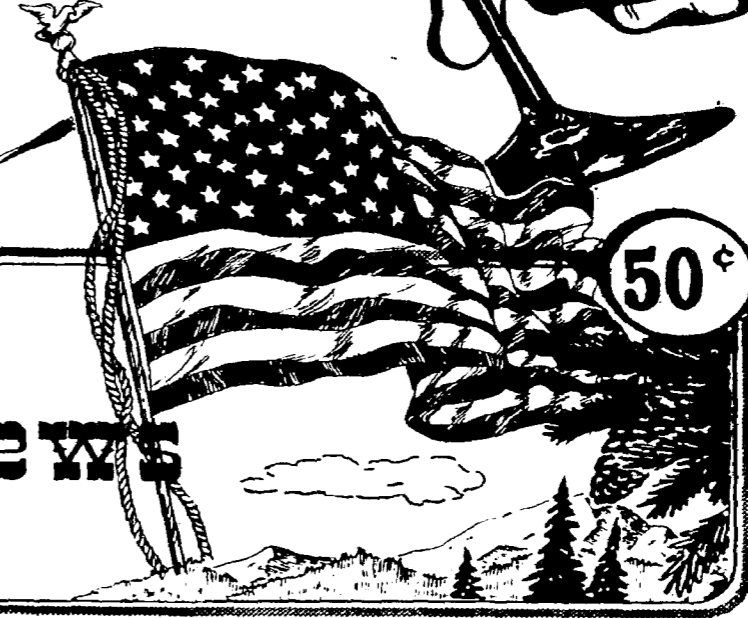




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### Legislators To Meet The Public January 3 In County Courthouse

State legislators for Lincoln County will meet with local elected officials and the public at 9 a.m. to 12 noon, Thursday, January 3, in the Lincoln County Commissioners chambers in the Lincoln County Courthouse in Carrizozo.

State Senators Pete Campos and Dianna Duran and State Rep. Dub Williams have been invited to discuss legislative priorities.

The 45th State Legislature begins at noon January 15 at the state capitol building in Santa Fe.



**SETTING OUT THE LIGHTS.** Volunteers converge on Spider Park in Carrizozo to set out the luminarias on Christmas Eve morning. Volunteers then began in late afternoon lighting the 12,000 bags with candles, placed along all the major streets in the county seat and were lighted by dusk on Christmas Eve. Carrizozo Volunteer Fire Department sponsors the annual lighting display. In photo below volunteer Wayland Hill and Eileen Lovelace (Chamber of Commerce president) and others set out luminarias along 'E' Avenue on Christmas Eve morning.

### Lincoln Lands Meeting Jan. 17

Bureau of Land Management (BLM) will hold a scoping/planning meeting for the Rio Bonito Acquired lands from 7-9 p.m. Thursday, January 17 at the Lincoln Community Church.

The planning meeting is a first of a series of meetings to obtain community input for the tracts of BLM lands on the north side of State Highway 380 within the Lincoln Historic Zone.

During this first meeting, BLM will meet with interested people to discuss and formulate an outline for developing a management plan for the acquired lands.

According to a press release from BLM, through this process BLM is striving to form a partnership with land owners in surrounding lands, the people of Lincoln County, and other people interested in making a workable dynamic plan for now and the future.

Some ideas to be considered at the meeting are watershed management, riparian and wetland habitat management; vegetation management; fire and fuels management; livestock grazing management; wildlife and fisheries habitat management, and threatened and endangered species.

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### County Supports Prayer In School

by Doris Cherry

Lincoln County Commissioners unanimously approved a resolution that asks for a reexamination of the issue of prayer in public schools.

During their meeting December 20 in the Lincoln County Courthouse in Carrizozo, county commissioners adopted a resolution in support of the Ruidoso Board of Education resolution seeking for a reexamination of prayer.

The Ruidoso School board, in a letter to Senator Jeff Bingaman, asked for a reexamination of prayer in public schools because of the reference to God in response to the September 11 events. "Our request is not to promote one certain religious preference, but to permit the public

schools to allow prayer and reference to God in the daily life of our students," Ruidoso School board members wrote in the letter to Senator Bingaman. School board members are president Susan Lutterman, vice president Ronnie Hemphill, secretary Frank Sayner and members James Paxton and Danny Sisson.

County commissioner Rick Simpson made the motion to accept a county resolution supporting Ruidoso School Board.

County commissioner Bill Schwettmann asked if the resolution was strong enough. "We shouldn't ask for a reevaluation," Schwettmann said. "We should urge the Ruidoso School Board to instigate prayer as school policy." "Go ahead and do it,"

Schwettmann said.

Simpson said the school board is taking the first step and the county commission was just supporting the board. At the November 15 county commission meeting Simpson had requested the resolution supporting the prayer issue.

County manager Tom Stewart said after researching the issue he drafted the resolution. "If we make the resolution any stronger we will have to support an amendment to the US constitution," Stewart said.

County commissioner Ray Nunley said that is already in the process.

Stewart said the issue of allowing prayer in public schools was one of president George W. Bush's pri-

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### County Splits Vote 3-2 On New Districts Adopted Option Saves Incumbents Districts

by Doris Cherry

On a slim majority vote of 3-2, Lincoln County Commission adopted a county commission redistricting plan that retains most of the current county commission Districts 2 and 3, but will split Capitan and Ruidoso Downs.

During their meeting Thursday, December 20 in their chambers in the Lincoln County Courthouse in Carrizozo, county commissioners got their last report from demographer Rod Adair. He said he tried to work with the proposal offered by the Lincoln County Democratic party, submitted to the county commission during a poorly attended public hearing in Ruidoso on December 13.

"The problem is you have to draw the whole map (of

the county with all five county commission districts), or the concept is of no value," Adair said. "It leaves the demographer to decide how to draw the other districts."

"It (Democratic proposal) didn't fit all that well," Adair continued. "I was left with the question of what would Ruidoso Downs, Alto, Carrizozo and the valley want. I did not reach any conclusions (with the Democratic proposal)."

Adair did not attend the December 13 hearing because he was in court. At the November 29 "workshop" held in Carrizozo, Adair had available his computer program with 2000 census figures. With that program, county commissioners Leo Martinez (county commission Dis-

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### County Commits To County Jail Employees

by Doris Cherry

Lincoln County employees in the Lincoln County Detention Center will continue to be county employees.

During their meeting December 20 in their chambers in the Lincoln County Courthouse in Carrizozo, county commissioners gave their commitment to county detention center employees who want to remain with the county. The county detention center is operated by contract with the private Corrections System Inc. (CSI).

"I think we're bound to our word," said county commissioner Rick Simpson. He said the county commission had promised and guaranteed county employees they could do what they want in who they worked under, the county or CSI. "We back our personal decision,"

Simpson added.

Recently CSI proposed to take over the employment of all staff in the new jail.

CSI chairman Bill Garrison was at the county commission meeting to discuss a proposal to do a transition of staff from county employment to CSI. "It would be easier for us if all employees were CSI," Garrison said.

Before the new jail opened earlier this year under CSI management, county commissioners had agreed to let county employees stay as county employees when they made the transition to the new detention center.

A major concern among the county employees was the "at will" provision of CSI employment that allowed the company to fire for any reason.

Garrison said he hoped the at will issue was dead. He said in such a small recruitment area his

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# County Splits Vote

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trict 3) and Rick Simpson (county commission District 5) were able to rearrange their districts by census blocks.

"It is difficult to know the intent of the drafter," Adair said of the Democratic concept. He then said at the November 29 workshop on redistricting, county commissioner Ray Nunley saw the difficulty in drafting a whole county from just proposing one district.

Democratic party mem-

ber Chay Rennick said the party had hoped Adair would be at the December 13 public hearing in Ruidoso so he could use his computer programming to further draft the Democratic concept of creating a district with a more balanced political and socio-economic representation.

"I've already presented an array of concepts," Adair said. "And coming up a county wide concept from only one new proposed district is fraught

with difficulty. Now we are back to the same forks in the road without any guidance as we were starting out."

Rennick offered to work with Adair in drafting a county wide concept based on the District 2 concept Democrats offered on December 13. Rennick said the Democratic concept included no census figures, because they had no access to them, as does Adair. Rennick said the Democratic District 2 concept was developed primarily as a response to a comment Adair made months ago about the impossibility of creating a Democratic district in Lincoln County which has a predominate Republican voter registration.

County commission chair Rex Wilson told Rennick that the November 29 workshop with Adair was held in order to develop district concepts.

But Rennick said he thought Adair would also be at the December 13 hearing.

Democratic Party of Lincoln County chair Doris Cherry then requested county commissioners postpone action to accept a final plan, because Adair had been unable to attend the December 13 public hearing to provide further technical assistance.

Lincoln County Clerk Martha Proctor said she endorsed the request to postpone action, to give another opportunity to work with Adair on the proposed concepts.

No county commissioner responded to the requests.

Instead, at the end of the long discussion Nunley (who represents county commission District 2) made the motion to accept the county commission redistricting Plan F, which he helped draft during the November 29 workshop with Adair.

County commissioners Nunley, Simpson and Martinez voted in favor of the motion. County commission chairman Rex Wilson (County commission District 1) and county commissioner Bill Schwettmann (county commission District 4) voted no.

In Adair's first proposed new county commission districts Adair, using census block figures, had moved county commission District 3 to an entirely different location.

Martinez at the November 29 hearing was concerned his home would no longer be in county commission District 3, and so worked with Adair to reconstruct county commission District 3 to include his residence and most of the previous county commission District 3 neighborhoods.

Similarly, Simpson worked with Adair to make sure his Glencoe area residence was included in county commission District 5.

At the December 20 county commission meeting, Martinez said he had objected to the original proposed county commission redistricting maps, because he did not want to move the districts in any radical fashion so as not to disrupt voters.

Adair said it could not be helped to end up with different shaped districts. "It's inevitable in largely rural areas," he added.

Adair said the population changes in Lincoln County made for radical changes to the county commission District 3.

In his opening remarks on December 20, Adair (who also is a Republican state senator from Roswell) explained he had just gotten out of court from testifying on the lawsuit over the congressional redistricting. He again explained the parameters for redistricting which are equal representation ("one-person-one vote"), contiguous districts with no islands, compactness, race/ethnicity and community of interest. "Your districts are reasonably compact," Adair said of the latest county commission district proposals.

