County Rejects Stricter Water Requirements

by Doris Cherry

Influenced by a room full of realtors and developers and the information that most households use less than a quarter acre foot of water a year, Lincoln **County** Commissioners rejected a recommendation from the county planning commission to tighten the proof of water availability for new subdivisions.

During their meeting Thursday, January 17, in their chambers in the Lincoln County Courthouse in Carrizozo, county commissioners approved changes to the subdivision rules during a three hour long public hearing on the county subdivision ordinance. Changes accepted at the January 17 meeting will be incorporated into a new draft of the county

again discussed at the February 21 regular county commission meeting.

County commissioners rejected a major change to Section 18.2 "Quantification of Annual Water Requirement" recommended by the Lincoln County Planning Commission. The "Quantification of Annual Requirement" means the amount of water

subdivision ordinance and per parcel a developer must prove is available in order to have a plat accepted by the county, was rejected. Currently the amount is a quarter acre foot per parcel.

At its January meeting, the Lincoln County Planning Commission had, on a split vote, recommended the annual water requirement be a half acre foot per parcel per year, with no

"Sinca 1905"

provision for variance if data justified less water availability.

Another proposed change, requiring developments of certain size to have community water systems, was not resolved. The planning commission proposed to require the water system with developments of 100 lots or more. Currently developments of 500 or more lots must have community water systems.



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Cost For Natural Gas Includes Many Things

by Dons Cherry

When a Capitan Carrizo zo Natural Gas (CCNG) customer gets a monthly bill, there are many factors behind that bottom line charge

The major determining factor in the cost of gas is the bulk price charged to CCNG According to Kay Strickland, finance man-

Wilson To Continue As Commission Chairman

District 1 Lincoln County Commissioner Rex Wilson will continue to preside sion meetings this year.

At the January 17 Lin coln County Commission meeting, held in the Lincoln County Courthouse in Carrizozo, county commissioners conducted their annual election of chair and vice chair. Commissioners unanimously elected Rex Wilson as chairman of the board.

District 4 County Commissioner Bill Schwettmann was unanimously elected as vice-chairman. This is Schwettmann's last term as District 4 county commissioner, reached his term limits.

Ruidoso Police Investigate Death

Ruidoso Police Department is continuing investigation into the death of A.E. Johnson of 213 George P. White Dr. in Ruidoso.

According to a press release from Ruidoso Police, at about 5 p.m. on January 21, police responded to a report of a domestic incident at 213 George P. White Drive. Upon arrival, police met with the victim's wife outside the residence.

While speaking to the victim's wife, officers reported hearing what may have been a single gunshot. The officers entered the residence and upon a search located the victim in the bathroom.

The victim had a single gunshot wound to the head and was pronounced dead at the scene.

Next of kin were notified.

ager for Chillip office in Capitan, CCNi has only one source o blk gas, Mercado, of Austin, TX. The company comitted the only response to a request for proposals (rfp) issued by CCNG last fall.

Strickland said CCNG sends out rfp packages to several suppliers, including Zia Natural Gas Company (Zia) of Ruidoso Downs But this year only Mercado responded, locking in the price at \$3.10 per "mmbp" from October 2001 until October 2002

Strickland explained the 'mmbp' is a measurement based on the heating value of BTUs, or heating units, in the gas. She said El Paso Natural Gas (EPNG) Com pany provides CCNG a statement of monthly BTU averages for the gas delivered in the EPNG pipeline

CCNG gets its natural gas through the transmission line owned by Zia. The Zia transmission line connects to the EPNG major pipeline near Corona and runs to the south to the Zia service areas in Alto, Ruidoso, Ruidoso Downs and surrounding areas. The CCNG system is connected to Zia transmission line about eight miles south of Capitan.

For the service of transporting the natural gas in the Zia pipeline, Zia charges CCNG a "transmission fee" of .534 cents per thousand cubic feet of natural gas (mcf) and a "distribution fee" of \$1.548 per

mcf of natural gas. Strickland also said Zia "nominates" gas for CCNG on a monthly basis. Nominating means the company (Zia) claims so much natugas for the month, based on historical average use of natural gas for that month. In December, Zia charged CCNG for 17,277.4 thousand cubic feet.

In addition to the transmission and distribution charges to CCNG, Zia charges CCNG \$38 a month for each of 16 gas meters that are located in the CCNG service area that get natural gas from the Zia lines. These are CCNG customers and receive their bills from CCNG. In-

(SEE PAGE 3)



Dave Scott appeared before the Lincoln County Commissioners at their January 17 meeting to ask for space at the Lincoln County Fairgrounds to put a permanent posse headquarters

One Person Files As Write-In For Municipal Elections

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(SEE PAGE 3)

and last initial.

by Doris Cherry

In all the five municipalities in the county, only one person filed as a write-in candidate for the March 5 municipal elections.

Capitan resident Barbara Sanchez filed as a write-in candidate for mayor in the Village of Capitan.

Names of write-in candidates do not appear on the ballot. On the ballot will be a box for "write-in candidate for mayor". To cast a vote for a write-in candidate, the voter must push the button at "write-in candidate" on the ballot. Pushing this button activates the keypad at the bottom of the voting machine where the voter must type in the name of the write-in candidate.

According to Lincoln County elections bureau clerk Sam Chavez the name of the write-in candidate does not have to be spelled correctly, as long as the election poll board members can determine the intent of the voter.

Chavez said the election poll board can accept write-

County To Raise Road Cut Fees by Doris Cherry

Next month the public and utility companies will get another chance to comment on proposed change. to the county excavation ordinances

County commissioner held the first public hear ing on the proposed changes to the excavation ordinance during their January 17 meeting held in the Lincoln County Courthouse in Carrizozo While there was little discussion about the county holding contractors. responsible for repairing utility cuts in county roads. most discussion was about proposed fees

Changes drafted by the county attorney showed proposed fees of \$50 for a permit for excavation projects including driveways and culverts and a \$50 "ad ministrative" fee for a total of \$100 for each project Other proposed fees, additional to the permit and administration fees, were permit fees of five cents a linear foot for parallel trenching and \$5 fee for bell hole.

County commission chair Rex Wilson objected to the \$100. "What if a rancher out here on a ranch road puts in a livestock pipeline across the road, will be

have to have a \$50 permit?" Wilson asked of the county road department supervisor Albert Hernandez "It's just not right"

Hernandez, who helped the county attorney draft the proposed changes to the excavation ordinance, said yes. He said the New Mexico Association of Counties, at its conference in Santa Fe carlier that week, brought up the need for counties to update road cut ordinances. He said ranch roads with existing pipelines would be grandfathered and not subject for the fees. "Lots of counties have problems with ranchers and farmers who have electric wires under the county roads," Hernandez said. "Who is liable if a blade man hits a line. If the road supervisor and the county manager are informed of where lines are, then we'll know."

Carrizozo Street Fair Group Meets Jan. 29

Carrizozo Street Fair Committee meets at 6 p.m. Tuesday, January 29 at Carrizozo Joe's.

Anyone interested in helping organizing the annual Labor Day Street fair is invited to attend.



SHERIFF'S POSSE turned out in force at the January 17 Lincoln County Commission meeting in the Linocln County Courthouse in Carrizozo to support their request for space at the county fairgrounds. The sheriff's posse is made up of volunteers who provide many hours of free service at almost every major event in the county

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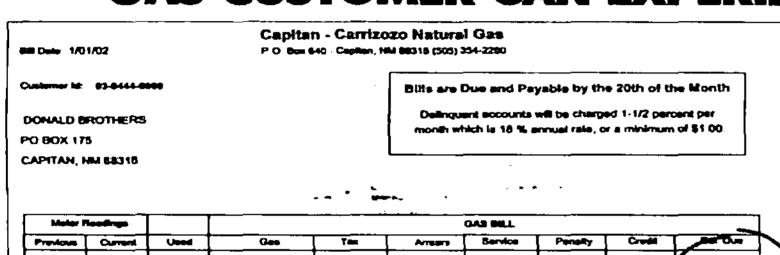
cost including the base charge.

- Divide the total current dollar amount under the "gas" heading of your bill by the number of MCF and this is the cost per MCF.
- Divide Zia's base charge of \$8.00 by the number of MCF used. Add this number to Zia's MCF cost of \$3.91 to arrive at a total MCF "apples to apples" comparison figure. Example: \$8.00 divided by 13 MCF equals approx. .62 cents Add .62 cents to \$3.91. The total of \$4.53 is the MCF

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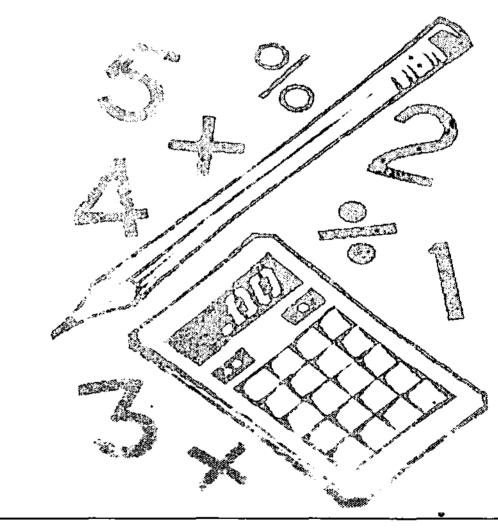


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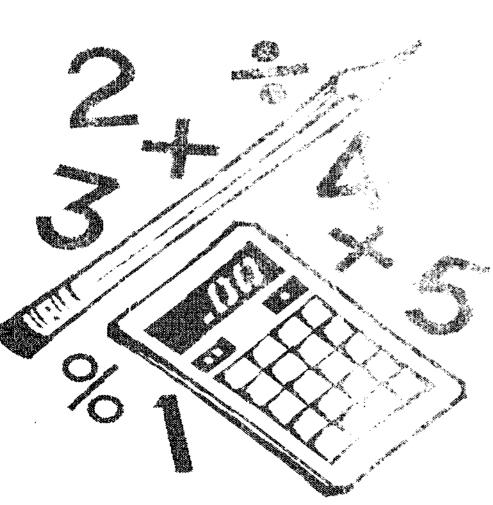
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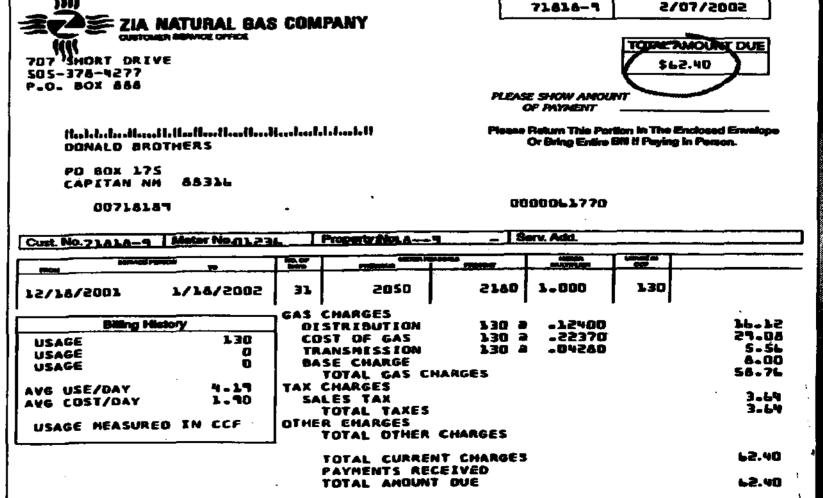
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-- AWANA club meeting 6-8 p.m. First Baptist Church of Carrizozo for children three years old through sixth grade. -AWANA club meeting 6-8 p.m. Trinity United Methodist Church in Carrizozo for children in grades 7 and 8.

