2002 Tax Rates Are Approved

"Serving All of Lincoln County"

by Dords Cherry

Lincoln County Commissioners at a 10 minute special meeting held Monday, September 30, approved the 2002 tax rates that are the basis of the 2002 property taxes. The rates were sent to the county by the state.

Meeting at Ruidoso Village Administration Center at the request of

county commissioner Ray Nunley, commissioners received the tax rates that had been reviewed by county assessor Rick Silva and county treasurer Joan E. Park. Commissioners had five working days to approve and return the tax rates to the New Mexico Taxation and Revenue Department once the rates were received by the assessor's office. County

commissioners had postponed action on the rates from their September 19 regular county commission meeting because the county had not received the rates from the state by that date.

Silva advised county commissioners he and Park had reviewed the rates and found them acceptable. The average 2002 tax rates are about .072

mill less than the average rates for the 2001 tax year, 23.777 mills for 2002 as opposed to 23.849 mills for 2001 tax year. Taxable values of property in the county have increased about three percent from \$530,137,383 in 2001 to \$545,555,677 in 2002.

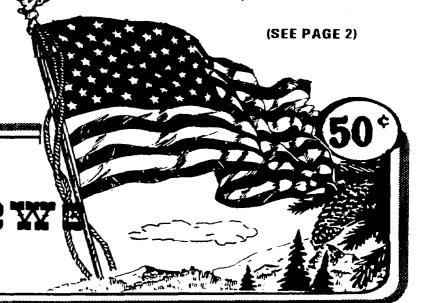
Tax rates are expressed in terms of mills. These mills can be translated into dollars charged per

"Since 1905"

each \$1,000 of taxable Property owners received property value. Taxable property value is one-third the total value of a property as determined by the county assessor's office.

notice of values from the assessor's office earlier this year.

Tax rates for non-residential properties in Ruidoso, which have a taxable



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County OKs Highway Coop Agreements

by Dords Charry

Three county roads will get some improvements in the coming year thanks to funding from the New Mexico State Highway and Transportation Department

Lancoln County Commissioners at their meet ing September 19 in the Lincoln County Court house in Carrizuz approved resolutions that accepted the 2002-2003 road co-op agreement with the state highway department that totaled **\$316,668.16** The approval was not unanimous as county commissioner Bill Schwettmann voted no because he preferred a dif ferent option.

The school bus project agreement provides a total of \$53,222.40 to triple chip seal .6 miles of Little Creek Road in the Rancho Ruidoso Estates, and to install culverts, widen and base course three miles of Nogal Canyon Road. The county will contribute \$13,305.60 of that total funding, mostly as in-kind work.

The Co-op project provides a total of \$67,426.67 for base hauling and compacting of base course gravel for three miles of Nogal Canyon Road with the county contributing \$16,856.67 of the total, mostly in-kind work.

The CAP (county arterial project) provides a total of \$190,530.67 for single chip seal and patching of 3.02

miles of roads in Phase II of Ranches of Sonterra; for triple chip seal of .95 miles of road in Palo Verde Slopes, and single chip seal and patching of 2.5 miles of Cedar Creek Road The county will contribute \$47,632.67 of the total, mostly in-kind

County commissioner Bill Schwettmann asked why Cora Dutton Road, CO17, was not included in this round of highway coop projects. "Cora Dutton Road has been there a 100 years, and it's one of the worst roads we've got," Schwettmann said.

Triple chip sealing Cora Dutton Road was the second listed choice for the highway projects.

County manager Tom Stewart said commissioners made their choice for the road projects at their February meeting.

More speed limit signs are going up on the old Fort Stanton Road, a county road, to help slow down traffic that brought several complaining residents to the county commission meeting.

Fred Kinnan and other residents complained that traffic has increased significantly on the winding and narrow county road. requested Thev the county lower the speed limit and/or post more speed limit signs.

Stewart said he received the complaints about the traffic in mid-August. In

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morning picking up trash in Carrizozo as part of the Town Cleanup which was held in coordination with the statewide Trek for Trash. Volunteers who registered for the clean up got Trek for Trash t-shirts, gloves, trash bags, drink bottles, and a ticket for a hamburger lunch paid for by C'zozo Soil & Water District. This was the first of four clean up days required by the \$9,800 beautification grant the town received from the NM Dept. of



Ruidoso to Continue Once a Week Watering

by Dords Charry

The Village of Ruidoso continues to be in Phase 2 of the village water conservation plan, with outdoor watering only allowed once a week on Tuesdays.

During the meeting of the Ruidoso Village Council Tuesday, September 24, Larry Grasmick water department director reported that the village continues to have problems with the Hollywood well pump. "I still recommend staying in Phase 2 because of the Hollywood well," Grasmick said. "People are already educated about the once a week watering."

Other than the problems with Hollywood well, the village is getting water from surface flow of Eagle Creek, and the village five million gallon tanks are filled, Grasmick said.

Councilor Ray Nunley asked about an old well at Ruidoso High School, which he had heard had collapsed. He asked if it

COOL NEW SHIRTS. These

Carrizozo boys show off the t-

shirts they got on Sat., Sept.

28 for helping with the town

clean up, a part of the state

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could be re-drilled and put into service.

Grasmick said the village has no plans to put the old well back into the system.

In response to a question from resident Tony Seno about leakage, Grasmick said currently they are figuring leakage at less than 10 percent.

Councilors also authorized staff to draft an ordinance establishing an Urban Forestry Department. Councilor Ron Anderson, at the end of a report from village forester Rick De-Iaco, said it was time to create a village forestry department. "Because this going to be an overwhelming situation in one year, if not sooner," Anderson said.

Delaco said he continues to do about 20 to 25 assessments of private properties for forestry projects per month. Delaco said he is getting a lot of calls about the forestry requirements, and he continues to clarify misconceptions. "People do not have to clear 30 feet around their homes," De-Iaco said of the misconceptions.

Delaco also reported on the monthly meeting of the Urban Wildland Interface Group which had occurred Tuesday morning. He said the meeting was very well attended by contractors, Lincoln National Forest Supervisor Toby Martinez, State Forestry Ranger Barbara Luna, and State Forestry Supervisor Toby Martinez, Lynn Ditto from Sen. Jeff Bingaman's office, Rep. Dub Williams, county manager Tom Stewart and a range of others.

Information about the newest \$600,000 from state forestry to be administered by the county was provided at the meeting, Delaco said. About a third of the projects on private land will be in Ruidoso. The program is a cost share project with private landowners reimbursed for forestry work done on their private lands.

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Carrizozo Senior Center Hosts "42" **Tournament**

Carrizozo Zia Senior Citizens Center is hosting a "42" dominoes tournament every second Tuesday of the month beginning on October 8 at the senior citizens center on Central Ave.

42" play will begin right after lunch which is served at noon. Prizes will be awarded. There is no fee to enter.

New tables and dominoes have been purchased for the tournaments.

For more information call Carrizozo Senior Center at 648-2121.

Constitutional Amendments ill Be On Election Ballot

Voters in this fall's general election will find nine constitutional amendment questions on the ballot, in addition to the selection of candidates.

The amendments came about as resolutions approved by the state legislature in the 2001 and 2002 sessions. To be adopted as part of the New Mexico constitution, the proposed amendments must be ratified by a majority of those registered voters who cast

their ballots at the general

election. The following information was taken from the "Brief Analysis and arguments for and against" prepared by the New Mexico Legislative Council Service located in the state capitol building in Santa Fe.

Constitutional Amendment #1 is "Veteran's property tax exemption." It proposes to amend Article 8. Section 5 of the NM Constitution to increase the current \$2,000

property tax exemption for honorably discharged veterans who served in the armed forces when the forces were engaged in armed conflict. The increase will be phased in at \$500 a year for four years, beginning 2003, with the total exemption to be \$4,000 by 2006. The exemption is subtracted "from the assessed valuation of the

Tourism.

veteran's property. Currently 81,000 veterans

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2002 Tax Rates

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value of \$51,611,456, are the highest in the county at 34,206 mills. Non-residential properties are in commercial use or undeveloped land.

Tax rates for residential properties in Ruidoso. which have the highest taxable value in the county at \$196,282,456, are 27.685 mills.

Tax rates for residential properties in Ruidoso Downs, with a taxable value of \$11,414,905, are 26.127 mills.

Tax rates for non-residential properties in Ruidoso Downs, with taxable value of \$11,694,116, are 32.797 mills.

Residential properties in the Ruidoso School District, but are not in a municipality, have a tax rate of 20.337 mills. The taxable value of those properties is \$25,144,514. Tax rates for non-residential properties in Ruidoso school district but out of a municipality are 25.147 mills. The taxable value for those non-residential properties is \$16,110,713.

Tax rates for residential properties in Carrizozo, which have taxable value of \$3,513,571, are 25.202 mills. Tax rates for nonresidential properties in Carrizozo, with taxable values of \$2,603,915, are 30.038 mills. Tax rates for residential properties in Carrizozo school district. which have taxable values of \$5,469,561, but out of the town are 21.314 mills. Tax rates for non-residential properties in Carrizozo school district, which have taxable values \$13,890,843, are 25.834 mills.

Tax rates for residential properties in Corona. which have taxable values of \$601,082, are 22.449 mills. Tax rates for nonresidential properties in Corona, with taxable values of \$735,237, are 26.732

Tax rates for residential properties in Corona school district but outside the village, which have taxable value of 18.923 \$1,819,870, are Nonresidential mills. properties Corona in school district but outside the village, which have taxable value of \$15,577,329, are 23.307 mills.

Tax rates for residential properties in the Hondo School District, which have taxable values of **\$7,812,201.** are 21.454 mills. Tax rates for nonresidential properties in the Hondo School District, which have taxable values of \$9,560,573, are 25.899 mills.

Tax rates for residential properties in Capitan, which have taxable values of \$9,292,635, are 16.626 mills. Tax rates for nonresidential properties in Capitan, which have taxable values of \$2,528,920, are 21.996 mills.

Tax rates for residential properties in Capitan school district but outside the village, which have

taxable are 16.301 \$126,079,606, **Nonresidential** mills. properties in Capitan school district but outside the village, with taxable values of \$33.812.337, have tax rates of 20.771 mills.

