

# FireWise Workshop Friday and Saturday

by DORIS CHERRY

Creating safer communities is the goal of the Lincoln and Otero Counties free FireWise Communities Workshop on Friday and Saturday, April 20 and 21, at the Ruidoso Convention Center.

Sponsored by the Village of Ruidoso, Project Impact, and the US Forest Service (USFS) and New Mexico State Forestry Division

(NMSF) the workshops are free to the public and everyone is invited.

Pre-registration is encouraged, either by calling 258-4343 or by mailing the coupon on the FireWise advertisement in *THE NEWS*. Registration can be done at the door also, beginning at 7:30 a.m. each day. The workshops begin at 8 a.m. with welcoming addresses.

Workshop organizers Thomas Chavez, Village of

Ruidoso Emergency Manager, and Rick DeIaco, Village of Ruidoso Urban Forester, said the workshop is designed with flexibility so participants can attend all day, come in the morning one day and the afternoon the next, or just drop in. Morning and afternoon sessions will basically present the same information on both Friday and Saturday, DeIaco said. However, there will be different speakers

on the morning sessions.

DeIaco said the main speakers both mornings will present scientific information about forest health issues. "We wanted to give workshop participants the real science behind the forest issues," DeIaco added.

At 8 a.m. Friday, April 20, Ruidoso Mayor Robert Donaldson will welcome participants. Following Donaldson, Robert Cain with the New Mexico State

University Extension Service will present "The Science of It". Cain has been allotted an hour for his presentation.

At 8 a.m. Saturday, April 21, Otero County Commissioner Mike Nivison will provide the welcome address, followed by Dr. Gave Garrett, with the M-3 Research and former dean of the NAU School of Forestry in Colorado, who will pres-

ent scientific research on forest issues.

The following schedule will be the same on both days.

At 9:15 a.m. the Ruidoso Wildland Urban Interface Group and Southwest Strategies will give a brief report on their projects. Midmorning break will be held at 9:30 a.m.

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## LETTER TO THE EDITOR:

### Continuing Saga of Fort Stanton

EDITOR: In March of 1995 no one in State Government cared one wit about closing Fort Stanton and turning 214 employees and their families into refugees. The Republican Governor, (who some in Lincoln County voted for) couldn't wait to close the Fort. This sent the staff to the four corners of the state for other jobs, some living here and driving to Roswell or Alamogordo every day for a job, some had to go out of state and many chose to just fight the unemployment / underemployment battle so common in Lincoln County. They did this because they had roots here; this was their home. I am one of those refugees and my family and I have never fully recovered from it. I have never spoken publicly about this but reading the recent articles about the efforts to save the Fort and the continued ineptness of the State and the results of the Legislative session (or should I say no results) compel me to write.

I don't know why anyone who was living in Lincoln County at the time of the initial closing in March 1995 is surprised that the State legislature did not vote money to run it next year. It is also not surprising that the GSA would love to dump the Fort on some other department.

No one in state government gave one wit about closing the Fort in 1995. No one in Santa Fe gave a wit about leaving the Fort sitting empty when the elderly of this part of the state were begging for the 'long term care' that the Fort was transitioning to provide and the staff was ready to implement at the Fort in 1995.

And one reason so many staff was serving so few residents with developmental disabilities is that we were in the middle of that transition, not that we were all a group of deadbeats living off the state, even though that was said many times.

And I have also never seen in print that the staff at the Fort was already serving some elderly in a recently renovated cottage, those clients too became refugees.

In my opinion even our state legislators and county commissioners only gave lip service to fighting for it then, so why can anyone expect more from them now?

I applaud the groups trying to save the Fort even though they should not be surprised at the continuing saga of what will become of Fort Stanton when the track record of the State Government concerning this venerable historical place is so poor.

RAYNE GREER - LBSW, QMRP  
Capitan, New Mexico



PASSING OUT PETITIONS. Concerned parent Juanita Garcia distributes copies of letters and petitions signed by one than 250 people who were in favor of the board rehiring Coach and teacher Cindy Terry for the 2001-02 school year. Despite emotional pleas from Garcia and parent Jana Townsend to keep Terry, the board voted unanimously to terminate Terry.

## County Letter Causes Concern For Ruidoso

by DORIS CHERRY

A letter from Lincoln County Manager Tom Stewart to the Village of Ruidoso about concerns about the Extraterritorial Zone caused a lot of concern with the Ruidoso Village Council.

During the reports at the start of the Ruidoso Village Council meeting of April 12, mayor Robert Donaldson read the letter from Stewart.

"At the regular county commission meeting of March 15, many in the audience voiced concerns about the unreasonableness of code enforcement in the ET and the fact that the commission has suggested imposing your Village's ordinances in the area (ET zone)."

"Mr. Al Junge formally resigned from the ET Commission expressing his frustrations with the bureaucratic nature of the body. He found that cases were frequently delayed, and the entity was better at finding ways not to help the citizens. Volumes of paper and over regulation have become extremely frustrating to the people in the ET Zone. One citizen complained about service from the village's planning office."

"There was much discussion of imposing the village's standards on the area, and this runs counter to the desires of the Board of Commissioners."

"Short of abolishing the county's involvement in the area, please consider these comments and find ways to stimulate friendlier and less abusive regulation of the area."

Councilor Linda Flack, who represents the village on the Extraterritorial Zoning Commission said the commission is made up of representatives from the county as well as the village. She said the Village of Ruidoso is the reason why most people come to the area, "not Lincoln County, Carrizozo or Corona."

"The beauty here can be destroyed in a very short time if controls and regulations are not put in place and enforced," Flack said. "The community needs to

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## LCSWA May Seek Rate Increase Next Fiscal Year

by DORIS CHERRY

Higher than expected fuel costs, and a higher than budgeted cost to dispose of trash has hit Lincoln County Solid Waste Authority (LCSWA) hard as it enters the last quarter of this fiscal year. Looking to offset some of these unexpected costs in the next budget year, the LCSWA board is considering a five percent rate increase to begin July 1.

At the LCSWA meeting on April 12, board members unanimously agreed to not hire any temporary seasonal employees before they approve the next fiscal year budget before July 1. LCSWA board president Debra Ingle, who repre-

sents Capitan on the LCSWA board, said the state Department of Finance and Administration (DFA) has given LCSWA approval to spend this fiscal year emergency reserves, because of the increased costs of fuel primarily.

Ingle told *THE NEWS*, "We did not, when we did this year's budget, figure in the additional money we would pay Ruidoso in transfer fees, and the increase in fuel."

Even with the DFA okay to spend reserves, LCSWA will come right down to the wire with its budget, Ingle added. And the next three months are some of the busiest for LCSWA crews as seasonal residents and visi-

tors return on the Memorial Day weekend.

LCSWA manager Rick Simpson reported a large influx of trash in the last month and especially over Easter weekend, keeping crews running hard.

The LCSWA board voted unanimously to postpone action on a proposed resolution that would mandate a five percent increase in trash rates every year until they hold their budget workshop on May 15. Ingle said while she sees a real need for a five percent increase in trash rates for the next budget year beginning on July 1, she did not know if a five percent increase will be needed every year.

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## Capitan Terminates Coach Cindy Terry

by DORIS CHERRY

Capitan Board of Education, with a slim three member quorum, unanimously accepted the recommendation from the school superintendent to terminate Cindy Terry as coach and teacher.

School board members presiding vice president Gary Tregembo, James Hobbs and new member David Cox took the action at the end of a three hour meeting during which the board met in a one hour closed executive session, on

April 12. Board president Ervin Aldaz was absent to fulfill a long term commitment, member Grant Dean was absent with no reason why.