-Alcoholics Anonymous, 7 p.m. Capitan Senior Citizens

THURSDAYS

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

SECOND SATURDAYS

Library.

-- Democratic Party of Lincoln County, 11 a.m. Cree Meadows Restaurant in Ruidoso through April. Call 354-2673.

TODAY, THURSDAY, JANUARY 24

-- Junior high girls and boys basketball, Carrizozo v. Capitan, 4 p.m. Carrizozo Gym.

SATURDAY, JANUARY 26

--Planning meeting for summer fine arts program, 10 a.m. Anderson-Freeman Visitor Center in Lincoln. For more information call Elizabeth Becker at Hubbard Museum in Ruidoso Downs at 378-4142.

TUESDAY, JANUARY 29

 Carrizozo High School girls basketball v Santa Rosa, 4 p.m. Carrizozo Grizzly Gym.

-- Organizational meeting for Fibromyalgia Syndrome Support Group, 6 p.m., K-Bob's Restaurant in Ruidoso. Call 354-3046.

-Carrizozo Street Fair Committee meeting, 6 p.m. Carrizozo Joe's.

"Ruidoso Village Council, 6:30 p.m.

-Carrizozo Soil and Water Conservation District meeting WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 30

-- Lincoln County Lodgers Tax Committee meets 10 a.m. Watson House in Lincoln.

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY I

-- Enchilada dinner, 4:30-7:30 p.m. Carrizozo School Cafeteria, proceeds to send players to summer volleyball

-Capitan Public Library free lecture series 7 p.m., speaker historian Bill Thorp on Feather Cave. Refreshments follow.

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 5

-Start of free Parenting Classes at 6:30 p.m. at Ruidoso High School. Call 257-5038 to preregister.

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 9

-- Lincoln County Republican Party pre-primary mass meeting, 10 a.m. Lincoln County Commissioners chambers in the Lincoln County Courthouse in Carrizozo.

-- Democratic Party of Lincoln County pre-primary convention, 11 a.m. Cree Meadows Restaurant in Ruidoso. Buffet available.

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Candidates Draw For Ballot Positions

Municipal elections will be held March 5. Every person wishing to vote in the election must be registered to vote.

Voter registration for the municipal elections closes at 5 p.m. February 8. Voter registration forms are available at most municipal halls.

Absentee ballots will be mailed beginning January 29, with applications for ballots now being accepted at municipal halls. Contact the municipal clerk for information. Early in-person voting begins February 13 and ends March 1.

Sample ballots will be available at the municipal halls prior to the elections.

Candidates for the March 5 municipal elections learned Friday, January 11. which position on the ballot their name will be listed. The following lists are the results of the drawing for ballot selections for all municipalities within Lincoln County. Candidates are listed in the order their name will appear on their municipal election ballots:

Capitan: Mayor: Norman C. Renfro. Debra L. Ingle, Steven M. Sederwall

Municipal Judge: Jack E. Johnson, Carrol A. Durbin, Cynthia A. Brazeal, Lilly M. Wood, Michael R. Chowning, Tennie M.

Trustees, two positions open, four year terms: George W. Tippin, Donald L. Brothers, Richard Hall, Bobbi S. Shearer, Henry Gallegos Cobos, Ronnie L. Montes, Alex D. Trujillo. Benny Coker, Jula Cano, Joel Crossno

Carrizózo:

Mayor: Glenn E. Mochel, running for re-election, **Gary Stout**

Trustees, two positions open, four year terms: Richard Vega, Lloyd Nickerson, Dennis J. Dunnum, LeeRoy Zamora, David LaFave, Eileen Martinez Lovelace

Corona:

Mayor: Gilbert R. Stewart, Jr., Alvin D. James Councilor for four year

Councilor for four year term: Ernest D. Lueras (Danny)

Councilor for two year term: Marcus Johnson, Dickle Winchester

Mayor: Robert P. Donaldson, E. Leon Eggleston Municipal Judge: Mi-

chael S. Line

ald D. Hardeman Ruidoso Downs:

ardson, Jacqueline M.

the mayor of Carrizozo Norman R. VanGorder.

term: Robert Burroughs

Ruidoso:

Councilors, three positions, four year terms: Jules B. Videau, L. Ray Nuniey, Deborah Marcum-Byars, Bill G. Chance, Ron-

Trustees, two positions

C'zozo Chamber Of ommerce Actions

Carrizozo Chamber of Commerce met January 8 with 18 members and guests.

The chamber has \$1,331.03 in its checking account and \$1,473.95 in savings.

Christmas lighting winners were announced. Traveling plaque went to Temptations. First place \$75 gift certificate winners were Mike and Sylvia Barela Jr., second place \$50 gift certificate to Steve and Rose Wheeler, and third place \$25 gift certificate went to Manuel and Virginia Carbajal.

Guest speaker was Virginia Jones from Capitan who was soliciting a \$250

sponsorship for a brochure promoting businesses in Capitan and tourist interests of surrounding communities. Carrizozo Chamber of Commerce was to get a small space for recognition. The group approved participating in a sponsorship on an 8-5 vote.

The group also approved having Dennis Dunnum design a new window certificate for chamber mem-

Janet Lynn reported that Carrizozo Lodgers Tax is now paying all the utilities at the Caboose Visitor's Center. Volunteers are still needed to help staff the

Cost For Natural Gas (Continued From Page 1)

cluded in the 16 meters are ones to Capitan Schools and Capitan senior center. the Lincoln County Road Department, and some residential meters outside of Capitan and Carrizozo.

While Strickland said CCNG does not have an administrative fee on its billings, it charges a \$5 minimum if a customer uses less than 500 mcf in a month.

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tomers the sales tax based on where the meter is located. In other words, if the customer is in Carrizozo, the sales tax will be based on the percentage for Carrizozo, etc.

For more information about the CCNG billings, or charges, call Strickland at the CCNG office at 354-

One Person Files-(Con't From Pg 1)

No one filed as a write-in candidate for municipal elections in Carrizozo, Corona, Ruidoso or Ruidoso Downs.

February 8 is the deadline to register to vote in the municipal elections. Voter registration forms are available at all municipal offices, and the Lincoln County Clerk's office in the Lincoln County Courthouse in Carrizozo.

For more information about the municipal elections call your respective municipal clerk.

open with four year terms: Margie R. Morales, Rene G. Olivo, Bonnie B. Rich-

Trustee for two year term: Camille Johnson. Susan J. Garrett





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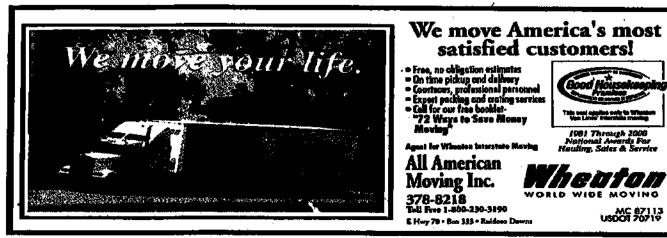
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THOUGHTS

FROM THE EDITOR'S DESK

Two famous sayings

By Ruth Hammond

Will Rogers had two famous sayings, one was that he never met a man he didn't like, and the other was about the weather going to change in a few minutes. As for Will Rogers never meeting a man he didn't like, it is interesting that he did not include women in that statement. Actually, it might have been his trademark saying, but Will Rogers' home as a youngster was in a fairly remote area and there weren't that many people around anyway to dislike. You've probably heard about Claremore, Oldahoma being the home of Will Rogers, but don't believe it. His childhood home was at Oologah, Oldahoma, not far from Claremore, but it was Oologah. The family home, the entire building, was moved before the area was flooded. Now the area where Will Rogers learned to twirl his rope is under water.

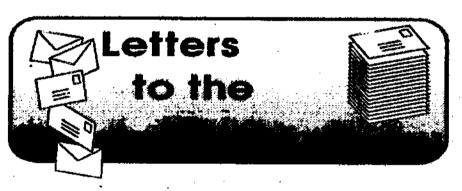
As time goes by more and more people will believe that Claremore was Will Rogers' home because the Will Rogers Memorial is in Claremore. And some people want to believe what they hear, or what they think they see, even if what they hear does not make sense or if what they think they saw is an optical illusion. Some people just want to be fooled, or be fools by believing stupid rumors. If you heard a rumor that the sky was falling, wouldn't you go outside and look? Probably not because it is stupid to assume the sky can fall, but you might be surprised how many people don't stop to think before they rush outside. The same thing happens when you hear other senseless rumors that were started merely as a method to destroy people or beliefs.

Too often people believe the rumors as being the truth because it is difficult to accept that there are many good people. Will Rogers was one of those good people, He really meant it when he said he never met a man he didn't like. But not everyone has the same temprerament that Will Rogers had. Not everyone is willing to be truthful about things. Not everyone realizes the importance of honesty. Will Rogers was famous, not only for twirling a rope, but for the witty things he said. His remarks were about common everyday things and sounded quite different when he said them on the stage. And he became famous for his honesty.

Evidently not everyone has heard of Will Rogers, but most people have heard his remark about weather and how it will change in a few minutes. And he said that 70 or 80 years ago. Makes you stop and think about how the weather may always be changing, but it is still the same as it was more than three quarters of a centruy ago, or rather the fact that it is always changing is the same as it was.

Rumor-mongers probably don't care about Will Rogers and his philosophical comments made long ago. And those rumor-mongers proobably have their own agenda as to why they are starting the rumors they are starting and why they are starting rumors that are harmful to others, it makes us wonder why anyone would willingly hurt another person, but apparently some people prefer money to being honest. And apparently some people really don't know the difference between being kind and being evit. Maybe those people should read about Will Rogers and his way of life.

Will Rogers zavings



What can a citizen do?

EDITOR: Your recent article about the weapons ban in county buildings should alarm every patriot with a voting card and gun. The facts raise serious concerns about our elected officials. The most important fact is that the "courtroom" in question is in a separate building from the "commission chambers". The fact that a judge attempted to legislate from the bench and extend jurisdiction beyond the courtroom is frightening. Where does that authority come from? Has the separation of powers between the legislative and judiciary been breached?