In the federal lawsuit over the congressional redistricting, a huge issue is race/ethnicity, Adair said. He said the plaintiffs argued that it is impossible with the current congressional districts, to get a Hispanic elected to congress.

As for Lincoln County, only two precincts come close to having a Hispanic majority. "It is impossible to create a Hispanic majority, contiguous county commission district," Adair added.

As for community of interest, Adair said the judgments are made by the elected officials to reflect common issues of the citizenry. He said elected officials act on behalf of the people, not partisan interest. He said redistricting is easier when all members of the sitting board of county commissioners are of one party.

Later in the discussion about the proposed "Democratic" concept, Rennick asked Adair if Republican party chair Duane Williams had assisted in the drafting of the first proposed county commission districts.

Adair said Williams did not work with him, only Proctor, who is a registered Republican. Proctor only helped Adair develop about 20 sub-precincts, and did not assist in developing any of the proposed plans, Adair added.

Rennick again said the proposed Democratic concept was the only one that came close to creating a district with more equal party representation. With the concept, county commission District 2 would have about 52 percent registered Republicans and 32 percent registered Democrats and 16 percent declined to state or independents.

Adair said he worked only with census numbers in developing the district concepts.

Simpson said they did not have numbers for party affiliation when they worked with the county commission district proposals on November 29. "That has not been a factor we put into the system," Simpson said.

Rennick said the primary focus of the Democratic concept was to provide opportunity for representation for all groups.

"It seems you're asking to gerrymander a district," Wilson said. He then said as commissioner he never asks for party membership from someone who has an issue or concern. "In my district you don't win just because you are a Republi-

can," Wilson added. Nunley then said county commissioners should "get over with it," and urged passage of a plan.

Republican party chair Williams commented that it is a "gross exaggeration" to include Declined To State people in a Democratic area.

Alto resident Earl Hobbs defended the county commission and disagreed with creating a partisan district. He said the commission had no partisanship in developing the districts, and no partisanship was used during the November 29 workshop with Adair. "It is unfortunate some people will not get their say in November," Hobbs said.

Lincoln County Treasurer Joan Park did not favor Plan F because it splits Capitan into two county commission districts--1 and 4. All areas west and north of Highway 880 in Capitan are now in county commission District 1. All areas east of Yard Road and south of Highway 380 are now in county commission District 4, as it was previously. Because of this change residents who were in county commission District 4 and are now in county commission District 1 will not be able to vote for a county commissioner until the 2004 election. District 4 county commission position comes up to vote in 2002.

Park said she did not find county commission district Plan F more fair, even though Nunley may see it that way. She said because of where she lives, she will not have a vote in the 2002 election.

At a previous hearing Capitan Mayor Norman Renfro also objected to the

split district. Proctor said every county commission redistricting option put some people in a position where they will not be able to vote in the next election. She also commented that a good county commissioner will represent all the county, not just his or her district.

Proctor was asked if she would make information on the new county commission district available to the public.

Copies of the map of the new county commission districts can be obtained from the office of the Lincoln County Clerk in the Lincoln County Courthouse in Carrizozo or by calling 848-2394.

Neither Schwettmann or Wilson commented as to why they voted against accepting county commission redistricting Plan F.

## County Supports

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ities during his campaign.

Jerry Carroll of Oscura said commissioners forgot freedom of speech. He said that anyone of conscience needs to read the first amendment. "There is no ambiguity in the first amendment," Carroll said. "We need to reevaluate the supreme court."

The resolution approved by the county commission refers to the Supreme Court, which has in case after case, interpreted that the opening words to the First Amendment to the Constitution adopted June 15, 1790 that "Congress shall make no law respecting an establishment of religion, or prohibiting the free exercise thereof."

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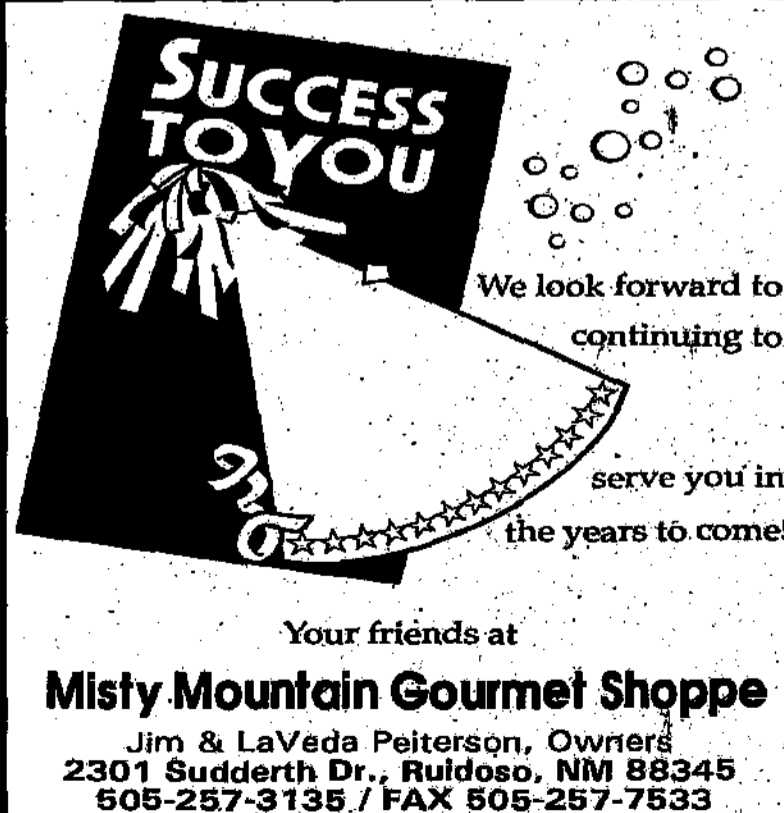
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# Capitan Open House Winners Announced

Capitan Merchants Open House participating businesses have announced the winners of their December 15 Holiday Open House.

The following include winners and their prizes from participating businesses:

Lori Osborn won a silver choker and pendant from D&D Boot and Shoe Repair; Tory Padilla won a Christmas shirt from Campbell's Country Classics; Betty Silhan won a travel bag from Guthrie's Cutting Corral; Joanne Day-Juiah won a \$10 gift certificate from Laurie's Grill; Favia Dalton won a 30 minute therapy at Hands on Health; David Jewett won a lunch special for one at El Paisano.

Emelia Padilla won a large supreme pizza from Brewer Shell Station; Linda Raines won a large supreme pizza from Brewer Shell; Jerry McCarty won a bead and leather hatband from Ole George; 2 Feathers; Pat Miller won a flu shot from Rose Clinic;

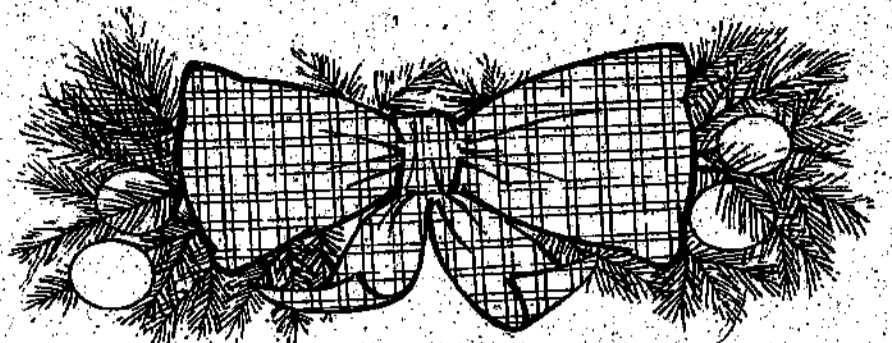
Helen Payne won a blood pressure and diabetes check from Rose Clinic; Jacob Griego won a dinner for two at Smokey Bear Restaurant; Mary Jewett won a bronze bronco bust-

er statue from JMT Leather and Gifts.

Regina Littleton won a \$10 gift certificate from Smokey's Hometown Shop; Robert Richey won an 11 inch Smokey Bear from Smokey Bear Museum; Linda Padilla won a hand-carved ironwood bear from The Menagerie; Joseph Dutchover won a \$15 gift certificate from The Menagerie; Angie Provine won a leather fanny pack from Jake Wolfhart Leather; C.E. Chavez won a musical angel bear from Lavender and Lace; Joan Ernst won a box of chocolates and tea from The Blue Cottage; Gary Harmon on a bamboo bouquet from White Dove Treasures.

Denise Saiz won a \$25 gift certificate from Art & Artifact; Sam Townley won a Schrade pocket knife from Lincoln County Mercantile; Amy Irvine won a fresh fruit basket from Farmers Country Market; Dennis Burrow won a BBQ diner for two at The BBQ Place, and Denise Saiz won a boxed set of saiss from Mule Creek Traders.

The Holiday Open House was sponsored in full by the Capitan Chamber of Commerce Merchants Committee.



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**FIRST MONDAYS**  
--Republican Party of Lincoln County. Call 354-4230 for time and locations.

**SECOND MONDAYS**  
--Kairos Outside and Emmams Community meeting, 6:30 p.m. Trinity United Methodist Parsonage on E. Ave. Carrizozo.

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

**WEDNESDAYS**  
--AWANA club meeting 6-8 p.m. First Baptist Church of Carrizozo for children three years old through sixth grade.  
--AWAMA club meeting 6-8 p.m. Trinity United Methodist Church in Carrizozo for children in grades 7 and 8.  
--Aleoholics Anonymous, 7 p.m. Capitan Senior Citizens Center.

**THURSDAYS**  
--Lincoln County Adult Singles Group 6:30 p.m. Call 354-2635 or 258-3201 for information and location.  
--Pre-school reading hour, 1 p.m. at Capitan Public Library.

**TUESDAY, JANUARY 1, 2002**  
--All public offices and libraries closed for New Year's Day.

**THURSDAY, JANUARY 3**  
--Billy the Kid Scenic Byways Committee 2 p.m. Ruidoso Village Hall. Items include possible action on year funding application, and Lincoln Interpretive Plan Funding, report on visitors center. Public invited to attend.  
--Capitan School Smokey Bear Basketball tournament begins with games through Saturday, January 5.

**SATURDAY, JANUARY 5**  
--Opening art shows at Ruidoso Public Library, Todd Shelby and Karen Pritchett Animalia Pottery and Photographic Society of Lincoln County.

