

Senior Centers Available at \$25 An Hour

by Doris Cherry

Use of the Zia Senior Citizens centers continues to evolve.

County Commissioners at their April 22 meeting heard another proposal from the county manager to resolve the issue of who can use the centers. County manager Tom Stewart offered a proposed policy which was developed after reviewing

several use policies.

"The following seems to fit all regardless of location," Stewart said.

"Zia Senior Citizens Centers are for the activities of senior citizens and the various governments and organizations that own the structures. With that in mind there are many programs that have developed over the years which may involve senior citi-

zens that may use the facilities after normal staffing hours of 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. at all facilities," Stewart wrote in his memo to commissioners.

"These programs approved by the Zia Senior Citizens Director, may use the facilities without employee supervision for a minimum donation for utilities of \$10 per meeting which covers the cost of

utilities and fair wear and tear on the building," Stewart wrote.

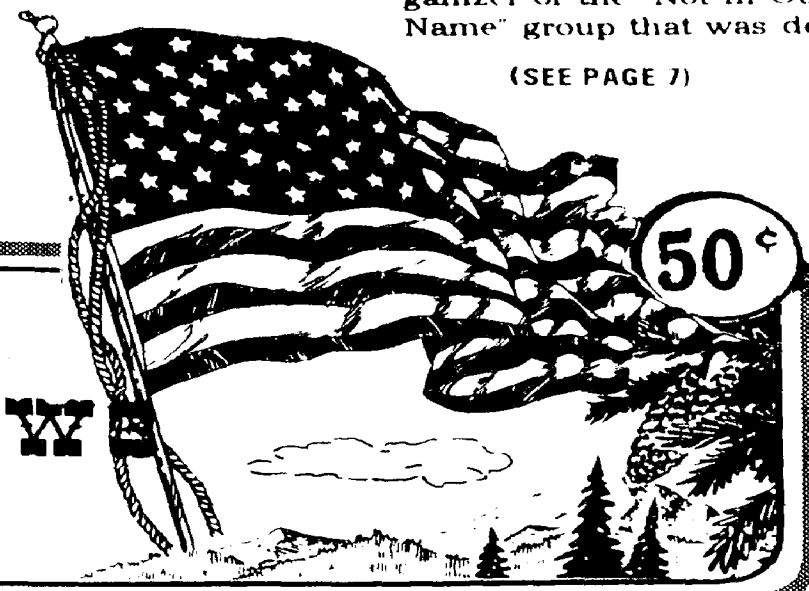
"Other civic groups who desire to use the facility after normal hours which require staff to be present, will be asked to make a donation of \$25 per hour. Private use is not authorized unless sponsored by the building owning organization/government. Scheduling of the facility

should occur at least one week prior to the event."

Commissioner Maurie St. John said the proposed policy completely addresses the concerns

voiced at the March commission meeting. Commissioner Earl Hobbs asked what happens if a civic group cannot afford a donation. Ray Wilson, organizer of the "Not in Our Name" group that was de-

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SAVING THE RIVER

for humans and fish is the intent of the computerized river diversion project on the Rio Ruidoso. Dick Wisner, executive director of the Ruidoso River Association shows members of the Leadership Lincoln class how the river diversion gate works to take water out of Rio Ruidoso to be piped to Grindstone Reservoir where it is stored. The river association was organized in 1996 by a group of land owners and stream fishing enthusiasts who were alarmed that the river was running dry. Organizers found that the dry river and low levels in Grindstone reservoir were because of the old hand cranked diversion gates on the Rio Ruidoso. As a cooperative effort the group and the village purchased and installed a radio monitored computerized diversion gate. Wisner explained that the diversion gate opens when the electronic monitor at the "weir" (check dam) upstream on the river at the reservation border indicates there is a sufficient amount of feet per second of water flowing down the river. The automatic gate system has been successful as Grindstone Reservoir is nearly full and the river continues to flow with spring snow run off, Wisner said. The Leadership Lincoln class for April focused on forest health and water with presentations from the US Forest Service, New Mexico State Forestry and Village of Ruidoso Urban Forestry Dept. The class also toured the diversion gates, Grindstone reservoir where they heard a water report from the Ruidoso engineering consultant and heard a report on the Tularosa basin water projects from Water Network representative Rick Warnock. Leadership Lincoln class will graduate in May.



