

Smokey Bear Stampedes Into Capitan July 3-6

by Doris Cherry

Smokey Bear will stampede into Capitan for a big Independence Celebration filled with rodeo, parade, runs, music and lots more fun on July 3-6.

The 47th annual Smokey Bear Stampede and Calf Scramble will ride into the arena at the Lincoln County Fairgrounds at 7 p.m. Wednesday, July 3. A

dance will be held at 9 p.m. to 1 p.m. in the fairgrounds exhibition hall. There is admission to the rodeo and to the dance.

Earlier on Wednesday, July 3, there will be a youth timed event rodeo at 12:30 p.m. also at the fairgrounds. Admission includes the night time Stampede performance.

On Thursday, July 4, In-

dependence Day, festivities begin at 7 a.m. with registration for the 22nd annual 10K and Two Mile Smokey Bear Fun Run.

Registration and the start of the race will be at the First Federal Bank parking lot at the corner of Smokey Bear Blvd. and State Road 246. The race course will be held on State Road 246.

Smokey Bear Fair trade show begins at 9 a.m. at the Capitan Schools Traylor Gym. The show will be open until 5 p.m. and there is no admission to attend. At the other end of the village, Capitan Public Library will hold its annual fund raiser from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.

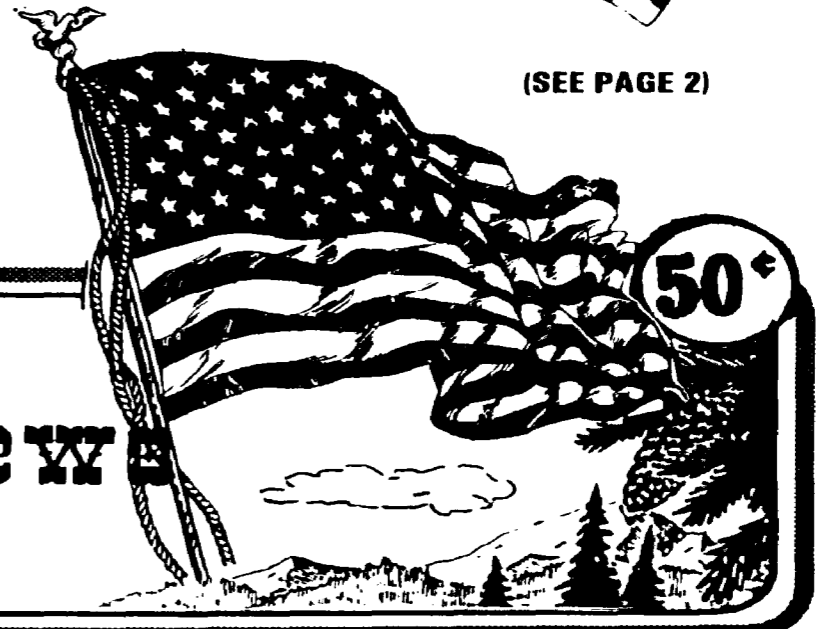
The 3rd annual Smokey Bear Art Fest and Music

will be held at the Friends of Smokey Visitor Center on Smokey Bear Blvd. next to Shell.

The 47th annual Smokey Bear Parade, sponsored by



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County Continues Ban On All Fires

by Doris Cherry

Allows Carrizozo And Fairgrounds Fireworks Displays

Lincoln County Commissioners continued their ban on open burning during a special meeting held June 20 in their chambers in the Lincoln County Courthouse in Carrizozo.

On a 3-1 vote, with county commissioner Rick Simpson casting the no vote, county commissioners extended their fire and fireworks ban for another 30 days. After the vote, county commissioner Ray Nunley asked if the commission had to meet again to lift restrictions if it starts to rain, or could it be done administratively.

County manager Tom Stewart said the county does have a permit process for public fireworks displays. He said Carrizozo Fire Department and the Lincoln County Fair Association at the Smokey Bear Stampede in Capitan plan to have July 4 fireworks displays.

"If we get a series of rains to alleviate the fire danger, then I'll ask for a special meeting to remove the fire ban," Stewart said. "But the weather is unpredictable."

Nunley said a little rain will not help the drought.

Stewart also said there is a lot of discussion about smoking outdoors.

County commissioner Bill Schwettmann at a previous meeting had asked if the county ban should include no smoking outdoors in all non-municipal areas.

Stewart said the state fire restrictions issued on June 18 allow smoking only inside a structure or vehicle with ashtray. He also said county can reference its ordinance about improper handling of fire which makes it unlawful to start a fire by improperly discarded cigar, cigarette, match, etc.

County commission chair Rex Wilson said if the county did not impose the restriction, the state fire restrictions would apply.

Stewart commented on "designated places" for outdoor smoking and referred to an incident at a convenience store in Alto where an outdoor smoking area was set up. He said such an area was not much of a help because the smokers were discarding their cigarettes carelessly.

Nunley said he saw a forest service employee smoking outside of his

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Lightning Caused Fire Extinguished In Nogal Canyon

Lightning strikes on June 20 started a fire on US Forest land in Nogal Canyon. Response from the USFS helicopter and Single Engine Attack Tanker (SEAT) airplane stationed at Sierra Blanca Regional Airport and help from the Nogal Fire Department brought that fire under control quickly.

Scattered rain showers brought relief to areas of Lincoln County last week. There were some very heavy rains on the county's east side plains, which flooded arroyos and dry crossings.

Proctor Appointed Magistrate Judge

Martha McKnight Proctor of Nogal has been appointed Magistrate Judge Division I by Governor Gary Johnson. Her term as Magistrate Judge will start August 1, 2002. Presently Gerald Dean Jr. is Magistrate Judge Division I. His retirement is effective July 31, 2002.

Proctor has been Lincoln County Clerk since 1989, presently serving in her 14th consecutive year as county clerk. She has served for five consecutive terms, three 2 year terms and 2 four year terms. This is the longest continuous term of any elected official in the history of Lincoln County.

Proctor plans to resign as Lincoln County Clerk effective August 1, 2002. The Lincoln County Commission will appoint a person to fill the county



FOND FAREWELL. Lincoln County Assessor Rick Silva congratulates Appraiser Clerk Aurelia (Lolly) Lueras after presenting her a plaque of appreciation and recognition for her retirement. The plaque was presented during the Lincoln County Commission meeting on Thursday, June 20. Lueras worked for the county for 29 and a half years. Lincoln County Commissioners wished Lolly and her husband Mike "all the best in their future".



Martha Proctor

clerk position until the end of the year. The newly elected county clerk will take office January 1, 2003.

Proctor was a candidate for Magistrate Judge Division I in the Republican primary June 4. She won

that election and will be the Republican candidate in the general election in November.

Proctor is a life long resident of Lincoln County, spending most of her life involved in the family ranching business in the Hondo Valley. She has three children, Tim, Altina and Todd, and three grandchildren.

Proctor has attended NMSU, ENMU-Ruidoso and UNM-CE as well as completing various courses associated with her duties as county clerk, including a number of classes on historical records. She is presently studying for the Magistrate Judge position and will have a mentor with her for several months. Magistrate Judges elected

C'zozo Fire Dept. Will Host Fireworks On 4th

by Doris Cherry

Carrizozo Volunteer Fire Department again is hosting its annual July 4 Independence Day Public Fireworks Display, set to begin at sundown, about 8:30 p.m. The public is also invited to bring fireworks for adults to shoot off prior to the display.

According to fire chief LeeRoy Zamora, fire department crews will be shooting off the display from the south side of the golf course park on Highway 380 east of Carrizozo. There is no admission to watch the display, however, fire fighters will pass around a fire boot for donations.

Adults are invited to bring and shoot their own fireworks in the area west of the golf course lake and

on the little league field, Zamora told *THE NEWS*. No fireworks will be allowed to be ignited on the golf course. "The area will be patrolled by Carrizozo Police Department and by Carrizozo firefighters and we will strictly enforce having only adults ignite their fireworks," Zamora said.

Carrizozo Chamber of Commerce will sell barbecue from 5 p.m. to 8 p.m. and the Carrizozo Little League and Santa Rita Church Fiesta Queen Ashley Samora will have concessions.

The Carrizozo Volunteer Fire Department holds fund raisers throughout the year with the money being used to purchase the fireworks.

Carrizozo School Board Hires New Superintendent

Carrizozo Board of Education has offered a one year contract for school superintendent to Sergio Castanon, former superintendent of Hondo Valley Public Schools.

Carrizozo School board president Steve Harkey told *THE NEWS* the school board decided to offer the contract to Castanon after his interview on Monday. Notice of the interview meeting with the school board was given to *THE NEWS* and posted at other locations in Carrizozo.

On Wednesday, Harkey told *THE NEWS* that Castanon had accepted the one-year contract as school superintendent and will begin to work sometime in early July. The school board will call a special meeting soon to formally approve hiring Castanon, Harkey added.

Castanon was one of three finalists interviewed by the school board on Monday, June 24. Harkey said the board received 10 applications for the superintendent position, which were reviewed and narrowed to three finalists--Donny Weems of Ruidoso,

Murphy Quick from Portales, and Castanon who lives in Ruidoso Downs.

Harkey said Castanon has been retired for the last year. His last position before retirement was principal at Tularosa Middle School. Prior to Tularosa he was superintendent of Hondo Valley Schools. Castanon was also principal of Ruidoso Middle School and an educator and coach in the Ruidoso School system.

Castanon will replace Rick Cogdill who is leaving Carrizozo to take a position at Aztec School.

Harkey said the school board will also re-hire certified staff (teachers) at the special meeting.

