

Lincoln County Weathers Storm

by Doris Cherry

A heavy winter storm hit Lincoln County on Saturday that left highways ice slicked and dangerous, contributing to a fatal accident that killed two men from Juarez.

According to state police at about 4:15 p.m. Saturday January 27, Jesus Martinez and Armando Vasquez were killed when Martinez lost

control of their van on ice slicked Highway 70 near Fox Cave, east of Ruidoso Downs. The vehicle slid sideways and slammed into an east bound semi truck driven by Susan Task from Texas. Task was not cited, and state police said she did all she could to avert the accident but was unable to prevent it because of the snow packed roadway.

A passenger in the van,

Ramon Gonzales, was injured and taken to Lincoln County Medical Center.

Four other major accidents with injuries were reported on Saturday, all weather related, said Lt. Bill Bowers with the Alamogordo State Police office. He said about half the state police officers in the southern district were out during the storm, and additional officers were

brought in from other districts to assist. Bowers said about a dozen accidents without injuries were reported.

Bowers said Highway 70 from Tularosa to Roswell was closed after the accident because of the accident and because of dangerous traveling conditions. State police also closed Highway 54 south to Tularosa and north bound

to Corona out of Carrizozo, and Highway 380 west of Carrizozo on Saturday. Members of the State Police Mounted Patrol and state highway department crews manned the road closure barricades.

Carrizozo Police Chief Angelo Vega said there were at least 55 semi trucks and very many passenger vehicles stranded in Carrizozo Saturday night

until about noon Sunday because of snow packed roads and snow being drifted on roads by the high winds. Vega said his department was contacted by the Lincoln County Sheriff's Office to help with the people stranded in Carrizozo on Saturday and Sunday. He said he and his officers es-

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County School Board Elections Are Tuesday

by Doris Cherry

Seventeen people filed for positions on the boards of education for the five school districts in Lincoln County.

Candidates' names are listed in the order they will appear on the election ballots. All terms are for four

years, beginning March 1, 2001.

Capitan Municipal School District No. 28:
Position #1, David Cox and Thomas Robert Trost.
Position #2, Gary R. Tregembo
Carrizozo Municipal School District No. 07

Position #3, Cynthia A. Morales, James L. Grider, Patricia M. Vallejos.

Position #4, Angelo Vega, Eldon Offutt.

Hondo Valley Public School District No. 20

Position #1, Dennis R. Nosker, Lucinda Loveless.

Position #2, no one filed for this position.

Corona Municipal School District No. 13

Position #4, Shirley Jeanene Gibbs.

Position 5, Alvin D. James.

Ruidoso Municipal School District No. 03

Position #4, Candace Valcarcel, James D. Paxton.

Position #5, Vikkee A. Johnson, Jacquelyn M. Brannum, Danny E. Sisson.

In addition to candidates for their respective boards of education, Hondo and Corona School Districts are asking voters to consider continuing the Public School Capital Outlay Mill Levy (also called the two mill levy or SB9). The SB9 funds, which come from property tax, are used for equipment, maintenance, remodeling, activity buses and other capital needs. SB9 money cannot be used for salaries.

Absentee balloting for the school elections continues through February 2 with "in-person" absentee balloting at the Lincoln County Clerk's office in the Lincoln County Courthouse in Carrizozo.

To receive an absentee ballot, a registered voter must request an application for absentee ballot from the office of the Lincoln County Clerk. When the voter receives the application, the voter must complete and sign the application and return it in person to the clerk's office in order to receive an absentee ballot. Voters are allowed to complete the application process and receive an absentee ballot in one visit to the clerk's office. This is called "in-person" absentee voting.

The last day the clerk's office will mail out absentee ballots is February 2, said elections bureau clerk Sam Chavez.

For more information on absentee ballots call the Lincoln County Clerk's office at 648-2394.

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Angelo Vega Declines Tularosa Police Job

by Doris Cherry

Carrizozo Police Chief Angelo Vega will be staying in Carrizozo for now.

Vega told *THE NEWS* he withdrew his resume/application to the position of Tularosa Chief of Police.

"Dear Mayor Montoya," Vega wrote in a letter FAXed to Tularosa Mayor Demetrio Montoya on January 24, "I would like to inform you that I am not interested in the position of Chief of Police as applied for in November 2000. I was recently informed of an interview by Mr. Hardison (Jerry Hardison Tularosa Trustee), of which I can not accept at this time. Thank you for your consideration. Angelo Vega."

Vega told *THE NEWS* that he was unable to get back to *THE NEWS* on Wednesday, January 24, because he was booking a DWI arrest into the Lincoln County Detention Center in the Lincoln County Courthouse (across the street from *THE NEWS* office.) Vega found the message from *THE NEWS* when he returned to his office, which was after press deadline.

"I want to inform all those concerned that I do not have a need to leave my home town," Vega said. "I appreciate the current Carrizozo mayor and council who have treated me well."

"At this time I am staying in Carrizozo with the Carrizozo Police Department," Vega continued. "Carrizozo Police Depart-

ment has done well under my administration, we have maintained officers for long periods, the department is free and clear of litigation, it has a balanced budget and no problems with the state Department of Finance and Administration (DFA) and good rapport with the citizens."

"It makes me stronger

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Carrizozo Chamber Sponsors Candidates Forum February 1

Carrizozo Chamber of Commerce is sponsoring a "Meet the Candidates Night" at 7 p.m. Thursday, February 1, at Otero County Electric Cooperative office community room in Carrizozo.

Candidates are for Position #3, Cynthia A. Morales, James L. Grider, Patricia M. Vallejos and for Position #4, Angelo Vega, Eldon Offutt.

School board election is Tuesday, February 6. The consolidated election poll for Carrizozo School District is at Carrizozo Schools Administration Buildings. Polls will be open from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m.

Sample ballots for the election are available at the school, Carrizozo Town Hall and the Lincoln County Clerk's Office in the Lincoln County Courthouse in Carrizozo.



Winter In Carrizozo

Heavy snows buried Carrizozo on Saturday and Sunday, turning streets to ice and burying yuccas and vehicles in drifts up to three feet deep. The storm blew in on Saturday, forcing the closure of Highway 54 from Tularosa to Carrizozo and from Carrizozo north to Corona. Highway 380 west out of Carrizozo was also closed due to snow packed roads and high winds. By Monday, Carrizozo began digging out. Snow that had drifted around yucca plants created fantastic natural sculptures in a cold but beautiful winter wonderland. The heavy wet snow brought much welcomed moisture to Lincoln County. About 25 inches of snow fell on the ski run in the last seven days.

Bill To Be Introduced To Sell Fort Stanton

by Doris Cherry

A bill will soon be introduced into the New Mexico State Legislative session to authorize the sale or lease of Fort Stanton.

According to General Services Division public information officer George Marquez on Wednesday, January 31, a final draft has been done and he expects Rep. Bill Fuller of Albuquerque to be the sponsor of the bill.

Marquez said the purpose of the bill will be to allow the state to take action on any recommendation that might result from the Kells and Craig Fort Stanton Use

study.

Last year, working with a \$50,000 appropriation from the 2000 state legislature to finance a use study of Fort Stanton, the General Services Division (GSD) Property Control Department drafted and solicited a request for proposals. On September 8, in an evaluation meeting held at Fort Stanton, an evaluation committee of three GSD staff members and Lincoln County Manager Tom Stewart heard proposals from the three finalist firms. The evaluation committee awarded the study to Kells and Craig based on their

proposal.

By January, the contract between Kells and Craig had yet to be signed by the state. After several calls from Stewart, State Rep. Dub Williams, officers of Fort Stanton, Inc. and many other concerned citizens, the contract was finalized.

"We've been getting lots of calls from Lincoln County from people concerned that the study is not being done," Marquez said. "The department assures that the study will be conducted."

"Property Control does not

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corted and transported people to the Santa Rita Catholic Church parish hall where they could keep warm.

"We thank Father Dave for opening the parish hall," Vega said. "We also thank Carrizozo Municipal Judge C.O. Rominger for helping with taking stranded travelers to the parish hall in his own vehicle." He also

thanked Carrizozo Volunteer Fire Department Chief LeeRoy Zamora for bringing a fire truck to the barricade on Highway 380 to provide additional emergency lights during the Saturday blizzard. Carrizozo received up to a foot of snow, with depths hard to measure because of the winds that made snow drift up to three feet deep in places.

All motels in Carrizozo filled with stranded motorists and truckers.

Vega said there were no reported accidents with the town. Many residents reported having high snow drifts over their vehicles, but there were no reports of people being unable to get out of their homes. There were a few reports of furnaces having blown out in the high winds, Vega said. Capitan-Carrizozo Natural Gas field supervisor Neo Vallejos responded to the gas calls.

One of the Carrizozo police vehicles did have mechanical problems due to the icy weather.

Carrizozo town crews were out on Monday clearing streets, leaving piles of snow in the middle of Central Ave. and other streets. State Police again closed Highway 54 northbound out of Carrizozo on Tuesday, because high winds had caused snow to drift on the highway.

On Sunday, state police responded to a one-vehicle accident on the Ski Run Road. A 1994 Chevy Suburban carrying five people from Texas was going down Ski Run Road at mile marker 9 when the driver lost control of the vehicle, causing the vehicle to go over the guard rail and roll 10 times. Police said the driver was going too fast for conditions. The five people, the driver from Lubbock and the other four from El Paso, were taken to Lincoln County Medical Center in Ruidoso.

State police say many people do not heed the weather related road closures and physically move

the barricades so they can continue on. Police have authority to cite motorists who go around or try to go around the road closure barricades.

Lincoln County Superintendent Albert Hernandez said his crews worked 170 hours overtime during the storm trying to keep roadways open. He said crews concentrated on keep Gavilan Canyon Road open on Saturday, but quit at 10 p.m. because there were few people out driving around and because of the continued snow.

Drifting snow was a problem for road crews, especially in the high plains of northern and eastern portions of the county. Hernandez said the crews waited a day before they began removing snow from high plains areas to allow the snow to melt and pack down somewhat. Hernandez said there were lots of minor accidents due to the storm on Saturday.

One major problem because of the snowy weather is the county road department salt budget, which is now about \$3,000 in the red, Hernandez said.

County manager Tom Stewart said he never considered calling an emergency due to the storm, because it was not so severe as what hit counties in other parts of New Mexico.

School Elections

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Sample ballots are available at the office of the Lincoln County Clerk, municipal halls and school administration offices.

For more information about the school elections see the legal listings in *THE NEWS*, or call the Lincoln County Clerk's office at 648-2394.



Laura Radcliff

Laura Ann Radcliff Is NMSU Graduate

Laura Ann Radcliff recently graduated from New Mexico State University (NMSU) in Las Cruces where she earned her Bachelor's Degree in Business Administration, Finance.

Laura is a 1995 graduate of Alamogordo High School and the daughter of Preston and Barbara Radcliff of Alamogordo and granddaughter of Lorena Radcliff and the late Carl Radcliff of Hondo. She is also the granddaughter of George Creel and the late Mattie Creel of Ruidoso and Alamogordo.

While attending college Laura was employed by First National Bank of Alamogordo and State National Bank of Las Cruces. She is currently employed as the Consumer Service Manager and assistant branch manager for State National Bank in Las Cruces.

Laura is the third generation of her family to graduate from NMSU.

CARRIZOZO SCHOOLS

Superintendent's Report

I recently received an Urgent Request to Conserve Energy from Gov. Johnson. Energy costs to schools have risen significantly this winter. One of the primary reasons for increased costs include the tight energy (electrical and natural gas) supplies and increased energy demand in the western United States.

What can New Mexico schools do? When there are increases to electricity and gas rates, New Mexico students, teachers, staff, and administrators can be proactive and take action to reduce energy consumption and stave off high bills. This not only helps your school/district to save funds for education needs, but also helps improve the situation for all of New Mexico and the West. When New Mexico's total demand for electricity and gas are reduced, you are not likely to see prices escalate so sharply.

Everyone can help at school and at home by following ten guidelines from the Energy Conservation and Management Division (ECMD) of the New Mexico Energy Department:

- 1.) Turn off computer monitors whenever you are finished using a computer, and remember to turn off computers in classrooms and computer labs immediately after school.
- 2.) Many schools leave their lights on for an extra hour or two every afternoon after school, which can raise electrical costs by 12 to 15 percent. Turn all the lights off in the school as soon as school is out. And, ask the custodian to turn off lights as they clean.
- 3.) "Would the last one out please turn off the lights?" Keep lights off when no one is in a room. It takes less energy to restart a lamp than to leave it running all the time.
- 4.) Remind the district staff to set back school heating equipment by 10-15 degrees beginning as early as half an hour before school is out. The setbacks should hold throughout the night, or holidays, and weekends. Most school heating systems can be timed to restart from 5:30 a.m. to bring a school building back to a comfortable temperature by the time teachers and students arrive. It takes less fuel to reheat a school than to leave it on all night.
- 5.) Start an "Energy Patrol" in your school. Energy Patrols are groups of students who are assigned (perhaps as part of a science curriculum or science project) to monitor and reduce energy use. For more information, contact the National Energy Foundation at 801/908-5800.
- 6.) Use equipment that has a big energy usage before noon whenever possible. This helps cut peak demand charges on a school's power bills. Big equipment includes kilns, electric ovens, sawdust collectors, and stage and sports lights.

7.) Let Mother Nature give a hand by using natural daylighting and shutting off electric lights. Open the blinds to let in sunlight and warmth. Studies show that students score better with daylighting rather than electric lighting.

8.) Use energy efficient compact fluorescent lamps to replace incandescent bulbs.

9.) Keep hot water temperatures to 120-130 degrees Fahrenheit for sinks and showers.