All tax rates include the same number of mills for state debt service, county operational, debt service and special projects, Lincoln County Medical Center and rural clinics. Additional mills are added depending on where the properties are located.

In a break down, tax rates for residential and nonresidential properties, regardless where located, include 1.123 mills for state debt service; 7.349 mills for county operational, debt service and special projects; 2.1 mills for Lincoln County Medical Center; and .90 mills for the rural clinics.

Each municipality and school district have different rates for operational, debt service and capital improvements.

Village of Ruidoso municipal tax rates are 7.348 mills on residential properties, and 9.059 mills for nonresidential properties.

City of Ruidoso Downs municipal tax rates are 5.790 mills for municipal operational and debt service for residential properties and 7.650 mills for nonresidential properties.

Ruidoso School District tax rates for operational, debt service and capital improvements are 7.213



THIS IS OUR FUTURE, says Dr. Lowell Catlett, NM State University professor, who was main speaker at the Leadership Lincoln reception held September 12, at the Hubbard Museum of the American West. Participants in the first meeting of the newly organized Leadership Lincoln, and their guests, were treated to the talk on "Projections and Prognostications." Leadership Lincoln participants will meet once a month in different locations for nine months to learn about the various issues facing the municipalities, Lincoln County, school districts and the Mescalero Apache tribe.

mills for residential properties and 7.424 mills for non-residential properties.

Also in Ruidoso School District residential properties have an additional 1.652 mills for the Eastern NM University Ruidoso learning center, and nonresident properties in the school district have an additional 2.0 mills for the learning center.

Town of Carrizozo tax rates are 4.787 mills for residential properties and 5.204 mills for nonresidential properties. Carrizozo School District tax rates for operational, debt service and capital improvements are 8.943 mills for residential properties and 9.111 mills for nonresidential properties.

Also properties in Carri-

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zozo school district have .517 mills for residential and .750 mills for nonresidential for the Carrizozo Soil and Water Conservation District.

Village of Corona tax rates are 4.425 mills for residential and nonresidential properties. Corona School District tax rates are 6.552 for residential properties and 6.584 mills for nonresidential properties. Applicable properties in that school district also get taxed for Claunch-Pinto Soil and Water Conservation District with .648 for residential and .993 mills for nonresidential properties.

Hondo School District tax rates are 9.083 mills for residential properties and 9.176 mills for nonresiden-

tial properties. Also in Hondo School district residential properties have an additional .899 mills for Chavez Soil and Water Conservation District and nonresidential properties have an additional 1.00 mills for the conservation district.

Village of Capitan tax rates are 1.224 mills for residential properties and 2.225 mills for nonresidential properties.

Capitan school district tex rates are 3.930 mills for residential properties and 4.048 mills for nonresidential properties.

Also in Capitan school district, residential and nonresidential properties

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MONDAYS

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

FIRST AND THIRD TUESDAYS

-- Jalavne 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, every other Tuesday, 6 p.m. K-Bob's in Ruidoso:

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

WEDNESDAYS

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

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

THURSDAYS

--Lincoln County Adult Singles Group 6:30 p.m. Call 354-2635 or 258-3201 for information and location.

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 4

-Acequia workshop, Truth or Consequences Civic Center Auditorium, 9:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

-- Capitan Public Library First Friday lecture series, 7-8 p.m. speaker Greg Hausler on Conservation in Lincoln County. -Ruldoso High School Warriors Homecoming with St.

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 5

Michael's, kick off 7 p.m. Horton Stadium, Ruidoso.

-Ruidoso Aspenfest, parade at 10 a.m., band competition at Ruidoso High School Horton Stadium. -Ruidoso Public Library closed today for Aspenfest festivities.

MONDAY, OCTOBER 7

-- Capitan Chamber of Commerce 12:30 p.m. chamber building on Second Street.

-Carrizozo Planning and Zoning Committee 5:30 p.m. town offices in Carrizozo Rec Center.

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 8

-- Ruidoso Utility Council 9:30 a.m. Ruidoso Village Hali.

-Ruidoso Wastewater Treatment Plant Joint Use Board, 10 a.m. 'Ruidoso Village Hall.

-- Carrizozo Chamber of Commercee 12 noon, Carrizozo Rec

-- Carrizozo Town Council 6 p.m., town offices in Carrizozo Rec Center. Agenda includes selection of project for 2003 CDBG application, discussion of protest of Bobby Dan Crenshaw water rights transfer application.

-Ruidoso Village Council 6:30 p.m.

-- Capitan village trustees meeting postponed until October 15.

-- Corona Board of Education 7 p.m.

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 10

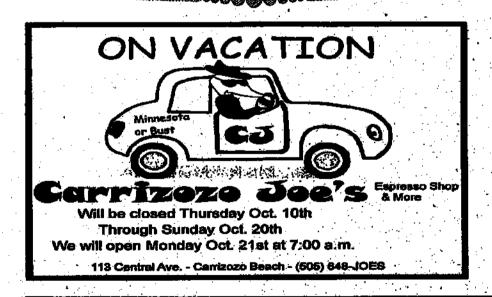
-Capitan Board of Education 6 p.m. school administration

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 11

-- Capitan high school varsity football with Loving, 7 p.m. kick off at Tiger Stadium in Capitan.

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County Administers Forestry Program

by Dorks Cherry

Owners of forested properties in the Ruidoso-Ruidoso Downs-Alto areas again have opportunity to participate in a wildfire abatement project, administered by the county.

Lincoln County Commissioners at their meeting September 19 in the Lincoln County Courthouse ' in Carrizozo, unanimously accepted the general services agreement with the New Mexico Energy, Minerals and Natural Resources Department (NMEMNRD) for a Wildland Urban Interface (wildfire) Abatement project. Total project funding is \$821,000 of which 70 percent will be provided from the US Forest Service. The remaining amount includes a local match of \$245,000. of which \$221,400 will come from the private landowners who participate in the wildfire abatement forestry proj-

The county will administer the project and coordinate with the Ruidoso Wildland Urban Interface Working Group and New Mexico State Forestry Division (NMSFD), a part of the NMEMNRD. Owners of forested lands interested in participating will make application with the county and NMSFD will provide technical assistance in determining the needed amount of forestry work on the accepted

GERALD TULLY

Memorial service for Gerald Tully, 99, of Glencoe was September 29 at the Tully Ranch. Tully died September 24 at his home.

He was born July 12, 1903 in Fort Stanton and had lived in Lincoln County all of his life. He was a rancher and attended Anne's Episcopal Church. He Wynema married Hutchinson on November 9, 1940 in Glencoe.

He is survived by his Wynema Glencoe; a son, Gerry Tully and his wife Jane Glencoe: three daughters, Toni Barrow and her husband Mark of Belen, Pam Bernard of Ruidoso Downs, Tricia Tully and her husband Gary Mitchell Glencoe; eight grand-children, and one great grandchild.

Arrangements under the direction of LaGrone Funeral Chapel of Ruidoso.

properties.

State forestry ranger Barbara Luna said the grant is part of the national fire plan funding given to the western states through the US Forest Service. Lincoln County applied for \$600,000 of \$7. million in grants available to the western states this coming federal fiscal year (which begins October 1) and actually received \$574,000, the largest single grant to any community, Luna said.

Last year the South Cen-Mountain RC&D council (SCMRC&D) administered the grant, Luna said. She said it is easier for NMSFD to do the grant with the county, government another agency, than with a nonprofit group such as the SCMRC&D. However, if the county did not want to administer the grant, the SCMRC&D would do it, Luna added.

Currently there are more than 300 requests from land owners who want to participate in the forestry projects. She said NMSFD is prioritizing individual projects according to safety and welfare of the county, property and citizens, with emphasis on the forested areas southwest of Alto and Sun Val-

County commissioners had tabled the project agreement in August, delaying action on it one month because of disagreements over the terms and language. County attorney Alan Morel said the newest agreement was better than the first presented from NMSFD.

Under the project, accepted landowners will pay for forestry work done on their properties, then they will submit a request for reimbursement of up to 70 percent of their cost.

Luna assured commissioners they would have no monetary liability if there are no funds for the project, "If there are no federal dollars, the state is obligated to pay for the projects in progress," Luna added.

Morel asked whether the land owner would be required to pay prevailing wages to the forestry contractors since this is a federally funded grant. Luna said the private landowners will hire their own contractors, and there is no requirement for prevailing wages to be paid.

County manager Tom Stewart said the county will hire a contract employee to administer the project, with the salary to be covered by the federal portion of the project grant.

For more information about the forestry abatement project contact the Lincoln County managers office at 648-2385, or the New Mexico State Forestry Division office in Capitan at 354-2231.

In other business, commissioners:

-Approved two resolutions, two intercept agreements and two loan agreements with the New Mexico Finance Authority to provide \$150,000 for the Bonito Fire Department and \$100,000 for the Hondo Fire Department to purchase wildland interface fire trucks. The loans will be paid off with fire funds the departments receive annually that come partly from fire insurance

policy payments.

-Accepted the lowest bid for Bonito Volunteer Fire Department 500 gallon wildland urban interfire truck from face American LaFrance Transwest of Commerce City, Colorado at \$169,836. without gross receipt taxes.

-Accepted the lowest bid for Hondo Volunteer Fire Department 1800 gallon Wildland Fire Truck from American LaFrance Transwest of Commerce City, CO for \$148,924, without gross receipt taxes.

-Elected to request from the state, the option for the Secure Rural Schools

and Community Self Determination Act of 2000 for the county to receive the three highest years of 14 years of federal timber resource funding, known as "full payment amount." The county has designated the \$10,545 expected from the program with \$6,513 to the White Mountain Search and Rescue which searches for lost individuals on federal property, \$2,016 for the watershed/forest health study and \$2,016 for ongoing forest health/fire abatement activities.