Notices of Carrizozo School Board meetings are posted at the Carrizozo Post Office and at *THE NEWS* office.



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Smokey Bear Stampedes

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Friends of US Forest Service, followed by fire trucks from all departments and agencies that deal with fire.

Following the parade, at 11 a.m. will be the 6th annual Capitan Music Festival and Celebration of the Arts at Capitan School grounds. The free event will be open until 7 p.m. with a host of musicians and musical groups.

The Masonic Lodge will sell barbecue from 11:30 to 1 p.m. at the fairgrounds. Youth timed events start

at 12:30 p.m. at the fairgrounds. Campfire barbecue will also be for sale at the fairgrounds from 1 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.

At 7 p.m. the Smokey Bear Stampede and Calf Scramble will begin with the crowning of the new Lincoln County Fair Queen at the Lincoln County Fairgrounds Fletcher Hall Arena. A fireworks display is planned in the arena before the final bull rides, fire restrictions permit-

ting. Dance from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. in the exhibit hall. There is separate admission to the rodeo and to the dance.

Festivities continue on Friday, July 5. The Smokey Bear Fair continues at the school with hours from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Downtown, the Wildland Firefighter Museum, Smokey Bear Museum and Shop, and Smokey Bear Historical Park will be open, as will businesses.

At Fletcher Hall Arena, senior tiedown steer roping gets underway at 8 a.m. followed by the 10th annual Old West Ranch Rodeo at 12:30 p.m. One admission pays the way into both events. At 7 p.m. the Smokey Bear Stampede gallops into the arena with more exciting rodeo events, including the very popular calf scramble for kids. Catch the ribbons off the calf tails and win a buckle! Dance from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m.

Saturday, July 6, senior tiedown steer roping con-

tinues at 8 a.m. followed by the Old West Ranch Rodeo. The final performance of the 47th annual Smokey Bear Stampede begins at 7 p.m. and the final dance will begin at 9 p.m.

Lincoln County 4-H, FFA and Rodeo Club will have concessions at the fairgrounds throughout the weekend. Campfire barbecue will be sold from 11 a.m. to 8:30 p.m. during all four days of events at the fairgrounds.

During the holiday, village shops will be open, vendors will be selling wares throughout the village and museums will be open. Carriage rides are also given for a fee.

Members of the Democratic Party of Lincoln County will be doing voter registration at the parade and other events on July 4.

Pull on your jeans, long sleeve shirt and hat and come on down to Capitan for a whoopee good time at the annual Independence Day holiday.



The rain showers dampening some areas of the county on Tuesday and Wednesday of this week are predicted to continue through the coming weekend.

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

Forecast for Car-rizozo, Lincoln, Hondo Valley and lower elevations of Lincoln County:

Today, Thursday, June 27: Partly to mostly cloudy with a 20 percent chance of thunderstorms. East winds 5-15 miles per hour. High of 94. Tonight 30 percent chance of showers with low of 57.

Friday, June 28: Partly to mostly cloudy with a chance of showers and thunderstorms. High to 94, low to 58.

Saturday through Sunday, June 29-30: Partly cloudy with a chance of showers and thunderstorms. High of 94, low of 61.

Monday through Tuesday, July 1-2: Partly cloudy with a slight chance of afternoon and evening showers and thunderstorms. High to 90, low to 60.

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

Today, Thursday, June 27: Partly to mostly cloudy with 30 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. High of 84 in Ruidoso. East winds 5-15 miles per hour, especially near thunderstorms. Tonight, 30 percent chance of showers with low of 50.

Friday, June 28: Partly to mostly cloudy with a chance of showers and thunderstorms. High to 77, low to 48.

Saturday through Sunday, June 29-30: Partly cloudy with a chance of showers and thunderstorms. Highs to 77, lows to 44.

Monday through Tuesday, July 1-2: Partly cloudy with a slight chance of afternoon and evening showers and thunderstorms. Highs to 78, lows to 45.

State Restricts Fire, Fireworks

Despite recent scattered thunderstorms, the state of New Mexico remains in extreme danger of wildfire and on June 18 New Mexico Energy, Minerals and Natural Resources Department issued a "smoking, campfire, fireworks and open fire prohibition" for state and private lands outside of municipalities.

Under the order, smoking is restricted to designated areas within structures or within vehicles equipped with ash trays while on paved or surface roads.

Open fires including campfires and fireworks are prohibited. However, cooking or heating devices that use kerosene, white gas or propane as a fuel will be allowed in a camping area that is cleared of flammable vegetation for at least 30 feet or has a water source.

Charcoal grills and wood and coal stoves WITHIN YARDS associated with a residence or on the premises of a business are allowed.

The state forester is allowing exceptions to the ban on fireworks where they are a part of a public exhibit approved by the local fire department.

Prohibited is all open burning of cropland, fields, rangeland, debris burning, slash piles, prescribed burning or weed burning.

All fuel wood cutting, timber harvesting and thinning activities which utilize gas-powered chain saws or other gas-powered equipment are prohibited on days of extreme "red flag" fire danger. Local red flag conditions exist when sustained wind speeds are 20 miles per hour or greater and relative humidity is 15 percent or less. Red flag information is available by calling the local State Forestry office.

On non-red flag fire danger days, fuel wood cutting, timber harvesting and thinning activities are prohibited from 10 a.m. until 8 p.m., which is considered the highest fire danger period during a day.

Chain saws or other equipment using gasoline powered engines must have spark arresters and operators must have a fire extinguisher and shovel immediately available for each piece of equipment.

Chain saws may not be operated between 10 a.m.

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SMOKEY BEAR STAMPEDE

July 3 - 6, 2002

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47th Annual Smokey Bear Stampede Rodeo, & Nightly Dance - July 3 thru 6

On July 4

47th Annual Smokey Bear Parade
22nd Annual 10K & 2 Mile Smokey Bear Fun Run
Classic & Antique Car Show
Capitan Public Library Bake & Book Sale
6th Annual Capitan Music Festival & Celebration of the Arts

Third Annual Smokey Bear Fair - July 4 & 5

10th Annual Old West Ranch Rodeo - July 5 & 6
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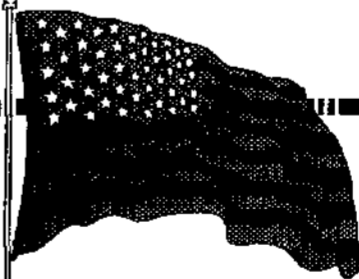
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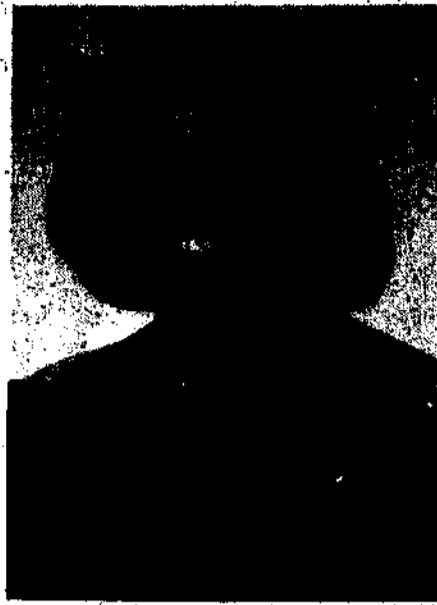
Miss New Mexico Erin Griggs will visit Carrizozo on Saturday, July 13 as part of the Arts in the Street celebration on Gallery Row, 12th Street.

Griggs will make personal appearances at several businesses around town during the day and will do a violin performance at the Zozo Gallery on 12th Street.

A luncheon is planned at noon at Zia Senior Center with tickets costing \$5. For more information about the luncheon call the senior center at 648-2121.

Griggs is the 21 year old daughter of Ron and Joan Griggs of Alamogordo. She is the granddaughter of Ken and Inez Ballenger of White Oaks and the grandniece of Barbara Ward of Carrizozo.

Griggs graduated from Alamogordo High School and will be a senior at New Mexico State University in Las Cruces where



Erin Griggs

she is majoring in hospitality, restaurant and tourism management.

Miss New Mexico's favorite charity is Alzheimer's Association of New Mexico and all money collected during her visit will go to this cause.

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.

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

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

TUESDAYS
--Fibromyalgia Syndrome Support Group, each Tuesday, 6 p.m. K-Bob's in Ruidoso.

WEDNESDAYS
--Alcoholics Anonymous, 6-7 p.m. Carrizozo Zia Senior Citizens Center.
--Alcoholics Anonymous, 7 p.m. Capitan Senior Citizens Center.

THURSDAYS
--Lincoln County Adult Singles Group 6:30 p.m. Call 354-2635 or 258-3201 for information and location.
--Capitan Chamber of Commerce Bingo, doors open 6:30 p.m.

TODAY, THURSDAY, JUNE 27
--Lincoln County Highway 70 Advisory Task Force meets at 6:30 p.m. at Hondo School cafeteria.
--Smokey Bear Historical Park FREE summer education program for 2nd to 5th graders, 9 a.m. to 12 noon, at the park in Capitan. Call 354-2748 to register.

SATURDAY, JUNE 29
--Tour of the High Energy Access Tool (HEAT) training facility about half mile north of Tinnie. Public invited to attend the open house tours.

SUNDAY, JUNE 30
--Humane Society of Lincoln County Spring-A-Pet Open House adoption drive, noon to 4 p.m. Humane Society shelter on Gavilan Canyon near Ruidoso.

MONDAY, JULY 1
--Capitan Chamber of Commerce 12:30 p.m. chamber building on 2nd St.

