

County Continues Ban On Burning

by Doris Cherry

With drought conditions continuing, Lincoln County Commissioners extended their burning ban for another 30 days. But the vote was not unanimous as county commissioner Rick Simpson voted no.

During their meeting

Thursday, April 18 in their chambers in the Lincoln County Courthouse in Carrizozo, county commissioners voted 4-1 to extend the burning ban for another month. The first ban was enacted March 25, following the Kokopelli Fire of March 23. At that time county commissioners were

unanimous in their support for the ban.

But on April 18, Simpson asked why the county needed to continue the ban, since the state fire marshal and the US Forest Service had issued burning bans. Simpson was concerned that orchard growers and farmers need to burn

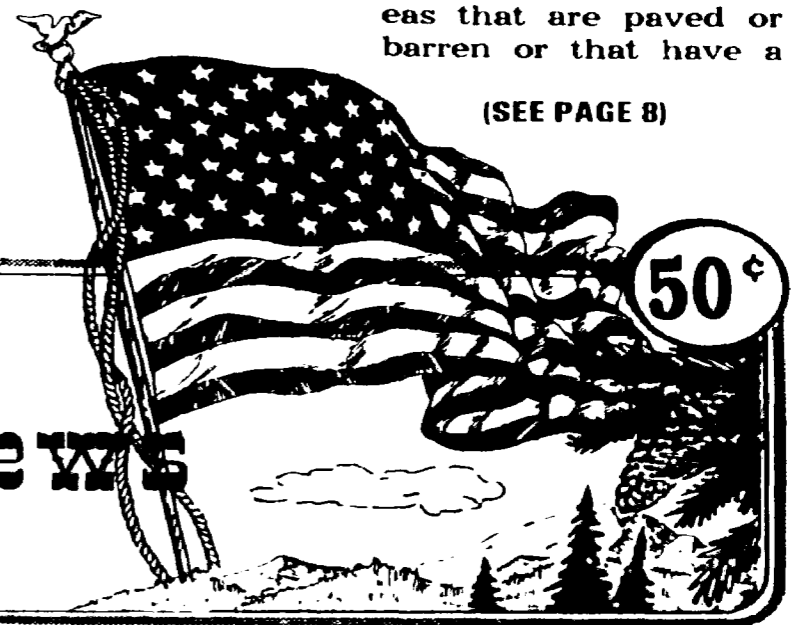
prunings and other farm debris to prepare for spring growing season.

The resolution states that a ban on all burning of open flames, fires, campfires (except in designated areas), trash, rubbish, shrubbery or other material of any kind, except by permit; and bans the

sale or use of display fireworks and the sale and use of missile-type rockets, helicopters, aerial spinners, stick-type rockets and

ground audible devices within the affected unincorporated drought areas. In addition, all fireworks not listed shall be limited to areas that are paved or barren or that have a

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CLASSROOM OF THE MONTH. Teacher Janie York works with children in the Capitan HeadStart classroom, which was named Classroom of the Month of April by staff and teachers of the other HeadStart programs in Lincoln county because of the fun and learning activities presented in the Capitan site. Registration for the 2002-2003 HeadStart school year is underway now for children who are under five years old as of September 1, 2002. The HeadStart program addresses developmental, intellectual, social and emotional needs of children while providing high quality child care in a learning environment. Goal of the program is to form a partnership between home and school and to work together to meet family needs and concerns, and educational goals. Parents are welcome to participate in all aspects of the program. HeadStart is a half day program and at the parents' request their children will be transported to their day care providers or to their homes after class. For more information on registration at any of the HeadStart sites in Capitan, Carrizozo, Hondo and Ruidoso call 257-5025 or any of the HeadStart School sites.



Adrian Goad Is Named Carrizozo Valedictorian

by Doris Cherry

The Carrizozo Board of Education approved senior Adrian Goad as the Carrizozo High School Class of 2002 Valedictorian.

The school board took action to accept Goad as valedictorian at the regular school board meeting of April 16. Also at the school board meeting, the school board approved Lane Dixon and Bianca

Baca a co-salutatorians. The honors were based on the students' grade point averages.

Graduation is set for 7 p.m. Friday, May 24. The school board also approved having Herb Borden as graduation speaker. Borden was former VoAg instructor.

Other business conducted by the school board was a closed session for discussion of limited personnel mat-

ters and personally identifiable information regarding a student(s). After the closed session the school board came into open meeting and approved re-hiring certified personnel for the 2002-2003 school year. Those personnel are Sarah Ball, Cathy Barela, Martha Bond, Lyndel Bonds, Becky Borowski, Phoebe

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County Refinances Jail Saves Interest Payments

by Doris Cherry

With less than one year paid on a \$4 million loan from the New Mexico Finance Authority to build the new county detention center, Lincoln County Commissioners refinanced the loan with a private company at a lower interest rate for 27 more years. With the lower interest rates, the total cost of the loan will be \$7,320,577 when paid off in 2030, saving the county about \$196,000 over the cost of interest with the finance authority loan.

During their meeting Thursday, April 18 in their chambers in the Lincoln County Court-

house in Carrizozo, county commissioners adopted an ordinance that authorized the issuance of Lincoln County gross receipt revenue refunding bonds, Series 2002 in the principal amount of \$4,035,000 for refinancing and paying off the county's outstanding loan from the New Mexico Finance Authority dated from June 27, 2000. The bond revenue comes from the county wide one-eighth percent gross receipt tax adopted by ordinance in 1999. Representatives of RBC Dan Rauscher Inc., Public Finance firm from Albuquerque which was

chosen through rfp process, told commissioners this was the first time Lincoln County had gone to the bond market with a bond issue. While the county's bond issue was very small, it received a bond rating of A3. "This is exceptionally high for a first time in the bond market," said Rob Burpo, Dan Rauscher representative.

In order to reduce interest rates on the bond payments, Burpo said his company obtained insurance for the Lincoln County bond issue, which raised its rating up to

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County Deputies To Get \$2 An Hour Pay Increase

by Doris Cherry

With their next paychecks, Lincoln County Sheriff's Deputies will get a \$2 an hour pay raise.

During their meeting Thursday, April 18, in the Lincoln County Courthouse in Carrizozo, Lincoln County Commissioners unanimously approved the pay increase requested by Lincoln County Sheriff Tom Sullivan. Speaking for Sullivan, undersheriff Rick Virden said with four vacancies in the department, the salaries budgeted for two of these vacancies will cover the cost of the \$2 an hour pay raise.

Also he said with the higher salaries he will be able to recruit qualified, certified applicants to fill the remaining two vacancies.

Virden said the county's deputy salaries were not competitive in the job market now.

County manager Tom Stewart had prepared

information comparing salaries in surrounding communities and counties. While the county deputy salaries range from \$10.64 to 15.05 an hour, Ruidoso Police Department police salaries range from \$11.96 to \$17.79 an hour and Chaves County deputy salaries range from \$11.91 to \$17.79 and Eddy County deputies begin at \$12.16 an hour. State Police start at \$15 an hour.

Each dollar salary increase equates to \$34,111 for the year to cover all deputies salaries, Stewart added.

In answering a question about hiring uncertified officers, Virden said the benefits of paying an uncertified officer the lower wage are outweighed by the cost and time off to send the deputy to the 21 week

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Ruidoso Chief Of Police Stays

Despite an attempt by new Ruidoso Mayor Leon Eggleston to fire eight year police chief Lanny Maddox, the Ruidoso village council at a special meeting Wednesday, April 17, voted 5-1 to reinstate Maddox as police chief.

Maddox told THE NEWS that about 3 p.m. Monday, April 15, an assistant village attorney brought a letter to Mad-

dox at his office. The letter, from mayor Eggleston, stated that he the mayor was terminating Maddox's employment and Maddox had to be out of the office by 5 p.m. that day. The letter also stated the termination was subject to approval by the village council at its next regular or special meeting.

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Ruidoso Chief (Continued From Page 1)

Assistant village attorney Charles Rennick told **THE NEWS** that Maddox said he would consult his attorney.

By Tuesday, April 16 a special meeting of the village council had been called for 6 p.m. Wednesday, April 17.

Long before 6 p.m. April 17 Maddox supporters began filling the council meeting room. By the 6 p.m. meeting start, more than 300 residents packed the meeting room and an uncounted number were in the foyer and outside.

Eggleston opened the special village council meeting with no remarks other than the purpose of the meeting which was to consider personnel, the police chief.

Immediately councilor Ron Hardeman made the motion to go into closed session for limited personnel matters, the police chief. Councilor Bob Sterchi seconded the motion.

Despite grumbles from resident Al Junge who wanted the council to hold the personnel ses-

sion in open meeting, Eggleston said the council was already in closed session and he would not discuss it further. Councilor Ray Nunley asked who would be going into the closed session. Eggleston said it would be himself, the council, Maddox and the village attorneys.

Maddox said he wanted to make a statement, but would do so after the closed session. Then the council recessed into the lunch room for the closed session.

"We'll be waiting for you," announced an audience member.

After about 45 minutes in the closed to public session, councilors returned to open session and certified they discussed only the limited personnel matters, the police chief, in closed session.

Immediately, Sterchi made the motion to reaffirm Lanny Maddox as chief of police effective immediately. The crowd went wild with cheers and hoots and applause. Councilor Frank Cummins seconded the motion and Nunley asked for a roll call vote.

Assistant village clerk Irma Nava, who was sitting in for clerk Tammy Maddox who had a conflict of interest because she is married to Lanny Maddox, took roll. Sterchi, Cummins, Nunley, Ron Anderson and Debra Marcum voted yes to reaffirm Maddox as police chief. Hardeman voted no.

The audience broke out into cheers and applause that lasted for several minutes.

Maddox then spoke to the group, apologizing for being emotional at that moment. "Words can't describe my feelings about the support and encouragement I've gotten from the people of this village," Maddox said. "No matter what would have happened tonight, it is a privilege to serve as your chief of police and have the honor to serve the kind of people of our community. I love you so much."

Maddox said it was not easy to be a cop these days, especially since September 11. "I got criticized for having the most disgruntled employees in the entire village," Maddox continued, motioning toward 23 police officers and other police department staff who were present at the meeting. "Let me introduce these employees to you," Maddox said indicating the staff. "This is the finest group of police officers in the state of New Mexico!" With that the crowd again broke out into cheers and applause.

"We're your police department and I'm your police chief," Maddox continued. "And I thank God."

"We're here to serve you and we'll continue our professionalism until something changes that," Maddox said. "God Bless everyone, thank you."

Police Lt. Wolfgang Born said the police officers and civilian officers and dispatchers who were present also supported Maddox. Born announced he had the chief of police badge, which he then pinned on Maddox. "Welcome home," Born said.

"I also make a promise to the citizens of this community," Maddox said. "We have a tremendous city council here. I tell you we will keep the council abreast of what takes place (in the police department) and be fair and impartial and professional with what comes our way."

"Words can't express how I feel," Maddox said. "This show of support and encouragement I will never forget as long as I live."

"Neither will we," said the audience.

Maddox told **THE NEWS** on Wednesday, April 24, that on Thursday, April 18 he went back to his office at the police department to find balloons, cards and flowers. "I have been overwhelmed by the public support," Maddox said.

"The people who were at the meeting who were in my support are the lifeblood of the community and not those who usually attend the council meetings."

Maddox said last week he must have gotten a thousand phone calls of support and is continuing to receive calls of support. "I thank the concerned citizens of Ruidoso for their encouragement and support," Maddox added. "It meant more to me than anything."

Maddox has been with the Ruidoso Police Department 18 years. He has been police chief for the last eight years.

THE NEWS contacted Mayor Eggleston who said he did what he felt was right (in terminating Maddox). He said there was no one specific thing that caused him to take the action.

As for the discussions in closed session at the special April 17 meeting, Eggleston said he was satisfied with those discussions.

At the Tuesday, April 30 regular village council meeting the first regular item on the agenda is consideration and possible action on the contract for the chief of police. Eggleston said this item will be discussed in open session.

Horse And Skunk Found With Rabies In New Mexico

A horse from Lea County has been found to have rabies. Five people who had significant exposure to the horse are undergoing treatment to prevent rabies.

Rabies is 100 percent fatal in humans if the infection is left untreated. The last horse that had rabies in New Mexico was in 1997, also from Lea County.

A skunk from Roosevelt County that fought with a pet dog was also found to have rabies. The dog had significant exposure to the skunk and was under quarantine.

The New Mexico Department of Health emphasizes that all pet dogs and cats should be vaccinated for rabies, wild animals and unvaccinated stray dogs and cats are at risk for developing rabies and should not be handled, and children should be cautioned to avoid strange dogs and cats and all wild animals and to report any bites they receive.

It is vital for anyone coming into contact with a potentially rabid animal to immediately notify the local animal control office or the sheriff's department.



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The board also voted to not re-hire John Gosek, who was relieved of teaching duties early in the 2001-2002 school year.



Ruidoso Council Meets April 30

by Doris Cherry

Ruidoso Village Council meets at 6:30 p.m. Tuesday, April 30 in their chambers in the Ruidoso Village Administration Center.

Items on the tentative agenda include:

Consent items: April 9 and 17 meeting minutes; Eastern NM Area Agency on Aging plan for fiscal year 2002-2003; Memorandum of Understanding with Corporation for National Services RSVF Continuing Grant for FY 2002-2003; award low bid of \$43,442.22 to Rental Service Corp. of Alamogordo for new generators at Sierra Blanca Regional Airport (SBRA); award bid of \$30,100 for new 1 ton 4XA truck to Ruidoso Ford; award bid for Eagle Creek softball concession operation to Linda Cory Rodriguez; approval land lease to Robert H. Goss for aircraft storage hangar at SBRA; approve grant from NM Highway and Transportation Department Aviation Division for SBRA; approve Change Order #1 for Diamond Construction for the installation of one additional gate for aircraft emergencies at SBRA.