10.) Have maintenance staff check to make sure that outside air dampers operate properly on the heating and ventilation system and make sure all system air filters are clean.

Executive Order #99-40 "Energy and Water Conservation in State Government" call on all State government organizations to reduce their collective energy and water consumption by at least 4% between 1998 and 2002. Our total energy cost for FY 1999 was approximately \$70,000 and will go up significantly in FY 2000. We will need to reduce energy use by some \$3,000 during FY 2001.

I believe we can accomplish significant savings by adopting a policy of not watering the school yard, flowers, etc. We will need to continue to water the football field on a necessary basis; however, some conservation can be applied. As our elementary and middle school will be under construction this summer traditional watering of plants, etc. of the elementary courtyard would have been discontinued anyway. I estimate reduction of our water use to approach \$1,500 this summer. Also, I believe we can eliminate another \$1,500 of energy expenditures from the budget by simply practicing the 10 measures listed above. Should we be successful we will have reduced the energy expenditures by the desired 4%.

David Cooper

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February 6, 2001

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Is Tuesday, Feb. 6th

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**Vote for
ELDON G. OFFUTT
Board Position #4**



Branch Banks Sold, Will Remain Open

Ruidoso State Bank branches in Carrizozo and Capitan will remain open, and are currently in the process of being sold to First Federal Bank of Roswell.

According to a press release from First Federal Bank and Ruidoso State Bank, Ruidoso State Bank Corporation and State National Bancshares, Inc. announced the pending divestiture of the two Ruidoso State Bank branches in Carrizozo and Capitan.

First Federal Bank of Roswell had applied for regulatory approval to acquire the branch bank locations. The divestiture is required of the State National Bancshares, Inc. in order to obtain regulatory approval to acquire Ruidoso State Banks Corporation, parent company of Ruidoso State Bank.

The merger agreement between Ruidoso State Bank Corporation and State National Bancshares, Inc. is expected to be completed by January 31.

State National Bancshares, Inc. is a multi-bank holding company headquartered in Lubbock, TX. State National Bank has one branch bank in Ruidoso and other locations throughout southern New Mexico and west Texas. First Federal Bank of Roswell was established in 1920 and has five locations in New Mexico and one location in El Paso.

At the January 18 Carrizozo Chamber of Commerce meeting, Tom Battin president of State National Bank, Tom Rigby president of First Federal Bank, and Aubry Dunn chief executive officer of First Federal Bank were guest speakers. Battin said he wanted to quell rumors that the branch bank in Carrizozo was going to close. Instead the branch is alive and well. He explained that in the year long negotiations with State National Bank to purchase Ruidoso State Bank, the ultimate deciding factor was the bank had to divest the branch banks, leading

to the sale of the branch banks in Carrizozo and Capitan to First Federal Bank. Dunn said the all proper applications were filed, shareholders were notified

by letter and it may take about three months for everything to be completed. The branch offices will remain open as Ruidoso State Bank until the merger is finalized.

FIRST AND THIRD TUESDAYS
Alayne Spivey of the District II Office of the State Ineer is at Ruidoso Village Hall from 9 a.m. to 12 p.m.

TUESDAYS
Alcoholics Anonymous 7 p.m. Carrizozo Senior Center. 648-1145 for information.

WEDNESDAYS
Moms In Touch prayer group, 2 p.m. 707 F. Ave. In Carrizozo.
Alcoholics Anonymous open meeting, 7 p.m. Capitan Senior Citizens Center.

THURSDAYS
Story Hour, 9:15-10:15 a.m. Carrizozo School Library.
Lincoln County Adult Singles Group 6:30 p.m. Call 2635 or 258-3201 for information and location.
Capitan Chamber of Commerce bingo 7 p.m.

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

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

TODAY, THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 1

Lincoln County Planning Commission, 6 p.m. Ruidoso Village Administration Center council chambers. Business includes election of chair and vice-chair, selection meeting dates, adoption of open meetings Act; continuing review of county subdivision regulations proposed changes, discussion of comprehensive plan for Airport Ave, Fort Stanton Road and adjoining areas.
Carrizozo school board candidate forum, 7 p.m. Otéro County Electric Cooperative office community room.
Capitan Chamber of Commerce Bingo begins 6 p.m. Chamber building 2nd street.

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 2
Ruidoso Public Library will not check out books this Friday and Saturday, Feb. 3 to allow them to update their circulation files.

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 3
State Fire Marshal's Office public meeting 9 a.m. Ruidoso Convention Center to discuss revised volunteer fire fighter policies. All interested are invited. Municipal and county officials have also been invited.

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 5
Capitan Chamber of Commerce 12:30 p.m. chamber building on 2nd Street.
Keep Ruidoso Beautiful Committee, 5 p.m. Ruidoso large hall.
Carrizozo Planning and Zoning Commission 6:30 p.m. Town Hall.

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 6
School Board elections, polls open 7 a.m. to 7 p.m.
Ruidoso Planning and Zoning Commission 2 p.m.
Capitan American Legion Post regular meeting 6:30 p.m. Capitan Senior Citizens Center. All honorably discharged veterans invited to attend.

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 7
Lawyer Referral for the Elderly Program, free legal workshop 10 a.m. Ruidoso Senior Center. For New Mexico residents 55 or older. To schedule private appointment call 257-4565.
Billy the Kid Byways Committee meeting scheduled for this day has been canceled. Next meeting March 7.

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 8
Ruidoso Arts Commission 4 p.m.
Corona Village Trustees 6:30 p.m. Business includes public hearing on proposed village personnel ordinance concerning compensation, vacation time, holidays, leave absence, sick leave and bereavement leave. The proposed ordinance can be viewed at Corona Village Hall during regular business hours prior to the meeting.
Capitan Board of Education 6 p.m.

VOTE Feb. 6, 2001
James L. Grider
CARRIZOZO SCHOOL BOARD
POSITION 3
8 Years Prior
School Board Experience!

Carrizozo School Administrative Secretary Job Open

Carrizozo schools business manager Nenna Whittaker will be retiring at the end of July.

Her position at Carrizozo Schools as business manager has been offered to current administrative secretary Linda Brown.

The ad published in the Lincoln County News on January 18 for the administrative secretary/clerk position with Carrizozo Schools

is the position Linda Brown now holds," Whittaker told THE NEWS. She said there have been many inquiries into the advertisement and many people erroneously think the open position is the one Whittaker now holds.

Whittaker said training for both positions will take place during the remainder of the fiscal year (which ends June 30).

Short Notes

Ruidoso Library To Update Files

In order to improve service to patrons, Ruidoso Public Library will be updating its circulation computer software on February 2 and 3.

The process will require closing the circulation computers to the public on these days. No books or tapes will be checked out on February 2 and 3. The library will be open and will provide internet access, newspapers, magazines, paperback exchange and FAX services. Library materials returned on these days will not be charged overdue fines.

Julie Barham Is Awarded Scholarship

Julie Ann Barham of Carrizozo was awarded the Virginia & C.R. Hutcheson Scholarship at Texas Tech University College of Human Sciences.

Julie is the daughter of Gordon and Jan Barham.



IN THE SERVICE

Navy News

Navy Petty Officer 3rd Class Eldon G. Offutt II, a 1988 graduate of Carrizozo High School, recently completed the Navy Nuclear Power Training Unit course at the Naval Nuclear Power Training facility in Ballston Spa, NY. Upon completion of the course, Offutt was designated as a nuclear propulsion plant operator.

Army News

Army National Guard Pvt. Kimberly S. Hadley has graduated from basic military training at Fort Leonard Wood, Waynesville, Mo. She is the daughter of Richard D. Haley of Ruidoso Downs and Carol R. Hendricks of Cynthia, IND. She was a 2000 graduate of North Posey High School, Poseyville, IND.

Applications For Weatherization Being Accepted

Community Action Agency of Southern New Mexico is accepting applications for the weatherization program.

The program is for low income, elderly and disabled residents.

Anyone interested can obtain an application by writing to Weatherization Assistance Program, PO

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POSITION 4 - POSICION 4
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ANGELO VEGA

ELDON G. OFFUTT

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Position #3
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SCHOOL BOARD MEMBER
February 6, 2001.
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En la eleccion de Febrero 6, 2001.
Vote por
PATRICIA (Patsy) M. VALLEJOS
En la posicion #3
como miembro de la junta de instruccion publica.
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THOUGHTS

FROM THE EDITOR'S DESK

Broken Promises

By Ruth Hammond

Deciphering the double talk that is coming out of Santa Fe is difficult at times. Right now the double talk is about Fort Stanton and we believe it is an indication of broken promises. State officials agreed to fund a study that would determine the best uses for Fort Stanton. Sounded like a good idea and we were pleased the state was willing to pay \$50,000 for the study. State officials came to Fort Stanton in September to meet with the three finalist firms whose proposals were selected to do the study of the Fort.

Instead of handling the matter properly, state officials let the paperwork languish in bureaucratic process, and more than three months elapsed before any paperwork was completed toward the contract for the study of Fort Stanton. State officials did however manage to get the paper work started on a bill to be introduced to the state legislature to sell Fort Stanton. It would have been better if they had worked diligently on the contract for the study.

State officials may have agreed to fund the study of uses for Fort Stanton just as a ploy to confuse people into believing that the state really does want what is best for Fort Stanton. Maybe, but don't believe it. State officials knew exactly what they were doing, and it was deliberate.

However they try to explain it, the entire situation is about water rights associated with Fort Stanton, not just water rights adjudicated in the 1800s, but first rights to water every day from Bonita Lake. Who might benefit if they had access to these extremely valuable water rights?

One explanation given about the bill to sell Fort Stanton was that it would enable the state to take action on any of the recommendations without having to wait for the next legislative session. Baloney! State officials take action on many state issues each and every day without having to wait for legislative approval. The main thing is that the study was not supposed to be a ten-second written essay about what the writer thought. The study was to include public meetings, surveys of governmental agencies, etc., and as the state has shown us, governmental agencies take their time to do some things. State officials took their own time to process the paperwork for the Fort study.

Numerous calls have been made to Santa Fe asking about the study, an indication that people do care. Seems some state officials continue to assume that no one knows where Fort Stanton is and those state officials don't care.

Eventually maybe we can convince people in the state offices that we do care about Fort Stanton. Let's hope we can convince them before the state sells our historic Fort Stanton. Someone wants those water rights and someone is trying desperately to make it look as if it costs the state too much money for the state to continue to own the Fort.

Saving Fort Stanton could be difficult because state officials and "others" are trying to destroy Fort Stanton. It could be for money, it could be for glory, it could be for.....

The people who really care about Fort Stanton need to work together to help preserve the entire facility. Do you really care about Fort Stanton's future? Are you involved?

Honest is as honest does



EDITOR: We wonder why the cost of education is so high? The Federal Court Ruling described in your article January 18, 2001, is another reason we must spend money in the administration of our schools instead of teaching the students. One court ruling will cost our schools hundreds of dollars in administration costs to keep up with paper work.

I understand that it should be the right of parents to keep their children from embarrassment by calling out grades in the classroom, but to saddle our entire school system with the responsibility to send out notices and collect those notices and keep up with whose names can and cannot be made public is unbelievable! I asked the question at the board meeting about making the public aware of the opportunity to have their child's name withheld and placing the responsibility on the parent. I was informed that the Judge wrote the recommendation, and we must abide by his recommendation.

I see in your article the use of the word "may" many times. We are now to the point that if a judge issues a ruling that might cause us to be brought to court, we jump to the defensive position and enact rules that require additional labor hours for staff.

If Judges and Lawyers had to pay the cost of their opinions, we would have fewer opinions. I hope mine doesn't cost anyone.

EDWARD VINSON
Capitan, New Mexico

Sato Lee Honored As Cattleman Of The Year

Oliver "Sato" Lee of Mountainair was honored by his fellow livestock producers as the New Mexico Cattle Growers Association 2000 Cattleman of the Year at the recent Joint Stockmen's Convention.

years and served three terms as vice-president. Lee moved to his ranch near Mountainair in 1988 from Reserve where he served as Catron County Commissioner for two years, and on the Reserve School Board for five years.

Lee has been an active NM Cattle Growers Association member for many



INSIDE THE CAPITOL

by JAY MILLER

SANTA FE - A New Beginning is what Gov. Gary Johnson asked the 2001 Legislature to give him on opening day, little knowing what would transpire during the next 24 hours.

It now appears the New Beginning may have arrived. Gov. Johnson pledged to actively engage the Legislature, something he never had done before. Skeptics didn't have long to keep their eyebrows raised. By the following day, Johnson, lying in a hospital bed with a broken back, was on the phone drumming up support to oust Sen. Manny Aragon from his president pro tem post.

That's not the kind of active involvement lawmakers, or even the governor, had envisioned, but it was a start. Less than a week later, Johnson visited the floor of both houses asking legislators to sign the plastic cast that covered his back. Although he says it is the most pain he ever has had to endure, Johnson is not the type to lie around taking it easy.

Democrats weren't pleased that the governor got involved in an internal legislative matter. Lobbyists have long known that is forbidden territory but Johnson probably didn't, and if he had known, it wouldn't have made any difference anyway. Our governor is not one to check the protocol manual before he forges ahead.

The results of Aragon's ouster have been positive so far, even among Senate Democrats who supported him. As this is being written, it appears that with every day that passes, Richard Romero of Albuquerque, the new pro tem, picks up a few more supporters who decide the Senate is moving so smoothly that it shouldn't be disturbed.

The Senate lost the short first week to maneuverings for the top leadership post. Lawmakers with major pieces of legislation know that even in a 60-day session, little time can be lost getting a bill past its many hurdles. They appreciate that Romero is moving the agenda, starting sessions exactly on schedule and not wasting any time monopolizing debates.