TUESDAY, JULY 2
--Capitan Public Library Summer Reading Program 10:30 a.m. to 12 noon; "Yankee Doodle Doodles".
--Ruidoso P&Z Commission 2 p.m. Ruidoso Village hall.
--Carrizozo Street Fair meeting, 6 p.m. Carrizozo Joe's.
--American Legion Capitan Post 57 meets at 7 p.m. at Capitan Senior Citizens Center.

WEDNESDAY, JULY 3
--LINCOLN COUNTY NEWS will publish.
--Ruidoso Library Board 12 noon, library.

THURSDAY, JULY 4, INDEPENDENCE DAY.
--All municipal, county, state and federal offices closed, all banks closed, Ruidoso Public Library closed.
--See schedule for Independence Day events in Capitan, including the parade at 10 a.m. ranch rodeo at noon, music festival, trade show, 47th annual Smokey Bear Stampede.
--Free fireworks display at Carrizozo Golf Course, sundown. Barbecue sales by Carrizozo Chamber of Commerce, concessions.

Proctor Appointed

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In the general election in November will attend training before taking office January 1, 2003.

Proctor has served as a member of the board of directors of New Mexico First, New Mexico Association of Counties (NMAC) board of directors, New Mexico Women's Foundation board of directors, and is presently the first vice president of the New Mexico Clerk's Affiliate. She was a member of the election law revision committee for several years, member of the International Association of Clerks, Recorders, Election Officials and Treasurers, New Mexico Association of Counties, National Association of County Recorders & Clerks, and National Association County officials. She was presented the Jeweled Elephant Award which is given to the most valuable elected official in the State of New Mexico by Federated Republican Women of New Mexico.

Proctor was appointed by Governor Carruthers to serve on the New Mexico Open Records Task Force. She served as chair of the Lincoln County Senior Citizens Advisory Board, is a member of the Lincoln County Enhanced 911 Committee, Lincoln County Historical Society, Corriente CowBelles, Carrizozo Chamber of Commerce, Carrizozo Woman's Club, and was a Cub Scout and 4-H leader.

Proctor feels she can serve the public well as Magistrate Judge because she has the knowledge and experience in interpreting the statutes and laws. She pledges to consider each case on its merits and to apply the laws on a fair and impartial basis according to the Constitutions and laws of New Mexico and the United States of America.

"I will treat people with dignity and respect and will be firm in decisions for justice," Proctor said.

Canyon CowBelles

Canyon CowBelles emt June 5 at Bunty Richardson with 12 members and several children attending. Hostesses were Bunty Richardson and Barbara Culbertson.

Thank you notes received were presented. Becca Ferguson sent thank you notes from the Carrizozo School first and second graders for Ag Day.

Lisa Dixon reported the Carrizozo Ag Day was a success despite the wind. The general Ag Day was not well attended, but those there were impressed with the substance and information provided by the speakers.

Cherri Good was scheduled to attend the Ag in the Classroom course about greenhouses at Fort Stanton. Six teachers and teacher aids will be attending Ag in the Classroom this summer.

Nancy Lollar presented ideas for the quilt block for the Patti Townsend quilt project. The mailbox

design was accepted.

Knollene McDaniel reported the flagpoles are up at the Lincoln County Fairgrounds. Hopefully the plaque will be installed by July 4.

New

Baby

Allison Elise Archuleta was born at 8:58 a.m. April 11 in Peoria, IL. She was 20 inches long and weighed 9 lbs. 1 1/2 oz.

Proud parents are William and Tara Archuleta. Grandparents are Pristine and Guillermo Archuleta of Carrizozo, Gloria Teeling of Chillicothe, IL, and Max Chmielewski of Lockport, I. Great grandparents are Ignacio Sr. and Gloria Sotelo of Cotulla, TX and Robert Jr. and Jacqueline Teeling of Romeoville, IL.

William Archuleta is a 1994 graduate of Carrizozo High School. He is in the U.S. Army stationed in Korea since January. He will be home in July.

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MINORITY REPORT (PG13)
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SCOOBY DOO (PG)
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Virgil Stephens

OTHER LIBRARY ACTIVITIES:
Bake/Book/Hot Dog Sale - July 4
Summer Reading Program - Tuesdays - 10:30 to 12

OTHER CAPITAN EVENTS:
4th of July Celebration - Includes Smokey Bear Stampede Rodeo, 10K Run, Parade, Trade Show, BBQ, Youth Rodeo, Ranch Rodeo, Music Festival, etc. - July 3-6
Art Loop Tour - July 13, 14
Ranchman's Camp Meeting - July 17-21

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THOUGHTS

FROM THE EDITOR'S DESK

Clouding the Issues

By Ruth Hammond

Considering how often the wind blows here in Lincoln County it is surprising that the smoke from the Arizona fires lingered as long as it did. Many people commented about the haze and wondered when it would leave. It is unusual to not be able to see the mountains, but that is what happens when something, anything, is put between you and the mountains. If you can't see the mountains, you may think about them, but most of your thoughts are on other things, things closer to home. Does this sound similar to what has been happening by some municipal officials?

One thing we hear repeatedly is that certain people want to get rid of the person in charge of the Lincoln County Solid Waste Authority (LCSWA), and no one knows why. Could it be that one particular person wants that job? Could it be that one particular person believes that it would be easy to manage LCSWA on a part time basis? Could it be that one particular person wants the LCSWA manager salary in addition to other salaries received, not instead of those other salaries? Could it be that one particular person has a grudge against the present LCSWA manager? Could it be that one particular person resents having a female in a position of authority? Or could it be that one particular person is being influenced by other particular persons? Or could someone benefit if LCSWA were to fail and trash collection service was assigned to a private business?

Naturally you might assume that this particular person has legitimate gripes, or that the person influencing this particular person has basis for wanting the present LCSWA manager removed. And, you might also assume that there is no logical reason for LCSWA to continue to be operated efficiently and in the black, except that LCSWA should be doing what it is doing. It provides a much needed service and for the first time in years it is operating in the black.

The only other reason we can think of for this situation might be that it is a smoke screen to keep people from being aware of other things that are happening. Could it be that if people are thinking about LCSWA they aren't asking questions about the price of natural gas and how much it will cost to heat homes and businesses this next winter? Or could it be that if particular people point fingers it gives the impression the finger pointers are above doing anything that might be considered dishonest? Interesting concept.

Really now, wouldn't you prefer to know in advance why officials are doing what they are doing? If their actions are honestly in the best interest of the public, why shouldn't the public know? Or is this another method of trying to control what people think? Anyone trying to control another person might be doing it for their own selfish reasons. Possible?

One explanation might be that these officials believe the public is too dumb to think and that any actions taken by officials is better than anything the public can or will do.

Luckily, not all officials are trying to put something over on the public and are genuinely trying to do what is best for everyone. Luckily not all officials are in it for the money and they don't try to hide the amount they receive. Luckily not all officials put up smoke screens to control people.

Don't see it, don't believe it!

J.P. Doodles

THERE GOES ANOTHER POOR PILGRIM CROSSIN' TH' NO-MAN'S LAND BETWEEN AIR-CONDITION'RS!



SANTA FE

INSIDE THE CAPITAL

SANTA FE -- This month marks the 140th anniversary of the last time we banished Texas armies from New Mexico soil -- although some would argue that armies of Texans still invade Ruidoso and Red River every horse racing and ski season.

In June 1862 the last of "Los Diablos Tejanos," or Texan Devils as they were known in these parts, straggled out of the state. In March they had suffered a crushing defeat at Glorietta Pass. After losing two battles, they incurred the ultimate loss when a force of Colorado volunteers got behind them, burned their supply line and scattered the mules.

The confederates headed back to El Paso, attempting to loot the country for supplies, but meeting much more resistance from New Mexico residents than they had on their march north. By July 1862, the last of the Texan Devils were gone. They continued to tumble eastward to San Antonio. For the rest of the Civil War, the Great State of Texas west of San Antonio again belonged to the Indians.

Grand plans of the Confederacy had come to naught. Only a year earlier, the picture had looked so bright. When Texas seceded early in 1861, the Union commander in the state went over to the Confederacy and surrendered all posts and troops under his command. The CSA occupied government forts all the way to Fort Bliss, near El Paso.

In July 1861, Henry Sibley, the Fort Bliss commander, led his troops into southern New Mexico and captured the entire garrison of Fort Fillmore, just south of Las Cruces.

By the time they got there, the Union soldiers had all fled, heading for Fort Stanton across the Organ Mountains. But not before draining nearly all the post's booze and filling their canteens with the rest. Before they reached the mountains, they had dropped from dehydration. They were easy pickings for Confederate troops the following day. Suspensions were strong that the Fillmore commander was a Confederate sympathizer.

This emoldened Gen. Sibley to urge President Jefferson Davis to

authorize an invasion of New Mexico, with a view to extending Confederate power all the way to California. Davis agreed and Sibley set up headquarters in Mesilla and declared it the capital of a new Confederate state of Arizona, extending from southern New Mexico to California.

It sounded great, but it was a foolhardy scheme, with no hope of succeeding. The CSA lacked the power to take and control such a large region. Moreover, the very announcement of the enterprise undercut the legitimacy of the CSA cause, which had been portrayed diplomatically as purely defensive. Mexico, Central American countries and possible Confederate allies in Europe were put off, to say the least.

By early 1862, Sibley was moving north along the Rio Grande, while another unit headed toward California. He won small battles along the way as Union forces retreated, first to Albuquerque, then Santa Fe and then northeast toward the major supply depot at Fort Union.

That was a target Texas wanted. Its New Mexico supply line already was stretched to it limit. That made the loss at Glorietta even more devastating. The gentlemanly New Mexicans even had to loan the Texans shovels the morning after the final battle to bury their dead. In all, about 1,000 Texan troops were either dead, captured or missing.