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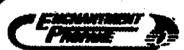
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THOUGHTS

FROM THE EDITOR'S DESK

Make A Difference

By Ruth Hammond

Maybe you don't know that your neighbors and friends could be thrust out of their jobs abruptly by builles, but that is probably what will happen if the bullies have their way. Remember when you were in school and the bullies would beat on the weaker students? And remember how you felt about it? And remember asking why the people in charge didn't do anything to stop it? Now that you are an adult it is happening again, all under the guise of "doing what is best for the people" and you are the only one with the power to do anything to stop it. Will you stand up for what is right?

if you step aside and say that it doesn't affect you then you are wrong. If you allow one person to be wronged, then you are as guilty as the bullies doing the misjustice. When Fort Stanton was closed and more than 100 people with developmental disabilities were ousted from their home at Fort Stanton, all under the guise of it "being the best for them," many people objected and they were told that these former Fort Stanton residents would receive as good or better care than they received while living at Fort Stanton.

Seems that through the years some of these promises have been forgotten. Now the state is saying that Medicaid money cannot be used to buy food for these former Fort Stanton residents and families are very concerned about their loved ones. Will these former Fort Stanton residents have to beg on street comers for food? While they were living at Fort Stanton their food was provided and family

members didn't have to worry about them being well fed.

Many people assume that noone would intentionally harm a person with developmental disabilities, but it does happen. And that was not the intent when these people were moved to communities to live so-called normal lives.

And what is a normal life? Is it living in the home of your choice and working at a job you enjoy? Is it knowing that you are performing your duties at work with the best ability you can? And is it knowing that a bunch of builles may be responsible for causing you to lose your job, all under the guise of "doing what is best" for some untold

reason? There is a group of people in Lincoln County that are uncertain of their jobs, and all because of the bullies.

The bullies try to justify their actions by saying what they are doing is right, yet they have not answered to the public as to why this is right. The bullies have said they can't enswer questions at this time, and have not said when they will answer questions. And during this time there

are many county residents in limbo about their work future.

Considering that this situation with the employees at the
Lincoln County Solid Waste Authority (LCSWA) is not all
that different from the plight of the countries at Fort Stanton, it seems it is time for the public to do everything they can to make a difference. It might mean that you should demand answers to questions or it might mean that you ask for proof that former Fort Stanton residents are being cared for properly, including getting regular meals. Holidays should be happy. LCSWA employees shouldn't have to worry about their jobs and former Fort Stanton

residents should be fed. YOU can make a difference!

Does anyone care?

Ruidoso to Continue

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property owners wanting to participate in the cost sharing forestry program. Delaco said he and state forestry staff are prioritizing which private lands should be considered for the newest grant project. "We do prioritize," Delaco said. 'And we are looking at treating priority areas such as Dude Mesa, which includes Crownpoint and Camelot, to create areas of reduced (forest) density."

Councilor Deborah Byars said it was good for such a large group to attend the wildland interface meeting, "so people can see how hard Rick works." Byars said the village needs to get DeIaco some help.

With that comment, Anderson suggested it was time to create a village forestry department.

Councilor Ray Nunley said for the first time, the village, state and county are working together for "the common interest": This has not always happened," Nunley added.

After some discussion on how such a village forestry department could be established, mayor Leon Eggleston said it would have to be by ordinance by council action.

Discussion to set public hearing for a proposed ordinance to establish a new village forestry department will be held at the October 8 regular council meeting.

Interim village manager Lorri McKnight also renorted that the village re-

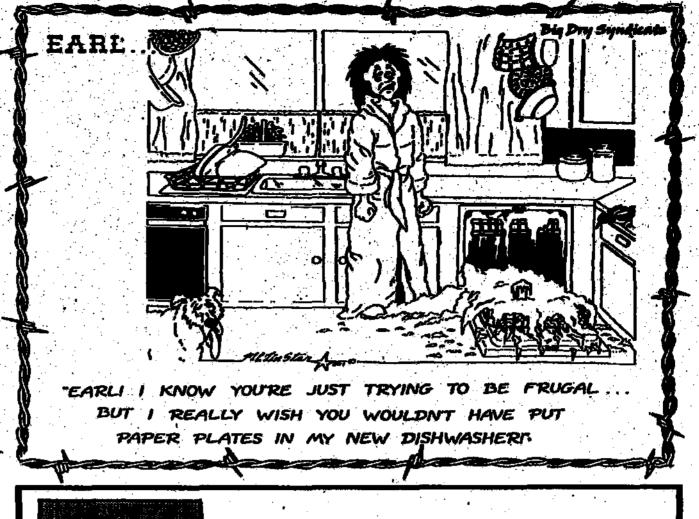
Delaco said there is a ceived \$722,941 in gross lected for the month of July. She said that was not as good of revenue as July 2001, but year to date the village had received \$2,045,000 which is about \$34,000 more than was collected in 2001.

Restrooms at the Kids Konnection playground at White Mountain School Complex will be completed October McKnight reported. The playground will be closed October 9-11 for scheduled maintenance. McKnight said as a mother of a young child, the restrooms will be very wel-

Anderson then asked if a restroom could be constructed about half way around the jogging track (around the Links golf course). When told there are no funds for such a construction, which at the least would cost \$20,000, councilor Ron Hardeman asked if Anderson would be happy with a portable toilet. Anderson said, "I won't say it would be sweet, but it would be nice and appreciated."

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NSIDE THE CAPITOL

by JAY MILLER

SANTA FE - So far at least, the 2nd Congressional District race down south isn't causing the ruckus it did

during the primary.

The Democrat primary had a little excitement when the Dona Ana County GOP took exception with Republicans making campaign donations to Las Cruces Mayor Ruben Smith who later lost to Sen John Smith, who later lost to Sen. John

Smith of Deming.

But it was the Republican primary that raised the roof. Steve Pearce and Phelps Anderson made a big deal out of Ed Tinsley and Earl Greer having homes in Albuquerque, which is out-side the district. Then everyone got beside themselves when Rep. Joe Skeen endorsed Tinsley. The race was

close and left bad feelings.
Sen. Pete Domenici and Rep.
Skeen came in after the primary to patch things up for Pearce, the winner. They did a pretty good job, except as one losing candidate said, Republicans are somewhat new to hotly contested primaries, so we don't have much experience at bringing the troops together afterwards.

Party registration in the 2nd district isn't much different that in New Mexico's other two congressional districts, but the voting pattern is much more conservative.

The last Democrat to hold the 2nd district seat, Harold Runnels, back in the 70s, was conservative enough to be acceptable to nearly any Republican down there. He was so acceptable, Republicans got in the habit of not running anyone against him.

But then Harold messed things up by having a fatal heart attack soon after the '80' primary. Democrats got to name a replacement, but since Republicans hadn't put up a candidate. they didn't have anyone to replace. That's why Joe Skeen had to run as a write-in. His victory marked only the third time a write-in was elected to Congress.

The question now is whether Democrat candidate John Smith is conservative enough to fit the 2nd district's idea of a good congressman. If he's not. Pearce wins in a walk.

Early indications are that Smith is filling the requirement. He's definitely a little more conservative than Ruben Smith, which may be a major reason the primary went to John Smith. The latest poll in the general election race shows Smith and Pearce

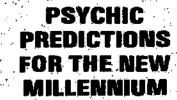
in a dead heat with 39 percent of the vote apiece. The 22 percent undecided will determine the race. They are waiting to hear what the two have to say. As always, the media campaign will be crucial. Both candidates are getting plenty of help from their national parties. With six seats separating the two parties in the U.S. House, this open seat in a toss-up district is as important as they get.

And that is why both national parties have multiple staff members in the district making sure the candidates get all the help they need. Pearce entered the contest a little better prepared than Smith. He has a U.S. campaign, against Jeff Bingaman in 2000, already under his belt and he already had an organization and war chest set up when the national staff arrived.

Smith has had an aversion to asking people for money ever since his first run for the state Senate. He hasn't wanted to be tainted by the appearance of any obligations to anyone. That has changed. There is no way to win without money and the candidate with the most usually prevails.

Besides a lead in organization and fundraising, Pearce also has had bigger heavyweights come into the district to help him out. None other than President Bush, along with numerous top members of Congress. have been to the district to help Pearce turn out big crowds and stock his campaign larder.

One of Smith's problems in catching up is that he has to be careful about the big names he brings into the district to help him. Pearce probably can't bring in anyone too conservative, but most of the Democrats available to Smith would cause him more trouble than they would be worth.





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Libra: (Sept 22 - Oct 22) You're on the right track. Your feelings can tell you more than you already know, yourself. Know yourself. The Past can't hurt you anymore.

Scorpio: (Oct 23 - Nov 21) New things are right around the corner. Do you dare to take a chance on the unknown, or stay in the same old rut? You have what it takes to change it.

Sagittarius: (Nov 22 - Dec 21) Others don't mean to hurt your feelings. They mean well. Let it go. They can't feel what you're feeling. If you have something to say. Say it!

Capricorn: (Dec 22 - Jan 19) Money is important, but the love you have is more important. The next decision you make could change your life for the rest of your life! Think first.

Aquarius: (Jan 20 - Fcb 18) You'll be okay, once you start listening to your little voice inside, instead of what others are telling you what to dol Live your own life for a change.

Pisces: (Feb 19 - March 20) You're very powerful right now! Watch what you say to others in the name of love! You mean well, but could do damage beyond repair. Give

Aries: (March 21 - April 19) Feel a little crazy, about now? That's normal. Don't worry, when all of this is over, you'll look back and laugh and wonder why you got mad.

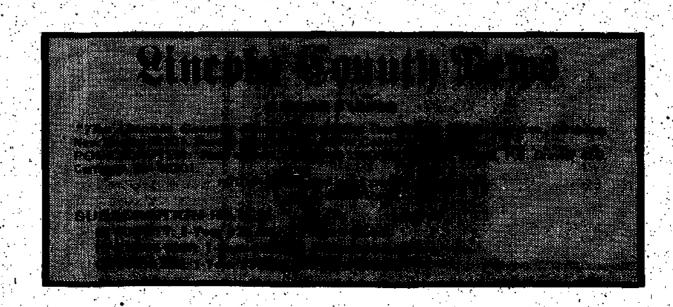
Taurus: (April 20 - May 20) Money is the key, but not the problem. Take a break! Go and see family (some where else, far, far away!) You can't see the trees for the forest.

