

# Committee Looks At Fort Stanton As An Investment

by DORIS CHERRY

## State Finance Committee Members Visit Fort Stanton

Acknowledging history does not just happen in Santa Fe, some members of the New Mexico State Legislative Finance Committee think the State of New Mexico needs to look at Fort Stanton as an investment instead of a liability and take measures to stabilize it to assure it will stay within public, preferably state, ownership.

"We need to look at Fort Stanton as an investment rather than liability," said Rep. Max Coll, chair of the regular legislative session House Finance Committee. "I am not willing to relinquish the fort to the federal government now," said Coll, in response to comments made by Joan Zagone on behalf of the Fort Stanton Partnership that Fort Stan-

ton should be turned over to the National Parks Service.

"The legislature needs to bite the bullet and make a long term investment," Coll said. "Fort Stanton is of great historic value to the whole United States."

Coll made the comments during a meeting of the New Mexico Legislative Finance Interim Committee

at Fort Stanton Wednesday morning. The morning session was the last day of a three day meeting of the committee held in Lincoln County. The interim committee travels throughout the state taking reports and testimony from various representatives of programs, departments and from citizens.

Legislators spent the

morning at Fort Stanton, hosted by breakfast and lunch prepared by participants of the AMITY program, conducted a business session, then toured Camp Sierra Blanca, Fort Stanton Cemetery and the main quadrangle.

The morning session had been set aside for commit-

tee members to hear a report on the General Service Department (GSD) point of view from GSD secretary Stephen Belfort, the preliminary report on the Kells and Craig Fort Stanton Use Study, from architect Steven Kells, a report from juvenile justice division of Children Youth and Families Department (CYFD) on

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## County Commission Will Meet Aug. 16 At 8:00 AM

by DORIS CHERRY

Lincoln County Commissioners will hold their regular monthly meeting at 8 a.m. Thursday, August 16 in their chambers in the Lincoln County Courthouse in Carrizozo.

The only public hearing in the meeting is at 10 a.m. for the final consideration of a project for a Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) application.

Items on tentative agenda of the county commission meeting are listed below, however, these items are often "floated" during the meeting to accommodate presenters or others making input on items of discussion and/or action. Also items can be added up until 24 hours prior to the meeting. A final agenda must be available for the public 24 hours prior to the meeting and can be obtained by calling the office of the Lincoln County Manager at 648-2385.

Agenda items as listed on the tentative agenda are:

--Consent agenda of finance; treasurer's report; indigent health care claims; grant award for Zia Senior Centers cash in lieu of commodities; annual inventory list certification; profes-

sional service agreement with Secretary of State, Triadic Enterprise, Inc. and the county clerk; resolution adjusting the 2000-01 budget as re-amended by the Department of Finance and Administration (DFA).

--Manager's project report.

--Hospital report and request for indigent health care funding to be presented by Jim Stover.

--Approval of individual medical provider under county indigent health care funding.

--Request to approve by-laws of Lincoln County Health and Wellness Planning Council.

--Resolution for infectious disease exposure control plan, blood borne pathogens program.

--Status of signs for no "jake brake" or truck engine retarder ban.

--Discussion concerning the Humane Society of Lincoln County requested by county commissioner Leo Martinez.

--Discussion about Lincoln County Detention Center operations with Correctional Systems, Inc. (CSI), requested by county commissioner Martinez.

--Lincoln County Road Review Committee recom-

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**REMEMBERING THE PAST.** Members of the Texas Fourth Cavalry Civil War re-enactment group wait to take their place in line in the Old Lincoln Days Parade that was held the morning of Sunday, August 5. The re-enactors also had a historic encampment in Lincoln throughout the three day Old Lincoln Days event.

## Dorothy Guck Is Injured In Intersection Accident

Local historian Dorothy Guck, 88 of Carrizozo, was injured Monday, August 6, when her car was hit by a Mercedes sedan driven by an individual from Iowa at the intersection of Highways 380 and 54 in Carrizozo.

According to state police, the accident is still under investigation and citations are pending. State police report showed that the driver of the Mercedes was traveling south on Highway 54 when the driver failed to yield to Guck who was east bound on Highway 380.

Carrizozo ambulance transported Guck to Lincoln County Medical Center in Ruidoso where she was treated and released. According to family members, Guck sustained three broken ribs and is now home and doing as well as expected. Guck writes the information about the Ranchmen's Camp Meeting for *The NEWS*. The Ranchmen's Camp Meeting is held every year near Indian Divide between Carrizozo and Capitan. Guck has also written several articles

about Smokey Bear and is often referred to as Smokey's Grandmother.

Traffic on Highway 380 does not stop at the intersection with Highway 54, which has been the scene of numerous accidents, including an accident last week. Although local officials have requested the state highway department consider a traffic light at the intersection, the highway department has maintained that traffic counts do not warrant such an expensive device.

### Carrizozo Schools Free And Reduced Meal Information Available

A public information release concerning the Free and Reduced Meals program conducted by Carrizozo Municipal Schools is posted at several locations in Carrizozo.

Information is at Carrizozo Post Office, Carrizozo Town Hall, Carrizozo Municipal Schools Administration Building and High School Office and at the Lincoln County News office.

## County Meetings Will Start At 8:00 A.M.

by DORIS CHERRY

Lincoln County Commissioners will start at 8 a.m. at their next meeting on August 16 in their chambers in the Lincoln County Courthouse in Carrizozo.

County commissioners at their meeting July 19, voted 4-1 to table a resolution that would have changed meeting start times to 8 a.m. County commissioner Bill Schwettmann voted against tabling.

During discussion on the resolution to change the start time to 8 a.m., county commissioner Ray Nunley asked how hard it was for staff to start at 8 a.m.

County manager Tom Stewart, who offered the proposed resolution to start earlier, and who had set that day's meeting at 8 a.m. said he had no issue with the early time.

Assistant manager Martha Guevara said, "I made it this morning. It's alright."

But Schwettmann said, "what our constituents think is important. If we are

doing this for our convenience its wrong. For five people who are getting overpaid to begin with."

County commissioner Leo Martinez said he was unsure about the earlier time, even though Stewart gets to work by 4 a.m.

Stewart said he had no problem in tabling the time change until there was feedback from the public. With that Nunley made the motion to table the resolution, Martinez seconded and the vote was 4-1 with chairman Rex Wilson and county commissioner Rick Simpson voting yes.

County commissioners had commented at an earlier meeting they wanted to start earlier to get more business done. Stewart complied with the early start time.

Despite their early 8 a.m. start time, county commissioners did not take a lunch break, and did not adjourn until after 6 p.m.

The next county commission meeting on August 16 will start at 8 a.m.

## County Okays \$44,500 For Animal Damage Control

This fiscal year, Lincoln County will get animal damage control services for \$44,500 under an agreement with the US Dept. of Agriculture.

Lincoln County Commissioners approved the agreement under a "consent agenda" item at their July 19 meeting held in the Lincoln County Courthouse in Carrizozo. They had no discussion on this item, which annually funds the trapping of coyotes and other predators.

Under the agreement between the county and USDA, Animal Plant Health Inspection Service (APHIS), Animal Damage Control now known as Wildlife Services, the county will provide \$44,500 a year to pay \$31,150 in salaries and benefits, \$2,225 for travel, \$4,005 for vehicle maintenance and repairs, \$2,670 for fuel and \$4,450 for supplies and equipment for wildlife damage control services.

The objective of the program is to "enable the general public, including ranchers, farmers, growers and producers, to receive

the necessary technical assistance and operational support to efficiently and effectively reduce wildlife conflicts adversely impacting agricultural and other interests. The program also provides for protection of other resources and public health and safety."

"Wildlife damage control services may be provided at times and places where it is determined there is a need to resolve agricultural or other resource conflicts caused by problem animals. Conflict resolutions may be sought using basic approaches of direct control operations and technical assistance."

Damage Control strategies include corrective control and preventive control. Control methods and techniques include: trapping, including cage traps; aerial shooting; ground shooting; snaring; EPA registered rodenticides; livestock protection collars and M-44s sodium cyanide ejecting device and various other methods such as glue boards, environmental manipulation, fencing, use of

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**SENATOR PETE CAMPOS**, addresses his fellow members of the Legislature Interim Finance Committee which met at Fort Stanton on the morning of Wednesday, August 8, to discuss the future of the Fort Stanton property and its occupants. Campos, whose district includes all of Lincoln County, encouraged the committee to fund the facility to maintain its historic structures and to support the facility as an investment for the future. The committee is made up of state senators and representatives who are members of the senate and house finance committee.

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the juvenile youth camp operated under contract with Marine Institute and a report from the department of corrections and the AMITY executive director about the contracted adult male inmate drug rehab program now at Fort Stanton.

Also, legislators heard from NM Office of Veterans Affairs director Michael De'Arco about the commitment of federal funds to upgrade the Fort Stanton Cemetery as a state veterans cemetery, and from Museum of New Mexico director Tom Wilson about how

Fort Stanton fits the criteria for a state monument.

The legislative finance committee is made up of state senators and representatives, including Senator Pete Campos and Rep. Dub Williams both of whose districts include Lincoln County, who serve on the finance committee of both chambers during the regular legislative sessions in January and February.

Sec. Beffort opened the discussion about Fort Stanton, which is under direct control of the GSD, property control division. Beffort

said he is a very unpopular person to many in the Lincoln County area because of the stance he must take about finding the best use of a state owned facility under the GSD control, if such use cannot be found to sell, lease or close a facility.

Included along with the 1,300 acres of state lands and 88 buildings, are "substantial" senior water rights, Beffort added.

"Water rights continue to be a huge issue," Beffort said. "A lot have been interested in leasing or buying these (Fort Stanton) water rights."

"I want to put it to rest, GSD is determined not to lease or sell any of these rights until the final determination is made for the use of Fort Stanton," Beffort said. "Then the use of the water rights will be determined by the needs of the identified use."

Beffort told committee members that GSD only provides two employees for Fort Stanton, and this fiscal year, only had enough funding to maintain the salaries and benefits of those employees. Other maintenance and utility needs are being paid by the contracted residential programs at Camp Sierra Blanca and AMITY.

From the GSD point of view, the challenge is to find full usage of the Fort Stanton facility, Beffort added. He then introduced Steve Kells who summarized the findings of the Fort Stanton Reuse Study which was authorized by the governor and state legislature in 2000, and conducted in the first six months of this year. Kells said the report was submitted to GSD on July 1, but he had waited until that day to make the report to the com-

mittee.

The report included background, why the study was initiated and the method of the study. The method used, was field inventory of all major and all historic buildings, public input from a facilitated public meeting, written responses and direct contacts to government agencies, study of similar facilities throughout the country, investigation of potential uses and evaluation of uses against established criteria.

In the report findings, the highest ranked public uses were in the cultural and recreational categories. The report recommends these should be combined and developed as a "cultural and recreational park" that would complement and strengthen the existing recreation, tourism and arts-based economy of the area and region.

The report also identified the establishment of a public trust as the most recommended option for management and ownership. The public trust would represent all interests including state, federal, tribal, local and non-profit advocacy groups.

Kells said there are both uses and programs for Fort Stanton. "Both appropriate public and private uses were identified, although the public uses were found to be generally preferable," he said. The combination of public and private uses would also be possible and desirable. Several management and ownership options were examined, the report stated, including: transfer of property to federal ownership, remain with state under state parks or monuments; establish a public trust representing all interests including the state, federal, tribal, local and nonprofit advocacy groups.

The study recommends several next steps. Included are further study of the public use option to formally identify all stake holders and make contact to determine potential levels of involvement; formal contact with the BLM; formal contact with the National Park Service to determine level of technical assistance; investigate possible participation (ownership) and management structure options. The report also recommends continuation of study of private management options.

The report also recommends initiation of emergency architectural stabilization program to limit further preventable damage to the buildings. And it recommends continued occupation and utilization of buildings to the greatest extent possible until a reuse plan is adopted, including having residents on site. "Maintain an adequate maintenance staff."

Conclusion was many similar forts have been cited as what Fort Stanton can be. "While many of the other forts offer a direction for Fort Stanton, the fort's own unique history, location and ownership possibilities should guide its reuse," the report concludes. "They offer the opportunity to create something very special and beneficial to the State of New Mexico at Fort Stanton."