**MONDAY, JANUARY 7**  
--Students return to class in Capitan, Carrizozo and Corona.  
--Capitan Chamber of Commerce, 12:30 p.m. chamber building on Second Street.

**TUESDAY, JANUARY 8**  
--Filing day for municipal candidates. File between 8 a.m. and 5 p.m. at the office of your respective municipal clerk. Call your clerk for more specific information and what documents are needed to file.  
--Capitan American Legion Post #57, 7 p.m. Capitan Senior Center.  
--Carrizozo Town Trustees 6 p.m.  
--Ruidoso Village Council 6:30 p.m.  
--Capitan Village Trustees 7 p.m.  
--Corona Board of Education 7 p.m.

## Capitan School Board Meets Thurs., Jan. 10

Capitan Board of Education meets at 8 p.m. Thursday, January 10 in the school administration building.

Items on the business portion of the agenda include:

--Action and presentation of fiscal year 2000-2001 audit by Terry Cone.

--Report from student senate.

--Action to accept the food bid for January to May, 2002.

--First reading of revisions to the board policy section concerning agendas.

--Evaluation of superintendent report from school board president Gary Tregembo.

--Action on personnel.

--Public comment.

--Report from CACT.

--Report from PTA.

Information on ski program and in-service days will also be presented.

An executive session is scheduled for the school board to discuss limited

personnel matters and personally identifiable student information.

## BLM To Hold

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agement; off highway vehicle management considering road conditions and access; recreational trails potential with designated trails and hiking; equestrian use for single riders and wheeled conveyance.

Considerations will be given to camping within the area, day use picnicking, law enforcement, hunting, fishing, mineral resources, cultural resources prehistoric and historic; visitor use fees, special recreational uses, interpretation, signing.

Also to be considered are buildings and structures for recreation facilities, toilets and kiosks, parking lot across from the pageant grounds, and lands and reality actions for easements, rights of way and utilities.


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**UNGLUED** By Clint Harmon



Ed was having second thoughts about inviting Frank to his new year's party!

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**By Clint Harmon**



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**THOUGHTS**

FROM THE EDITOR'S DESK

**Distinct districts defined?**

By Ruth Hammond

Different opinions have been expressed about the new county commission districts in Lincoln County. One person is annoyed about having to wait another four years before being able to vote for a county commissioner instead of being able to vote for a county commissioner in 2002. There was a lengthy discussion before the new redistricting maps for the county commission districts were approved by the county commissioners at their meeting held last Thursday.

It seems more people would prefer the way it had been for years and years, with three county commissioners and voters were not limited to voting only for candidates for county commissioner in one district, but were allowed to vote for all three county commissioners. The candidates were required to live in a specific district to qualify for filing for the position, but every registered voter in the county had the opportunity to vote for each of the three county commissioners every two years when elections were held.

Shifts in population could sometimes alter a county commission district but voters were not affected. That all changed when the county went to five commission districts and four year terms for all county offices. Elections are held every two years, but each county term is for four years and voters may vote only for candidates for county commission in their own district. And the terms of the county commissioners are staggered to allow for continuity after elections, with two county commissioners being elected one year and three being elected the next election.

The election process can be confusing at times. Every voter in the United States may cast a vote for the electoral college for president and then everything changes. Votes may be cast for both U.S. Senators in the state but in only one congressional district in the state even though all three U.S. Representatives vote on issues that affect all of us.

Representation should be the most important factor, but some people define representation differently. There are state districts, county districts, school districts, and some of those other districts that are easier to describe as being inside municipal boundaries. We agree that voters living outside a municipality should not be allowed to vote in the municipal elections, and people should only be allowed to vote in their school district, but we do believe that we should be able to vote for each of the county commission positions, regardless of which "district" of the county it is.

It seems that some people agree and object to how the county is divided; not just the district divisions, but other divisions that have serious implications about residents.

County officials should represent every county resident and not be confined to one county commission district, and we would hope all county commissioners would represent every county resident and do what is best for the county.

The redistricting issue at the state level is quite heated and we are quite glad that the municipalities don't have to go through the redistricting process before the elections.

Sometimes the election process can be a pain, but it is much better than some other forms of government.

*Don't cross my district line*

**Governor Proposes Changes For Schools**

Governor Gary Johnson will propose an education reform package at the upcoming state legislative session that calls for vouchers and consolidation of smaller schools districts in the state.

According to a press release from the governor's office issued December 20, the first proposed initiative is a legislation reform package, the second is creation of a secretary of education by constitutional amendment, the third initiative is the repeal of the Little David Bacon act that requires the paying of union wages to all employees who work on public financed construction projects.

In the reform package the governor proposes to improve student achievement by:

-Allowing students who have completed the 10th grade to test out, with parent approval, of high school with a GED.

-Giving each student a static identification number in order to track student progress.

-Parental choice for bilingual or Limited English Proficiency programs or total English immersion program.

-Provide tutoring before and after school to all students identified as below competency levels.

In the reform package, the governor proposes parental involvement by:

-Providing vouchers with a pilot program the first

year for low income families in Albuquerque that would expand to all students statewide by the fourth year.

-Amend Charter Schools Act to create additional charter board authority beyond the local school board and state school board.

Johnson's vision of teacher support includes:

-Allowing educators to delay retirement investment and take it as a raise.

-Require school districts to pay a reasonable hourly tutor wage for public or private instructors before and after school.

System Accountability proposal lists the consolidation of smaller school districts in New Mexico and the separation of larger districts. Under the governor's proposal the State Board of Education would facilitate the process. His proposal would require consolidation of the smaller districts into one district with an average of 5,000 to 8,500 students. This would reduce the current 89 school districts to about 49 districts of equal size.

The governor's proposal also would require the use of annual criterion reference testing for all students grades three through eight in math and reading.

Comments about the governor's proposed education reform can be made by calling 505-827-3000 or writing to the Office of the Governor, State Capitol, Santa Fe, NM 87503.



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

**SANTA FE** - When all the fuss over redistricting ends, it is highly likely that the new maps will look very much like the old ones. That is the safest decision for any judge or panel of judges to make and why would a judge want to dive into a briar patch like this by devising or accepting a radical plan? That means new districts will favor current officeholders and a continuation of the current political balance in Congress and the state Legislature. That will make Republicans very happy about the U.S. House districts and Democrats happy about the state House and Senate maps.

Some of the arguments heard in the trial before state District Judge Frank Allen of Albuquerque concerning the drawing of congressional districts will suddenly switch to the other side in the consideration of state House districts. Republicans argued for the status quo in Congress, where they hold two of the three seats, in spite of having a 1.6 to 1 disadvantage in party registration.

But in the state House, they believe some big changes should be made to give Republicans an even shot at winning at least half the districts because they note that GOP legislative candidates received approximately half the votes in last year's elections but have a 42-28 deficit in that chamber.

Republicans say that discrepancy exists because Democrats have packed them into districts where they win big instead of making all districts competitive. It also could hap-

pen because Republican districts tend to grow more quickly than Democrat districts so that by the end of a 10-year period, there are twice as many voters in Republican districts as in Democrat districts.

In advocating a radical new Democrat plan that would have created a majority Hispanic district by combining Albuquerque's heavily Hispanic South Valley with the lower Rio Grande Valley, Democrats argued that New Mexico will not be in compliance with the federal Voting Rights Act if New Mexico's 40 percent Hispanic Population is split among three congressional districts, making it very difficult for an Hispanic to win in any district.

The argument sounds good until one considers that Manuel Lujan and Bill Richardson had 36 years between them representing two of those districts. It appears to have more to do with the candidate than with ethnicity.

Republicans argue that the Democrat congressional redistricting plan that passed the Legislature creates three districts that are not competitive. Two are solidly Democrat, while the other is solidly Republican. And Republicans don't have much of a chance of ever changing that.

Under the current map, Republicans have been able to dominate two of the three districts ever since their creation 30 years ago. Democrats have dominated the other one, except for the 1997 special election victory by Republican Bill Redmond. Democrats aren't too happy about the present state of

affairs since they controlled the redistricting process during all those years.

Few would argue that the right Democrat candidate could have won either of the seats now held by Republicans. But it's not working right now so Democrats would like to do some shuffling and see if they can come up with something that works for them.

New Mexico isn't the only state with heavy-duty congressional battles. With only 10 votes separating the parties in the 435-member House, every state counts in the redistricting battle. Our neighboring states all are in court. In Arizona, voters tried something to eliminate redistricting battles. They initiated a constitutional amendment that created an independent Redistricting Commission, but Democrats say it is as GOP-dominated as the state Legislature.

Expect to see New Mexico's redistricting drag on through the courts a while longer. Meanwhile congressional candidates are assuming that districts won't change much and are frantically collecting signatures in old districts, hoping there won't be much change.

**Local Art Displayed At Ruidoso Library**

Photos from the Photographic Society of Lincoln County and the whimsical works of artists Todd Shelby and Karen Pritchett artists will be on display at the Ruidoso Public Library beginning January 5.

An opening reception for the displays is scheduled for 4:30-6:30 p.m. Friday, January 11.

Jack Schuller's paintings will be exhibited in Ruidoso Village Hall beginning January 11 through February. An opening reception for Schuller is also scheduled for January 11. His work features oils and acrylic landscapes.

The displays are sponsored by Private Art in Public Places in Ruidoso. The public invited to view the displays and attend the opening receptions.

**County Commits**  
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pany cannot afford to treat staff unfairly and get a reputation for being a hard employer. "We are no more likely to fire a CSI employee than if the employee worked for the county." He said sometimes in the corrections business personnel action must be taken immediately to assure safety within the facility.

Employment under CSI could benefit employees, Garrison continued. "Some staff are going to get a raise under CSI," he said. "But not if they work for the county."

"We can't spend your money," Garrison said to the county commissioners.

Some current county employees could suffer a loss to go with CSI, Garrison acknowledged. "We have to work with those cases," Garrison said. He said he wanted to make sure those county employees with many years of service would not lose any of their benefits.

County commission chairman Rex Wilson asked if CSI had met with employees.

Garrison said he had met with employees about a transition when the jail first opened in April.

County commissioner Leo Martinez said he also thought county employees should have the choice. "I'm not sure we're ready to say we should go fully with CSI," Martinez said.