Nearly 100 people spilled out of the small board meeting room. Student athletes in support of Terry wore t-shirts with the printed message "keep coach Terry." For two weeks students in support of Terry have painted their car windows, and carried signs asking to keep her.

On March 27, Terry re-

ceived a letter from High School principal Darrel Stierwalt outlining issues concerning her coaching. Stierwalt gave Terry two options--to resign, or get a recommendation of not rehiring or termination. Terry told *THE NEWS* Stierwalt just handed her the letter, and did not have a meeting with her.

Before the board went into closed session, and as part of the agenda, parent supporters Jana Townsend and Juanita Garcia spoke long and eloquently in sup-

port of Terry.

Townsend presented the board with a petition with 252 signatures asking to keep Terry. Both women asked why the school was terminating Terry:

"Is the board aware of why she is not being recommended?" Townsend asked. Townsend said she spoke with school board president Ervin Aldaz who told her he was unaware.

Tregembo said by legal requirements he was unable to discuss the issues with the public. "We're

given recommendations," Tregembo said. "And we act on them."

Townsend said the situation was unjust. "Coach Terry was asked to come to the high school as a coach," Townsend said. "This is her first year and she was able to coach (the girls basketball team) for only 12 weeks. To have a winning team with only 12 weeks practice can't be done."

Garcia said Terry was having to teach basketball

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# FireWise Work

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At 10 a.m. Matt Reidy with the USFS Lincoln National Forest Smokey Bear Ranger Station will give an overview and report on the cost of the Cree Fire of May 2000. At 10:15 a.m. Chavez will show the Project Impact video produced locally by OTI of Ruidoso Downs that shows what is being done in the area to lessen the potentials for wildfire.

At 10:30 a.m. each day a panel discussion on defensible space will be held with question and answer pe-

riod. Panelists will include Matt Reidy, Bill Duemling from NMSF on planting options, Barbara Luna NMSF district ranger on funding opportunities for private land owners, Robbie Hall with Village of Ruidoso Fire Department, Dave Parks High Country Insurance on value added concepts, Charlie Moore from Texas New Mexico Power Company on rights of way and easements and Rick DeIaco on the Village of Ruidoso Forest Manage-

ment Policy.

Free refreshments, sponsored by area businesses and agencies, will be provided during the mid-morning and mid-afternoon breaks. During these breaks workshop participants will have opportunity to view several "trade" booths from local wood-related businesses, DeIaco said. The village invited wood related businesses to participate in the workshops.

Lunch break is scheduled from 11:30 through 1 p.m. both days. No lunch will be provided however the trade booths, including informational booths from the NMSF and USFS, will be open for viewing.

During the afternoon on both days all participants will be divided into smaller groups to work on FireWise exercises in provided workbooks. With the help of virtual reality, participants will get to assess and plan a virtual subdivision during the first break out session. In the second break out session participants will discuss and identify how fire hazards can be reduced with fuel manipulation and such things as assuring street signs and house numbers are up to date and visible.

"The afternoon break out sessions are where we will develop ideas for planning and for action," DeIaco said.

Afternoon schedules, the same for both days, begin with a 1 p.m. presentation from Mike Thompson, Assistant Fire Marshal of Los Alamos. He will show slides from the Cerro Grande Fire in May-June 2000. After

Thompson's presentation workshop participants will get an orientation on the FireWise exercises. Then they will break out into smaller sessions where they will use the provided FireWise workbooks.

At 4 p.m. each day, the workshops will conclude with reports of ideas from each break out group and discussion of these ideas. Final summary and closing remarks will end each workshop day by 5 p.m.

The FireWise Communities Workshop is funded through the Project Impact, a project of the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA). Chavez said he applied for additional funds from the project to cover the cost of promoting, advertising and purchasing materials for the workshops. This is the first official FireWise workshop held in either Lincoln

or Otero Counties, Chavez added.

Registration for the workshop can be done by phoning 258-4343, or faxing a copy of the registration coupon on the advertisement to 258-3017. Or register at the door on the days of the workshop. For more information contact either Chavez or DeIaco at 258-4343.

## FCE Cultural Arts Contest Winners Are Announced

The Lincoln County Extension Office has announced the winners of the Lincoln County Cultural Arts Contest held March 29.

Edith Malcolm of Capitan won the best of show with her crocheted bedspread.

First, second and third placed winning entries will be entered in the District Cultural Arts Contest at the FCE District meeting on April 24 in Ruidoso.

Winners are: Lou Turner, first in painted stone; Marilyn Burchett first for black/white photo and first for color photo; Rosalie Dunlap, second for horse photo; Barbara Van Gorder, first for small scrapbook, and first and best of lot for large scrapbook; Barbara Culler first with quilled egg; Amanda Torres two second places for crocheted doilies; Edith Malcolm first for crocheted bedspread that also won best of lot and best of show.

Ginny Burd first for crocheted afghan and first for crocheted shawl; Cecilia Booky second for crocheted afghan; Edith Malcolm first for crocheted vest; Amanda Torres second for crocheted doily; Ammel Bevell second for baby quilt.

Barbara Culler first and best of lot for wall hanging, and first and best of lot for quilled box and best of lot; Jeanette Smoot no placing for wall hanging, and second for padded item; Angie Provine two first places for candles; Barbara Van Gorder first for tree angel; Cecilia Booky first for Christmas item and first for reindeer; Barbara Van Gorder first for applique shirt; Lucia Vega no placing for pillow.

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get involved with the issues to ensure healthy growth in the area. This is a real problem and Ruidoso needs to keep fighting to protect the pristine beauty of the mountains.

Donaldson agreed and said the county has no planning regulations for growth in the ET Zone with Ruidoso or any other municipality in the county. He said the 2000 census showed 87 percent growth in Ruidoso, 72 percent in Ruidoso Downs and the rest of the county had 59 percent growth. "I am concerned about the county working with the village on these important issues," Donaldson concluded.



Winds calmed late last week, making Easter Sunday a perfect spring day with light breezes and temperatures in the 70s county wide. A very warm Monday, April 11 ushered in a cold fog on Tuesday, that shrouded the eastern half of the county for most of the day, and caused high easterly winds in Carrizozo and areas west of the mountains. The cold wet fog lingered through early Wednesday morning until breezes pushed the cold front back into the eastern plains.

Morning breezes and afternoon winds are predicted to continue through this week with some possible higher winds today.

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, April 19:  
Partly cloudy skies, becoming windy by afternoon. Southwest winds 20 to 30 miles per hour and gusty. High temperature in Carrizozo of 78. Chance for precipitation zero percent. Tonight clear to partly cloudy skies. Lows to low 50s.

Friday & Saturday, April 20 & 21:  
Partly cloudy and windy each day. Highs in the 70s and lows in the 40s.

Sunday, April 22:  
Partly cloudy and breezy. Highs to the mid 70s. Lows to mid 40s.

Monday & Tuesday, April 23 & 24:  
Clear to partly cloudy. Breezy to windy during the days. Highs in the 70s. Lows in the 40s.

Forecast for Ruidoso, the north Sacramento and Capitan Mountains, Capitan and higher elevations of the county:

Today, Thursday, April 19:  
Partly cloudy skies, becoming windy by afternoon. Southwest winds 20 to 30 miles per hour and gusty. High temperature in Ruidoso to 89, zero chance for precipitation. Tonight clear to partly cloudy skies. Lows in the 40s.

Friday & Saturday, April 20 & 21:  
Partly cloudy, windy each day. Highs in the 70s, lows in the 40s.

Sunday, April 22:  
Partly cloudy and breezy. Highs in the upper 60s. Lows in the 30s.