After the report Senator Don Smith of Deming said he has a problem with private-public partnerships, even though Zagone said her groups think the arrangement would be the most beneficial. Smith referred to the counties that have turned over their county owned hospitals to private management. Smith

## Carrizozo Municipal Schools

### Superintendent's Report

Just in case you have not noticed, the new school year is upon us. I am very excited about the upcoming year and look forward to the challenges ahead. I know that great things can be accomplished for our children when parents and teachers join together in the pursuit of quality education. We have so many things to be thankful for in our community and I am happy to include among them a school with wonderful students, parents and a great staff.

As of August 1, 2001, Mr. Steve Barron is our new Principal. Mr. Barron is originally from the Elida, NM area but has spent the last six years in Pine Hill. He and his wife have a 1-year-old daughter. If you haven't already met Mr. Barron, feel free to come by and say hello and welcome him to our community.

Many of you have noticed that construction on our elementary has stopped for a while. We had some problems with the soil where the concrete was to be poured and we also have an asbestos issue that is being addressed. I am told, however, that the delay should not push the completion date back significantly.

I also want to inform you of the great success of our Summer Reading Program. Overall, attendance was very good. The best news, however, is that the students benefited from the program by accomplishing their reading goals and significantly improving their reading skills! Our thanks to Mrs. Ferguson and Mrs. Gallacher for the outstanding job organizing and conducting the program and our congratulations to the students for their fantastic accomplishments!

Speaking of reading, one of our highest priorities continues to be improving student reading skills. I simply cannot over-state the importance of reading in our society. Statistically, young students who fall behind in our struggle with reading, are placed at a tremendous disadvantage. I want to offer our most sincere gratitude to all the parents and tutors who took time, over this past year, to read with our students. Your efforts have made, and continue to make, a real difference in the lives of our children. I urge all of us, teachers, parents, and community volunteers, to remain focused on their goal. This year we are striving for all students, through the fourth grade, to be reading on grade level by the end of the school year. I urge parents to continue to read with your children, and don't forget to listen to them read to you. Just a few minutes a

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said anything done with Fort Stanton must be done by action of the legislature, because "governors come and go."

"Bottom line I am a proponent of Fort Stanton," Smith said. "Let's make the investment."

"We should look at Fort Stanton as an investment, rather than an expenditure," Smith added.

Lincoln County manager Tom Stewart said careful deliberation is needed for best uses of Fort Stanton

that offer the greatest return to the state. "We envision Phase 2 of the reuse study to offer a business plan to be presented to the legislature in January," Stewart said.

Smith also commented on the reluctance of the legislature to fund rehabilitation of the Fort Stanton facilities. "I hate to wait three years to do anything for Fort Stanton," Smith said. "I think we immediately need

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# CALENDAR OF EVENTS


**TODAY, THURSDAY, AUGUST 9**  
 -Ruidoso Arts Commission 4 p.m. village hall.  
 -Carrizozo Rec Center Story time 10:30-11:30 a.m. for ages 4-6, 1-2 p.m. ages 7-13, activities after story. Final day of story time will be August 16.  
 -Lincoln County Fair continues in Capitan. Rabbit show and swine show after 1 p.m.  
 -Corona Village Trustees, 6:30 p.m.

**FRIDAY, AUGUST 10:**  
 -Lincoln County Fair in Capitan continues with dairy heifer show at 10 a.m., breeding cattle show at 11 a.m., steer show at 1 p.m., pet show at 5:30 p.m. and special lead class at 6:30 p.m. in the show ring.

**SATURDAY, AUGUST 11:**  
 -Final day of Lincoln County Fair: Horse show at 8 a.m., 10:30 a.m. awards, 11:30 a.m. lunch for livestock buyers, 1 p.m. Junior Livestock Auction and 3 p.m. exhibits released.  
 -St. Eleanor's Catholic Church 8th annual Silent Auction and Enchilada Dinner, 4-8 p.m., Ruidoso Convention Center. \$5 for adults and \$3 for children.  
 -First Christian Church yard sale, Ruidoso.

**MONDAY, AUGUST 13**  
 -Ruidoso-Lincoln County ETZ Authority, 8:30 p.m. Ruidoso Village Hall.  
 -Lincoln County Rural Economic Development Through Tourism (REDTT) council 10 a.m. La Cocina Restaurant in Lincoln.

**TUESDAY, AUGUST 14**  
 -Ruidoso Utility Council 9:30 a.m. Ruidoso Village Hall.  
 -Carrizozo Town Council 6 p.m.  
 -Capitan Village Trustees 6:30 p.m. public hearing on Community Development Block Grant application project, regular meeting at 7 p.m.  
 -Ruidoso Village Council 6:30 p.m.  
 -Corona School Board 7 p.m.  
 -Public meeting to take comment on the final draft of the Regional Water Plan for the Lower Pecos River Basin, 7 p.m. Roswell Civic Center, 912 N. Main. Copies of the final draft may be viewed at the office of the Lincoln County Manager in the courthouse in Carrizozo.

**WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 15**  
 -School starts for students in Capitan and Corona.  
 -End of season bowling party 12 noon to 1 p.m. Carrizozo Rec Center.  
 -Capitan-Carrizozo Natural Gas Board 6 p.m. Wells Fargo Bank community room, Carrizozo.

**THURSDAY, AUGUST 16**  
 -Lincoln County Commission, 8 a.m. commission chambers in the Lincoln County Courthouse in Carrizozo. Public hearing on CDBG project at 10 a.m.  
 -Final day for story time at Carrizozo Rec Center. 10:30 a.m. for ages 4-6 and 1 p.m. for ages 7-13.

**FRIDAY, AUGUST 17**  
 -Fun day at Carrizozo Rec Center 1-3 p.m. for ages 4-13.  
 -School starts for students in Ruidoso Middle and High Schools.

# 1916 Fort Stanton Fire Truck Returns Home

by DORIS CHERRY

With sirens roaring through every community along the way, the 1916 American-LaFrance fire truck boasting the name Fort Stanton Fire Department, returned home.

On Monday, July 30, Lincoln County manager Tom Stewart with help from members of the Pine Top Car Club towed home the fire truck from its storage at the remote Sandoval County volunteer fire department station near Jemez Springs. Once back into Lincoln County, the truck was put into a storage bay in the new Ranches of Sonterra fire substation of the Bonito Volunteer Fire Department district where it will be restored.

Stewart told *THE NEWS* that the truck attracted attention everywhere it went, even prompting passers-by to ask where Fort Stanton is located.

Stewart said the truck presented a real logistics challenge. Being nonoperational, it had to be loaded on the tow trailer with a backhoe. Stewart guessed the truck must weigh at least three tons and will require a proper trailer to transport it in the future.

The truck was removed from Fort Stanton in 1999, under direction of the state fire marshal George Chavez. He had told *THE NEWS* previously he had the truck removed to preserve it, because at that time the women corrections facility at Fort Stanton had been closed and it appeared there would be no tenants and the fire department would have to be closed, leaving the truck open to vandalism or theft.

But memories of the old truck were kept alive by remaining volunteers of the Fort Stanton Fire Department, who translated these thoughts and concerns to members of Fort Stanton Inc. and finally to the county manager Stewart, who with county attorney Alan Morel began a dialogue with the fire marshal about the truck.

At the July 19 meeting of the Lincoln County Commissioners in their chambers in the Lincoln County Courthouse in Carrizozo, Stewart requested permission to send a letter from the commission to the state fire marshal requesting re-

turn of the truck. In the letter, signed by county commission chair Rex Wilson, he thanks the fire marshal for "taking time to talk to Alan Morel, county attorney, regarding the possible return of the truck formerly housed at Fort Stanton."

"The County of Lincoln understands that the fire truck in question is a treasure and that it is in the best interests of both the state fire marshal's office and the County of Lincoln to insure that this treasure is properly cared for, restored and persevered for future generations to enjoy." With that the letter advises the fire marshal that the county commission meeting July 19 directed the letter be forwarded to his office officially requesting the return of the truck. "The Board of County Commissioners of the County of Lincoln, in conjunction with Fort Stanton, Inc. and the Pine Top Car Club, to name a few, are making arrangements to restore the fire truck and provide for its continued safekeeping for years to come."

"As you may or may not know, the Ruidoso Aspenfest Parade this year is dedicated to Fort Stanton. The residents of the County of Lincoln are excited about the possibility of potentially having the Fort Stanton Fire Truck restored to the point where the same can actually be operational and an integral part of the upcoming parade."

Also with the letter, the county committed to providing insurance, restore and provide a safe environment for housing the truck. Commissioners unanimously approved the letter which was sent to the fire marshal, with success.

Also at the July 19 meeting, commissioners had a presentation from "The Kids Ranch" board members who are interested in Fort Stanton as a private school for autistic children. Rich Jones, executive director for "The Kids Ranch-Hospital & Research Center for Autism", Dr. Leventhal from Chicago, Dr. Irons from Las Cruces, and Dr. Morgan from Ohio attended the county commission meeting to talk about their program and how it could work at Fort Stanton. Jones said they had toured Fort Stanton and found it to be a beautiful facility and setting but had deteriorating buildings. Jones said they think Fort Stanton has the capacity to support programs for autistic children and their families.

Autism affects one percent of children who benefit from therapeutic experiences in a protected environment. "At Fort Stanton we could create the environment that is therapeutic and protected," Jones said. "Regular folks could still use the place and our children could participate in the site and jobs."

Jones said only a small

### Dine At Governor's Mansion in August

The New Mexico Governor's Mansion Foundation is hosting evening dining in the scenic gardens of the New Mexico Governor's Mansion on August 8 and 22.

Hector Pimental, a renowned classical guitarist, will perform in the garden on August 8, and on August 22 there will be Mariachis.

There is a charge for dinner and seating is limited. Call Joan Fleetwood at 805-476-5013 for reservations.

amount of research has been done to study autism and develop effective treatments. Such has been done at John Hopkins Center, but it has a more than two year waiting list. There is no such center on the west coast. "The demand is tremendous," Jones said. He also said Fort Stanton has an advantage over Hopkins because it is so open and Hopkins is confined within a large city.

As for staffing such a fa-

ility, Jones said if they develop a good program, they can easily recruit people.

Stewart said he would put the doctors and program director in touch with Kells & Craig architects who are doing a use study of Fort Stanton for the state General Services Department. Stewart said Steven Kells with Kells and Craig would present a report to the State Legislative Finance Committee meeting at Fort Stanton on August 8.

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**THOUGHTS**  
FROM THE EDITOR'S DESK

*Yes, the Fort is history*

By Ruth Hammond

Really good news this week is that the state Legislative Finance Committee, or rather most of the committee, is in favor of the state funding the preservation of Fort Stanton. One state senator said Fort Stanton is history and should be preserved. Thank goodness someone at the state level is aware of the treasure we have here in Lincoln County.

Even though the majority of the Legislative Finance Committee members seemed in favor of the state providing funding to preserve Fort Stanton, one state senator was not as enthusiastic about it. She said the proposal for use of Fort Stanton should include a viable marketing plan for the future, to assure the state will not spend a lot of money on restoration only to have the facility closed for lack of visitation or utilization. She also happens to be married to the state General Services Department (GSD) secretary and he said, "I do not think GSD can support spending a lot of money for a facility not in use." He also commented that GSD would not lease or sell any of the water rights until the final determination is made for the use of Fort Stanton.