Mayor reports and presentations.

Village manager reports.

Public Hearings:

-Transfer of location and ownership of dispenser liquor license to Brewer Oil Company to be used at the Brewer Oil Gateway station, at 418 Sudderth Drive.

-Ordinance 2002-01, relating to firearms on public premises.

-Resolution 2002-10, concerning xeriscape.

Regular Items:

-Discussion and possible action regarding employment contract for the Police Chief.

-Update from the Forest Health Task Force.

-Discussion from J.A. Junge regarding hot ashes.

-Tobacco Prevention Youth Coalition presentation regarding an ordinance regulating smoking in public places.

-Presentation and discussion regarding Eagle

Creek water and water rights.

-Presentation regarding re-establishment of the Airport Advisory Board.

-Ruidoso Arts Commission presentations to discuss sculpture project and use of Fire Station 1 as a cultural center.

-Request for approval of second renewal agreement for on-call real estate appraisal services with Denton Colvin and Associates.

-Request for approval of second renewal of annual agreement with A & K Mechanical Contractors for plumbing, heating and air conditioning maintenance services.

-Request for approval of annual agreement with Stein & Brockman, P.A. regarding village water rights issues.

-Award and approve contract for operations of a visitors center.

-Award and approve contract for professional services for advertising, promotion, marketing and providing group sales services.

-Request for approval of professional services agreement with the Hubbard Museum of the American West for Billy the Kid National Scenic Byway, Lincoln Interpretive plan.

-Lodgers Tax Committee recommendation to approve use of lodgers tax funds for advertising and promoting "Fort Stanton Live!" special event on May 10 at Fort Stanton.

-Discussion of village street department priority update for street upgrades.

-Discussion and scheduling of various public meetings for the council.

-Request for approval of New Mexico Traffic Safety Bureau grant for traffic safety enforcement projects.

-Request for approval to apply for funding for the federal COPS grant for a school resource officer at Ruidoso High

School and Ruidoso Middle School.

-Request for approval of grants from the NM State Highway and Transportation Department, Transportation Programs Division/Traffic Safety Bureau.

-Approval of NM Crime Victims Reparation Commission grant for Ruidoso Police Dept. Victim Assistance Program.

-Discussion and possible action for use of funds

from the donation box at Billy the Kid Visitors Center.

-Request for approval of management employment contract for the village manager. Boards and commission appointments. Reports from municipal officials.

Closed Session.

The official meeting agenda will be available 24 hours prior to the meeting, from the office of the village clerk.

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

FIRST THURSDAYS
--Democratic Party of Lincoln County, 5:30 p.m. Call 354-2673 for locations. (This is a change in meeting day and time.)

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

THURSDAY, APRIL 25
--Special Capitan School Board meeting, 6 p.m.

SATURDAY, APRIL 27
--90th Birthday party for Wayne Withers, 1-5 p.m. Carrizozo Country Club.

--Penasco Valley Telephone Cooperative, Inc. annual membership meeting, Artesia.

MONDAY, APRIL 29
--Deadline for changes of property valuations with the Lincoln County Assessor's office. Call the office for more information.

TUESDAY, APRIL 30
--Carrizozo Street Fair Committee meeting 6 p.m. Carrizozo Joe's.
--Ruidoso Village Council regular meeting, 6:30 p.m. village hall.

WEDNESDAY, MAY 1
--Ruidoso Library Board 12 noon library.

THURSDAY, MAY 2
--Lincoln County Prayer Breakfast, 7 a.m. Ruidoso Civic Center.
--Special Lincoln County Commission meeting 9 a.m. Preliminary budget hearing, commission chambers in the Lincoln County Courthouse in Carrizozo.
--BLM planning meeting for the Rio Bonito Acquired Lands, 7-9 p.m. Lincoln Community Church.

FRIDAY, MAY 3
--Kindergarten Registration and Developmental Screening, 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Nob Hill Early Childhood Center in Ruidoso.

SATURDAY, MAY 4
--Carrizozo Cinco de Mayo celebration, parade 1 p.m. Activities all day at McDonald Park.

SUNDAY, MAY 5
--ENMU-Ruidoso Community Orchestra concert 3 p.m. Spencer Theater for the Performing Arts. Free.

MONDAY, MAY 6
--Capitan Chamber of Commerce 12:30 p.m. chamber building on Second Street.
--Ruidoso Forest Task Force, 6:30 p.m. Ruidoso Village Hall.

TUESDAY, MAY 7
--American Legion Post #57 in Capitan, 7 p.m. Capitan Senior Citizens Center.

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ALICE OTERO

Funeral Mass for Alice Otero, 93, of Las Cruces and formerly of Carrizozo was at Santa Rita's Catholic Church, April 22. Officiating was Fr. Dave Bergs. Burial followed at Our Lady of Guadalupe Catholic Cemetery.

Alice died April 18, in Las Cruces. She was born February 26, 1909 in Capitan and had lived in Lincoln County all of her life until moving to Las Cruces in June of 1994. She was a homemaker and a member of Santa Rita Catholic Church.

She is survived by three sons and daughters-in-law, Tony and Rena Otero, Paul Jr. wife Delfina, and John Debbie; two daughters and sons-in-law, Geneva and Ernest Sanchez and Dora and Manuel Jacobo; two sisters, Lucia Vega and Virginia Juarique; 19 grandchildren, 49 great grandchildren and eight great great grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her husband Paul Z. Otero and several brothers and sisters.

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THOUGHTS

FROM THE EDITOR'S DESK

The Good Old Days

By Ruth Hammond

Some people talk about the "Good Old Days" as if they were pleasant. Hey guys, the way they did things years ago may have been quaint, but definitely was not pleasant. Using a scrub board for laundry was hard on knuckles. Rendering lard to use to make soap was time-consuming. And have you ever tried to use lye soap for shampoo or bathing or to wash clothes? Not quite the luxury available today. Back then they didn't think about adding lemon oil to make soap smell better. And back then they were glad to have soap. It didn't matter that it was yellow and smelly.

People back then had to chop wood for heat as well as for cook stoves. Even during hot sweltering summer days they had to build a fire for cooking. And what was cooked had to be eaten quickly because there was no refrigeration and no way to keep food cool. And ironing clothes was a really fun job, that is if clothes were ironed. If you've ever watched someone use the old flatirons that had to be heated on the top of stoves, you can truly understand why permanent press was invented. When ironing, one iron would be heating on the stove while the other iron was being used. There was no way to regulate the heat, and it was important to not forget to use a potholder to pick up the iron. Oh to be able to go back to those good old days.

Roosters were alarm clocks years ago and milk came from the cow instead of the market. Of course someone had to milk the cow first. And then there were those long stretches of time when people didn't see anyone for weeks if not months at a time. Life was much different back in those good old days, but it would be difficult to return to that way of living. Nowadays we have all those electric gadgets that help with ironing, cooking, cleaning, laundry and for entertainment. Nowadays we have sweet smelling soaps and shampoos. And nowadays we have vehicles that keep us warm as we travel about on cold winter days.

It was different back in those good old days, but many things have not changed. Today people get just as tired of the wind blowing as they did years ago. And today people look as forward to seeing flowers bloom as they did years ago. Actually, the main things that have changed have been in technology and the way we live. Advancements in technology allow us to be in contact even when we are far away from others. Frequent updates on weather patterns allow us to make plans, not have to change plans when a sudden storm appears. And other modern conveniences help us to enjoy things that years ago were more drudgery.

Not all things have changed. People have remained much the same. Teenagers disagree with their parents and want to show they can do better. Youngsters object to the rules they must obey and quite often cause problems. And older people watch the younger generation and wonder what will happen when these younger people take charge.

Gone are those good old days, regardless of whether you prefer them or not, they are gone. One thing that has not changed is that anytime you believe in something you should be willing to admit it, not send an anonymous letter. You should be as willing as the editor to sign your name.

Gone but not forgotten

Lincoln To Celebrate Historic Preservation

Historic Lincoln will celebrate New Mexico Historic Preservation Week with free activities scheduled to begin May 10.

All events are free and will be held at the Lincoln Historic Center, a division of the Hubbard Museum of the American West.

On Friday and Saturday, May 10 and 11, the public is invited to attend chuckwagon demonstrations, story telling, arts and crafts demonstrations, flute playing, spinning and weaving demonstrations, infantry soldier camp and demonstrations, and a demonstration on the life of women in the 1880s.

On Friday only, there will be cowboy songs.

On Saturday, historian Nisha Hoffman, as Susan McSween, will tell her side of the story and historians Dr. Cynthia Orozco, Drew Gomer and L.G. Murphy expert Billy Cummings will give lectures.

Eddie Tudor will give a presentation on Smokey Bear on Monday, May 13.

On Tuesday, May 14, Greg Hausler will lecture on conservation and Howard Parman from BLM will give a walking tour to examine changes in the landscape over the last 100 years.

On Wednesday, May 15 Ellen Bigrope, Mescalero Apache historian, will speak on Apache culture and storytelling.

On Thursday, May 16 Ed Heimann will lecture

on the history of the stagecoach and Nisha Hoffman will tell tall tales.

On Saturday, May 18 there will be a three cultures tour as well as a Hispanic forum and on Sunday, May 19 Dave Barnett will perform a one person characterization of John Chisum.

All events are free but seating is limited. For more information on times and to make reservations call 853-4025 or email at historiclincoln@pvtnetworks.net.

Billy The Kid's Last Ride Will Be Re-enacted

Billy the Kid's escape after murdering deputy marshal Bob Olinger will be re-enacted Sunday, April 28. The escape and confrontation with Olinger may be viewed at no charge in historic Lincoln after the noon meal.

Billy's escape, the murder of Olinger and Billy's ride to Fort Sumner in DeBaca County became legend. This year Tim T. Hagaman and Rex Buchman will chase Billy's ghost along the Fort Stanton Military Road, arriving in Fort Sumner on May 3 where the public is invited to meet them and celebrate their arrival and the delivery of the United States mail they will be carrying.

Festivities in Fort Sumner include a news conference, and a historical presentation at Fort Sumner State Monument.



SANTA FE INSIDE THE CAPITOL

SANTA FE -- Water finally has burst into the consciousness of New Mexico politicians. After many years of legislative inaction and gubernatorial vetoes, this year was very productive. Although lawmakers couldn't agree on much, they came together on water in a very bipartisan manner.

Much of it was due to the efforts of the Chavez and Eddy County delegations. That's not an accident. Pecos River water debt to Texas has cost the state many a headache and many millions of dollars in the last several years. This year, in preparation for the 2002 Legislature, lawmakers from along the Pecos met and decided that all partisan differences must be put aside in order to accomplish everything possible to address the state's water problems in a much bigger way than ever before.

From Chaves County, Rep. Dan Foley took the lead in bringing House Speaker Ben Lujan on board concerning water needs. Despite being outspoken members of opposing parties in the House, Foley and Lujan have been remarkably close. And in this instance, the friendship worked particularly well.

In another bipartisan twist, Carlsbad Democrat Joe Stell took the lead in making Gov. Gary Johnson aware of the state's water problems. As chairman of the House Agriculture and Water Resources Committee, Stell took delegations of his panel members to visit the governor and keep him informed about the progress of water legislation and what he might expect to eventually see arrive on his desk for signature.

The renaming of the former House Agriculture Committee is a further indication of the increased realization of lawmakers that water is the life blood of our state.

Among the water bills signed by the governor was the reauthorization of another \$4 million for southeast New Mexico water issues and an authorization of \$30 million a year for water projects, one-third of which will go to the Pecos River Valley.

Another bill signed by Johnson appropriates money to treat water used in the oil drilling process. Estimates are that it could produce tens of thousands of acre feet of water a year. That bill was introduced by Rep. Rob Burpo of Albuquerque, who now is a Republican candidate for governor and talking a lot about water problems in his campaign.

Still another measure provides \$4 million for eradication of the salt cedar trees that grow along rivers and ditch banks throughout the state. It is estimated that they suck up as much as 100 gallons of water a day. The legislation was introduced by Rep. Pauline Ponce, a Roswell Democrat.

Salt cedar, by the way, was imported to the United States by our government years ago because it grows well in poor soil and provides a great windbreak. It would be nice if the feds would pay for their own mistakes.

Burpo says he finds a receptive audience when he talks about water issues in his campaign. He notes that just two years ago, former Rep. Steve Pearce of Hobbs talked about New Mexico's water problems during his challenge to Jeff Bingaman for the U.S. Senate. Everyone fell asleep and Pearce lost badly. Pearce says he is getting a much better response this year when he talks water in his campaign for the 2nd Congressional District seat now held by Rep. Joe Skeen.

State lawmakers aren't the only ones becoming aware of New Mexico's water needs. In this year's city elections, water was a major issue in campaigns throughout the state.

Actually water always has been a major issue in this state. Rain dances have been a major part of Indian ceremonies since this land was first inhabited.

When the Spanish arrived in the 1600s and suppressed the dances, pueblos blamed ensuing droughts on the disruption of their rain rituals. Those feelings eventually became a part of the frustration that led to the Pueblo Revolt of 1680, according to New Mexico historian Marc Simmons.