Monday & Tuesday, April 23 & 24:  
Clear to partly cloudy, breezy to windy during the days. Highs in the 70s, lows in the 30s to low 40s.

## April is Library Month

Ruidoso Mayor Robert Donaldson has proclaimed the month of April as Ruidoso's Month of the Library.

During April and continuing through May, the Ruidoso Public Library is conducting a survey to discover how it can improve services to the Ruidoso and Lincoln County communities.

Everyone is invited to stop by the library and fill out a survey.

## OBITUARY

### DIMICE GARRISON

A memorial service was held at First Presbyterian Church in El Paso, TX on March 24, for Dimice Katherine Garrison, who died March 17 at the Sierra Medical Center in El Paso after a brief illness. Cremation followed death at the Evergreen Crematory under the direction of the Martin Funeral Home East, of El Paso.

Dimice was born January 31, 1929 in McKinzie, TN. She resided in Carrizozo and Alamogordo during the 1950s and then moved to El Paso, where she had lived for the past 35 years.

She is survived by her husband of 45 years, J.D. Garrison of El Paso; a daughter, Cherry and her husband Brad Smith of El Paso; a granddaughter, and a grandson.

A family memorial service is planned for this coming August at the Garrison Annual Reunion in Carrizozo. Dimice and J.D. own a home in Carrizozo and were frequent visitors here.

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# CALENDAR OF EVENTS

## TODAY, THURSDAY, APRIL 19

- Lincoln County Commission meeting, 9 a.m. commission chambers in the Lincoln County Courthouse in Carrizozo.
- State Forestry Division public hearing on proposed changes to commercial timber harvest on non-municipal, nonfederal lands, 6-9 p.m. Ruidoso Village Hall council chambers. Proposed regulations are available on the Forestry Division website at [www.nmforestry.com](http://www.nmforestry.com) or by calling 354-2231.
- Libertarian Party of Lincoln County Convention, 6:30 p.m. 218 Country Club Drive. Election of county officers. Potluck dinner.

## FRIDAY & SATURDAY, APRIL 20 & 21

- Fire Wise Communities workshops, 7:30-11:30 a.m. morning session on defensible planning, 1-5 p.m. afternoon session on "FireWise Planning". Session same both days. At Ruidoso Convention Center. No charge. For information or to register call Thomas Chavez at 258-4343.

## SATURDAY, APRIL 21

- Capitan Community Cleanup. 40-yard roll off container at village yard on Yard Road available by 8 a.m. Camp Sierra Blanca youths to pick up bagged clean-up items set out on the street curbs in front of homes that morning.
- Rabies Clinics: Carrizozo Fire Station, 11 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.; Nogal Post Office, 10 to 10:45 a.m.; White Oaks turn off on Highway 54, 12:45 p.m. to 1 p.m.; Ancho 1:15 to 1:45 p.m. and Corona Fire Station, 4-5 p.m.
- Capitan High School prom at Museum of Horse.

## SUNDAY, APRIL 22

- ENMU-Ruidoso Student Art Show reception 1 p.m. Ruidoso Sierra Mall. Show will continue through May 5. Hours 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday. and 10 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Saturdays.

## MONDAY, APRIL 23

- Early dismissal for Carrizozo School.

## TUESDAY, APRIL 24

- FCE District IV meeting, registration 8 a.m. Gateway Church of Christ on Sudderth Drive in Ruidoso.
- Staff members of U.S. Senator Pete Domenici will be at the Lincoln County Commission chambers in the Lincoln County Courthouse in Carrizozo from 10 a.m. to 11 a.m. Anyone having difficulty with a federal agency who would like the senator's help, or who would like to convey an opinion, is welcome to visit with the staff.
- Capitan Mid School Athletic Awards Program 6 p.m. Traylor Gym.
- Ruidoso Village Council 6:30 p.m.

## WEDNESDAY, APRIL 25

- Lincoln County Lodgers Tax 10 a.m. Ruidoso Village Hall.
- Special Capitan Village Trustees budget workshop, 6 p.m. village hall.

## SATURDAY, APRIL 28

- Democratic Party of Lincoln County 9:30 a.m. K-Bob's Restaurant on Highway 70 in Ruidoso. Breakfast buffet available. Business includes appointment of committees and report on State Central Committee meeting and election of state officers.
- District Track Meet hosted by Capitan Schools, Tiger Field.

# Burr And Brewer Named C'zozo Valedictorian and Salutatorian

by DORIS CHERRY

Carrizozo high school senior Madalyn Burr is valedictorian and senior Stella Brewer is salutatorian of the Carrizozo High School Graduating Class of 2001.

Carrizozo Board of Education members during their meeting Tuesday, April 17, unanimously accepted the recommendation of school superintendent Rick Cogdill to name Burr to the top honor and Brewer to the second highest honor. The honors were based on the students' grade point average.

This year there will be no guest speaker at graduation on Friday, May 25. The school board accepted a request from the senior class to have no guest speaker, and instead allow each of the 13 graduating seniors to have time to speak.

The school board also unanimously approved the

## Bonito Fire Department Thanks All

The Bonito Volunteer Fire Department expresses its deepest thanks and appreciation to all involved in the containment of the Musket Ball Fire.

Thanks to all fire fighters and their respective agencies, air support personnel, the Red Cross, local and state police and Lincoln County Sheriff's Office, Lincoln County Road Department crews, local radio stations for constant updates, local businesses and all participating citizens.

"Together we are proud to serve our community."

recommendation to rehire the following certified personnel for the 2001-02 school year: Sarah Ball, Cathy Barela, Martha Bond, Becky Borowski, Phoebe Cogdill, Rima Davis, Becca Ferguson, Melody Gaines, Kellie Gallacher, Jamie Gieb, Cherri Goad, Karen Haughness, Glenn Hawk, Bob Hemphill, Mel Holland, Jeanna Morton, Anne Serna, Rosemary Shafer, Wayne Shockey, Pat Ventura and Bryan Wetzel. The school board took action after a closed session to discuss limited personnel matters and personally identifiable information regarding a student's.

The school board also accepted the resignation of Sharon Hefker as Bingham route bus contractor.

On Monday, April 23, at 9 a.m. for middle school and 1:45 a.m. for high school freshmen and sophomores, a program on abstinence will be given. Counselor Karen Haughness requested permission for the program, which the school board gave. The program will be presented by the Sierra County Maternal Child Health Council, Family Resource Center in Truth or Consequences, which operates under a grant from the state. Haughness explained to the board the program is not "sex education" rather a program that incorporates role playing to help students deal with real life experiences.

Haughness said students will have a choice whether they want to participate in the program. Those who wish, will be given a card to pledge abstinence. Haughness told THE NEWS parents and the community are

invited to attend the programs. In order to have a guide-

line to deal with threats of violence, the school board (SEE PAGE 5)

## Carrizozo Taster Freez 'Breakfast Buffet'

6:00 am to 10:00 am

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## RABIES CLINIC

A Rabies Vaccination Clinic Will Be Held In Lincoln County Communities At The Following Times and Places:

**Sat., Apr. 21, 2001**

NOGAL: 10:00 to 10:45 AM

CARRIZOZO: 11:00 to 12:30 PM

WHITE OAKS TURNOFF AT HIGHWAY 54: 12:45 to 1:00 PM

ANCHO: 1:15 to 1:45 PM

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**Sunday, April 22, 2001**

1st Shift @ 10:00 am / 2nd Shift @ 2:00 pm

ENTRY FEE \$60.00 Per Team  
4 Bowlers Per Team

\$42.00 Prize Fund  
\$18.00 Bowling Fee  
Based on 16 teams

1st Place: \$300.00  
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3rd Place: \$100.00  
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Contact Mary Ann Blumenthal at Carrizozo Recreation Center  
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# Annual Meeting of the Members



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**THOUGHTS**  
FROM THE EDITOR'S DECK

**A Perfect Example**

By Ruth Hammond

Plain speaking is what most people try to do, but it just doesn't come out that way when they open their mouths. Too often people, especially elected officials, assume that they are speaking plainly when in fact what they say is quite garbled. Others hide behind the "we can only discuss that in closed session" excuse. Recently an elected board here in Lincoln County took action that was questionable and one elected official assumed that everything was O.K. because *The NEWS* had not mentioned it. Hey guys, we did wonder why you waited almost a year to discipline an employee, but were unable at the time to write about it. Our concern is ALL of Lincoln County and anything that will or could harm Lincoln County residents takes precedence.