Wilson said employees will go with CSI if the company makes it worth their time.

County manager Tom Stewart said the transition to all CSI employees is headed in the right direction. After seven months in the new detention center, there are only 11 county employees, down from the 18 who went into the new facility.

Stewart also reported the operational costs at the new detention center under CSI are about \$11,505 a month less than in the old center. An offset to the operation cost is the revenue from holding inmates for the US Marshal Service. In November the county housed 20 federal prisoners with revenue of \$31,462.

As of December 20 there were 25 federal prisoners, Stewart said. With these 25, the jail count was at 91.

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# NMSU Graduates From Lincoln County Are Inducted Into Sam Steel Society

Three NM State University graduates from Lincoln County were recently inducted into the Sam Steel Society.

The society honors the memory of Sam Steel, who would have been the university's first graduate had he not been killed just months before his graduation in 1893. Jerry Schickedanz, dean and chief administrative officer of NMSU's College of Agriculture and Home Economics, inducted graduates during campus ceremonies December 14.

Teri Hall of Ruidoso earned a master's degree in

agricultural economics and agricultural business. As a graduate student, she completed a comprehensive study of the economic impact and labor issues affecting the chile pepper industry in New Mexico. She plans to work in southwestern Colorado.

Desiree S. Maddox of Ruidoso received a bachelor's degree in agricultural economics and agricultural business. She was an honors graduate, Crimson Scholar and Dean's List honoree. She served as reporter and council representative for the National Agri-Marketing Association

and received the group's positive attitude and scholarship awards. She is a member of Alpha Zeta honor fraternity and Gamma Beta Phi.

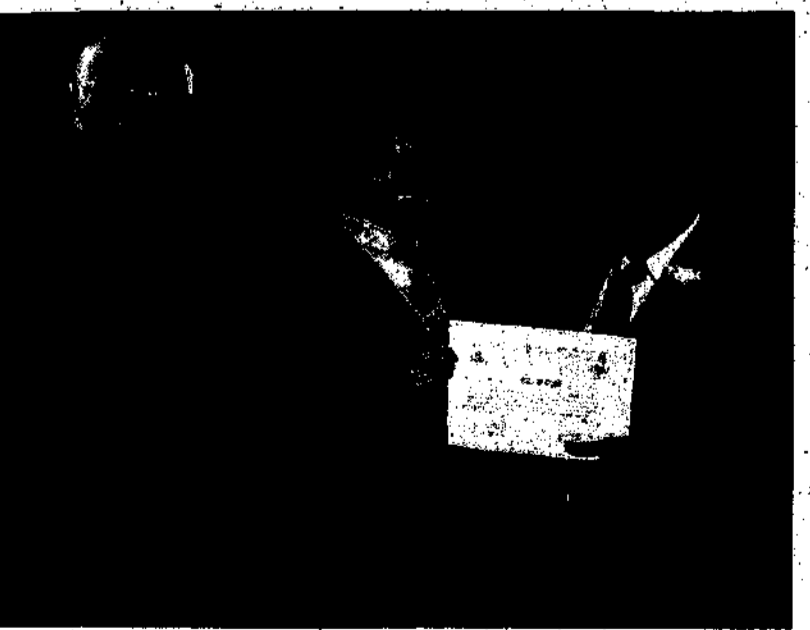
Cheyenne A. Dixon of Nogal earned a bachelor's degree in animal science. The Carrizozo High School graduate has worked as an agricultural assistant for NMSU's Chihuahuan Desert Rangeland Research Center and the West Sheep Unit and Mesare-Smith Ranch in Nebraska. He served as social chairman for Farm-House Fraternity. He will pursue a career in feedlot management for ConAgra in Colorado.



**DESIREE S. MADDOX** of Ruidoso (center) was inducted into NM State University's Sam Steel Society on December 14 by Jerry Schickedanz (right), dean of the College of Agriculture and Home Economics, and Lowell Catlett, interim head of the agricultural economics and agricultural business department. (Photo by J. Victor Espinoza)



**CHEYENNE A. DIXON** of Nogal (center) was inducted into NM State University's Sam Steel Society on December 14 by Jerry Schickedanz (right), dean of the College of Agriculture and Home Economics, and Mark Wise, head of the animal and range sciences department. (Photo by J. Victor Espinoza)



**TERI Y. HALL** of Ruidoso (center) was inducted into NM State University's Sam Steel Society on December 14 by Jerry Schickedanz (right), dean of the College of Agriculture and Home Economics, and Lowell Catlett, interim head of the agricultural economics and agricultural business department. (Photo by J. Victor Espinoza)

# Grant Aids Youths

Youths between the ages of 14 and 21 in Lincoln County may be eligible to receive assistance to complete education or to secure and hold employment.

According to a press release from Career Education Coordinator Gary Cozzens with the Region IX Education Cooperative in Ruidoso, a grant of \$320,470 for the period of September 1, 2001 to September 31, 2002 will be divided between 12 eastern New Mexico counties. The funds come under the Workforce Investment Act (WIA) that replaces the Job Training Partnership Act.

Under WIA several public and private agencies and organizations work together to increase employment, retention and earnings of participants, said Cozzens. WIA programs increase occupational skills and improve quality of the workforce, reduce welfare dependency and enhance productivity and competitiveness.

The grant is directed toward qualified, low income, in-school and out of school youth who meet at least one of six specified barriers, Cozzens said. Barriers include deficiency in basic literacy skills; school dropout; homeless, runaway or foster child; pregnant or parenting; offender; and a child with disability.

Major partners in the Ruidoso area are the Region IX school districts of Capitan, Carrizozo, Cloudcroft, Corona, Hondo Valley, Ruidoso, Tularosa; and other partners Alamogordo Public Schools, Mesalero Apache School, New Mexico School for the Visually Handicapped, New Mexico Department of Labor and the New Mexico Commission for the Blind.

For more information for in-school youth contact Dolores Herrera at 257-2368 and for out of school youth contact Nancy Warlick at 630-8181.

# Sheriff's Report

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

**December 17:**  
11:30 a.m. deputy advised he made an arrest at Camp Sierra Blanca at Fort Stanton.

2:25 p.m. a deputy advised he served an arrest warrant in Capitan.

3 p.m. fraud reported by caller on D. Ave in Carrizozo.

4 p.m. breaking and entering at location in Hondo.

4:45 p.m. request for agency assist in Capitan for dog bite. Animal control officer (ACO) responded.

11:40 p.m. 911 report of assault and battery, request for ambulance. Hondo ambulance transported to Lincoln County Medical Center (LCMC) in Ruidoso.

**December 18:**  
10 a.m. 911 request for ambulance for 30 year old female with chest pains. Capitan ambulance transported to LCMC.

11:48 a.m. request for ambulance at residence on Lake Shore Drive for male who fell from a ladder. Ruidoso Advance Life Support (RALS) ambulance responded but patient refused transport.

2:44 p.m. deputy advised he had made an arrest at magistrate court.

4:40 p.m. runaway child, Las Cruces police advised the runaway could be in Alto.

5:33 p.m. domestic in Eagle Creek. Two deputies assigned.

8:30 p.m. person with flashlight on Schlarb Road near Carrizozo.

11:05 p.m. 911 report of a juvenile at a location on Sierra Drive.

**December 19:**  
6:01 a.m. domestic violence in Ruidoso, turned over to Ruidoso police.

8 a.m. dog bite in Lincoln. ACO responded.

8:27 a.m. dumpster fire in Fawn Ridge. Bonito Fire Department responded.

11:36 a.m. request for ambulance at Carrizozo health clinic to transfer a cardiac patient to LCMC. Carrizozo ambulance responded.

5 p.m. request for welfare check at location on Sierra Drive. Deputy responded.

8:38 p.m. dispute at location on Parkway in the Ruidoso Downs area.

**December 20:**  
7:36 a.m. ill female, request for ambulance on Aspen. Carrizozo ambulance responded but was refused.

10:02 a.m. request for officer for custodial interference in Capitan.

10:50 a.m. harassment in Ruidoso.

11:40 a.m. larceny in Hondo area. Deputy took report over the phone.

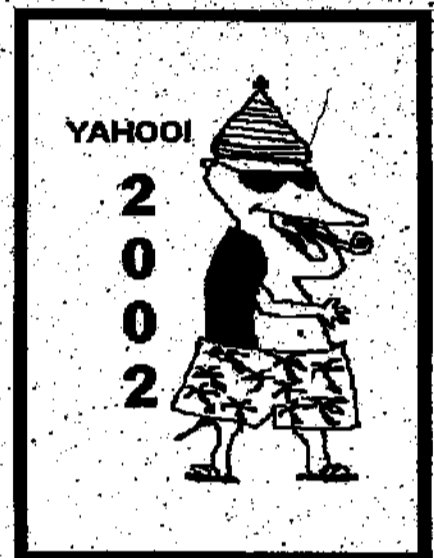
3:26 p.m. dumpster smoking in the Eagle Creek, Gavilan Canyon area. Bonito Fire Department responded but advised they found no dumpster fires.

3:38 p.m. gas spill at business. Carrizozo fire department responded.

5:02 p.m. request for officer to assist with suspicious person at a business on Highway 70 west of Ruidoso. Deputy assigned.

9:20 p.m. suspicious per-

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# Church Directory



## MOUNTAIN MINISTRY PARISH, SIERRA BLANCA PRESBYTERY

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

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

**Corona Presbyterian Church:**  
Sunday School ..... 10:00 a.m.  
Worship ..... 11:00 a.m.

**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 8:15 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 354-3135  
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, 648-2893 / 648-2848  
Carrizozo, NM 88301  
Sunday School (All Ages) ..... 10:00 a.m.  
Worship Service ..... 11:00 a.m.  
Choir Practice (Tuesday) ..... 8:30 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 ..... 8:30 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 / 336-4627  
Sunday Bible Study ..... 10:00 a.m.  
Worship Service ..... 11:00 a.m.  
Evening Worship ..... 8:00 p.m.  
Wednesday Bible Study ..... 7:00 p.m.

**Trinity Southern Baptist Church**  
Phone 354-2044  
Capitan (South on Hwy. 46)  
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

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By Carrizozo High School  
Journalism Class  
Sarah Ball, Instructor



**Adverse Learning Conditions Provide Unique Situation at Carrizozo Schools**

At Carrizozo Schools, there have been major repairs and renovations to areas of the school. In fact, these repairs have relocated elementary students to sections of the high school with the "big kids." The reason for elementary children mixing with upperclassmen is because of renovation from summer.