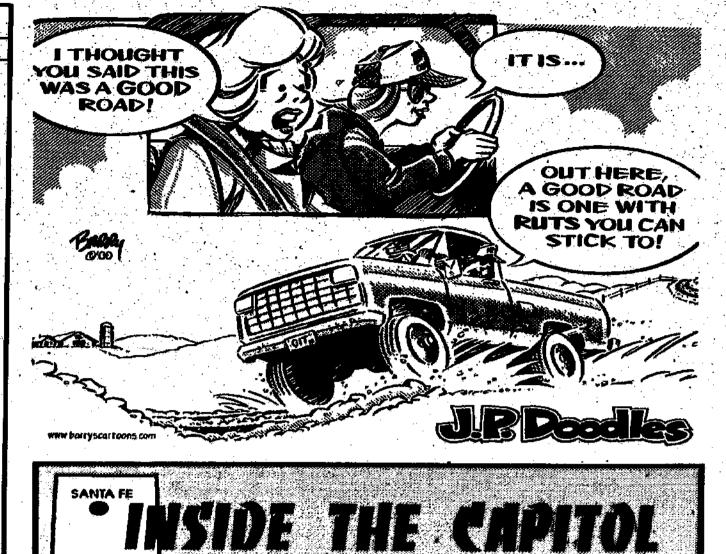
The fact that our elected commissioners did not schedule a public hearing on the matter scares me. They took the public out of the loop. Perhaps they forgot about "government of the people, by the people, and for the people", or maybe they felt our input was unneeded. Commissioners, how can anyone protect our freedom by taking it away?

The fact that the sheriff doesn't attend all commission meetings, as required by law, puts those who do attend at risk. It can now be said that elected officials who are sworn to protect our rights are the ones violating them. Folks, please realize that when a right is regulated it ceases to be a right and becomes a privilege granted by government. Our 2nd amendment insures all the other amendments, so, are "we the people" willing to give all of them up?

Judge Robert Ruehlman of Ohio wrote:
"Amidst all of the baying from gun opponents is
the irrefutable fact that there will always be people in
our society who refuse to follow any rules and can
never be reasoned with or rehabilitated." "These people have no conscience and no qualms about doing
harm to innocent persons. As a consequence, every
law-abiding citizen of this state has the right to protect him or herself with a firearm."

TONY SENO Ruidoso, New Mexico





SANTA FE - A week into the 2002 Legislature the heavyweight issues are rising to the top, while the skim-milk issues are sinking.

Medicaid cuts may be the biggest issue of all, followed by whether and how we use the state's surplus money, whether we use economic development funds on marketing or inplant training, the governor's drug proposals and capital punishment.

Sinking to the bottom will be a tax cut; education proposals, including vouchers and a secretary of education and our growing water crisis.

In this first year of tight state budgets in a-while, Medicaid is the 800-pound gorilla. Except for a few years after Gov. Gary Johnson introduced managed care, Medicaid has always been out of control. Increasing medical and health care costs, coupled with increasing eligibility rolls have swelled Medicaid costs faster than any other budget item and faster than the state can afford

This problem is compounded by several factors. New Mexico has the largest number of uninsured citizens. That number can be decreased by increasing Medicaid eligibility. The federal government matches state money based on the amount of poverty, meaning that for every dollar the state spends, the feds kick in over three bucks.

Left unchecked,
Medicaid costs will increase \$60 million next
year. New state money
available for all general
fund expenditures next
year is \$8 million. Gov.
Johnson wants to put that
\$8 million into Medicaid,
meaning about a \$50 mil-

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lion cut in Medicald funding next year. Add in the federal match of around \$150 million and you have \$200 million less flowing to the health care industry.

bu JAY MILLER

So imagine the number of health care lobbyists patrolling the halls of the Capitol with messages about doctors who will leave the state and local hospitals that just won't be able to make it. Add to that dozens of advocates for the poor, accompanied by hundreds of their fragile and disabled clients.

Stir in a large chunk of bleeding-heart lawmakers who won't see taxes cut or the state budget balanced on the backs of the poor and you begin to have a recipe for gridlock. The state does have cash reserves that could make up the \$50 million difference, but that isn't recurring money. It's left over from the good years and won't be there next year.

Those surpluses almost always are used for non-recurring expenses, such as the "pork" projects Johnson vetoed last year. But the governor doesn't even want to use much of the reserves for non-recurring expenses. He wants to keep the reserves well above the five percent that states usually keep for financial emergencies.

That effort of the governors won't fly, unless he makes it happen through vetoes. Lawmakers didn't get to spend that money last year on vetoed pork projects and many lawmakers, especially Republicans, feel those surpluses can be used for "economic-stimulus" projects around the state.

A legislative committee has solved that problem by stripping the advertising budget form the Department of Eco-

nomic Development and putting it into in-plant training along with funds it has found elsewhere in Johnson's budget.

The governor's drug proposals began stirring immediate controversy. He has the national Lindesmith Center working in his corner providing information and publicity. On the other side, an anti-drug group called Protect New Mexico has been formed by Darren White, Johnson's former public safety secretary.

Now that Johnson has said it is a probability he will sign a death penalty repeal if one reaches his desk, both sides of that argument are invigorated to fight their battle even harder.



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Pisces: (Feb 19 - March 20) Money, Money everywhere, but not a drop to spend!? Some things L(o)(o)K good on paper, but not in real life! You haven't come this far to fail now!

Aries: (Mar 21 - April 19)
You may feel torn between
what feels right for you and
not someone else! Talk it
over, get it out in the open
you'll feel better getting it off
your chest!

Tawrus: (Apr 20 - May 20)
You're on your way to a new
life, a better one indeed!
Make choices for you, take in
consideration what others
need, not what they want!

Gemini: (May 21 - June 20) Everything seems to be backwards! Love, Money, People too!! Take it in stride, you will come out the winner because you went with your Heart!

Cancer: (June 21-July 22) You're going to get behind schedule if you let others dictate to you what & when you should do something! Get things set straight before it's too late!

Leo: (July 23 - Aug 22) Change is in the air! Make time for yourself & your family. The stock you put in, will show growth beyond your dreams! Show with kindness & Love.

Virgo: (Aug 23 - Sept 22) Your heart is tender, surround yourself with loving people, places & things. Pick up the phone and call someone who you know cares for you!

Libra: (Sept 22 - Oct 22) You could be way ahead of the game, with inside information! Make sure the information is the Truth, or you may pay for it in the long run, think about it!

Scorpio: (Oct 23 - Nov 21)
Don't believe everything you hear, half of what you see!
Make your own way in life, without listening to others!
You can do anything you want!

Sagittarius: (Nov 22- Dec 21) Hold on to your hat, and your assets! Don't spend any money that you can't afford to lose! Invest in yourself first! Let your dreams come alive!

Capricorn: (Dec 22 - Jan 19)
Slow down and take a
breathe! You're going to
make yourself crazy &
everyone around you too!
Take your good energy and
make lots of money!

County Republicans To Hold

NMED Septic Tank Fees About To Take Effect

New Mexico ventional residential sys-Environment Department (NMED) will be charging fees for inspecting and permitting liquid waste disposal (septic) systems, and certifying septic tank designs, beginning February I. The money raised from the fees will be used to better assure that sewage, which contains disease causing organisms and pollution, is disposed of properly, thus. reducing public contact with sewage and protecting water supplies from contamination.

The greatest threats to our rivers and streams, as well as to our drinking water: are improperly installed, mismanaged and malfunctioning septic systems," said Environment Secretary Peter Maggiore. "The effort to improve New Mexico's septic systems is one of the most important steps we have taken for the protection of water and human health in many years."

Last year the NMED approximately issued 5,200 liquid-waste permits for new septic sys-The soon-to-be implemented fees for such permits and inspections will generate revenue that will be used to fund a statewide trainer, a financial analyst position in Santa Fe, and five new inspector positions in the fastest growing areas of the state, including San Juan, Santa Fe, Dona Ana, Luna, Sandoval, Valencia and Torrance counties.

Beginning February 1, the fee for a permit will be \$100 for the construction of a conventional residential system and \$50 for a modification or repair of an existing con-

tem. The fee for construction, modification or repair of a commercial system will be \$150. The fee for construction of an advanced or alternative treatment system will be \$150, and a permit to modify or repair an advanced or alternative treatment system will be \$75. Installers who do not pass an inspection and receive a notice of nonapproval, known as a red tag, will be charged a \$50 re-inspection fee. A fee of \$50 will also be charged for a variance from the regulation.

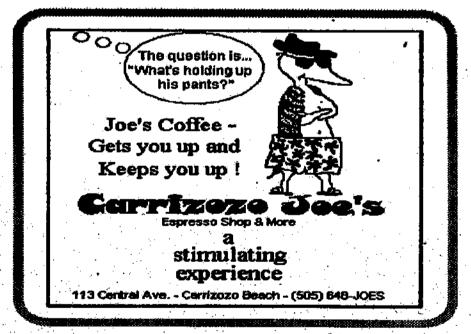
By comparison, the average fee assessed by neighboring states for the installation of a new residential septic system is \$210. Bernalillo County currently charges \$100 for this service.

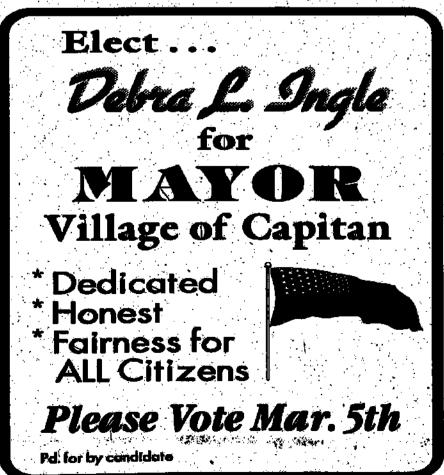
Permits for onsite liquid waste systems can be obtained from any of the 23 NMED field offices located throughout the state. Fees can only be paid by personal check, business check or money order. Cash cannot be accepted. Fees are nonrefundable.

The New Mexico Environmental Improvement Board passed the regulation November 9, 2001, providing for the soon-to-be implemented liquid waste treatment and disposal system fees.

For more information regarding liquid waste disposal permits and the new fees, contact. Steve Walker at (505) 827-1400, ext. 1004 or nearest NMED field office.









Senator Pete Campos and secretary Sarah Madrid review legislative activity on the Internet. The last day for bill introduction is January 30. District residents are invited to attend the 30-day budget oriented session that ends February 14, Valentine's Day. For information on legislation and events at the Capitol, your can call Senator Campos at (505) 986-4311 or visit him in Room 302B.

Senator Pete Campos Reports From Santa Fe

questions or concerns.

SANTA FE--Senator prepare students for the Pete Campos, D-Las world of competitive emp-Vegas, said Monday that loyment," Campos said. Campos urged residents public schools is one of of senate district 8 to conthe top priorities of tact him at the capitol by legislators.

"Our public schools have made tremendous progress by improving programming, facilities and extracurricular activities for students. This has led to better test scores. more students staying in school and increased receptiveness to educational reform," Campos said.

"We must continue to work hard to enhance professional development, raise teachers' salaries, acquire more and better technology for classrooms, and bolster early childhood educâiton," Campos said as the second week of the 2002 legislative session began. "Education funding and reform is and will remain at the top of our list."

Campos said the first week of the session proceeded as expected, with 130 bills being introduced in the senate and 116 introduced in the house. The focus of the session will be on approving a budget for the upcoming fiscal year, said Campos, who serves as a member of the Senate Finance Committee.