ALL of Lincoln County includes Corona, Capitan, the Hondo Valley, Carrizozo, Ruidoso and Ruidoso Downs and all the areas in between. When someone wants to burn down our historic Fort Stanton, we complain because it would harm everyone in Lincoln County as well as people all over the world for generations. We want to help protect the treasures we have here in Lincoln County. Apparently state officials would rather have the money from the water rights at Fort Stanton than to preserve the Fort. Money may not buy happiness but just try to buy anything without money and you will find out how unhappy you really can be.

There are other concerns that should be addressed here in Lincoln County. The danger of forest fires and what could happen to people in some of those canyons that have only one way in and that one way out. If there was a fire in one of those canyons and someone had an accident while trying to rush to safety, the road could be closed for much too long of a time and numerous people could suffer while being trapped. Making areas around homes fire safe is important for everyone, not just those living in forested areas. We certainly don't want our friends and loved ones to be injured because of fire, especially in Lincoln County.

Telling people to be fire safe is not nearly as effective as teaching fire safety. The FireWise Communities workshop Friday and Saturday is an excellent way to learn what to do and how to do it to be safer living in a forested area. The FireWise workshops are free. Please attend and learn how to protect your family, home, business and property.

Even if you think you know everything about being fire safe, you might be surprised at what will be offered at the FREE FireWise workshop. It is also important to learn what you can about being fire safe because you could be involved in helping save someone else's home and family.

Refusing to be a part of the solution could mean you are a part of the problem. One problem with paper and other things blowing is that the recycle bins are full and things are stacked near the bins. It would help if the bins were emptied regularly. The wind does blow in this area.

Not helping solve problems, whether it is blowing trash, or trying to help preserve Fort Stanton, or learning to be fire wise, is serious. Plain speaking is garbled if you don't act on your convictions. Speak plainly, act accordingly.

**Need solution to problem?**



**EDITOR:** Has anyone ever solved the old adage, "What comes first, the chicken or the egg?" Well, if so, maybe they need to come to Capitan, (New Mexico, of course), to solve the mystery that has been plaguing the Capitan Municipal School district for the past several years, "What's more important, coaching or teaching?"

There are several parents, including myself, that feel we received our answer to the mystery at Thursday night's (April 12, 2001), school board meeting. Considering our board consists of people that are elected by the citizens of this community, we feel they need to be able to answer any question or matter brought before them with an open mind, and HONESTY. Only three of the five members bothered to show up at this board meeting. When asked about this, the people attending were informed, from Mrs. Billingsley, that Mr. Aldaz (President) had a previous long-standing commitment, and that Mr. Dean was called, and was supposedly on his way, (but never showed). To us, when you are elected to represent the children of this school, anything other than a death, or fatal emergency is an inexcusable reason to miss a scheduled meeting.

One of the topics that was presented at this school board meeting, was very important to the students; considering it involved a teacher that they respected and admired. The parents of some of these students presented a petition to the school board and then made a presentation stating why they felt that Ms. Cindy Terry should be retained. Reference from the school board came as such: Ms. Terry would not be terminated, (all of the students attending were elated), but her contract would not be renewed, (all of the students attending were shattered, and broke down and started to cry).

It's pretty sad when a teacher's contract is not renewed due to the fact that she did not live up to Mr. Scirwalt's, (Athletic Director/Principal) coaching expectations. Ms. Terry was hired as a TEACHER, and then ASKED to be a coach, so why is her teaching job jeopardized?

Considering when a teacher agrees to coach, they are given what is known as a stipend on top of their teaching salary. Which brings us to the question, why

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fishin' is TWICE as popular as marriage...

...and TWENTY times more frustratin'!



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

**SANTA FE** - As suspected, despite good feelings, the 2001 Legislature turned out to be no better, and maybe worse, than its six predecessors during the term of Gov. Gary Johnson.

The governor carried out his threat to veto not only the income tax-cut bill he didn't like, but also the quarter-billion dollar public works bill he and lawmakers did like. Johnson's vetoes, which came at the deadline for gubernatorial action on legislative work, were accompanied by the usual tough talk and posturing.

Johnson ventured that perhaps Democrats underestimated his threats to veto both the tax and pork bills if the tax cut didn't conform exactly to his specifications. House Speaker Ben Lujan fired back that Democrats took his threats seriously weeks ago when they warned that if Johnson vetoed the capital outlay bill, they would not return for the special session the governor wanted to give him his desired tax bill along with the pork bill.

In several previous years, lawmakers had returned for 7-to-10-day sessions to patch up end-of-session carnage. Once before, lawmakers let a vetoed pork bill, with construction projects for communities throughout the state, lie on the shelf all year without calling a special session to pass it.

Gov. Johnson has tried to trump that finesse with the threat that if he doesn't get his desired tax bill next year, he will veto the pork bill again. The game of chance these guys are playing is who gets blamed for the pork that doesn't get spread around the state? Both sides are madly spinning their stories for the media.

So we appear to be at

an even greater stalemate than usual. Lawmakers dislike returning for special sessions. They already must come back for one in September to establish new districts for the Legislature, Congress, state Board of Education, Public Regulation Commission and magistrate courts. Tax and pork could be thrown into that session but outside distractions aren't especially appreciated while lawmakers are struggling over the political life-and-death issue of who their constituents will be for the next decade.

Those warm, fuzzy feelings between Johnson and the new legislative leadership may deteriorate even further if Johnson decides to get involved in a partisan way with redistricting, over which he has veto power.

Bruce King, who was governor during the past three redistricting efforts, in the early '70s, '80s and '90s, took a non-partisan, let's-be-fair approach to those efforts. It didn't make him popular with Democrats, especially when they cooked up a congressional redistricting scheme they thought would put all three districts in the Democrat column.

It doesn't seem like Johnson's style to be bipartisan or non-partisan. The best Democrats may be able to hope for is that he will be disinterested or distracted by training for a big triathlon.

This will be a wild-card redistricting session. Not only will a new governor be in the mix, former legislative leaders Raymond Sanchez and Manny Aragon won't be calling the legislative shots. Senate President Pro Tem Richard Romero not only wasn't a leader a decade ago, he wasn't even in the Legislature yet.

Romero says he understands redistricting is a very complicated process, involving hardcore, dog-eat-dog maneuvering. He's right about that.

And the maneuvering begins immediately. Romero and House Speaker Ben Lujan are expected to appoint members to the Legislature's interim committee on redistricting anytime now. The panel will hold a series of public hearings around the state beginning late this month and running through August.

These meetings are for obtaining public input about how to preserve communities of interest, how to balance minorities and how to take into consideration political and geographical boundaries.

Many brutal decisions will be made. Communities not in favor with the leadership will find themselves redistricted out of a local representative. Legislators in disfavor will find themselves redistricted right out of their seats.