'Operation Home Front Lincoln County' Established

When local Reservists and National Guard members were called to serve the country, they left jobs and paychecks behind. Because of this, many of their families now struggle to make ends meet. Operation Home Front

Lincoln County was established to offer financial support to the families of Lincoln County Reservists and National Guard members who have been called to active duty. Tax deductible donations are being accepted at

any bank in Lincoln County or can be dropped off at Lincoln County Offices in Carrizozo, Ruidoso Downs City Hall or Ruidoso Village Hall.

For more information, phone (505) 257-7395 or (800) 253-2255.

Ruidoso Council Meets April 29

by Doris Cherry

Ruidoso Village Council will hold two public hearings during their meeting that starts at 6:30 p.m. Tuesday, April 29 in their chambers in Ruidoso Administration Center.

Hearings are scheduled for a new restaurant beer and wine license for Mountain Annie's on Sudderth Drive and another for proposed Ordinance 2003-02 relating to permitted accessory uses of R-1 lots. The ordinance hearing was tabled from the March 25 meeting.

Other items on the tentative agenda are:

--Consent items: minutes; cooperative agreement with the NM State Highway and Transportation Dept. to repair drainage on Buckner Drive; resolution amending policy for the agenda for regular meetings; third renewal agreement with D.T. Collins and Associates to provide on call surveying services; third renewal agreement with Denton Colvin and Associates for on-call real estate appraisal services; approval for solid waste department to purchase four 2003 Dodge Ram pickup trucks from Zangara Dodge fleet dept. for total price of \$89,772 under state contract; approval of legislative funding for the senior citizens center for \$3,200 for equipment/furniture and \$28,000 for renovations; resolution amending the 2002-2003 budget; amendment to DWI grant agreement and new memorandum of understanding; approval of local DWI grant and distribution program application with statement of assurances.

--Mayor reports and presentations: Proclamations for Brendan LeCounte; RSVP Volunteer Week; Lincoln County Prayer Breakfast Day; Golden Apple Foundation of New Mexico Tribute to Teachers Day.

--Village manager reports: third quarter budget review; review and possible action on Water Conservation Phase; review

and possible action on Community Forest Management Plan; report on Neighborhood Fire Smart Program; update on Comprehensive Plan.

--Public input.
--Public hearings.

Regular Items:

--Presentation by Brian Parrish, marketing director for Inn of the Mountain Gods.

--Adoption of Resolution 2003-07, Ambulance Tariff Rates.

--Approval of task order #18 with Wilson & Company to design decant basins for the Alto water treatment plant.

--Adoption of Resolution 2003-08, Authorizing the Mayor to file a project grant application for Economic Development Ad-

ministration funds on behalf of the village of Ruidoso.

--Discussion and possible action on the DWI program. This item was tabled from the April 8 meeting.

Closed session for discussion pertaining to threatened or pending litigation, purchase, acquisition and/or disposal of real property and/or water rights.

Any action taken as a result of the closed session will be brought back into open session.

The official agenda will be available by Monday, April 28.

For more information call Ruidoso Administration Center at 258-4343.

Capitan Mayor, Trustees Argue Agenda Authority

by Doris Cherry

Things got a bit messy at the April 21 Capitan trustees meeting when the trustees and the mayor got into it over who has the power to set the agenda.

At the March village meeting, trustees approved a motion by George Tippin to put on the April meeting agenda an item to discuss the village membership on the Lincoln County Solid Waste Authority (LCSWA) board. But when the April 21 meeting agenda was posted, the item was not listed.

"I'm unhappy how the solid waste authority is not on the agenda," said trustee John Whitaker when the meeting was at the agenda item to "approve the agenda."

Whitaker then asked that LCSWA be placed on the meeting agenda. However, the item could only be discussed, not acted upon since it was added at the meeting, instead of being posted 24 hours prior to the meeting as required by the open meetings act.

Tippin was also unhappy about the agenda not having the LCSWA issue as trustees had voted at their March meeting. But because Whitaker asked for an agenda item for LCSWA, Tippin asked to add to the agenda an item to discuss the agenda. Both requests were added to the last of the agenda, just before adjournment.

When trustees finally got toward the end of the meeting, where the discussions for LCSWA and the agenda were added, Whitaker asked, "What about our representative on the LCSWA board?"