The force that headed to California turned around when a column of volunteers from the state met them this side of the border. One of Sibley's officers led a raid, ostensibly in pursuit of hostile Indians, into Mexico and perpetrated a massacre in a peaceful Mexican village.

Mexico, at the time, was battling a French takeover of their country. It was on May 5, 1862 that Mexicans won their one battle, at Puebla, which still is commemorated as Cinco de Mayo. So the Texans incursion was a distraction Mexico didn't need, especially after losing half its nation to the United States 15 years earlier.

PSYCHIC PREDICTIONS FOR THE NEW MILLENNIUM



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Cancer: (June 21 - July 22) Change is in the Air, Water, and Earth too! Look around at all the beautiful Things and People that you take for granted. Don't let it pass you by.

Leo: (July 23 - Aug 22) Something new is just around the corner, take your time and make sure what you're doing is what your really want to do for the rest of your life. Think.

Virgo: (Aug 23 - Sept 22) Someone close to you may need your help, and you don't even know it. Watch for signs. Take a good look at what you're doing before its too late.

Libra: (Sept 22 - Oct 22) You might not think that someone really cares by the way they are acting. Some times, people act like they want to be treated. Give with lots of Love.

Scorpio: (Oct 23 - Nov 21) Your temper could set you back, not only time, but could cost you money. Don't give in, by giving up. Take the time to check things out first.

Sagittarius: (Nov 22 - Dec 21) Don't let a little rut trip you up, while you're looking at the Mountain that you're afraid to climb. Fear can do a lot of damage by just thinking about it.

Capricorn: (Dec 22 - Jan 19) You'll have a choice to do what you think is right, or what someone else thinks is right. You will have to live with yourself longer than living with them.

Aquarius: (Jan 20 - Feb 18) The way to double your money, is to fold it in half, and put it back in your pocket! When you have to spend your money think twice. Double up.

Pisces: (Feb 19 - March 20) Don't work all the time, with no play. Your mind will work over time for a while until you decide to do what needs to be done right the first time.

Aries: (March 21 - April 19) A nice surprise is waiting for you! Open your heart up and receive the love you have waited for a life time. Start to love yourself first, Love is here.

Taurus: (April 20 - May 20) What do you really want? Don't say something to make someone to make them happy. Tell the truth so you won't have to remember what you said.

Gemini: (May 21 - June 20) Life is too short, to be unhappy. Remember you were looking for a job when you found this one. Look inside of your self to find real happiness.

Letters



EDITOR: Much has been written about the first Governor of New Mexico -- W. C. McDonald, when New Mexico became a state in 1913. He was my husband's grandfather.

With the Fourth of July approaching, I would like to make people aware of another aspect of the Spencer -- McDonald family. When I married my husband Truman Spencer Jr., he was in the Air Force. He was squadron commander of the 42nd Bombardment Group -- 13th Air Force in WWII, was M.I.A. (missing in action) but returned to New Mexico to manage the fourth generation Bar W Ranch.

I, his wife, was born in "the service" due to my father being a Lt. (Lieutenant Colonel) in the U.S. Cavalry.

Our older daughter was an American Airline stewardess (flight attendant), our son, Steven McDonald Spencer is a Lt. Col., retired, a Vietnam veteran and served on the Board of Regents at NM Military Institute for six years, as did his father. Our younger son, Stirling Truman Spencer was guest speaker at NM Military Institute on May 3, 2002 and "highlighted" the principal of honor being the guiding force of NM Military Institute graduates, and how important a graduate's word should be.

He related how his experiences as a businessman, army officer, and politician were "founded" upon knowing that when you are honest with people, and they are honest with you, you can be successful.

We believe in God and we believe in our country. We are a family who is proud of not only Americans, but proud of having served our country.

MARION SPENCER
Carrizozo, New Mexico

Have A Nice Day!



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SMOKEY'S REPORT

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

June 17:
 10:38 a.m. request for ambulance for woman who fell at her residence on 3rd Street. Ruidoso Med 1 responded and transported to Lincoln County Medical Center (LCMC) in Ruidoso.
 2:28 p.m. request for ambulance for patient with chest pains at location on Smokey Bear Blvd. Med 2 responded and transported to LCMC after there was no response from Capitan ambulance.
 3:01 p.m. reporting party from Nebraska reported fraud in Capitan.
 8:14 p.m. shots fired at mile marker 279 on Highway 70.
 8:44 p.m. barking dogs in Homestead Acres.
 9:06 p.m. suspicious activity at business on Highway 70.
 10:59 p.m. suspicious vehicle on High Sierra Ct. a bunch was driving up and down on the court, they stopped and suspicious subjects got out of the car and suspicious activity. Deputies assigned.
June 18:
 1:14 a.m. request for ambulance for man with stomach pains on B. Ave. Carrizozo ambulance transported to LCMC.
 4:40 a.m. request for ambulance for patient having trouble breathing. Ruidoso Advanced Life Support (RALS) transported to LCMC.
 7:49 a.m. runaway female juvenile, from mile marker 278 on Highway 70.
 10:06 a.m. grass fire on State Road 220 near Ranches of Sonterra. Deputy advised he was doing an investigation at the fire area. Bonito and Capitan Fire Departments, NM State Forestry, US Forest Service responded. The units returned to their stations by 5:55 p.m.
 11:11 a.m. neighbors k-9s running at large in Enchanted Forest.
 11:46 a.m. animal abuse, cattle didn't have water in the Ranches of Sonterra area.
 1:56 p.m. damage to property at location on Highway 70.
 10:16 p.m. suspicious circumstance on Acequia in Agua Fria.
June 19:
 7:59 a.m. request for ambulance in Lincoln area. Med 1 was paged, but the call was canceled.
 9 a.m. Children, Youth and Families Department (CYFD) made two referrals. Two deputies responded.
 12:38 p.m. four wheelers on Franklin St. in Corona.
 1:16 p.m. unattended death of 85 year old female at mile marker 17 on State Road 368 in Arabela. A deputy and the OML responded.
 2:30 p.m. district court requested a deputy to serve a bench warrant.
 7:58 p.m. Ruidoso police advised of a bear and on-lookers in traffic in the Ruidoso area.
 11:43 p.m. noise nuisance, barking dogs, on Tomahawk.
June 20:
 7:22 a.m. accident with injuries at mile marker 43 on Highway 380 west. Carrizozo ambulance was paged and requested RALS, which transported the injured to LCMC.
 7:53 a.m. request for deputy to take a report of theft of two wheelers and trailer at mile marker 11 on Highway 48.
 12:25 p.m. request for ambulance to transport a patient from Capitan to LCMC. Capitan ambulance responded.
June 21:
 11 a.m. reporting party from Texas reported larceny, stolen items from location in Fawn Ridge.
 12:11 p.m. attempted breaking and entering at location in White Oaks.
 12:57 p.m. k-9s running at large on Highway 70 west, one dog was injured and tied to another.
 6:41 p.m. request for deputy for missing bridles at location in Palo Verde.
 7:59 p.m. 911 request for ambulance at location on B001 for four month old baby that fell on its face and the parents were having trouble keeping it awake. Capitan ambulance did not respond to page so RALS transported the baby to LCMC.
 9:25 p.m. 911 report of loud party and request for agency assistance at location on west 1st in Capitan. Deputies responded.
June 22:
 12:10 a.m. noise complaint at location on Reynolds Drive, possible dog barking and request for officer to assist.
 1:06 p.m. request for ambulance at location on D. Ave. for male with cut hand. Carrizozo ambulance transported to LCMC.
 5:32 p.m. dogs, red heelers, running at large at mile marker 274 on Highway 70.
 5:42 p.m. 911 report of subject cutting trees on private property in Turkey Canyon.
 6:05 p.m. breaking and entering at a construction company office near Carrizozo.
 9:23 p.m. campfire at location in Sierra Vista Estates, the caller advised of a strong smell of smoke and the neighbors had an open flame campfire.
 9:41 p.m. 911 request for ambulance at location on State Road 246 for male diabetic. RALS responded but was refused.
June 23:
 10:08 a.m. report of smelling smoke at Gavilan Canyon and Highway 48. Bonito Fire Department responded but could not locate a fire.
 11:20 a.m. 10 four wheelers were going up and down Ruth Rd. off Highway 37.
 1:02 p.m. request for ambulance at location on Escalante in Agua Fria.
 1:10 p.m. request for ambulance for 72 year old female who fell and broke a leg at location in Ruidoso. Med 2 ambulance transported to LCMC.
 1:24 p.m. tree in a power line on Gavilan Canyon. Bonito Fire Dept. responded.
 10:08 p.m. report of woman and man fighting and screaming at parking lot of Alto post office.

ported to LCMC.
 11:08 p.m. suspicious vehicle at construction office near Carrizozo.
 11:43 p.m. LCDC requested ambulance for 48 year old male with chest pains. Carrizozo ambulance requested RALS to transport.
June 25:
 9:50 a.m. larceny at RV park east of Ruidoso Downs.

June 24:
 1:21 a.m. request for ambulance at location on 3rd for man who fell. Capitan ambulance was paged but did not respond so RALS transported.
 7:57 a.m. peacekeeping at location on LaMay Road.
 8:33 a.m. unknown 911 report domestic. Deputy advised all was okay, it was only verbal.
 9:36 a.m. dead chickens on Connor Court in Capitan area.
 10:07 a.m. caller from Texas reported threats at location on Mulligan.
 10:42 a.m. suspicious person in White Oaks.
 6:06 p.m. criminal call on Juniper Springs Road in Loma Grande.
 8:16 p.m. civil peacekeeping at business in Lincoln.
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**Lordy, Lordy,
 Guess who's 40!
 Can't guess who?
 It's Carrie Sue!
 Love from your
 family**

Card of Thanks

The family of Johnnie Erramouspe would like to thank the many people who were praying for Mother, and who called, visited, sent cards, flowers, or financial gifts during her recent illness and passing.
 Thank you also to those who brought food to our homes and to the dinner and who helped give the funeral dinner. Such caring and thoughtfulness is very much appreciated and helped us all through a very difficult time.