Don't expect them to switch their attention to tax cuts and pork.

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**STUDENTS AGAINST VIOLENCE**

Capitan Mid School Conflict Mediation Team members Courtney LaMay, Aleah Topper, John Johns and Jayna Johns request the Capitan School Board approve the Students Against Violence Week on April 17-20. Each day students would wear certain items, such as socks and sandals, to "sock out violence". The board proclaimed the week as Students Against Violence Week in the elementary and middle schools.

**Burr and Brewer**  
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approved a new police drafted by the school law firm of Cuddy, Kennedy, Heatherington, Albetta and Ives of Santa Fe. The policy has an opening paragraph that justifies the need to know how to deal with threats of violence. Under the new policy, all employees and students are required to report to their building principals all threats of violence. All reports will be documented by the superintendent, or his designed representative, who will make a determination about the threat. All reasons for the determination must also be documented.

In cases where threats are of a criminal nature, the superintendent will notify law enforcement.

Regular education students who are alleged to have made threats of violence will be placed on short term suspension pending investigation of the allegations. If a student is suspended for threats of violence the policy outlines several conditions the student must meet in order to return to school.

Letters will soon go out to parents of students in Kindergarten to third grades advising them of the summer reading program. The program will be held on regular business days from June 18 through July 20 with July 4 as a holiday. Students who are not at the required reading level by the beginning of May will be highly advised to attend the summer reading program. Otherwise their advancement to the next school grade could be jeopardized. The letters will provide information about the program and who to contact with questions. Another letter will be sent to parents at the beginning of May.

Parent Rose Kratochvil addressed the board during the public comment portion of the meeting. She said Carrizozo Schools have improved greatly in the three years she has been here. But, she said, while she has

tried to be an advocate for children in this community, she gets little response from the school. Kratochvil said children are hesitant to express their concerns to teachers and principals.

Because of this, Kratochvil said there needs to be some type of forum, away from the restrictions of the school board meetings, to discuss problems and needs of students in Carrizozo Schools. "Children have got to be heard," Kratochvil said.

School board president Steve Harkey said the school now has an excellent counselor that students can go to and they also depend on teachers to tell about problems. Harkey then thanked Kratochvil for her comments and what she has tried to do for children.

The school board also congratulated first grade students Rachel Pino and Lynn Carter and fifth grade student Autumn Kratochvil for their art work being among 20 pieces of art to be displayed at the State Department of Education Building at 300 Don Gaspar Ave. in Santa Fe. The works will be on display through the summer. Their art was selected from the Carrizozo Art Display at last year's State Fair.



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# LCSWA May Seek

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She said she was also reluctant to mandate a set increase for future boards. Simpson said the reason behind this annual increase is to avoid the past situation where LCSWA went eight years without a rate increase, then raised rates 50 percent all at once. He said it would be better to raise rates a small amount on a consistent basis. Ingle said she agreed to that idea, and suggested the rate increase be variable from three to five percent.

Because of tight finances now, the LCSWA board rejected an idea to give a variance to paying the commercial trash fees to small businesses that make no trash fees. LCSWA members also authorized the manager to advise a commercial ac-

count that owes \$1,180 to pay up or trash service will be cut off.

In his presentation on the proposed variance for business waste, Simpson said he considered two options. His first idea was to require business owners to sign a variance form that contains language on penalties of violating this (fines up to \$500). The second idea, from finance officer Beverly Foote, was to have "at call" dumpsters for small businesses that generate little or no trash. These at call dumpsters would be charged when emptied at the business owner's request.

But Ingle said this should only be looked at when they begin the next fiscal year budget. "The resolution we passed requiring all businesses to pay a commercial trash rate needs to stand," Ingle said. "We need to give this rate time to see if it generates revenue." LCSWA approved the resolution last year.

When Simpson came to Nickerson suggested giving one last notice. Ingle said they have discussed whether the owner of the business is aware of the outstanding bill. "But we still need to let them know we are discontinuing service if they don't pay," Ingle said. "If we do stop service I think the neighbors and the town citizens will help us out. I promise the neighbors behind will scream (when trash piles up)." Simpson said he has been holding off from cutting off service because it is a health hazard, and it looks so bad on us.

After a brief discussion about filing a lien on the property to get the bill paid, Ingle said she would rather get the attention of the business before going to court. "It has worked in the past to give a business notice we will cut off service," Ingle added.

County representative Modesto Chavez was concerned about letting a commercial bill get this large. "Paying \$1,180 will hurt," he said.

Ingle agreed, "It's difficult for a business person in Lincoln County who gets this far behind to catch up."

Finally, Simpson said he or his field operator would meet with the business and go to Carrizozo Town hall to research town litter and trash ordinances. Nickerson said he thought this the best solution at this time.

Hoping to increase rentals of the LCSWA 40 yard roll off containers, the LCSWA board approved decreasing the roll off rental fees to the previous rates of \$250 a day, Ingle said so far this year, revenues from the rental of the large 40 yard containers that can take commercial and construction trash have been far less than budgeted. She said LCSWA even lost some regular customers after the rate increase.

Ingle said she was concerned about the decrease of LCSWA roll off rentals while the number of rented roll off containers owned by other companies has increased. "We lowered our rates because we did not want to compete with these private businesses," Ingle said. "Then they lowered their prices below ours."

Until this fiscal year, roll off rentals have provided significant revenue for LCSWA. This fiscal year, LCSWA budgeted some of the roll off rental revenues to pay for the roll of transport trailer. Simpson said the rate increase was a result of complaints from the private businesses that rent roll off containers. "So we raised our price to match theirs, then they lowered their prices," Simpson said.

Simpson also said it appears that construction is down somewhat, resulting in less rentals. LCSWA field supervisor Joe Sanchez said they have been renting all roll offs recently.

Chavez made the motion that was approved by all members to lower the roll off rates to \$250, plus \$50 for delivery, \$5 a day and \$13.80 a ton to dump.

LCSWA members scheduled a budget workshop following the May 15 regular meeting. Also LCSWA members approved starting the May 15 meeting at 2 p.m. and they directed a resolution be drafted for approval at the May 15 meeting to return all regular meetings to the 2 p.m. time.

his report on the commercial account status, he said one account in Carrizozo now owes \$1,180. Simpson said he is reluctant to cut off service to the business, which is in a highly visible location, because it will appear LCSWA is not doing its job. Ingle said according to the joint powers agreement signed by all the entities, including the Town of Carrizozo, LCSWA has the right to discontinue service if an account is not paid after 30 days notice.

Carrizozo representative on the board, Lloyd Nickerson, asked if the business had been notified. Ingle said the business had received two notices advising LCSWA would stop service. "But we didn't stop service," Ingle said. "So now they owe \$1,180 which will be hard to collect."

Oh, by the way, for those of you who don't know, there is no school on May 4, 2001, due to a teacher-in-service. Isn't it ironic, that there is a state track meet scheduled May 4-5 in Albuquerque. If they cancelled school for a teacher-in-service, our understanding of teacher-in-service is teachers are at school and students are not, whether it be for training, up-grading grade books, or any other item they need to do, without the students present, then who will be attending the track meet with our students?

Harold Dickerson, JANA TOWNSEND, JUANITA GARCIA  
Captain, New Mexico

EDITOR: This is in response to Doris Cherry's Planning Article April 12, 2001 - Page 1, in RE: "Sir, you are a liar", and "The audience reacted negatively."

I had been asking Ruidoso attorney and Planning Commission Chairman Charles Remick if in fact of law the so called "Grandfather you in" clause was in fact negated by "Amortization" in State Law zoning definitions, which he was trying to avoid and or conceal, confuse etc.