The Carrizozo elementary and middle school are being remodeled this year, which has forced classrooms into less than desirable conditions. Construction was set behind because of an asbestos problem. Construction was planned to have been finished October 31, yet is now planned to span into late December to early January. This hindrance has moved classrooms into the high school and Clegg Hall. Every space available is being occupied while work continues on the elementary and middle school.

Three of these classes are located in the old gymnasium and are some of the most stressful teaching situations, due to noise from other classes. Mr. Wetzel's classroom is placed on the old gymnasium's stage and is separated only by the curtains from Mrs. Davis's and Mrs. Serna's classrooms. Mrs. Davis is on one half of the court while Mrs. Serna is placed on the other. All that separates these two "rooms" is an accumulation of desks, chairs, and other equipment moved from the renovation. Teachers agree that present conditions are challenging and have affected their curriculums. Mr. Wetzel's room is extremely dark due to the black surroundings of the stage and lack of any windows. He feels that this environment is challenging to teach in and affects his teaching curriculum. He has no maps to work with this year and also states that his "history class has nothing but a book to work with." As opposed to this problem, he thinks, "the problems will be minor next year," when compared to the benefits that will result from remodeling. The benefit of "...the older students being such great leaders and examples" truly shows "how wonderful our high school students are," Mr. Wetzel states.

In accord with Mr. Wetzel, Mrs. Serna states that conditions are challenging and do disturb the learning process, on account of her students who "do get distracted at times." The reason for the disruption is that classes use the gym as a thoroughfare to reach Wetzel's class on the stage. Despite these circumstances, she believes everyone is working together to try and "lessen the distractions." Her methods of teaching have also changed because of the limited use of computers. Mrs. Davis agrees that the atmosphere is challenging; yet she says, "Teaching is going on as usual. We are adjusting." Mrs. Davis has a positive outlook on the situation and states, "Out of adversity come great things." However, both Mrs. Serna and Mrs. Davis agree that they have the space to do creative projects unlike the confines of a classroom. Moreover, they are given the opportunity to share ideas and strategies of teaching.

On the other hand, Mrs. Ball, the high school English teacher, is worried about what the younger children may learn from upperclassmen. Located in her previous room at the north end of the high school, Mrs. Ball is directly across from the kindergarten class. With the merging of students, she understands that high school students must refrain from cursing and actions that may be detrimental to children looking up to their role models. In contrast, she enjoys easier access to elementary teachers.

Teachers agree that the present conditions challenge the students and educators to work through the inconvenience. In addition, curriculums have been altered to match the conditions and allow a classroom for students to focus. Ultimately, the challenge is not a hindrance, and will be well worth the benefits of the remodeled school.

Adrian Goad

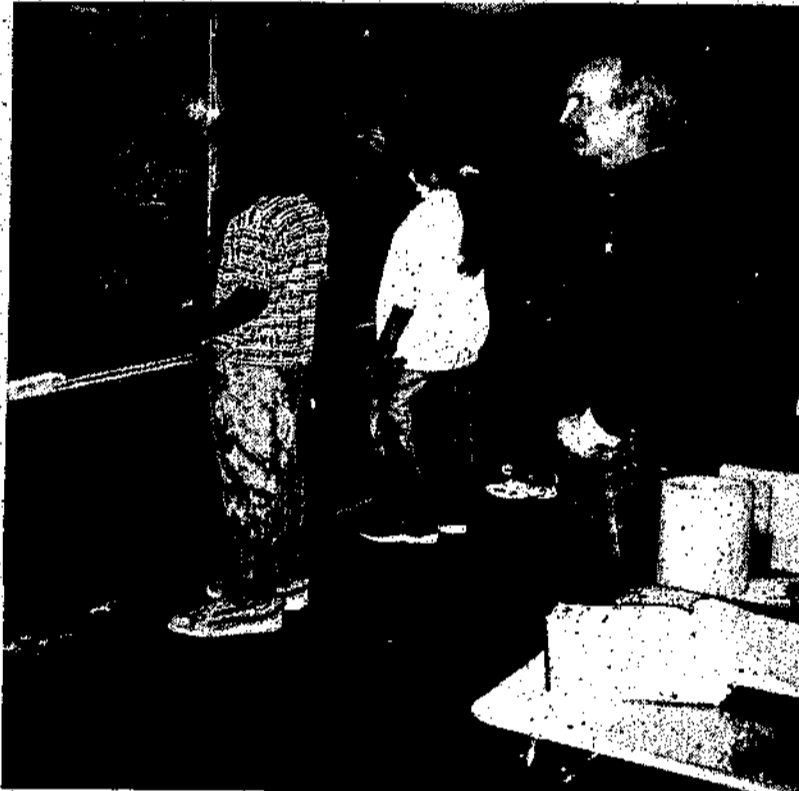
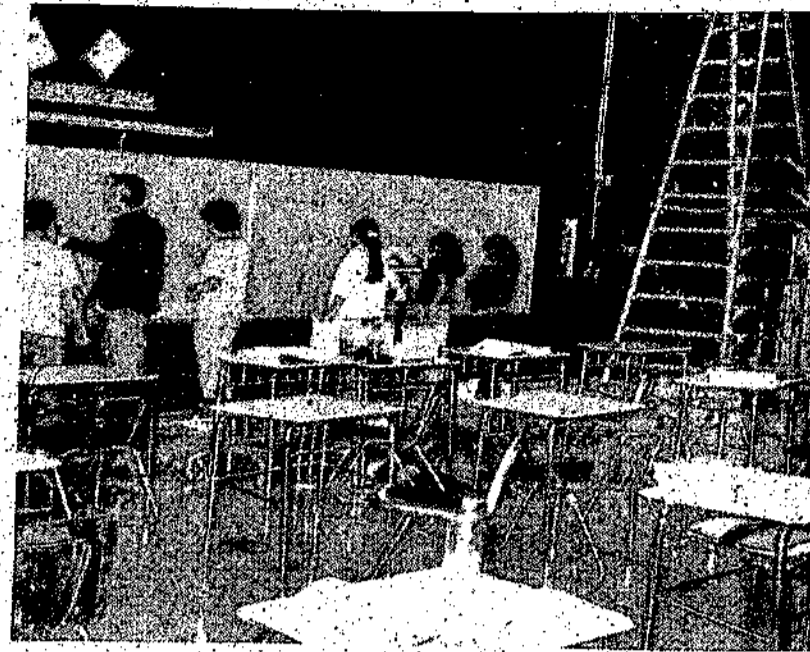
This year Carrizozo Schools was granted funding to make necessary renovations on the elementary and mid-high buildings. Because the buildings have been torn apart and the construction is behind schedule, the classes that normally occupy these buildings have been relocated to places in the high school building, the wood shop, and Clegg Hall. This situation brings classes so close together, that at some times, the senior class is located right across the hall to the kindergarten class. The responses of almost all of the interviewed students were negative. The younger students wish that they could be back in their old classrooms, and the older students wish that they could stay in an all high school environment.

I asked all the interviewed students the same questions. Unanimously the students didn't like the situations. All of them feel that being in these close quarters is too distracting and is a nuisance. Most of the complaints I have heard were of the hallway conditions. The older students dislike having to maneuver around lines of slow moving, tiny stu-

dents and many find that the younger ones have no restraints about playfully hugging, punching, or slapping whenever they pass. The main problem, however, seems to be in the old gym, where there is nothing to separate the 4th and 5th grades but a set of bookshelves and other assorted materials at a height of maybe 5 feet. Both classes complain of the other class being noisy and distracting.

All students interviewed said that they would prefer to attend a school composed entirely of students of their own age group. However, none of the students of any age felt that these situations are really inhibiting the learning process. They say the situation is uncomfortable and inhibiting to their usual freedoms, but tolerable for now.

Matt Offutt



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**LEALS**

**LEGAL NOTICE**

**CAPITAN-CARRIZOZO NATURAL GAS  
2002 MONTHLY MEETING DATES**

The Board of Directors of the Capitan-Carrizozo Natural Gas meeting in regular session on December 19, 2001, did approve the following dates for the regularly scheduled monthly meetings of 2002.

The location of each meeting will alternate between Capitan and Carrizozo each month. The Capitan meetings and special meetings called will be held at the business office in Capitan. The Carrizozo meetings will be held at a publicly accessible location.

The time of each regular meeting and special meeting shall be 6:00 PM unless changed by the Board of Directors.

The agenda for each meeting will be available through the business office at 217 Lincoln in Capitan, NM forty eight (48) hours prior to the meeting and will be posted in the City Halls of the Town of Carrizozo and the Village of Capitan, the post office in each community, and the business office.

The Board of Directors of the Capitan-Carrizozo Natural Gas hereby adopted the following as the official meeting dates for 2002.

January 16, 2002	Capitan, NM
February 20, 2002	Carrizozo, NM
March 20, 2002	Capitan, NM
April 17, 2002	Carrizozo, NM
May 15, 2002	Capitan, NM
June 19, 2002	Carrizozo, NM
July 17, 2002	Capitan, NM
August 21, 2002	Carrizozo, NM
September 18, 2002	Capitan, NM
October 16, 2002	Carrizozo, NM
November 20, 2002	Capitan, NM
December 18, 2002	Carrizozo, NM

Capitan-Carrizozo Natural Gas  
Kay Strickland  
Administrative Supervisor

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**LEGAL NOTICE**

**STATE OF NEW MEXICO  
COUNTY OF LINCOLN  
TWELFTH JUDICIAL  
DISTRICT COURT**

CV-01-032

**AMRESO RESIDENTIAL  
MORTGAGE COMPANY,**  
Plaintiff,

vs.  
**GENE C. TURNER, RUBY TURNER,  
AND DC, LIMITED LIABILITY CO,  
D/B/A DATA CHEK, RON STOREY,  
AND LISA STOREY**  
Defendants.