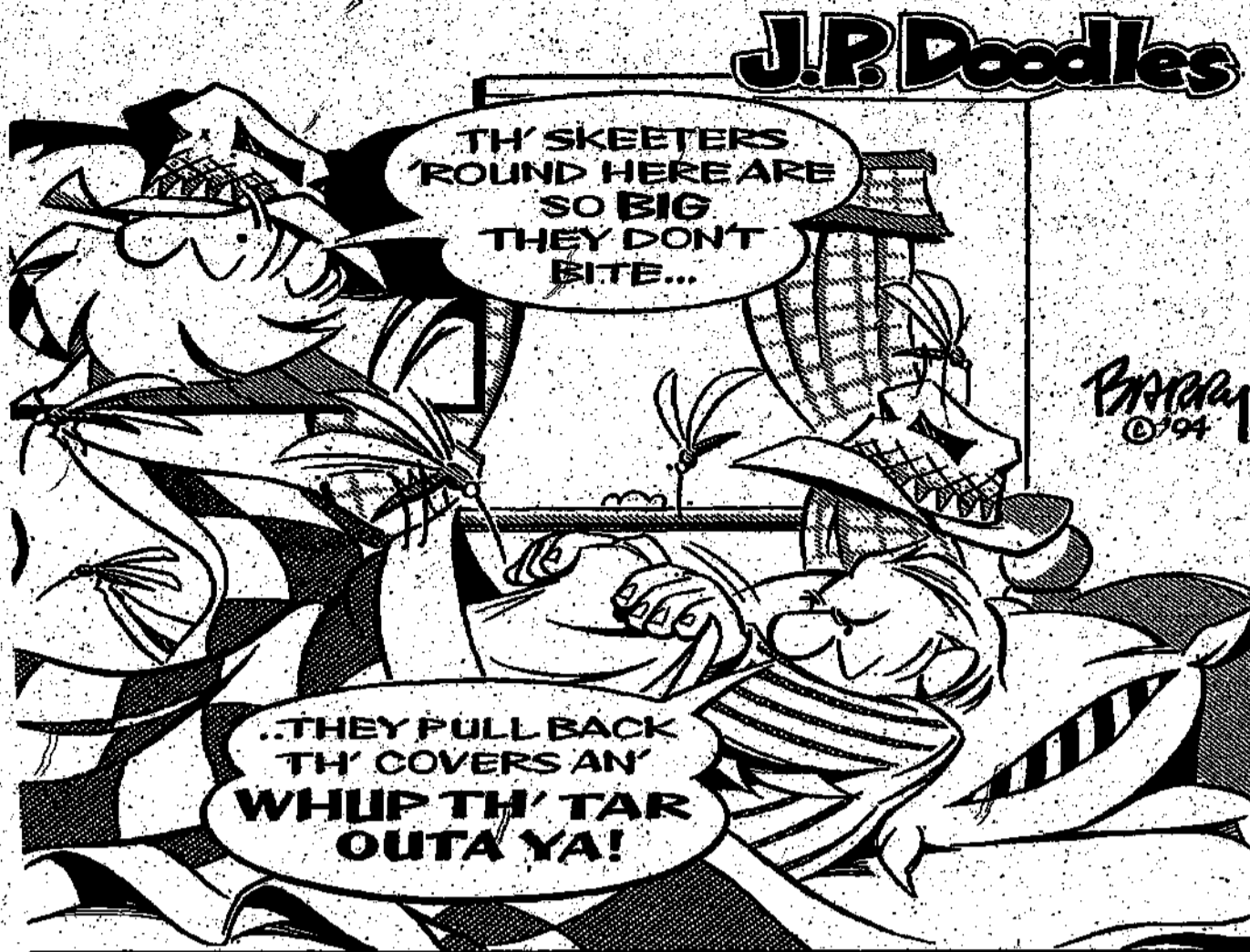
Determining the use of Fort Stanton seems to be the main problem. There was a use for Fort Stanton several years ago and the transition was in progress to make Fort Stanton a geriatric facility, but the governor closed Fort Stanton before that transition was completed. And now that the Ruidoso Care Center is being closed and there is no where for the elderly patients to go except for Alamogordo or Roswell, it seems GSD allowed the governor to short circuit what was a great plan. Too bad GSD didn't continue with the transition of Fort Stanton from a facility for people with developmental disabilities into a geriatric facility.

Unless something drastic is done immediately, those elderly patients at the Ruidoso Care Center will be moved and the move could be fatal for many of them. It would be great if GSD would allow at least a portion of Fort Stanton to be made into the geriatric facility it should have been a few years ago when the governor closed it suddenly. And for the nay-sayers, yes it can work to have more than one use for Fort Stanton. It would work well for geriatrics to be at Fort Stanton as well as Amity and possibly the facility for children with autism and their families. The 88 buildings would provide more than enough room for all these things.

Considering the GSD secretary said that if there is no use for Fort Stanton it should be reduced or removed, and he said something about getting "the facility off the rolls." It seems to me that someone somewhere wants to remove the Fort and then the water rights would be available to be bought or leased. Can you feature reducing or removing Fort Stanton? We need to all work together to convince not only the Legislative Finance Committee but others in the state Legislature of the importance of saving the Fort.

Every elected official in the state needs to be made aware that Fort Stanton is a treasure that should be saved, not "reduced or removed" and the state should be working to promote Fort Stanton. Instead of talking about "removing it from the rolls" because it can't be replaced.

*Someone else likes the Fort*



SANTA FE  
**INSIDE THE CAPITOL**  
BY JAY MILLER

SANTA FE - Gov. Gary Johnson already has declared war on the 2002 Legislature. Speaking to the Taos County Association of Realtors, Johnson announced he will do anything it takes to pass a \$72 million income tax cut, including holding whatever hostages he can.

Last year, Johnson held the \$269 million public works bill hostage. When he didn't get a tax cut bill in the form he wanted, he vetoed the big pork bill that contained goodies for every

municipality and county in the state. The governor served notice that he will do the same thing next year unless he gets a tax bill exactly to his liking.

And if he can hold other bills hostage, he will do that too, Johnson said. House Speaker Ben Lujan fired back, saying Democrats won't allow Johnson to use veto threats to force them to vote a certain way. They hope people will blame Johnson for vetoing their local capital outlay projects.

For about a month, Lujan has been saying there no longer is enough money for Johnson's proposed tax cut because of a fairly drastic downturn in state revenues that is being projected once oil and gas revenues return to previous levels.

Lujan's contention is that the governor "blew it" when he didn't take the tax cut that was offered at the end of last session. But that downturn already was forecast during the session. That is why the Legislature provided a middle-income tax break for only the next two years.

Last month, Johnson visited Gallup, Taos and Farmington promoting his version of the tax cut. He said he feels a need to get out there early to ask people to lobby their legislators for his tax plan. Johnson has rejected the style of previous governors, who worked with legislative leaders to accomplish their goals. He prefers, instead, to rattle his saber through issuing press releases declaring ultimatums and threatening all-out war.

The practice has often worked. The public tends to see governors and

the president in a more favorable light than it does legislative bodies. And that is certainly the case in New Mexico. But Johnson's all-or-nothing style has lost him some opportunities too. Democrats held some hostages of their own during the last session, including two bills from the governor's drug package that enjoyed widespread bipartisan support.

Tax cuts have been an unrealized Johnson priority every year since he took office. Had he been willing to accept compromises the Legislature offered him each time, they would have added up to a pretty nice chunk. But compromise doesn't appear in Johnson's vocabulary.

Failure to achieve many of his goals hasn't hurt Johnson's standing with the public, however. He was re-elected by a large margin three ears ago and has almost continually enjoyed high popularity ratings.

Johnson's speech to the Taos realtors was a little out of the ordinary. He wore blue jeans, a plaid shirt and a leather vest to address the casual group. When he launched into an attack on the drug war, one audience member praised him for his efforts to liberalize drug laws. And the audience applauded. Rotarians and chambers of commerce, Johnson's favorite organizations to address, are much tougher audiences on that subject.

The governor also displayed his strong libertarian leanings as he spoke out against the law requir-

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**PSYCHIC PREDICTIONS FOR THE NEW MILLENNIUM**



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**Leo:** (July 23 - Aug 23) Things could change before your eyes! Make sure What you want, When you want it... Way you want it to go! Don't rely on Someone else to do it!

**Virgo:** (Aug 23 - Sept 22) This could be a Good time for You! Your Way of Communicating with Others will see the end results! Give what you want to Get! Be Positive!

**Libra:** (Sept 23 - Oct 22) If you are Wanting to Change your Life...this is the time to do it! You're in LUCK...Watch What you Wish For, because It just might come true!

**Scorpio:** (Oct 23 - Nov 21) "Stop, Drop and Roll" Something is on Fire! Either it's your Money Burning up...or your Energy is being given away, without thinking!

**Sagittarius:** (Nov 22 - Dec 21) You have Great Ideas...Write them down...Sleep on it...Pray about it! Give yourself Time to Make Sure this is What You Want!

**Capricorn:** (Dec 22 - Jan 19) It's Time to Make a Change in your Life! You're Ready, Able & Willing! "IF NOT"...then Don't push the Issue! When in Doubt, then you Don't!

**Aquarius:** (Jan 20 - Feb 18) Feeling Down? Seek People & Places, that make you Happy! Don't let outside "Stuff" upset the Most Important things in your life! You!!

**Pisces:** (Feb 19 - March 20) You have cleared the way for many people, they don't even know it, but they will in time! Just keep on doing the best that you can, you will!

**Aries:** (Mar 21 - April 19) Speaking of FUN! What have you done for Fun? Not enough! You need to go out and have more FUN! Take family & friends IF you want to!

**Taurus:** (Apr 20 - May 20) "Ouch!" Watch it! Your words can Cut like a knife! Begin with a Smile, then tell them what you Really want them to know! The Truth!

**Gemini:** (May 21 - June 20) Something isn't Just Right?! Something is Missing! What do you Want? Go For It! What is Stopping You? YOU!! You're Ready Now!

**Cancer:** (June 21-July 22) This would be a Good Time to L(o)(o)k at You and ask Questions that Should have been Answered a Long Time ago! It's Time for a Change!

**State Auditor Re-elected To Latino Board**

New Mexico State Auditor Domingo P. Martinez was re-elected to a second term on the Board of Directors of the National Association of Latino Elected and Appointed Officials (NALEAO) during the group's annual meeting in San Jose, CA in June.

Founded in 1976, the NALEAO with more than 5,000 members is the largest organization representing Hispanics of Hispanic descent.

**Carrizozo Rat Pack Ends Racing At Sertoma**

The Carrizozo Rat Pack will no longer be racing at Sertoma Speedway. Josh Hammond, leader of the Carrizozo Rat Pack, has been racing his number 28 orange and white street stock car for six years at Sertoma. Hammond won the street stock championship last year, and had hoped to win again this year and be the first back-to-back champion at Sertoma.

The reason for the Carrizozo Rat Pack deciding to end their racing season early this year is because of inconsistent judging during the races. Hammond has talked to representatives of Sertoma track and the driver's association several times in an attempt to get the situation resolved. Hammond also provided Sertoma and the driver's association with video tapes of the races to show what actually happened and asked for an explanation for the judging calls.

The only thing any of the track and driver's associa-

tion officials would say is that they could not go back and change any calls. Hammond explained that he didn't want any previous calls changed, he only wanted calls to be fair. Hammond was assessed a penalty for a "Texas Start" while another driver received only warning. A "Texas Start" is passing other race cars before the green flag has dropped on restarts.

Other times drivers from Lincoln County were black flagged, which means they are to leave the race track, for supposedly doing something wrong and the video tapes showed the Lincoln County drivers were not wrong. Quite often the drivers were not told why they were given the black flag.

A few years ago there were enough street stock cars for the track to have a B Main event and an A Main event. Many drivers are not racing because of the bogus judging and instead of having 35 or more

street stock cars to race there were only 18 street stock cars last week.

Many race fans are also upset with the judging calls and have voiced their opinions with no apparent results.

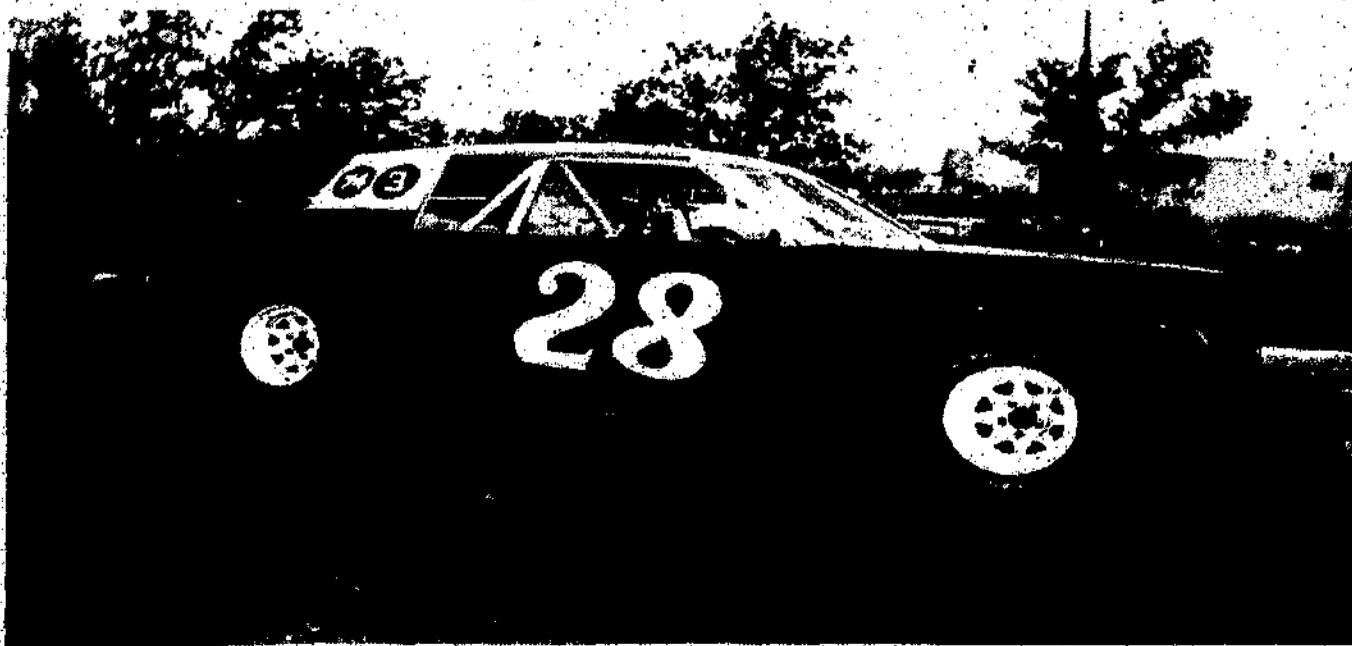
The Carrizozo Rat Pack wants to continue racing and Hammond said he and Michael Williamson, two of the Carrizozo Rat Pack drivers, will race later this year in Las Cruces.