As a matter of fact and record his boss, Ruidoso Mayor Donaldson has stated publicly in a prior E.T.Z. meeting (with Remick as attorney), that Ruidoso had lost a case of amortization and would supply me a copy of said cause, which to this date I have not received. As to a negative audience reaction to my admittedly frustrated outburst only a few (6-8) of the zoning clique were offended by truth over lying.

JERRY CARROLL  
Oscurio, New Mexico

P.S. - Even if their records and audio tapes disappear or erase themselves, my video tapes of the above are alive and well. The following is from State Statutes:

**AMORTIZATION**  
"Amortization" is constitutional means to terminate nonconforming use. -- If an amortization period is reasonable, it is a constitutional means for municipalities to terminate nonconforming uses and, as such, is a constitutional alternative to just compensation. Temple Baptist Church, Inc. v. City of Albuquerque, 98 N.M. 138, 646 P. 2d 565 (1982).

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# Letters

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was a retired principal paid a stipend to coach? What part of the budget was this payment allocated from?

The following is a breakdown for Middle School and High School Teachers/Coaches: Middle School, 9 teachers, 3 teacher's aides, of which 5 teachers, and 1 teacher's aide are coaches; High School, 19 teachers, 2 teacher's aides, of which 10 teachers, and 1 teacher's aide are coaches, (librarians are not included in count). To us this is very self-explanatory, but I guess each individual person needs to decide for themselves.

For anyone interested or a reminder, Diane Riska and her annual staff are hard at work selling annuals. If you can afford to and want one please contact her or send her a check. I helped her a little this year and we received enough donations from a few to add the elementary students in the high school yearbook.

The LC Sheriff's Posse's Easter Egg hunt in Carrizozo and the Smokey Bear Easter Egg hunt in Capitán were both big successes on Saturday. The Posse hid over 1,200 eggs in Carrizozo, thanks to individuals and many businesses.

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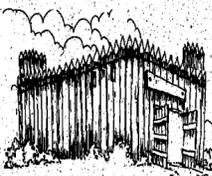
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# Fort Stanton FACTS and FICTION

by BETTY LOU JOINER

Sad news from the Fort today. Willie called and said the little mascot along with Chuck the Black dog had evidently been shot. Why do people have to be so cruel? This cat never bothered anyone. She was waiting for Willie when she came to work and would be happy to leave when Willie left and always returned the next day. Everyone who went through the airport road will miss seeing her sitting at the post office waiting for Willie and the mail.

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Wes were in the top 6. He took his winnings and took us all for Easter dinner on Sunday. Sure was good! Think the next play-day is April 28. Plan to come and watch some good barrel racing, and goat tying.

In the past years, Diane has made an elementary annual and a high school yearbook. With the cost rising, this was just not possible anymore, so we combined the two. It helps her and is a great way to look back and remember who was this or that person, or who was their teacher in a certain grade. The theme for this year's sales of the yearbook is "Reach for the Stars", because when you believe in your dreams all things are possible.

If you prefer and to make it easy on the pocket book, you can make a down payment, and make payments on the balance

between now and the end of school.

Everyone in Glencoe is talking about their gardens. We all want to put things out now, but everyone says, do not even think of it until May 15, so we are all just waiting. My tomato plants are just about to fill the lobby of the post office. We have all decided that the temperature in the post office is just perfect. That is the reason for the good tasting bread and the plants growing so well. Have given many cuttings away and they just keep on reproducing. We will see if a tomato grows on them when the weather warms up.

Dolly, Dugly, Duke, Bob Barker, Roper, Fly, Streak, Dandy, Curly, Big Boy, Fiesty, Trixie, and Chia all send you warm weather greetings. They

have all been moved from inside a shed to outside in the barn and are trying to chase each other, pull strings, climb out of their pen, but most of all they have so much love to give.

They know me better than Mom already and soon it will be time for the tears when they all get to go to their new homes.

Border collie pups! What a joy and what a sight!

Till next time!!  
May God Bless you All!!!

Hadley Graduates From Army Course  
Army National Guard Pvt. Kimberly S. Hadley has graduated from the motor transport operator advanced individual training course at Fort Leonard Wood, Waynesville, MO. Hadley is the daughter of Rick Hadley of Ruidoso Downs and Karol Hendricks of Cynthia, IND.

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Worship ..... 9:30 a.m.  
Sunday School ..... 10:00 a.m.

**Corona Presbyterian Church:**  
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Adult Bible Study and Youth Fellowship ..... Wednesdays 6:00 p.m.

**First Baptist Church:**  
HAYDEN SMITH, Pastor  
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Sunday School ..... 9:45 a.m.  
Worship Service ..... 10:55 a.m.  
Sun. Evening ..... Training at 8:15 p.m.  
Evening Worship ..... 7:15 p.m.  
Wednesday Bible Study ..... 7:00 p.m.

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

**Santa Rita Catholic Community**  
FR. DAVE BERGS, Pastor  
213 Birch, Carrizozo, NM, 648-2853  
SATURDAY:  
Capitan Sacred Heart ..... 5:00 p.m.  
Carrizozo Santa Rita ..... 8:30 p.m.  
SUNDAY:  
Capitan Sacred Heart ..... 9:00 a.m.  
Carrizozo Santa Rita ..... 10:30 a.m.  
Corona St. Theresa ..... 1:00 p.m.

**Church of Christ**  
TOM POINDEXTER, Minister 364-3136  
Ave. C at 12th, Carrizozo, NM  
Sunday School ..... 10:00 a.m.  
Worship Service ..... 11:00 a.m.  
Evening Worship ..... 1:15 p.m.  
Wednesday Bible Study ..... 7:00 p.m.

**St. Matthias Episcopal Church**  
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Holy Eucharist ..... Sunday 9:30 a.m.

**Clough Community Church**  
TONY SCACCIA, Minister  
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Second Sunday of Each Month ..... 8:00 a.m.

**United Methodist Churches**  
TOM WOODARD, Pastor  
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Sunday School (All Ages) ..... 10:00 a.m.  
Worship Service ..... 11:10 a.m.  
Church Practice (Tuesday) ..... 8:30 p.m.  
United Methodist Women Fellowship Dinner on 4th Sunday of Month ..... 12:30 p.m.

**CAPITAN:**  
Adult Sunday School ..... 8:30 a.m.  
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Children's Sunday School ..... 9:30 a.m.  
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Sunday Morning Worship ..... 10:30 a.m.

**Capitan Church of Christ**  
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Worship Service ..... 11:30 a.m.  
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**Trinity Southern Baptist Church**  
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Sunday School ..... 9:30 a.m.  
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**LEGAL NOTICE**

P.T.D. ORDER NO. 01-15  
March 27, 2001

ORDER EXTENDING  
CERTAIN DEADLINES  
LINCOLN COUNTY, NEW MEXICO

Pursuant to my authority under Section 7-38-85, NMSA 1978, I hereby extend the following deadline found in Section 7-38-20 of the Property Tax Code with respect to the 2001-tax year only:

1) The deadline for the Lincoln County Assessor to mail Notices of Value from April 1, 2001 to no later than May 1, 2001.

Done this 27th day of March 2001.

Tom Garcia, Jr., Director  
Property Tax Division

Published in the Lincoln County News on April 5, 12 and 19, 2001.

**LEGAL NOTICE**

**NOTICE OF INVITATION TO SUBMIT BIDS**

NOTICE is hereby given that competitive sealed bids will be received by the Lincoln County Schools at the Administration Building (P.O. Box 278, Lincoln, NM 88316), until 2:00 PM, Thursday, April 26, 2001, at which time and place the bids will be opened and publicly read aloud. Bids not received by the time and date indicated above will not be accepted for consideration and will be returned unopened.