If Aragon does challenge again this session, he may find himself without some of his former support. Reports from the Democrat caucus indicate the original vote on nominating Aragon for pro tem was 14-10, a much smaller majority than in the past. Aragon expected all 24 Democrats to

stick together behind him on the floor, as they have during the last 12 years he held the post.

Aragon says it was surprising and hurtful to have any democrats desert him. He forgets somehow that when he captured the top post in 1988, he did so with mostly Republican votes.

Aragon's problem at the time was with the Senate seniority system that was keeping him from ascending to a leadership role as quickly as he would have liked. He rallied a few other "Young Turk" Democrats as they called themselves, to overthrow Sens. Ike Smalley and Mike Alarid, who ran the show.

Until 1986, the pro tem position was largely ceremonial as it is in the U.S. Senate and other state senates. But toward the end of the '86 session, Sen. Les Houston of Albuquerque, then a Democrat, took two other Democrats and forged

a coalition with Republicans to elect himself pro tem. He then transferred many of the duties of the majority floor leader to the pro tem to make that the strongest post in the Senate.

Putting the power in the pro tem office was necessary because it is the only position voted upon by all members. Houston didn't have the votes within the Democrat caucus to become majority floor leader. And Aragon didn't either two years later.

But now Aragon is toying with challenging Sen. Tim Jennings of Roswell for Democrat floor leader and returning the traditional powers that office. If Aragon were to succeed in beating Jennings in the Democrat caucus, he likely wouldn't have the votes on the floor among 11 members to assume the current pro tem's authority.

Three Communities In Lincoln County Awarded CDBG Grants

Capitan, Carrizozo and Corona have been awarded Community Development Block Grants (CDBG).

The State Community Development Council held its annual CDBG allocation hearings in Santa Fe on January 16. County and municipal governments competed for about \$14 million in CDBG funds.

Of 22 applications submitted 15 were funded.

Village of Capitan was awarded a \$25,000 planning grant for a Master Plan, Village of Corona was awarded \$181,000 for a health clinic. The Town of Carrizozo received \$354,750 in a CDBG colonias grant to continue the upgrade of the

town waste water treatment facility.

CDBG funds come from the federal Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD). The Local Government Division of the State Department of Finance and Administration (DFA) has administered the small cities community development block grant program since 1983.

The Southeastern New Mexico Economic Development District/Council of Governments, (SNMEDD) assists its government members with applications and presentations.

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Week of Feb 1-7, 2001.

Aquarius: (Jan 20 - Feb 18) You'll find yourself more alone. Your friends and loved ones can only help so much. Now it's up to you. (They have not walked away... You have PUSHED them away.)

Pisces: (Feb.19- March 20) The decision you have made now will influence your future dramatically. Be VERY sure you have made the right decision or it could COST you!

Aries: (Mar 21 - Apr 19) Money really plays a big factor right now. Get your pad and pencil and write everything down. Cut down unnecessary spending. Start saving!!!

Taurus: (Apr 20 - May 20) Your mind is going one way and your body is going another. Too many questions to be answered all at once. "Stop the noise." Go to a quiet place and reflect.

Gemini: (May 21 - June 20) You will be restless with indecision about what's right or wrong. The question is what's RIGHT for YOU, not for everyone else. Do for you first.

Cancer: (June 21 - July 22) Don't waste your valuable energy on unnecessary things. Focus on only what will benefit you in the long run regardless of what other's say.

Leo: (July 23 - Aug 22) Sometimes your outspoken view is not appreciated by others. It's not WHAT you say as much as the TONE in your voice. (Listen to yourself first.)

Virgo: (Aug 23 - Sept 22) You're wondering if this year will be any better than last year??! It's totally up to you!! You have grown, mind, body and soul. It can be better this time.

Libra: (Sept 23 - Oct 22) The strangest things seem to be happening all around you. Not to mention the strange people in general. Expect the unexpected.

Scorpio: (Oct 23 - Nov 21) A good time to "think" about buying a new car or house. BUT - be sure this time next year you'll be as happy as you think you are right now.

Sagittarius: (Nov 22- Dec 21) What's going on around you can only be made better by your positive attitude. What you think it is, is as important as what it is.

Capricorn: (Dec 22 - Jan 19) Reach out and touch someone. Do something for no reason at all. The rewards will be outstanding. Give from your heart.

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Patricia Vallejos Announces For School Board

Patricia Vallejos, a former advocate for the Judicial District Attorney's Office, has announced for a position on the Carrizozo School Board, in the upcoming school board election on February 6. Vallejos graduated from Alamogordo HS, and was married and moved to Carrizozo 16 years ago. Patsy and Patricia Vallejos have three children who attend Carrizozo schools.

Two years. Running for election is no stranger to me," Vallejos said. Vallejos also stated that it will always be said that children nowadays are our future. With guidance, help, understanding and our love, they hold the future. I don't want to go in and think that I can make changes, because that's not what I want to do. Every board member, past and present, has done a wonderful job in the Carrizozo School. I feel that the board members will continue to strive to make each year better and better and that the goals that the President of the US, Clinton, holds and

has implemented are goals that are strongly needed in our school system. For our children, I believe reading is so important that pushing the reading program will take our road and get them into positions that they are entitled to, which is what we want -- nothing but the best for our children. Her objectives, if elected, is to continue to work as hard as the past and present members have, to help better educate the students; and to work with the faculty and do what's expected for the people and support the children in whatever their endeavors might be.

Eldon Offutt Announces For School Board

In making his official announcement for a position on the Carrizozo School Board, in the upcoming election on Tuesday, February 6, Eldon Offutt states: I am a Native New Mexican. I was raised on a farm near Deming, NM. I graduated from Deming HS in 1970. In 1971 I married my wife and we have been happily married for most 30 years. In 1972 I joined the Army where I proudly served as a Military Policeman for 10 years. In 1986, my wife and I bought our home in Bingham where we have raised our four children, Ted, Amy and Eldon II have already graduated from Carrizozo High and my youngest son Matt is currently a senior. Since 1984, I have worked for the U.S. Government at White Sands Missile Range where I am a Lieutenant in the Fire Department. I am also an Emergency Medical Technician, a Fire Instructor and I have been a volunteer with the Lincoln County EMS for the past eight years. On Wednesday nights I volunteer with the A.W.N.A.'s program at the Baptist Church in Carrizozo. I first ran for school board four years ago. For

the past four years, the board has striven to support and improve our school district in an attempt to provide the best education possible for our children. We have worked well together and have managed to assemble an excellent Administration staff and a group of educators who are dedicated, motivated and, in short, some of the best teachers in the state. Maintenance of school buildings is a never ending job and our facilities, while aging, are in good repair. We have been able in the last couple of years to do a major facelift on the High School and have been awarded funds to continue the remodeling. This year we will be expanding and renovating the Elementary and Manire buildings. We have a master plan in place to continue improving our buildings to meet the educational needs of our students. As a board member, I have continuously tried to apply common sense and good Christian values to all our endeavors. I feel that I have the respect of my fellow board members. They have twice elected me as vice president. I hope that I have also earned the respect of you, the members of our community. Although I have tried to attend all meetings, my

job sometimes makes it impossible to do so. When you serve in an Emergency Service such as Fire Department or Law Enforcement, you cannot always be available. I want to assure you though, on the occasions when my job has precluded my attendance, I have been informed on the agenda and consult with my fellow board members both before and after the meeting. A quality education is the single most important asset we can give our children. As a board member, it is my goal to provide the best education possible to the children in our district. I want to ensure that our curriculum will give every child in our school the greatest chance to succeed. I want our district to advance in technology and to have state of the art equipment to do so. Comfort and safety of the student have great influence on their ability to learn and I intend to see that our students have the best facilities for that learning environment. As we learned in the recent Presidential Election, EVERY VOTE REALLY COUNTS!



Lincoln County Seat Carrizozo got clobbered with a heavy snow on Saturday and Sunday, January 27 and 28. Wind driven snow drifted in banks up to three feet deep in places, making it hard to determine the actual snow fall. Highway 54 was closed both north and south bound stranding many motorists and truckers for more than 12 hours. Highway 380 was closed west of Carrizozo. High winds on Tuesday kept Highway 54 north of Carrizozo closed because of drifts and a ground blizzard. Winds also hit Capitan area hard on Monday and Tuesday. Capitan got about three inches of snow, areas of the county got almost a foot.

The following weather forecast is based on information from the National Weather Service web site. Forecast for Carrizozo, Hondo Valley and lower elevations of the Lincoln County high plains: Today, Thursday, Feb. 1 Clear to partly cloudy. No chance for precipitation. High of 42 in Carrizozo. Tonight, mostly clear with lows to 14.

Friday, Feb. 2 Mostly sunny and a little warmer with highs in the mid and upper 40s.

Saturday, Feb. 3 Clear to partly cloudy with highs to the lower 50s and lows in the mid teens.

Sunday, Feb. 4 Partly cloudy with highs in the 40s and lows in the teens.

Monday and Tuesday, Feb. 5 and 6 Clear to partly cloudy, warmer with highs to the mid-50s. Lows to 20.

Forecast for Ruidoso, the north Sacramento and Capitan Mountain, Capitan and higher elevations of the county: Thursday, Feb. 1 Clear to partly cloudy with a 42 high temperature in Ruidoso. Tonight, mostly clear with lows in the teens.

Friday, Feb. 2 Mostly sunny and a little warmer with highs in the mid and upper 40s.

Saturday, Feb. 3 Clear to partly cloudy with highs in the 40s, lows in the mid-teens.

Sunday, Feb. 4 Partly cloudy with highs in the 40s and lows in the teens.

Monday and Tuesday, Feb. 5 and 6 Clear to partly cloudy, warmer with highs in the mid 40s, and lows in the lower teens to 5 degrees.

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Junior Duck Stamp Contest For K-12
A scholarship of \$2,000 is being offered to the winning New Mexico entry in the 2000-2001 Junior Duck Stamp Design program, open to students in grades K-12. The design contest is part of a nationwide conservation program sponsored by U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service. Bosque del Apache is the New Mexico administrator. Deadline for entries is March 15. Trained volunteers are available to come to the classroom to explain the program and entry requirements. E-mail at F.W.2.R.W.BosqueJrDuck@fws.gov or call 505-835-1828 for additional information. The best state entry will compete with winners from 49 other states. U.S. Savings bonds ranging from \$100 to \$50 will be awarded to 36 New Mexico first, second and third place winners.

FEBRUARY 2001



County Adjusts Purchasing Rules

by Doris Cherry

Lincoln County will not have to make formal bids for anything that might cost under \$10,000 under new purchasing rules adopted during the Lincoln County Commission meeting on January 18, in their chambers in the Lincoln County Courthouse in Carrizozo.

County commissioners adopted the changes with a resolution which does not require the public hearing process as an ordinance does. Among the changes are an added exemption, which county attorney Alan Morel said came right out of state statutes, gives a "hospital and health care exemption" in procuring items of property or service. With this exemption, a state agency, local public body or external procurement unit or any other "person, corporation, organization or association that provides that the parties to the agreement shall join together for the purpose of making some or all purchases nec-

essary for the operation of public hospital or public and private hospitals, if the state purchasing agent (or office) makes a determination that the arrangement will or is likely to reduce health care costs. It also exempts a network of health providers or jointly operating a common health service. The state statute is 13-1-98.1.

"This exempts them as long as they meet criteria," Morel said.

The other changes increased the dollar value limits for services and tangible property. Previously the county had to do a formal bid process of advertising for bids or proposals for any property costing more than \$5,000. Under the new rules, formal bids are needed if the value is more than \$10,000. This also matches state purchasing rules. This means the county will only have to solicit three telephone quotes for items or services costing less than \$10,000, instead of having to

advertise for bids or proposals. Anything costing more than \$10,000 will have to go through the formal bid or request for proposals process. "These changes will facilitate more rapid procurement of necessary services and equipment," said county manager Tom Stewart.

Professional services limit was also raised to \$25,000 from the previous \$20,000. This means if a service is foreseen to cost under \$25,000 the county again will have only to solicit three telephone quotes from which to choose.

Morel said the county had been more restrictive with its procurement code than had the state. "These are the current levels in the state," Morel said.

County commissioner Leo Martinez asked about the hospital exemption and its impact on the health clinics in the county. "So if we bid for the clinics we won't have to follow the procurement code?" Martinez asked.

Morel said the exemption would have to meet the requirements that it would result in or have the likelihood of reduced health care costs.

County commissioners unanimously adopted the new procurement rules when voted on.

They also decided to use the new rule to go to bid on needed electrical upgrades within the courthouse. Stewart had asked for the electrical improvements as an "emergency" circumstance which would exempt the repairs from having to go to bid. He gave an estimate provided by Ron Roybal who does contract elec-

trical work for the county based on a services contract awarded after a competitive bid process. The estimate was \$900 over the procurement limit. With little discussion, county commissioner Rick Simpson made the motion to go to bid. All commissioners voted yes.

County commissioners acted on several other proposals and bids.

They directed the county manager and attorney to negotiate with Public Communication Services (PCS) of Los Angeles to provide inmate telephone services in the new detention center. Three companies had responded to the county's request for proposals (rfp) for the service. The companies offered a variety of options and commissions on each inmate telephone call. PCS offered a five percent commission on every call made by an inmate.

Morel cautioned commissioners to not accept a company that proposed a high commission on calls because of federal litigation against a county that was getting up to 40 percent commission on inmate calls.

Citizen Jerry Carroll objected to the county making any profit off inmate calls which he considered "blood sucking".

Morel responded that there is wear and tear on an inmate phone system. He also said the proposal appeared to not give the county the best profit off calls, rather the best service of all proposals submitted.

Martinez said they should just install a pay phone.

But Stewart said under corrections standards inmate calls are monitored with computer software included in the phone package by the PCS.