"About half of the money the state spends each year is spent on New Mexico's public schools. The legislature is commited to doing everything possible to ensure that students receive the best education possible so they can become good, productive citizens," Campos said.

Enhancing early childhood health and education programs, including literacy programs, will help prepare children for their critical first years in school, Campos said. One way to enhance the current full-day kindergarten program would be to provide. a holistic mental and physical wellness evaluation of every student, so that schools can better serve the individual needs of students, Campos said.

"Teachers, principals and school administrators have to know how to best

Pre-Primary Meeting Feb. 9 Lincoln County Republi-

can Party will holds its county Pre-Primary Nominating Mass Meeting at 10 a.m. Saturday, February 9 in the Lincoln County Commissioners' Chambers in the Lincoln County Courthouse in Carrizozo.

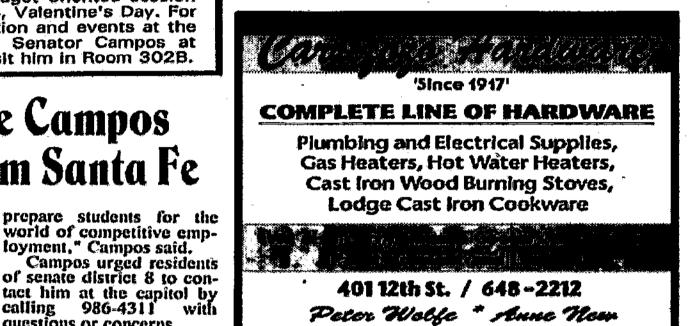
The meeting will include the Lincoln County Republican Party Central Committee and precinct caucuses.

Purpose of the pre-primary mass meeting is to elect nine voting delegates to represent the Lincoln County Republican Party at the New Mexico State Pre-Primary Nominating Convention in March.

Voting at the state preprimary convention determines which primary election candidates get nominated to be on the ballot. Candidates must receive at least 20 percent of the vote at the pre-primary convention, or they must obtain additional petition signatures to be on the primary election ballot in June.

All registered Republican voters who reside within Lincoln County are encouraged to attend and participate in the county pre-primary nominating meeting.

For information about the Lincoln County Republican Party Pre-Primary **Nominating County Mass** Meeting on February 9, or about the Republican Party, call party chair Duane Williams at 354-4230.



Church Directory Mountain ministry parish, Sierra Blanca Presbytery Mogal Presbyterian Church: Claunch Community Church BILL SEBRING, Pastor Sunday School 10:00 a.m. TONY SCACCIA, Minister Second Sunday of Each Month 9:00 a.m. Anche Community Prosbyterian Church: SCOTT KING, Paster / B48 2024 United Methodist Churches JOHANNA ANDERSON, Pastor UUU D. AYS. 648:2893 | 648:2846 Carrizozo, NM 88301 Sunday School (All Ages) 10:00 a.m. Corona Presbyterian Church: United Methodist Women First Baptist Church Every 3rd Wednesday 2:00 p.m. Fellowship Dinner on HAYDEN SMITH, Pastor 4th Sunday of Month 12:30 p.m. 314 10th Ave., Carrizozo, NM 648 2968 (Church) or 648-2107 Worship Service 10:55 a.m. Sun. Evening Training at 6:15 p.m. Evening Worship 7:15 p.m. Fellowship Time 10:15 a.m. Adult Sunday School 11:00 a.m.. Choir Practice (Tuesday).......7:00 p.m. Fallowship Dinner......Every Third Sunday Handmaidens (Ecumenical Woman's Group) Carrizozo Community Church (A/G) JOHNIE L. JOHNSON, Pastor Corner of C Ave. and Thirteenth, 648-2186 Children's Church 10:30 a.m. Christ Community Fellowship Worship Service 10:30 a.m. ED VINSON, Pastor (Inter-denominational) 514 Smokey Bear Blvd., Capitan, NM Santa Rita Catholic Community FR. DAVE BERGS, Pastor 213 Birch, Carrizozo, NM, 648-2853 Capitan Church of Christ SATURDAY: LESLIE EARWOOD, Minister 5th & Lincoln / 336-4627 Capitan Sacred Heart 9:00 a.m. Worship Service 11:00 a.m. Evening Worship 6:00 p.m. Church of Christ Trinity Southern Baptist Church TOM POINDEXTER, Minister 354-3135 Phone 354-2044 Ave. C at 12th, Garrizozo, NM Capitan (South on Hwy, 48) Sunday School 10:00 a.m. AWANA Sunday 4:00-6:00 p.m. First Baptist Church of Corona St. Matthias Episcopal Church CAL WEST, Pastor / 849-7975 REV. CANON JOHN PENN, Rector Sunday School 10:00 a.m. Corner of E Ave. and Sixth, Carrizozo, NM 1-505-257-2356 Holy Eucharist Sunday 9:30 a.m. Fellowship Dinner 1st Sunday of Month LaGrone Funeral Chapel Bill Winkler

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Grizzly

By Carrizozo High School Journalism Class Sarah Ball, Instructor

Lady Grizzlies Win **Two District Games**

The Lady Grizzlies started their weekend off in Vaughn against the Lady Eagles on Friday the 18th. The Lady Eagles only had five players but tried their best.

The game was aggressive with the Grizzlies showing no mercy or letting up on the defensive side. The girls ended on a good note with Ariel Vallejos' 2 point field goal to end the quarter 20-5. In the opening of the second quarter Stephanie Brewer had points to put on the board to make the lead even bigger. It was basically one sided with a lot of offense from Stephanie and Ariel and hard defense by Bianca Baca along with Ashlie Samora. The end of the first half was 32-13 with a commanding lead for the Lady Grizzlies.

The second half was probably the best half for the Lady Eagles, but they couldn't keep up with the shooting by the Lady Grizzlies. The Grizzlies hit most of their free throws with the top four scorers hitting 8 out of 12 in the game. The end of the third quarter was 46-25 with a definite win over the Eagles. The final quarter stared off with field goals from Bianca and Ashlie scoring 13 points together the whole game. The game ended in a 57-37 win. The top scores were: Ariel Vallejos- 15 points, Stephanie Brewer- 14 points, Ashlie Šamora- 8 points, Blanca Baca- with 5 points.

The lady Grizzlies couldn't savor the victory against Vaughn for long because the rivalry between the Grizzlies and Lady Mustangs was intense for the Saturday game.

The Ladies had to play with more intensity if they wanted to be number one in the district and have home field advantage in the playoffs. It was a low scoring game in the first quarter and also put the Lady Grizzlies in foul trouble. Bianca Baca and Ariel Vallejos, each with 2 fouls in the opening minutes, had to play off a little to stay in the game. The end of the first quarter score was 5-6 with the Mustangs leading. In the second quarter Stephanie Brewer and Whitney Whittaker started off with field goals to take the lead. The Grizzly defense was very aggressive to hold the Mustangs to only 18 in the half. But the Grizzlies couldn't score either, only taking a 5 point

The second half started off with Ariel and Bianca's field goals to open up a small lead. The rouble hitting their free throws all through the game, only the top four scorers hitting 12 out of 27. The end of the third quarter was 35-29. The last intense quarter started off with outstanding defense by Ariel, Bianca, and Ashlie Samora to stop the Mustang offense. Ariel was too aggressive and fouled out in the opening minutes. The Grizzlies at one time had only a 2-point lead with Whitney at the line shooting 2. There was a lot of pressure on the young 8th grader shoulders, but she shrugged it off and sank both. The final score was 50-45 with Grizzlies in first place in the district games. The top four scores for the Lady Grizzlies was: Stephanie Brewer-16 points, Ariel Vallejos- 11 points, Whitney Whittaker- 10 points, and Bianca Baca- with 5 points. The next game will be held at Mescalero today, Jan. 24. Tip off time is 5 p.m.

Grizzly Boys Can't Win Away From Home

The Grizzlies faced off in Vaughn this past Friday and couldn't beat them on Vaughn's turf.

The Grizzly's defense was too aggressive the first quarter, and Lane Dixon picked up 3 fouls. The team kept up with Vaughn for most of the quarter, but the Eagles just had too much firepower. The end of the first quarter was 10-17 with Eagles leading: The second quarter started without a good defensive player, Lane Dixon. Branden Langley tried to light a fire underneath the Grizzlies, but the Eagles just blew it out. Even though Branden had a career high of 40 points, the Eagles just had too much firepower. from the outside. The end of the half was 18-41 with the Eagles in the lead.

The second half was just about the same with little offense from the Grizzlies, and Lane had to play off just a little to stay in. Josh Calvert and Patrick Hightower tried to pump up the team but amazing shooting by the Eagles led to their good lead at the end of the quarter, 33-63. The Eagles wouldn't let up, and Branden was still lighting up the board with Lane alongside of him. The Vaughn Eagles were just too much for the Grizzlies to handle and the final score was 58-79. The top scores for the Grizzlies were Branden Langley, 40 points, Lane

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Posse To Ask Fair Board For Space

Lincoln County Sheriff's Posse provides free volunteer assistance at almost every event in Lincoln County. Yet the group has no permanent headquarters for meetings and stor-

For years the Lincoln County Sheriff's Posse (LCSP) has met in the Lincoln County Fair building and would like to make the county owned fairgrounds its permanent headquar-

While the county had not objected to the idea, it wants the posse to work with the fair association to negotiate an arrangement.

During the Lincoln County Commission meeting of January 17, sheriff's posse member David Scott presented a request from the LCSP for a 99 year lease of three lots at the county owned Lincoln County Fairgrounds in Capitan.

County manager Tom Stewart said he referred the request to the county attorney Alan Morel who thinks the 99 year lease is inappropriate because it binds future county commissions.

Morel said any lease arrangement of five years or more must be approved by the state Department of Finance and Administration (DFA). "And they will not approve a \$1 a year lease payment, especially for 99 years."

County commission chair Rex Wilson asked if the posse had met with the Lincoln County Fair Association board.

Scott said the posse had not met with the fair board recently

Stewart said he talked with a fair board member who was concerned about a 99 year lease, and who wanted to negotiate with the posse for an arrangement.

"I don't want to not recognize your work for the community," Wilson told Scott and other posse members who attended the meeting in the Lincoln County Courthouse in Carrizozo, "You are a tremendous asset to the community." However Wilson said he was concerned

about having planned development of the fairgrounds property. "I would like to see the posse work with the fair board," Wilson added.

County commissioner Ray Nunley said the fairgrounds facilities are used a lot and scheduling has become a problem. Nunley acknowledged the county could not do a 99 year lease, but he encouraged the posse to work out arrangements with the fair board.

The posse has \$27,000 in a building fund for a 40 by 60 foot metal building.

Scott said the volunteer members plan to do most of the work at no cost.

County commissioner Bill Schwettmann said the posse needs to find financing as \$27,000 will not finish a building to public codes. "I don't see this commission objecting," Schwettmann said of the request.

"When you and the fair board get together." Wilsontold Scott, "Come back to

County commissioner Leo Martinez asked the posse not to get discouraged, because "I see you guys at events all over."