Earth Awareness Day May 11

Displays and interactive presentations for all ages will be at Earth Awareness

Day at the Lincoln County Fairgrounds in Capitan Saturday, May 11

from 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. This free event is sponsored by the Lincoln County CowBelle chapters, Canyon, Corriente and Crown.

Some of the questions that will be answered are: Do you wonder how safe your food is or what synthetics really are? Have you thought about the materials from which your house is built? How does our economy grow and your automobile go?

Other topics to be covered include water issues, fire issues, agricultural issues, and other rural industry issues.

The public is invited to attend.

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Taurus: (Apr 20 - May 20)
Money may come and go, but the Love you give & retain, will be bigger & better than you will ever know! Get what you give, from the Heart!

Gemini: (May 21 - June 20)
A good idea to take things a little slow until you get your head on right! You'll be out of the woods in the next week! Think first before acting.

Cancer: (June 21 - July 22)
Someone is trying to say something to you, without saying it! Watch what others do or say! Listen with your eyes! Find out, about a secret!

Leo: (July 23 - Aug 22)
You may be thinking about doing something that you have never done before! This could be good, if it is for the right reasons! Do it for yourself first!

Virgo: (Aug 23 - Sept 22)
The whole truth? You're not watching all the signs that are given to you! If you don't look at what's going on, you may lose something or someone soon!

Libra: (Sept 22 - Oct 22)
Enjoy what life can give to you freely. Other things you can change later. Take a look around & really know what is given to you because of love.

Scorpio: (Oct 23 - Nov 21)
Don't buy a chicken, when all you need are the eggs! Let go of the Guilt of not killing your self over something that you can do easier & quicker!

Sagittarius: (Nov 22- Dec 21)
Remember that Dream you have been Thinking about for EVER! Quit thinking about it, & Just do it! You're not getting any younger! Be Happy!

Capricorn: (Dec 22 - Jan 19)
Strange things might be going on! Good! You are aware of the things that can help you get what you need and want, go for it! Wouldn't that be strange!

Aquarius: (Jan 20 - Feb 18)
You need to start doing what you say you need & want to do! Think about your health first and foremost, without that you can't start.

Pisces: (Feb 19 - March 20)
Your feelings could be a little off! Others are so busy trying to get their own life right, that they are not thinking about yours. Love them anyway!

Aries: (March 21 - April 19)
You might not want to tell anyone what you're up to, until you know what you're doing! Keep it under wraps, then when the time is right you can share.

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Judge Karen L. Parsons
District Court Calender

The following is the court calendar for District Judge Karen L. Parsons in court in the Lincoln County Courthouse in Carrizozo.

Monday, April 22:
 9 a.m. jury trial
 SNM v. Bobby Baker; CR-2001-51 (Wilson/Mitchell)
 SNM v. Howard Hirsch; CR-2001-178 (Wilson/Mitchell)
 1 p.m.
 Jose Martinez; CR-2002-08 (plea)
 Ronald Stephens; CR-2002-06 (plea)
 Steven Archuleta; CR-99-52 (plea)
Tuesday, April 23:
 1:30 p.m. PQ-2001-02 (Motions)
Wednesday, April 24:
 9 a.m. teleconference, Conley v. Baca; CV-2001-239 (Prelo/C.Hawthorne) (schedule conference)
 9:30 a.m. teleconference, 84 Lumber v. Lopez; CV-2001-241 (Orton/Rafkin) (schedule conference)
 Judge Darrell N. Brantley (to hear domestic cases)
 10 a.m.
 Millie Lynch v. Kenneth Lynch; DV-2002-30
 Cynthia Morales v. Leroy Lopez; DV-2001-89 (motions)
 10:30 a.m.
 Trisha Tracey v. Charles Tracey; DV-2001-120 (motions)
 Kim Barela v. Gilbert Barela; DV-2002-22 (motions)
 11 a.m.
 Peter Wolfe v. Karen Callahan; DV-2002-39
 Jennifer Stefani v. Joshua Bird; DV-2002-40
 11:30 a.m.
 Christina Zamora Morgan v. Lorenza and Greg Holguin (DV-2002-41)
Thursday, April 25:
 8:30 a.m. teleconference, Oakwood v. Johnson; CV-2002-89 (Drantel/Stevens) (motions)
 9:30 a.m. teleconference, Wear v. Wear; DM-00-115 (Jordan/Mitchell) (Judicial inquiry).
Friday, April 26:
 Judge Parsons to Capitan High School to speak to classes.

Sheriff's Report

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

April 15:
 8:20 a.m. larceny at location on Buck Trail.
 9:03 a.m. injured deer on Sun Valley Road. Animal Control Officer (ACO) assigned.
 10:44 a.m. doctor requested ambulance for patient transfer. Med 1 ambulance transported to Eastern New Mexico Medical Center (ENMMC) in Roswell.
 8:28 p.m. request for ambulance for patient with broken arm. Med 1 transported to Lincoln County Medical Center (LCMC).

6:32 p.m. report of smoking rubble in the Lincoln Hills Subdivision, from the Kokopelli Fire. Bonito Fire Department responded and was back at its station by 7:36 p.m.

9:03 p.m. deputy reported reckless driver on High Mesa Road.

April 16:
 7:35 a.m. fire along Highway 37. Bonito Fire Department responded.

9:18 a.m. suspicious subject in a vehicle behind a recreation fishing lake on Carrizo Canyon.

7:07 p.m. request for ambulance for 85 year old woman with heart problems. Med 1 transported to LCMC.

7:36 p.m. accident with possible injuries at Center Road and Center Court in Capitan.

7:56 p.m. request for ambulance at accident. Carrizozo ambulance responded but was refused.

8:09 p.m. request for ambulance for 73 year old male with difficulty breathing. Corona ambulance transported to the VA hospital in Albuquerque, then requested to meet ALS in McIntosh in Torrance County which transported on to the VA.

April 17:
 9:10 a.m. Children, Youth and Families Department (CYFD) referral in Ruidoso Downs.

9:58 a.m. missing person, the caller's daughter had been missing for about a week, from a location in Valley Heights.

10:13 a.m. State Police advise of out of service semi at mile marker 13 on State Road 37.

12:10 p.m. Tularosa police advise of a drunken driver going north on Highway 54. Deputy advised he stopped the subject who was okay, just tired.

5:14 p.m. request for ambulance at location in Alto. Med 1 responded.

9:30 p.m. report of broken window in Capitan. Deputy assigned.

April 18:
 9 a.m. deputy advised of criminal damage in Hondo.

10:02 a.m. request for deputy for civil in Hondo.

10:11 a.m. request for ambulance for transfer to Roswell from location on Skyview. Med 2 ambulance responded and arrived at the location at 11:02 a.m. and arrived in Roswell at 12:14 p.m.

4:44 p.m. domestic at location on Drexel. Deputy requested an ambulance and Carrizozo ambulance responded and

advised all was okay.
 8:08 p.m. pit bulls running at large in Carrizo Canyon. Deputy assigned.

10:54 p.m. deputy advised he made an arrest of a drunken driver at a traffic stop on Sun Valley.

April 19:
 11:30 a.m. nuisance dogs on Bonito Road in Loma Grande. ACO assigned.

2:55 p.m. 911 report of drunken pedestrian at mile marker 277 on Highway 70. A male was in the middle of the road waving his arms.

5:27 p.m. person staying at a hotel in Ruidoso requested a deputy to report she got a dog bite in the forest. The dog was current on its shots. ACO notified.

5:59 p.m. 911 report of suspicious people behind a nursery in Ruidoso Downs area. Several suspicious people with weapons were in the area and two were following the caller who was going to the pay phone at the laundry mat.

9:02 p.m. Lincoln County Road Department reported reckless vehicles at mile marker 279 on Highway 70. The caller advised that reek-

less vehicles almost caused multiple accidents in the area of Juarez Road.

April 20:
 12:16 a.m. grass fire. Bonito Fire chief re-


ported a grass fire at the riding stables near Kokopelli Country Club in Alto. The chief was at the scene immediately, requested state forestry and Ruidoso fire department. At 12:21 p.m. the chief requested an investigator. By 12:55 p.m. all units were okay and by 12:58 p.m. the responding deputy advised the fire was under control.

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MOUNTAIN MINISTRY PARISH, SIERRA BLANCA PRESBYTERY

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

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

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

First Baptist Church

HAYDEN SMITH, Pastor
 314 10th Ave., Carrizozo, NM
 648-2988 (Church) or 648-2107
 Sunday School 9:45 a.m.
 Worship Service 10:55 a.m.
 Sun. Evening Training at 8:15 p.m.
 Evening Worship 7:15 p.m.
 Wednesday Bible Study 7:00 p.m.

Carrizozo Community Church (A/G)

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

Santa Rita Catholic Community

FR. DAVE BERGS, Pastor
 213 Birch, Carrizozo, NM, 648-2853
SATURDAY:
 Capitan Sacred Heart 5:00 p.m.
 Carrizozo Santa Rita 7:00 p.m.
SUNDAY:
 Capitan Sacred Heart 9:00 a.m.
 Carrizozo Santa Rita 11:00 a.m.
 Corona St. Theresa 4:00 p.m.

Church of Christ

TOM POINDEXTER, Minister 354-3135
 Ave. C at 12th, Carrizozo, NM
 Sunday School 10:00 a.m.
 Worship Service 11:00 a.m.
 Evening Worship 7:15 p.m.
 Wednesday Bible Study 7:00 p.m.

St. Matthias Episcopal Church

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

Claunch Community Church

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

United Methodist Churches

JOHANNA ANDERSON, Pastor
 1000 D. Ave. 648-2893 / 648-2848
 Carrizozo, NM 88301
 Sunday School (All Ages) 10:00 a.m.
 Worship Service 11:00 a.m.
 Choir Practice (Tuesday) 6:30 p.m.
 United Methodist Women
 Every 3rd Wednesday 2:00 p.m.
 Fellowship Dinner on
 4th Sunday of Month 12:30 p.m.

CAPITAN:
 Adult Sunday School 8:30 a.m.
 Worship Service 9:15 a.m.
 Children's Sunday School 9:30 a.m.
 Fellowship Time 10:15 a.m.
 Adult Sunday School 11:00 a.m.
 Choir Practice (Tuesday) 7:00 p.m.
 Fellowship Dinner Every Third Sunday
 Handmaidens (Ecumenical Women's Group)
 1st and 3rd Tuesday 9:30 a.m.

Christ Community Fellowship

ED VINSON, Pastor (Inter-denominational)
 514 Smokey Bear Blvd., Capitan, NM
 Sunday School 9:30 a.m.
 Sunday Morning Worship 10:30 a.m.

Capitan Church of Christ

LESLIE EARWOOD, Minister
 5th & Lincoln / 336-4627
 Sunday Bible Study 10:00 a.m.
 Worship Service 11:00 a.m.
 Evening Worship 8:00 p.m.
 Wednesday Bible Study 7:00 p.m.

Trinity Southern Baptist Church

Phone 354-2044
 Capitan (South on Hwy. 48)
 Sunday School 9:30 a.m.
 Worship Service 11:00 a.m.
 AWANA Sunday 4:00-8:00 p.m.

First Baptist Church of Corona

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

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Corona FFA Elects Officers For '02-'03

On April 17 the Corona FFA Chapter held a meeting in the Ag building during which they elected officers for the 2002-2003 school year.

Elections immediately followed the reading of the nominating committee report.

Keith Shafer will be replacing graduating senior Dal Frost as the chapter president, with fellow sophomores Rachel Lueras as his vice-president and Victor Perez as secretary.

Junior Tara Seely and freshman Opal Greer joined the officer team as treasurer and reporter respectively. Freshman Taos Muncy will spend a second year as Chapter Sentinel and Junior Shaline Lopez left her position as reporter for that of student advisor.

The proceedings were overseen by advisor Jerry Sharp.

by Shaline Lopez



CARRIZOZO SCHOOLS CHARACTER COUNTS / FEBRUARY 2002 Kindergarten, First and Second Grades

Kindergarten: Calie Armandanz, Devon Artech, Jonathan Brazie, Nicholas Chavez, Erick Culley, Sarah Ferguson, Shayna Gallacher, Jace Hill, Bailey Holden, Mason Huston, MacKenzie Moore, Jeremiah Sedillo, Johnathan Smith, Isaac Vega, Erica Vega, Shaye Ventura, Rylah Zamora, Zachary Zamora.

1st Grade: Sierra Anaya, Andrea Beltran, James Burd, Amanda Gallegos, Rebecca Green, Gage Hamilton, Utavios Nash, Jade Roper, Joshua Vallejos, Casey Vega, Shayna Zamora.

2nd Grade: Gabriella Barela, Lane Carter, Sara Ann McNatt, Catalena Vega, Justin Vega, Marriah Ventura, Jordan Vinson.

Kokopelli Fire Update Presented To LEPC

During the Lincoln County Local Emergency Planning Committee (LEPC) April 17 at the Ruidoso Village Hall it was announced that the tabletop exercise for a simulated emergency has been postponed until after the fire season.

Updates were given from the planning subcommittees in Lincoln County, Hondo and Capitan. Larry Mulligan also updated the LEPC regarding communications.

An extensive update was presented on the Kokopelli Fire. Tomas Chavez gave the briefing with input from local fire fighters, State Police, State Forestry and others involved in the fire. The briefing included what went well and what needs improvement. Of first concern in any disaster is the protection of life. There were homes lost and destroyed but there was no loss of life or serious injury. Many homes were saved, thanks to the actions of fire fighters and emergency crews. There was a discussion on how to improve communications and staging areas when a disaster occurs.