The Carrizozo Rat Pack has expressed their appreciation to all the fans for their support.

**Mulkey Graduates From ENMU With BA In History**

Thomas L. Mulkey, from Corona was among the 88 graduation candidates from Eastern New Mexico University this summer.

Thomas was a candidate for a bachelor of science degree in history.



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# Corona News

The 2001 Cedarvale Reunion was its usual success with more than 150 registered. There were several family mini reunions and Mrs. Muriel Pounds came from Albuquerque for a couple of hours Saturday morning.

There were quantities of good food, door prizes and Johnnie Faye Harelson won the double Irish chain quilt. The top was made by Rene Kessler and the quilting was done by the Cedarvale Quilting Club.

Officers, Beryl Gustin and Judgie Hamilton were re-elected and the next reunion will be the first

weekend in August, 2003.

Molly Hartung has resigned at the Senior Center after more than four months, and applications are being taken for the position of cook. Molly has elected to baby sit her three boys, two of who will be in school this winter.

John Hartung and son Justin are visiting his parents in Cody, WY. John Jr. is visiting his maternal grandparents, Mark and Beverly Lake in Allen Park, CO.

Mrs. Zelfa Atkinson suffered fractures of the

pelvis in a fall in her Belen home a few weeks ago. She is now recuperating at the Atkinson ranch under the watchful care of Wayne and Kay Lindsay. Let's cheer her with a note at Rt. 1, Claunch, NM 87011 or a phone call at 849-1096.

Judy Haisell of Tucumcari is visiting her sister, Johnnie Erra-mousse and family this week.

Angie Schnoor was injured in a one car accident in Albuquerque last week. She was reportedly on her way to work and was the only one injured of the four occupants. She has a broken collar bone and a broken pelvis.

She underwent surgery Tuesday and will remain in University Hospital at least a month. Her parents, Crystal and Charley Lueras, took their grandsons ages five months and three years home to Roswell with them and great grandparents Cathy and Byron Yancey are babysitting with them the first of the week.

Elvina and Lon Holleyman honored their daughter, Meriah on her 7th birthday and niece, Heather Ratliffe on her 8th, at the school recreation room Saturday evening during the Corona Festival. After games and refreshments, the group went to the SS park for fireworks.

The Ratliffes were here from Glendale, AZ for Lois Ann's class reunion. Heather stayed with her Holleyman grandparents and Karen went home with aunt Karen Kibbe. The girls' grandmother, Eva Mae, will take the girls to catch their plane in Albuquerque on the 9th.

Tim and Janell Kane have their niece and nephew visiting this week from Needles, CA. Resha is 13 and Wesley is 5.

Bill and Johnnie Faye Harelson have their grandson, Jonathan, from Hagerman visiting for the week.

Diana, daughter of the former Juanita Minor and husband Andy Lewis was here Sunday to visit Helen and Pete Porter and visit the cemetery.

Pete and Helen Porter had 38 relatives, while Charles and Clara Porter had 35, along with Bertha and Bill Carter who also had 35 relatives staying with them for the family reunion this week.

Janetta Stewart took daughter Alexandra to Albuquerque for her birthday celebration and a movie.

The Corona Zia Senior Center has a landscaping project that is ongoing. For a \$10 donation you may have your name or an "In Memory Of" stepping stone with a butterfly theme. The stones are placed next to the walk by the entrance. To order your stepping stone contact the center at 505-849-511.

A fire started by lightning is slowly burning out - near the Look Out on the Gallinas Mountains.

Patsy and Lee Mulkey



**A TOUCH OF OLD TIMES.** Old and old fashioned costumed characters dominated the Old Lincoln Days parade on Sunday, August 5 in Lincoln. This year parade organizers requested vehicles be older than 1960. These two model A Ford owners complied. This year's parade, and fold pageant "The Last Escape of Billy the Kid" was dedicated to Betty Shreengost who performed in the pageant 50 years. Betty died earlier this year.

met son Steve in Roswell, where they picked up their grandchildren Rueben and Kaylee, for a week long visit. Their son Steve is stationed in Clovis with the State Police.

Members of the Sierra Blanca Chapter NSDAR have been active in Lincoln County this month. Chapter members and current State Regent Susanne O'Malley rode in the Sheriff's Posse during Corona Days parade. She carried the American flag. Chapter member and State Registrar, Gloria Fogerson, will be judging the sewing for ladies and mens clothing at the Lincoln County Fair.

Darlene Mitzi A. Smid of Corona and David M. Orr of Alamogordo were married in a double ring ceremony on Saturday, June 23, at the Corona Public Schools Auditorium with Judge Karen L. Parsons officiating. Mitzi is the mother of Rhiannon Nicole Alirez a senior at Corona HS and Michael Joseph Alirez a seventh grader at Corona schools. Dave is the father of Emily Sloan Orr a kindergarten at University Hills, Las Cruces.

The ceremony began with the presentation of the groom's grandmother, Doris Riddle of El Paso, groom's mother Jacque Orr of Jal, bride's father

Jim Smid of Stanley, bride's mother and stepfather, Dolores and Gary Botts of Los Lunas. Ushers were Alan Orr of Alamogordo and Philip Lueras of Corona. Standing for the bride and groom were family friend and Matron of Honor Janetta Stewart of Corona, father of the groom and Best Man Mike Orr of Jal, and Emily Orr was the flower girl.

Giving their blessing the bride's daughter and son walked her down the aisle to be married. Before exchanging of vows and rings, Judge Parsons announced the ceremony would be held in memory of the person who brought the couple together, Stephen Orr, brother of the groom and "Best Man in Spirit".

After the exchanging of vows and rings, Dave, Mitzi, Emily, Bubbies, and Rhiannon lit a family unity candle.

Karen Sealy, Rosetta Gilmore and Shirley Owen all of Corona, made sure the light buffet reception and dance were well taken care of. Purple gladiolus, purple and ivory roses, and topiary trees all decorated with purple and lavender ribbon and pearls, adorned the ceremony and reception.

A weeklong family honeymoon was taken to San Diego. The bride and her children will continue to live in Corona, where the bride is employed with Corona Public Schools and Lincoln County EMS. The groom is employed by Alamogordo Public Schools.

**NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING**

The Village of Capitan invites all interested citizens to a Public Hearing to be held at the Village Hall, 114 Lincoln Ave., Capitan, NM at 6:30 P.M. on August 14, 2001.

The purpose of the public hearing will be to discuss the 2001 Small Cities Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Program. To advise citizens of the program objectives and receive public input on community needs, and suggestions for CDBG projects.

The CDBG program is designed to meet activities, which will address one to three state and national objectives.

- 1.) Benefit principally low-moderate income families.
- 2.) Aid in the prevention or elimination of slum and blight.
- 3.) Meet other community development needs of recent origin which pose a serious and immediate threats to the health and welfare of the community.

All incorporated municipalities under 50,000 are eligible to apply. Applicants may apply for funding assistance for Community Infrastructure, Housing, Public Service Capital Outlay, Economic Development, Emergency, Planning and Colonias.

For information contact:  
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**NOTICIA DE ALERTA AL PUBLICO**  
AGOSTO 14, 2001, 6:30 P.M.  
LA CIUDAD DE VILLAGE OF CAPITAN

La Ciudad de Village of Capitan, Nuevo Mexico tendra dos juntas el 14 de Agosto, 2001 a las 6:30 de la tarde, las dos en el ayuntamiento, situado en 114 Lincoln Ave., Capitan, Nuevo Mexico. El proposito de las juntas publicas sera para discutir el programa de Desarrollo en la Comunidad del conjunto de Donacion en Nuevo Mexico (CDBG) y para avisar a los ciudadanos de las metas del programa, la escala de actividades elegibles y otra informacion pertinente. Tambien es para obtener las opiniones de ciudadanos sobre desarrollo de la comunidad y necesidades de habitacion, particularmente las necesidades de gente con ingresos bajos y moderados.

Los objetivos estatales y nacionales de programa CDBG requieren que las actividades del proyecto cumplan con por lo menos uno de los siguientes requisitos. Beneficio para las familias de ingresos bajos y moderados; ayuda en la prevencion o eliminacion de barrios desafortunados y insalubres, y de cumplir con otras necesidades del desarrollo de la comunidad de origen reciente que poseen una amenaza inmediata a la salud y bienestar de la comunidad y cuando otros recursos no estan disponibles para cumplir con esas necesidades.

Las categorias de fondos elegibles incluyen infrascara para la comunidad; Rehabilitacion de Casa; Desembolso de Capital para Servicio Publico; Planificacion, Emergencia y Colonias.

Todos los grupos interesados estan invitados a asistir y entregar sus ideas para proyectos y datos del apoyo a su testimonio.

Los residentes que no pueden atender la junta pueden enviar sus comentarios a:

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# Fort Stanton Facts & Fiction

by Betty Lou Jainer

Ruidoso Downs was my destination when I left work last Thursday afternoon to pick up the cake for the recreation for our artist, Helen Hyatt. Arriving about 3:00 p.m. there was a very good shower from just past the railroad tracks on into White Oaks.

Eating a bite and visiting with the Spencers we had several riders and the guest of honor come into town. Signing and selling posters and envelopes was the thing for the afternoon. The cake, cookies and tea and coffee furnished by Barbara was enjoyed by several.

On up at the Thomases house many other riders had arrived and were setting up their camps for the night. The shower and

the full moon made for the nicest evening in a long time. Marylyn and her committee members had hamburgers cooking in no time with all the trimmings. Not sure how many showed up for this meal. Not too long after eating most were in their hedrols for the early start the next morning.

Jim Tharpe was up and had "50" riders leave thru the gate at just about 7:15. Only a couple of the horses were humping up and crow hopping a little. Out the gate and on their way to a long long ride.

Thinking with such a large group that there would be more stops, we were all surprised that they arrived in camp around 4:00 p.m. that evening. Richard Rumpf and Marty Casteel were kept busy moving all the rigs from White Oaks to S-Curve. Ruth Birdsong and helper Marcia Nixon were already planning the big meal for that night. Stew, cornbread, fruit salad, cake, cobbler, and cold drinks had several going back for seconds. No more done cooking this meal, they were already up and cooking breakfast.

One rider got a little tired and caught a ride to camp with Lenard May at the Lacy Ranch. Marcy (the forest service helper) ponied in the lady's horse. With some TLC from her friend Verla -- she was still a little under the weather but enjoyed the rest of the trail activities. Tom Sullivan's horse took a little nap, but other than that for that many traveling that many miles, a good first day was in the record books.

That night a couple of musicians playing the base fiddle and guitar played some beautiful music while we all ate. I had many helpers on Thursday and Friday addressing and placing the envelopes in glazine envelopes, postmarking with the pictorial stamp and stamping more envelopes. Helping with this many learned the procedure that the letters go through in order to get from White Oaks to their destination. Finding the seal that said PE Mail Run, I went to pick up many more gold seals and we got them all marked to place on the envelopes that were carried. It was so good to have so many offer to help.