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Highway 70 Closed For Two Hours Thursday

J.R. Hale Contracting Company will be blasting rock at milepost 271 on US Hwy. 70 at 1 p.m. on Thursday, April 24. The highway will be closed to the public at 1 p.m. and reopened at 3 p.m.

For more information phone (505) 257-8432.



Soil & Water Stewardship Week Observed

The ability to feed a world that could grow to eight billion by 2030 is a serious task that will require a serious stewardship ethic among all of us, according to organizers of the 2003 Soil and Water Stewardship Week observance, set for Sunday, April 27 through Sunday, May 4. Food for the future will come from those people and nations fortunate enough to have the soil and water for agricultural production, the ability to provide stewardship for the land, and the freedom to pursue their agriculture in peace.

The Carrizozo Soil and Water Conservation District is participating in the observance by providing church materials and liturgies to the churches within the district, and by

giving valuable educational materials to all school children. "Our conservation district is in the business of providing conservation technical assistance to ranchers on private working lands who want to reduce soil erosion, improve water quality, and make a better home for wildlife," said Jim Grider, chairman.

"While providing food for the future may seem out of our grasp, each of us can do something around our own place to conserve natural resources."

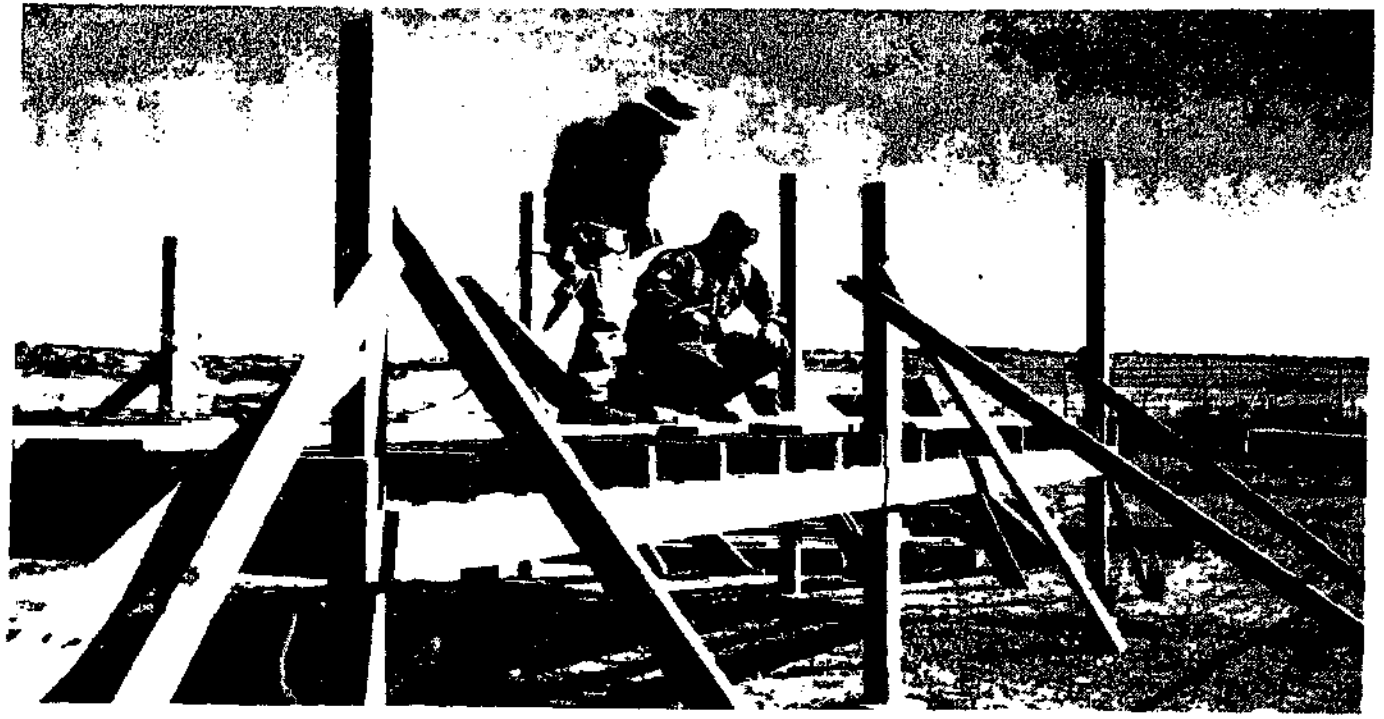
To learn more about how you can help, contact the Carrizozo Soil and Water Conservation District during business hours at 409 Central Avenue in Carrizozo or phone 848-2941.