Gemini: (May 21 - June 20) Buckle up! You're in for the ride of your life! You better know what you want, when you want it, because your life is about to change!

Cancer: (June 21- July 22) This isn't the time to get upset over little things! You have bigger fish to fry! Don't lose good energy over things that don't matter. LOVE THEM.

Leo: (July 23 - Aug 22) You can feel it can't you? Something strange in the air. It feels like someone is watching you, but you don't know who. It's your Angels protecting you.

Virgo: (Aug 23 - Sept 22) You have to trust yourself first, before you can trust anyone in your life. You can't go on for the rest of your life not living or loving someone.



#6 proposes to amend Article



Carrizozo Mayor's Unfounded Allegations About LCSWA Complaints and **List of Complainants Apparently Hearsay and Non-Existing According to Letters!**

The following two letters were sent to Carrizozo resident, Norman VanGorder in response to his request for a list of complaints and the complainants to the allegation that there had been many complaints about LCSWA's service.

September 13, 2002

Mr. Norman VanGorder P.O. Box 763 Carrizozo, New Mexico 88301

Dear Mr. VanGorder,

Per your request for a list of residents with complaints on the Lincoln County Solid Waste Authority, Mayor Hernandez has stated that the complaints were verbal and the residents wish there (sic) names to be kept anonymous. Mayor Hernandez stated that he will respect their wishes. If you have any further questions or need any further information, please let me know. Thank you.

Sincerely, Leann Weihbrecht, CMC Town Clerk/Treasurer Town of Carrizozo

Dear Mr. VanGorder,

September 19, 2002

Mr. Norman VanGorder P.O. Box 763 Carrizozo, New Mexico 88301, ...,

This letter is in reference to your inquiry on the complaints made to Mayor Hernandez about the Lincoln County Solid Waste Authority. Mayor Hernandez stated that the complaints that were made were about the high rates, that the LCSWA would not pick up anything outside the polycarts, (if you had a bag of trash that would not fit in the polycart and you put it on top of the cart or along side of it, they wouldn't pick it up), trash on windy days was going all over, and polycarts not being picked up on trash day. If you are in need of any further information, please let me

Sincerely, Leann Weihbrecht, CMC Town Clerk/Treasurer Town of Carrizozo

know.

BOOKMOBILE SCHEDULE

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 8	
Corona Post Office	.12:30 - 2:30
Carrizozo/Otero Electric	. 4:00 - 6:30
WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 9	
Carrizozo/Otero Electric	7:30 - 8:30
Nogal Post Office	9:00-9:45
Capitan Smokey Bear Cafe	10:15 - 11:45
Camp Sierra Blanca	1:00 - 3:00
Lincoln Post Office.	4:00-4:45
Hondo Store	5:00-5:45



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Lincoln County COMMISSIONER

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Constitutional Amendments

(Continued from Page 1)

claim this exemption. When fully phased in, the additional exemption could result in a total tax reduction of \$4 million, which is less than one-half of one percent of total property tax liabilities in New Mexico. The exemption is considered a small token of appreciation for those who served the country at a critical time and deserve special recognition and could be helpful to veterans who are now approaching retirement and fixed incomes and rising property taxes.

In arguments against the amendment, the increased exemption should be based on financial need. The larger exemption will shrink the property tax base, which could result in lower tax revenue and/or higher tax rates. The exemption should apply only to those who saw combat. Tax exemptions are poor policy that shifts the tax burden to non-exempt taxpayers.

Constitutional Amendment #2 proposes to amend Article 7. Section 1 to "remove the prohibition against certain persons exercising the right to vote."

The proposed amendment changes the age, from 21 to 18, of persons eligible to register to vote. It also will remove wording "idiots, insane persons, and" from the list of people who are ineligible to vote.

Proposed amendment language does not change any eligibility for registering to vote which include residency in New Mexico for 12 months or more, in the county 90 days and in the precinct in which the person is to vote for 30 days.

The proposed changes are an attempt to update the state constitution to reflect federal requirements, and to reflect current attitudes.

The right for an 18 year old to vote was established by the 26th Amendment to the US Constitution, so the proposed NM constitutional amendment brings the wording of the state constitution in line with federal require-

Use of the words "idiot" and "insane persons" are overly general terms subject to varying interpretations that could allow an election judge to deny a person a right to vote on purely subjective basis. The words are archaic and offensive today and could exclude people who are capable of exercising their basic democratic rights of choice.

Arguments against the proposed amendment state while it proposes update the state constitution to federal voting age requirements, it does not update the state constitution to the Federal Voting Rights Compliance Act voting requirements concerning residency. If the amendment is rejected the legislature would have the opportunity to draft a total and proper rewording of the section to meet all of the changes done on the federal level.

Removing "idiots, insane persons" language without replacing it with modern terms may be too sweeping a change. Removal of the provision may invite abuse of the election process, with possibility of fraudulent influence on voting, in the form of "assisting" voters who have disabilities. State law now provides that an individual who is determined legally insane "shall have" his or her voter registration canceled. The proposed amendment would permit legally insane persons to vote.

Constitutional Amendment #3 proposes to amend Article 6 to eliminate an outdated section regarding designation of judicial districts. The section lists the eight original judicial districts and the counties to be included in those districts adopted in

New Mexico's first constitution in 1910. Currently there are 13 judicial districts in New Mexico, which have been set by lan-

guage in Article 6. Section 12 in state statutes. The section is considered outdated, since the state constitution permits the legislature to "rearrange the districts of the state, increase the number thereof."

Arguments against the proposed amendment ask why bother to change this since it has not created problems and it is another example of "plecemeal" amending of the state constitution.

Constitutional Amendment #4 proposed to repeal Article 2. Sec. 22 of the state constitution which states that "aliens cannot own land or any interest in land in the state unless otherwise provided by law."

Article 2, Sec. 22 was added as a constitutional amendment in 1921, even though the original 1910 constitution guaranteed that there would be 'no distinction between resident aliens and citizens when it came to property ownership.

Currently New Mexico is only one of two states in the US that has the prohibition against "alien ineligible to citizenship." When written the phrase meant Asians who at that time could not become naturalized citizens. Such a provision is considered to be in violation of the US Constitution.

In argument against, the proposed amendment is unnecessary because of "unless otherwise provided by law" language which allows the legislature to overrule the provision with statutory language.

Retaining the provision allows future legislatures ability to restrict property ownership by certain alien as circumstances demand, especially in concern of terrorism and security of the

Constitutional Amendment #5 proposes to amend Article 8, Section 15 to exempt from property taxation the principal residence occupied by a veteran who has a 100 percent service-connected disability. It removes language that requires the property to have been specially adapted for veteran's disability and further defines an eligible disability as total service connected and 100 percent disability.

Currently the exemption is available to disabled veterans who received a federal grant for adapting their residence to their disability. The proposed amendment would remove this requirement. In arguing for the amendment would honor and recognize veterans who are permanently disabled as a result of their service to their country.

Estimates are the tax impact of the exemption would be about \$1 million.

'Arguments against the amendment ask why disabled veterans as a group warrant special treatment over other totally disabled property owners. It is poor policy to provide such an exemption to the disabled veterans and their spouses, regerdless of need. Expanding property tax exemptions will shift tax costs to those who

Property tax is based on the value of the property not on the personal characteristics of the owner.

Constitutional Amendment

9. Section 14 to permit the state and local governments to provide land, buildings or infrastructure to create affordable housing. It removes the words "shall prohibit" and "shall be construed to prohibit" and adds two new subsections that would allow the state, county or municipality from donating land for construction on it of affordable housing; donating existing buildings owned by the state, county or municipality for conversion or renovation into affordable housing; provide or pay costs of infrastructure necessary to support affordable housing projects. The second proposed new subsection will require enabling legislation to be enacted by the legislature to define affordable housing; establish eligibility criteria for recipients of land, buildings and infrastructure, provisions for successful completion, require county or municipality to approve by ordinance for a specific affordable housing assistance grant and including in the ordinance the conditions of

grant by the state. . Section 14 of Article 9 is often referred to the "anti-donation clause." It currently prohibits the sate and its political subdivision form lending or pledging credit or making donations to persons, associations or corporations. There are several exemptions authorizing expenditures for the sick and indigent, certain scholarship programs and certain economic development initia-

the grant; and require prior

approval by law a specific

(SEE PAGE 7)

Required Public Notice!

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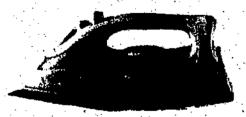


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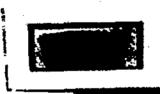
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tion was taken from dispatch records in the Lincoln County Sheriff's Office in the Lincoln County Courthouse in Carrizozo: September 23:

12:42 p.m. harassment on Escalante in Agua Fria. 6:54 p.m. wife threatening suicide in Alto, the wife had been drinking. Two deputies responded and woman to Lincoln County Medical Center (LCMC) in Ruidoso.

on Musketball was complaining of loud music in the area. Deputy was advised to not call after 10:30

September 24:

San Patricio, Glencoe Palo Verde Fire Department was paged, but the alarm worker caused.

10:10 a.m. mal use of phone on South Road in Alto.

11:50 a.m. request for ambulance for elderly woman who fell 17 miles east of Corona. Carrizozo ambulance transported the woman to the hospital in Roswell.

1:01 p.m. abandoned vehicle east of mile marker 272 on Highway 70, the car had been there for two days. The owner in Roswell was called.

5:12 p.m. stolen gun from location on Santiago Dr., the gun had been about three missing weeks.

5:45 p.m. dispute in Hondo, the caller advised that subjects had tried to run her over with a tractor. State police responded because the reporting party had called them.

7:26 p.m. possible temporary restraining order (TRO) violation in Hondo. The caller advised that a subject was at the house ere a TKO was in Di September 25:

8:58 a.m. trespassing on Alpine Village Road.

9:23 a.m. deputy advised he was serving an arrest warrant to a subject in Carrizozo who was seen walking on the street. The deputy advised he had taken the subject to the Lincoln County Detention Center (LCDC).

9:33 a.m. caller in Corona requested a deputy to provide vacation information.