**NOTICE OF SALE OF FORECLOSURE**

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the above-entitled Court, having appointed me or my designee as Special Master in this matter with the power to sell, has ordered me to sell the real property (the "Property") situated in Lincoln County, New Mexico, commonly known as 702 Center Street, Ruidoso, New Mexico, and more particularly described as follows:

LOT 30, BLOCK 3, WOODLAND HILLS,  
LINCOLN COUNTY, NEW MEXICO, AS  
SHOWN BY THE PLAT THEREOF, FILED  
IN THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY CLERK  
OF EX-OFFICIO RECORDER OF LINCOLN  
COUNTY, NEW MEXICO, MARCH 27,  
1967;

The sale is to begin at 10:00 a.m. on January 15, 2002, outside the front entrance of the Lincoln County Courthouse, Carrizozo, New Mexico, at which time I will sell to the highest and best bidder for cash in lawful currency of the United States of America, the Property to pay expenses of sale, and to satisfy the Judgment in AMRESO Residential Mortgage Company.

AMRESO Residential Mortgage Company was awarded a Judgment on November 20, 2001 in the principal sum \$115,038.65, plus outstanding interest due thereon through June 5, 2001, totaling \$7,757.80, and accruing thereafter at the rate of 9.930% per annum or \$31.73 per diem, plus late charges in the amount of \$356.44, plus attorneys fees of \$1,255.00, plus additional fees as awarded by the Court, and costs in the sum of \$677.17, with interest on the late charges, attorney's fees and costs from date of Judgment until paid at the rate of 9.930% per annum.

The sale is subject to one (1) month right of redemption in favor of the Defendant as specified in the Judgment filed herein.

**NICK VEGA,**  
Special Master  
P.O. Box 383  
Carrizozo, NM 88301  
(505) 648-2217

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**ELECTION RESOLUTION  
VILLAGE OF CORONA  
RESOLUTION #01-17**

Be it resolved by the governing body of the Village of Corona that:

A. A regular municipal election for the election of municipal officers shall be held on March 5, 2002. Polls will open at 7:00 A.M. and close at 7:00 P.M.

B. At the regular municipal elections, persons shall be elected to fill the following elective offices:  
1. One Mayor for a four year term.  
2. One Councilman for a four year term.  
3. One Councilman for a four year term.  
4. One Councilman for a two year term.

C. The following locations are designated as polling places for the conduct of the regular municipal election:  
1. Voters in Precinct One shall vote at Corona Village Hall, Hwy. 54 and Main Street.

D. Absentee Voting: Any qualified elector of the Village of Corona shall obtain only his or her application for an absentee ballot, only from the office

of the Municipal Clerk. All applications for an absentee ballot must be completed and accepted by the Municipal Clerk prior to 5:00 p.m., February 28, 2002. After 5:00 p.m. on February 28, 2002, all unused absentee ballots will be publicly destroyed by the Municipal Clerk. The Municipal Clerk will accept completed absentee ballots delivered by mail, or in person by the voter casting the absentee ballot, until 7:00 p.m. on March 5, 2002.

E. Early Voting. Early voting will be conducted in the office of the Municipal Clerk, during the regular hours and days of business, Monday through Thursday. Early voting will begin on Wednesday, February 13, 2002 and will close at 5:00 p.m. on Friday, March 1, 2002.

F. Persons desiring to register to vote at the regular municipal election, must register with the County Clerk of Lincoln County not later than Tuesday, February 5, 2002 at 5:00 P.M., the date on which the County Clerk will close registration books.

G. All Declarations of Candidacy shall be filed with the Municipal Clerk on Tuesday, January 8, 2002 between the hours of 8:00 A.M. and 5:00 P.M.

H. The casting of votes by qualified municipal electors shall be recorded on printed paper ballots.

I. The casting of votes by qualified municipal electors who are voting early shall be recorded on printed paper ballots.

Adopted and approved this 15th day of November, 2000.

**GILBERT STEWART,**  
Mayor

ATTEST:  
**CATHY PEREZ,** Municipal Clerk

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Today is predicted to be very warm, following snow on Monday and a cold clear Christmas day. By Sunday another weak low front could bring mountain snow showers. New Year's is predicted to be clear and cold.

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

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

Today, Thursday, December 27:

Clear, sunny and dry. High of 54. Tonight clear and cold with low temperature of 26. No chance for precipitation in Carrizozo.

Friday, December 28:

Clear and sunny. High to 55 in Carrizozo. Lows to 32.

Saturday, December 29:

Clear and colder with high to 50. Lows near 30.

Sunday, December 30:  
Partly cloudy with

chance of showers. Highs to 53 and lows to mid 20s.  
Monday, December 31:  
Partly cloudy and colder. Highs in lower 40s. Lows in the low 20s.

New Years Day, Tuesday, January 1, 2002:

Clear and sunny, with high in the mid 40s. Lows in the mid 20s.

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

Today, December 27:

Clear with high of 54 in Ruidoso. Tonight, clear to partly cloudy with lows to 26. No change for precipitation.

Friday, December 28:

Clear and sunny with high to 52. Lows to 28.

Saturday, December 29:

Clear and colder with high in the upper 40s. Lows in the upper 20s.

Sunday, December 30:

Snow showers with high in the mid 40s, lows in the mid 20s.

Monday, December 31:

Partly cloudy with high in the mid 30s; lows in the upper teens.

New Years Day, Tuesday, January 1, 2002:

Clearing and sunny.



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**LEGAL NOTICE**

NOTICE is hereby given that on June 2, 2000, Rio Hondo Land and Cattle Co. and Ford Secure Trust, P.O. Box 2, Picacho, NM 88343, filed application No. 02628 with the STATE ENGINEER for permit to change partial point of diversion of 100.1 acre-feet per annum of surface waters of the Serrano Ditch which diverts via the Pas Torres and J.P. Analla Ditches in the NE1/4SE1/4SE1/4 of Section 12, Township 11 South, Range 17 East, N.M.P.M., by commencing the use of existing shallow well H-1298 located in the NE1/4NW1/4NW1/4 of Section 13, Township 11 South, Range 17 East, N.M.P.M., for the irrigation of 28.6 acres of land located in the W1/2SW1/4 of Section 7, Township 11 South, Range 18 East, N.M.P.M.

Well H-1298 is supplemental to existing surface water rights. The points of diversion are located approximately 1/2 mile south of Tinnie, New Mexico.

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

cc: Santa Fe  
Published in the Lincoln County News on December 13, 20 and 27, 2001.

**LEGAL NOTICE**

Election Resolution  
Village of Capitan  
Resolution 2001-14

Be it resolved by the governing body of the Village of Capitan that:

- A. A regular municipal election for the election of municipal officers shall be held on March 5, 2002. Polls will open at 7:00 a.m. and close at 7:00 p.m.
- B. At the regular municipal election, persons shall be elected to fill the following elective offices:
  - a. One Mayor for a four-year term.
  - b. ONE Trustee for a four-year term.
  - c. ONE Trustee for a four-year term.
  - d. One Municipal Judge for a four-year term.
- C. Precinct Three (3) is for the regular municipal election.
- D. The following location is designated as the polling place to conduct the regular municipal election:
  - 1. Voters in Precinct three (3) shall vote at Lincoln County Fair Building, 101 West Fifth Street.
- E. Absentee Voting: Any qualified elector of the Village of Capitan shall obtain only his or her application for an application ballot, only from the office of the Municipal Clerk. All applications for an absentee ballot must be completed and accepted by the Municipal Clerk prior to 5:00 p.m., February 28, 2002. After 5:00 p.m. on February 28, 2002, all unused absentee ballots will be publicly destroyed by the Municipal Clerk. The Municipal Clerk will accept completed absentee ballots delivered by mail, or in person by the voter casting the absentee ballot, until 7:00 p.m. on March 5, 2002.
- F. Early Voting: Early voting will be conducted in the office of the Municipal Clerk, during the regular hours and days of business, Monday through Friday. Early voting will begin on Wednesday, February 13, 2002 and will close at 5:00 p.m. on Friday, March 1, 2002.
- G. Persons desiring to register to vote at the regular municipal election, must register with

the County Clerk of Lincoln County not later than Tuesday, February 5, 2002 at 5:00 p.m., the date on which the County Clerk will close registration books.

H. All Declarations of Candidacy shall be filed with the Municipal Clerk on Tuesday, January 8, between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m.

- I. The casting of votes by qualified municipal electors shall be recorded on Voting Machines.
- J. The casting of votes by qualified municipal electors who are voting early shall be recorded on Voting machines.
- K. The casting of votes by qualified municipal electors who are voting by absentee ballot will be recorded on paper ballots.

Adopted and approved this 11th day of December, 2002.

**NORMAN RENFRO**  
Mayor

ATTEST:  
**KATHRYN GRIFFIN**  
Village Clerk

cc: County Clerk  
State of Secretary  
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**LEGAL NOTICE**

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**LEGAL NOTICE**

RESOLUCION DE ELECCION  
Pueblo De Capitan  
RESOLUCION NUM. 2001-14

Sea Resuelto por el cuerpo gobernante del Pueblo de Capitan que:

- A. Una eleccion municipal regular para la eleccion de oficiales municipales se llevara a cabo el 5 de marzo de 2002. Lugares de votacion estaran abiertas al publico entre las horas de las 7:00 a.m. y las 7:00 p.m.
- B. En la eleccion municipal regular individuos seran elegidos para ocupar los siguientes cargos electivos:
  - 1. Un Alcalde por un termino de cuatro anos.
  - 2. Un Fiduciario por un termino de cuatro anos.

**LEGAL NOTICE**

NOTICE is hereby given that on November 27, 2001, Caprock Pipe and Supply Company, P.O. Box 1535, Lovington, NM 88260, filed application No. H-98-A into H-98-A-A with the STATE ENGINEER for permit to change location of well and place of use of 35/0 acre-feet per annum of shallow groundwater by ceasing the diversion of said waters from shallow well H-98-A located in the SE1/4SW1/4NE1/4 of Section 15, Township 11 South, Range 17 East, N.M.P.M., and ceasing the irrigation of 10.0 acres of land described as follows:

SUBDIVISION	SECTION	TOWNSHIP	RANGE	ACRES
SE1/4SW1/4NE1/4	15	11S	17E	0.6
SW1/4SW1/4NE1/4	15	11S	17E	2.48
SE1/4SW1/4NE1/4	15	11S	17E	5.92

The applicant proposes to drill a well 14 inches in diameter and approximately 600 feet in depth at a point in the NE1/4 of Section 36, Township 10 South, Range 13 East, N.M.P.M., for the diversion of 35.0 acre-feet per annum of shallow groundwater, for the irrigation of 10.0 acres of land located in part of the NE1/4 of Section 36, Township 10 South, Range 13 East, N.M.P.M.