Nevada Linford of the American Red Cross and a LEPC officer gave a briefing on building a disaster resistant residence, neighborhood and

community. She advised that this program is similar to the block watch programs in many communities. For more information about this program contact the Red Cross or attend a LEPC meeting.

The Firewise and Workshop to be presented in Ruidoso May 8, and operation save Lincoln County were discussed.

Representatives of all communities are invited to attend the LEPC meet-


ings, especially the police

and fire departments, elected officials and business owners. The next LEPC meeting will be held at Ruidoso Village Hall May 15 at 1:30 p.m.

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Army News


Mark J. Guelich has completed the Officer Candidate School (OCS) at Fort Benning, Columbus, GA as a Distinguished Military Graduate, and was commissioned as a second lieutenant in the U.S. Army.

Guelich is assigned to the 1st Battalion, 30th Field Artillery, Fort Sill, Lawton, OK. He is the son of Judy M. Guelich of Alto, and Charles C. Guelich of Clearfield, PA.

Lincoln County Prayer Breakfast Thursday, May 2

Keynote speaker at the Lincoln County Prayer Breakfast will be Major General Bentley D. Rayburn, Commandant, Air Force War College. Special music by Flying J Wranglers.

The Lincoln County Prayer breakfast will be held Thursday, May 2 at Ruidoso Civic Center. Doors open at 6:30 a.m., breakfast at 7:00 a.m. Admission will be charged. Call 258-5785 for information.



Capitan Public Library Presents: May, 2002

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Spring Plant & Book Sale - Saturday, May 11 - 9 a.m.
Pre School Reading Hour - each Thur. 1p.m.

OTHER CAPITAN EVENTS:
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Sheriff Fosse Yard Sale - May 11
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The Lincoln County Treasurer's Office does honor the postmark, but your payments **MUST BE POSTMARKED May 10, 2002.**

INTEREST shall accrue at the rate of one percent (1%) per month or any portion of a month (Statute 7-38-49 NMSA 1979).

PENALTY on taxes that become delinquent, shall be imposed at one percent (1%) of the delinquent tax total, or a minimum of five dollars (\$5.00), for each month they remain unpaid. (Statute 7-38-50).

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

Thank You.

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Capitan High School Principal Will Retire

by Doris Cherry

Capitan High School principal Darrel Stierwalt will retire effective June 14.

Capitan Board of Education members accepted Stierwalt's retirement at their regular school board meeting April 11. Stierwalt has been principal at Capitan High School for more than 10 years and previously was an educator and administrator for Ruidoso Schools.

Also at the end of the lengthy meeting, the school board accepted the superintendent's recommendation to re-hire certified tenured personnel and to accept employment of a Region IX contracted speech pathologist. Staff rehired for the 2002-03 school year are, in elementary Betty Adcock, Wayne Ellison, Stacey Hall, Jason Hightower, Ruby Johnson, Laura Jones, Lecha LaMay, Tiffany Menix, Betsy Peralta, Mary Shanks, Sydney Trengembo, Linda Turnbow, Ginger Weems and James Weems; in middle school, Linda Fuchs, Nancy Hall, Becky Schultz and Sandra Smith; in high school Franci Bergener, Royce Brown, Neil Davis, Ed Davis, Grant Hambrick, Todd Proctor, Diane Riska, Mike Rogers, DuWayne Shaver, JoBeth Vinson, Frank Walston and Myrum Whitaker.

The school board also hired Terry Wood as speech pathologist through Region IX Educational Cooperative.

Graduation for the Class of 2002 is set for 6 p.m. Saturday, May 25. School superintendent Dr. Larry Miller said the graduating class was given the option for time of day and chose the evening. Kindergarten graduation is Monday, May 20.

Next school year begins August 14 for students. The school board accepted the 2002-2003 school year calendar that voted by staff to be the best of two options. Staff in-service begins August 12 and 13. First holiday is Labor Day, September 2; Columbus Day holiday is October 14; Thanksgiving break is November 27-29; Christmas break December 20 through January 3 with students returning January 7, 2003; Presidents Day holiday February 17; district in-service day March 7, 2003 with spring break March 24-28. Good Friday holiday is scheduled for April 13, last day of school is May 23, 2003.

Miller also presented a report on his research on opening of the playground facilities during off hours. At a recent meeting school board member Glen Crane requested the school dis-

trict allow the public to use the playground facilities during non school hours.

On advice of the school attorney the school district does not have to open any of its facilities to the public, school officials can restrict visitors, Miller said. The claim that a public school must open school property for public use is clearly mistaken and unsupported by law, Miller added.

If the school district chooses to make its property accessible to the public, the school district must be non-discriminatory; the school board must decide how access to playground be controlled and could enter into a joint powers agreement with village for upkeep and maintenance costs. Such opening to the public will increase liability so signs concerning users risk are advised.

In a letter from the NM Public Schools Insurance Authority, it advised the school district to insulate itself from liability if it opens the playground by routine and consistent maintenance of facilities and equipment.

Miller said staff there was consensus to continue the school district position on facility use of being open from 6 a.m. to 9 p.m. on school days, and

closed on weekends unless there is a school activity. Concerns were supervision, safety of students upon return from school activities, increased maintenance and insurance costs.

Miller said in consulting with the Village of Capitan, the village is willing to enter into a joint powers agreement to provide patrol support and help with locking facilities at designated hours. The village is not willing to share in costs of maintenance and replacement due to budget constraints.

Crane again said the

kids should be able to get into the playground on the weekends. "Let them in to play, this is a small community," Crane added. "I know the liabil-

ity." Crane said a lot of people have asked why the gates are locked and the public no longer able

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Card of Thanks

Our sincere gratitude for all your prayers, thoughtful cards, beautiful flowers and many phone calls during the loss of our mother and grandmother "Lena". Your kindness is greatly appreciated.



Mary Lou and Fred Vega
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| ALL 6 PACK ANNUALS \$1.47 | ALL 6 PACK PERENNIALS \$1.97 |
| ALL VEGGIES \$1.47 | ALL FRUIT TREES 5 Gallon \$14.47 |
| POTTING SOIL 40# Bag \$1.97 | HONEY SUCKLE 1 Gallon \$3.89 |
| ALL FRUIT TREES 5 Gallon \$14.47 | ALL NATURE TREES Desert Willow, Western Sycamore, Bird of Paradise 5 Gallon \$14.47 |
| | A-C SWEET FEED 50 Lb. Bag \$5.77 Save |

| TIRE and SERVICE | | |
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| * WHILE SUPPLIES LAST | | |
| SPECIAL BUY! Canyon Climber Owl P235/75R15 \$49.60* | BRAKE SERVICE \$84.95 (Most Cars) | SPECIAL BUY! Triangle 10 Ply Reinforced Sidewall L+235/85R16 \$88.67* |
| WHEEL ALIGNMENT \$34.86 2 Wheel Drive Cars and Light Trucks | LUBE, OIL, FILTER \$15.55 (Most Cars) | EXIDE BATTERIES \$34.95* |
| 20% Off ALL JEWELRY | 12 Foot Heavy Duty GATES \$71.00 | Post Mix Cement \$2.49 / 60 Lb. Bag |



CARRIZOZO SCHOOLS CHARACTER COUNTS / FEBRUARY 2002
Third, Fourth, and Fifth Grades

3rd Grade: Destiny Dutchover, Joel Ferguson, Kille Gaines, Jordan Hill, Chelsea LaMay, Fernando Najera, Michelle Shivers, Marshall Wilson, Stephanie Zamora.

4th Grade: Alexandra Borowski, Joseph Gallegos, Ryan Guavara, Tessa Hendricks, Tanner Huston, Lena Reyes, Carlos Samora, Mariah Vallejos, Kenneth Vega, Kinsey Vega, Matthew Vega, Ashley Ventura, Derrick Vinson.

5th Grade: Elizabeth Bingerman, Patricio Jiron, Mark LaBlanc, Heili Jo Paul, Kathleen Schlarb, Jennifer Shafer.

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readily accessible source of water for use by the homeowner or the general public. Fireplaces and in particular the unquenched

ashes from same, may present a significant hazard and use should be discouraged during this period of drought.

US Forest Service, Lincoln National Forest, has banned all campfires and use of charcoal and limits smoking to inside vehicles or buildings. Gas stoves are still allowed.

County commissioners also unanimously approved two additional resolutions dealing with retention of livestock grazing on federal and state managed lands and rural resource industries and


the effects of the 1973 Endangered Species Act.

The resolution for retention of livestock allotments on federal and state controlled lands opposes the plan to eliminate these allotments.

A resident questioned the need for the resolution, since logging was never a major industry in Lincoln County.

County commissioner Rick Simpson then provided the resident with the recommendations, and the commissioners unanimously adopted the ESA resolution.

VOTE
Curtis Payne
 for
 Lincoln County
COMMISSIONER
 DISTRICT #4

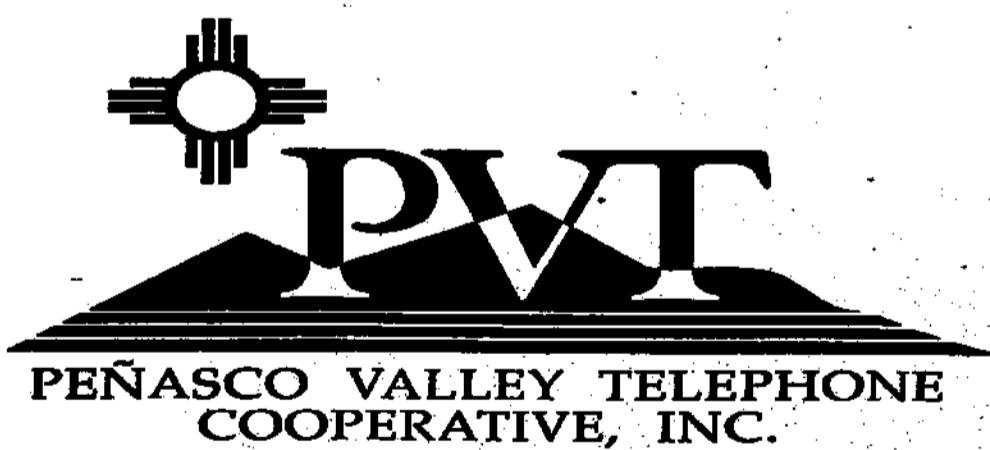


Let's use common sense to keep our County moving forward.

Dependable * Honest
 Hardworking * Knowledgeable

Paid for by committee to elect Curtis Payne Vigil Hall, Treasurer

Annual Meeting
 of the **Members**



Saturday
April 27, 2002

Artesia Center
 612 N. 8th Street
 Artesia, NM

Registration-----11:00 a.m to 1:00 p.m.
 Meal-----12:00 p.m.
 Business Meeting-----1:00 p.m.

Peñasco Valley Telephone Cooperative, Inc.
 4011 W. Main • Artesia, NM 88210-9566
 505.748.1241 • pvt@pvt.com

AMENDED PRIMARY ELECTION PROCLAMATION

Pursuant to the Primary Election Law of the State of New Mexico, I, Martha McKnight Proctor, Lincoln County Clerk of the State of New Mexico, by virtue of the authority vested in me, do hereby issue the following proclamation:

That the Primary Election be, and the same is hereby called to be, held throughout the State of New Mexico in the County of Lincoln and precincts thereof, on the 4th day of June, 2002;

That the Primary Election shall be applicable to the following political parties, to wit: the Democratic Party, and the Republican Party; and

That the Primary Election shall be for the purpose of permitting the Democratic Party, and the Republican Party to nominate candidates for the following offices:

Federal Offices

ONE UNITED STATES SENATOR-SIX-YEAR TERM
 ONE UNITED STATES REPRESENTATIVE DISTRICT 2-TWO-YEAR TERM

State, District and Metropolitan Offices

ONE GOVERNOR-FOUR-YEAR TERM
 ONE LT. GOVERNOR-FOUR-YEAR TERM
 ONE SECRETARY OF STATE-FOUR-YEAR TERM
 ONE STATE AUDITOR-FOUR-YEAR TERM
 ONE STATE TREASURER-FOUR-YEAR TERM
 ONE ATTORNEY GENERAL-FOUR-YEAR TERM
 ONE COMMISSIONER OF PUBLIC LANDS-FOUR-YEAR TERM
 ONE JUDGE OF THE COURT OF APPEALS-EIGHT-YEAR TERM
 ONE MEMBER OF THE STATE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES-DISTRICT 56,57 & 59-TWO-YEAR TERMS
 TWO PUBLIC REGULATION COMMISSIONERS-DISTRICTS 2 & 5-FOUR-YEAR TERMS

County Offices

THREE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
 DISTRICT 2-FOUR-YEAR TERM
 DISTRICT 4-FOUR-YEAR TERM
 DISTRICT 5-FOUR-YEAR TERM
 ONE COUNTY CLERK-FOUR-YEAR TERM
 ONE COUNTY TREASURER-FOUR-YEAR TERM
 TWO MAGISTRATE JUDGES
 DIVISION 1-FOUR-YEAR TERM
 DIVISION 2-FOUR-YEAR TERM

DONE AT THE LINCOLN COUNTY CLERK'S OFFICE THIS _____ DAY OF APRIL, 2002. WITNESS MY HAND AND THE GREAT SEAL OF THE COUNTY OF LINCOLN.