1:05 p.m. lost cell phone at Bonito Lake. Deputy made phone contact.

2:40 p.m. harassment/threats in Angus. September 26:

3:19 a.m. diesel spill at mile marker 176 on Highway 54. Corona fire department responded.

4:32 a.m. accident with injuries at mile marker 176 on Highway 54, person complaining of being in pain. Corona ambulance transported one to LCMC.

1:58 p.m. larceny at trailer park east of Ruidoso Downs.

5:23 p.m. someone shooting at mile marker 83 on Highway 380. Two deputies and Capitan police responded.

September 27:

12:14 a.m. accident with injuries at mile marker 167 on Highway 54. The calling party advised of a one vehicle roll over end over end, with one subject still in the car. Corona ambulance and fire department responded.

10:16 a.m. request for ambulance on D. Ave. for husband who fell in the

The following informa- bathtub. Carrizozo ambulance transported to LCMC.

1:01 p.m. treasurer's office request ambulance for woman who fell in front of the courthouse and cut her head. Carrizozo ambulance transported to Gerald Champion Memorial Hospital in Alamogordo. September 28:

12:02 p.m. deputy adtransported the vised he was doing warrant service in Hondo.

12:08 p.m. accident without injuries involving 8 p.m. noise. A resident a state police unit in Corona, request for agency assistance. Deputy responded, and Corona ambulance also responded.

3:05 p.m. Ruidoso police department requested. 9:17 a.m. fire alarm in deputy for warrant service on Mechem Drive. Deputy responded.

3:09 p.m. Corona ambucompany canceled the run lance advised it was on advising the alarm was route to Santa Rosa from the football field in Corona with a subject with head pain.

5:46 p.m. shots fired on Pinon in Loma Grande. Responding deputy admade no contact with anyone.

assistance in Ancho.

injuries on Ski Run Road. Bonito Fire Department, Ruidoso Advanced Life Support (RALS) ambucanceled as the report was the wrong location.

1:57 p.m. breaking and entering on Mesa Loop, a trailer was broken into.

2 p.m. argument at Bonito Lake. Deputies. responded.

with no food or water. The responding deputy advised the animals appeared to be in good shape. The deputy spoke with the brother of the owner who said they are fed and watered every afternoon.

6:20 p.m. breaking and entering on E019 in

6:24 p.m. accident with injuries at mile marker 156 on Highway 54 north. Corone ambulance transported woman to LCMC.

7:02 p.m. request for ambulance on Buffalo Court for patient with possible alcohol poisoning. RALS transported one to LCMC. September 30:

4:22 p.m. illegal dumping of masonry construction trash at the end of Sunset and Nogal Place.

7:19 p.m. abandoned vehicle in Palo Verde Slopes. Ruidoso Downs police to assist.

10:49 p.m. welfare check in Alto. Calling party from Eunice was concerned about her husband's well being and requested a check and phone call. Deputy responded.

Compensation Available For Livestock Affected By Drought in The State

County farm service vised it was okay and he agencies are now accepting applications for the new Livestock Compensa-6:30 p.m. lady needing tion Program (LCP) which is available in 32 counties 6:51 p.m. accident with in the state that were despossible injuries on ignated primary disaster Highway 70 in Tinnie, areas for drought in 2001 Hondo ambulance, fire or 2002. The only excep-and deputy responded. tion is Los Alamos September 29: County, LCP provides di-11:09 a.m. accident with rect payments per head to producers who suffered livestock losses as a result of severe drought conditions. The secretary of aglance were paged but later riculture is authorized to approximately provide \$752 million in LCP assistance nationwide.

LCP provides assistance to eligible livestock producers who owned livestock for at least 90 days as of June 1, 2002. Live-3:42 p.m. request for stock meeting these reanimal welfare check on quirements that have Gavilan Canyon, horses been sold or are deceased prior to sign-up would still be eligible for payment.

Eligible livestock under LCP provisions are beef, dairy cattle, sheep and goats as well as buffalo and beefalo when maintained on the same basis as beef cattle.

For more information contact the local office.

Judge Karen L. Parsons

COURT CALENDAR

12th JUDICIAL DISTRICT Division III

The calendar for District Judge Karen L. Parsons in her court in Carrizozo:

Monday, September 30: 8:15 a.m. Muniz name change: CV-2002-183 8:30 a.m. teleconference Durham v. Southwest De-

velopers; CV-98-22 schedule conference 9:30 a.m. teleconference Smith v. Johnston; CV-2002-

66 (Rafkin/Stevens) motion to continue Tuesday, October 1: 8:30 a.m. Grant v. Grant; DM-2002-40 (Dutton) default

9 a.m. Mansell v. Mansell; DM-00-74 (Threet / Brownfield) property issues
1:30 p.m. Fleet v. Valliant; CV-99-22 (Bradley/Threet)

writ of assistance

2:30 p.m. Lara v. Lara; DM-2002-19 (Beauvais/Dutton) attorneys fees

3 p.m. Zamora v. Zamora; DM-95-142 (Wheeler) mo-

Wednesday, October 2: Judge Parsons to attend three day cross cultural exchange program in Santa Fe through Friday, Oct. 4.

Wednesday, October 2: In front of Darrell Brantley: 10 a.m. Candice Arnold v. Morgan Baker; DV-2002-116

Barbara Sumlin v. Jimmie Marshall; DV-2002-67 11 a.m. Tabitha Rue v. Reginald Turner; DV-2002-117 11:30 a.m. Eiva Chavez v. Esther Hernandez: DV-2002-118

Grizzly

by Carrizeze High School Journalism Class

Sarah Ball, Instructor

Grizzlies vs Tatum

On Friday, September 20, the Grizzlies were discouraged by their loss to the Tatum Coyotes. In the first quarter the Grizzlies and the Coyotes seemed pretty evenly matched with both teams going back and forth on the field with a turnover for each team. Then, the Coyotes' speed and agility got to the Grizzlies' defense. Carrizozo started making costly mistakes. The Grizzlies went in at the half trailing 14-0.

The Grizzlies started the second half with the kick off. The defense held the Coyotes' offense and forced the turnover. The Grizzlies had finally gained a good position in Coyote territory, Jack Green #47 punched through the middle and scored. However, again the Coyotes' offensive speed and agility penetrated the Grizzlies' defense and answered right back with a touchdown, making the score 21-8. Again, the offense took over and started making more costly mistakes with fumbles and penalties, which led to another Coyote touchdown. At the end of the third quarter the score was 35 - 8.

In the fourth quarter the Grizzlies marched down the field. Jack Green went to the right to score the touchdown, but that was the last touchdown of the night for the Grizzlies. The Tatum Coyotes went on to victory with the score Grizzlies 16 and Tatum 45.

Be sure to catch the Grizzlies as they travel to

Melrose on Friday, October 4.

Chris Vallejos

Lincoln County 4-H Wins at State Fair

Lincoln County 4-H members were winners at the New Mexico State Fair. Winners were:

Junior Ceramics - Overglaze Pot, Kendal Wilson, first; This Is 4-H - T-shirt, Tyler Shropshire, second; This Is 4-H - Workbook, Jasmine Candelaria, third; Adventures With A Camera - Photo, Erin Hightower, second; Adventures With A Camera - Flash Photo, Erin . Hightower, second: Adventures With A Camera - B & W Photo. Erin Hightower, second; Adventures With A Camera - Album, Erin Hightower, second: Adventures With A Camera - Photo, Kendal Wilson, first; Adventures With A Camera -Album, Kendal Wilson, second; Dairy Foods -Program Record, Jennifer Shafer, second; Braiding I - Braiding Board, Jessica Hansell, third; Braiding -Advanced Belt Project, Erin Hightower, first; Braiding - Lead Rope, Kendal Wilson, first; Sewing II - Top & Skirt, Jennifer Shafer, first; Sewing II Top & Pants, Kaitlyn Vega, first; Welding - Saddle Rack, Kendal Wilson, first; Rocketry II - Rocket, Keith Sultemeier, first: Uniquely New Mexico -Comhustk Doll, Keith Sultemeier, second; Small Pets - Getting To Know

Senior This Is 4-H - Workbook, Chezara Chavez, second; Food For The Future -Poster, Ryan Gaines, first; Clowning - Poster, Justus Wilson, first; Small Pets -Bird Feeder, Mary Beth Shivers, second; Gardening - Vegetable Exhibit, Chezara Chavez, second; Forestry - Exhibit In Glass, Wesley Hall, sec-

Birds, Keith Sultemeier,

first; Vet Science - Normal

Animal Exhibit, Erin

Hightower, first; Forestry -

Fire Behavior, Keith

Sultemeier, first; Plant /

Soil - Display, Keith

Sultemeier, first

Leathercraft Framed Picture, Patrick Luna, second; Sportfishing - Fly Exhibit, Wesley Hall, first; Wildlife - Exhibit In Glass, Wesley Hall, first; Welding - Silhouette, Steven Chavez, first: Creative Touches -Embellished Jacket, Mary Beth Shivers, second; Dog II - Flea Exhibit, Wesley Hell, first; This Is 4-H -T-shirt, Chezara Chavez. first; This Is 4-H - Box, Chezara Chavez, second

Novice This Is 4-H - Box, Kylie Gaines, first; Adventures Camera With A Self-portrait, Kylie Gaines, first; Adventures With A Camera - Photo, Marshal Wilson, second: Adventures With A Camera -Flash Photo, Marshal Wilson, first; Adventures With A Camera - Album, Marshal Wilson, third; Food For The Future -Poster, Kylie Gaines, first: Braiding I - Exhibit Board, Kylie Gaines, second; Braiding - Exhibit Board / Belt, Bailey Shivers, second: Sewing I - Sewing Tool Kit, Kylie Gaines, second; Entomology Glass Display, Tyler Scarafiotti, third; Wildlife -Bird Feeder, Wade Sultemeier, first; Wildlife Poster, Matthew Hernandez, first; Welding Clover, Marshal Wilson, second; Wood Science Footstool, Marshal Wilson. third; New Mexico Flavor Chile Ristra, Kylie Gaines, first; New Mexico Flavor -Dreamcatcher. Wade Sultemeier, first; Small pets - Poster, Bailey Shivers, first; Embroidery Shirt, Kylie Gaines, first; Embroidery - Pillowcase, Kylie Gaines, second; Cross-stitch -Transfer Dog, Sara Rush, third; Super Snacking - Poster, Kvlie Gaines, second: Quick Meals - Menu For A Day, Bethany Sweat, second; Forestry - Tree Collection, Wade Sultemeier.

first; Plant / Soil - Plant

Display, Wade Sultemeier.