The move-from well and acreage are located approximately one mile southwest of Tinnie, off of the Alamo Canyon Road, Lincoln County, New Mexico, N.M.P.M. The move-to well and acreage are located approximately three miles west of Alto, off of the High Mesa Road, 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 or other entity objecting that the granting of the application will be contrary to the conservation of water within the state or detrimental to the public welfare of the state and showing that the objector will be substantially and specifically affected by the granting of the application shall have standing to file objections or protests. Provided, however, that the State of New Mexico or any of its branches, agencies, departments, boards, instrumentalities or institutions, and all political subdivisions of the state and their agencies, instrumentalities and institutions shall have standing to file objections or protests. The objections or protests shall be in writing and shall set forth specific reasons why the application should not be approved and must be filed, in triplicate, with Thomas C. Turney, State Engineer, 1900 W. Second St., Roswell, New Mexico 88201, not later than ten (10) days after the date of the last publication of this Notice. If no valid objection or protest is filed, the state engineer will evaluate the application for impairment to existing water rights, public welfare of the state, and conservation of water within the state.

cc: Santa Fe  
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- 3. Un Fiduciario por un termino de cuatro anos.
  - 4. Un Juez Municipal por un termino de cuatro anos.
- C. El precinto tres (3) para la eleccion municipal regular.
- D. El siguientes localidad son como locales para votar para llevar a cabo la eleccion municipal regular:

1. Los votantes en el Precinto tres (3) votaran en Lincoln County Fair Building, 101 West Fifth Street, en Capitan, New Mexico.

E. Votacion en ausencia: Todo votante calificado de el Pueblo de Capitan obtendra unicamente su solicitud para obtener una boleta para votar en ausencia, unicamente de la oficina de la Escribana de la Municipalidad. La Escribana de la Municipalidad debe llevar y aceptar todas las solicitudes para obtener una boleta para votar en ausencia antes de las 5:00 p.m. el 28 de febrero de 2002. A partir de las 5:00 p.m. el 28 de febrero de 2002, la Escribana de la Municipalidad publicamente destruira todas las boletas no utilizadas. La Escribana de la Municipalidad aceptara las boletas completadas por el votante que emita su boleta con el fin de votar en ausencia que se le entreguen por correo o en persona, hasta las 7:00 p.m. el 5 de marzo de 2002.

F. Votacion por Anticipado: La votacion por anticipado se llevara a cabo en la oficina de la Escribana de la Municipalidad, durante las horas y dias habiles de lunes a viernes. La votacion por anticipado empezara el miercoles, 13 de febrero de 2002 y terminara a las 5:00 p.m. el viernes, 1 de marzo de 2002.

G. La personas que deseen registrarse para votar en la eleccion municipal regular, tienen que registrarse con la Escribana del condado de Lincoln no mas tarde que el martes, 5 de febrero de 2002 a las 5:00 p.m., la fecha en que la Escribana de Condado cerrara los libros del registro.

H. Se archivara todas Declaraciones de Candidatura con la Escribana Municipal el martes, 8 de enero de 2002 entre las horas de las 8:00 a.m. y las 5:00 p.m.

- I. Se hara un record de los electores municipales calificados en maquinas para votar.
- J. Se inscribiran los votos emitidos por los votantes calificados de la municipalidad que votan por anticipado en maquinas para votar.
- K. Se inscribiran los votos emitidos por los votantes calificados de la municipalidad que votan por anticipado en balotas de papel.

Adoptada y aprobada este dia 11 de Diciembre de 2001.

**NORMAN RENFRO**  
Alcalde

Da fe:  
**KATHRYN GRIFFIN**,  
Escribana Municipal  
(SELLO)

cc: County Clerk  
Secretary of State  
Published in the Lincoln County News on December 13 and 27, 2001.

**RESOLUCION DE ELECCION DE LA ALDEA DE CORONA RESOLUCION NUMERO #01-17**

Sea resuelto por el cuerpo gobernante de la Aldea de Corona que:

- A. Una eleccion municipal regular para la eleccion de oficiales municipales se llevara a cabo el 5 de marzo de 2002. Lugares de votacion estaran abiertas al publico entre las horas de las 7:00 A.M. y las 7:00 P.M.
- B. En la eleccion municipal regular, individuos seran elegidos para ocupar los siguientes cargos electivos:
  - 1. Un Mayor por un termino de cuatro anos.
  - 2. Un Regido por un termino de cuatro anos.
  - 3. Un Regido por un termino de cuatro anos.
  - 4. Un Regido por un termino de dos anos.

C. Las siguientes localidades so designadas como locales para votar para llevar a cabo la eleccion municipal regular.

1. Los votantes en el Recinto Consolidado Uno votaran en oficina de la Escribana del la Municipalidad, Hwy. 54 and Main Street.

D. Votacion en Ausencia. Todo votante calificado de la Aldea de Corona obtendra unicamente su solicitud para obtener una balota para votar en ausencia, unicamente de la oficina de la Escribana de la Municipalidad. La Escribana de la Municipalidad debe llevar y aceptar todas las solicitudes para obtener una balota para votar en ausencia antes de las 5:00 P.M. el 28 de febrero de 2002. A partir de las 5:00 p.m. el 28 de febrero de 2002, la Escribana de la Municipalidad publicamente destruira todas las balotas no utilizadas. La Escribana de la Municipalidad aceptara las boletas competadas por el votante que emita su boleta con el fin de votar en ausencia que se le entreguen por correo o en persona hasta las 7:00 p.m. el 5 de marzo de 2002.

E. Votacion por Anticipado. La votacion por anticipado se llevara a cabo en la oficina de la Escribana de la Municipalidad, durante las horas y dias habiles de lunes a jueves. La votacion por anticipado empezara el miercoles, 13 de febrero de 2002 y terminara a las 5:00 p.m. el viernes, 1 de marzo de 2002.

F. Las personas que deseen registrarse para votar en la eleccion municipal regular, tienen que registrarse con la Escribana de condado del Lincoln condado a mas tardar el martes, 5 de febrero de 2002 a las 5:00 P.M., la fecha en que la Escribana del Condado cerrara las libros del registro.

G. Se archivara todas las Declaraciones de Candidatura con la Escribana Municipal el martes, 8 de enero de 2002 entre las horas de las 8:00 A.M. y las 5:00 P.M.

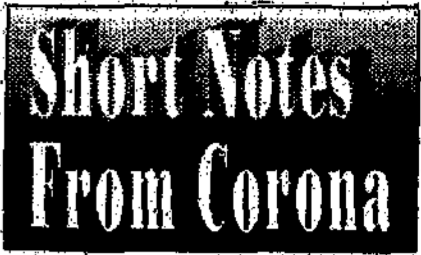
H. Se hara un record de los votos de los electores municipales calificados en balotas de papel.

- I. Se inscribiran los votos emitidos por los votantes calificados de la municipalidad que votan por anticipado en balotas de papel.

Adoptada y aprobado este dia 15th de noviembre de 2001.

**GILBERT STEWART**,  
Alcalde

Da fe:  
**CATHY PEREZ**,  
Escribana Municipal  
Published in the Lincoln County News on December 6 and 27, 2001.



On Saturday, Dec. 15 the Crown CowBelles held their Christmas Dinner at the Chadwick house. The hostess was Esther Johnson. They dined on a delicious pork roast.

On Sunday, Dec. 16 The Denise Byrd family reunion convened in Corona. The approximately 40 members toured the Corona Museum, Christmas Shop, Bed and Breakfast, and mini Statue of Liberty. Then they had a meal and gift exchange. Family came from as far away as Virginia and Oregon with most members coming from the Lincoln county area or Roswell.

On Monday, Dec. 20 the Corona School staff held their Christmas dinner at the La Cocina de Corona Cafe, which was beautifully decorated. The dinner was served by Tara Seeley and Monique Johnson.

School superintendent Travis Lightfoot was given a gift from the staff of a subscription to Rodeo Sports News.

On Wednesday, Dec. 19 Marge Hand was again hospitalized in Alamogordo with a blood clot.

Mrs. Charles Porter remains hospitalized for circulatory problems.

Pam Vickrey is also reportedly hospitalized.

On Wednesday, Dec. 19 The Corona Schools held their annual Christmas program.

Despite a faulty public address system that made it hard to hear, the program was a success. The program ended with the entrance of Santa Claus.

On Thursday, Dec. 20, Santa made an appearance at the Senior Citizens Center where the preschool, kindergarten, first and second grade classes met him. The children sat on Santa's lap and had a picture taken and were given a candy cane. Then the seniors gave them cookies and milk. The children then sang 'Rudolph, the Red Nosed Reindeer' and 'Santa's Using Zebras South of Timbuctu' for the seniors.

After the children returned to school the seniors had a Christmas dinner for about 25 people. Ham, sweet potatoes, corn, fruit salad, rolls, and several desserts were served, by the senior citizen staff. After lunch there was a gift exchange. The senior citizens center gave each senior a decorated can with a recipe for corn bread and the ingredients inside. The can was to be used as a baking pan.

The Rossi twins Victoria and Francesca will have a Merry Christmas. Their mother is coming for Christmas. She has been in Michigan where she will return after Christmas and stay until the sale of their house. The Rossis plan on building a home in the new Heritage Ranch subdivision south of Corona. Mr. Rossi is employed by region 9 here in Lincoln County.



DECEMBER 27 2001



# Sheriff's Report

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son knocked at the caller's door in an RV park east of Ruidoso Downs. The caller requested a deputy drive through the park.

December 21:

8:16 a.m. request for assistance for person who walked to the caller's house off Eagle Creek.

9:30 a.m. accident with injuries at Gavilan and Warrior Drive. Med 2 ambulance responded but was refused.

11:38 a.m. stray dogs in Rancho Ruidoso. The ACO made contact with the owners who advised they would pick the dogs up after work.

1:18 p.m. request for ambulance at location on Highway 70 east for man with heart attack. RALS.

1:21 p.m. request for ambulance at the ski run for 17 year old male with collar bone injury. RALS re-

sponded.

2:17 p.m. accident with injuries at the intersection of Highway 54 and Ancho road. Carrizozo ambulance responded but was refused.