Church Directory



MOUNTAIN MINISTRY PARISH, SIERRA BLANCA PRESBYTERY

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

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

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

First Baptist Church
 HAYDEN SMITH, Pastor
 314 10th Ave., Carrizozo, NM
 648-2968 (Church) or 648-2107
 Sunday School 9:45 a.m.
 Worship Service 10:55 a.m.
 Sun. Evening Training at 8:15 p.m.
 Evening Worship 7:15 p.m.
 Wednesday Bible Study 7:00 p.m.

Carrizozo Community Church (A/G)
 JOHNNIE 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 1:15 p.m.
 Wednesday Bible Study 7:00 p.m.

St. Matthias Episcopal Church
 REV. CANDY JOHN PENN, Rector
 Corner of E Ave. and Sixth, Carrizozo, NM
 1-605-257-2356
 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 D7 Ave, 648-2893 / 648-2846
 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.

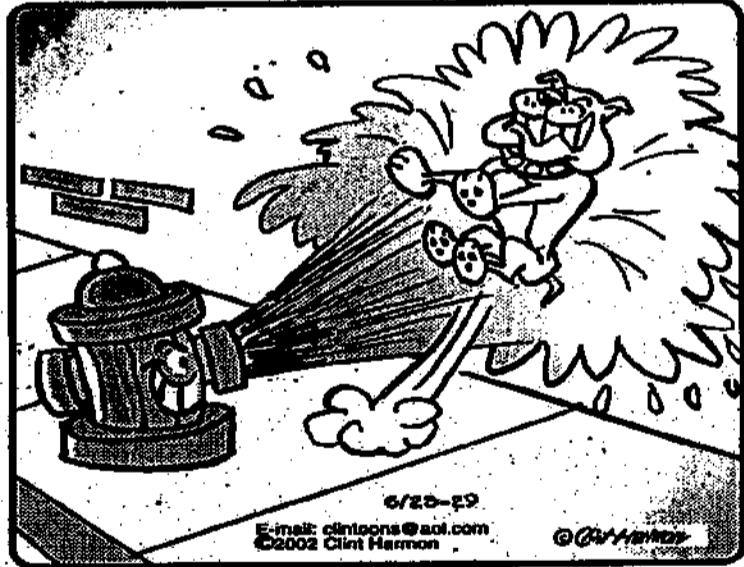
Christ Community Fellowship
 ED VINSON, Pastor (inter-denominational)
 514 Smokey Bear Blvd., Capitan, NM
 Sunday School 9:30 a.m.
 Sunday Morning Worship 10:30 a.m.

Capitan Church of Christ
 LESLIE EARWOOD, Minister
 5th & Lincoln / 336-4827
 Sunday Bible Study 10:00 a.m.
 Worship Service 11:00 a.m.
 Evening Worship 6:00 p.m.
 Wednesday Bible Study 7:00 p.m.

Trinity Southern Baptist Church
 MEL GNATKOWSKI, Pastor / 648-2530
 Phone 354-2044
 Capitan (South on Hwy. 48)
 Sunday School 9:30 a.m.
 Worship Service 11:00 a.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

UNGLUED By Clint Harmon



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Forested Lot Cleanup Mandated In Ruidoso

by Doris Cherry

As catastrophic wild-fires consumed forests and communities in Arizona and Colorado, Ruidoso Village Council took a proactive stance to alleviate extreme fire hazards by adopting ordinances that will require all property owners to clean and thin their forested lots or else the village will do it and put

a lien on the property to pay for it.

At their meeting Tuesday, June 25, Ruidoso Councilors unanimously adopted Ordinance 2002-04 Adopting the Urban Wildland Interface Code; Ordinance 2002-05 Establishing an Urban Wildland Interface Overlay Zone; Ordinance 2002-06 Amending the Ruidoso Code Regarding Fire Prevention and Or-

dinance 2002-07 Amending the Ruidoso Code regarding development standards relating to terrain management, forest management, landscaping and design standards. The ordinances were the product of the Forest Health Task Force, volunteers and councilors appointed by the mayor to meet and formulate solutions to the extreme fire hazards.

But now the village councilors must decide on how to pay for the high cost of forest clean up. Of the proposed options, councilors favored imposition of their last three discretionary mills of property tax. If they approve this option it would raise property taxes on a \$100,000 home by about \$100 a year.

During the public hear-

ings on the ordinances, village planning administrator Mike Runnels said the March Kokopeli fire was a wake up call for Ruidoso. That fire prompted the formation of the task force. Proposed ordinances from the task force were sent to the village Planning and Zoning Commission which further amended the proposed rules.

Runnels said the Task Force and P&Z identified two objectives—fuel management and infrastructure and structure protection. The task force took established urban wildland codes for construction and fuel management and adapted them to fit the specifics of Ruidoso, Runnels added.

The new ordinances give the planning administrator or his designee and the village fire chief powers to enforce all requirements and to give

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FUTURE BANKER? 17 month old Dustyn Carpenter and his mom Jennifer Buff attended the Grand Opening of the First Federal Bank branch office in Capitan on June 19. Bank officials from Capitan, Ruidoso and Roswell attended the grand opening that featured, food and old fashioned live music. Dustyn's grandmother, Jana Townsend, works for the bank branch.

Ruidoso Mayor Announces New Clerk Appointee

Ruidoso Village Mayor Leon Eggleston announced at the June 25 village council meeting that he will appoint Irma Nava as village clerk, when it becomes necessary.

Current Ruidoso Village Clerk Tammie Maddox won the Republican primary election for county clerk and will be the Republican candidate on the ballot for the general election in November.

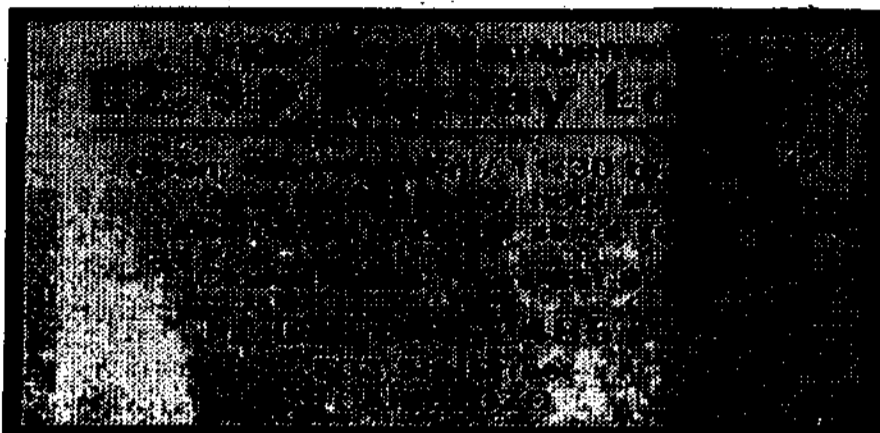
Nava is currently the deputy clerk for the Village of Ruidoso.

During discussion about Eggleston's appointment of Nava, councilor Bob Sterchi said he thought the action was premature and the mayor should have waited until Maddox was officially elected in November.

Ruidoso village attorney John Underwood said he would get an opinion about the situation with the clerk.

The Lincoln County News To Publish Wednesday, July 3

Lincoln County News will publish on Wednesday, July 3 because the July 4 Independence Day falls on Thursday. *The News* will be published and mailed on July 3. All advertising, notices, calendar items and information items must be submitted by 5 p.m. Monday, July 1. *The News* office will be closed on July 4.



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Refreshments will be served and tours will be conducted. Dress casual and wear good walking shoes.

The HEAT Tinnie Range Facility (Old Latigo Ranch headquarters) is one-half mile north of Tinnie on SR 368.



OPEN HOUSE

County And State JPA For Election System

by Doris Cherry

Citing they had no choice, the Lincoln County Commissioners unanimously approved a joint powers agreement (JPA) with the New Mex-

ico Secretary of State for a Voter Registration and Election Management System (VREMS).

County commissioners approved the agreement during their special meeting Thursday, June 20 held in their chambers in the Lincoln County Courthouse in Carrizozo.

"We're the last county to jump on board," said county manager Tom Stewart.

When the agreement was first sent to the county, Stewart recommended county commissioners take no action because he thought he and county attorney Alan Morel did not have enough information about the VREMS and funding seemed to have been in question. By the time of the June 20 meeting however, Stewart recommended county commissioners approve the agreement because he had received more information from the Secretary of State (SOS) office and from the county clerk. He

said there will be no cost to the county to hook onto the SOS VREMS and there will be no cost to access the system in the first year. After the first year it will cost the county \$3,000 a year for management of the VREMS. "It's another step away from Triadic (the county's current voting software provider)," Stewart said.

County Commissioner Leo Martinez said he was told if the county does not sign on to the new system now, the county will have to pay for all of it in the future.

Lincoln County Clerk Martha Proctor said she had been negotiating with the SOS office about the cost and she did not realize Martinez had also been involved in the discussions. She said the negotiations resulted in the county paying half of what the SOS office had originally wanted to charge.