Martha McKnight Proctor
 Lincoln County Clerk

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MODIFICACIONES A LA PROCLAMACION DE LA ELECCION PRIMARIA

Conforme a la Ley de Eleccion Primaria, yo, Martha McKnight Proctor, Escribana del Condado de Lincoln, Nuevo Mexico, en virtud de la autoridad que la ley me otorga, por medio del presente anuncio la siguiente Proclamacion:

Que una eleccion primaria se lleve a cabo, y que por medio del presente sea convocada, por todo el Estado de Nuevo Mexico y en el condado de Lincoln y recinto del mismo, el dia 4 de junio de 2002;

Que la Eleccion Primaria sea aplicable a los siguientes partidos politicos, a saber: el Partido Democata y el Partido Republicano; y

Que la Eleccion Primaria se lleve a cabo con el proposito de permitir que el Partido Democata y el Partido Republicano nominan candidatos a los siguientes cargos:

Cargos Federales

UN(A) SENADO DE LOS ESTADO UNIDOS - PLAZO DE SEIS ANOS

UN(A) REPRESENTANTE AL CONGRESO DO LOS ESTADO UNIDOS DISTRITO 2-PLAZO DE DOS ANOS

Cargos En El Estado, Los Distrito, Y Los Areas Metropolitanas

UN(A) GOBERNADOR-PLAZO DE CUATRO ANOS
 UN(A) GOBERNADOR LEUTENIENTE-PLAZO DE CUATRO ANOS
 UN(A) SECRETARIA DEL ESTADO-PLAZO DE CUATRO ANOS
 UN(A) SECRETARIA DEL ESTADO-PLAZO DE CUATRO ANOS
 UN(A) AUDITOR DEL ESTADO-PLAZO DE CUATRO ANOS
 UN(A) TESORERO DEL ESTADO-PLAZO DE CUATRO ANOS
 UN(A) PROCURADOR GENERAL-PLAZO DE CUATRO ANOS
 UN(A) COMISARIO DE TERRERNOS PUBLICOS-PLAZO DE CUATRO ANOS
 UN(A) MIEMBRO DE LA CAMARA DE REPRESENTANTES DEL ESTADO-PLAZO DE DOS ANOS
 DOS COMISARIOS DE REGULACION PUBLICA-PLAZO DE CUATRO ANOS

Cargos En Los Condados

TRES COMISARIOS(AS) DEL CONDADO
 DISTRITO 2-PLAZO DE CUATRO ANOS
 DISTRITO 4-PLAZO DE CUATRO ANOS
 DISTRITO 5-PLAZO DE CUATRO ANOS
 UN(A) ESCRIBANO(A) DEL CONDADO-PLAZO DE CUATRO ANOS
 UN(A) TESORERO(A) DEL CONDADO-PLAZO DE CUATRO ANOS
 DOS JUECES MAGISTRADOS(AS)
 DIVISION 1-PLAZO DE CUATRO ANOS
 DIVISION 2-PLAZO DE CUATRO ANOS
 LLEVADO A CABO EN LA OFICINA DE ESCRIBANO DE CONDADO LINCOLN ESTE DIA ABRIL, DE 2002. ATESTIGUA MI MANO Y EL GRAN SELL DEL CONDADO DE LINCOLN.
 Martha McKnight Proctor
 Escribana del Condado Lincoln.

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LEGAL NOTICE

STATE OF NEW MEXICO
COUNTY OF LINCOLN
TWELFTH JUDICIAL
DISTRICT COURT

No. CV-01-299

CENDANT MORTGAGE CORPORATION,
Plaintiff,

vs.
BEN I. AGUILAR and
BRITTANY A. AGUILAR
Defendants.

NOTICE OF SALE

Notice is hereby given that on the 2nd day of May, 2002, at the hour of 9:00 a.m. the undersigned Special Master, or his designee, will, at the front entrance of the Lincoln County Courthouse, 300 Central, Carrizozo, New Mexico 88301, sell all of the rights, title and interest of the above-named Defendants, in and to the hereinafter described real estate to the highest bidder for cash. The property to be sold is located at 119 Big Bear Rd., Ruidoso, New Mexico 88355, and is more particularly described as follows:

Lot 24, Block 6, ALPINE VILLAGE SUBDIVISION, (sometimes referred to as Unit 2), Lincoln County, New Mexico, as shown by the plat thereof filed in the Office of the County Clerk and Ex-officio Recorder of Lincoln County, New Mexico, March 10, 1964, in Tube No. 18,

including any improvements, fixtures, and attachments, such as, but not limited to, mobile homes.

Subject to all taxes, utility liens and other restrictions and easements of record, and subject to a one (1) month right of redemption by the Defendants, the foregoing sale will be made to satisfy a Foreclosure Judgment rendered by this Court in the above-entitled and numbered cause, being an action to foreclose a mortgage on the above-described property. The Plaintiff's judgment is \$154,202.77, and the same bears interest at 7.5000% per annum, which accrues at the rate of \$31.69 per diem, commencing on April 1, 2002, with the Court reserving entry of final judgment against said Defendants Ben I. Aguilar and Brittany A. Aguilar for the amount due after foreclosure sale, for costs and attorney's fees, plus interest as may be assessed by the Court. The Plaintiff has the right to bid at such sale all of its judgment amount and submit its bid verbally or in writing. The Plaintiff may apply all or any part of its judgment to the purchase price in lieu of cash. The sale may be postponed and rescheduled at the discretion of the Special Master.

The Court's decree, having duly appointed Peter Baca, as its Special Master to advertise and immediately offer for sale the subject real estate and to apply the proceeds of sale, first to the costs of sale and the Special Master's fees, then to pay the above-described judgment, interest, and costs of sale, and to pay into the registry of the Court any balance remaining to satisfy future adjudication of priority mortgage holders;

NOW, THEREFORE, notice is hereby given that in the event that said property is not sooner redeemed, the undersigned will as set forth above, offer for sale and sell to the highest bidder for cash or equivalent, the lands and improvements described above for the purpose of satisfying, in the adjudged order of priorities, the judgment described herein and decree of foreclosure together with any additional costs and attorney's fees, costs of advertisement and publication, a reasonable receiver and Special Master's fee to be fixed by the Court. The total amount of the judgment due is \$154,202.77, plus interest to and including date of sale of \$1,014.08 for a total judgment plus interest of \$155,216.85. Sale is subject to the entry of an order of the Court approving the terms and conditions of this sale.

WITNESS MY HAND THIS 2nd DAY OF APRIL, 2002.

Peter Baca
P.O. Box 215
Carrizozo, NM 88301
505-648-9925

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LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF INVITATION
TO SUBMIT BIDS

The Capitan Board of Education wishes to receive bids for Copy Machine Maintenance for the Capitan Municipal School District. Specifications are available at the office of the Superintendent, Dr. C. Larry Miller, 150 Forest St., Capitan, NM 88316 or by phone (505-354-2239). BIDS MUST BE SEALED AND MARKED "BID FOR COPY MACHINE MAINTENANCE".

Bids must be received in the office of the Superintendent.

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE is hereby given that on March 8, 2002, Joe T. Phillips, P.O. Box 790, Midland, TX 79702, filed application No. 01919-A with the STATE ENGINEER for permit to change point of diversion of 16.25 acre-feet per annum of surface waters of the Rio Bonito by ceasing the diversion of said waters via the F. Chavez Ditch, which diverts from the Emil Fritz Ditch at a point in the NE1/4SE1/4SW1/4 of Section 34, Township 9 South, Range 16 East, N.M.P.M., and commencing the use of the Rio Bonito at a new point of diversion located in the NE1/4SE1/4SW1/4 of Section 34, Township 9 South, Range 16 East, N.M.P.M., for the continued diversion of 16.25 acre-feet per annum of surface waters for the irrigation of 5.0 acres of land described as follows:

| SUBDIVISION | SECTION | TOWNSHIP | RANGE | ACRES |
|----------------|---------|----------|-------|-------|
| Pt. SE1/4SE1/4 | 34 | 9S | 16E) | 5.0 |
| Pt. NW1/4NW1/4 | 2 | 10S | 16E) | |

The move-from and move-to points of diversion are located approximately 1.12 miles southeast of Lincoln, NM.

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

cc: Santa Fe

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intended by 4:00 P.M. on Wednesday, May 8, 2002, at which time all bids will be opened and read aloud. A recommendation will be made to the Board of Education at the May 9, 2002 regular Board meeting, at 6:00 P.M. in the boardroom of the administration building located at 150 Forest St., Capitan, NM.

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

Dr. C. Larry Miller
Superintendent
Capitan Municipal Schools

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LEGAL NOTICE

STATE OF NEW MEXICO
COUNTY OF LINCOLN
TWELFTH JUDICIAL
DISTRICT COURT

No. CV-02-06

HOMECOMINGS FINANCIAL
NETWORK, INC.,
Plaintiff,

vs.
TONY R. RUE and SANDRA H. RUE,
Defendants.

NOTICE OF SALE

Notice is hereby given that on the 29th day of April, 2002, at the hour of 10:00 a.m. the undersigned Special Master, or his designee, will, at the front entrance of the Lincoln County Courthouse, 300 Central, Carrizozo, New Mexico, sell all of the rights, title and interest of the above-named Defendants, in and to the hereinafter described real estate to the highest bidder for cash. The property to be sold is located at 7 Antelope Trail, Nogal, New Mexico 88341, and is more particularly described as follows:

A PORTION OF TRACT 7 OF MAGADO CREEK ESTATES, LINCOLN COUNTY, NEW MEXICO, AS SHOWN BY THE PLAT FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY CLERK AND EX-OFFICIO RECORDER OF LINCOLN COUNTY, NEW MEXICO, NOVEMBER 9, 1978, IN TUBE NO. 643, MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS:

BEGINNING AT THE NORTHWEST CORNER OF SAID TRACT; THENCE NORTH 88° 13'52" EAST, 397 FEET, ALONG THE SOUTH RIGHT-OF-WAY OF ANTELOPE TRAIL ROAD, TO THE NORTHEAST CORNER OF THIS TRACT; THENCE SOUTH 01° 46'08" WEST A DISTANCE OF 411.08 FEET; THENCE SOUTH 55° 55'09" WEST A DISTANCE OF 469.74 FEET; THENCE NORTH 01° 46'08" EAST A DISTANCE OF 662.18 FEET TO THE PLACE OF BEGINNING, (containing 4.8881 acres, more or less).

*Bracketed information is corrected on legal description in order to correct the legal description and conform it to the Plat of record for the property at the time the Mortgage was given. The legal description was incorrect on the Mortgage due to scrivener's error.

including any improvements, fixtures, and attachments, such as, but not limited to, mobile homes.

Subject to all taxes, utility liens and other restrictions and easements of record, and subject to a one (1) month right of redemption by the Defendants, the foregoing sale will be made to satisfy a foreclosure judgment rendered by this Court in the above-entitled and numbered cause, being an action to foreclose a mortgage on the above-described property. The Plaintiff's judgment is \$81,924.05, and the same bears interest at 13.2500% per annum, which accrues at the rate of \$29.74 per diem, commencing on May 1, 2002, with the Court reserving entry of final judgment against said Defendants Tony R. Rue and Sandra H. Rue for the amount due after foreclosure sale, for costs and attorney's fees, plus interest as may be assessed by the Court. The Plaintiff has the right to bid at such sale all of its judgment amount and submit its bid verbally or in writing. The Plaintiff may apply all or any part of its judgment to the purchase price in lieu of cash. The sale may be postponed and rescheduled at the discretion of the Special Master.

The Court's decree, having duly appointed Peter Baca, as its Special Master to advertise and immediately offer for sale the subject real estate and to apply the proceeds of sale, first to the costs of sale and the Special Master's fees, then to pay the above-described judgment, interest, and costs of sale, and to pay into the registry of the Court any balance remaining to satisfy future adjudication of priority mortgage holders;

NOW, THEREFORE, notice is hereby given that in the event that said property is not sooner redeemed, the undersigned will as set forth above, offer for sale and sell to the highest bidder for cash or equivalent, the lands and improvements described above for the purpose of satisfying, in the adjudged order of priorities, the judgment described herein and decree of foreclosure together with any additional costs and attorney's fees, costs of advertisement and publication, a reasonable receiver and Special Master's fee to be fixed by the Court. The total amount of the judgment due is \$81,924.05, plus interest to and including date of sale of \$862.46 for a total judgment plus interest of \$82,786.51. Sale is subject to the entry of an order of the Court approving the terms and conditions of this sale.