Corey Lopez AF Academy Bound

Corey Lopez, son of Mr. and Mrs. Larry Ysasi and Carrizozo high school student, has been accepted by the Air Force Academy in Colorado Springs, CO to participate in the 2003 Falson summer camps.

Corey will leave the

first week in June for registration at the Cadet Field House, live in the Cadet Dormitory, and be assigned a counselor during his stay. Getting up to the sound of reveille and getting his meals in the cadet-dining hall will all be new to Corey.



BIRDWATCHING COMING UP. The Lincoln County Bird Watchers Association Capitan Wetlands viewing platform project is going up thanks to the carpentry skills of volunteers Scott Otey and Daryl Snyder. Materials for the platform were provided at very low cost by Shane Garner of C&L Lumber and Capitan Ace Hardware. The five foot high platform, accessed by an ADA compliant ramp, will give birdwatchers a clear view of the wetlands pond. Parking for the platform, open during daylight hours, is off Highway 380.

Capitan Clean Up Is June 14

by Doris Cherry

Village of Capitan will hold a community wide clean up on the morning of June 14.

Village trustees approved the date presented to them at their April 21 meeting. Village staff Mike Allen presented the date, which he said is the first day that Lincoln County Solid Waste Authority has the six large roll off containers needed to accommodate the clean up day. The village will pay for the containers. More plans for the clean up will be announced in upcoming meetings.

Trustees also approved holding budget workshops at 8:30 p.m. May 15 and 27 at village hall.

Members of the Capitan Mountain 4-H club attended the meeting and told trustees about their Community Pride Program to give back to the community. They listed several items which they thought would help the community, especially its kids. Those were a skate park, year round youth recreation such as dances and ice cream socials, recognition ceremonies for city and county officials; adopt a highway or park and community fund raising drive to pay for adoption/paying of pets.

Trustee George Tippin suggested the new village park and recreation committee work with the 4-H club in developing youth activities and events. The mayor said he wants to see the baseball field im-

proved. Trustee Bobbie Shearer suggested the club work on the veterans park. Finally the members were told to go back to their club and decide on two projects, then come back to the village trustees at their May meeting for a report.

In other business, trustees:

--heard updates on the CDBG project for the wetlands improvements that the engineers had visited and were working on the preliminary designs; Engineers Inc. was still working on the designs for the storm drainage CDBG project; and heard Tippin say four residents had volunteered to help with the ordinance review committee which will meet at 7 p.m. every third Monday of each month at village hall.

--Adopted Resolution 2003-10, with trustee Leroy Montes abstaining from voting because he did not believe the village should get involved with the city of Santa Fe issues. The resolution "Economic Development" is in opposition to the city of Santa Fe passing a higher than federal minimum wage, and the resolution invites businesses to leave Santa Fe to come to Capitan where the values of free enterprise to set its own wages are upheld.

--Heard Dr. Bill Midkiff present his report on the Regional Water Plan and water issues of the area.

--Approved sending to the village planning committee a request from resident Alex Trujillo to

build Cedar Lane to the plat specifications, as approved by previous village trustees.

--Authorized advertising a public hearing at the May meeting for renewal of the Otero County Electric Cooperative franchise agreement.

OBITUARIES

KAYTE MORTON

Graveside services for Kayte Morton, infant, of Lubbock were held April 21 in Green Memorial Cemetery in Wilson, Texas with Joey Pierce of Morton, Texas officiating.

Kayte died on the date of her birth, April 17.

Survivors include her parents, Craig and Jeanna Morton of Lubbock; sister, Jace Morton of Lubbock; paternal grandparents, Don and Peggy Morton of Wilson, Texas; maternal grandparents Hal and Mignon Sims of Alamogordo; and maternal great grandparents Harold and Jeanne Sims of Lefors, Texas.

Arrangements were under the direction of Englund's Funeral Service.

The family requests any donations by made to Children's Miracle Network, P.O. Box 5980, Lubbock, TX 79408 or the Women's Protective Services, P.O. Box 54089, Lubbock, TX 79453.





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Angie Schneider is New LCSWA Attorney

by Doris Cherry

Lincoln County Solid Waste Authority now has legal representation.