Constitutional Amendments

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This proposed amendment would add another exception to the anti-donation clause that is intended to ensure public funds are only spent for appropriate public purposes and not direct benefit for one individual or group. Arguments for is affordable housing for state residents is an appropriate public pur-

Arguments against include the potential for abuse, with no requirement for enabling legislation to prohibit individuals from selling their ownership interest in affordable housing and using the profits for their own advantage. The proposed amendment would set a precedent for future donations by the state and is vague with regard to requirements for the enabling legislation, such as what is considered affordable housing, where the housing might be constructed or who might qualify to own or inhabit the housing.

Constitutional Amendment #7 proposes to amend Article

2002 Tax

(Con't, from P. 2)

are imposed .269 mills and .441 mills respectively for Upper Hondo Soil and Wa-

ter Conservation District.

Some applicable properties will also be taxed for

the Sun Valley Sanitation

District at 6.759 mills for

residential and nonresi-

Other applicable proper-

ties will be taxed for the

Alpine Village Sanitation

District at 10.284 mills for

residential and nonresi-

also have livestock will be

paying 10 mills for "cattle

maemnity, to mills for

sheep and goats, 5 mills

per head for dairy cattle,

10 mills per head of

equine and 10 mills per

head of bison. In addition

25 cents per head is

charged for cattle, sheep

and goats for predator

meeting, Park presented a

chart showing tax rates

over the last 10 years. The

average rates ranged from

27.025 mills (or 27.025 dol-

lars per thousand dollars

worth of taxable property

value) in 1992 to 23.777

mills in 2002. Lowest rates

were in 2000 when it was

22.904. Taxable values

however changed consid-

erably over the 10 years,

from \$270,119,489 in 1992

to \$545,555,677 in 2002.

The year 1997 saw the

biggest spike in taxable

values, up 19 percent from

1996. Even with this in-

crease, total taxable value

\$406,195,662. The 1996

values were \$339,326,249.

based on the tax rates

times the taxable value of

each piece of property.

Tax bills will be mailed

out the first of November.

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the first half of the bills

are not paid by then. The

second half of property

taxes are due in April 2003. and delinquent in May

For more information

about tax rates, call the

Lincoln County Treas-

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Rates

20 to designate the last Friday in March as a legal holiday in honor of Cesar Chavez.

Chavez was an organizer of migrant farm laborers through peaceable assembly and nonviolent protest, and thus affected the treatment of those workers. He is considered the greatest Hispanic civil rights leader of the 20th century, and it is appropriate to designate a day in his honor.

Arguments against the proposed amendments are putting the holiday in the constitution is inappropriate and sets a bad precedent, since other holidays have been designated by statute. Chavez's contributions to the labor movement should be remembered on Labor Day. Chavez was not New Mexican and a new holiday would be a continuing cost to tax payers because it would become a paid holiday for state employees, who already have nine paid holidays a year.

Another existing paid holiday should be eliminated if New Mexican's want to celebrate Cesar Chavez Day.

Constitutional Amendment #8 proposes to amend Article 9, Section 14 to broaden eligibility for Vietnam Veterans' Scholarships. Currently the scholarships are open only to those Vietnam veterans who were residents of New Mexico at the time of their original entry into the armed forces from New Mexico. The proposed amendment will add language to expand the scholarships to any Vietnam veteran "who has lived in New Mexico for 10 years or more."

The goal of the proposed amendment is to expand the scholarship program to reward and acknowledge more residents for their service in the Vietnam conflict.

Arguments against include the difficulty in estimated the future costs, since it would open up eligibility for tuition scholarships to an unknown number of veterans who have moved to New Mexico. It also does not state the veteran must be a current resident.

Imposition of a 10 year residency to receive a state benefit seems arbitrary, and "almost certainly violates the Equal Protection Clause of the 14th Amendment of the US Constitution." The proposed amendment appears to be a special interest legislation that will benefit a few.

Constitutional Amendment #9 proposes to amend Article 3, Section 14 to change the name of the State Highway Commission to the State Transportation Commission.

The proposed amendment would recognize that transportation issues are broader than motor vehicle use of highways and fiscal impact of accommodating the name change are minimal.

Arguments against state it is an unnecessary waste of tax money as it would have no real impact on the work of the commission which does not oversee railroads, buses, airlines, bicycle paths or any mode of transportation other than highways. An identical proposal was defeated by voters in 1994.

The nine constitutional questions will be located on the ballot face in the electronic voting machines, and on the back of the paper absentee voter ballot.

For more information about the proposed amendments and full text of the legislative council service summary, go to the New Mexico Secretary of State Internet address www.sos.state.nm.us and click on 2002 Election

Church Directory



Information.

MOUNTAIN MINISTRY PARISH, SIERRA BLANCA PRESBYTERY

Nogal Presbyterian Church: BILL SEBRING, Pestor Sunday School 10:00 a.m. Anche Community Presbyterian Church:

SCOTT KING, Paster / 648-2024 Sunday School 10:00 a.m. Corona Presbyterian Church: Sunday School 10:00 a.m. First Baptist Church

HAYDEN SMITH, Pastor 314 10th Ave., Carrizozo, NM 648-2968 (Church) or 648-2107

Worship Service 10:55 a.m. Sun. Evening Training at 6:15 p.m.

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 Study7:30 p.m.

Santa Rita Catholic Community FR. DAVE BERGS, Pastor 213 Birch, Carrizozo, NM, 648-2853 SATURDAY: Capitan Secred Heart 5:00 p.m. Capitan Sacred Heart 9:00 a.m.

Church of Christ

TOM POINDEXTER, Minister 354-3135 Ave. C at 12th, Carrizozo, NM Sunday School 10:00 a.m. St. Matthias Episcopal Church

Corner of E Ave. and Sixth, Carrizoza, NM 505-257-2356 Holy Eucharist Sunday 9:30 a.m.

REV. CANON JOHN PENN, Rector 🕛

LaGrone Funeral Chapel

Jerry & Lanita Rasak

Claunch Community Church TONY SCACCIA, Minister

Second Sunday of Each Month 9:00 a.m.

United Methodist Churches

JOHANNA ANDERSON, Pastor 1000 D. Ave, 648-2893 / 648-2846 Carrizozo, NM 88301 Sunday School (Alt Ages) 10:00 a.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.. Fellowship Dinner Every Third Sunday Handmaidens (Ecumenical Women's Group)

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 Worship Service 11:00 a.m. Evening Worship 6:00 p.m.

Trinity Southern Baptist Church

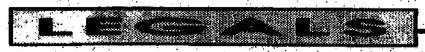
MEL GNATKOWSKI, Pastor / 648-2530 Phone 354-2044 Capitan (South on Hwy. 48) Sunday School 9:30 a.m.

First Beptist Church of Corona

CAL WEST, Pastor / 849-7975 Sunday School 10:00 a.m. Fellowship Dinner 1st Sunday of Month

Bill Winkler

Stearns Insurance Agency



LEGAL NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that the Lincoln County Board of Commissioners has received the following road review request:

1. Request to stop Maintenance of County Road #E038, off State Road #368 the Arabella Highway, 1.05 miles to private ranch house, George Sisneros is the petitioner.

2. Dedicate portion of Alpine Village Road to Lincoln County for regular maintenance. Road between the Village of Ruidoso boundary and the East boundary of Alpine Village Subdivision. Petitioner is Mr. Warren Atkinson.

3. Request to vacate road easements, Mesa Verde Acres, Unit 2 Tracts 31 & 32. Shirley Castle is the petitioner.

Pursuant to Section 67-6-9, N.M.S.A., the Board of commissioners has appointed a Road Review Committee which will meet at 10:00 A.M. on Monday, Oct. 7, 2002. The Road Review Committee will meet at the start of County Road E-038 off State Road #368 the Arabella Highway, and then proceed to the other locations.

The report of the Road Review Committee will be presented to the Board of Commissioners during their regular meeting on October 17, 2002.

Anyone wishing to make comments or recom-mendations may do so at any of the above mentioned meetings.

REX WILSON, Chairman Lincoln County Board of Commissioners

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARINGS

NOTICE is hereby given that the Lincoln County Board of Commissioners shall hold Public Hearings beginning at 9:00 A.M. on Thursday, October 17, 2002, to be held at the Lincoln County Courthouse (Commission Chambers) in Carrizozo, New Mexico, to consider the following proposed ordinances:

A. PUBLIC HEARING TO CONSIDER PRO-POSED ORDINANCE GOVERNING DIVI-SIONS OF LAND AND/OR RECOMBINA-TIONS OF LAND; REQUIRING A CERTIFI-CATE ISSUED BY THE LINCOLN COUNTY TREASURER'S OFFICE ESTABLISHING PROPERTY TAX OBLIGATIONS HAVE REEN MET PRIOR TO DIVIDING OR COM-BEEN MET PRIOR TO DIVIDING OR COM-BINING REAL PROPERTY PARCELS: PRO-VIDING FOR PENALTIES FOR VIOLATION HEREOF; REPEALING ORDINANCES IN CONFLICT; PROVIDING FOR THE SEVERABILITY OF PARTS HEREOF; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE

B. PUBLIC HEARING TO CONSIDER PROPOSED ORDINANCE CREATING THE PUBLIC LAND-USE AND RURAL AFFAIRS
ADVISORY COMMITTEE, AND ESTABLISHING PURPOSES THEREFORE; PROVIDING
QUALIFICATIONS, APPOINTMENT,
TERMS, PROVISIONS FOR REMOVAL OF
COMMITTEE MEMBERS AND REIMBURSEMENT COMPENSATION; ESTABLISHING
LEGAL COUNSEL AND PROCEDURES FOR
MEETINGS AND VOTING; REPEALING
ORDINANCES 1991-6, 1994-7, 1998-8, 199810, AND OTHER ORDINANCES IN CONFLICT HEREWITH; PROVIDING FOR THE FLICT HEREWITH: PROVIDING FOR THE SEVERABILITY OF PARTS HEREOF; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE

All parties and interested citizens will have the opportunity to be heard. Copies of the proposed ordinances may be obtained from the County Manager's Office at the Lincoln County Courthouse in Carrizozo, twenty-four (24) hours prior to the meeting.