PETER BACA, Special Master
P.O. Box 215
Carrizozo, NM 88301

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LEGAL NOTICE

COUNTY OF LINCOLN, NEW MEXICO
NOTICE OF ADOPTION OF
ORDINANCE NO. 2002-05
AND RESOLUTION NO. 2001-39

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on April 18, 2002 the Board of County Commissioners of Lincoln County duly adopted and approved its Ordinance No. 2002-05 and Resolution No. 2001-39 relating to the Lincoln County Gross Receipts Tax Revenue Refunding Bonds, Series 2002 and the County gross receipts tax imposed by Ordinance No. 1999-06. The title of Ordinance No. 2002-05 is:

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF LINCOLN COUNTY GROSS RECEIPTS TAX REVENUE REFUNDING BONDS, SERIES 2002 IN THE PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF \$4,035,000 FOR THE PURPOSE OF DEFRAYING THE COST OF REFUNDING, REFINANCING, PAYING AND DISCHARGING THE COUNTY'S OUTSTANDING LOAN FROM THE NEW MEXICO FINANCE AUTHORITY PURSUANT TO THE LOAN AGREEMENT DATED JUNE 27, 2000 WITH THE NEW MEXICO FINANCE AUTHORITY; PROVIDING FOR THE REPAYMENT OF ALL ITS OUTSTANDING LOAN OBLIGATIONS UNDER SUCH LOAN AGREEMENT; PROVIDING THAT THE BONDS WILL BE PAYABLE AND COLLECTIBLE FROM THE REVENUE ATTRIBUTABLE TO THE FIRST 1/8TH OF 1% OF THE COUNTY'S GROSS RECEIPTS TAX WHICH IS LEVIED PURSUANT TO ORDINANCE NO. 1999-06 (ADOPTED AUGUST 19, 1999) AND THIS ORDINANCE AND PURSUANT TO SECTIONS 7-20E-1 THROUGH 7-20E-11, NMSA 1978 AS AMENDED AND SUPPLEMENTED; PROVIDING FOR MUNICIPAL BOND INSURANCE; PROVIDING FOR THE DISPOSITION OF THE RECEIPTS DERIVED FROM SAID TAX PROCEEDS; PRESCRIBING OTHER DETAILS CONCERNING SAID BONDS AND SAID TAX PROCEEDS, INCLUDING BUT NOT LIMITED TO COVENANTS AND AGREEMENTS IN CONNECTION THEREWITH AND THE FORM, TERMS, CONDITIONS, AND MANNER OF EXECUTION OF SAID BONDS AND CONCERNING THE PROJECT; RATIFYING ACTION PREVIOUSLY TAKEN IN CONNECTION THEREWITH; REPEALING ALL ORDINANCES IN CONFLICT HERewith; AMENDING SECTION 4 OF ORDINANCE 1999-06; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

COMPLETE COPIES OF THE ORDINANCE AND RESOLUTION ARE ON FILE IN THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY CLERK AT THE LINCOLN COUNTY COURTHOUSE, 300 CENTRAL, IN CARRIZOZO, NEW MEXICO, AND ARE AVAILABLE FOR INSPECTION AND/OR PURCHASE DURING REGULAR OFFICE HOURS. THIS NOTICE ALSO CONSTITUTES COMPLIANCE WITH SECTIONS 6-14-4 THROUGH 6-14-7, NMSA 1978.

WITNESS my hand and the seal of the County of Lincoln this April 18, 2002.

(SEAL)

MARTHA M. PROCTOR
County Clerk

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NOTICE OF SPECIAL MEETING

NOTICE is hereby given that the Lincoln County Board of Commissioners will hold a Special Meeting at 9:00 A.M. on Thursday, May 2, 2002, to be held at the Lincoln County Courthouse (Commissioners Chambers) in Carrizozo, New Mexico. The purpose of this meeting is to hold a preliminary Budget Hearing, Fiscal Year 2002-2003, and other proper business that comes before the Board.

Copies of the agenda for the May 2, 2002 meeting will be available at the office of the County Manager prior to said meeting.

Auxiliary aides are available upon request; please contact Martha Guevara at 505-648-2385 at least 48 hours in advance of the meeting to make any necessary arrangements.

MARTHA GUEVARA
Assistant County Manager

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PUBLIC HEARING

NOTICE is hereby given that the Lincoln County Board of Commissioners shall hold a Preliminary Budget Hearing for Fiscal Year 2002-2003. The Public Hearing will be held at 9:00 A.M. on Thursday, May 2, 2002, at the Lincoln County Courthouse (Commission Chambers), in Carrizozo, New Mexico. Auxiliary aides are available upon request; please contact Martha Guevara at 505-648-2385 at least 48 hours in advance of the meeting to make any necessary arrangements.

MARTHA GUEVARA
Assistant County Manager

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Capitan FFA Team To Go To Nationals

Capitan FFA Homesite team of Rocky Burrows, Riley Switzer, Jessica Neal and Patrick Luna qualified to represent New Mexico in their team category at the National FFA competition in Oklahoma City, OK May 7-10.

Team members will make a formal presentation and request for out of state travel to the Capitan Board of Education at its special school board meeting set for Thursday, April 25. The special school board meeting is scheduled to provide a closed-to-public executive session for the board to discuss the employee growth plans and the high school principal position. Dr. Larry Miller, school superintendent, told THE NEWS the school board is considering how it will deal with staffing next school year.

This school year Capitan Schools experienced a 31 student decline in enrollment. Because the budget for the next school year is determined by the average enrollment taken over three specific days in this school year, Capitan schools is expecting to receive much less money than last school year.

Miller said he is still assembling budget figures to present so the school board can make some "tough decisions" about staffing and other budget items. "We do not yet have as clear a plan as we would like," Miller continued. "We need the real figures to show the real impact of the reduced enrollment on the budget."

But real figures are not available from the state. Because of the current 2002-03 fiscal year budget impasse between the governor and state legislature, New Mexico's public schools have no real figures on which to base their next school year budgets. However, school districts must submit their draft school budgets by May 30. Miller said Capitan School and most other public schools will base their budgets on last year's figure of \$2,871 per program unit value. Students are rated on unit value depending on their class level and special programs.

Also the school board will discuss in closed session the high school principal position, as current principal Darrel Stierwalt retires on June 14. The school board accepted Stierwalt's letter of retirement at the regular April 11 school board meeting.

After the closed session the school board is scheduled to take action in re-employing certified non-tenured employees and action about the high school principal position.

The executive session is not open to the public.

The school board must return to open session before taking any action.



LEGALS

LEGAL NOTICE

**SECTION I
ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS**

Sealed bids will be received by the High Estates Water Users Association (WUA) at P.O. Box 33, Alto, New Mexico 88312, c/o Don Mosca, President, for the project known as "HIGH SIERRA ESTATES WELL NO. 3 DRILLING AND EQUIPMENT" until 1:00 PM, May 2, 2002, at which time the opening and reading of the bids received will begin by the High Sierra Estates staff. Please call the Secretary Lorraine Justice at (505) 336-4175, or Vice President Bob Vickers at 336-8464 for a street address if needed. The tabulation of bids will be considered by the Board of Directors of the High Sierra Estates WUA at its next regularly scheduled meeting.

The work will consist of air rotary drilling, well construction, development, test pumping, and equipping of an approximately 500-ft deep 6-inch PVC-cased community water supply well in the 10-ft lot line easement of Lot 10, Block 1 High Sierra Estates, Alto, NM. Access is from the west on US Highway 48. Call Roger Peery at John Shumaker & Associates, 505-345-3407 for more technical information.

Copies of the Contract Documents are available from the ENGINEER, Livingston Associates, P.C., Consulting Engineers, 500 Tenth Street, Suite 300, Alamogordo, New Mexico 88310 (505) 439-8588 or Fax (505) 439-1332, upon receipt of a \$50.00 refundable fee.

Each Proposal shall be accompanied by a Bid Security in the amount of not less than five percent (5%) of the total amount bid, which will be returned not later than thirty (30) days after the receipt of bids.

A pre-bid conference will not be held. Prospective bidders are advised to arrange site tours with the OWNER during the bid period to familiarize themselves with the site restrictions. Contractors are advised to obtain specific information as to the qualifications and conditions of Bid Evaluation Criteria before submitting a bid.

The successful bidder will be required to furnish a Performance Bond and a Payment Bond in the amount of one hundred percent (100%) of the amount bid to assure performance of the Contract, and payment for all labor and materials of the Contract.

No Proposals may be withdrawn after the scheduled closing time for receipts of Proposals and the High Sierra Estates WUA reserves the right to reject any or all Proposals and waive all technicalities and formalities. A 5% Bidders Preference will be applied to local bidders (defined as those contractors headquartered within 50 miles of Alto). No bidder may withdraw his bid within 30 days after the actual date of the opening thereof.

Attention of BIDDERS is particularly called to the requirements as to conditions of employment to be observed and minimum wage rates to be paid under the contract.

Don Mosca
President

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LEGAL NOTICE

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

Cause Number DM-2002-37
Division III

SERGIO ROMERO,
Petitioner.

vs.
IRENE ALMANZA ROMERO,
Respondent.

**NOTICE OF PENDENCY OF ACTION
STATE OF NEW MEXICO TO:**

Irene Almanza Romero

You are hereby notified that Sergio Romero has filed a Petition for Dissolution of Marriage in the District Court of Otero County, Twelfth Judicial District, State of New Mexico, in Cause No. DM-02-37, and you are the Respondent in this action against whom Substituted Service by Publication is sought to be obtained. The general object of this action is to obtain a Dissolution of Marriage of the parties. You are further notified that unless you enter your appearance in the above cause on or before the 30th day of May 2002, judgment will be rendered against you by default thereafter. The name and address of Petitioner's Attorney is:

Mario Torrez, Attorney at Law, 616 E. Tenth Street, Alamogordo, NM 88310, (505) 437-3800

JAN PERRY
District Court Clerk
BY: Mickie Vega
Deputy

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**LEGAL NOTICE
Call for Proposal**

The Corona Board of Education is requesting proposals for the covering of inside windows on north wall in gymnasium. Specifications include Steel Framing on 16" centers; 5/8" sheetrock; tape & texture to match existing walls.

For measurements, access to gymnasium will be Mondays thru Thursdays 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Contractor will be responsible for providing all necessary materials, labor, and clean up.

Proposals must be received in the office of the Superintendent by 4:00 p.m. on May 7, 2002. Any proposals received after this time will be marked VOID.

Corona Public Schools
P.O. Box 258
Corona, NM 88318
Attn: Travis Lightfoot, Superintendent

Proposals will be opened and read aloud on Wednesday, May 8, 2002 at 4:00 p.m. in the board room.

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

/s/ Travis Lightfoot
Superintendent
Corona Public Schools

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

No. Cv-2002-53

**WESTERN BANK OF ALAMOGORDO
Plaintiff,**

vs.
WALTER J. TURNER and JERRY H. TURNER (deceased), and ALL UNKNOWN HEIRS OF JERRY H. TURNER and ALL UNKNOWN CLAIMANTS OF INTEREST IN THE PREMISES DESCRIBED IN THE COMPLAINT, and TAXATION AND REVENUE DEPARTMENT OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO,
Defendants.

**AMENDED NOTICE OF
PENDENCY OF SUIT**

GREETINGS; ALL UNKNOWN HEIRS OF JERRY H. TURNER (deceased), and ALL CLAIMANTS OF INTEREST IN THE PREMISES DESCRIBED IN THE COMPLAINT.

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED THAT Western Bank of Alamogordo, as Plaintiff has filed a civil action against you to foreclose its Mortgage on the property located at 703 Utah, Ruidoso Downs, New Mexico, recorded in the Office of the Clerk of Lincoln County, State of New Mexico, on July 30th, 1999, in Book 199-15, Pages 1-4. This suit will also seek an *In Rem* Judgment for the amount owned on the corresponding note signed June 23rd, 1999, to be satisfied by the sale of this property.

YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED THAT if you do not file a responsive pleading or motion on or before June 12th, 2002, Judgment by Default will be entered against you.

Plaintiff's attorney:

Steven H. Cummings
Law Office of Steven H. Cummings
P.O. Box 808
Carlsbad, NM 88221-0808
Telephone: (505) 887-3656

WITNESS the Clerk of the Twelfth Judicial District Court, Lincoln County, State of New Mexico, this 15th day of April, 2002.

JAN PERRY
Clerk of the District Court
By: Mickie L. Vega
Deputy

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LEGAL NOTICE

Village of Corona
P.O. Box 37
Corona, NM 88318
(505) 849-5511
Fax (505) 849-5512

ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS

THE VILLAGE OF CORONA IS OFFERING FOR PURCHASE THE ITEMS LISTED BELOW, FROM THE OLD BOWLING ALLEY. BIDS WILL BE ACCEPTED AT THE OFFICE OF THE CLERK, VILLAGE OF CORONA, HIGHWAY 54/MAIN STREET, CORONA, NM 88318 OR BY MAIL AT VILLAGE OF CORONA, P.O. BOX 37, CORONA, NM 88318. BIDS WILL BE RECEIVED UNTIL MAY 2, 2002 AT 4:00 P.M. BIDS AWARDED WILL BE MADE AS SOON AS POSSIBLE UPON RECOMMENDATION OF THE REVIEW COMMITTEE. THE VILLAGE RESERVES THE RIGHT TO REJECT ANY OR ALL BIDS.

- 581 feet of hardwood flooring (slats approx. 1" in width).
- 8 Gutter lanes.
- 2 Return lanes with racks for balls.
- 49 Bowling balls.
- 4 Brunswick Balke-Cullender Co. Style B-10 Pinsetter Machines (Manual Operation).
- 3 Motors for Pinsetters.
- 40 Bowling Pins.
- 4 Stop Pads for balls & pins.
- 3 Sets 4 seat folding chairs.
- 5 Sets 2 seat folding chairs.
- 2 Single score tables.
- 1 Double score tables with projectors.
- 1 Hardwood Glass topped display cabinet 3'2" by 10' With 4 drawers.

BIDS MUST INCLUDE ALL ITEMS LISTED ABOVE. IT WILL BE THE RESPONSIBILITY OF THE SUCCESSFUL BIDDER TO REMOVE ALL ITEMS WITHIN 30 (THIRTY) DAYS IN A NON-DAMAGING MANNER AND LEAVE THE BUILDING IN GOOD REPAIR.

BY SEPARATE BID.

1 Ping Pong Table

BY SEPARATE BID.

2 Side mount metal toolboxes.
1 Front mount metal toolbox.

(Toolboxes were used on a 1998 GMC Sierra Extended Cab).

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LEGAL NOTICE

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

NO. CV-01-267, DIV. III

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE RURAL DEVELOPMENT,
Plaintiff,

vs.
JAMES R. PORTIO, THE UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF JAMES R. PORTIO, DEBORAH J. PORTIO AND THE UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF DEBORAH J. PORTIO,
Defendant(s).