County commission chairman Rex Wilson commented that it was good that the county waited to hook into the VREMS because of problems experienced by other counties that hooked into the VREMS when it was first introduced. "It's nice to have let them (the SOS office) work the bugs out before we hooked on," Wilson said.

In a memo from the SOS to Proctor, it was stated if the county did not accept the agreement, the county would lose a \$55,180 state allocation to Lincoln County for connection to the VREMS.

County commissioners also approved the annual fixed asset inventory certification of all county chattels and equipment worth more than \$500 or more. This year's audit accounted for \$19,382,413 worth of capital items valued at \$500 or more, reported Stewart. The inventory list, many pages long, is available for inspection with the county manager.

Several bids and requests for proposals were awarded at the meeting. Key Communications of Roswell was the only company to submit a bid to upgrade county emergency services communications equipment. The entire bid package, separated in phases, was for \$220,404. The total bid was higher than the funding which was provided to the county by two legislative appropriations totaling \$110,000 and a county match of \$10,000. County commissioners accepted the bid in phases of \$58,681 for the Lincoln County Sheriff's Office dispatch center renovation; \$22,391 for installation of a mountain repeater, and \$5,025 for a remote start generator for the Capitan site. The rest of the bid, \$134,327, was for a repeater system in Hondo that would have required a new tower which will be considered at a later date, perhaps after a private company installs a tower in the Hondo valley area.

County commissioners awarded the bid for rebuilding of a Cummins diesel engine for the 1995 L9000 dump truck to low bidder Ellen Equipment of

County Continues Fire Ban.....

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vehicle on State Road 48. "We can't legislate everything," Wilson commented.

No mention was made about the Spencer Theater fireworks display.

County fire restrictions will continue as long as state and federal fire restrictions remain in place.

All forest lands in the Lincoln National Forest remain closed to public entry and use and will remain until rains have alleviated the extreme fire danger.

Court Calendar

12th JUDICIAL DISTRICT
DIVISION III

The following is the calendar for District Judge Karen L. Parsons for the week of June 24:

Monday, June 24:

8:15 a.m. Kayla Martin; CV-2002-114 (name change) - 9 a.m. jury trial

SNM v. Richard Lopez; CR-2001-108 (Dobbs/Cosby)
SNM v. John Bloomquist; CR-2001-109 (Wilson/Rafkin)

Tuesday, June 25:

8:15 a.m. Hightower v. MVD; CV-2002-98 (restore license)

9 a.m. jury trial continued for Lopez and Bloomquist.

Wednesday, June 26:

8:15 a.m. LaBrosse; PB-2002-18 (present order) - 9 a.m. jury trials

Bobby Zamora; CR-2002-02 (Thompson/Mitchell)
Daniel Munoz; CR-2002-05 (Thompson/Mitchell)
Jose Martinez; CR-2002-08 (Thompson/Mitchell)
Johnny Fierro; CR-2001-139 (Wilson/Klipstine)

Darrel N. Brantley:

10 a.m. Michelle Bellos v. Steven Powell; DV-2002-78

Thursday, June 27:

8:15 a.m. Unruh name change; CV-2002-112 (Prelo)

9 a.m. jury trials continued if necessary

Friday, June 28:

8:30 a.m.

Edward Nanz; CR-2002-26 (plea)
Luis Gonzales; CR-2002-09 (pretrial)
Adam Means; CR-2002-07 (plea)
Romana Bell; CR-2002-19 (plea)
Michael Gonzales; CR-2001-182 (sentencing) & CR-2002-88 (first appearance)

Alvin Laird; CR-2002-40 (pretrial)

Marcello Silva; CR-2002-31 (pretrial)

Jennifer Romero; CR-2002-24 (pretrial)

Greg Jolly; CR-2002-50 (first appearance) & CR-93-13 (first appearance, pretrial)

Javier Castrejon; CR-2002-56 & 58 (first appearance)

Brian Painter; CR-2002-51 (plea)

Matthew Combs; CR-2002-48 (first appearance)

Wayne Flanagan; CR-99-121 (merits)

Thelma Zamora; CR-2002-17 (plea)

Samuel Zamora; CR-2002-15 (pretrial)

Terri Dover; CR-2002-28 (plea)

Miguel Rameriz; CR-2001-121 (sentencing)

Justin Phillips; CR-2002-131 (sentencing)

Cynthia Encinas; CR-99-151 (merits)

Luis Abeyta; CR-2002-87 (first appearance)

Ronald Stephens; CR-2002-08 (plea)

Jose Martinez; CR-2002-08 (plea)

Justin Kennedy; CR-99-54 & CR-00-119 (merits)

Bobby Baker; CR-2001-51 (judicial inquiry)

Gregory Good; CR-2002-76 (first appearance)

Alejandro Garcia; CR-2002-73 (first appearance)

Constantino Rangel; CR-2002-75 (first appearance)

April Johnson; CR-2001-120 (judicial inquiry)

Vennan Jim; CR-2001-12 (first appearance)

Steven Webb; CR-2001-180 (judicial inquiry)

1:30 p.m. plea conferences

Jimmy Padilla; CR-2002-42

Erica White; CR-2002-41

Allen Smith; CR-2001-158

Richard Smutz; CR-2002-39

Anthony Carri; CR-2002-37

Alfred Clyde Stinnet; CR-2002-38

1:30 p.m. Jolly v. Jolly; DM-2002-36 (final decree)

2 p.m. JQ-2002-01 (adjudication)

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County Merchants Pass Tobacco Test

Twelve tobacco merchants in Lincoln County passed a federally mandated tobacco sale compliance check held recently.

The Counseling Center and Presbyterian Medical Services, Improving Health Initiative, in participation with the Department of Human Services Division conducted a tobacco sale compliance check in April and May. The 12 merchants were approached by trained and supervised 15 and 17 year olds who attempted to purchase cigarettes. All 12 merchants requested identification and when the teens could not produce proof of legal age of 18, the merchants refused to sell.

This is the fifth year the Synar (named after the Oklahoma congressman who introduced the federal legislation) survey has been conducted in Lincoln County. The percentage of merchants willing to sell tobacco products to under aged buyers has gone from 50 percent to zero.

The specific merchants involved were Allstop's Convenience Stores in Ruidoso on Highway 70, 311 Sudderth Drive and 725 Mechem Drive and in Carrizozo; Brewer Shell on Sudderth Drive in Ruidoso; Carrizozo Chevron; Carrizozo Texaco; Conoco in Ruidoso; Fina Mini Mart on Highway 70 in Ruidoso; Links at Sierra Blanca in Ruidoso; Long's Drugs in Ruidoso and Sun Country Food Mart in Hondo.

For information about the effects of nicotine, or any other drug, contact the Regional Alcohol and Drug Awareness Resource Center at 505-257-5038.

State Restricts...

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and 8 p.m., unless used on areas cleared to mineral soil then the saws may be used until 2 p.m.

Operations on mineral soil involving road excavation, watering, grading, surfacing and equipment maintenance may continue between the hours of 10 a.m. and 8 p.m.

A patrol must be posted on site for at least two hours after all equipment operations are completed.

The patrol must be able to detect within five minutes, fires that may originate at the site of the equipment operation and be able to report a fire to the responsible agency within 15 minutes of detection.

Use of other equipment in forested areas will also be prohibited between 10 a.m. and 8 p.m. except for equipment with proper spark arrester and fire extinguisher and shovel immediately available for each piece of equipment and a patrol is posted on site for at least two hours after all operations are completed.

The State Forester may allow exceptions to the prohibitions upon receiving a written request for an exemption.

An exception from any of the restrictions does not relieve a person from any civil or criminal liability associated with uncontrolled fire, including costs associated with wildland fire suppressions.

The restrictions will remain in effect until lifted by the state forester.

Historian Seeks Fort Stanton Information

Historian Jim McBride of Santa Fe is writing a book on the internment of the German sailors at Fort Stanton during the war, 1941 through 1945. His Master of Arts in History thesis is the start for this book. He has a number of official documents and reports, mostly from the Border Patrol supervisors to their headquarters in Washington DC.

McBride is interested in finding people living in Lincoln County who had any contact with these men. Some internees worked for local farmers, others visited Capitan and Roswell and some made friends with locals who worked at the hospital during those years.

McBride's questions, which might help people remember, are: 1) Do you remember when the Germans arrived? 2) What was

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July Fireworks Display & 4th of July BBQ

Come to Carrizozo and

Enjoy the FREE Fireworks Display

Sponsored by the Carrizozo Volunteer Fire Department

The FIREWORKS DISPLAY will be at the Carrizozo Golf Course on Hwy. 380 and will start at dusk.

The Fireworks are brought to you by generous donations and fund raisers by the Volunteer Fire Department throughout the year. Your donations are greatly appreciated.

BARBEQUE BRISKET DINNER will be served by the Carrizozo Chamber of Commerce previous to the Fireworks show, 5pm to 8 pm.

Come on out and enjoy the FREE show

THURSDAY, JULY 4TH, 2002!!

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LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE is hereby given that on November 6, 2001, Village of Ruidoso, c/o Atkins Engineering Associates, Inc. P.O. Box 3156, Roswell, NM 88202-3156, filed application No. H-272-S-9, H-272-S-11, 3038 and 3038-Accrue with the STATE ENGINEER for permit to add two wells to supplement the diversion of water equal to the amount of water discharged into the Rio Ruidoso which is attributable to water diverted from the Eagle Creek Basin. This application seeks to accrue recovery credit of sewage effluent and divert said credit within the accounting year, which is from November 1st thru October 31st from the two proposed supplemental wells which are located as follows:

Table with 5 columns: WELL NO., SUBDIVISION, SECTION, TOWNSHIP, RANGE. Rows include H-272-S-9, H-272-S-11, and H-300.