Citizen Tony Serio questioned whether the jail will monitor inmate-attorney phone calls.

Stewart said attorney-inmate calls will not be monitored.

Jail administrator John Buffington said prisoners will be told the detention center will monitor their calls.

In other procurement business, county commissioners:

-Awarded the bid to install fire sprinklers in the county owned building occupied by New Horizons Development Center to Essential Fire of El Paso for \$35,396. The project begins April 1.

-Tabled action on selecting a general architect/engineering services for the upcoming year. Stewart had recommended a firm, but county commissioner Bill Schwettmann wanted to look into the firm's experience in designs that were built and the associated costs. Stewart was to come back at the February meeting with more information and a recommendation.

-Awarded low bids for fire gear for Glencoe Palo Verde Fire Department of 10 sets of bunker gear to CASCO Industry for \$5,700; 10 pair boots to CASCO for \$1,950; 10 pair rubber boots to AAA FirePro for \$770; 10 pair leather gloves to CASCO for \$280; 10 helmets to AAA FirePro for \$1,440; 10 Nomex helmet liners to CASCO for \$150.

-Awarded the resurfacing of the Palo Verde Estates roads to low bidder Ruidoso Paving for \$52,890.76.

Bill To Be Introduced

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really want to sell Fort Stanton," Marquez continued. "Rather it wants to find a good use for it and alleviate the state of a quarter million dollar a year expense."

"That is why Property Control is conducting this use study, to find out what is available," Marquez added.

THE NEWS contacted Property Control Department director Les Swindle at his office in Santa Fe. THE NEWS asked Swindle how his department could support a bill to sell Fort Stanton without giving the use study time to develop its recommendations. Swindle would not answer the questions and continuously referred THE NEWS to Marquez.

County manager Stewart told THE NEWS that the next step is to try and stop the bill to authorize the sale/lease.

Fort Stanton Inc. chair Dick Weber told THE NEWS that his organization is monitoring bills and also will work to stop the bill. Weber told THE NEWS that in a recent meeting with Governor Gary Johnson's chief of staff Lou Gallegos, Gallegos had assured him that any bill to sell Fort Stanton would be withdrawn in committee and the governor would veto it.

Weber, who has also been in contact with Kells and Craig firm, said the contract for the use study was supposed to have been placed on a fast track in GSD, but was instead placed in the normal slow bureaucratic process for most GSD contracts, taking three months to be completed.

Weber said Steven Kells (of Kells and Craig) is scheduled to come to Lincoln County on Monday, February 5 to begin field work for the study.

Fort Stanton, Inc. group meets the Thursday of every month. Their next meeting is set for 7 p.m. February 15, at First Christian Church on Hull Road in Ruidoso. Everyone interested in Fort Stanton is invited to attend and become a member of Fort Stanton, Inc. There are no membership dues, Weber said.

Fort Stanton, Inc. is a partner with the BLM, County of Lincoln, Ruidoso Valley Chamber of Commerce, and the Mescalero Apache Tribe in an agreement signed with the GSD to operate the Fort Stanton museum. Currently the group is doing inventory and cataloging items in the museum. Weber said the addition of the Mescalero Tribe as a partner was vitally important in order to give the Mescalero point of view to the history of Fort Stanton.

Fort Stanton is a pre-civil war Indian outpost Fort, that has been in nearly continuous use through the years, first as a military fort, then as a TB sanatorium, Merchant Marine hospital, internment camp for German Merchant Marines during World War II, a state run hospital and training school for people with developmental disabilities, a corrections facility for women and now a facility for a drug rehabilitation program. While many of the buildings at Fort Stanton are historic, some are modern and not considered historic.

Another group of concerned citizens has traveled to Santa Fe to meet with officials and state legislators about the Fort Stanton issue. Lincoln resident David Vigil said he, his wife, Gary Miller and his wife Dee and son Doug, went to Santa Fe recently to talk

with legislators and the governor's office to find out the status of the use study and the bill to sell Fort Stanton. Vigil said they are concerned that the use study commissioned from Kells and Craig will show that the best use is to sell Fort Stanton, and the bill to be introduced will give authority to do just that.

Marquez said the reason to have the bill that authorizes the sale or lease of Fort Stanton during this legislative session is to allow the state to act on recommendations made by the Kells and Craig study without having to wait for the 2002 legislative session to take action on the recommendations.

THE NEWS contacted Rep. Dub Williams at his office in the state capitol in Santa Fe. Williams said Rep. Fuller had come by his desk during a recent floor session asking if Williams would support a bill to authorize the sale or lease of Fort Stanton. Williams declined to sign on as a sponsor of the bill and told THE NEWS he is NOT in favor of selling Fort Stanton. "It's the same old deal as before," Williams said. Last year Williams sponsored a similar bill to authorize the sale or lease, because he wanted to control what happened with the bill. That bill died in committee.

Williams told THE NEWS that he talked with GSD secretary Steven Beffort and Swindle last Wednesday. They told him the study is continuing with the intent to get it done in order to support or refute any offer that might result from the authorization to sell or lease Fort Stanton.

"I am passionate about Fort Stanton," Williams said. He said he hopes that everyone concerned about the future of Fort Stanton works together for the common good and does not show a divided front on the issue. "Otherwise the option is to let Fort Stanton crumble to earth, and I don't want that to happen."

Copies of all legislative bills that have been introduced and assigned a number can be viewed, downloaded or printed from the New Mexico Legislative Council Services website at <http://legis.state.nm.us>.

Angelo Vega

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when rumors like this occur, it gives me experience," Vega added. "I am still a school board candidate for which I am campaigning hard."

According to Vega, Montoya had "visited" with him last fall about the chief of police position, being open in Tularosa and Montoya requested he apply because he had experience as a chief. Vega said at that time he told the mayor that he would have to discuss this with his family and current employer. Vega said when Montoya submitted Vega's name as chief to the Tularosa trustees they did not concur because they wanted to be involved with the selection process in addition to the mayor.

"I did not re-submit a resume to Tularosa (in the second round of seeking a chief)," Vega continued. "Instead Tularosa went to the resumes submitted in the fall, which included mine." On January 20, Vega said, Hardison called him and said he was one of the top three candidates for the job and would be come for an interview. Vega said he contacted Hardison the following Monday to advise that he was not interested in the position at this time.

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Worship..... 9:00 a.m.
Sunday School..... 10:00 a.m.

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First Baptist Church

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Sunday School..... 9:45 am
Worship Service..... 10:55 am
Sun. Evening..... Training at 6:15 pm
Evening Worship..... 7:15 pm
Wednesday Bible Study..... 7:00 pm

Carrizozo Community Church (A/G)

JOHNIE L. JOHNSON, pastor
Corner of C Ave. & Thirteenth, 648-2188
Children's Church..... 10:30 am
Worship Service..... 10:30 am
Wed. Bible Study..... 7:30 pm

Santa Rita Catholic Community

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213 Birch, Carrizozo, NM, 648-2853
SATURDAY:
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C'ozo Santa Rita..... 6:30 pm
SUNDAY:
Capitan Sacred Heart..... 9:00 am
C'ozo Santa Rita..... 10:30 am
Corona St. Theresa..... 1:00 pm

Church of Christ

TOM POINDEXTER, Minister 354-3135
Ave. C at 1st, Carrizozo, NM,
Sunday School..... 10:00 am
Worship Service..... 11:00 am
Evening Worship..... 7:00 pm
Wednesday Bible Study..... 7:00 pm

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Adult Sunday School..... 11:00 am
Choir Practice (Tuesday)..... 7:30 pm
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5th & Lincoln / 338-4627
Sunday Bible Study..... 10:00 a.m.
Worship Service..... 11:00 a.m.
Evening Worship..... 6:00 p.m.
Wednesday Bible Study..... 7:00 p.m.

Trinity Southern Baptist Church

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

First Baptist Church of Corona

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

Logone Funeral Chapel
Jerry and Lanita Rasak

Bill Winkler
Stearns Insurance Agency

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LEGAL NOTICE

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

CV 00-105
Division III

MARY IRENE DEAN, a widow,
Plaintiff,

vs.

GROUP I:

VILLAGE OF CAPITAN; TERRY L. COE, a single man; KATHRYN R. GRIFFIN, a single woman; CHARLIE W. PARKER and OPAL LOUISE PARKER, husband and wife; EDMOND PILON and LILA E. PILON, husband and wife; PHYLLIS J. KENT, a single woman; STEVEN R. SCRUGGS and ALIDA R. SCRUGGS, husband and wife; K. LYNN HUDSON REYNOLDS a/k/a LYNN HUDSON a/k/a KATHERINE LYNNE HUDSON a/k/a KATHERINE L. HUDSON and GARY LEE REYNOLDS, husband and wife; KENNETH D. PAYNE and KAREN PAYNE, husband and wife,

and

GROUP II

JOHN DOES 1 THROUGH 100 and their UNKNOWN HEIRS, DEVISEES AND ASSIGNS; and

GROUP III

ALL UNKNOWN CLAIMANTS OF INTEREST IN THE PREMISES ADVERSE TO THE PLAINTIFF,
Defendants,

NOTICE OF PENDENCY OF SUIT

TO THE FOLLOWING NAMED DEFENDANTS AGAINST WHOM CONSTRUCTIVE SERVICE IS HEREBY SOUGHT TO BE OBTAINED:

GROUP I:

VILLAGE OF CAPITAN; TERRY L. COE, a single man; KATHRYN R. GRIFFIN, a single woman; CHARLIE W. PARKER and OPAL LOUISE PARKER, husband and wife; EDMOND PILON and LILA E. PILON, husband and wife; PHYLLIS J. KENT, a single woman; STEVEN R. SCRUGGS and ALIDA R. SCRUGGS, husband and wife; K. LYNN HUDSON REYNOLDS a/k/a LYNN HUDSON a/k/a KATHERINE LYNNE HUDSON a/k/a KATHERINE L. HUDSON and GARY LEE REYNOLDS, husband and wife; KENNETH D. PAYNE and KAREN PAYNE, husband and wife.

and

GROUP II

JOHN DOES 1 THROUGH 100 and their UNKNOWN HEIRS, DEVISEES AND ASSIGNS; and

GROUP III

ALL UNKNOWN CLAIMANTS OF INTEREST IN THE PREMISES ADVERSE TO THE PLAINTIFF.

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the Plaintiff has filed a Complaint for to Quiet Title in the above captioned cause wherein you are named as the Defendant.

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that the general object of this action is to quiet title to real property, as more particularly set forth in the Complaint on file in the above-captioned cause.

The Plaintiff's attorney is Adam R. Raffin, P.O. Box 1912, Ruidoso, New Mexico 88355.

PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that if you intend to contest this suit, you must respond to the Complaint within 30 days from the last date of publication of this Notice.

WITNESS my hand and seal of this Court this 9th day of August, 2000.

JAN PERRY
Clerk of the District Court

BY: Elizabeth Ysasi

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LEGAL NOTICE

**TWELFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT
COUNTY OF LINCOLN
STATE OF NEW MEXICO**
PB-2001-01

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF FRANCIS JOSEPH REYNOLDS, deceased

NOTICE OF HEARING

TO: The Unknown Heirs of Francis Joseph Reynolds, deceased.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Ronald J. Reynolds has filed in the above named court a Petition of an Heir for Adjudication of Intestacy and For Appointment of Personal Representative. A hearing has been set at February 27, 2001, 8:30 a.m., at the Lincoln County Courthouse, Carrizozo, New Mexico, before the Honorable Karen L. Parsons, District Judge.

JENNINGS & JONES L.C.
By: A.D. Jones
P.O. Box 1180
Roswell, NM 88202-1180
505-622-8432
Attorneys for Petitioner

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LEGAL NOTICE

STATE OF NEW MEXICO
IN THE PROBATE COURT
LINCOLN COUNTY
No. 1863

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF

JUDITH M. BLUCHER, DECEASED.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned has been appointed personal representative of this estate. All persons having claims against this estate are required to present their claims within two (2) months after the date of the first publication of this notice, or the claims will be forever barred. Claims must be presented either to the undersigned personal representative at the address listed below, or filed with the Probate Court of Lincoln County, New Mexico, located at the following address: Box 338, Carrizozo, NM 88301.

Dated: January 26, 2001.

Charles M. Blucher
HC 31 Box 1438
Carrizozo, NM 88301
Ph. 648-2193

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LEGAL NOTICE

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

No. CV-01-17
Div. III

IN THE MATTER OF THE PETITION TO CHANGE NAME OF DIANNA C. HARRIS

NOTICE OF PENDENCY OF PETITION TO CHANGE NAME

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

Please take notice that the Petitioner, Dianna C. Harris, has filed a Petition to Change Name in the District Court of Lincoln County, State of New Mexico.

The purpose of the Petition is to change Petitioner's legal name from Dianna C. Harris to Dianna Helen Caldarella.

Please take further notice that a hearing in District Court to approve the Petition will be held on February 26, 2001, @ 8:30 a.m. at the Lincoln County Courthouse, Carrizozo, NM.

LEGAL SERVICES INC., P.C.
By: Les Griffin
1096 Mechem Drive, Suite 102
Ruidoso, New Mexico 88345
(505) 258-5546
Attorney for Petitioner
Dianna C. Harris.

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LEGAL NOTICE

A Public Hearing shall be held at 10:00 A.M. on Thursday, February 15, 2001 by the Lincoln County Board of Commissioners at the Lincoln County Courthouse (Commission Chambers), 300 Central Avenue, Carrizozo, New Mexico, to consider the application of Little Creek Storage, LLC, D/B/A Johnson's Village Store, Post Office Box 2924, Ruidoso, New Mexico 88355, to transfer ownership of existing License Number LL#10/A-4872, located at Highway 48 and Sun Valley Road, Alto, Lincoln County, New Mexico, from Johnson's Village Store, Inc. to Little Creek Storage, LLC.