At their meeting Monday, April 21, LCSWA board members approved a recommendation from operational supervisor Debra Ingle to hire Angie Schneider for legal counsel. But the approval was not unanimous, as Carrizozo representative Ray Dean voted no and Capitan trustee Bobbie Shearer, who was there with the mayor's proxy vote, abstained because she does paralegal work for the attorneys. That left members Don Coleman, Leo Martinez and Frank Cummins to carry Ingle's recommendation.

During discussion prior to the vote Dean challenged Ingle's recommendation, asking why she chose the highest priced attorney over the other attorney. He also wanted to know why he was not allowed to interview the two attorneys who submitted proposals.

At the March meeting, LCSWA members authorized Ingle to negotiate with the two attorneys who submitted proposals for legal counsel to LCSWA.

Ingle told Dean that since the March meeting she interviewed the two attorneys and negotiated to get them to provide legal counsel on an hourly basis. Both had submitted proposals with prices on a monthly basis. "The authority has never paid a monthly fee, it was always hourly," Ingle said.

Ingle said that while both attorneys were willing to bill hourly, once she negotiated with them her recommendation was Schneider at \$80 an hour.

But Dean wanted to know about Schneider's experience. Ingle said Schneider (a new attorney) is with Lee Griffin who has "tremendous experience" who will give background support. "I'm real comfortable with Lee Griffin Associates," Ingle added.

Dean then asked if Schneider was the one who bought attorney Don Dutton's practice. (Dutton was prior legal counsel for LCSWA). Schneider said Dutton no longer has a private practice because he now works for the state.

"I thought we would get a recommendation, rather than just hiring her," Dean added. He then said he saw the experience listed by the other attorney, whose rates he said were lower.

LCSWA chair Don Coleman said the other attorney's rates were lower before Ingle negotiated. Dean then tried to table the recommendation to hire. But county representative Leo Martinez wanted to hire immediately because LCSWA needs the legal representation. He also said Schneider is in the same office as the county attorney and she can go to him with questions.

Schneider said there is a support system with the attorneys in her office and she also consults with Dutton.

"I don't want to continue without representation," Martinez said. "I don't want to table this."

Cummins said in the minutes they gave authority to Ingle to meet with the attorneys. But Dean said the board approved Ingle interviewing and making a recommendation. "But I see this as a done deal," Dean said.

"Did you (Ingle) invite Schneider this time?" Dean continued. Schneider said she came to the meeting in March on her own, but had been invited to this meeting. "A contract has not been signed," Schneider responded.

"Did you know before this meeting you would be recommended by Ingle," Dean asked Schneider who responded, "yes."

Dean said he contacted the other attorney who was not told he would be recommended. "But you told Schneider she would be recommended?" Dean asked. "I have a problem with that."

Martinez said the board gave Ingle direction to interview and recommend. Dean then said Schneider was recommended at the March meeting. "I'll put money on it being a done deal," Dean said.

Martinez told Dean that they had tried to get legal counsel but nobody wanted the job the first time (LCSWA did a request for proposals). "So she (Ingle) went out and hustled the attorneys," he added.

Dean went on to say he had read both proposals. He said Schneider's contained typos, was not well prepared and in his opinion was not up to standards. "But I think the decision is already made," he added.

"You're saying Ingle's interview was not sufficient?" Martinez said to Dean. "I don't have time to go through this like you. I hope Ingle's correct in her recommendation because so far her recommendations have been on the right side."

Dean said he thinks it is his job to read the proposals.

Finally chairman Coleman called for the vote to

accept Ingle's recommendation for Schneider, which passed on the 3-2 vote. Martinez asked when Schneider would "be on board." Ingle said she

wanted to sign the contract that day. Later Schneider was asked to come into the closed session.

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MONDAYS AND THURSDAYS
--Carrizozo School Library open for public use. 5-7 p.m.

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

THURSDAYS
--Capitan Public Library preschool reading hour. 1 p.m.

FRIDAY, APRIL 25
--Horse whisperer clinic at Lincoln County Fairgrounds in Capitan, sponsored by Corrente CowBelles. Call 354-2476 for information.

SATURDAY, APRIL 26
--Carrizozo Clean up day. Registration, free coffee and donuts and trash bags at 7:30 a.m. at Spencer Park. Free hamburger fry for those registered at noon at the park. Call town hall a 648-2371 for information on where to take trash.
--Great American Cleanup/Bank Challenge. Ruidoso community clean up day. For more information call 257-5030.