These wells will be used as supplemental points of diversion under permit 3038 to the existing surface water point of diversion on the Rio Ruidoso, located in the SW1/4SW1/4 and the NE1/4SW1/4, both in Section 19, Township 11 South, Range 13 East, N.M.P.M., and the following existing municipal wells:

Table with 5 columns: WELL NO., SUBDIVISION, SECTION, TOWNSHIP, RANGE. Lists various well numbers and their corresponding land sections.

Well H-272-S9, and H-272-S-11 will be used as additional points of diversion to divert water, on an instantaneous basis, in an amount equal the sewage effluent released into the Rio Ruidoso which is attributable to water diverted from the Eagle Creek Basin.

Permit No. 3038-Accrue was approved on February 23, 2001. The accrual of diversion credit for sewage effluent was limited to the Village's surface points of diversion and well Nos. H-272-S and H-300. This application is seeking to add well No. H-272-S-11 to recover accrued credits for sewage effluent.

Well No. H-272-S-9 will be limited to a diversion of up to 325 AF/AN from a combination of rights found under File No. 0275-A & H-272 et al, 3038, and 3871 & H-272 et al.

Well No. H-272-S-11 will be limited to a diversion of up to 1000 AF/AN from a combination of rights found under File No. 0275-A & H-272 et al, 3038, 3038-Accrue, and 3871 & H-272 et al.

The diversion of water from these wells will be used for municipal use. The place of use of this water will be the Village of Ruidoso.

The points of diversion are located within the Ruidoso Village Limits, Lincoln County, New Mexico, N.M.P.M. A map of the Village of Ruidoso is available for viewing at the Office of the State Engineer in Roswell, New Mexico.

Any person, firm, corporation or other entity objecting to 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, 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.

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Accrued leakage credit will be diverted from the Rio Ruidoso, which has points of diversions located in the SW1/4SW1/4 and the NE1/4SW1/4, both in Section 19, Township 11 S., Range 13 East, N.M.P.M., and the following supplemental wells.

Table with 5 columns: WELL NO., SUBDIVISION, SECTION, TOWNSHIP, RANGE. Lists well numbers H-272, H-272-S, H-272-S-2, etc.

Under this permit, the Village of Ruidoso will divert accrued credits for leakage from Grindstone Reservoir with in the accounting year, which is from November 1st thru October 31st.

The Village of Ruidoso will comply with minimum flow conditions that were permitted under Permit No. 3038-Accrue. During the irrigation season from May to October, the Village of Ruidoso may only take Grindstone Leakage effluent credit when the instantaneous flow in the Rio Ruidoso at the Hollywood Gauge exceeds 6 cfs. During the irrigation season of November through April, the Village will take Grindstone leakage effluent credit when the instantaneous flow in the Rio Ruidoso at the Hollywood Gauge exceeds 4 cfs.

Well No. H-272-S-9 will be limited to a diversion of up to 325 AF/AN from a combination of rights found under File No. 0275-A & H-272 et al, 3038, and 3871 & H-272 et al.

Well No. H-272-S-11 will be limited to a diversion of up to 1000 AF/AN from a combination of rights found under File No. 0275-A & H-272 et al, 3038, 3038-Accrue, and 3871 & H-272 et al.

Well No. H-300 will be limited to a diversion of up to 500 AF/AN from a combination of rights found under File No. 0275-A & H-272 et al, 3038, 3038-Accrue, and 3871 & H-272 et al.

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LEGAL NOTICE

The Lincoln County Board of Commissioners are hereby accepting nominations to the Lincoln County Planning Commission for three (3) members to serve on the Commission. Nominee(s) must be domiciled and registered to vote within the County of Lincoln. In making appointments to the Planning Commission, the Board of Commissioners shall give consideration to maintaining a balance of interests and skills of the Commission, and to the individual qualifications of the candidates, including their experience and knowledge of the community.

Nominations shall be made in writing to the Lincoln County Board of Commissioners for appointment to the Planning Commission.

Nominations will be accepted by the Lincoln County Board of Commissioners at the Lincoln County Courthouse, P.O. Box 711, Carrizozo, New Mexico 88301, until 10:00 A.M., July 16, 2002.

MARTHA GUEVARA Assistant County Manager

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PUBLIC NOTICE

Flood Plain and Wetland Notice Early Public Review Notice

The Village of Capitan, New Mexico, is considering improvements to the Wastewater Treatment System by installing a bar screen, adding an aerating system, re-routing and adding a wetland cell. The Facility is located at Township 9S, Range 14E, Section 10 within the legal boundaries of the Village of Capitan.

The Project has been determined not to be located in a 100-year (Zone A) Flood plain, based on the Flood Plain Insurance Map (FIRM) panel numbers Special Flood Hazard Zone A 6/23/76 and 3/28/78, as well as the areas flooded during heavy floods in the Village in the years 1929 and 1941. A flood plain map composed December 1990 by Dr. Reimann can be reviewed in the Capitan Village Hall at 114 Lincoln Avenue, Capitan, New Mexico, 88316.

Written comments will be received by Dr. Reimann at the Capitan Village Hall, P.O. Box 246, Capitan, NM 88316 until July 5, 2002.

Bernhard E. F. Reimann, Dr. rer. Nat. Environmental Advisor Village of Capitan

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LEGAL NOTICE

STATE OF NEW MEXICO COUNTY OF LINCOLN TWELFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT No. CV-02-43-Div. III

BANC ONE FINANCIAL SERVICES, INC. Plaintiff,

v. DEBORAH BURGESS and DAVID BURGESS, Defendants.

NOTICE OF SUIT

TO: DEFENDANT(S): DEBORAH BURGESS and DAVID BURGESS

You are hereby notified that a suit has been filed against you in the said Court and County by the afore-named Plaintiff, in which the said Plaintiff prays for debt, foreclosure and redemption for the real property located in the City of Ruidoso, County of Lincoln, State of New Mexico and being more particularly described as 113 Porrr Dr., Ruidoso, NM 88345. And you are further notified that unless you enter or cause to be entered your appearance in said cause on or before July 17, 2002, judgment will be rendered in said cause against you by default and the relief prayed for will be granted.

Attorney for the Plaintiff: RHODES & SALMON, P.C. (William C. Salmon), 1801 Lomas Blvd., N.M., Albuquerque, New Mexico 87104 (505) 247-0328.

WITNESS THE HONORABLE KAREN L. PARSONS, District Judge of the Twelfth Judicial District Court, State of New Mexico, and the seal of the District Court of Lincoln County, on this 10th day of May, 2002.

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

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LEGAL NOTICE

TWELFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT STATE OF NEW MEXICO Probate No. 02-22

In the Matter of the Estate of Mary E. Hornbuckle, Deceased

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned has been appointed Personal Representative of this estate. All persons having claims against this estate are required to present their claims within two months after the date of the first publication of this Notice or the claims will be forever barred. Claims must be presented either to H.T. Hornbuckle, Jr. (a/k/a Tommy Hornbuckle), Personal Representative for the Estate of Mary E. Hornbuckle, at 200 White Mountain Drive, Ruidoso, New Mexico 88345, or filed with the Twelfth Judicial District Court, Lincoln County Courthouse, Post Office Box 725, Carrizozo, New Mexico 88301-0725.

Dated: 6-5-02 Tommy Hornbuckle Personal Representative

Donald E. Swaim SWAIM, SCHRANDT & DAVIDSON, P.C. 4830 Juan Tabo, N.E., Suite F Albuquerque, NM 87111 (505) 237-0064

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UNGLUED By Clint Harmon



Not bad, not bad, but they're sure a pain to shell

Ray and Marjorie Wells Celebrate Golden Anniversary

Ray and Marjorie Wells celebrated their golden wedding anniversary at a reception in Albuquerque June 15. They were married June 14, 1952 in Billerica, MA. Ray met Marjorie while serving in the U.S. Navy in Boston. He barbered in Boston before moving the family to Carrizozo in 1954.

They lived in Carrizozo 32 years, owning and operating the Elite Barber Shop, as well as several other businesses in Lincoln County, Franklin Variaty, Sands Motel and Trailer Court, Sands Beauty Shop in Carrizozo and the Doll House beauty shop in Capitan. In their spare time they remodeled old houses.

After selling the motel in 1985, they built a home in Nogal. Ray pastored the Assembly of God Churches in Carrizozo and Ruidoso. They lived in Ruidoso from 1990 to 1995. Since retiring in Rio Rancho, they built and lived in three different homes.

Their family is Judy and husband Carol Finkbinder, Gerald and wife Peggy, Donna and husband Carl Ortiz, Diana Wells, Debbie Wells, 10 grandchildren, and seven great grandchildren.

VBS At First Baptist Is Successful

The First Baptist Church in Carrizozo held Vacation Bible School (VBS) on June 10 to June 14.

VBS director Marcia Mixon told THE NEWS that an average of 45 young people attended. Mixon went on to say that people came together from Carrizozo and surrounding communities to make the event a success.

The theme, On expedition with the one true God was augmented by 22 adults.

The volunteers included Janie Brewer, Ada Hendryx, Doris Bowen, Fred Schlageter, Jackie Schlageter, Katrinka Cox, Edith Dobbins, Anny Eaby, Cheryl Smith, Hayden Smith, Debbie Ventura, Jeannie Kistenger, Joey McNatt, Susan High-tower, Carol Wilson, Kathy Offutt, Jo Nelson, Tina Maness, Becky Sanchez, Micki Kirton, Angela Lueras, and Frances Boling. By Bartley MacDonough

Forested Lot Cleanup

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notice to property owners in violation of the ordinances. The ordinances also give the village ability to identify, rate and map properties into a Wildland Hazard Overlay District according to the fire hazard ratings; require fuel modification and reduction of fuel loads in all proposed land developments; and provide for an appeals process. The new ordinances also standardize and compile all village rules on fire safety and fire handling and rules for removal of hazardous vegetation by private contractor if the property owner does not comply and allows the village to file special assessment liens to pay for the work.