MARTHA GUEVARA
Assistant County Manager

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LEGAL NOTICE

STATE OF NEW MEXICO
COUNTY OF LINCOLN
TWELFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT

No. CV-00-213

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

vs.

VICTOR H. POWELL, a single person;
KIMBERLY J. POWELL, aka KIM POWELL, a single person; and VILLAGE OF RUIDOSO,
Defendant(s).

NOTICE OF PENDENCY OF SUIT

STATE OF NEW MEXICO to the above-named Defendant(s), GREETINGS:

You are hereby notified that the above-named Plaintiff has filed a civil action against you in the above-entitled Court and cause, the general object thereof being to foreclose a mortgage on property located at 138 Oak Drive, in the City of Ruidoso, County of Lincoln, New Mexico, more particularly described in the Complaint in said cause.

That unless you enter your appearance in said cause on or before March 23, 2001, judgement by default will be entered against you.

Name and address of Plaintiff's attorney: Gear & Little, P.A., 707 Broadway NE, Suite 202, P.O. Box 25685, Albuquerque, New Mexico 87125-0685.

WITNESS the Honorable Karen L. Parsons, District Judge of the Twelfth Judicial District Court of the State of New Mexico, and the Seal of the District Court of Lincoln County, this 29th day of January, 2001.

JAN PERRY
Clerk of the District Court

By: Darla Goar
Deputy

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**DON'T FORGET TO
VOTE TUES., FEB. 8**

**Lincoln County
Winter Storm**



SNOWMAN BY THE WAY. This snowman is all that is left of a very temporary settlement created by travelers stranded at the road closure blockade on Highway 380 west in Carrizozo during the snow storm on Saturday and Sunday. By Monday only one snow man remained standing, with salt brush hair and stick arms. Carrizozo Peak in the background remained shrouded in clouds and snow until late Tuesday.



MIDDLE OF THE ROAD PILES. Snow was piled in the middle of Central Ave. / Highway 54 through the middle of Carrizozo following the heavy snow storm on Saturday and Sunday. By Monday the sun had broken through the clouds and began melting roadways. However, on Tuesday high winds caused state police to again close Highway 54 north to Corona because of deep snow drifts. More than 55 semi trucks and many passenger vehicles were stranded in Carrizozo on Saturday night through mid day on Sunday. Santa Rita Catholic Church opened its parish hall to travelers who were escorted or taken to the hall by Carrizozo police and Carrizozo municipal judge C.O. Rominger.

County Health Entities Combine

Two Lincoln County Health councils have combined in order to make better use of resources and professional services.

The Lincoln County Maternal Child Health Council, which was concerned with the health and care access of childbearing women and their families has joined with the Lincoln County Health & Wellness Board. The Board had a much broader goal to research the needs of all Lincoln County residents and coordinates to help reduce duplication and gaps in service.

The new Health and Wellness Planning Council will be better able to coordinate its efforts, stated Genevieve Phelan in a press release. Current endeavors include after school programs, Healthy Start and media literacy which is offered to civic, social and religious groups.

Council officers for 2001 are chairman John T. McGrath III, vice-chair Phelan and secretary Mary Ellen Hunsicker.

Council meetings are open to anyone interested. Meetings are the third Wednesday of each month from 12 noon to 1:30 p.m. at K-Bob's Restaurant in Ruidoso. The next meeting is at 12 noon February 21.

For more information call Phelan at 257-5038.

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LEGAL NOTICE

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

No. CV-2000-268
Div. III

JOSEPH D. GALLEGOS,
Plaintiff,

vs.

GROUP I
JOSE M. GALLEGOS, a/k/a JOSE GALLEGOS,
a/k/a JOE GALLEGOS; Deceased; **CECILIA B. KRUM;**
CRESENIA A. GALLEGOS; Deceased;
and **BEULAH GOKEY SCHARF** and
SEABORN P. GRAY, Co-Trustees Under the
Last Will and Testament of Sarah C. Gray,
Deceased; their heirs, devisees and assigns;

GROUP II
JOHN DOES, 1 through 100, and all of their
lawful heirs, devisees or assigns;

GROUP III
**AND ANY AND ALL UNKNOWN CLAIMANTS
OF INTEREST IN THE PREMISES ADVERSE
TO THE PLAINTIFF;**
Defendants.

**SUMMONS AND NOTICE OF
PENDENCY OF ACTION**

THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO TO THE
FOLLOWING NAMED DEFENDANTS:

Jose M. Gallegos, Cecilia B. Krum, Cresenia
A. Gallegos, Beulah Gokey Scharrf, Seaborn
P. Gray, John Does 1 through 100, and any
and all unknown claimants of interest in the
premises adverse to the Plaintiff.

GREETINGS: You are hereby notified that
JOSEPH D. GALLEGOS, Plaintiff, has filed an
action in the District Court of Lincoln County,
New Mexico, Civil Docket No. CV-2000-268(III),
wherein you are named as Defendants and wherein
said Plaintiff seeks to obtain constructive service
upon you.

The general subject of said action is to quiet title to
certain real estate which is the subject matter of the
above-captioned and numbered cause of action and
is described as follows:

Lots 22 and 23, Block 84, ORIGINAL
TOWNSITE OF CAPITAN, 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, New
Mexico, March 3, 1900.

You are further notified that unless you enter your
appearance, plead or otherwise respond in said
cause on or before February 22, 2001, judgment
will be rendered against you by default and the
relief prayed for in the Complaint will be granted
to Plaintiff in conformity with the allegations of the
Plaintiff's Complaint.

The name and address of the attorney for the
Plaintiff are as follows: Alan P. Morel, Alan P.
Morel, P.A., Post Office Box 1030, Ruidoso, New
Mexico, 88355-1030.

WITNESS my hand and seal of the Twelfth
Judicial District Court of Lincoln County, New
Mexico, on this the 27th day of December, 2000.

(SEAL)

JAN PERRY
Court Administrator/District Court Clerk

By: **Darla Doer**
Deputy

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LEGAL NOTICE

**STATE OF NEW MEXICO
COUNTY OF LINCOLN
TWELFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT**
No. CV 00-208

**MORTGAGE ELECTRONIC REGISTRATION
SYSTEMS, INC.,**

Plaintiff,

vs.

**LINDA K. DECONCINI; HOUSEHOLD
REALTY CORP.; THE UNKNOWN SPOUSE
OF LINDA K. DECONCINI, IF ANY; JOHN
DOE, TENANT WHOSE TRUE NAME IS
UNKNOWN; JANE DOE, TENANT WHOSE
TRUE NAME IS UNKNOWN,**
Defendant(s).

NOTICE OF SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the under-
signed Special Master, or his/her designee, will, on
February 21, 2001, at 1:00 p.m., front entrance
of the Lincoln County Courthouse, Carrizozo,
NM, sell and convey to the highest bidder for cash
all the right, title and interest of the above-named
defendants in and to the following described real
estate located in said County and State:

**LOT 12, BLOCK 4 OF FIRST PLAT OF
WINGFIELD HOMESTEAD
SUBDIVISION, RUIDOSO, LINCOLN
COUNTY, NEW MEXICO, AS SHOWN
BY THE PLAT THEREOF FILED IN
THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY
CLERK OF LINCOLN COUNTY,
SEPTEMBER 2, 1958.**

The address of the real property is 307
GRINDSTONE CANYON RD, RUIDOSO, NM
88345. Said sale will be made pursuant to the
Decree of Foreclosure entered on December 13,
2000, in the above entitled and numbered cause,
which was a suit of foreclosure a note and mort-
gage held by the above plaintiff and wherein plain-
tiff was adjudged to have a lien against the above-
described real estate in the sum of \$64,106.04, plus
interest from December 1, 2000 to the date of sale
at the rate of 7.3700% per annum, or \$12.05 per
day, the costs of sale, including the Special Mas-
ter's fee, publication costs, and plaintiff's costs

expended for taxes, insurance or keeping the prop-
erty in good repair. Plaintiff has the right to bid at
such sale and submit its bid verbally or in writing.
The Plaintiff may apply all or any part of its judg-
ment to the purchase price in lieu of cash.

At the date and time stated above, the Special
Master may postpone the sale to such later date and
time as the Special Master may specify.

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

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that the
purchaser at such sale shall take title to the
above-described real property subject to rights of
redemption.
Dated: January 10, 2001.

RAY BAILEY
Special Master
c/o Shapiro & Meinhold, L.L.P.
105 E. Moreno, Suite 100
Colorado Springs, CO 80903
(800) 286-0013 (719) 634-4868

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LEGAL NOTICE

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

No. CV-99-110

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

vs.

**LORI L. EDGE, a single woman; and TMS
MORTGAGE INC., dba
THE MONEY STORE,**
Defendant(s).

FIRST AMENDED NOTICE OF SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on February
21, 2001, at the hour of 10:00 a.m., the
undersigned Special Master will, at the east door of
the Lincoln County Courthouse in Carrizozo, New
Mexico, sell all the right, title and interest of the
above named Defendant(s) in and to the hereinafter
described real estate to the highest bidder for cash.
The property to be sold is located at 504 Third
Street, Ruidoso, New Mexico, and is situate in
Lincoln County, New Mexico, and is particularly
described as follows:

**LOT 2, BLOCK 3 OF FLUME CANYON
SUBDIVISION, RUIDOSO, LINCOLN
COUNTY, NEW MEXICO, AS SHOWN
BY THE PLAT THEREOF FILED IN THE
OFFICE OF THE COUNTY CLERK OF
LINCOLN COUNTY, JULY 1, 1946.**

THE FOREGOING SALE will be made to
satisfy a judgment rendered by the above Court in
the above-entitled and numbered cause on October
3, 2000, being an action to foreclose a mortgage on
the above-described property. The Plaintiff's
judgment, which includes interest and costs, is
\$105,505.95 and the same bears interest at eleven
point one two five percent (11.125%) per annum
from October 1, 2000. The amount of such interest
to the date of sale will be \$4,631.04. The Plaintiff
has the right to bid at such sale and submit its bid
verbally or in writing. The Plaintiff may apply all
or any part of its judgment to the purchase price in
lieu of cash. The sale may be postponed and
rescheduled at the discretion of the Special Master.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that the real
property and improvements concerned with herein
will be sold subject to any and all patent reserva-
tions, easements, all recorded and unrecorded
liens not foreclosed herein, and all recorded and
unrecorded special assessments and taxes that may
be due. Plaintiff and its attorneys disclaim all
responsibility for, and the purchaser at the sale
takes the property subject to, the valuation of the
property by the County Assessor as real or personal
property, affixture of any mobile or manufactured
home to the land, deactivation of title to a mobile
or manufactured home on the property, if any,
environmental contamination on the property, if
any, and zoning violations concerning the property,
if any.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that the
purchaser at such sale shall take title to the above
described real property subject to a one (1) month
right of redemption.
/s/ Nick Vega, Special Master
P.O. Box 383
Carrizozo, New Mexico 88301
(505) 648-2217

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January 25 and February 1, 8 and 15, 2001.

LEGAL NOTICE

**BEFORE THE NEW MEXICO
PUBLIC REGULATION COMMISSION**

Utility Case No. 3503

**IN THE MATTER OF THE COMPLAINT BY
CAPITAN-CARRIZOZO NATURAL GAS
SEEKING DECLARATORY
INTERPRETATION OF ZIA NATURAL
GAS COMPANY'S RATES
AND TARIFF,**

**CAPITAN-CARRIZOZO NATURAL GAS
COMPANY,**

Petitioner.

NOTICE

The New Mexico Public Regulation
Commission ("Commission") hereby gives Notice
to the following:

1. Capitan-Carrizozo Natural Gas Company
("CCNG") is a natural gas customer of Zia Natural
Gas Company ("ZIA") and asks the Commission
for a declaratory order that it qualifies and is

entitled to be classified as a transportation customer
under Zia's Rate 6 and is entitled to the
transportation component of the Rate 6 tariff based
on its negotiated contract with Zia for
transportation services. On December 19, 2000, the
Commission issued its Order Docketing
Declaratory Order Processing which, among other
things, ordered that CCNG's Petition shall be
entertained as provided in that Order and appointed
the undersigned as Hearing Examiner for this pro-
ceeding.

2. A public hearing will be held beginning at
10:00 a.m. on April 17, 2001 at the offices of the
Commission, 224 East Palace Avenue, Santa Fe,
New Mexico, to hear and receive testimony,
exhibits, arguments and any other appropriate mat-
ters concerning CCNG's Application.

3. Any person who desires to become a party to
this case must file a Motion for Leave to Intervene
on or before March 2, 2001.

4. Intervenor direct testimony is due by March
23, 2001. Anyone filing pleadings or prefiled testi-
mony in this case will serve copies thereof on all
parties of record on the Commission Staff.

5. Any person who desires to comment on the
Petition or intervene in the proceedings should con-
tact the Commission for confirmation of the hear-
ing or meeting date, time and place, since hearings
and open meetings are, on occasion, rescheduled.

6. CCNG's Petition together with all pleadings,
testimony and exhibits filed in this proceeding, may
be examined at Zia's office, 707 Short Drive, Rui-
doso Downs, New Mexico 88346, telephone: (505)
378-4277, or at the offices of the Commission,
Marian Hall, 224 East Palace Avenue, Santa Fe,
New Mexico 87501, telephone: (505) 827-6940.

7. Any person desiring to testify in this pro-
ceeding will attend the hearing and submit to exam-
ination under oath.

8. Any interested person may appear at the
hearing and give a written or oral comment (which
will not be considered as evidence) without
becoming an intervenor.

9. Any person with a disability requiring special
assistance in order to participate in this proceeding
should contact the Commission at least 24 hours
prior to the commencement of the hearing.