Lucille Smith made the comment on "What happened to the little meetings we used to have

to do this in the past?" Seems it is the lack of time factor for so many things that change.

A few that were a little sore were a little cross on Saturday morning but into the beautiful ride across G Bar F and coming into the lunch stop at the windmill with the good fried chicken and strawberry shortcake, everyone was back in a good mood. Caroline McCoy and Bob Woodard met the group part way from the windmills and helped with directing the group to their lunch stop.

Another little mishap occurred when a piece of plastic pipe flipped up and hit an appaloosa on the leg. His rider hit the dirt but didn't seem to know he had. Tying his horse and hitting the line for food, he was smiling and joking about what happened. Another young rider was thrown on this ride but was not hurt and just a little sore for his episode.

Fifty-five riders on Saturday made for quite a picture as they left the windmill where Jimmy and Terese had come to see what we had been up to. With the big number of people food was not short, but not really a lot left over either. I don't think you could ever fix enough fresh strawberries and whipped cream for anyone.

Making this ride a little longer this year, several were a little wore out and thirsty but still remarking the ride was such a beautiful one.

God once again cooperated with Jim and Terese and gave us perfect weather, both day and night. I didn't feel comfortable riding this year and felt I should help with the ground crew work. Never again will I make this choice. It is so much work and not any fun. My hat is off to all who have done this for so many years.

After a bath in the shower that Clever Clarence built, we had a huge crowd for Saturday night. We fed over 115 chicken fried steaks, ran out of two salads, and potatoes, but made up for it in the delicious recipe that Ruth had learned from her grandmother -- using cracker crumbs and buttermilk -- the steaks were so good.

The awards, sponsors, ranchers, were all recognized, and the no talent show once again took place right after the meal. Two special guests sang some songs. Kallie sang the Star Spangled Banner and others added to the acts of Valarie with her roping. Terese and Helen Hyatt's poem about a cat, singing by Ruth and Dave while Tom Sullivan, Jay McSwane and Betty did an act with Dusty the teeter tottering dog dressed in his cowboy outfit and jail outfit. They all performed so well. The final act to beat was Tina and Rosemary with Tina's daughter helping out with the props. They both tried to do a dance and both thought the other one wasn't performing right.

Ruth Birdsong were raffled off.

Many letters went all over, once again with France and Canada being added to the list of states and countries. Delivering the mail and riding in the parade the group met back at camp, said their goodbyes and once again, a part of the past is the Lincoln County Pony Express Ride. Thanks to one and all who had any part in this.

While finishing up checking on the mail cancellations at the post office at Lincoln on Monday morning, Bob LaRue said the posse came away with the first place plaque for

equestrian entry in the Lincoln Parade. Good job Joe!

A couple of sayings I found in a book just hit the spot this week:

\* Earl Warren -- Everything I did in my life that was worthwhile I caught hell for.

\* Lawrence Bixby -- Each handicap is like a hurdle in a steeplechase, and when you ride up to it, if you throw your head over, the horse will go along too.




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## Weather Report

Rain storms are moving back into Lincoln County after a short dry spell. Sunny skies and high temperatures dominated as a high pressure zone moved into Lincoln County over the last weekend.

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

Forecast for Carrizozo, Lincoln, Hondo Valley and lower elevations of Lincoln County:

Today, Thursday, August 9:

Mostly cloudy with scattered showers and thunderstorms. Southwest winds 5-15 miles per hour. Chance for precipitation 40 percent. High temperature in Carrizozo, 85. Tonight mostly cloudy with scattered showers and thunderstorms. Low of 59.

Friday-Tuesday, August 10-14:

Partly to mostly cloudy with scattered afternoon and evening thunderstorms. Highs in the lower 90s, lows in the lower 60s.

Forecast for Ruidoso, Capitan, Corona and higher elevations of Lincoln County:

Thursday, August 9:

Mostly cloudy with scattered showers and thunderstorms. Southwest winds 5-15 miles per hour. High temperature in Ruidoso 77. Chance for precipitation 50 percent. Tonight mostly cloudy with scattered showers and thunderstorms. Low of 55.

Friday-Tuesday, August 10-14:

Partly to mostly cloudy with scattered afternoon and evening thunderstorms. Highs in the 80s. Lows in the 50s.

## Thank You!

We would like to thank the EMTs from Capitan and Ruidoso for their quick response and help, also to the registered nurse, the dear lady that lent her oxygen to my husband Virgil Tivis, and to the people that prayed for us. Also we apologize for any inconvenience we may have caused at the service of Alice Traylor at the Methodist Church in Capitan. May God Bless each of you.

Virgil and Luella Tivis  
1315 South Main  
Portales, NM 88130

## Church Directory



### MOUNTAIN MINISTRY PARISH, SIERRA BLANCA PRESBYTERY

Nogal Presbyterian Church:  
BILL SEBRING, Pastor  
Sunday School ..... 10:00 a.m.  
Worship ..... 11:30 a.m.

Ancho Community Presbyterian Church:  
SCOTT KING, Pastor / 648-2024  
Worship ..... 9:30 a.m.  
Sunday School ..... 10:00 a.m.

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

### First Baptist Church

HAYDEN SMITH, Pastor  
314 10th Ave., Carrizozo, NM  
648-2968 (Church) or 648-2107  
Sunday School ..... 9:45 a.m.  
Worship Service ..... 10:55 a.m.  
Sun. Evening ..... Training at 6:15 p.m.  
Evening Worship ..... 7:15 p.m.  
Wednesday Bible Study ..... 7:00 p.m.

### Carrizozo Community Church (A/G)

JOHNIE L. JOHNSON, Pastor  
Corner of C Ave. and Thirteenth, 648-2186  
Children's Church ..... 10:30 a.m.  
Worship Service ..... 10:30 a.m.  
Wednesday Bible Study ..... 7:30 p.m.

### Santa Rita Catholic Community

FR. DAVE BERGS, Pastor  
213 Birch, Carrizozo, NM, 648-2853

**SATURDAY:**  
Capitan Sacred Heart ..... 5:00 p.m.  
Carrizozo Santa Rita ..... 6:30 p.m.  
**SUNDAY:**  
Capitan Sacred Heart ..... 9:00 a.m.  
Carrizozo Santa Rita ..... 10:30 a.m.  
Corona St. Theresa ..... 1:00 p.m.

### Church of Christ

TOM POINDEXTER, Minister 354-3136  
Ave. C at 12th, Carrizozo, NM  
Sunday School ..... 10:00 a.m.  
Worship Service ..... 11:00 a.m.  
Evening Worship ..... 1:15 p.m.  
Wednesday Bible Study ..... 7:00 p.m.

### St. Matthias Episcopal Church

REV. CANON JOHN PENN, Rector  
Corner of E Ave. and Sixth, Carrizozo, NM  
1-505-257-2356  
Holy Eucharist ..... Sunday 9:30 a.m.

### Claunch Community Church

TONY SCACCIA, Minister  
849-1402  
Second Sunday of Each Month ..... 9:00 a.m.

### United Methodist Churches

JOHANNA ANDERSON, Pastor  
1000 D. Ave, 648-2853 / 648-2848  
Carrizozo, NM 88301  
Sunday School (All Ages) ..... 10:00 a.m.  
Worship Service ..... 11:00 a.m.  
Choir Practice (Tuesday) ..... 6:30 p.m.  
United Methodist Women  
Every 3rd Wednesday ..... 2:00 p.m.  
Fellowship Dinner on  
4th Sunday of Month ..... 12:30 p.m.

### CAPITAN:

Adult Sunday School ..... 8:30 a.m.  
Worship Service ..... 9:15 a.m.  
Children's Sunday School ..... 9:30 a.m.  
Fellowship Time ..... 10:15 a.m.  
Adult Sunday School ..... 11:00 a.m.  
Choir Practice (Tuesday) ..... 7:00 p.m.  
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, NM  
Sunday School ..... 9:30 a.m.  
Sunday Morning Worship ..... 10:30 a.m.

### Capitan Church of Christ

LESLIE EARWOOD, Minister  
5th & Lincoln / 338-4827  
Sunday Bible Study ..... 10:00 a.m.  
Worship Service ..... 11:00 a.m.  
Evening Worship ..... 8:00 p.m.  
Wednesday Bible Study ..... 7:00 p.m.

### Trinity Southern Baptist Church

Phone 364-2044  
Capitan (South on Hwy. 48)  
Sunday School ..... 9:30 a.m.  
Worship Service ..... 11:00 a.m.  
AWANA Sunday ..... 4:00-6:00 p.m.

### First Baptist Church of Corona

CAL WEST, Pastor / 849-7975  
Sunday School ..... 10:00 a.m.  
Worship Service ..... 11:00 a.m.  
Wednesday Bible Study ..... 7:00 p.m.  
Fellowship Dinner ..... 1st Sunday of Month

LaGrone Funeral Chapel  
Jerry & Lanita Rasak

Bill Winkler  
Stearns Insurance Agency

# Sheriff's Report



## White Oaks and Jicarilla News

by Wita Lee Adkins

The following information was taken from dispatch records of the Lincoln County Sheriff's Office in the Lincoln County Courthouse in Carrizozo:

**July 10:**  
 11:11 a.m. a 911 report of grass fire at mile marker (rnm) 106, started from welding. Hondo Volunteer Fire Department responded.  
 12:22 p.m. accident with injuries (10-45) at a business in Alto. Ruidoso Advanced Life Support (RALS) ambulance transported the injured to Lincoln County Medical Center (LCMC). Bonito Fire Department was also paged.  
 4:23 p.m. request for ambulance for 74 year old female with possible heart attack.  
 5:13 p.m. request for assistance to transport an infant from the Nogal area.  
 6 p.m. rollover at rnm 241 on Highway 70 in Bent. Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA) police advised they would handle.  
 6:39 p.m. 10:45 at rnm 10 on Highway 48. Med 1 ambulance transported one patient to LCMC on code 1. Bonito Fire chief was on scene to assist with traffic control.  
 8:09 p.m. suspicious activity on Smokey Bear Road. Muddy footprints went into the caller's parents home and the gas oven had been left on. Capitan police notified.  
 8:42 p.m. fire on Juniper Springs. Caller had complaint of someone burning trash. Nogal Fire Department responded and advised all was okay.  
 9:15 p.m. request for ambulance for a 26 year old. Carrizozo ambulance transported the patient from the health clinic to Gerald Champion Memorial Hospital (GCMH) in Alamogordo.  
 9:31 p.m. harassment, her daughter's exboyfriend left a suspicious message.  
 11:33 p.m. loud music on county road EO-02.

**July 11:**  
 10:08 a.m. breaking and entering in Fawn Ridge. Ruidoso police advised that a 17 year old female who was evicted was breaking into the residence. Deputy responded.  
 12:01 p.m. problem with

two customers at a business in Hondo.  
 2:21 p.m. illegal dumping in Carrizozo.  
 2:58 p.m. criminal damage at rnm 283 on Highway 70.  
 6:29 p.m. 911 request for ambulance for female who fell and hit rock at adventure camp. Capitan ambulance transported the girl to LCMC.  
 7:21 p.m. assault at location on Winter Park.  
 9:18 p.m. request to deliver message to woman at a trailer park that her son would be arraigned the next morning. At 9:20 p.m. the subject at the trailer park said the woman did not live there anymore.

**July 12:**  
 1:20 a.m. report of person down at rnm 10-12 on Highway 48.  
 1:43 a.m. drive off at business. Carrizozo police notified.  
 11:21 p.m. trespass/prowler on 4th Street. Capitan police notified.

**July 13:**  
 1:26 a.m. request for ambulance for cardiac patient. Carrizozo ambulance responded and met with RALS paramedics on route to LCMC.  
 8:32 a.m. referral from Children, Youth and Families Department (CYFD) in Ruidoso Downs area.  
 9:20 a.m. staff from the Roswell office of the state engineer requested deputy for peacekeeping at location in San Patricio.  
 9:23 a.m. request for deputy to stand by while caller pulls a water meter in the Sun Valley area.  
 10:30 a.m. stolen dog from location in San Patricio.  
 10:40 a.m. request for animal control officer (ACO) for abandoned dogs on a forest road north of White Oaks.  
 11:52 a.m. request for ambulance for disabled subject. Med 2 ambulance transported to LCMC.  
 1:46 p.m. a deputy advised he had arrest orders from the Adult Probation Office for two adult male subjects at Fort Stanton.  
 2:21 p.m. Ruidoso police advised someone found an airborne package on Gaviilan Canyon Road.  
 2:46 p.m. request for deputy for nonpayment on freezer at location on Ski

Run Road.  
 2:51 p.m. broken windows at location in San Patricio area.  
 4:13 p.m. running tractor at the county fairgrounds. Capitan police notified.  
 4:36 p.m. vandalism at RV park, caller was moving out of a trailer and had gone back to make a phone call and found the trailer vandalized.  
 4:42 p.m. request for ACO on Big Bear in Alpine Village.  
 5:54 p.m. request for ACO for pit bull dogs on Sun Mountain Road area.