Scott said the group is not discouraged and will get with the fair board, "We appreciate your time." Scott concluded.

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County To Raise

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"Without a permit process, there is no way to track excavations," county commissioner Ray Nunley said. .

"I am against the \$50 fee, not the permit," Wilson said.

Hernandez suggested there be no charge as long as the road department is advised of cuts for line placement.

Wilson agreed there needs to be a permit to inform the road department, and fees for certain types of excavations. "But I was shocked when I found out I would have to pay," Wilson said.

Nunley did not agree with a permit for no cost.

But Wilson said the \$50 fee is a "disincentive" to report excavations. He suggested the blade operator be advised if there are potential problems with an excavation.

Wilson suggested the ordinance changes were "playing favoritism" to the big utility companies.

But county commissioner Bill Schwettmann said most of the public utilities are very responsible with their excavations, because their services like fiber optics are very expensive to repair if cut.

Morel asked how the ordinance would distinguish between a rural excavation and a utilities excavation.

Wilson suggested by the size of the trench for the

Morel said farmers/ranchers could be excluded from the ordinance. Otherwise. farmers/ranchers will have to follow all the requirements for excavations outlined in the ordinance.

. After discussing which fee was appropriate, Wilson agreed to a \$25 excavation permit cost and reluctaritly agreed to a \$25 administrative fee which will cover the cost of monitoring the excavations.

"I just had to make my spiel," Wilson said. "We are now a metropolitan county, not a dirt road county any-

Another proposed change dealt with the two year test period for road cut repairs. After considerable discussion, and agreement from Zia Natural Gas Company, county commissioners voted in favor of a one year test period. All agreed one year provides enough time to detect compaction or other repair problems in road excavations.

Before Wilson closed the public hearing. Debby Haynes from Zia Natural Gas said her company had not gotten a chance to see and make comments on the proposed changes to the excavation ordinance.

Anna Gail Grassie from Zia Gas said the company also has a franchise agreement with the county.

Morel admitted the copies of the proposed excavation ordinance changes did not get delivered to the various utility companies last week as he had intended.

"To be fair." Wilson said. "We should wait another month to adopt the changes."

With that county commissioners unanimously voted to hold another public hearing at the February 21 county commission meeting. They also voted to set the permit fees at \$25, administrative fee at \$25 and the test period to be one year.

Copies of the proposed changes to the excavation ordinance are available from the office of the county manager in the Lincoln County Courthouse in Carrizozo.

County commissioners. unanimously approved holding a public hearing at the February 21 meeting for the franchise agreement between the county and Texas-New Mexico Power company,

Morel proposes to standardize all franchise agreements between the county and all utility companies.



We would like to thank all our friends and loved ones for the love and kindness you have shown during our time of sorrow.

 Thank you for the food, flowers, money, prayers, and for being there for us.

Our mom asked us to tell all her friends and neighbors she loved you all. We will miss her a lot, but we know she is at home with God now.

The Tela Bussey family

THANK YOU

We would would like to say a Big THANK YOU to all our family, friends, prayer groups and neighbors for all the loving kindness and concern during Rosalie's recent surgery. The telephone calls, visits, cards and all the food has been so welcome and made her feel surrounded by the love of God, friends and family. .

May God Bless All of You.

Raiph and Rosalie Dunlap.

David and Lois Coleman and family Wayne and Jane Dunlap and family

PUBLIC HEARING

CONCERNING CAPITAN-CARRIZOZO **NATURAL GAS**

CAPITAN SCHOOLS WEDNESDAY. **JANUARY 30, 2002** AT 6:30 PM

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

January 14: 11:45 a.m. request for deputy for civil standby in Hondo Valley.

1:27 p.m. loose dogs in Villa Madonna, Animal Control Officer (ACO) notified.

3:39 p.m. stray dog on Alta Vista in Alto, ACO notified. 4 p.m. caller from Phoenix reported a lost cell phone

on Gavilan Canyon. 4:34 p.m. suspicious person at business in Tinnie.

Hightower, 2 points.

fouls in the first half.

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Dixon, 10 points, Josh Calvert, 6 points, and Patrick

offense to get an early lead, ending the quarter 12-9.

The Grizzlies then had to play physical to stay in this

game and did so all game. The good shooting by the

Mustangs gave them a lead at the half by 5. Branden

Langley had to sit most of the quarter due to his 3

Branden, Nick Morerod, and Josh Calvert to catch

up. The Grizzlies couldn't maintain this momentum,

and the Mustang defense was too much for the team

to handle. The end of the third quarter score was 42-

35. The last quarter Branden picked up his last foul

focus on the Mustangs the following night.

The Grizzlies had to shake off the loss and

The team was playing amazing defense and

The second half opened up with points from

5:55 p.m. minor accident without injuries at Capitan post office parking lot. State police responded.

6:13 p.m. reckless driving and possible two shots fired in Villa Madonna, Three deputies responded and requested a wrecker for the yehicle.

8:05 p.m. request for ambulance at location on Palo Verde Drive. Med 1 responded.

January 15: 9:32 a.m. Lincoln County Solid Waste Authority advised of illegal dumping at Fawn Ridge.

10:40 a.m. Children, Youth and Families Departdeputy for investigation at location in Capitan. Deputy responded. 10:41 a.m. deputy advised

ment (CYFD) requested

of juveniles in Capitan. 12:12 p.m. deputy advised of restraining order in Capi-

12:15 p.m. deputy advised of a runaway from Ruidoso Downs.

12:21 p.m. state police advise of accident with injuries at mile marker 302 on Highway 70. Hondo fire department, ambulance and Ruidoso Med 1 responded and transported to Lincoln County Medical Center (LCMC) in Ruidoso.

1:27 p.m. request for deputy for civil standby at location on Alta Vista in Alto area.

5:15 p.m. vehicle v. deer, Mountain Drive, Capitan. Deputy notified.

10:55 p.m. recovered proberty at church north of Angus.

January 16: 3:12 p.m. request for ambulance for subject down on Antelope Circle. Ruidoso

Med 1 ambulance transported to LCMC. 6:34 p.m. deputy advised of warrant service at loca-

tion on Mustang. Bond was set at \$289. 7:18 p.m. open door at business east of Ruidoso

Downs. Woman caller advised the door should not be open. January 17:

8 a.m. Capitan High School reported finding a knife. Deputy responded. 9:04 a.m. larceny at location in Nogal.

1:55 p.m. ACO advised of vehicle fire at location on Hull Road.

2:23 p.m. domestic at location on Grandview in Capi-

2:25 p.m. domestic at location on Grandview. Responding deputy advised that subject might be at RV park in Alto area and the subject may be armed with a rifle. The deputy later advised it was okay no shots were fired. Deputy obtained a bench warrant and later arrested the subject.

5:33 p.m. deputy advised of criminal sexual contact.

7:37 p.m. trailer in roadway at intersection of High Mesa and Sunrise in Alto.

9:29 p.m. 911 request for ambulance for man down east of Ruidoso Downs. The caller later advised the man jumped up and ran off. The request for ambulance was canceled.

January 18: 7:48 a.m. request for ambulance at location on State Road 246 for diabetic. Capitan ambulance transported to LCMC.

12:40 p.m. Lincoln County Detention Center (LCDC) reported fight. Deputy responded.

1:21 p.m. disoriented woman in Nogal.

2 p.m. deputy advised of warrant arrest at LCDC.

2:28 p.m. grass fire at intersection of State Road 220 and Highway 380 (Fort Stanton turn off). Capitan, Fort Stanton and Lincoln Volunteer Fire Departments, Airport response, and state forestry re-

sponded. 3:35 p.m. vagrant at Lincolp County Treasurer's Office in the courthouse in Carrizozo. Deputy re-

sponded. 3:37 p.m. request for ambulance at ski run for possible head injury. Med 1 to LCMC.

8:20 p.m. grass fire flare up. Capitan Fire, Department and state forestry responded.

10:42 p.m. LCDC requested ambulance for 50 year old male on 23 medications. Carrizozo ambulance transported the patient to

11:49 p.m. possible stalking at location in Enchanted Forest. The caller requested to talk to an officer because she received a call at her residence telling her she needed to get to her work place. She believed the call was an attempt to get her out of the house.

January 19: 7:45 a.m. horses out at School and Island Roads west of Capitan. Deputy notified.

9:43 a.m. 911 request for ambulance at ski run for patient on oxygen and in a c-collar, Ruidoso Advanced Life Support (RALS) ambulance responded.

10:04 a.m. auto burglary/larceny at location on . Mount Capitan, Deputy notified.

1:17 p.m. 911 request for ambulance at ski run for 21 year old female with possible boot top fracture. RALS transported to LCMC.

4:18 p.m. request for ambulance at ski run for 16 year old female with hip pain. Med 1 transported to LCMC.

6:33 p.m. request for ambulance at lodge in Carrizo Canyon. Med 1 responded but was refused.

7:27 p.m. dog v. car, on D003 Little Creek Road. 8:15 p.m. warrant arrest in

Capitan. Deputy notified. 9 p.m. controlled burn in San Patricio.

9:50 p.m. man calling for help at location on Del Monte Drive in Alto area. Deputies responded.

11 p.m. accident with injuries at mile marker 156 on Highway 54. Corona ambulance paged with no response, Carrizozo ambulance responded.

11:02 p.m. woman advised her husband assaulted her at the intersection of State Road 37 and Highway 380. The husband had a restraining order. Deputies responded.

January 20: 1:16 a.m. request for ambulance at location on 17th Street. Carrizozo ambulance transported to LCMC.

1:41 a.m. request for amulance for hospice patient Carrizozo ambulance advised it was returning from LCMC and would transport.

1:50 a.m. request for ambulance for 67 year old with chest pains at Camp Sierra Blanca. Capitan ambulance did not respond, so RALS transported to LCMC.

12:42 p.m. request for ambulance at ski run for patient with back pain. Med 1 run was canceled.

1:45 p.m. request for deputy for civil standby at location on Harris Lane. Deputy notified.

10:15 p.m. report of natural gas smell, irritated caller demanded service. Bonito Fire Department paged.

January 21: 9:58 a.m. burglary behind business in Ruidoso Downs àrea.

12:33 p.m. grass fire on D003. Bonito fire department responded and canceled the call for others.

1:14 p.m. kids on four wheelers on Mesa Loop. 3:50 p.m. domestic at loca-

tion west of Lincoln. Responding deputies advised all was okay.

January 22:

7:03 a.m. request for ambulance for 57 year old woman at location in Shangri La. Med 1 transported to LCMC. 8:12 a.m. request for am-

bulance for subject who fell at location on E. Ave. Carrizozo ambulance transported to LCMC. 8:58 a.m. senior center in

Corona reported vandalism. 11:15 a.m. request for ambulance at ski run. Med 1 transported Code 1 to LCMC.

1 p.m. lost property at location on Avenida Drive in the Alto area.

Fibronyaigia Support Group To Organize In Ruidoso Jan. 29,02

An organizational meet- Restaurant in Ruidoso. ing of a Fibromyalgia Syndrome Support Group is scheduled for 6 p.m. Tuesday, January 29, at K-Bob's information on the group.