MARTHA GUEVARA Assistant County Manager

Published in the Lincoln County News on Thursday, October 3, 2002.

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE is hereby given that on September 16, 2002, Dale A. Woods and Dorothy S. Woods, P.O. Box 25, Ruidoso, New Mexico 88355, filed application No. 0777, 0774 & 0777-A with the STATE ENGINEER for permit to drill a well 12 inches in diameter and approximately 100 feet in depth at a point in NE1/4NW1/4SE1/4 of Section 27, Township 10 South, Range 16 East, N.M.P.M., for the purpose of supplementing surface waters of the Rio Ruidoso via the Lower Chosas Ditch South which diverts at a point located in the NW1/4SE1/4NE1/4 of Section 28, Township 10 South, Range 16 East, N.M.P.M., for the continued diversion of up to 11.68 acre-feet per annum of surface waters and supplemental groundwater for the irrigation of 3.65 acres of land located in the NE1/4NW1/4SE1/4 of Section 27, Township 10 South, Range 16 East, N.M.P.M.

The proposed well will be located approximately three miles west of San Patricio, New Mexico.

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 of 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 appli-cation 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 Fo

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LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE is hereby given that on July 19, 2002, Robert T. and Belinda Gutierrez, P.O. Box 152, Tinnie, NM, filed application No. H-48-C with the STATE ENGINEER for permit to change place of use and location of well by ceasing the irrigation of 1.89 acres of land located in the NW1/4SW1/4 of Section [1, Township [1] South, Range 17 East, N.M.P.M., and the diversion of 6.048 acre feet per annum of ground waters diverted from wells H-48 & H-48-S both located in the NW1/4NW1/4SW1/4 of Section 11, Township 11 South, Range 17 East, N.M.P.M. Applicant proposes to commence the irrigation of up to 1.89 acres tocated in the NEI/4 of Section 10, Township 11 South, Range 17 East, and divert of up to 6.048 acre feet from wells H-47 located in the NW1/4SE1/4NE1/4 of Section 10, Township 11 South, Range 17 East, N.M.P.M., and well H-264 located in the SE1/4NW1/4NE1/4 of Section 10, Township 11 South, Range 17 East, N.M.P.M.

The proposed move from and move to locations are in Hondo, NM.

NOTICE is hereby given that on July 19, 2002, Robert T. and Belinda Gutierrez, P.O. Box 152, Timie, NM, filed application No. 02673 & H-48-COMB-C with the STATE ENGINEER for permit to change place of use of 2.00 acres and the diversion of 6.40 acre feet per annum of surface waters diverted from the Rio Ruidoso, a tributary of the Rio Hordo via the Ambrodo Chavez Ditch, and sumple-Hondo, via the Ambrocio Chavez Ditch, and supplemental groundwater diverted from wells H-48 & Hmental groundwater diverted from wells H-48 & H-48-S both located in the NW1/4NW1/4SW1/4 of Section 11, Township 11 South, Range 17 East, N.M.P.M. Applicant proposes to cease the diversion of 6.40 acre feet per annum and irrigation of 2.00 acres of land located in the NW1/4SW1/4 of Section 11, Township 11 South, Range 17 East, N.M.P.M., and commence the irrigation of up to 2.00 acres located in the NE1/4 of Section 10, Township 11 South, Range 17 East, and diversion of up to 6.40 acre feet per annum from the Rio Ruidoso, via the Antbrocio Chavez Ditch, well H-47 located in the NW1/4SE1/4NE1/4 of Section 10, Township 11 South, Range 17 East, N.M.P.M., and well H-264 located in the SE1/4NW1/4NE1/4 of Section 10, Township 11 South, Range 17 East, N.M.P.M.

Township 11 South, Range 17 East, N.M.P.M. The proposed move from and move to locations are in Hondo, NM.

NOTICE is hereby given that on July 19, 2002, Robert T. and Belinda Gutierrez, P.O. Box 152, Tinnle, NM, filed application No. 0826, 01300, & H-48-COMB-C with the STATE ENGINEER for permit to change place of use of 1.65 acres and the diversion of 5.28 acre feet per annum of surface waters diverted from the Rio Ruidoso, a tributary of the Rio Hordo, via the Ambrocio Chavez Ditch, and supplemental groundwater diverted from wells H-48 & H-48-S both located in the NWI/4NWI/4SWI/4 of Section 11, Township 11 South, Range 17 East, of Section 11, Township 11 South, Range 17 East, N.M.P.M. Applicant proposes to cease the diversion of 5.28 acre feet and irrigation of 1.65 acres of land located in the NE1/4SE1/4 of Section 10, Township 11 South, Range 17 East, N.M.P.M., and commence the irrigation of up to 1.65 acres located in the NE1/4 of Section 10, Township 11 South, Range 17 East, and diversion of up to 5.28 acre feet per from the Rio Ruidoso, via the Ambrocio Chavez Ditch, well H-47 located in the NW1/4SE1/4NE1/4 of Section 10, Township 11 South; Range 17 East, N.M.P.M., and well H-264 located in the SE1/4NW1/4NE1/4 of Section 10, Township 11 South Paners 17 East, N.M.P.M.

The proposed move from and move to locations are

South, Range 17 East, N.M.P.M.

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 of 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.

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LEGAL NOTICE

STATE OF NEW MEXICO COUNTY OF LINCOLN TWELFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT

> No. DM-02-85 Div. III

Damian Luna Petitioner.

Sonia Luna

Respondent. NOTICE OF PENDENCY

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

TO: Sonia Luna, 1405 Oregon Ave., Apt. C. Alamogordo, NM 88310.

GREETINGS: You are hereby notified that Damian Luna, Petitioner, has filed an action in the District Court of Lincoln County, New Mexico, Civil Docket No. DM-02-85 wherein you are named as the Respondent and wherein said Petitioner seeks

to obtain constructive service upon you.

The general objects of said action are to obtain a

dissolution of marriage.

(Seal)

You are further notified that unless you enter your appearance in said cause on or before 11-20-2002 judgment will be rendered against you by default, and the relief prayed for in the Petition will be granted.

The address of the Court is P.O. Box 725, Carrizozo, New Mexico and the Petitioner's address is P.O. Box 806, Carrizozo, NM 88301.
WITNESS my hand and the seal of the District

Court of Lincoln County, New Mexico, on this 12th day of Sept., 2002. JAN PERRY

Clerk of the District Court

By: Elizabeth Ysasi, Deputy

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> STATE OF NEW MEXICO COUNTY OF LINCOLN TWELFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT CV-02-105

BANK ONE NATIONAL ASSOCIATION. as Trustee under That Pooling and Servicing Agreement dated March 1, 2000 for CMC Securities Corporation III Mortgage Pass-Through Certificates Series 2000-1 Plaintiff.

V5. ANNA M. GOFF,

Defendant(s).

NOTICE OF SALE ON FORECLOSURE PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the above-entitled Court, having appointed me Special Master in this matter with the power to sell, has ordered me to sell the real property situated in Lincoln County, New Mexico, commonly known 813 North Lane, Ruidoso, New Mexico, and more particularly described as follows:

LOT 6, BLOCK 1 OF RUIDOSO GARDENS SUBDIVISION, UNIT TWO, RUIDOSO DOWNS, LINCOLN COUNTY, NEW MEXICO, AS SHOWN BY THE PLAT THEREOF FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY CLERK OF LINCOLN COUNTY, NOVEMBER 17, 1969 IN TUBE NO. 356 NOVEMBER 17, 1969, IN TUBE NO. 356.

The sale is to begin at 1:00 p.m. on October 23, The sale is to begin at 1:00 p.m. on October 23, 2002, outside the east entrance of the Lincoln County Courthouse. City of Carrizozo, County of Lincoln, State of New Mexico, at which time I will sell to the highest and best bidder for cash in lawful currency of the United States of America, the Property to pay expenses of sale, and to satisfy the Judgment in favor of Plaintiff, Bank One National Association, as Trustee under that pooling and servicing Agreement dated March 1, 2000 for CMC Securities Corporation III Mortgage Pass-Through Certificates Series 2000-1.

Bank One National Association, as Trustee under

Bank One National Association, as Trustee under that pooling and servicing Agreement dated March 1, 2000 for CMC Securities Corporation III Mortgage Pass-Through Certificate Derices - 2000-1 was awarded Judgment on September 10, 2002, in the principal sum of \$68,896.58, plus outstanding the principal sum of \$08,896.58, plus outstanding interest due on the Note through September 3, 2002, in the sum of \$6,946.29 and accruing thereafter at the rate of 10.00% per annum (\$18.88 per diem), plus late charges in the sum of \$61.08, plus escrow advances in the sum of \$225.79, plus appraisal fee in the sum of \$160.00, plus a payoff quote fee in the sum of \$20.00, plus preservation/inspection fee in the sum of \$49.80, plus corporate fees in the sum of the sum of \$49.80, plus corporate fees in the sum of \$23.87, plus attorney fees in the sum of \$750.00 and costs through August 11, 2002, in the sum of \$720.67, with interest thereon at the rate of 10.00% per annum until paid.

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

Michael LaValle, Special Master c/o Leverick & Musselman 5120 San Francisco NE Albuquerque, NM 87109 (505) 858-3303

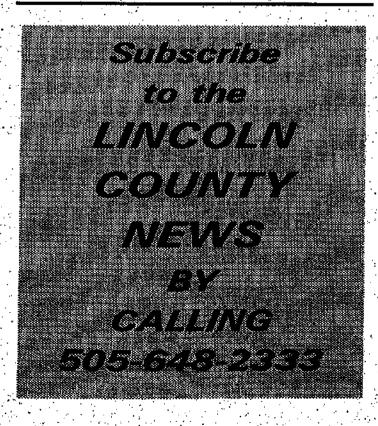
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Public Hearing Village of Capitan

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Governing Body of the VILLAGE OF CAPITAN, will at regular meeting, October 15th, 2002, at 6:30 p.m., in the Meeting Room at Village Hall, consider Ordinance 2002-05, an ordinance to establish a Parks and Persention Committee for the Village of Capital Recreation Committee for the Village of Capitan.