NOTICE OF SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned Special Master will, on May 8, 2002, at 10:00 a.m., at the main entrance of the Lincoln County Courthouse, Carrizozo, New Mexico, sell and

convey to the highest bidder for cash all the right, title and interest of the above-named defendants in and to the following described real estate located in said County and State:

Lot 3, Block 2, WHITE MOUNTAIN

ESTATES, Unit 4, Ruidoso, Lincoln County, New Mexico, as shown by the plat thereof filed in the office of the County Clerk and Ex-officio Recorder of Lincoln County, New Mexico, February 16, 1979, in Tube No. 652.

The address of the real property is 204 White Mountain Meadows Drive, Ruidoso, New Mexico. Said sale will be made pursuant to the Decree of Foreclosure entered on March 21, 2002. In the above entitled and numbered cause, which was a suit to foreclose a note and mortgage held by the above plaintiff and wherein plaintiff was adjudged to have a lien against the above-described real estate in the sum of \$75,356.42, plus interest from March 22, 2002 to the date of sale at the rate of 7.75% per annum, or \$12.53 per day, the costs of sale, including the Special Master's fee of \$200.00, publication costs, and plaintiff'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 lieu of cash.

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

Dated: 4/2/02.

Peter Baca
Special Master
P.O. Box 215
Carrizozo, NM 88301
(505) 648-9925

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LEGAL NOTICE

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

No. CV-02-01

CHASE MANHATTAN MORTGAGE CORPORATION,
Plaintiff,

vs.
BRIAN CUNNINGHAM a/k/a Brian James Cunningham and DEBORAH B. CUNNINGHAM a/k/a Deborah Barbara Cunningham,
Defendants.

AMENDED NOTICE OF SALE

Notice is hereby given that on the 7th day of May, 2002, at the hour of 11:30 a.m. the undersigned Special Master, or his designee, will, at the front entrance of the Lincoln County Courthouse, 300 Central, Carrizozo, New Mexico 88301, sell all of the rights, title and interest of the above-named Defendants; in and to the hereinafter described real estate to the highest bidder for cash. The property to be sold is located at 4&5 Boodhill Road, Alto, New Mexico 88312, and is more particularly described as follows:

LOT 4A, BLOCK 28, OF RANCHO RUIDOSO VALLEY ESTATES, LINCOLN COUNTY, NEW MEXICO, AS SHOWN BY THE REPLAT OF LOTS 4 AND 5, BLOCK 28, RANCHO RUIDOSO VALLEY ESTATES, FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY CLERK AND EX-OFFICIO RECORDER OF LINCOLN COUNTY, NEW MEXICO, ON MAY 4, 1998, IN CABINET G. SLIDE NO. 99.

including any improvements, fixtures and attachments, such as, but not limited to, mobile homes.

Subject to all taxes, utility liens and other restrictions and easements of record, and subject to a one (1) month right of redemption by the Defendants, the foregoing sale will be made to satisfy an in rem Foreclosure Judgment rendered by this Court in the above-entitled and numbered case, being an action to foreclose a mortgage on the above-described property. The Plaintiff's in rem judgment is \$114,858.04, and the same bears interest at 6.8750% per annum, which accrues at the rate of \$21.63 per diem, commencing on April 1, 2002, with the Court reserving entry of final in rem judgment against said Defendants Brian Cunningham, a/k/a Brian James Cunningham, and Deborah B. Cunningham, a/k/a Deborah Barbara Cunningham, for the amount due after foreclosure sale, for costs and attorney's fees, plus interest as may be assessed by the Court. The Plaintiff has the right to bid at such sale all of its in rem judgment amount and submit its bid verbally or in writing. The Plaintiff may apply all or any part of its in rem judgment to the purchase price in lieu of cash. The sale may be postponed and rescheduled at the discretion of the Special Master.

The Court's decree, having duly appointed Peter Baca, as its Special Master to advertise and immediately offer for sale the subject real estate and to apply the proceeds of sale, first to the costs of sale and the Special Master's fees, then to pay the above-described in rem judgment, interest, and costs of sale, and to pay unto the registry of the Court any balance remaining to satisfy future adjudication of priority mortgage holders;

NOW, THEREFORE, notice is hereby given that in the event that said property is not sooner redeemed, the undersigned will as set forth above, offer for sale and sell to the highest bidder for cash or equivalent, the lands and improvements described above for the purpose of satisfying, in the adjudged order of priorities, the in rem judgment described herein and decree of foreclosure together with any additional costs and attorney's fees, costs of advertisement and publication, a reasonable receiver and Special Master's fee to be fixed by the Court. The total amount of the in rem judgment due is \$114,858.04, plus interest to and including date of sale of \$800.31 for a total in rem judgment plus interest of \$115,658.35. Sale is subject to the entry of an order of the Court approving the terms and conditions of this sale.

Peter Baca, Special Master
P.O. Box 215
Carrizozo, NM 88301
(505) 648-9925

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Partly cloudy skies last week produced no precipitation for Lincoln County. Winds continued with severe winds and dust in Carrizozo last Monday.

A storm developing in Baja Mexico and in the Pacific today could bring rain showers to Lincoln County by Friday.

Everyone is reminded to be extremely cautious with fire by not smoking outdoors, and not throwing lighted butts out the car/truck windows.

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,

April 25:

Partly cloudy in western Lincoln County and cooler. Southeast to south winds 10-20 mph. Highs of 77 in Carrizozo. Tonight mostly cloudy with a chance of showers and thunderstorms with low of 48.

Friday, April 26:

Windy, partly to mostly cloudy with a very slight chance of thunderstorms. High to 82, low to 43.

Saturday, April 27:

Partly cloudy to mostly sunny and breezy. Highs to 82 and lows to 44.

Sunday to Tuesday,

April 28-30:

Mostly clear to partly cloudy. Breezy afternoons. Highs to 84 and lows to 50.

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

Today, Thursday,

April 25:

Mostly cloudy and much cooler with a slight chance of showers or thunderstorms on the eastern slopes and higher terrain. Southeast to south winds 10-20 mph. High in Ruidoso 57. Tonight mostly cloudy with a chance of showers and thunderstorms. Low of 34.

Friday, April 26:

Windy and partly to mostly cloudy with a chance of thunderstorms mainly on the eastern slopes. Highs from 65.

Saturday, April 27:

Partly cloudy to mostly sunny and breezy. Highs from 68, lows from 30.

Sunday to Tuesday,

April 28-30:

Mostly clear to partly cloudy and breezy afternoons. Highs from 66, lows from 34.

**Blood Drive
May 2 & 3
in Ruidoso**

United Blood Services will conduct a two day blood drive in Ruidoso on May 2 and 3 at the Gateway Church of Christ on Sudderth Drive.

The blood drive will be open from 1 to 7 p.m. Thursday, May 2 and 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. on Friday, May 3.

Anyone 17 years old with parental consent, or older, who weighs at least 110 pounds, and is feeling well and healthy is eligible to donate blood. Donors need to bring ID and a list of any medications taken in the last 30 days.

FAST ACTION

**Lincoln County News
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CALL: (505) 648-2333

LEGAL NOTICE

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

**No. CV-02-89
Division III**

**GENOVEVA P. ROMERO (aka GENEVIEVE
PERALTA ROMERO)
Plaintiff,**

vs.

**GROUP I: THE FOLLOWING NAMED
PERSONS, IF LIVING, IF DECEASED, THEIR
UNKNOWN HEIRS: JULIAN MILLER,
ANDREA L. MILLER, MANUEL MILLER,
JUAN MILLER, ELVIRA MILLER (aka
ELVIRA MILLER DE PADILLA), ANGELA
DURAN (aka ANGELITA D. PACHECO),
JOSE DURAN, JOAQUIN DURAN,
BENANCIO DURAN, MARCIANA DURAN,
(aka MARCIANA D. MORENO);**

**GROUP II: THE UNKNOWN SPOUSES OF THE
FOLLOWING NAMED PERSONS, IF LIVING;
IF DECEASED, THEIR UNKNOWN HEIRS:
JULIAN MILLER, ANDREA L. MILLER,
MANUEL MILLER, JUAN MILLER, ELVIRA
MILLER (aka ELVIRA MILLER DE
PADILLA), ANGELA DURAN (aka
ANGELITA D. PACHECO), JOSE DURAN,
JUAQUIN DURAN, BENANCIO DURAN, AND
MARCIANA DURAN, (aka, MARCIANA D.
MORENO);**

**GROUP III: ALL UNKNOWN CLAIMANTS OF
INTEREST IN THE PREMISES ADVERSE TO
THE PLAINTIFF,**

Defendants.

**SUMMONS AND NOTICE OF
PENDENCY OF ACTION**

**THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO TO THE
FOLLOWING NAMED DEFENDANTS:**

**GROUP I: THE FOLLOWING NAMED
PERSONS, IF LIVING, IF DECEASED, THEIR
UNKNOWN HEIRS: JULIAN MILLER,
ANDREA L. MILLER, MANUEL MILLER,
JUAN MILLER, ELVIRA MILLER (aka ELVIRA
MILLER DE PADILLA), ANGELA DURAN (aka
ANGELITA D. PACHECO), JOSE DURAN,
JOAQUIN DURAN, BENANCIO DURAN,
MARCIANA DURAN, (aka MARCIANA D.
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MANUEL MILLER, JUAN MILLER, ELVIRA
MILLER (aka ELVIRA MILLER DE PADILLA),
ANGELA DURAN (aka ANGELITA D.
PACHECO), JOSE DURAN, JOAQUIN DURAN,
BENANCIO DURAN, AND MARCIANA
DURAN, (aka MARCIANA D. MORENO);**

**GROUP III: ALL UNKNOWN CLAIMANTS OF
INTEREST IN THE PREMISES ADVERSE TO
THE PLAINTIFF,**

GREETINGS: You are hereby notified that Genevieve P. Romero, Plaintiff, has filed an action in the District Court of Lincoln County, New Mexico, Civil Docket No. CV-02-89 Div. III, wherein you are named as Defendants and wherein said Plaintiff seeks to obtain constructive service upon you.

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

The South half of the Northwest quarter of the Southwest quarter, (S1/2NW1/4SW1/4), the Southwest quarter of the Northeast quarter of the Southwest quarter (SW1/4NE1/4SW1/4), the Southwest quarter of the Southwest quarter (SW1/4SW1/4) and the West half of the Southeast quarter of the Southwest quarter (W1/2SE1/4SW1/4) of Section Thirteen (13) and the West half of the Northeast Quarter of the Northwest quarter (W1/2NE1/4NW1/4) and the East half of the Northwest quarter of the Northwest quarter (E1/2NW1/4NW1/4) of Section Twenty-four in Township Eight (8) South of Range Thirteen (13) East of the New Mexico Prime Meridian, containing one hundred thirty acres.

AND

Five acres of land along the South end of the Southeast quarter of the Southwest quarter (SE1/4SW1/4) of Section Twenty-four (24), Township Eight (8) South, Range Thirteen (13) East, N.M.P.M., described by metes and bounds as follows: Beginning at the Quarter corner common to Sections 24 and 25; Thence N00°05'07"W along the section line a distance of 165.00 feet; Thence N89°31'15"W a distance of 1315.69 feet to a point; Thence S00°02'55"W a distance of 165.00 feet; Thence S89°31'15"E a distance of 1316.07 feet to the point and place of beginning, and containing 4.984 acres, more or less. This is the same tract or land shown on a deed filed September 15, 1920, and described as follows: Five acres of land along the South end of the Southeast quarter of the Southwest quarter of Section Twenty-four, Township Eight South, Range Thirteen East, New Mexico Prime Meridian, described by metes and bounds as follows: Beginning at the Quarter corner common to Sections Twenty-four and Twenty-five; Thence 2.50 chains North along the section line; Thence West 20 chains; Thence South 2.50 chains; Thence East along the section line 20 chains to the place of beginning;

You are further notified that unless you enter your appearance, plead or otherwise respond in said cause on or before June 6, 2002 judgment will be rendered against you by default and the relief prayed for in the Complaint will be granted to Plaintiff in conformity with the allegations of the Plaintiff's Complaint.

The name and address of the attorney for the Plaintiff is: Archie A. Witham, P.O. Box 83, Nogal, New Mexico 88341.

WITNESS my hand and seal of the District Court of Lincoln County, New Mexico, on this the 22nd day of April, 2002.

**JAN PERRY
Clerk of the District Court
By: Jolene Nigg
Deputy**

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EMPLOYMENT NOTICE

Lincoln County is now accepting applications for a **PROJECT ARCHIVIST** to organize and re-establish Lincoln County Historical Records in the Lincoln County Clerk's Office. Applicant(s) must have knowledge of archival and records management principles and practices. Employee will be a grant-funded "at-will" employee of Lincoln County. Employment with the County shall immediately terminate at such time as the grant which is currently funding this position is terminated or fails to be renewed. Employment will be condition upon applicant's successful completion of a physical examination and substance abuse test. Obtain application and job description at the Lincoln County Manager's Office in Carrizozo or by calling 505-648-2385. The last day to apply for this position is Monday, May 6, 2002 at 5:00 P.M. Lincoln County, Equal Opportunity Employer and in Compliance with ADA Requirements, Title II-A.

2tc/Apr. 18 & 25

**Housekeeper Needed
Smokey Bear Motel
Capitan
Apply in Person**

FOR SALE

5 ac.3 Br. Home-Hwy frontage-barns & lots of extra's. \$288,000 near Mayhill.