Dutch treat dinner can be ordered from the menu. Call 354-3046 for more

LEGAL NOTICE TWELFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT COUNTY OF LINCOLN STATE OF NEW MEXICO

CV-01-245 WELLS FARGO BANK MINNESOTA NA. As Trustee Plaintiff,

ERIC CULVER AND BILLIE CULVER, Husband and Wife, BANK ONE, NA, and RUIDOSO VALLEY BUILDERS, LLC., Defendants.

NOTICE OF SALE ON FORECLOSURE

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the above entitled Court, having appointed me as Special Master in this matter with the power to sell, has ordered me to sell the real property (the "Property") situated in Lincoln County, New Mexico, commonly known 5 Doe Holiday Ct.. Alto, New Mexico 88312, and more particularly described as follows:

LOT 5, BLOCK 22, RANCHO RUIDOSO VALLEY ESTATES, 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, NOVEMBER 30, 1982, IN CABINET D, SLIDE NOS. 99 TO 103, BOTH INCLUSIVE.

The sale is to begin at 10:00 a.m. on February 26, 2002, on the front steps of the Lincoln County Court House. City of Carrizozo, County of Lincoln. State of New Mexico, at which time I will sell to the highest and best hidder for cash, in lawful currency of the United States of America, the Property to pay expenses of sale and to satisfy the Judgment of Wells Fargo Bank Minnesota, N.A.,

Wells Fargo Bank Minnesota, N.A., as Trustee was awarded a Judgment on January 7, 2002 in the principal sum \$157,636,14, plus outstanding interest through December 31, 2001 in the annual of \$13,283.66 and accruing daily thereafter if the sate of \$41.04 per day. at the rate of \$41.94 per day, plus selected fees and expenses of \$349.70, plus fate charges of \$653.96, plus an escrow balance of \$1,258.62, plus attorneys fees through December 31, 2001, in the sam of \$750.00 and costs through December 31, 2001, in the sam of \$1,258.62 and the later of \$1,2001, in the same of \$1,20 the sum of \$1,078.03, with interest on the late charges, attorney's fees and costs from date of Judgment until paid at the rate of 9,600% per

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

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

Dublichael in 41 ary 17, 24, 31 and February 7, 2002.

LEGAL NOTICE

STATE OF NEW MEXICO COUNTY OF LINCOLN TWELFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT CV 01-258-DIV III

THE PROVIDENT BANK, Plaintiff,

JEREMY CLARK and REBECCA CLARK, Defendants.

NOTICE OF SALE ON FORECLOSURE

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the aboveentitled Court, having appointed me or my designee as Special Master in this matter with the power to sell, has ordered me to sell the real property situated in Lincoln County, New Mexico, commonly known 126 Mac Drive, Ruidoso, New Mexico, and more particularly described as follows:

LOT 9 AND 10, BLOCK 11, WHITE MOUNTAIN HEIGHTS SUBDIVISION. LINCOLN COUNTY, NEW MEXICO AS SHOWN BY THE PLAT THEREOF FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY CLERK AND EX-OFFICIO RECORDER OF LINCOLN COUNTY, NEW MEXICO, SEP-TEMBER 1, 1941. AP #: 122325.

The sale is to begin at 10:00 a.m. on February 21, 2002, outside the front entrance of the Lincoin County Courthouse. City of Carrizozo, County of Lincoln, State of New Mexico, at which time I will sell to the highest and best bidder for wash in lawful currency of the United States of America, the Property to pay expenses of sale, and to satisfy the Judgment in The Provident Bank.

The Provident Bank was awarded a Judgment on January 7, 2002, in the sum \$115,162.16 plus outstanding interest due on the Note through December 15, 2001, in the amount of \$8,150.94. and accruing thereafter at the rate of 11,375% per annum (\$36,39 per diem), plus late charges in the sum of \$338.94, plus an escrow deficit in the sum of \$100.00 plus attorneys fees in the sum \$750.00 and costs through December 15, 2001, in the sum of \$579.47.

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

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

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leaving the game in disappointment. The team had to step it up a notch but were tired because they dug themselves a hole early in the game, Even though the Grizzlies were good at the line making 11 out of 16 from the top four scorers, the Mustangs were shooting up a storm. The final score was 49-68 with the Grizzlies in third place in District. The top four scorers in the game were: Branden Langle, 18 points, Lane Dixon, 9 points, Nick Morerod, 9 points, and Josh Calvert with 7 points. The next game is today, . Jan. 24 at Mescalero at 6 p.m.

LEGAL NOTICE

TWELFTH JUDICIAL COUNTY OF LINCOLN STATE OF NEW MEXICO

NO. CV-02-10

IN THE MATTER OF THE PETITION OF JENNIFER ROMERO FOR A CHANGE OF HER SURNAME

NOTICE OF CHANGE OF SURNAME

Public Notice is hereby given that Jennifer Romero has filed a Petition in the above court for a change of surname to Flores. Notice is given that said Petition will be heard by the Honorable KAREN L. PARSONS. District Court Judge, on the 20th day of February, 2002, at the hour of 8:30

JENNIFER ROMERO HCR 46 Box 1652 Ruidoso Downs, NM 88346 (505) 378-1224 night (505) 257-4011 day

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ary 17 and 24, 2002. LEGAL NOTICE IN THE PROBATE COURT

STATE OF NEW MEXICO COUNTY OF LINCOLN No. 1900

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF ANNA V. WICKWARE, 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: Post Office Box 338, Carrizozo, New Mexico, 88301-

DATED: January 15, 2002.

KYLE WICKWARE 101 Tomahawk Place Ruidoso, New Mexico 88345 (505) 258-3317

Alan P. Morel ALAN P. MOREL, P.A. Post Office Box 1030 Ruidoso, New Mexico 88355-1030 (505) 258-2202 Attorney for Personal Representative

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LEGAL NOTICE STATE OF NEW MEXICO **COUNTY OF LINCOLN** TWELFTH JUDICIAL

NO. CV 01-216

BANKERS TRUST COMPANY: AS TRUSTEE AND CUSTODIAN.

JIMMY R. MCEUEN and THE UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF JIMMY R. MCEUEN, Defendant(s),

NOTICE OF SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned Special Master will, on January 29, 2002, at 10:00 a.m., at the main entrance of the Lincoln County Courthouse, Carrizozo, New Mexico, sell an convey to the highest hidder 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 8. Block 1 of MORRIS ADDITION, Capitan, Linocln County, New Mexico, as shown by the plat thereof filed in the office of the County Clerk of Lincoln County, April 4, 1933

The address of the real property is 415 West 3rd Street, Capitan, New Mexico. Said sale will be made pursuant to the Decree of Foreclosure entered on December 11, 2001, in the above entitled and numbered cause, which was a suit to foreclose a note and mortgage held by the above planniff and wherein plaintiff was adjudged to have a lien against the above-described real estate in the sum of \$40,058,45, plus interest from December 12, 2001 to the date of sale at the rate of 12.99% per annum, or \$12.59 per day, the costs of sale, including the Special Master's fee of \$200.00, publication costs, and plaintif's costs expended for taxes, insurance or keeping the property 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 judgment to the purchase price in

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. Dated: 12/28/01

Peter Baca Special Master Box 215 Carrizozo, NM 88301

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(505) 648-9925

LEGAL NOTICE

LINCOLN COUNTY ASSESSOR **NOTICE OF REQUIREMENTS** TO REPORT CERTAIN MATTERS RELATING TO PROPERTY VALUATION AND FOR CLAIMING EXEMPTION

FROM PROPERTY TAXATION

Rick Silva, Lincoln County Assessor, hereby publishes notice to property owners, pursuant to Section 7-38-18, N.M.S.A. 1978, as follows

- 1. If you or your spouse are 65 years old, or if either of you will become 65 years old in 2002. and if your "modified gross income" was not greater than \$18,600 in 2001, you may be eligiresidence. If you think you are eligible, you must apply to the Assessor no fater than 30 days after the Assessor mails the notice of value for your residence. The application must contain certain required information and must be in a form that may be obtained from the Assessor's office. Section 7-36-21.3, N.M.S.A. 1978.
- If you own real property not valued by the Assessor in 2001 for property taxation purposes, it must be reported to the Assessor no later than February 28, 2002, unless it is not subject to valuation for property taxation purposes in 2002. The report must contain certain required information and be in a form that may be obtained from the Assessor's office. Section 7-38-8 (A)(B), N.M.S.A. 1978.
- 3. If you have made improvements to real property during 2001 and the improvements cost more than Ten Thousand Dollars (\$10,000.00), the improvements must be reported to the Assessor no later than February 28, 2002. The information required and the form of the report may be obtained from the Assessor's office. Section 7-38-8 (C), N.M.S.A. 1978.
- 4. If you believe that you or your real property is entitled to exemption from property taxation, you must apply to the Assessor for exempt status no later than February 28, 2002, in order to be entitled to exemption from taxation in 2002. Exemption: If an exemption from taxation was: in effect for 2001 and the basis of the exempt status or use is unchanged from that year, application for exemption need not be made for 2002. If required, application for exemption must contain certain required information and must be in a form that may be obtained from the Assessor's office. Section 7-38-17, N.M.S.A.
- 5. If you or your real property was exempt from taxation in 2001, but the basis of the exempt status has changed during 2001 so that there is no longer eligibility for exemption, you must report that fact to the Assessor no later than February 28, 2002. The report must contain certain required information and must be in a form that may be obtained from the Assessor's Section 7-38-17, N.M.S.A. 1978.
- 6. If you claim "residential" status for your real property, you must declare this status to the Assessor no later than February 28, 2002 unless the property was classified as "residential" by the Assessor in 2001. In the event that the predominant use of your real property has changed from "residential" to "nonresidential" during 2001, that fact must contain certain required information and must be in a form that may be obtained from the Assessor's office. Sections 7-38-17.1 and 7-36-2.1, N.M.S.A. 1978.
- 7. If you own property that has decreased in value during 2001, and that property is subject to valuation for property taxation purposes, you must

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report the decrease in value to the Assessor no later than February 28, 2002. The report must contain certain required information and must be in a form that may be obtained from the Assessor's office, Section 7-38-13, N.M.S.A.

8. If your land was valued in 2001 in accordance with the special method of valuation for land used primarily for agricultural purposes, and the land is still used primarily for agricultural purposes, you need not reapply for that special method of valuation in 2002. If your land was not valued in accordance with that method of valuation in 2001, and it is now used primarily for agricultural purposes, you must make application to the Assessor in order to obtain that valuation method on 2002. If your land was valued in accordance with that special method of valuation in 2001, but it is no longer used primarily for agricultural purposes, you must report that fact to the Assessor no later than February 28, 2002, and must obtain certain required information and be in forms that may be obtained from the Assessor's office, Section 7-36-20, N.M.S.A. 1978.