School Vehicle  
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The District is requesting a bid on a 1999, 4WD, 8 or 9 passenger Suburban with less than 35,000 miles.

All bids must be clearly marked on the outside of the sealed envelope. The sealed envelope shall have the notation "Sealed Vehicle Bid" on the outside.

The Captain Board of Education will review the bids and make their final determination during the Special 6:00 PM Board meeting on Thursday, April 26, 2001, in the Lincoln County Schools, Administration Building, Board Room.

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

DIANA BILLINGSLEY  
Superintendent  
Lincoln County Schools

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The Captain Board of Education wishes to receive bids for Copy Machine Maintenance for the Lincoln County School District. Specifications are available at the office of the Superintendent, Diana Billingsley, 150 Forest St., Capitan, NM 88316 or by phone (505-354-2239).

Bids must be received in the office of the Superintendent by 4:00 P.M. on Wednesday, May 9, 2001. BIDS MUST BE SEALED AND MARKED "BID FOR COPY MACHINE MAINTENANCE". Bids will be opened and read aloud at the regular school board meeting Wednesday, May 9, 2001, at 6:00 P.M. in the board room of the administration building located at 150 Forest St., Capitan, NM.

The board reserves the right to reject any and all bids and waive all technicalities.

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**Capitan Terminates Coach Cindy Terry**

(Continued From Page 1)

fundamentals because the girls had no background because Capitan is a volleyball school. "We're here to stand up for our children who love her and need her!"

Garcia read from the letter she wrote to the board. "We come here tonight because we are deeply upset with the possible termination of the girls' varsity coach and teacher," she said. "I am sure you realize the parents of the this community do not often get too involved in board meetings. The reasoning behind this is we are supposed to trust that our administrators are here for our children and give them the best education and opportunities they deserve. We feel that the administrators of our school have lost sight of this vision."

In her letter Garcia said termination of Terry would affect their children, and could take away their motivation to make good grades and have interest in school. "Why should our children keep trying when the school system fails them?" Garcia asked. "Please do not allow this to happen. Show the children and the community that you are here to support them."

Garcia asked the board to evaluate the coach's performance here in Capitan school system and what she has accomplished. "She has created unity with our children and also with the parents," she said. "She is a valued asset."

"It is going to take more than one season for this coach to undo the bad habits of the past," Garcia said after she referred to a previous basketball coach. "As elected official representatives of our children are counting on you as well as the community of Capitan to keep the girls varsity coach/teacher."

"Before you decide whether the girls varsity coach should be or should not be terminated, we the parents are asking you to look at our athletic director and the principal of our high school and see if he really has the child's best interest at heart," Garcia concluded. "Maybe our administration is considering terminating the wrong person."

Townsend also discussed her thoughts about the athletic director whom she thought was not handling the athletic program correctly or to his best abilities. Townsend said Terry was the best girls basketball coach Capitan has had for years. Townsend, a Capitan alumni who played basketball while in school, said Capitan was once known for its good girls basketball program.

"The kids love her, she loves them," Townsend said. "This was one of the youngest teams in the district with only two seniors, no juniors, four sophomores, four freshmen and one eighth grader," Townsend said.

When discussion turned to the former coach, Tregembo asked them to stick with only the issue now, since the former coach was not there to defend himself.

Garcia and Townsend also said Terry supported an AAU (Amateur Athletic Union) summer basketball program being started by parents this summer. Garcia said they wanted to do the AAU to give the girls more basketball experience for next year. Townsend said they presented the AAU program to Stierwalt, who is also the high school athletic director. "He shot it down and said the school did not support it," Town-

send said. She added that Terry was willing to coach the AAU for no money. Townsend said the parents also wanted to start a high booster club but that too was "shot down."

"We don't feel like you've given Coach Terry a fair chance," Townsend said. "Please review this petition and justification for her coaching."

"This school needs a coach like her, she's willing to give her 100 percent," Townsend said.

Both women asked the board to delay any action about Terry and hold a special meeting so parents and students who were attending a track meet could be there.

Tregembo said the board would give everyone an answer before the end of the night. "We are standing up for what we believe is right," Townsend said. "You don't just get rid of a coach after 12 weeks. The kids showed their best on the court and the coach teaches her best. We have football, volleyball and track coaches with many seasons of not winning without getting rid of them. Why get rid of Coach Terry?"

Townsend then thanked the board for letting them make their statements. As she sat down, several audience members applauded. During her presentation, Townsend became emotional. Several student athletes at the meeting were crying. None of the athletes spoke.

After Townsend and Garcia made their presentations, the school board did other business before it recessed into closed session to discuss limited personnel matters and personally identifiable student information. Another hour later the board came out into open session. First the board approved Billingsley recommendation to rehire most of the current certified teaching staff.

Then Tregembo announced that in all fairness to the parents and students in support of Terry he would ask for a recommendation to re-employ Terry. This brought a sudden elated cheer of joy. But when Billingsley made her recommendation, it was for termination of Cindy Terry

as coach and P.E. teacher. With that Cox made the motion. "I don't see how this is all the determining factor."



**WAITING IN UNCERTAINTY.** Coach Cindy Terry (second from left) waits in the hallway with parent and student supporters during the executive session held by the Capitan School Board members during their regular meeting April 12. Despite emotional pleas and petitions with more than 250 names asking to keep Terry, the board voted to terminate her at the end of this school year.

Hobbs agreed winning is not all that matters. Parent Stephanie Jensen said she hoped the board made its decision based on Terry's performance at Capitan Schools. Jensen said there were other issues with Terry elsewhere. "She has made mistakes, but she is a good teacher and coach," Jensen said.

Townsend said the board owed it to the kids to say why they terminated Terry. Hobbs responded by asking Townsend if she wanted the school to pay \$100,000 in legal fees which could be used for education.

Tregembo said it was a tough decision. "We do have a reason," Hobbs said.

Several parents responded that they thought the board had already made their decision before the meeting. Townsend said her next step was to contact the state school board. "If you based your decision on Coach Terry's past, you were wrong," Townsend added. "Why get rid of a good teacher? There are plenty of teachers who put down kids all the time."

Tregembo closed the discussion by saying the parents have to decide what to do next.

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**Old Lincoln Town**  
by Rosalie Dunlap

It seems each week brings sad news. Lincoln County and especially the Glenoco / Ruidoso Valley lost a beloved citizen with the passing of Ernest McDaniel. Ernest and his brother Robert and Pappy Locke were in the Merchant Marines during WWII and they would exchange tales of their experiences. Ernest had a lot of stories to tell about the valley. He and Robert were good friends of Dan Storm.

Richard DeSantes Gonzales was killed in a freak accident last week. He and his twin Matthew were fixtures in Lincoln. They were always wanting to do something for someone to earn money for the things that they wanted. They would come into the shop and play and hide from one another. There were more places to hide than we realized.

We will miss him, but he is in His "home". Richard's uncle Mike gave a beautiful service. All of the special family friends received a beautiful rose and his school and scout friends received a carnation. What a lovely gesture from his parents.

As he would have been 12 years old this past Saturday, a birthday party was held for his brother Matthew and for Richard, following the service. This was a great beginning for the healing process for the youngsters. Rhonda and Manny thank everyone for their kindness and love. It has meant so much to them.

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3tc-April 19, May 3 & 10

**Ruidoso Main Street Project Bid Awarded**

Phase II of the Ruidoso Main Street Project will begin soon.