ISSUED at Santa Fe, New Mexico this 26th
day of January, 2001.

**NEW MEXICO PUBLIC
REGULATION COMMISSION**

WILLIAM J. HERRMANN
Hearing Examiner

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Thursday, February 1, 2001.

LEGAL NOTICE

Resolution 2000-13

**A RESOLUTION DECLARING HOLIDAYS
FOR VILLAGE OF CAPITAN EMPLOYEES
FOR THE YEAR OF 2001**

WHEREAS, The Governing Body in and for the
Village of Capitan, State of New Mexico, meeting
in regular session January 9, 2001, has approved
and adopted the Official Holiday Calendar for the
Village of Capitan for 2001.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the
Village of Capitan hereby adopts the following as
the Official Holiday Calendar for the Village of
Capitan.

- * **New Year's Day:**
Will be observed on Monday, January 1, 2001.
- * **Martin Luther King, Jr. Day:**
Will be observed on Monday, December
24, 2001.
- * **Lincoln's Birthday:**
Will be observed on Friday, November
23, 2001.
- * **Washington's Birthday:**
Will be observed on Monday, February
19, 2001.
- * **Good Friday:**
Will be observed 1/2 day, on Friday,
April 13, 2001.
- * **Memorial Day:**
Will be observed on Monday, May 28, 2001.
- * **Independence Day:**
Will be observed on Wednesday, July 4, 2001.
- * **Labor Day:**
Will be observed on Monday,
September 3, 2001.
- * **Columbus Day:**
Will be observed on Monday, October 8, 2001.
- * **Veteran's Day:**
Will be observed on Monday,
November 12, 2001.
- * **Thanksgiving Day:**
Will be observed on Thursday,
November 22, 2001.
- * **Christmas Day:**
Will be observed on Tuesday,
December 25, 2001.
- * **New Year's Day:**
Will be observed on Tuesday, January 1, 2002.

RESOLVED in the Regular Council Meeting on
this 9th day of January, 2001.

NORM RENFRO, Mayor

ATTEST:

KATHRYN GRIFFIN
Village Clerk
(Seal)

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rday, February 1, 2001.

**NOTICE OF INTENT TO
AMEND ORDINANCE #52**

It is the intention of the governing body of the Vil-
lage of Corona to amend Ordinance #52, AN ORDI-
NANCE ESTABLISHING A PERSONNEL
POLICY FOR THE VILLAGE OF CORONA AND
REPEALING ALL ORDINANCES OR PARTS
THEREOF IN CONFLICT HERewith (SECTI-
ONS 7.0-12.0, IN REFERENCE TO COMPE-
NSATION, VACATION TIME, HOLIDAYS,
LEAVE OF ABSENCE, SICK LEAVE & BEREAVEMENT
LEAVE), at the next regular meeting on
February 8, 2001, at 6:30 p.m. at the Village Hall.
Interested parties may review the Ordinance at Vil-
lage Hall, Hwy. 54 / Main Street, Corona, NM,
Monday through Thursday, 8:00 - 12:00 and 1:00 -
5:00.

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rday, February 1, 2001.

**COUNTY OF
LINCOLN**

**NOTICE OF
INVITATION TO
SUBMIT BIDS**

Bid No. 00-01-021
**Water System
Improvements
2000**
Due: March 1, 2001
2:00 p.m.

Sealed bids will be
received at the Lincoln
County Courthouse, 300
Central Ave. (P.O. Box
711), Carrizozo, NM
88301 for the construc-
tion project known as
"WATER SYSTEM
IMPROVEMENTS --
2000", until 2:00 p.m.,
Thursday, March 1,
2001, at which time the
bids received will be
opened and publicly read
aloud. The Lincoln
County Board of Com-
missioners will review
the bids and make the
final determination at
their meeting on March
15, 2001 or at a later
meeting if required.

The work will consist
of miscellaneous valve
and waterline repli-
acement, new fire hydr-
ants, water tank and well
fencing, and appurtenan-
ces for the Lincoln
Municipal Domestic Water
Consumers' Association
(MDWCA) at Lincoln,
New Mexico.

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

A mandatory pre-bid
conference will be held
at 10:00 a.m., Tuesday,
February 20, 2001, at
the MDWCA Conference
Room, 32 Main St., Lin-
coln NM 88338. A tour
of the project site will
follow the conference.
Bidders must be pre-
sent at the pre-bid
meeting to bid on this
project.

Each Bid shall be
accompanied by a Bid
Security in the amount of
not less than five (5) per-
cent of the total amount
bid, which will be
returned not later than
thirty (30) days after the
receipt of Bids. Bidders
must be New Mexico
licensed contractors.

The successful Bidder
will be required to fur-
nish a Performance Bond
and a Payment Bond.
Each surety shall be in
the amount of one hun-
dred (100) percent of the
total contract price to
assure performance of
the Contract and pay-
ment for all labor and
materials of the Con-
tract.

No Bids may be with-
drawn after the sched-
uled closing time for
receipt of Bids, and Lin-
coln County reserves the
right to reject any or all
Bids and waive all tech-
nicities and formalities.

No bidder may with-
draw their Bid within
thirty (30) days after the
actual date of the open-
ing thereof.

Attention of Bidders
is particularly called to
the requirements for con-
ditions of employment
to be observed and mini-
mum wage rates to be
paid subcontractors
under the contract.

JANE WILLIAMS
Purchasing Agent

Published in the Lin-
coln County News on
Thursday, February 1,
2001.

**"Meet the
Candidates
Night"
tonight
7:00 p.m.
at
Otero County
Electric
Co-op.
Bldg.**

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PROCLAMATION OF A REGULAR SCHOOL DISTRICT ELECTION

WHEREAS, I, Martha McKnight Proctor, County Clerk, in the City of Lincoln and State of New Mexico, have determined that a regular School District Election, be held on February 6, 2001, pursuant to sections 1-22-1 through 1-22-19, NMSA 1978; AND WHEREAS, under and by virtue of Article 22, School Election Law, provision is made for the holding of School District Elections throughout the State of New Mexico and in each County in each School District thereof; NOW THEREFORE, it is hereby proclaimed and public notice is given by the Lincoln County Clerk, in the County of Lincoln and State of New Mexico:

On the 6th day of February, 2001, there will be held in the City of Lincoln, a regular school district election for the purpose of submitting the names of candidates for the two (2) positions to be filled on the Board, to the respective qualified electors of the District. The polls for said Election will be open between the hours of 7:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m. on the day of the Election. At such Election, the following at-large positions on the Board shall be filled by the qualified electors of the District, to wit:

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

- Candidates:**
Position 1
 1. David A. Cox
 2. Thomas Robert Trost

- Position 2**
 1. Gary R. Tregembo

IT IS FURTHER PROCLAIMED AND NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that the Judges of Election and Clerks of Election have been appointed in said School District and Public Notice is hereby given of the place designated where the said election is to be held:

CONSOLIDATED PRECINCT:
 Consisting of all Lincoln County general election precincts that are wholly or partially within the Capitán Municipal School District No. 28

POLLING PLACE:
 Lincoln County Fair Building
 Capitán, New Mexico

ABSENT VOTERS PRECINCT:
 For voters who are absent from any precinct within Capitán Municipal School District No. 28

POLLING PLACE:
 Office of the County Clerk
 Lincoln County
 Lincoln County Courthouse
 Carrizozo, New Mexico

CONSOLIDATED PRECINCT:
 Presiding Judge: Bertie J. Beavers
 Election Judge: Tootie Fouratt
 Election Judge: Alice E. Phelps
 Election Clerk: Dorothy Hobbs
 Election Clerk: Phoebe M. Taylor
 Election Clerk: Kathleen H. Phillips
 Election Clerk: Edith F. Dobbins

ABSENT VOTERS PRECINCT:
 Presiding Judge: Bertie J. Beavers
 Election Judge: Tootie Fouratt
 Election Judge: Alice E. Phelps
 Election Clerk: Dorothy Hobbs
 Election Clerk: Phoebe M. Taylor
 Election Clerk: Kathleen H. Phillips
 Election Clerk: Edith F. Dobbins

DONE AT THE LINCOLN COUNTY CLERK'S OFFICE THIS 4th DAY OF JANUARY, 2001. WITNESS MY HAND AND THE GREAT SEAL OF LINCOLN COUNTY.

/s/ MARTHA MCKNIGHT PROCTOR
 Lincoln County Clerk

Published in the Lincoln County News on January 25 and February 1, 2001.

PROCLAMACION DE ELECCION REGULAR DEL DISTRITO ESCOLAR

PORCUANTO, YO, Martha McKnight Proctor, Escribana de Condado, Condado de Lincoln, Estado de Nuevo Mexico, ha determinado que se llevara a cabo una Eleccion regular del Distrito Escolar el 6 de febrero de 2001, conforme a las secciones 1-22-1 a 1-22-19 NMSA, 1978;

Y CONSIDERANDO QUE, cuanto debajo y por virtud de artículo 22, ley de eleccion de escuela provision esta hecho detener elecciones de Distrito de Escuela por todo del Estado de Nuevo Mexico, y en cada Condado y en cada Distrito de Escuela de Esto;

AHORA, POR LO TANTO, la Escribana de Condado, Condado de Lincoln, Estado de Nuevo Mexico proclamar y por esta noticia publica;

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

Los Sitos de Votacion en dicha Eleccion permaneceran abiertos entre las horas de las 7:00 a.m. y las 7:00 p.m. el día de la Eleccion.

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

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

- Candidates:**
Posicion 1
 1. David A. Cox
 2. Thomas Robert Trost

- Posicion 2**
 1. Gary R. Tregembo

ADEMAS PROCLAMADO Y NOTICIA ESTA POR ESTO DADO, que los Jueces de la eleccion y los escribanas de eleccion fueron apuntados en tal distrito de escuela y noticia publica y por esto se la dado en lugar designado donde tal eleccion sera detenido:

PRECINTO CONSOLIDADO UNO:
 Consistiendo de todos los precintos de eleccion general del Condado de Lincoln que estan enteramente o parcialmente dentro del Distrito Escolar Municipal de Capitán Num. 28.

PARAJE DE VOTACION:
 Lincoln County Fair Building
 Capitán, Nuevo Mexico

PRECINTO DE VOTANTES AUSENTES:
 Para votantes que estan ausentes

para cualquier precinto dentro del Distrito Escolar Municipal de Capitán Num. 28.

PARAJE DE VOTACION:
 Oficina de Escribano
 Condado de Lincoln
 Casa Corte del Condado de Lincoln
 Carrizozo, Nuevo Mexico

PRECINTO CONSOLIDADO:
 Juez Presidiendo: Bertie J. Beavers
 Juez de Eleccion: Tootie Fouratt
 Juez de Eleccion: Alice E. Phelps
 Escribana de Eleccion: Dorothy Hobbs
 Escribana de Eleccion: Phoebe M. Taylor
 Escribana de Eleccion: Kathleen H. Phillips
 Escribana de Eleccion: Edith F. Dobbins

PRECINTO DE VOTANTES AUSENTES:
 Juez Presidiendo: Bertie J. Beavers
 Juez de Eleccion: Tootie Fouratt
 Juez de Eleccion: Alice E. Phelps
 Escribana de Eleccion: Dorothy Hobbs
 Escribana de Eleccion: Phoebe M. Taylor
 Escribana de Eleccion: Kathleen H. Phillips
 Escribana de Eleccion: Edith F. Dobbins

Expedida en la oficina del escribana del Condado este 4 día de Enero 2001. En fe de lo cual pongo mi rubrica y sello del Condado de Lincoln.

/s/ MARTHA MCKNIGHT PROCTOR
 Escribana de Condado Lincoln

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PROCLAMATION OF A REGULAR SCHOOL DISTRICT ELECTION

WHEREAS, I, Martha McKnight Proctor, County Clerk, in the County of Lincoln and State of New Mexico, have determined that a Regular School District Election, be held on February 6, 2001, pursuant to sections 1-22-1 through 1-22-19, NMSA 1978; AND WHEREAS, under and by virtue of Article 22, School Election Law, provision is made for the holding of School District Elections throughout the State of New Mexico and in each County and each School District thereof;

NOW THEREFORE, it is hereby proclaimed and public notice is given by the Lincoln County Clerk, in the County of Lincoln and State of New Mexico:

On the 6th day of February, 2001, there will be held in the Carrizozo Municipal School District No. 07, Lincoln County, New Mexico, a regular school district election for the purpose of submitting the names of candidates for the two (2) positions to be filled on the Board, to the respective qualified electors of the District.

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

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

- Position 3: For a four-year term commencing March 1, 2001; and
- Position 4: For a four-year term commencing March 1, 2001.

- Candidates:**
Position 3
 1. Cynthia A. Morales
 2. James L. Grider
 3. Patricia M. Valleges

- Position 4**
 1. Angelo Vega
 2. Eldon G. Offutt

IT IS FURTHER PROCLAIMED AND NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that the Judges of Election and the Clerks of Election have been appointed in said School District and Public Notice is hereby given of the place designated where the said election is to be held:

CONSOLIDATED PRECINCT:
 Consisting of all Lincoln County and Socorro County general election precincts that are wholly or partially within the Carrizozo Municipal School District No. 07.