9. If you own "livestock" that are subject to valuation for property taxation purposes, you must report such livestock to the Assessor, All such livestock that are present in the county on January 1, 2002 must be reported to the Assessor no later than February 28, 2002. If the livestock are transported into the county after January 1. 2002, they must be reported to the Assessor no later than the first day of the month following the first month in which the livestock have been present in the county for twenty (20) days. The required reports must contain certain required rmaiton and must be in forms that may be obtained from the Assessor's office. Section 7-36-21, N.M.S.A. 1978.

10. If you own a "manufactured home" and it was present in the county on January 1, 2002, you must report it to the Assessor by February 28, 2002. The report must contain certain required information and must be in a form that may be obtained from the Assessor's office. Section 7-36-26, N.M.S.A. 1978.

11. Certain mineral property and personal property of contractors operating in more than one county are required to be remorted to the State of New Mexico, Taxation and Revenue Department-Property Tax Division in Santa Fe. Information about property to be reported to the Taxation and Revenue Department, Property Tax Division, can be obtained from the County Assessor or the State Assessed Property Bureau, P.O. Box 25126, Santa Fe, New Mexico 87504-5126. Phone: (505) 827-0893.

THIS NOTICE is only a brief statement of the provisions of Sections 7-36-21.3, 7-38-3, 7-38-8. 7-38-13, 7-38-17-1, 7-36-2.1, 7-36-20, 7-36-21, and 7-36-26. N.M.S.A. 1978, and related Taxation and Revenue Department regulations, It is not intended to reflect the full contents of these provisions, which may be examined at the office of the County Assessor.

RICK SILVA Lincoln County Assessor P.O. Box 38 Carrizozo, New Mexico 88301

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> LEGAL NOTICE TWELFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT COUNTY OF LINCOLN STATE OF NEW MEXICO No. DM-00-134

ROSALIA FLORES. Petitioner,

DANIEL DELEON,

Respondent.

NOTICE OF PENDENCY OF ACTION THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO TO THE FOLLOWING NAMED RESPONDENT:

DANIEL DELEON

GREETINGS: You are hereby notified that Rosalia Flores, Petitioner, has filed an action in the District Court of Lincoln County, New Mexico, Civil Docket No. DM-00-134 wherein you are named as the Respondent and wherein said Petitioner seeks to obtain constructive service upon you.

The general objects of said action are to obtain a dissolution of marriage.

You are further notified that unless you enter your appearance in said cause on or before March 12, 2002, judgment will be rendered against you by default, and the relief prayed for in the Petition will be granted.

The address of the Court is P.O. Box 725. Carrizozo, 'New Mexico and the Petitioner's address is P.O. Box 733, Ruidoso Downs, New Mexico 88346.

WITNESS my hand and the seal of the District Court of Lincoln County, New Mexico, on this 8th day of January, 2002. (Seal)

JAN PERRY Clerk of the District Court By: Clydene Hull, Deputy

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LEGAL NOTICE

CFC ACCEPTING APPLICATIONS The local Federal Coordinating Committee is now accepting applications for the Principal Combined Fund Organization (PCFO) for the 2001-2002 Southeast New Mexico Combined Federal Campaign. This campaign covers a five county area: Otero County (PCFO) P.O. Box 14, Alamogordo, NM 88311. Applications will be accepted February 9 - February 22, 2002. Federations, charitable organizations or combinations hereof, meeting CFR regulations may serve as the PCFO. For further

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information, please contact Cindy Clarke at 505-

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF EARLY VOTING VILLAGE OF CAPITAN REGULAR MUNICIPAL ELECTION MARCH 5, 2002

Notice is hereby given that a Regular Municipal Election will be held on March 5, 2002, for the purpose of electing:

One Mayor for a four-year term, One Judge for a four-year term. One Trustee for a four-year term. One Trustee for a four-year term,

Early Voting will begin on Wednesday, February 13, 2002 and will close at 5:00 p.m. on Friday, March 1, 2002, Early voting will be conducted in the office of the Municipal Clerk during the regular hours and days of business, between Monday and Friday. Individuals wishing to vote early must make application in person in the office of the Municipal Clerk at 114 South Lincoln, The casting of votes by qualified municipal electors who are voting early shall be recorded on voting machines. For further information please call Kathryn Griffin at (505) 354-2247.

> Kathryn Griffin, Village Clerk January 15, 2002

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LEGAL NOTICE

NOTIFICACION DE VOTACION POR ANTICIPADO ALDEA DE CAPITAN ELECCION MUNICIPAL REGULAR EL 5 DE MARZO DE 2002

Por medio de la presente se hace saber que se llevara a cabo una Elección Municipal Regular el 5 de marzo de 2002, con el fin de elegir:

Un Alcalde por un termino de cuatro anos. Un Fiduciario por un termino de cuatro anos. Un Fiduciario por un termino de cuatro anos. Un Juez Municipal por un termino de

La votación por anicipado empezara el miercoles, 13 de febrero de 2002 y terminara a las 5:00 p.m. el viernes. I de marzo de 2002. La votación por amicipado se llevara a cabo en la oficina de la Escribana de la Municipalidad durame las horas y los dias habites de lunes a viernes. Aquellas persoms que descen votar por anticipado tienen que hacer su solicitud en persona en la oficina de la Escribana de la Municipalidad en el 114 South Lincoln. Se hara un record de los votos emitidos por los votantes calificados de la municipalidad que votan por anticipado en maquinas para votar. Para mas informacion, favor de llamar 354-2247:

Kathryn Griffin, Escribana De la Municipalidad Fecha: January 15, 2002

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LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF EARLY VOTING VILLAGE OF CORONA REGULAR MUNICIPAL ELECTION **MARCH 5, 2002**

Notice is hereby given that a Regular Municipal Election will be field on March 5, 2002, for the purpose of electing:

. Mayor • 2. Coincilmember 3. Councilmember

Four year term. Four year term. Four year term. 4. Councilmember Two year term.

Early voting will begin on Wednesday. February 13, 2002 and will close at 5:00 p.m. on Thursday, February 28, 2002. Early voting will be conducted in the office of the Municipal Clerk during the regular hours and days of business, between Monday and Thursday, Individuals wishing to vote ealry must make application in person in the office of the Municipal Clerk at Hwy. 54/Main Street. The casting of votes by qualified municipal electors who are voting early shall be recorded on paper ballots.

For further information, please call: Cathy Perez, Village Clerk (505) 849-5511.

Catherine J. Perez Municipal Clerk

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LEGAL NOTICE NOTIFICACION DE VOTACION POR ANTICIPADO ALDEA DE CORONA **ELECCION MUNICIPAL REGULAR**

EL 5 DE MARZO DE 2002 Por medio de la presente se hace saber que se llevara a cabo una Eleccion Municipal Regular el 5 de marzo de 2002, con el fin de elegir.

1. Un Mayor por un termino de cuatro anos. 2. Un Regido por un termino de cuatro anos. 3. Un Regido por un termino de cuatro anos,

4. Un Regido por un termino de dos anos.

La votación por anticipado empezara el miercoles, 13 de febrero de 2002 y terminara a las 5:00 p.m. el jueves, 28 de febrero de 2002. La votación por anicipado se llevara a cabo en la oficina de la Escribana de la Municipalidad durante las horas y los dias habiles de lunes a jueves. Aquellas personas que deseen votar por anticipado tienen que hacer su solicitud en persona en la oficina de la Escribana de la Municipalidad en el Hsy. 54/Main Street. Se hara un record de los votos emitidos por los votantes calificados de la múnicipalidad que votan por anticipado en balotas de papel.

Cathy Perez, (505) 849-5511. Catherine J. Perez, Escribana de la Muncipalidad

Para mas información, fayor de llamar de:

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BLM Prescribed Burns Near Fort Stanton, Lincoln

The Bureau of Land Management will conduct three prescribed burns during the late winter and early spring months near Fort Stanton and the community of Lincoln, according to a press release from Ed Roberson, BLM Roswell Field Office manager.

The largest planned burn will be 137 acres on the west mesa at Fort Stanton. A 40 acre burn is scheduled adjacent to Highway 380 at Fort Stanton, A 75acre burn is planned for several old fields next to Lincoln.

Smoke from all burns will be visible from many areas in Lincoln County,

Extensive preparations will be made before each burn, according to Jim Desmond, fire management officer at the Roswell BLM office. Preparations include firelines around the burn areas, and preparatory burning called "blacklining" to increase the safety zones on the

burn perimeter. Local fire agencies will assist with the burns that will be carried out only under planned weather parameters.

Information about the BLM prescribed fire program is available at the BLM office at 2000 W. Second Street in Roswell or by calling 627-0310,

Local Student Named To President List At Mississippi College

Mississippi College has named Amanda Bell Arrowsmith of Lincoln to the President's List for the academic semester of fall 2001.

To be named to the president's list a student must

NMSU Dean's List

Several students from Lincoln County were named to the New Mexico State University (NMSU) fall 2001 semester Dean's Honor Roll.

To be named to the honor roll, students' grade point averages must rank within the to 15 percent of the college enrollment.

Students are Amanda K. Bird of Capitan with major in biochemistry; Klay Jones of Capitan with major in electrical engineering Kenneth Stahl of Nogal majoring in prebusiness.

County Democrats To Hold Pre-primary Convention Feb. 9th

Democratic Party of Lincoin County will hold its Pre-primary convention at 11 a.m. Saturday, February, 9. at Cree Meadows Restaurant in Ruidoso.

The purpose of the convention is to elect 12 voting delegates to represent Lincoln County at the state Democratic Party Pre-Primary Convention on March 9 in Albuquerque. All registered Democrats

cluding all candidates. A buffet luncheon will be available.

are invited to attend, in-

Call Doris Cherry at 354-2673 to RSVP for the luncheon, or for information.

OBITUARIES

heim (retired), 76, died Degus cemetery. cember 28. He entered the military in 1944 and served 37 years. He served in the World War II, and he also served in Korea and Viet Nam. He was stationed zo. near Carrizozo for a few years.

Jennifer Mendheim Hoeve and her husband Clifford Brian Hoeve: twin sister Betty Poole; extended family of Maxie and Dale burgh, OH. LaMay of Carrizozo; and two granddaughters.

1925 in Columbus, GA,

held January 6 with Pastor hart Jr. of Waynesville, MO

A winter storm warning continues through today, Thursday, January 24, with

total snow accumulations of four inches in the low lands and up to eight inches in the mountains. Winds will be brisk. Wind dominated the

weather during the last week, making even mild temperatures feel much colder. Wind will bring in warmer drier days by Fri-The following weather

forecast is based on information from the National Weather Service web site. Forecast for Carrizozo, Lincoln, Hondo Valley and

lower elevations of Lincoln County: Today, Thursday, January 24:

Cloudy and much colder with snow likely and tapering off late in the afternoon. Snow accumulations of up to four inches. Brisk northeast winds 15-25 mile per hour becoming northerly late in the day. High of '34 in Carrizozo. Chance for precipitation 70 percent. Tonight clearing and cold.

Low of 19. Friday, January 25: Mostly sunny and warmer with high of 52. Lows in

Saturday and Sunday, January 26 & 27: Dry and warmer with highs to 60 and lows to 24.