3 ac. expanded Palm Harbor Home, 2 extra Mobiles, Hwy frontage, backs to Nat. Forest-Fully Furnished-Wood, NM - \$268,000

5 ac. Set up for horses, Private entrance off Hwy 244. 3 br. country home. Backs to Nat. Forest-\$239,500 - near Cloudcroft.

3 lots together, Cloud Country West - Total of 3/4 acre. Great Building site - \$14,900. Water & Elo. at property line. Near Cloudcroft

"Get-a-way" lot in James Canyon Estates. Water & Elec. at property line. Backs to Nat. Forest. \$7,900

Raw Land-38 to 500 acres priced from \$1,000 to \$5,000 per acre

I locate land to suit your needs.

**Ask for Jim-Aspen Realty Associates, Cloudcroft, NM-
Toll Free: 866-324-5400 Cell #-505-491-2618**

6tp-April 25 - May 30

**Capitan High School—
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to use the playgrounds. Crane did acknowledge he understood the administration's concerns.

Resident Ed Vinson asked the school district take down the barbed wire at the top of the chain link fence that surrounds the school facility. Vinson said recently people who attended an activity at the church that is next to the school asked when Capitan got a reform school, because of the barbed wire at the top of the tall fence. He said most schools of Capitan's size have three to four foot high fences with no barbed wire.

"If you do nothing else," Vinson said. "Take down the barbed wire so we look like a school not a reformatory."

School board member James Hobbs suggested a class could do a fund raising project by building a nice fence of bricks or wrought iron.

The school board also:

-Discussed in closed session personally identifiable student information, discipline. Attorney Don Dutton was present on behalf of the student and her mother. No ac-

tion was taken on this item following the closed session.

-Heard the school superintendent announce that next year there will be a 13.5 percent increase in cost for health insurance through the New Mexico Insurance Authority. With that and the uncertainty of this year's state budget, the school district figured its 2002-2003 budget without any raises or step increases.

-Recessed to closed session to discuss limited personnel matters—employee growth plans and employee retirement.

A golf scramble was to be held for the school golf team April 21, National Honor Society induction

was to be April 22; Honor Band competition is May 3; Spring Music Concert at Spencer Theater is May 8; Elementary Ag Day is May 10 with the event open to the public on May 11; Baccalaureate is May 15; Kindergarten graduation is May 20; staff appreciation day is May 23; last day of school is May 24 with graduation on May 25.

**Smokey Bear Restaurant
Capitan**

**Cooks - Prep Cooks
Servers
Needed**

**Apply in Person
2:00 to 5:00 p.m.**

EMPLOYMENT

EXECUTIVE BUS DRIVER: Disabled Ruidoso area executive looking for driver/aide to drive and care for luxurious motor home bus. Part-time available, possibly full-time. Ideal candidate would have an excellent record, well organized, flexible, and meticulous about equipment. Overnight travel required. Interesting travel and varied duties. Full-time benefits include salary, health, life insurance, retirement, possible housing. Send letter/resume to Bus Applicant, Box 220, Nogal, NM 88341.

2tp/Apr. 18 & 25

EMPLOYMENT NOTICE

Lincoln County is now accepting applications for two positions of **TEMPORARY LABORERS** with the Lincoln County Road Department. Must work hard and be able to perform minor maintenance on equipment. Must have a Current driver's license, be able to do manual labor and drive a tractor to mow weeds. Employment will be condition upon applicant's successful completion of a physical examination and substance abuse test. Obtain applications at the Lincoln County Manager's Office in Carrizozo or by calling 505/648-2385. Applications must be received no later than 5:00 PM, May 3, 2002. LINCOLN COUNTY, EQUAL OPPORTUNITY EMPLOYER AND IN COMPLIANCE WITH THE AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES ACT, TITLE II-A.

2tc/Apr. 18 & 25

**STEARNS
INSURANCE
AGENCY
CARRIZOZO
(505) 648-2911**

**WANTED: Full or part-time bartenders
Outpost in Carrizozo
648-9994 or 648-2194
thru-June 24**

FOR SALE

**2 Goats, ready to butcher. \$100 for both. 648-2821 after 5:30 p.m. weekdays and all day weekends.
2tp-April 18 & 25**

**STOP worrying about your job! Earn \$500-\$700/mo. in your spare time. Step-by-step system, free information, complete training.
800-936-6222,
www.wfhtbiz.com
5tp/Apr. 11-May 9**

**MYSTERY SHOPPERS
needed for retail and restaurant audits in Carrizozo and Ruidoso. Apply online at
www.secretshopnet.com
2tp/Apr. 25-May 2**

**Volunteer bands, musicians, singers needed for July 4th Capitan Music Festival. Amateur or professional. Call Pat McCarthy 336-8292.
2tp/Apr. 25-May 2**

**EXHIBITORS Needed. June 29th Arts and Crafts Fair, First Presbyterian Church of Ruidoso. 257-2220 or 336-1225 for Entry Form.
1tp/Apr. 25**

**FOR SALE: 1985 Dodge Lancer, 4-dr., air, cruise, auto, 27,000 miles, \$1800.00 and kar kaddy two dolly w/spare and 2 new tires \$750.
(505) 648-4177
2tp/Apr. 25-May 2**

**HIGH HOPES
Going out of business sale, now through May 1. Most items 10 to 50 % off. Book exchange customers should use their existing book exchange funds. One mile west of Hwy 54/380 junction on Hwy 380, Carrizozo**

**NM LAND BARGAIN
592 Acres \$199,000.00
Lincoln County,
Near Capitan
Mountains,
remote, accessible
hunting land.
Owner Financing
10% Down
1-800-883-4841
2tp/Apr. 25-May 2**

**NEAR RUIDOSO
165 Acres \$49,900.00
Best buy in the area!
Foothills of
Capitan Mountains,
electric, spectacular
views, abundant
wildlife.
10% down
Owner Financing.
1-800-883-4841
2tp/Apr. 25-May 2**

**1988 25' Airstream
Excella Travel Trailer
Priced for quick sale
\$17,900 cash. Lots of
extras included. Shown by
appointment only in
Ruidoso, NM. Please call
(505) 257-5736 leave
message or e-mail:
olsonet@zianet.com
3tp/Apr. 25 &
May 2 & 9**

County Refinances

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Aaa and thus lowered the interest rates for the bonds. The cost of the insurance was compensated by the lowered interest rates for the bonds, Burpo added. In the ratings summary, it stated Lincoln County's rating reflected the county's local economy and well managed finances. Dain Rauscher representative Kevin Powers said it is very evident the county has a stable operation as it has not imposed all of its taxes available.

In the first full year of collecting the one-eighth percent gross receipt tax the county received \$464,513 in revenue. Over the last eight years the county gross receipt tax revenues have grown an average of 8.37 percent a year.

With the private financing, Lincoln County can use the gross receipt tax revenues that are in excess of that needed to fulfill the debt payments for the loan. With the New Mexico Finance Authority loan, the Lincoln County gross receipt tax revenue goes to the state Tax and Rev Department, which then returns the money to the county.

With the private loan the county has control of its money. "The county controls all the money, reduces costs and keeps the reserve earnings," Burpo said.

Kevin Powers with Dain Rauscher said had the county sold the bonds about three months ago it would have gotten even better interest rates.

"But it's still lower than the finance authority," said county commissioner Ray Nunley.

Later in the meeting county commissioners got a report on the detention center from county manager Tom Stewart. Correction Systems Inc. (CSI) officials were at the meeting earlier in the day, but CSI officials had to leave the meeting and were unable to report directly to county commissioners.

Powers said the county could get additional dollars by allowing the county treasurer to invest some of the debt service funds and the gross receipt tax revenue at higher rates, with significant impact to the revenues in the county general fund.

County Deputies

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police academy for certification. An officer can work up to a year without being certified.

Sullivan said the sheriff's office may have to go to hiring non-certified officers. "But it's ridiculous they have to go to the 21 week school, then training after they're out (to be certified)," Sullivan added.

"Two dollars an hour increase will help," Sullivan said in asking for the salary increase for deputies.

County commission chair Rex Wilson said the vacancies in the sheriff's office were open long enough the salary increase could be implemented before the new fiscal year which begins July 1.

Stewart said he has pleaded with the law enforcement academy and board to reduce the physical requirements and the time in school for certification. "We've lost good deputies because they couldn't run a mile and a half in 14 minutes," Stewart said.

With little more comment, Stewart recommended the \$2 an hour salary increase for up to 12 deputies, effective April 27. "The budget will take care of this because of the four vacancies," Stewart said. "It won't exceed the sheriff's budget."

County commissioners

unanimously approved the \$2 an hour salary increase for the 12 deputies.

County commissioners also unanimously approved a motion to improve salaries for sheriff's office dispatchers and to get the Village of Capitan and Town of Carrizozo to give budget assistance for the dispatch services provided to the two municipalities. This service is currently provided at no cost to the

two municipalities.


During discussion about dispatch salaries, Bonito Fire Department chief Chris Denne said he supported the sheriff's office request for additional dispatcher. He said the single dispatcher often on duty is over tasked which has led to some delays, especially with ambulance response.

Stewart said part of the problem is the lack of a "significant talent pool"

because people will not drive to Carrizozo for \$8.65 an hour.

Stewart said he has written mayors of both Capitan and Carrizozo requesting financial assistance with dispatch. Capitan mayor Steve Sederwall responded but Carrizozo hasn't.

Wilson did say Capitan and Carrizozo officials helped the county secure funding for new dispatch radio equipment from the state legislature and Carrizozo.



Elect
CHAVEZ
On June 4th!
Republican Candidate
for

DATES TO REMEMBER:
Absentee Voting:
4/25/2002 through
6/1/2002
Absentee
Applications Mailed
Upon Request From
Voter.

Absentee In-Person
Voting By Electronic
Voting Machine:
5/15/2002 through
6/1/2002
8:00 AM-5:00 PM
Monday-Friday
County Clerk's Office
and 9:30 AM-3:00 PM
Monday-Friday,
Ruidoso Senior
Citizens Center

Absentee In Person

Both Polling
Locations Will Be
Open On Saturday,
June 1, 2002
Carrizozo
8:00 AM-5:00 PM
Ruidoso
9:30 AM-3:00 PM

Paid for by the
Committee to Elect
Sam L. Chavez
Michelle L. Taylor,
Treasurer

LINCOLN COUNTY CLERK

EXPERIENCE and BACKGROUND:

- 16 Years In The Lincoln County Clerk's Office
- Deputy Elections Supervisor for the last 16 years
- Experienced, Qualified, Trustworthy and Very Dedicated
- Native New Mexican and life long resident of Lincoln County
- Member of the Lincoln County Republican Party since 1987
- Dedicated to Serving the Citizens of Lincoln County

MY GOALS FOR THE FUTURE:

- Organizing Voter Registration Drives
- Educating Voter Responsibility in keeping a current voter registration.
- Encouraging Voter Participation in all aspects of the election process
- Providing the residents of Lincoln County with the latest in voting machine technology
- Recruitment and Education of a new generation of Poll Workers
- Continuing the excellent working relationship with all governmental and private agencies

STOCK UP FOR CINCO MAYO

STURGES VENTURE

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|  <p>FARM FRESH Yellow Corn 5\$1 FOR</p> |  <p>SHURFINE Pinto Beans 4 LB. BAG 3\$4 FOR</p> |  <p>QUAKER Harina Preparada 4 LB. BAG 2\$4 FOR</p> |  <p>Dairy Case SHURFINE Cottage Cheese 12 OZ. 1\$19 FOR</p> | | | | | | | | | | | | |
|  <p>SHURFINE OR SHUR SAVING HOMOGENIZED LOWFAT OR SKIM Milk PREMIUM QUALITY GALLON 1\$99 FOR</p> |  <p>SANTA FE ASSTD. Tortilla Chips 14-20 OZ. 2\$4 FOR</p> |  <p>SMART BUY Deli Deluxe KRAFT SLICED 16 OZ. PKG. 3\$79 SMART BUY</p> |  <p>JUMBO ITALIAN SWEET Red Onions 99¢ LB. FRESH Yellow Onions 2\$1 LBS.</p> | | | | | | | | | | | | |
|  <p>12 OZ. OREO'S 12 OZ. GRAPENUT C' OR 18 OZ. GRAPENUT FL. PKG. Post Cereal MIX OR MATCH 2\$5 FOR</p> |  <p>Drumsticks 59¢ LB.</p> |  <p>BONELESS Pork Chops \$1.99</p> | <table border="1" style="width: 100%; border-collapse: collapse;"> <tr> <td style="padding: 2px;">  <p>PREFERRED TRIM BONELESS BEEF Top Round Roast 1\$89 LB.</p> </td> <td style="padding: 2px;">  <p>PREFERRED TRIM BONELESS BEEF Top Round Steak 1\$99 LB.</p> </td> </tr> <tr> <td style="padding: 2px;">  <p>TENDERIZED BEEF Cube Steak 2\$99 LB.</p> </td> <td style="padding: 2px;">  <p>Patio Burritos 5 OZ. PKGS. 3\$1 FOR</p> </td> </tr> </table> |  <p>PREFERRED TRIM BONELESS BEEF Top Round Roast 1\$89 LB.</p> |  <p>PREFERRED TRIM BONELESS BEEF Top Round Steak 1\$99 LB.</p> |  <p>TENDERIZED BEEF Cube Steak 2\$99 LB.</p> |  <p>Patio Burritos 5 OZ. PKGS. 3\$1 FOR</p> | | | | | | | | |
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