**July 14:**  
 1:03 a.m. domestic, husband on cocaine verbally abusing the caller who requested a deputy to remove the husband from the home in Alto. State police and two deputies responded.  
 2:19 a.m. accident without injuries (10-44) at rnm 76 on Highway 380. A couple with two children in a red car crashed into the side of the road and the car was disabled and the people needed help. State police were notified. A wrecker was called at 2:55 a.m.  
 4:24 a.m. request to deliver emergency message, the caller from Albuquerque was attempting to contact a member of the Albuquerque Stars ball team who was involved in a 10-44.  
 7:21 a.m. request for ambulance for unresponsive subject on 6th Street. When Carrizozo ambulance arrived the subject refused transport.  
 8:13 a.m. a woman found multiple personal items along the side of the highway.  
 8:27 a.m. larceny on E. Ave., the caller had several items missing and knew who had taken them.  
 10:22 a.m. 911 report of injured deer on Highway 48 in Alto. Responding deputy advised the deer was dead.  
 11:16 a.m. vehicle in Bonito Lake Road at a residence. The assigned deputy advised there was a wedding and the subjects would move their cars.  
 12:45 p.m. structure fire, the caller had left popcorn on the stove and now the house was on fire. Bonito fire department and deputies responded.  
 1 p.m. a deputy advised the fire was down to just a lot of smoke and he canceled a call for ambulance to stand by.  
 1:05 p.m. Bonito fire department advised all was okay and at 1:16 p.m. the fire units were done.  
 1:16 p.m. request for ambulance for boy kicked by horse on E. Ave. Carrizozo ambulance responded and transported the patient to LCMC.  
 2:03 p.m. domestic on Highway 48. But at 2:05 p.m. the call was canceled.  
 8:33 p.m. request for deputy at dance in Corona.  
 9:12 p.m. 911 report of missing person who went to lunch at 2:45 p.m. but never went back to work or home.  
 9:24 p.m. request for ambulance off Highway 48 in Alto, request was canceled two minutes later.  
 11 p.m. request for deputy in Bonito Lake area to remove some groups from the area. Two state police officers and deputy responded.

**July 15:**  
 1 a.m. burglar alarm in country club in Alto. State police and deputy responded.  
 4:14 a.m. report of possible vehicle stuck on railroad tracks. Clerk at business advised of hearing an engine racing and it sounded like someone was stuck on the tracks. Carrizozo po-

What kind of birthday present do you think about for someone in your family who is about to have an 80th birthday? Well, for Ken Ballenger, it was quite a surprise when he got a hot air balloon ride for his 80th, here in White Oaks, during the 25th Annual Ward-Leslie family reunion. Other events included a dance, an auction and a meeting to plan next year's reunion. There were about 120 family members that were present at this year's reunion.

The air balloon was provided by Fly The Rainbow, Inc. "Making Dreams Come True". The non-profit organization is located in High Rolls, NM. It is one of only three wheelchair accessible hot air balloons in the U.S. The organization has participated in "The Make A Wish" program, and other special programs as well as personal requests, such as birthday presents and other special surprises.

Needless to say, when I drove past the Birdsong residence and saw the air balloon laying on the ground, I had to stop and

investigate. I think most of the community was drawn out over this event and we got to go up in the balloon too and of course lots of pictures were taken. The balloon is always tethered for these events and it goes up about 100 feet or so and is quite a thrill.

Watching the process of the hot air balloon filling with air then the heat of propane being added and the balloon rising into the air was as fascinating as the ride.

When Ken and Inez Ballenger got in the hot air balloon and went up they were hoping to see all of the grandkids coming to ride as well. Happy "80th" Ken Ballenger.

The Brown Building is under renovation again. Mr. English is striving to make it the handsomest building in White Oaks and it appears that he will succeed in his endeavor.

A reminder of the up coming Miner's Day Committee Rummage Sale towards the end of this month. If you have

anything you would like to donate to the sale for the continuing repair and maintenance of the Miner's Museum please contact me at 505-648-0056 or Ruth Birdsong at 505-648-2363.

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If you have anything of interest or non-interest please contact me at the above phone number.

**Nathanael Leslie Joins Army Under Delayed Program**

Nathanael A. Leslie has joined the United States Army under the Delayed Entry Program.

The program gives young men and women the opportunity to delay entering active duty for up to one year. The enlistment gives the new soldier the option to learn a new skill, travel and become eligible to receive as much as \$50,000 toward a college education.

The recruit also qualifies for a \$12,000 enlistment bonus.

Leslie, a 2001 graduate of Ruidoso High School, will report for basic training at Fort Jackson, Columbia, SC. He is the son of Nancy Donaldson in Ruidoso and Allan R. Leslie of Carrizozo.

### BOOKMOBILE SCHEDULE

TUESDAY, AUGUST 14	
Corona Post Office	12:30 - 2:30
Carrizozo/Otero Electric	4:00 - 6:30
WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 15	
Carrizozo/Otero Electric	7:30 - 8:30
Nogal Post Office	8:45 - 9:30
Capitan Smokey Bear Cafe	10:00 - 11:30
Camp Sierra Blanca	1:00 - 2:30
Lincoln Post Office	3:30 - 4:30
Hondo Store	4:45 - 6:00

### Superintendent's Report

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day can make a tremendous difference. Also, any adults, whether you have children or not, if you can give a small portion of your time to read with a young student, please let me or Mr. Barron know. I assure you, any time you can give will be richly rewarded with the knowledge that you make a difference in the life of a young child.

And last, but not least, I want to clarify a couple of important dates. The first day of instruction for High School students (Grades 9-12) will begin at 8:00 a.m. on Monday, August 20, 2001. Elementary and Mid-school students will begin school exactly one week later at 8:00 a.m. on August 27, 2001.

Again, I want to thank the parents and community for all the support you have given the school and our students in the past, and I look forward to a great school year. Please remember, come by any time you have questions, concerns or to just visit. You are always welcome!

Rick Cogdill

### Capitan Tiger Varsity Football Schedule 2001-2002

DATE	TEAM	LOCATION	TIME
August 18	Dexter	There	6:00 PM
August 24	Hatch	There	7:30 PM
August 31	Ft. Sumner	Home	7:00 PM
September 7	Faith Christian	There	7:30 PM
September 14	Hagerman	Home	7:30 PM
September 20	Artesia J.V.	There	6:00 PM
September 28	Escalante *	Home	7:00 PM
October 5	Anthony, TX	There	7:00 PM
October 12	Cloudcroft **	Home	7:30 PM
October 18	Alamogordo Sophs.	There	7:00 PM
October 26	Animas **	Home	7:00 PM

\* Homecoming \*\* District Games

### Capitan Middle School Football Schedule

DATE	TEAM	LOCATION	TIME
September 1	Carrizozo	There	10:00 AM
September 4	Ruidoso	There	5:00 PM
September 8	Hagerman	There	10:00 AM
September 15	Carrizozo	Home	10:00 AM
September 22	Hagerman	Home	10:00 AM
September 27	Cloudcroft	Home	4:00 PM
September 29	Ruidoso	Home	10:00 AM
October 11	Cloudcroft	There	4:00 PM

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**LEGAL**

**LEGAL NOTICE**

**IN THE TWELFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT COUNTY OF LINCOLN STATE OF NEW MEXICO No. CV-2001-110**

FIRST FEDERAL BANK, a federal banking corporation. Plaintiff.

vs. JESSICA O. FLANAGAN and ESTHER O. FLANAGAN. Defendant.

**NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE**

Notice is hereby given that pursuant to a Judgment entered in the above styled and numbered cause on July 16, 2001, said cause being an action on a Promissory Note and to foreclose a Real Estate Mortgage, the undersigned Special Master will on August 23, 2001, at 2:00 o'clock p.m., on the east side of the Lincoln County Courthouse in Carrizozo, Lincoln County, New Mexico, offer for sale to the highest bidder for cash, the following described property located in Lincoln County, New Mexico:

Lot 15, Block 7 of BIG COUNTRY SUBDIVISION, Lincoln County, New Mexico, as shown by the plat thereof filed in the office of the County Clerk and Ex-officio Recorder of Lincoln County, February 8, 1973, in Tube No. 478.

Also known as 108 Crest View, Capitan, NM 88316.

The sale is to satisfy the above Judgment, together with all costs and amounts due as follows:

Table with 2 columns: Description of costs, Amount.

This sale shall be subject to the Defendants' right of redemption within one month from the date of the sale as provided in the Judgment.

WITNESS my hand and seal this 19th day of July, 2001.

Donna Tunell

Eric J. Coll SANDERS, BRUIN, COLL, & WORLEY, P.A. P.O. Box 550 Roswell, New Mexico 88201 (505) 622-5440

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**LEGAL NOTICE**

The Village of Capitan Board of Trustees will hold its regular Council Meeting on Tuesday, August 14th, 2001 at 7:00 p.m. A CDBG Public Hearing will be held at 6:30 p.m. (before the regular meeting). The public is invited to attend both these meetings. Agendas are available to the public after 2:00 p.m. on Friday, August 10th. For more information contact Kathryn Griffin, Village Clerk, Village of Capitan at 354-2247.

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**LEGAL NOTICE**

NOTICE is hereby given that on September 29, 2000, Bobby Smith, P.O. Box 842, Capitan, NM 88316, filed application No. 2490 & 2490-Enlgd & H-842 thru H-842-S-9 with the STATE ENGINEER for permit to change point of diversion of 100.425 acre-feet per annum of surface waters of Magado Creek by ceasing the diversion of said waters via the Carrol Anderson Ditch which diverts from Magado Creek at a point located in the SW1/4NE1/4NE1/4 of Section 26, Township 9 South, Range 13 East, N.M.P.M., and commencing the use of a new point of diversion from Magado Creek located at a point located in the NW1/4NE1/4NE1/4 of Section 26, Township 9 South, Range 13 East, N.M.P.M., for the continued irrigation of 30.9 acres of land located in part of the NW1/4 of Section 25, Township 9 South, Range 13 East, N.M.P.M.

This application is being filed to correct the legal description of the surface water point of diversion under permit No. 2490 & 2490-Enlgd, et al, issued by the Office of the State Engineer on September 16, 1998, to match that actually found and described on the filed proof of completion of works.

The points of diversion are located approximately four miles southwest of Capitan, in Lincoln County, New Mexico, N.M.P.M.

Any person, firm or corporation or other entity objecting that the granting of the application will be detrimental to the objector's water right shall have standing to file objections or protests. Any person, firm or corporation of other entity objecting that the granting of the application will be contrary to the conservation of water within the state or detrimental to the public welfare of the state and showing that the objector will be substantially and specifically affected by the granting of the application shall have standing to file objections or protests. Provided, however, that the State of New Mexico or any of its branches, agencies, departments, boards, instrumentalities or institutions, and all political subdivisions of the state and their agencies, instrumentalities and institutions shall have standing to file objections or protests. The objections or protests shall be in writing and shall set forth specific reasons why the application should not be approved and must be filed, in triplicate, with Thomas C. Turney, State Engineer, 1900 W. Second St., Roswell, New Mexico 88201, not later than ten (10) days after the date of the last publication of this Notice. If no valid objection or protest is filed, the state engineer will evaluate the application for impairment to existing water rights, public welfare of the state, and conservation of water within the state.

cc: Santa Fe

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**LEGAL NOTICE**

**STATE OF NEW MEXICO COUNTY OF LINCOLN TWELFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT No. CV 2001-154**

FARMERS ALLIANCE MUTUAL INSURANCE COMPANY, a Kansas Corporation, as Subrogees of BOBBY and MAUDENE POTTS, Plaintiffs,

v. MARY ANN STEGMANN, a/k/a MARY ANN LOBATO, a/k/a MARY ANN DUNLAP, Defendant.