4:05 p.m. dispute at ranch north of Capitan Mountains. Two deputies responded.

4:06 p.m. a sporting goods company in Albuquerque was attempting to locate a subject in Nogal Canyon.

December 23:

9:06 a.m. stolen dog from location in Honda.

10:56 a.m. runaway from Valley View in Ruidoso Downs. Ruidoso Downs Police later advised they had the juveniles in custody.

12:59 p.m. four wheelers at Morjeau.

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Lincoln County is now accepting applications for an APPRAISAL CLERK in the Lincoln County Assessor's Office. Applicants must have working knowledge of computer systems and basic programs; experience in Microsoft Word; mathematical skills; good communication skills, both orally and in writing; and the ability to work with various office equipment. Obtain application and job description at the Lincoln County Manager's Office in Carrizozo or by calling 505/648-2385. The last day to apply for this position is Monday, January 7, 2002 at 5:00 P.M. Lincoln County, Equal Opportunity Employer and in Compliance with ADA Requirements, Title II-A. **1tc/Dec. 27**

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**LEGAL NOTICE**  
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Notice of Request for Proposals  
01-02-012

"Professional Architectural Services for Ruidoso Public Health Clinic"

Due: February 7, 2002 / 2:00 p.m. MST

Lincoln County is requesting proposals for professional architectural services for the project "Ruidoso Public Health Clinic". Copies of the Request for Proposal can be obtained in person at the office of the Purchasing Agent at Lincoln County Courthouse or will be mailed upon written or telephone request to Jane Williams at (505) 648-2385.

A Mandatory Pre-Proposal Conference will be held on January 11, 2002 at the Commission Chambers at 10:00 a.m. MST.

**JANE WILLIAMS**  
Purchasing Agent  
December 21, 2001

Published in the Lincoln County News on Thursday, December 27, 2001.

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**LEGAL NOTICE**  
**COUNTY OF LINCOLN**  
Carrizozo, NM

Notice of Request for Proposals  
01-02-013

"Professional Architectural Services for Carrizozo Health Clinic Expansion"

Due: February 7, 2002 / 2:00 p.m. MST

Lincoln County is requesting proposals for professional architectural services for the project "Carrizozo Health Clinic Expansion". Copies of the Request for Proposal can be obtained in person at the office of the Purchasing Agent at Lincoln County Courthouse or will be mailed upon written or telephone request to Jane Williams at (505) 648-2385.

A Mandatory Pre-Proposal Conference will be held on January 11, 2002 at the Commission Chambers at 10:15 a.m. MST.

**JANE WILLIAMS**  
Purchasing Agent  
December 21, 2001

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**LEGAL NOTICE**  
**COUNTY OF LINCOLN**  
Carrizozo, NM

Notice of Request for Proposals  
01-02-014

"Professional Architectural Services for Lincoln County Medical Center Ambulatory Surgery Project"

Due: February 7, 2002 / 2:00 p.m. MST

Lincoln County is requesting proposals for professional architectural services for the project "Lincoln County Medical Center Ambulatory Surgery Project". Copies of the Request for Proposal can be obtained in person at the office of the Purchasing Agent at Lincoln County Courthouse or will be mailed upon written or telephone request to Jane Williams at (505) 648-2385.

A Mandatory Pre-Proposal Conference will be held on January 11, 2002 at the Commission Chambers at 10:30 a.m. MST.

**JANE WILLIAMS**  
Purchasing Agent  
December 21, 2001

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By Clint Harmon

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# Letters to Santa Claus . . .

Due to extremely bad weather at the North Pole Santa was a wee bit late in delivering the following 'Santa' letters to the 'News' last week. Apparently even Santa doesn't have any extra pull at the U.S. Postal Service.

Dear Santa,  
My name is Judith Romero. I am 5 years old. I want you to bring me a doll house and a dog, and a baby cat.  
Thank you.  
Love, Judith  
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Dear Santa,  
My Name is Christy Huey. I am 5 years old. I am in kindergarteen. I want you to bring a Barbie Doll, and a baby doll, and Barbie Doll Clothes. Thank you.  
Love, Christy Huey  
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Dear Santa,  
My name is Fernando Jaramillo. I am 5 years old. I am in kindergarten. I want you to bring me a monster truck, flag, airplane, dinosaur, and computer.  
Thank you, Fernando  
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Dear Santa,  
My name is Asa Cospes. I am 5 years old. I am in kindergarten at Corona School.  
I want you to bring a monster truck, Army guy, dinosaur, and chocolate milk for you.

Thank you, Asa Cospes  
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Dear Santa,  
My name is Amber Posey. I am 5 years old. I am in kindergarten. I want you to bring a Power Puff Girl doll, Barbie Doll, and a bear.  
Thank you.  
Love, Amber Posey  
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Dear Santa,  
My name is Cynthia Arevalo. I am 6 years old. I am in Kindergarten. I want you to bring a Barie with a hat and a red dog with lots of hair and I want it to be real.  
Love, Cynthia Arevalo  
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Dear Santa,  
My name is Ty Brown. I am 6 years old. I am in Kindergarten. I want a bag of dinosaurs. Merry Christmas.  
Thank you, Ty Brown  
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## Carrizozo Character Counts -- November, 2001

**Kindergarten:** Calie Armandariz, Devon Artechie, Jonathan Brazie, Nicholas Chavez, Eric Culley, Sarah Ferguson, Shayna Gallacher, Jace Hill, Bailey Holden, Mason Huston, MacKenzie Moore, Jeremiah Sedillo, Johananathan Smith, Isaac Vega, Erica Vega, Shaye Ventura, Rylah Zamora, Zachary Zamora.

**1st Grade:** Sierra Anaya, Andrea Beltran, Timara Burd, Amanda Gallegos, Rebecca Green, Sean Medina, Arturo Najera, Utavious Nash, Jade Roper, Casey Vega, Andrea Vigil, Shayna Zamora.

**2nd Grade:** Gabriella Barela, Lane Carter, Justin Greer, Jaime McCarthy, Sara Ann McNatt, Carmen Tate, Catelena Vega, Justin Vega, Marriah Ventura, Marshall Ventura, Jordan Vinson.

**3rd Grade:** Joel Ferguson, Kylie Gaines, Jordan Hill, Jenna Schartz, Michelle Shivers, Lauren Smith, Stephanie Zamora.

**4th Grade:** Scott Barela, Alexandra Borowski, Alison Comstock, Erika Culley, Joseph Gallegos, Ryan Guevara, Tessa Hendricks, Adrianne Ramirez, Carlos Samora, Maria Tate, Arron Vallejos, Kenneth Vega, Kinsey Vega, Matthew Vega, Ashley Ventura, Derrick Vinson.

**5th Grade:** Elizabeth Bingerman, Clinton Cogdill, Heili Jo Paul, Jennifer Shafer, Bailey Shivers, Zeke Vega, Chrishanda Zamora, Rory Zamora.



**Dairy Case**

KRAFT ASSORTED Shredded Cheese 8 OZ. PKGS. **2\$4** FOR

KRAFT CHEDDAR MONTJACK Cheese Cubes 8 OZ. PKGS. **2\$4** FOR

PLAIN Egg Nog QUART **2\$3** FOR

TROPICANA ASSTD. PURE PREMIUM Orange Juice 96 OZ. BTL. **\$3.99**

IMPERIAL MARGARINE Quarters 16 Z. PKGS. **299¢** FOR

## STURGES VENTURE

BLUE BUNNY ASSTD. Ice Cream 5 QUART PAIL **3.99**

SHURFINE Dip 8 OZ. TUB. **79¢**

ASSORTED Banquet Pot Pies 7 OZ. PKGS. **4\$2** FOR

FRESH Tomatoes **99¢** LB.

FAMILY PACK (PREV. FROZEN) Drumsticks or Thighs **49¢** LB.

**We Toast You**

SANTA FE REG. OR SEASONED Tortilla Chips 14-20 OZ. PKGS. **2\$5** FOR

GINGER ALE, TONIC WATER OR CLUB SODA Shurfine Mixers 1 LITER **2\$1** FOR

MCHENNY Tabasco Sauce 2 OZ. BTL. **99¢**

PETER PAN ASSORTED Peanut Butter 17.6-18 OZ. JAR **\$1.69**

SHURFINE Party Peanuts 12 OZ. CAN. **\$1.79**

SHURFINE (W/LESS THAN 50% PEANUTS) Mixed Nuts 12 OZ. CAN. **\$2.99**

SHURFINE Whole Cashews 10 OZ. CAN. **\$3.49**

PURINA Meow Mix 18 LB. BAG **\$9.99**

SHURFINE ASSORTED Microwave Popcorn 3 PACK **99¢**

PREFERRED TRIM BONELESS BEEF Arm Roast **1.59** LB.

Russet Potatoes 10 LB. BAG **1.49**

NEW YEAR'S TRADITION Salted Pork Jowls **69¢** LB.

PREFERRED TRIM BONELESS BEEF New York Strip Steak **3.99** LB.

PREFERRED TRIM BONELESS BEEF Steak **1.79** LB.

BONELESS BEEF Stew Meat **2.49** LB.

TOP BLADE STEAK **\$1.99** LB.

PILGRIM'S PRIDE Buffalo Wings 32 OZ. PKG. **\$4.99**

HILLSHIRE FARMS ALL VARIETIES Smoked Sausage 16 OZ. PKGS. **2\$4** FOR

CELLO PACKED PEELLED Baby Carrots 1 LB. PKG. **99¢**

HASS Avocados **5\$2** FOR

GREEN Cabbage **4\$1** FOR

SPICY JALAPENO Peppers **69¢** LB.

**Frozen Foods**

CHEDDAR BACON POTATO SKINS OR BUFFALO WINGS T.G.I. Friday Snacks **2\$99** FOR

CHEDDAR OR CREAM CHEESE Jalapeño Poppers **2\$5** FOR

CHEESE STICK Mozzarella Poppers **2\$4** FOR

ASSORTED Doritos Chips 13.25 OZ. BAGS **2\$5** FOR

SHURFINE PREMIUM Blackeye Peas 15 OZ. CANS **3\$79¢** FOR

SANTA FE Bean Dip 9 OZ. CAN. **2\$3** FOR

ASSORTED Santa Fe Salsa 16 OZ. JAR **1.99**

# New Year's BLOWOUT

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