/s/ Kathryn Griffin, Village Cierk-Treasurer

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Mild dry fall weather continued last week with occasional scattered showers.

Winds dominated the weather scene Wednesday, October 2, ushering in a cold front that is predicted to drop temperatures into the 30s with possibility of light frost in the high lands by Sunday, October 6.

The following information was taken from the National Weather Service website:

Forecast for Carrizozo, Lincoln, Hondo Valley and other lower elevations of Lincoln County:

Today, Thursday, Oct. 3: Windy. West winds 20 to 30 miles per hour with gusts up to 40 miles per hour. Cooler with high of 71 in Carrizozo. No chance for precipitation. Tonight, clearing and colder with low of 43.

Friday, October 4: Partly cloudy and breezy with high of 75, low of 42.

Saturday, October 5: Partly cloudy with highs to 76, lows to 43.

Sunday, October 6: Partly cloudy with highs to 75, lows to 45.

Monday & Tuesday, October 7 & 8: Partly cloudy with highs to 78. lows to 45.

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

Today, Thursday, Oct. 3: Partly cloudy with west winds 20-30 miles per hour. No chance for precipitation. High of 68 in Ruidoso. Tonight clearing and cold with low to 33.

Friday, October 4: Partly cloudy and breezy with highs to 65, lows to

Saturday, October 5: Partly cloudy with highs to 66, lows to 32.

Sunday, October 6: Partly cloudy with highs to 65. lows to 32. Monday to Tuesday,

October 7 & 8: Partly cloudy with highs to 68 and lows to 32.

Capitan School **Board to Meet** Thurs., Oct. 10

The Capitan Board of Education will meet Thursday, Oct. 10 at 6 p.m. in the board room.

Items on the tentative agenda include awarding the vehicle bid, approving the revised increment schedule for 2002-2003. first reading of board policy section on performance evaluation plans for personnel. licensed teacher evaluation form only, information on the truancy prevention program, first reading of board policy section on activities. informational reading of truancy prevention program, organizational reports and special presentations, informational reports on caution light status, utilities comparison, enrollment up-date on 40th day, accredi-

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County Oks Highway

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consulting the county attorney and state laws Stewart determined the maximum speed could be posted at 30 miles per hour without a traffic survey. In August Stewart had the county road department put up speed limit signs at the entrances to the two mile stretch.

But after posting the signs, Stewart said he received a letter from Kinnan requesting Kinnan and other residents living along the road be allowed to speak to commissioners about the traffic problems.

Kinnan addressed commissioners saying they recommended the county post five more 30 miles per hour speed limit signs. to be placed every half mile. He also said some areas should be slower. such as the curve where two accidents involving the same family have occurred because of high speeds.

The second recommendation from the residents was for the county to post no through trucks signs at the ends of the road and finally they asked for more sheriffs office or state police enforcement of those speed limits.

After some discussion commissioners directed Stewart to have the road department put up more speed limit signs and requested Stewart research whether the county can restrict truck traffic.

In other business, commissioners: *

--Heard complaints from Nogal townsite residents about unauthorized work on Henley Ave. by Homer McDaniels who was instructed to do so by his brother Dee McDaniels. After a very lengthy discussion about whether the road had been closed by the county, county commission chair Rex Wilson asked for research of past years minutes to determine if the road had been closed by the county.

-Accepted the final 2002-2003 budget as certifled by the New Mexico Department of Finance and Administration (DFA).

-Postponed a public hearing on a proposed ordinance to require a certificate issued by the Lincoln County Treasurer's office establishing that property tax obligations have been met before any property can be subdivided. County attorney Alan Morel requested the hearing be postponed until the October 17 regular county commission meeting. Morel said several title company people had questioned the intent of the proposed ordinance and a surveyor also requested to meet with Morel about the proposed language.

-Heard, but took no action on, a request from Justice Benefits, Inc. to enter into a professional service agreement to seek, on a contingency basis, reimbursements from the federal government for detention center operations. Stewart said prior to agreements be wanted to consult with the county's detention center operator, Corrections Systems, Inc. because their staff would have to provide the figures for any such reimbursement serv-

-Heard Stewart brief

commissioners about the Rio Grande Behavioral Health Services, Inc. project for jail diversion programs in the area. The programs are coordinated by an organization called the GAINS Center for Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration that seeks to provide intervention before detention. Stewart said the program strives to divert people from jail who should not be there.

Voters Can Cast **Absentee Ballots**

Absentee voting on paper ballots is underway

While most absentee ballots are being mailed by Lincoln County the Clerk's office to registered voters who make application, voters can also complete their paper ballots in person at the county clerk's office in the Lincoln County Courthouse in Carrizozo.

To vote on the paper ballots in person, registered voters can go to the Lincoln County Clerk's Office in the Lincoln County Courthouse any time from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday and make request for application for absentee ballot. Once the voter has completed and signed the application for absentee ballot and the elerk's "staff "approve "the application, the voter can immediately receive the paper ballot. The voter may then complete the ballot in a special privacy booth provided by the clerk's office, seal it in the envelope provided, sign and date the envelope. The ballot will be opened and counted after 7 p.m. on November 5, general election day.

Early absentee voting, on electronic machines, begins October 16 at the county clerk's office in the Lincoln County Courthouse in Carrizozo during regular business hours, and at Ruidoso Senior Center off Sudderth Drive. Hours for the early in person voting on electronic machines will be posted in coming issues of Lincoln County News.

For more information about absentee voting, or voter registration which ends October 8, call the Lincoln County Clerk's Office at 648-2394.

Capitan School **Board to Meet**

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tation, school board election calendar, Regional VII school board meeting in Ruidoso Oct. 2, parent teacher conferences Oct. 24 and 25, and a closed session for personnel, evaluation.

After the closed session action may be taken on retirement.

The public is welcome to attend the Capitan School Board meeting.



Acequia Workshop Tomorrow, October 4

An acequia workshop will be held tomorrow, October 4 at the Truth or Consequences Civic Center Auditorium, 400 W. Fourth St. in T or C. The

workshop is sponsored by the New Mexico Acequia Commission (NMAC) and the New Mexico Interstate Stream Commission. Schedule of speakers:

9:30 welcome and introductions - NMAC; 3:00 closing remarks - NMAC. For additional information call Ayelet David at

827-6134 or John Garcia at

827-6138 or John York at **536-9452.**



FAST ACTION

Lincoln County News DALLS EXITE /

FOR SALE: 1990 Buick LeSabre, 4-door sedan, \$2,000,

Mack. 648-8285.

354-3363 2tc/9/26-10/3 5 FAMILY Garage Sale, Saturday, October 5. At Birdsong's Shop in White Oaks. 9 to 5. 1tp/10/03

FOR SALE: White Westinghouse staackable Washer & Dryer, \$250.00. Double door Metal Display case, \$75.00, 36x60x3. Two Display Cases, 18x70x38, \$200.00 each. Exercise Machine, \$25.00, Billy

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EMPLOYMENT NOTICE

GRANT ADMINSTRATOR - The County of Lincoln is seeking an experienced grants administrator for a Wildland Urban Interface Project and other grants as they become available. The ideal candidate may have a degree (Associates or Bachelors) in an appropriate field. The adminstrator will maintain fiscal records and report back to grantors on how appropriations are spent, what the results were, and request reimbursement. The successful applicant must possess an eye for detail; a love of paperwork and organization; writing skills; and have an interest in numbers and the ability to meet deadlines. Site and assistance visits to entities throughout the county will enable the administrator to obtain personal involvement in the projects. The administrator will be expected to conduct routine office duties, apply for further grants, and perform other duties as assigned. Position is a grant funded unclassified contract employee with excellent health and retirement benefits. Starting salary is \$21,497 per year, advancing to \$22,572 after 6 months in the position. Starting date for employment is November 11, 2002. To obtain an employment application by mail, send a resume to Thomas F. Stewart, Lincoln County Manager, P.O. Box 711, Carrizozo, New Mexico 88301 or telephone 505-648-2385. Closing date for applications is 5:00 PM, Wednesday, October 23, 2002. Lincoln County is an equal opportunity employer and in compliance with ADA requirements, Title II-A.

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FOR RENT: Carrizozo. 1-bdrm, apt., water, sewer/trash pd. \$200.00. mo, \$100.00 dep. 648-7909

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CARRIZOZO: 3 BDRM home, 1000 Drexel, Buy/Lease, \$300 per month, 505-296-0243. tfn/10/03

TEMPORARY EMPLOYMENT

Smokey Bear Historical Park in Capitan is hiring Temporary Laborers for Youth Conservation Corps Project. Contact Eddie at (505) 354-2748 for more information.

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EMPLOYMENT NOTICE

LINCOLN COUNTY TREASURER is now accepting applications for a TEMPORARY CLERK. Requirements: Knowledge of ten key calculator, computer skills, basic accounting skills, and filing skills. Conversant in good telephone skills and good communications skills and must be able to meet and work well with the public. Obtain applications at the . Lincoln County Manager's Office, at the Courthouse in Carrizozo. All applications must be received no later than 5:00 P.M. on October 18, 2002.

LINCOLN COUNTY IS AN EQUAL OPPORTUN-ITY EMPLOYER IN COMPLIANCE WITH ADA-TITLE II-A REQUIREMENTS.

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FREEDOM DRIVE 2002 All Aboard www.givemeliberty.org or call 866-223-8388. 1tp/10/03

It's Time For A Change **Pick** Doris

CHERRY

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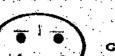
11th St., Carrizozo. Benefit for Marcella and Eddie. We hope to see them in their house by winter. All donations accepted, from building materials to yard sale donations, to money, 648-4028

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