvin Jones, of El Paso. There were talks by Fara's brothers, Frank and John DuBois, who spoke of amusing incidents in her life, videos with Frank DuBois, DJ playing appropriate tunes for the video scenes. Supper and dancing ended this memorable evening.

Mrs. Muniz, Village Clerk, has received word from the state of New Mexico that the Corona Water Dept. will receive \$90,000 dollars. The money will be used to clean the tank, no more rusty water, some needed new pipe and valves.

Zachary and Mackenzie accompanied their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Shawn Perkins on a business trip to Santa Clara Monday, Tuesday they checked on grandparents in Mountainair and came on to Corona to spend the night with Rand Perkins. They helped with branding and other chores and left for their Clovis home by way of Roswell.

Mrs. W.M. Pfeiffer had Easter guests from Friday until Sunday afternoon. Scott Kimball and Melissa Doyle came from Chandler, AZ. Mr. and Mrs. Stan Kimball from Albuquerque. Her granddaughters were unable to join the group. Sarah had to work. Sharon had planned a big day since Easter Sunday fell on her birthday this year. However, doctor's orders and a serious virus caused cancellation of flight plans.

Soil & Water Stewardship 4/30 to 5/7

The theme of the 2000 Soil and Water Stewardship week is "Community Waters."

Keeping community waters clean and plentiful is a common goal all Americans should embrace, according to the organizers of the 2000 Soil and Water Stewardship Week set for April 30 to May 7. The focus of this year's national observance is on the total watershed management approach to natural resource conservation.

A watershed is defined as an area of land that sheds water into a common body, such as a river or lake. There are thousands of watersheds identified in the United States.

Developing a positive stewardship attitude is important. The local conservation districts—Carrizozo and Upper Hondo Soil & Water Conservation Districts, are working to bring all interested groups and individuals together to discuss how to improve the health of our watersheds.

Modern conservation efforts are now focused on ways to keep the natural water supply system clean, helping to keep down the costs in water treatment facilities. The technology is available to ensure a clean water supply. The real challenge is to develop the collective community and political will to get the job done.

To learn more about protecting the watershed, contact either Carrizozo Soil and Water Conservation District at 648-2041 or Upper Hondo Soil and Water Conservation District at 354-2220 between 7 a.m. and 5 p.m.

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