**NOTICE OF PENDENCY OF COMPLAINT FOR PROPERTY DAMAGE**

THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO TO THE AFORESAID DEFENDANT(S) AGAINST WHOM CONSTRUCTIVE SERVICE IS HEREBY SOUGHT TO BE OBTAINED:

**GREETINGS:**

You are notified that suit has been filed against you by Farmers Alliance Mutual Insurance Company, as Plaintiff in the above-named Court. The general object of this suit is to enforce subrogation recovery for payments for property damage, together with interest and costs.

The Plaintiff's attorney is Stevan J. Schoen, 3908 Carlisle Boulevard, NE, Albuquerque, New Mexico 87107, (505) 881-4543.

You and each of you are hereby notified that unless you enter your appearance in this cause on or before the 1st day of September, 2001, judgment will be entered against you in this case by default.

WITNESS my hand and the seal of this Court this 12th day of July 2001.

JAN PERRY Clerk of the District Court  
By: Elizabeth Ysasi Deputy

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**COUNTY OF LINCOLN**

**NOTICE OF INVITATION TO SUBMIT BIDS**

Notice is hereby given that competitive sealed bids will be received by the Lincoln County Purchasing Agent at Lincoln County Courthouse, 300 Central Ave. (P.O. Box 711), Carrizozo, NM 88301, until 2:00 p.m., MST, Wednesday, September 5, 2001 at which time and place the bids will be opened and publicly read aloud. Bids not received by the time and date indicated above will not be accepted for consideration and will be returned unopened.

SEALED BID NO. 01-02-008

**"POLICE INTERCEPTOR SEDANS FOR THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT"**

The County is requesting bids on two (2) new 2002 Ford Crown Victoria Police Interceptor 4-door Sedans, or equal. The Ford product is specified, but the County will consider Or Equal bids as long as the vehicle offered meets or exceeds the specifications of the bid.

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

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

The Lincoln County Board of Commissioners will review the bids and make their final determination during a regular 8:00 a.m. County Commission meeting on Thursday, September 20, 2001 at the Lincoln County Courthouse.

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

JANE WILLIAMS Purchasing Agent

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**COUNTY OF LINCOLN**

**NOTICE OF REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS**

PROPOSAL NO. 01-02-007

"Evaluation of the Heating and Cooling System in the Lincoln County Sheriff's Office"

DUE: Wednesday, September 5, 2001, 2:00 p.m. MDT

The Lincoln County Sheriff's office in Carrizozo has a heating and cooling system that should work, but doesn't. Repeated efforts to diagnose its problem(s) have failed. This Request for Proposal requests that you evaluate the non-working system and offer a proposal for repair or replacement.

Prospective bidders must hold a New Mexico Contractor's license and a copy of that license must accompany the proposal.

Copies of the Request for Proposal can be obtained in person at the Office of the County Manager, 300 Central Ave., Carrizozo, NM or will be mailed upon written or telephonic request to Jane Williams at (505) 648-2385. All proposals must be clearly marked on the outside of the sealed envelope with the Proposal Title, Date and Time of Opening. If the proposal is sent by mail, the sealed envelope shall have the notation "Sealed Proposal" along with the Proposal Number.

Due to the fact that this Request for Proposal provides for the ability to submit a bid for repairing the existing system or replacing the existing system, the low bid may not necessarily be in the best interest of the County of Lincoln and may be rejected. The County of Lincoln reserves the right to accept the bid it considers to be the most cost effective and responsible choice for the County.

JANE WILLIAMS Purchasing Agent

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**Sheriffs Report**

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lice and the railroad company dispatch were notified. The railroad dispatch stopped all train traffic until the report was checked out.

6:38 a.m. 10-44 with deer at mm 161 on Highway 54, wrecker requested.

9:28 a.m. 911 request for peacekeeping at business in Glencoe area.

11:46 a.m. report of snake in lower Eagle Creek.

12 noon subject to recover property at location in Capitan.

2:26 p.m. forest fire in Turkey Canyon. Ruidoso Downs police and fire department requested deputy for assistance.

4:46 p.m. request for ambulance. RALS to LCMC. 10:17 p.m. report of aerial fireworks in Hondo area. Four minutes later the caller advised the fireworks had stopped.

July 16:

4:35 a.m. burglar alarm at business in Hondo.

10:30 a.m. request for warrant service at mm 96 on Highway 380.

1:08 p.m. fire in abandoned trailer in San Patricia. Hondo and Glencoe Fire Departments responded, state forestry notified.

2:32 p.m. request for ambulance at health clinic. Carrizozo ambulance transported to LCMC.

4:34 p.m. 911 request for ambulance on B. Ave. Carrizozo ambulance transported to LCMC.

5:28 a.m. welfare check of subject at motel room.

11:37 p.m. ATM alarm at business in Alto.

July 17:

1:05 a.m. lightning strike fire in Allison Canyon in Glencoe. At 1:38 a.m. Glencoe Fire Department advised they found no fire, only the lights from the airport.

9:24 a.m. tampering with vehicle at location in White Oaks.

9:43 a.m. request for deputy to make vehicle identification number (VIN) checks in two locations in Capitan and location in Ruidoso.

11:57 a.m. Ruidoso police advised of stolen truck.

1:41 p.m. VIN check in Nogal.

2:30 p.m. request to talk to deputy about fraud by check.

3:30 p.m. deputy advised he served a warrant at Magistrate Court in Ruidoso.

6 p.m. request for ambulance on 3rd St for 26 year old. Capitan ambulance responded.

10:59 p.m. theft of over

\$400.

July 18:

7:18 a.m. Otero County SO advised of a roll over at mm 140 on Highway 54. Carrizozo ambulance transported two to LCMC.

7:52 a.m. 911 hang up from phone in Bonito Park camp area. Deputy responded but advised no one was around.

8:45 a.m. domestic at business in Alto.

8:49 a.m. phone harassment at location in Hondo valley.

10:31 p.m. property dispute in Alto, request for deputy to assist.

10:41 a.m. larceny in Eagle Creek.

2:20 p.m. request for case number of ski accident that happened in March to an Odessa subject.

3:30 p.m. four suspicious Spanish males sneaking around buildings in location off Airport Road. When asked who they worked for, the subjects ran to their pickup and drove off.

3:40 p.m. grass fire mm 71 Highway 380. Carrizozo Fire Department responded.

4:02 p.m. damage to cabin by bear in Cedar Creek, needed report for insurance.

4:19 p.m. missing tools from construction site in Agua Fria.

7:30 p.m. assault/battery in Palo Verde slopes location.

7:44 p.m. missing 39 year old man from Palo Verde area. Son didn't go to work, or go home.

8:30 p.m. request for deputy to talk to neighbors who target practice until late at night at location off Airport Road.

8:24 p.m. damage to property on Deer Park Drive, a big yellow boom truck broke trees.

10 p.m. child custody dispute in Capitan. Deputy responded.

July 19:

12 noon report of larceny of guns in Capitan area.

4:33 p.m. stolen dog. ACO advised.

July 20:

8 a.m. breaking and entering at Sam Donaldson's ranch in Hondo area. Responding deputy advised all was okay.

8:51 a.m. fire alarm in Alto area. Bonito fire department responded and advised there was no fire and requested the alarm company be notified.

1:40 p.m. request for ambulance at mm 12 on Highway 48. Med 1 to LCMC.

2:15 p.m. 10-44 at the intersection of Highways 380 and 37 (Nogal turn off). Carrizozo police assisted the deputy.

3:11 p.m. vehicle blocking the road in Sun Valley.

4:43 p.m. request for ambulance for 90 year old woman at an RV park.

8:05 p.m. vehicle not returned to location in Palo Verde.

10:25 p.m. threat to kill. Dispatch advised they received a call from an unknown agency that connected to a male trucker who said he was being stalked. His truck was parked on the shoulder of Highway 70 west of Ruidoso and he was in the woods hiding from drivers to two other trucks that were parked behind his on the highway. The situation started out of state earlier that date. The trucker stated the others intended to kill him and "get it over with" then the 911 line went dead. State police were notified.

July 21:

12:02 a.m. landlord called upset that subject had requested an officer for an incident which the caller said was "marginal." The deputy who responded to the first report was advised.

**Still Time To Get To The Fair!**

**COUNTY OF LINCOLN**

**NOTICE OF REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL LEASE OF GLENCOE RURAL EVENTS CENTER**

RFP 01-02-006

DUE: Wednesday, September 5, 2001 at 2:00 p.m., MDT

The County of Lincoln is seeking proposals from interested parties for the lease of the County facility commonly referred to as the Glencoe Rural Events Center. Proposals may be submitted by public organizations; private, non-profit, charitable organizations; and private, for-profit organizations, groups or individuals.

Copies of the Request for Proposal can be obtained in person at the Office of the County Manager, 300 Central Avenue, Carrizozo, NM 88301 or will be mailed upon written or telephonic request to Jane Williams at (505) 648-2385.

Proposals will be received by Lincoln County Purchasing Agent at the Lincoln County Courthouse, 300 Central Avenue (P.O. Box 711), Carrizozo, NM 88301 until 2:00 p.m. MDT, Wednesday, September 5, 2001, at which time and place the proposals will be opened. Proposals not received by the time and date indicated will not be accepted for consideration and will be returned unopened.

An Evaluation Team will review proposals and the Board of Commissioners will make the final decision at their meeting on September 21, 2001. Lincoln County reserves the right to accept or reject all or any part of the proposal, waive minor technicalities and award the proposal to best serve the interests of Lincoln County.

JANE WILLIAMS Purchasing Agent

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**CONCERNED FANS.** Fans and family of the Carrizozo Rockies softball team watch anxiously as their team plays the Santos team for the championship of the 2001 Carrizozo Little League Softball season. The Santos won the tournament championship 12-4 after two play-off games with the Rockies. The Rockies, who placed third in regular season play, had to play three games on the final day of the tournament on Saturday, August 4.

**County Commission Meets**  
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recommendations on request to vacate West View Road in Highland View Subdivision which was never built and request to exchange county property to straighten and build roadway in Nogal townsite.

-Discussion on reimbursements for Lincoln County Road Review Committee as requested by county commissioner Ray Nunley.

-Project funding and charges for data presented by Lincoln County Assessor Rick Silva.

-10 a.m. hearing on CDBG project.

-Summary review plat approval for The Sanctuary Subdivision requested by FGT Enterprises Limited

Partnership with presentation by D.T. Collins.

-Summary review plat approval for The Medallion Cabins Tract Subdivision requested by Medallion Homes of Lincoln County, Inc. presentation by Collins.

-Summary review plat approval for The Plante Tracts Subdivision, requested by Southwest Investment Trust Limited Partnership, presented by Collins.

-Replat approval of lot in Magado Creek Estates requested by Manuel Rosas presented by Collins.

-Enhanced 911 Rural Addressing Committee road name recommendations.

-Discussion of redistricting by Lincoln County Clerk Martha Proctor.

-Progress report on Hondo Health Clinic agreement.

-Progress report on Carrizozo Health Clinic.

-Discussion on Billy the Kid National Scenic Byways history and ramifications as requested by county commissioner Rick Simpson.

-Water/Forest Health Discussions on control burn permits, fireworks, water rights transfer, fiscal agent approval for the Upper Hondo Water Coalition and forest health study by Dr. Garrett.

-Replacement for Betty Shrecengost on the Acequia Commission.

-Approval of forest service apportionment of funding for weed control.

-Visitors who did not request to be on the agenda.

-Comments and request for public hearing for the Infrastructure Capital Improvements Plan (ICIP).

-Approval of expenditures recommended by Lincoln County Lodgers Tax of \$2,520.25 for Trailer Life RV Directory renewal.

-Awarding of bids for resurfacing various county roads in Ranches of Sonterra, Phase I; vehicles for Lincoln County.

-Request to schedule public hearings to rescind or modify outdated ordinances, and consider a revised animal control ordinance.

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pyrotechnics, etc. Non-lethal strategies will be recommended whenever appropriate to reduce or prevent conflicts.

Wildlife services program will be directed by the APHIS/WS state director located in Albuquerque and direct field supervision by the APHIS/WS district supervisors in Albuquerque, Las Cruces and Roswell. Larry Killgo is the district supervisor of WS in Roswell.

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ing motorcycle helmets. He would like to repeal that law but require that bikers be financially responsible for medical expenses from head injuries and not rely on the state to pick up the bill "in case they become a vegetable."