--Rabies Clinic, 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the new Capitan fire station. Village pet tags also available.
--Rabies Clinics 9-9:45 a.m. at Nogal Post Office
--Rabies Clinic 10-11:30 a.m. at Carrizozo Fire Station.
--Rabies Clinic 11:45 a.m. to 12:15 p.m. at the White Oaks turn off on Highway 54.
--Rabies Clinic at 12:35-1 p.m. in Ancho.
--Rabies Clinic at 2:30-4 p.m. at Corona Fire Station.

TUESDAY, APRIL 29
--Ruidoso Village Council 6:30 p.m. village hall.

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 30
--Immunizations for any child birth to 18 years old given at 10 a.m. to 12 noon at Carrizozo Schools nurses office. Children must be with a parent or guardian and have a shot record.
--Youth Rally for youth in grades 7-12 at 6:30-8:30 p.m. First Baptist Church on Country Club Drive in Ruidoso.

THURSDAY, MAY 1
--5th Annual Lincoln County Prayer Breakfast, 6:30 a.m. Ruidoso Convention Center. Tickets \$10 available at Ruidoso Chamber of Commerce and some of the local banks. Call 258-4785 for information.

FRIDAY, MAY 2
--Ag Day at Lincoln County Fairgrounds in Capitan, sponsored by Corrente CowBelles. Agricultural exhibits for school students and the public. Call 354-2476 for information.
--Retirement party for Greg Haussler, 6 p.m. Cree Meadows Country Club in Ruidoso. There is a charge to have the meal.
--Capitan Public Library First Friday Adult Lecture 7-8 p.m. featuring Clara Farah PhD on how to plan the second half of our lives. No charge, refreshments.

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THOUGHTS
FROM THE EDITOR'S DESK

Good wind or bad wind?

By Ruth Hammond

Before you batten down the hatches, you might want to consider what is happening during this windy weather. One of the first things to remember is that windmills work more efficiently during blustery weather, or it seems they should work better. The second thing is to remember that certain vegetation propagates by scattering seeds and the wind helps spread these seeds. A few other non consequential things to remember are that the wind helps dry clothes that are hanging on clotheslines, which of course doesn't matter to people with dryers, broken limbs are dislodged from trees, and loose tumbleweeds have somewhere else to go.

Listening to people complain about the wind tends to make you forget that the wind is changing the landscape. The white sands have been drifting forcefully into Lincoln County, which could make for a new tourist attraction. The only thing we don't know is if it will be legal for there to be white sand in this area or not. People are not allowed to remove sand from the White Sands National Monument but if the sand blows here, will it be contraband sand?

One other thing to remember is that the wind will stop blowing, eventually, and later this year when it is really hot, people will wish the wind would blow. Makes you wonder if there is a happy medium to the weather situation. Weather is one thing that will continue to change, whether you want it to change or not, but there are other things that seem to be in a rut and will not change, such as politics. Evidently certain politicians, or elected officials, believe they can do things the way they want to do them, even if state statutes indicate otherwise. And there are other things that elected officials want to do that are not clearly defined in the state statutes. Maybe common sense is supposed to be used.

We were under the impression, as most people have been, that the mayor of a municipality sets the agenda for the public meetings. Apparently we were wrong. The New Mexico Municipal League states that who has the authority over the agenda is usually a matter of custom or practice or parliamentary procedure. Most times agendas are set by the mayor with input from staff and the members of the governing body. And we heard that it was inappropriate for the mayor to refuse to put an item on an agenda submitted by a member of the governing body. Very interesting.

Instead of working with other members of the governing body, which would indicate cooperation and trying to do what is best for the people being served, seems there is one or more mayor in Lincoln County more intent on doing things differently than in working together with others.

Needless to say, not all changes are harmful, but there is a correct way to instigate changes, and bullying is not a correct way to do anything. Some officials, appointed as well as elected, demand instead of being polite and asking quietly, which often defeats the purpose of their actions. Their blustery, pouty and obnoxious behavior is immature and does not help soothe the discontent between the factions.

Good things can come from disagreement, just as good things can come from the wind, it all depends on whether a person has the intelligence to do things correctly.

An ill wind or good wind?