POLLING PLACE:
 Carrizozo Municipal School Administration Building
 800 D. Avenue
 Carrizozo, New Mexico

ABSENT VOTERS PRECINCT:
 For voters who are absent from any precinct within Carrizozo Municipal School District No. 07

POLLING PLACE:
 Office of the County Clerk
 Lincoln County
 Lincoln County Courthouse
 Carrizozo, New Mexico

CONSOLIDATED PRECINCT:
 Presiding Judge: Carol L. Zumwalt
 Election Judge: Margo Lindsay
 Election Judge: Douglas L. Jarrard
 Election Clerk: Leann K. Weibrecht
 Election Clerk: Terry Luna

ABSENT VOTERS PRECINCT:
 Presiding Judge: Carol L. Zumwalt
 Election Judge: Margo Lindsay
 Election Judge: Douglas L. Jarrard
 Election Clerk: Leann K. Weibrecht
 Election Clerk: Terry Luna

DONE IN THE LINCOLN COUNTY CLERK'S OFFICE THIS 4th DAY OF JANUARY, 2001. WITNESS MY HAND AND THE GREAT SEAL OF LINCOLN COUNTY.

/s/ MARTHA MCKNIGHT PROCTOR
 Lincoln County Clerk

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PROCLAMACION DE ELECCION REGULAR DEL DISTRITO ESCOLAR

PORCUANTO, YO, Martha McKnight Proctor, Escribana de Condado, Condado de Lincoln, Estado de Nuevo Mexico, ha determinado que se llevara a cabo una Eleccion regular del Distrito Escolar el 6 de febrero de 2001, conforme a las secciones 1-22-1 a 1-22-19 NMSA, 1978;

Y CONSIDERANDO QUE, cuanto debajo y por virtud de artículo 22, ley de eleccion de escuela provision esta hecho detener elecciones de Distrito de Escuela por todo del Estado de Nuevo Mexico, y en cada Condado y en cada Distrito de Escuela de Esto;

AHORA, POR LO TANTO, la Escribana de Condado, Condado de Lincoln, Estado de Nuevo Mexico proclamar y por esta noticia publica;

El 6 de febrero de 2001 se llevara a cabo una eleccion regular en el Distrito Escolar Municipio Num. 07 de Carrizozo, Condado de Lincoln, Estado de Nuevo Mexico con el fin de presentarle a todos los votantes respectivos habilitados del Distrito los nombres de los candidatos por las dos (2) posiciones que se llenaran en la Junta.

Los Sitos de Votacion en dicha Eleccion permaneceran abiertos entre las horas de las 7:00 a.m. y las 7:00 p.m. el día de la Eleccion.

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

- Posicion 3: Por un plazo de cuatro años comenzando el 1 de marzo de 2001; y
- Posicion 4: Por un plazo de cuatro años comenzando el 1 de marzo de 2001.

- Candidates:**
Posicion 3
 1. Cynthia A. Morales
 2. James L. Grider
 3. Patricia M. Valleges

- Posicion 4**
 1. Angelo Vega
 2. Eldon G. Offutt

ADEMAS PROCLAMADO Y NOTICIA ESTA POR ESTO DADO, que los Jueces de la eleccion y los escribanas de eleccion fueron apuntados en tal distrito de escuela y noticia publica y por esto se la dado el lugar designado donde tal eleccion sera detenido:

PRECINTO CONSOLIDADO UNO:
 Consistiendo de todos los precintos de eleccion general del Condado de Lincoln que estan enteramente o parcialmente dentro del Distrito Escolar Municipal de Carrizozo Num. 07.

PARAJE DE VOTACION:
 Oficina Administrativa de la Escuela Municipal de Carrizozo
 Carrizozo, Nuevo Mexico

PRECINTO DE VOTANTES AUSENTES:
 Para votantes que estan ausentes para cualquier precinto dentro del Distrito Escolar Municipal de Carrizozo Num. 07.

PARAJE DE VOTACION:
 Oficina de Escribano
 Condado de Lincoln
 Casa Corte de Condado de Lincoln
 Carrizozo, Nuevo Mexico

PRECINTO CONSOLIDADO:
 Juez Presidiendo: Carol L. Zumwalt
 Juez de Eleccion: Margo Lindsay
 Juez de Eleccion: Douglas L. Jarrard
 Escribana de Eleccion: Leann K. Weibrecht
 Escribana de Eleccion: Terry Luna

PRECINTO DE VOTANTES AUSENTES:
 Juez Presidiendo: Carol L. Zumwalt
 Juez de Eleccion: Margo Lindsay
 Juez de Eleccion: Douglas L. Jarrard
 Escribana de Eleccion: Leann K. Weibrecht
 Escribana de Eleccion: Terry Luna

Expedida en la oficina del escribana del Condado este 4 día de Enero 2001. En fe de lo cual pongo mi rubrica y sello del Condado de Lincoln.

/s/ MARTHA MCKNIGHT PROCTOR
 Escribana de Condado Lincoln

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PROCLAMATION OF A REGULAR SCHOOL DISTRICT ELECTION AND PUBLIC SCHOOL CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS TAX QUESTION ELECTION

WHEREAS, I, Martha McKnight Proctor, County Clerk, in the County of Lincoln and State of New Mexico, have determined that a Regular School District Election, be held on February 6, 2001, pursuant to sections 1-22-1 through 1-22-19, NMSA 1978.

AND WHEREAS, under and by virtue of Article 22, School Election Law, provision is made for the holding of School District Elections throughout the State of New Mexico and in each County and each School District thereof;

NOW THEREFORE, it is hereby proclaimed and public notice is given by the Lincoln County Clerk, in the County of Lincoln and State of New Mexico:

On the 6th day of February, 2001, there will be held in the Corona Municipal School District No. 13, Lincoln County, New Mexico, a regular school district election for the purpose of submitting the names of candidates for the two (2) positions to be filled on the Board, to the respective qualified electors of the District.

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

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

- Position 4: For a four-year term commencing March 1, 2001; and
- Position 5: For a four-year term commencing March 1, 2001.

- Candidates:**
Position 4
 1. Shirley Jeanene Gibbs
- Position 5**
 1. Alvin D. James

At such Election, the following question shall also be submitted to all qualified, registered electors of the District:

PUBLIC SCHOOL CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS TAX QUESTION

"Shall the Board of Education of the Corona Municipal School District No. 13, Counties of Lincoln, Socorro and Torrance, State of New Mexico, be authorized to impose a property tax of \$2.00 per each \$1,000.00 of net taxable value of the property allocated to such District under the Property Tax Code for the property tax years of 2001, 2002, 2003 and 2004 for the purpose of the following capital improvements in the District, i.e., erecting, remodeling, making additions to, providing equipment for and furnishing school buildings, purchasing or improving school grounds and purchasing computer software and hardware for student use in public school classrooms; maintenance of public school buildings and public school grounds exclusive of salary expenses of employees of the District; and purchasing activity vehicles for transporting students to extracurricular school activities?"

IT IS FURTHER PROCLAIMED AND NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that the Judges of Election and the Clerks of Election have been appointed in said School District and Public Notice is hereby given of the place designated where the said election is to be held:

CONSOLIDATED PRECINCT:
 Consisting of all Lincoln County, Socorro County, Torrance County general election precincts that are wholly or partially within the Corona Municipal School District No. 13.

POLLING PLACE:
 Corona Senior Center
 Corona, New Mexico

ABSENT VOTERS PRECINCT:
 For voters who are absent from any precinct within Corona Municipal School District No. 13

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POLLING PLACE:

Office of the County Clerk
Lincoln County
Lincoln County Courthouse
Carrizozo, New Mexico

CONSOLIDATED PRECINCT:

Presiding Judge: Nelva June Tyree
Election Judge: Sandra J. Alford
Election Judge: Johnnie Erramouspe
Election Clerk: Loretta Sanchez

ABSENT VOTERS PRECINCT:

Presiding Judge: Nelva June Tyree
Election Judge: Sandra J. Alford
Election Judge: Johnnie Erramouspe
Election Clerk: Loretta Sanchez

DONE IN THE LINCOLN COUNTY CLERK'S OFFICE
THIS 4th DAY OF JANUARY, 2001. WITNESS MY HAND
AND THE GREAT SEAL OF LINCOLN COUNTY.

/s/ MARTHA MCKNIGHT PROCTOR
Lincoln County Clerk

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PROCLAMACION DE ELECCION
REGULAR DEL DISTRITO ESCOLAR
Y UNA ELECCION CON EL FIN DE APROBAR
IMPUESTOS PARA MEJORES MATERIALES

PORCUANTO, YO, Martha McKnight Proctor, Escribana de Condado de Lincoln, Estado de Nuevo Mexico, ha determinado que se llevara a cabo una Eleccion regular del Distrito Escolar el 6 de febrero de 2001, conforme a las secciones 1-22-1 a 1-22-19 NMSA, 1978;

Y CONSIDERANDO QUE, cuanto debajo y por virtud de articulo 22, ley de eleccion de escuela provision esta hecho detener elecciones de Distrito de Escuela por todo del Estado de Nuevo Mexico, y en cada Condado y en cada Distrito de Escuela de Esto;

AHORA, POR LO TANTO, la Escribana de Condado de Lincoln, Estado de Nuevo Mexico proclamar y por esta noticia publica:

El 6 de febrero de 2001 se llevara a cabo una eleccion regular en el Distrito Escolar Municipio Num. 13 de Corona, Condado de Lincoln, Estado de Nuevo Mexico con el fin de presentarle a todos los votantes respectivos habilitados del Distrito los nombres de los candidatos por las dos (2) posiciones que llenaran en la Junta.

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

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

Posicion 4: Por un plazo de cuatro años comenzando el 1 de marzo de 2001; y

Posicion 5: Por un plazo de cuatro años comenzando el 1 de marzo de 2001.

Candidatos:

Posicion 4
1. Shirley Jeanene Gibbs

Posicion 5

1. Alvin D. James

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

QUESTION SOBRE IMPUESTOS PARA MEJORAS
MATERIALES DE LAS ESCUELAS PUBLICAS

"Se le debera otorgar la autorizacion a la Junta Escolar del Distrito Escolar Municipio Num. 13 de Corona, Condados de Lincoln, Socorro y Torrance, Estado de Nuevo Mexico para que imponga un impuesto de propiedad de \$2.00 por cada \$1,000.00 de valor neto tributable de la propiedad asignado a dicho Distrito conforme alCodigo de Impuestos Sobre la Propiedad para los años tributables 2001, 2002, 2003 y 2004 con el fin de hacer las mejoras materiales siguientes en el Distrito, es decir, construir, remodelar, anadir a, proveer equipo para y amueblar los edificios escolares, comprar o mejorar los terrenos escolares y comprar programas y equipo de computadora para el uso estudiantil en las aulas escolares publicas, el mantenimiento de los edificios publicos y de los terrenos escolares excluyendo las sumas de los salarios de los empleados del Distrito, y la compra de vehiculos para las actividades escolares con el fin de transportar a los estudiantes a las actividades extracurriculares?"

ADEMAS PROCLAMADO Y NOTICIA ESTA POR ESTO DADO, que los jueces de la eleccion y los escribanas de eleccion fueron apuntados en tal distrito de escuela y noticia publica y por esto se la dado el lugar designado donde tal eleccion sera detenido:

PRECINTO CONSOLIDADO UNO:

Consistiendo de todos los precintos de eleccion general del Condado de Lincoln y el Condado de Socorro y el Condado de Torrance que estan enteramente o parcialmente dentro del Distrito Escolar Municipal de Corona Num. 13.

PARAJE DE VOTACION:

Centro de los Mayores de Corona
Corona, Nuevo Mexico

PRECINTO DE VOTANTES AUSENTES:

Para votantes que estan ausentes para cualquier precinto dentro del Distrito Escolar Municipal de Corona Num. 13.

PARAJE DE VOTACION:

Oficina de Escribano del Condado del Condado de Lincoln
Casa de Corte del Condado de Lincoln
Carrizozo, Nuevo Mexico

PRECINTO CONSOLIDADO:

Juez Presidiendo: Nelva June Tyree
Juez de Eleccion: Sandra J. Alford
Juez de Eleccion: Johnnie Erramouspe
Escribana de Eleccion: Loretta Sanchez

PRECINTO DE VOTANTES AUSENTES:

Juez Presidiendo: Nelva June Tyree
Juez de Eleccion: Sandra J. Alford
Juez de Eleccion: Johnnie Erramouspe
Escribana de Eleccion: Loretta Sanchez

Espedida en la oficina del escribana del Condado este 4 dia de Enero 2001. En fe de lo cual pongo mi rubrica y sello del Condado de Lincoln.

/s/ MARTHA MCKNIGHT PROCTOR
Escribana de Condado Lincoln

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PROCLAMATION OF A
REGULAR SCHOOL DISTRICT ELECTION
AND PUBLIC SCHOOL CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS
TAX QUESTION ELECTION

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AND WHEREAS, under and by virtue of Article 22, School Election Law, provision is made for the holding of School District Elections throughout the State of New Mexico and in each County and each School District thereof;

NOW THEREFORE, it is hereby proclaimed and public notice given by the Lincoln County Clerk, in the County of Lincoln and State of New Mexico:

On the 6th day of February, 2001, there will be held in the Hondo Valley Public School District No. 20, Lincoln County, New Mexico, a regular school district election for the purpose of submitting the names of candidates for the two (2) positions to be filled on the Board, to the respective qualified electors of the District.

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

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

Position 1: For a four-year term commencing March 1, 2001; and

Position 2: For a four-year term commencing March 1, 2001.

Candidates:

Position 1
1. Dennis R. Nosker
2. Lucinda Loveless

Position 2

No candidates.

At such Election, the following question shall also be submitted to all qualified, registered electors of the District:

PUBLIC SCHOOL CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS
TAX QUESTION

"Shall the Board of Education of the Hondo Valley Public School District No. 20, County of Lincoln, State of New Mexico, be authorized to impose a property tax of \$2.00 per each \$1,000.00 of net taxable value of the property allocated to such District under the Property Tax Code for the property tax years of 2001, 2002, 2003 and 2004 for the purpose of the following capital improvements in the District, i.e., erecting, remodeling, making additions to, providing equipment for and furnishing school buildings, purchasing or improving school grounds and purchasing computer software and hardware for students use in public school classrooms; maintenance of public school buildings and public school grounds exclusive of salary expenses of employees of the District; and purchasing activity vehicles for transporting students to extracurricular school activities?"