Johnson revealed to the realtors that he is interested in buying ranch property to retire on near Taos. A few years ago, Johnson indicated he had purchased property near Taos and would become a neighbor of actress Julia Roberts.

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**County Contracts For Impounding Animals**

by DORIS CHERRY

Lincoln County will continue to take unwanted animals to the Humane Society of Lincoln County shelter, for at least the next six months.

Lincoln County Commissioners at their July 19 regular meeting in the Lincoln County Courthouse in Carrizozo, on a 3-1 vote agreed to pay the Humane Society of Lincoln County for a half year of kennel services, and asked for reports of its financial bookkeeping.

With county commission chair Rex Wilson voting no, county commissioners Leo Martinez, Ray Nunley and Rick Simpson approved a motion to pay \$12,500 to the Humane Society for six months of kennel and impound services for the county at the Humane Society kennel facility on Gaviilan Canyon Road in Ruidoso. Also, after a lengthy discussion with Humane Society facility manager Jim Riggins about how the society does it bookkeeping, county commissioners asked the society provide them with financial reports for both the shelter and the Humane Society.

During the county budget process this spring, the Humane Society submitted a request for \$37,649 for kennel services for the county for the 2001-02 fiscal year. The request, which Riggins said was based on the number of animals brought to the facility by people who live in the county, was an increase from the \$22,000 contract amount for the 2000-01 fiscal year which ended June 30.

Concerned about the 71 percent increase for kennel services, and because the requested amount exceeded the state procurement code \$25,000 limit for doing contracts without a bid or request for proposals (rfp), county commissioners had directed county manager Tom Stewart to do an rfp for kennel services. Stewart proposed the commission do a "per dog" payment for kennel services. However, there were no responses to the rfp for the kennel services.

Stewart in a letter to the Humane Society director Sandra Ford, wrote that he did not believe taxpayers should pay for every voluntary action of its citizens or the extended care of animals. Stewart noted that during a presentation by Riggins he said at least one dog at the kennel had been there since November 2000.

Riggins, who was at the July 19 meeting, said that the society took in 800 un-

wanted animals from the county, with about 500 of these brought in by county residents. Only 120 animals were brought to the facility by the county animal control officer. The county commission and Stewart considered these to be the only legitimate "county" animals impounded.  
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fundings.

Rep. Eddy Sandoval from Albuquerque asked if the state would have input about Fort Stanton if a federal agency took over. Sandoval then asked Beffort if GSD still intends to sell Fort Stanton.

"In the use program under GSD, if there is no use, the facility should be reduced or removed," Beffort said. "That is why we are pressing for use or getting the facility off the rolls."

"I do not think GSD can support spending a lot of money for a facility not in use," Beffort added.

Finance Committee chairman Lucky Varela from Bernalillo County, said legislators who have Fort Stanton in their district should come up with solid proposals to take to the legislature.

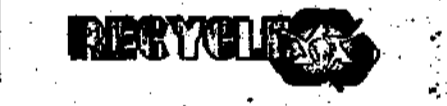
Coll suggested the state focus on preserving Fort Stanton because it is worth it to do so, because the facil-

ity could become an economic magnet for gross receipt taxes paid by tourism that would be kept in New Mexico. "These are the values we need to look at and focus on what would be best to do."

But Senator Sue Wilson-Beffort, recently married to Sec. Beffort, said all proposals for use of Fort Stanton should include a viable marketing plan for the future, to assure the state will not spend a lot of money on restoration, only to have the facility closed for lack of visitation or utilization.

It was estimated it will cost at least \$10 million to restore the fixable buildings at Fort Stanton. At least \$300,000 is needed now for roofs alone.

In closing the reports on Fort Stanton, chairman Varela said, "This is history we have got to preserve. History does not just happen to Santa Fe. We have to do what is right."



# County Contracts For

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Stewart said the county is under pressure from the state Department of Finance and Administration (DFA) to accurately track the money going out of the county. He said that is why he proposed the \$60 per animal impounded at the humane society kennel by the county animal control officer. "The question is does the society have an annual audit?" Stewart asked.

Riggins said the society does have an accounting system, but does no annual audit. Rather there is review under the society board of directors. After discussion Riggins said the Humane Society keeps its accounting separate from the shelter. He said the society raises its own money with proceeds from its thrift store, and with fund raising projects to pay for society projects such as the spay and neutering clinics and vouchers. The shelter keeps its accounting separately and is primarily funded by contracts with the Villages of Ruidoso, Ruidoso Downs and Capitan and the county.

Lincoln County Sheriff Tom Sullivan asked if the shelter checks IDs of people who bring in animals, to verify where the people live. Riggins said the shelter staff ask the people where they live, and but do not require proof.

County commission chair

Wilson said he was increasingly uncomfortable with the separate figures for the Humane Society and the shelter. "The purpose of government is to pick up dogs," Wilson said. "Dogs people bring in are not the responsibility of government."

Riggins said often the sheriff's dispatchers advise people to take strays and unwanted animals to the shelter, because the county animal control officer is so busy.

"The Humane Society shelter would not be there without government," Riggins added. "The society does generate money from the public, about \$30,000 a year which is not reflected in the shelter budget."

Sullivan asked why the shelter does not charge people to take the unwanted animals. Riggins said the reason is people would not pay for such a service, and instead they would just leave the animals at the shelter anonymously, or they would try to give away the animals or just abandon them.

Proposing two other options, Stewart said the county could contract with a shelter in Alamogordo, or start a program of having county inmates take care of impounded animals, which would be held only 72 hours before they would be euthanized by a contracted vet.

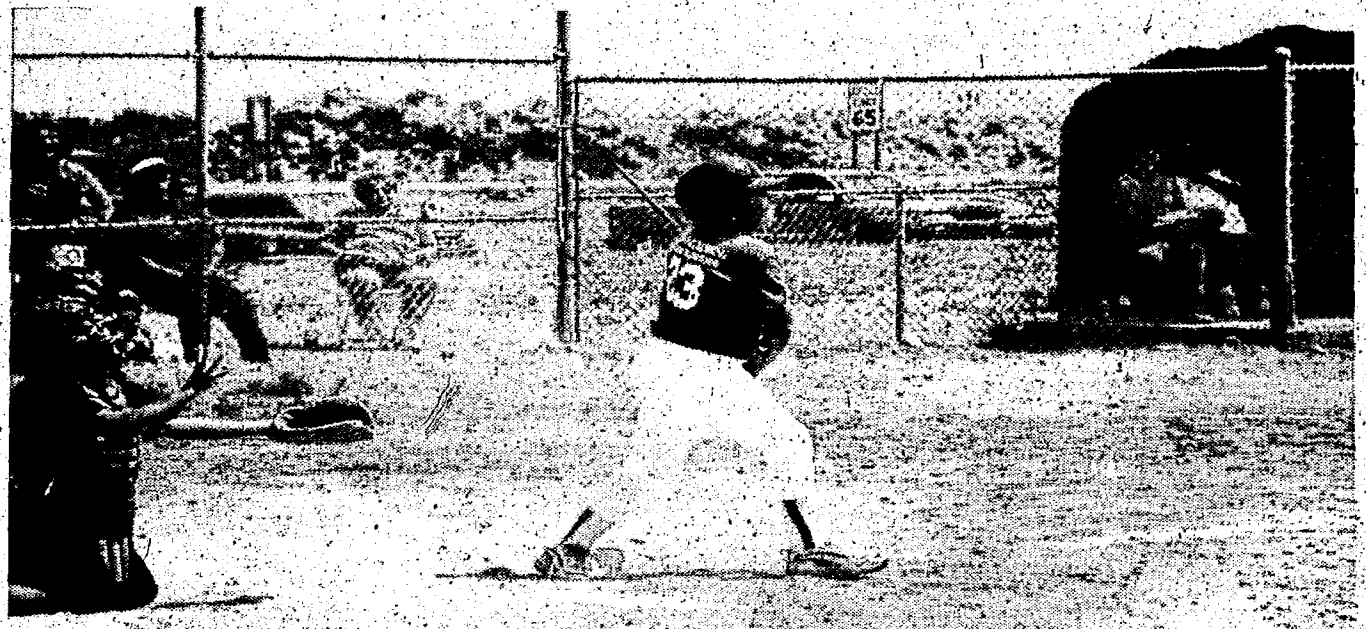
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the 72 hours impoundment. Riggins said he was concerned that animals would have little opportunity to be adopted before they were euthanized. "Before you take the giant step backwards to not shelter unwanted animals before they're killed consider how hard that (image) will be to shake," Riggins added. "I caution against this, because of the progress that has been made toward something to be proud of."

County commissioner Nunley who commended the many volunteers of the Humane Society and its programs, said he was not excited with the two sets of books. "We need to rectify this," Nunley added.

Martinez said he did not want to be responsible for putting down animals because their owners were not there to pick them up in 72 hours. But he was concerned about the large increase in shelter fees to the county, and the two different set of financial books. "The \$25,000 we offered is a contribution to the shelter from the taxpayers," Martinez said.

Riggins said the \$25,000 annual fee to the county was a "compromise" because the shelter is at the end of a three year cost freeze. "The \$6,000 increase to the county is due to the county impounds going up," Riggins said.



**SWING BATTER, SWING**, yells out Santos catcher Joe Gallegos as Rockies player Kenny Vega makes contact at the 2001 Carrizozo Little League Softball championship tournament Saturday, August 4 at Carrizozo Little League Field. The Santos won the championship. Coaches for the Santos were Orlando Samora and Benny Zamora. Coaches for the Rockies were Duane Zamora and Lee Najar.

After some more discussion, Wilson said accountability is the question.

Lincoln County Treasurer Joan Park said the question was the validity of the shelter accepting government funds without an annual audit.

County attorney Alan Morel said the county could put a stipulation in its contract with the shelter the humane society must do an audit.

In documentation provided by the Humane Society it shows that the Village of Ruidoso pays 51 percent of the total governmental funding at \$56,488, Capitan pays 7 percent at \$7,753 and

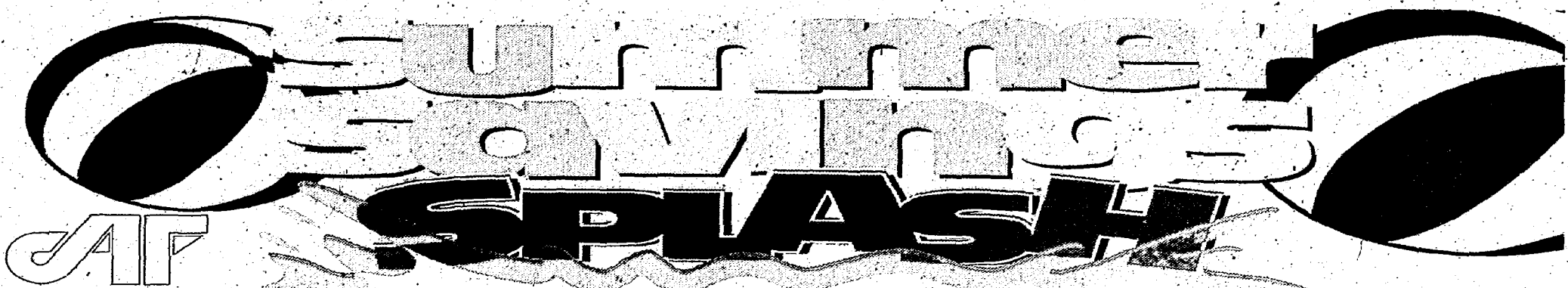
Ruidoso Downs pays 8 percent at 8,861. Riggins arrived at the figures by taking the projected \$12,881 non-government revenue, less the \$123,643 projected total expenses for the shelter, ending with projected expenditures of \$110,762. This \$110,762 was then prorated according to the number of impounds from each community.

When Nunley said he had concerns about doing business with the shelter, and not the Humane Society, Riggins said he was told to never co-mingle government funds with the other funds raised by the Humane Society for its other

projects.

With that Nunley made a motion to pay the Humane Society \$25,000 a year for kennel services. Stewart had negotiated with the Humane Society to reach agreement on the \$25,000 for the annual contract. But before a vote could be taken on the motion, Nunley amended it to providing \$12,500 for six months of kennel services, with review of the Humane Society and shelter financial books.

Commissioners voted 3-1 on the amended motion, with Wilson casting the lone no vote.



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