The new ordinances also do away with the permit requirement for removal of dead trees, or trees less than 10 inches in diameter at 4.5 feet from the ground or removal of trees for fuel modification. Previously property owners in Ruidoso had to provide a site plan and get a permit from the village planning department in order to remove any trees over four inches in diameter from their private lots.

Little negative comment was made on the proposed ordinances, but Jolinda Perryman was concerned the ordinances will give more opportunity for fines and more abuse of power. She was concerned that retirees, disabled people and low income people would not be able to clean their lots and be fined. She said people in Ruidoso are willing to cooperate if asked, but will balk at being told what they must do.

Councilor Ron Anderson in commenting on people willing to voluntarily clean their lots said two months ago the village sponsored a

FireWise Workshop attended by 150 people. Of those 150, about 100 were staff and others who were there to conduct the workshop. "I wish all property owners were doing forest clean up," Anderson said. "But they may be forced to do it by ordinance."

Resident Myrtle Arrington favored the ordinances but was concerned about the piles of pine needles and debris left from forest thinning and cleaning projects.

Resident Terri Harde-mann commended the council for taking a proactive stance. "Your job is to insure our safety," she said.

Village urban forester Rick DeIaco further explained the intent of the ordinances. He said the ordinances provide a system for forest management and improvement. "We will never, never clear cut (with these ordinances)," DeIaco said. In response to Arrington, he said the lop and scatter and cut and pile methods as prescribed by New Mexico State Forestry guidelines are being used and are appropriate forestry techniques. He said residents are encouraged to use, and the village will utilize, the forest materials for firewood, vigas and for the process plant in Glencoe.

Stan Bulsterbaum, a member of the Interstate Stream Commission, commented that along with reduction of fire hazard, forest management will result in higher water yields.

Former councilor Linda Flack asked how the village plans to pay for the forest projects. Councilor Bob Sterchi said there are the three mills still available.

Anderson said the highest cost will be if the village does the clean up. "The object is to get property owners to do their own lands," Anderson said.

"Hopefully we are creating a model community (by adopting the ordinances)," Anderson continued. "And then we can pick up some federal and state funding."

Anderson urged passage of the ordinances, then find a way to pay for the cleanups.

"By passing these ordinances we become a groundbreaking community, with only one other community in California making such requirements," Anderson continued.

NM State Forestry Ranger Barbara Luna said the Village of Ruidoso and surrounding communities have come light years in efforts to reduce fire hazards. She commended the village council for being proactive to reduce the chance for catastrophic fire.

Insurance agent Dave Parks agreed with Perryman about making people do things, but also said that insurance companies could stop providing insurance if Ruidoso has another fire. Parks said the county and Ruidoso Downs should also adopt ordinances to require cleaning and thinning of forested lands. He recommended everyone ask the candidates for

county commission about their thoughts on the issue.

Parks also said insurance ratings are based on the fire department, water supply and weather conditions (such as hail and flood). "There is no consideration on insurance rates for wooded or open plain properties," Parks said. "The huge difference is on the underwriting. One more bad fire here and we might see these (insurance) markets dry

up."

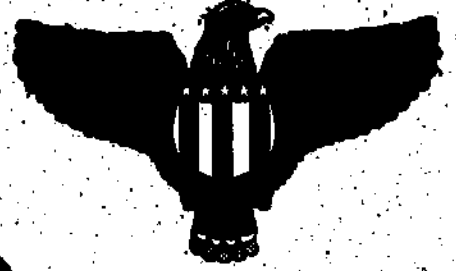
Councilor Ray Nunley, who also is a county commissioner, said he would take the village ordinance to the county attorney for redrafting to fit the county needs. "The county has so much diversity, some places we couldn't burn with gasoline," Nunley said.

Glen Barrow, chair of the Ruidoso P&Z commission, suggested the village pursue only what it can enforce.

Maurie St. John commented about people volunteering to do forest work. She and her husband and about 10 volunteers have cleared around eight homes. She said she was disappointed in how few volunteers responded to help. "I'm not sure how much volunteer work we can count on," St. John said.

After only a bit more discussion about financing the forest management projects with gross

receipt tax which will require an election, a general obligation bond which will require an election, or imposition of the three mills property tax which requires only a vote of the council, councilors adopted each ordinance.



FAST ACTION

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4tc/June 20-July 11

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354-7000 430-5557

15tp/May 23-Aug. 29

Volleyball Camp

Carrizozo High School will host a volleyball camp July 8-9 at the Carrizozo gym for grades 7-12. Cost of the camp is \$60, and the camp's instructor will be Western NM U. head volleyball coach Jim Calender. There will be two sessions each day. For more information contact Bill MacVeigh at 354-2601, Gwen Huston at 648-2348 or Mandy Baca at 648-2881.

2tp/June 27 & July 3

FOR SALE: Historical 1930s Sears Roebuck mail order home on 440 acres in Lincoln County near Corona. Borders Cibola National Forest. Scenic views, great hunting.
RASAK RANCH
849-2849

6tc/May 16, 23, 30, June 6, 13, 20

YARD SALE: 1/4 mile south of Carrizozo on Hwy. 54, turn right just before old Texaco station. Books, household items, furniture, and used lawn mower. Sat., June 29, start 8:00 a.m.
1tp/June 27

You May Qualify for a motorized wheel chair! Medicare approved provider. Call today for your Free In-Home assessment!
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4tp/June 20-July 11

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1tp/June 27

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tfn/June 20

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1tp/June 27

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1tp/June 27

Mystery Shoppers needed in Carrizozo area for retail and restaurant audits. Apply online at
www.secretshopnet.com
4tp/June 13-July 3

FOR SALE IN CARRIZOZO: Beautiful 1800+ Square foot adobe home on 20 acres, three bedroom, two bath w/sunroom. Guest house, studio, barns, city water, well and water rights, fruit trees and fenced yard w/sprinkler system-\$135,000.00. Additional 45 acres for \$67,500.00 with city water and utilities available. Call 505-420-3522 or 648-2810.
2tp/June 27 & July 3

FOR SALE: Australian Shephard puppies. Call Lisa @ 505-648-4034.
1tp/June 27

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY

NMSU Cooperative Extension, Lincoln County Extension Administrative Secretary II position. \$17,188.68 annually. Graduation from an accredited two (2) year secretarial program; two (2) years of secretarial/clerical experience or any equivalent combination of education and experience. Type accurately 50 wpm. Typing test required. Word processing and experience with PC, Windows 95, and MS Word preferred. Reply to: Pete Gnatkowski, P.O. Box 217, Carrizozo, NM 88301, (505) 648-2312/2311, NMSU #2003-3562. Deadline for applications: July 12, 2002. NMSU is an EEO/AA employer.
2tc/June 27 and July 3

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County And State JPA

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Albuquerque for \$8,545. The company will come to the county road yard to do the repairs which will have a two year or 200,000 mile warranty. The two other bids received by the county were for \$24,539 and \$13,813.

Zia Senior Citizens Centers will soon get a hand-capped accessible bus that can transport wheelchairs.

County commissioners accepted the low bid for the bus from Zia Bus of Albuquerque for \$35,405. The centers have a \$45,000 state appropriation for purchase of the bus, and county commissioners accepted the county manager's recommendations to add \$5,408 in offered options for a total bid of \$40,813. There will be no cost to the county for the purchase. The bus will be

available for use by all the Zia Senior Centers in the county.

The annual plumbing, heating and air conditioning maintenance services contract was awarded to Holly Mechanical of Carrizozo. Two other companies provided proposals but one was found to be non-responsive because it did not include licenses and costs of travel.

McFarland Inc. of Ruidoso was awarded the annual electrical maintenance services contract. Stewart said the company had "reasonable rates" but Stewart did not specify the amounts.

County commissioners also:

-Approved recommendations from the county Lodgers Tax Committee to fund from lodgers tax

revenues \$2,872 for printing and rack cards for Lincoln County Overland Stage Company, Inc.; \$1,200 to Friends of Smokey, Capitan, Inc. for printing, postage, newspaper and radio advertising; \$2,450 to the Lincoln County Fair for a double faced lighted sign and reader board at the Lincoln County Fairgrounds in Capitan to advertise upcoming events.

-Heard a report from county commissioner Ray Nunley who recently visited Washington D.C. to attend graduation of a nephew from the Naval Academy, and to visit with congressional representatives.

-Heard Nunley affirm that the Lincoln County Fair Association and the county are both covered

Historian Seeks Fort Stanton...

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the local feeling about these "distressed seamen" that last year of neutrality in the United States? 3) Did these feelings change after Pearl Harbor and when the United States went to war with Germany? 4) Did you hear of any escape attempts by the internees? 5) Had you even visited the camp or seen it from a distance?

People with any information about the German internees may contact Jim McBride at 2815 Molino de Viento, Santa Fe, NM 87505, phone 505-473-0437.

McBride plans to research this summer and actually start writing in September. He may go to Washington DC and the National Archives if he finds more information is available since his last visit in 1995.

McBride's research, such as obtaining oral histories or collecting papers and photos, from Lincoln County, could continue through the fall. He feels it important to tell the full story of the SS Columbus but definitely sense the Fort Stanton experience most important and worthwhile.

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