Monday and Tuesday, January 28 & 29: Partly cloudy, breezy at times. Highs to 60, lows to

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

Today, Thursday, January 24: Cloudy and much colder with snow tapering off late

in the afternoon. Total snow accumulations of four to eight inches above 7,000 feet and up to four inches in the lower elevations. Brisk northeast winds 15 to 25 miles per hour, becoming northerly late in the day. High of 30 in Ruidoso. Low of 13. Chance for precipitation 70 percent. Tonight clearing

and cold, low of 13. Friday, January 25: Mostly sunny and warmer with highs in the 40s and lows in the teens. Saturday and Sunday,

January 26 & 27: Dry and warmer with highs in the 50s, lows to 15. Monday and Tuesday, January 28 & 29:

Partly cloudy and breezy

at times. Highs mid-40s to

50s, lows in the 20s.

BILLY JOE MENDHEIM Cilfford B. Hoeve officiat-Colonel Billy Joe Mend- ing. Interment was in An-

DONALD L. HART

No services are planned Army Air Corps during at this time for Donald L. Hart, 72, of Carrizozo, who died January 20 in Carrizo-He was born March 9,

1929 in Danville, IL and He was born June 13, moved to Carrizozo 11 years ago from Ohio, He He is survived by his was retired from the railwife of 43+ years, Nancy road, served in the Army King Mendheim; daughter during World War II, and a member of Santa Rita Catholic Church. He married Mary Ann

Bush in 1965 at Perrys-He is survived by his

wife Mary Ann of Carrizo-A memorial service was zo; his children, Donald L. and Denise Hart of West-Installed. Turn Key Mobil ville, IL and four grand-Sites Built children. Arrangements are under

the direction of LaGrone Funeral Chapel of Ruidoso.

HELEN JOYCE HINCH

Helen Joyce Hinch, 61, of Nogal, died January 16. She was born October 2. 1940 in Farmington, AR. She married George Lee Hinch June 24, 1958. They moved to Nogal in 2000.

She is survived by her husband George of the family hone; daughters Monique and Sonja; son Gaylen; seven grandchildren; one great grandchild; two sisters, Myra Moore of Tacoma, WA, and Betty Bullman of Elkhart, KS: three brothers, Vernon of Eugene, OR, Welter of Wichita, KS, and Willard of Alto. NM.

A memorial service was held January 21 at Capitan United Methodist Church with the Rev. Johanna Anderson officiating.

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EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY

NMSU Cooperative Extension Service, Lincoln County, Extension Nutrition Educator, Carrizozo, NM, 30 hours per week, \$11,775.87 annually. High school diploma or equivalent GED certificate. Four years of experience and or further education in at least one and preferably two of the following areas: formal or non-formal education (adult or youth). nutrition, foods, clerical or any equivalent combination of education and experience. TB test and valid NM driver's license required. Prefer Bilingual (English/Spanish), position deals with Spanishspeaking persons. Must reside in county where employed. Experience with low-income audiences preferred. Personal auto required, reimbursed at 36.5 cents per mile. Position is contigent upon funding. Reply to: Betty McCreight, Program Director, Lincoln County Extension Office, P.O. Box 217, Carrizozo, NM 88301, (505) 648-2311. Deadline for applications: February 8, 2002. NMSU is an EEO/AA employer.

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EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY LINCOLN COUNTY Zia Feb. 1, Proceeds to send

Senior Citizen's Center in volleyball players to Carrizozo has an opening summer camp. 4:30 p.m. to for a Cook Aide (Title V) 7:30 p.m. \$5 per person, four (4) hour position, 55+ Donation a must, benefits include sick and vacation leave. Applications available at the Senior Center, 406 Central Ave., Carrizozo, deadline 1/29/02. Lincoln County is an equal

opportunity employer and in compliance with ADA 1tc-Jan.24

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5tc/Jan 10 - Feb. 7

DAVID JORDAN

Vote C'zozo Norm Mayor

Shortly after the attack on the World Trade Center. President Bush declared a state of emergency. This put into effect Executive Order (EO) 11921. This EO cannot be reviewed by congress, for six months, Since when can the President tell congress what it can and cannot do? This allows the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) to develop plans to establish control over the mechanisms of production and distribution of energy sources, wages, salaries, credit and the flow of money in US financial institutions. The following compiled Executive Orders Allow Federal seizure of all communications, food supplies, all farms and equipment, all means of transportation, including private cars, trucks, or vehicles of any kind and total control over all highways, seaports and water ways. Here is one you should love, seizure of the American people for work forces under federal supervision, including the splitting up of families if the government so desires, seizure of all health, education and welfare facilities, all airports and aircraft. Your home and money and authority to establish forced relocation. Authority to designate areas to be abandoned as "unsafe", establish new locations for the populations, relocate communities, seize railroads, inland waterways and storage facilities, both public and private. Presidental authority is granted to the Department of Justice to enforce

the plans in all the Executive Orders. 2tp-Jan. 24 & 31 Lincoln County needs at least one Elected Official who has the courage to stand up and say "NO MORE". These EO's are not for so called terrorist groups. They are for people like me who are speak-

> Carrizozo, make me your Mayor and I will speak out loud and clear from City Hall to Washington, DC. I have the constitution to protect my big mouth and "I will use both". The every day affairs of the city will be to find

money under every politician in the United States and spend it in Carrizozo on projects that make for true wealth. I will spend my \$400.00 Mayor's pay on city projects that are educational for all ages. First project is to put a high speed Internet computer in the Senior Citizen Center with no restrictions on use: Instructors will be on hand to help and teach. Vote C'zozo Norm Mayor.

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County Rejects Stricter.

Since the two proposed changes were connected, much of the discussion at the public hearing dealt with both the minimum amount of water needed per lot simultaneous to discussion about the number of lots.

There was also considerable discussion on the need to change state law to allow the acre feet entitlement to domestic wells to be applied toward a community water system in a development.

"I'll open the meeting of the Lincoln County Realtors Association," quipped county commission chair Rex Wilson as he opened the public hearing to a room filled mostly with realtors and developers.

A proposed change to Section 18.2, "Quantification of Annual Water Requirements", to make the "annual water requirement for both indoor and outdoor purposes for each parcel in a residential subdivision shall be a half acre foot per year" brought much discussion, and a decision to keep the amount at the quarter acre foot as it is now.

County attorney Alan Morel said the planning commission recommended the half acre foot requirement, which he did not recommend. Instead, Morel recommend the county commission have a final say on allowing a lower amount of acre feet per parcel if scientific data shows it should be lower. The state engineer's office has the final say over the scientific reports, Morel added.

County commissioner Ray Nunley said the half acre foot would "stymie development" in Lincoln County. Nunley said average use of water per household in Ruidoso was ,14 acre foot, in Alto .16 acre foot, but in Sun Valley 1.6 acre feet and in Rancho Ruidoso 1.7 acre feet.

Water systems contractor Carl Kelly Jr. of Ruidoso, whose company constructed water systems for Ruidoso, Alto, Carrizozo, Fort Stanton, and other communities in the county, said he estimates average household use of water at .15 acre foot a year. Kelly said the State Engineer has recommended .21 acre feet as the annual water requirement per subdivision

Kelly also said developers take the risk on whether water is available. "It is a developers' problem, not a county commission problem," he added.

Attorney John Underwho represents wood, many developers, said, "unless you want antigrowth, a half acre foot is not conservation of water." He said the half acre requirement will create higher density developments. "If the half acre foot becomes the benchmark, we

subject ourselves to the politics of the moment. Let's not play politics with water." He said the regulations should include a provision for a hydrological report to justify less water.

'We should be concerned about all interests," Underwood continued. "Including the development peo-

County commissioner Bill Schwettmann said the current requirement of a quarter acre foot per parcel is adequate, but not if a golf course with lakes is planned into the development.

County planning commission member James Sanchez said the reason for the proposed half acre foot is because some, not all, residents will keep to the minimum amount. Sanchez said the planning commission wanted the county commission to have the final say on the minimum water availability requirement.

Developer Van Patton said the water requirement does not mean lot owners cannot use more than that amount of water a year. However he recommended county regulations limit the size of lawns and require xeriscaping. As for the half acre foot per lot, in relation to a community water system, that amount places "an undue burden on the developer to buy rights," Patton said.

Realtor Pete Thompson

defended the half acre foot requirement. "Don't tie the amount to the low average," he said. "What do we do for the guy who goes over in use?"

Lynn Stokes, water rights consultant for the Village of Ruidoso, said he agreed with reducing the number of lots for community water system. "Domestic wells are un-righted draw of water," Stokes said. "They are not a vested water right. And in a mountainous area, wells are taking water from vested water rights owners."

"Well owners are stealing water from those who own water rights," Stokes added. He said there is legislation being considered to limit domestic wells to one acre foot a year. And the Ad Hoc Pecos Water Association is suggesting domestic well use should be limited to indoor use only. Stokes offered to provide the county help, free gra-

Nunley said the county is not worried about water, rather is trying to be judicious in "our use of water."

Schwettmann said he did not think the county has a water shortage. "The county should grow," Schwettmann said. "This is just a precautionary measure to help insure we'll have wa-

County manager Tom Stewart said he and Wilson met with the State Engineer on January 14 and

learned that office wants the county to do three water studies.

Wilson said the State Engineer has put high priority on creating a water data base of the airport and Sonterra areas of the county. And there is a recommendation that developers be required to pay for these data bases.

Stewart said the State Engineer recommended subdivisions with 20 lots or more have community water/sewer systems.

Surveyor/planner Tim Collins, attorneys David Stevens and Underwood and realtors Patton, Rose Peebles, Harvey Foster, Joe Zagone and Rickey Crow all said the county should set the requirement for community systems on a "case by case" basis.

Collins said in developments with very large lots community water systems are not affordable or workable.

Crow also said when no community water system is required, developers should consider drilling wells before closing on property sales.

Kelly defended community water systems, which if adequately combined with a community sewer system, has little loss of water. Kelly said he agreed the 20 lots is better than 100. As for studies, he said the water has been "studied to death."

Schwettmann said the problem with studies is they often do not take into account the seasonal fluctuation of population.

At the end of the public hearing, resident Frank Higgins asked why golf

courses are not included in subdivision regulations. "Xeriscaping is great, to limit lawns with their evaporation loss," Higgins said. "But if we can only have 800 square feet of lawn around the house and must xeriscape county wide. why are we entertaining new golf courses?"

Golf courses are considered commercial and agricultural use, not subject to subdivision regulations unless the golf course is part of a planned residential development, Morel

County resident Jerry Carroll said the only way to get golf courses included in the county regulations is to lobby the state legislature to change state laws.

A state law realtors want to change is the one that requires developers to obtain water rights for subdivision community water systems. In past years, developers were able to apply the three acre feet allowance for domestic wells to a community water system, provided no domestic wells are drilled on the individual parcels. Realtors and developers want to go back to that law.

After nearly three hours of discussion, county commissioners unanimously approved keeping the quarter acre foot per lot minimum, approved language for the county to accept only a performance bond or certificate of deposit, and approved language change making it mandatory that trash service for all county subdivisions be from Lincoln County Solid Waste Authority.



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