Ruidoso Village Councilors during their meeting April 12, accepted a low bid of \$651,043.80 from Star Paving Company to reconstruct sidewalks and provide lighting on Sudderth Drive west from Grindstone Road to the intersection with Mechem Drive. Village manager Alan Briley told councilors the village received six bids, of which Star Paving was the lowest.

But the low bid worried the village manager, mayor and councilors. Briley said the Star Paving low bid was much lower than the engineer's estimate of \$821,731.

Miguel Guajardo of Star Paving Company said the project was "retro fit" for his company because the company has done a lot of this type of construction for the state highway department. He also said his company was up to the challenge of the Main Street Phase II project. Guajardo said he knows tourism is the main source of income for Ruidoso and his company was respectful of the traffic issues and time frames for completion.

Briley said there will be weekly progress meetings with the contractors. Weekly work plans and other information will be provided on flyers given to affected businesses in the project area.

Councilor Bill Chance asked about the company's subcontractors and their qualifications. Lopez said

with the state Construction Industries Division. Overall the references were positive and consistent, Lopez said. He also said he met with Star Paving and inspected their equipment and resources and found the company had met the bid specifications and was qualified to complete the project. Councilor Leon Eggleston asked what made such differences in price from the estimate and the low bid. Lopez said the basic differences were the prices given for concrete, park benches, receptacles and mobilization.

Star Paving has the resources to complete all projects in case subcontractors fail to do so.

After considerable discussion about the bid differences and concerns about the low bid resulting in a poor product, Donaldson said what is important is timely completion of the project. "Only quality work will be acceptable," Donaldson said.

Briley read the definition of responsible bidder from the state statutes. Lopez also said Star Paving met the requirements of a responsive bidder.

After more discussion, Donaldson said the village has \$1 million budgeted for the project. (SEE PAGE 10)

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After considerable discussion about the bid differences and concerns about the low bid resulting in a poor product, Donaldson said what is important is timely completion of the project. "Only quality work will be acceptable," Donaldson said.

Briley read the definition of responsible bidder from the state statutes. Lopez also said Star Paving met the requirements of a responsive bidder.

After more discussion, Donaldson said the village has \$1 million budgeted for the project. (SEE PAGE 10)

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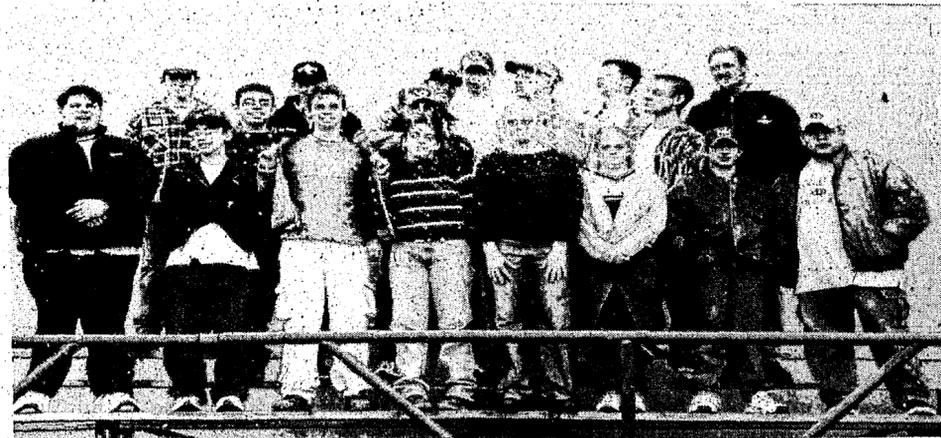
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CARRIZOSO FFA CHAPTER members are front right to left John Serna, Cerilia Sambrano, Craig Koroscil, Mary Beth Bond, Kayla Burd, Shawna Richardson, Brent Dixon, Brandon Morales. Middle row from left are Jimmy Samora, Lane Dixon, Patrick Hightower, Matt Offutt, back row from left are John Ward, Jason Harkey, Bryan Bartz, Brandon Langley, Adrian Goad, and VoAg advisor Wayne Shockey.

# Carrizozo FFA Land Team Wins State

Carrizozo FFA land evaluation team of Matt Offutt, Bryan Bartz, Adrian Goad and Jason Harkey won first place at the State FFA Career Development Event April 4-7 in Las Cruces. The team will represent the state in land evaluation judging at the national level in Oklahoma City on May 1.

The Carrizozo livestock team of Patrick Hightower, Mary Beth Bond, Brent Dixon and Lane Dixon placed second at the state event and will represent the chapter at the national level in January in Denver.

Carrizozo FFA Chapter attended the state event. Members who attended were Mary Beth Bond,

Craig Koroscil, Pat Hightower, Adrian Goad,

Matt Offutt, Bryan Bartz, Cerilia Sambrano, Lane Dixon, Jason Harkey, John Serna, Branden Langley,

Levi Boble, Abel Avila, Jesse Ortiz, Ariel Burr,

John Ward, Josh Calvert and Brent Dixon. They competed against students from all over the state in various ag-related judging contests.

Matt Offutt placed third individually and Bryan Bartz placed fifth individually both in land evaluation.

Lane Dixon placed fifth individually in the livestock judging.

Scores from the state contest were used to determine district scores. In the FFA

District 7, Carrizozo FFA took second in the district sweepstakes winning the Land, Livestock and Horse competitions. Carrizozo FFA took second in the dis-

trict in the Wildlife and Meats contests and placed third in Ag Mechanics and fifth in Wool.

Carrizozo FFA Advisor Wayne Shockey and chap- eron Wanda Shockey ac- companied the FFA mem- bers.

## Ruidoso Main Street

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the project. Since the bid was so much lower than estimated, there will be opportunity to do change orders to increase the size of the project with more sidewalks, curbs and gutters.

Chance finally made the motion, after more discussion, to accept the low bid of \$551,043.80 plus gross receipt taxes, councilor Linda Flack seconded the motion and councilors all voted yes.

Also at the April 12 meeting, councilors were introduced to Charles Harrison who presented invitations and books about the Lincoln County Prayer Breakfast, on May 3. The keynote speaker at the breakfast will be Richard G. Capen, Jr. author of "Finishing

Strong." Copies of the book, were given to each councilor. Harrison said the Prayer Breakfast is in honor of all elected officials in the Ruidoso-Lincoln County area.

Councilors also: -Authorized village attorney John Underwood to work with Valor, Inc. to draft and begin negotiations on a new franchise agreement with the village.

-Heard the report on the audit of lodgers by Ronnie Hemphill, CPA. He said he audited the 16 lodging vendors selected randomly by councilors. He said 11 of these had no exceptions but one owed \$2,344 in unpaid lodgers tax. The remaining lodging vendors had minor exceptions which were re-

ported. Hemphill said he has seen a consistent improvement in the reporting and paying of lodgers tax. Flack said there is a large exception that has been audited in the past and has been a habitual offender. She said the lodging vendor should be turned over to the State Taxation and Revenue Department for a gross receipt tax audit also. Underwood said the information should be forwarded to his office to update the lien the village holds on the lodging property.

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By N.M. State law, property taxes are the personal obligation of the property owner, whether or not the tax bill was received. Mail payments or contact us at the address and phone number below should you have questions regarding your property tax bills.

Thank You.

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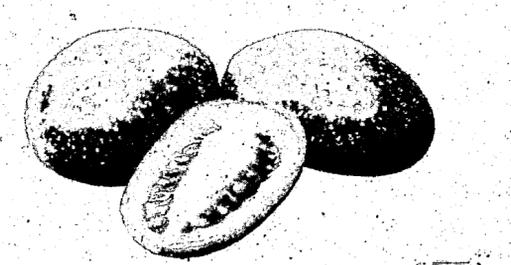
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