IT IS FURTHER PROCLAIMED AND NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that the Judges of Election and the Clerks of Election have been appointed in said School District and Public Notice is hereby given of the place designated where the said election is to be held:

CONSOLIDATED PRECINCT:

Consisting of all Lincoln County general election precincts that are wholly or partially within the Hondo Valley Public School District No. 20.

POLLING PLACE:

Hondo Valley School Gym Lobby
Hondo, New Mexico

ABSENT VOTERS PRECINCT:

For voters who are absent from any precinct within Hondo Valley Public School District No. 20

POLLING PLACE:

Office of the County Clerk
Lincoln County
Lincoln County Courthouse
Carrizozo, New Mexico

CONSOLIDATED PRECINCT:

Presiding Judge: Juan S. Montoya
Election Judge: Inez G. Marrs
Election Judge: Josephine S. Gomez
Election Clerk: Phyllis L. Zumwalt

ABSENT VOTERS PRECINCT:

Presiding Judge: Juan S. Montoya
Election Judge: Inez G. Marrs
Election Judge: Josephine S. Gomez
Election Clerk: Phyllis L. Zumwalt

DONE AT THE LINCOLN COUNTY CLERK'S OFFICE
THIS 4th DAY OF JANUARY, 2001. WITNESS MY HAND
AND THE GREAT SEAL OF LINCOLN COUNTY.

/s/ MARTHA MCKNIGHT PROCTOR
Lincoln County Clerk

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PROCLAMACION DE ELECCION
REGULAR DEL DISTRITO ESCOLAR
Y UNA ELECCION CON EL FIN
DE APROBAR IMPUESTOS
PARA MEJORES MATERIALES

PORCUANTO, YO, Martha McKnight Proctor, Escribana de Condado de Lincoln, Estado de Nuevo Mexico, ha determinado que se llevara a cabo una Eleccion regular del Distrito Escolar el 6 de febrero de 2001, conforme a las secciones 1-22-1 a 1-22-19 NMSA, 1978;

Y CONSIDERANDO QUE, cuanto debajo y por virtud de articulo 22, ley de eleccion de escuela provision esta hecho detener elecciones de Distrito de Escuela por todo del Estado de Nuevo Mexico, y en cada Condado y en cada Distrito de Escuela de Esto;

AHORA, POR LO TANTO, la Escribana de Condado de Lincoln, Estado de Nuevo Mexico proclamar y por esta noticia publica:

El 6 de febrero de 2001 se llevara a cabo una eleccion regular en el Distrito Escolar Municipio Num. 20 de Hondo, Condado de Lincoln, Estado de Nuevo Mexico con el fin de presentarle a todos los votantes respectivos del Distrito los nombres de los candidatos por las dos (2) posiciones que se llenaran en la Junta.

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

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

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

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

Candidatos:

Posicion 1
1. Dennis R. Nosker
2. Lucinda Loveless

Posicion 2

No Candidates

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

QUESTION SOBRE IMPUESTOS PARA MEJORAS

MATERIALES DE LAS ESCUELAS PUBLICAS

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

ADEMAS PROCLAMADO Y NOTICIA ESTA POR ESTO DADO, que los jueces de la eleccion y los escribanas de eleccion fueron apuntados en tal distrito de escuela y noticia publica y por esto se la dado el lugar designado donde tal eleccion sera detenido:

PRECINTO CONSOLIDADO UNO:

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PARAJE DE VOTACION:

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PRECINTO DE VOTANTES AUSENTES:

Para votantes que estan ausentes para cualquier precinto dentro del Distrito Escolar Publico de Hondo Num. 20.

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Casa de Corte del Condado de Lincoln
Carrizozo, Nuevo Mexico

PRECINTO CONSOLIDADO:

Juez Presidiendo: Juan S. Montoya
Juez de Eleccion: Inez G. Marrs
Juez de Eleccion: Josephine S. Gomez

PRECINTO DE VOTANTES AUSENTES:

Juez Presidiendo: Juan S. Montoya
Juez de Eleccion: Inez G. Marrs
Juez de Eleccion: Josephine S. Gomez
Escribana de Eleccion: Phyllis L. Zumwalt

Espedida en la oficina del escribana del Condado este 4 dia de Enero 2001. En fe de lo cual pongo mi rubrica y sello del Condado de Lincoln.

/s/ MARTHA MCKNIGHT PROCTOR
Escribana de Condado Lincoln

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LEGAL NOTICE

STATE OF NEW MEXICO
COUNTY OF LINCOLN
TWELFTH JUDICIAL
DISTRICT COURT

CV-00-233

OCWEN FEDERAL BANK FSB,

Plaintiff,

vs.
TAMMY HARPER and
DONNIE L. HARPER, JR.
Defendants.

NOTICE OF PENDENCY OF SUIT

To: Defendants Tammy Harper
and Donnie L. Harper, Jr.:

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the above-named Plaintiff filed a Complaint for Foreclosure in the above Court on November 17, 2000, against the above-named Defendants, the general object of which is to foreclose a lien of Plaintiff against certain real property located in Lincoln County, New Mexico, commonly known as 115 Davis Drive, Ruidoso, New Mexico, and more particularly described as follows:

LOT 26, BLOCK 36, OF PONDEROSA
HEIGHTS SUBDIVISION, UNIT V,
RUIDOSO, 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, NEW
MEXICO, ON AUGUST 18, 1958.

and to foreclose the interests of the above named Defendants and any other parties bound by the notice of lis pendens filed in the County records with respect to this case, all as more specifically stated in the Complaint filed in this cause of action.

FURTHER, Defendants Tammy Harper and Donnie L. Harper, Jr., are hereby notified that they have twenty (20) days from date of completion of publication of this Notice in which to file an answer or other responsive pleading to the Complaint and should they choose not to file a responsive pleading or motion to the Complaint on or before the 8th day of March, 2001, judgment or other appropriate relief may be rendered against the above-named Defendants.

Richard M. Leverick of the law firm of Leverick and Musselman, L.L.C., whose address and phone number is 5120 San Francisco Rd., NE, Albuquerque, New Mexico 87109, (505) 858-3303, is the attorney for the Plaintiff.

WITNESS the hand of KAREN L. PARSONS District Judge of the Twelfth Judicial District Court of the State of New Mexico, and the seal of the Twelfth Judicial District Court of Lincoln County, this 18th day of January, 2001.

JAN PERRY
Clerk of The Court

(Seal of the Court)

By: Darla Goar
Deputy

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County Okays Ruidoso Downs ET Zone Process

by Doris Cherry
Lincoln County Commissioners began a process to create an extraterritorial zone around the Village of Ruidoso Downs. At their meeting January 18 in their chambers in the Lincoln County Courthouse in Carrizozo, county commissioners considered the request from the Village of Ruidoso Downs for the extraterritorial zone (ETZ). Ruidoso Downs Mayor Bobby Miller attended the meeting.
County attorney Alan Morel said the agreement between Ruidoso Downs and the county calls for a one-mile ET zone, but at this time there are no maps to show the ET zone. "It takes time to draw maps and complete zoning," Morel said. "This is a start of a process."
County commission chair Rex Wilson said the ET zone came about because of problems created for village residents by the development of lands just outside the Village of Ruidoso Downs. "The question is, is it worth it?" Wilson asked. "Will the problems be resolved with the ET zone, or will all development now be grandfathered in?" Morel said there is a lot of village support for the ET zone.
County commissioner Ray Shirley said Ruidoso Downs trustees think they need control over the outlying areas. "I tend to agree with the growth pattern there is enormous and they need some control especially to the east."
In speaking to the commissioner, Ruidoso Downs Mayor Miller said the ET zone is intended to eliminate a lot of the drainage problems from the five acre tracts of properties between the village limits and the S. Forest boundary.
Ruidoso resident and Libertarian Party political analyst Tony Seno said he hoped the county commissioner and the ETZ board contact all affected property

owners and let them know what an ET zone does. "When they bought their properties they had reasonable expectation to be out from under city regulations," Seno said. "I hope you have a series of public hearings and notify all property owners."
"Many people are entrapped in the Ruidoso ET zone," Seno added. "In the future I am going to ask that the county remove the ET zone from around Ruidoso and keep the village at its limits."
County commissioner Bill Schwettmann said Ruidoso Downs is part of the county also and he saw no reason not to honor the request from Ruidoso Downs and afford them the same protection of the ET zone. "If you want to call it that," he added. With that Schwettmann made the motion to pursue the agreement with Ruidoso Downs to create an ET zone by beginning public hearings as mandated by state law. All commissioners voted in favor of the motion.
As for the Ruidoso ET zone, Schwettmann said the county has the majority on the ETZ Authority and could cancel the ETZ Authority board.
Morel said the agreement starts the process and gives authority to create an ordinance and develop maps of the proposed ET zone. "This will require a great deal of public input," Morel said.
Wilson asked if the commission should hold hearings now or later. Morel said they could start the process now, or hold hearings to determine whether the county residents in the proposed ET zone are interested in being regulated.
Oscuro resident Jerry Carroll said he thought Ruidoso Downs should just annex these properties so the owners will have input and receive village services, rather than just being controlled.

Young Writers Contest Open

New Mexico high school students can win up to \$500 for their fiction, nonfiction, poetry and TV scripts through the SouthWest Writers Young Writers Contest 2001.
The contest is open to all 14-18 year old students in New Mexico. Four prizes will be awarded in each category with first prize of \$500, second prize \$250, third prize \$100 and honorable mention of \$50.
Prizes will be awarded during the 19th annual SouthWest Writers Conference September 20-23 in Albuquerque.
Entries will be accepted starting February 1. The deadline is May 1. Any submissions postmarked later will not be accepted. Eligible students must be between 14 and 18 as of September 1, 2000 and not have graduated prior to spring 2001. Students may enter one entry per category. Fiction and nonfiction must be between 750 and 3,000 words. Poetry entries are limited to 50 lines. TV scripts have special rules. All entries must be typed and doubled spaced.
For more information contact the SouthWest Writers office at 505-265-9485, e-mail at SWriters@aol.com or the website at www.southwestwriters.org. Entries should be mailed to SWW Young Writers Contest 2001, PO Box 51447, Albuquerque, NM 87181.

County Students Named To College Dean's Lists

New Mexico State University has announced its Honor Roll for fall 2000 semester. Students must have a grade point average within the top 15 percent of the college enrollment.
From Capitan: Klay Jones in Electrical Engineering, Troy Stone in Agriculture Extension Education.
From Carrizozo: Ryan Roper in Agricultural Economics and Agricultural Business, Michelle Vinson in Education.
From Corona: Monica Therese Alirez in Criminal Justice.
From Lincoln: Colleen Patricia McGrath in Psychology.
Wendy Michelle Hollis of Carrizozo was named to the Eastern New Mexico University Dean's Roll for the fall 2000 semester. Dean's Honor Roll students must complete at least 15 hours in the semester and have a 3.25 grade point average. Hollis is majoring in elementary education.
Michael Becker from Capitan has been named an honor student for the fall semester at Oklahoma State University in Okmulgee. Becker had a grade point average over 3.0 on 4.0 system throughout the 15 week semester. Becker is enrolled in continuing education.

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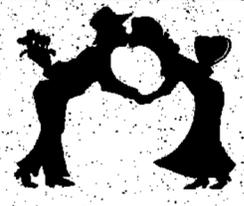
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Be Aware Of Carbon Monoxide Poisoning

by Doris Cherry

On January 23, seven members of a single family in Santa Fe County were treated for carbon monoxide poisoning. Five were treated in the emergency room and released. Two were transferred to Albuquerque for hyperbaric oxygen therapy: one because she is pregnant, and the other because of the severity of her poisoning.

Health officials are cautioning residents to be careful. Carbon monoxide (CO) is an odorless, colorless and tasteless gas, which means that victims are often unaware of its presence.

CO poisoning is most common during winters months, when people spend most of their time indoors and homes need to be heated. The most common risks for CO poisoning are malfunctioning home heating systems; using (gas or kerosene) space heaters without enough ventilation; running a motor vehicle engine in a garage attached to the house; riding in the back of a pickup truck; sitting in a vehicle with idling engines during winter storms in which the car exhaust system gets plugged up with snow.

Symptoms of CO poisoning include headache, dizziness, nausea and mental confusion. The symptoms are usually worse with more severe exposures. Sometimes symptoms are mistaken for common illnesses such as viral infection.

The likelihood of CO poisoning can be reduced by installing fuel-burning appliances according to manufacturer's instructions and

with all local codes; inspect all parts of heating systems; install a CO alarm in the hallway near each separate sleeping area; never burn charcoal inside any enclosed area; never use gas kitchen ovens for heating; avoid operating gas generators indoors; check heating equipment monthly for problems; replace old gas refrigerators; perform a service checkup of all motor vehicles; always clear accumulated snow from the exhaust system before starting your vehicle's engine. If stranded in a snow storm and must run the engine for heat, clear accumulated snow from around the ex-

haust pipe often. Persons with suspected CO poisoning should be

evaluated in the nearest emergency room immediately.

PUBLIC NOTICE

Notice is hereby given to each major political party chairman, any interested school board candidate or his representative and the public: Inspection and certification of the AVC Advantage Electronic Voting Machines to be used in the February 6, 2001 School District Elections for Capitan, Carrizozo, Corona, Hondo and Ruidoso School Districts will be held at 10:00 AM on Friday, February 2, 2001 in the Voting Machine Warehouse, 214 Eleventh Street, Carrizozo, New Mexico.

MARTHA McKNIGHT PROCTOR
Lincoln County Clerk

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