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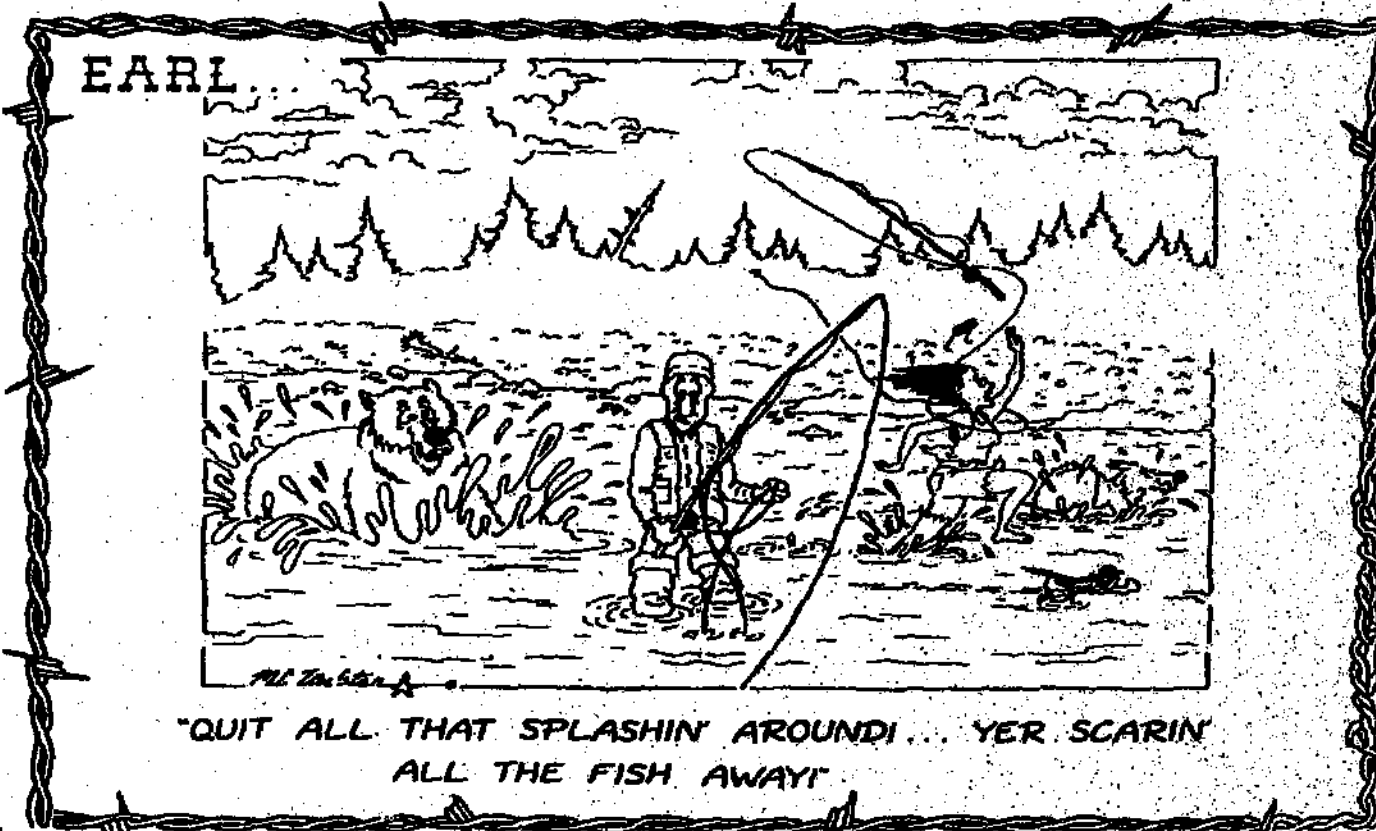
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INSIDE THE CAPITOL
by Jay Miller

SANTA FE -- It is comforting that Gov. Bill Richardson signed the gray water law into effect. I've been dumping water from my showers onto my drought-stricken trees every day for two years now and never realized I was breaking the law.

The city made me do it. Or at least they urged me to conserve water by using bath and shower water in the garden. I have friends who have figured out how to sent their washing machine water out onto the lawn. The penalty was probably 10 years in prison if they'd been caught conserving that much water.

It's nice to be protected, but it can go too far. Last night I ordered a steak done medium rare and the waiter told me that well done was my only choice. We both would be breaking the law, otherwise. I ordered chicken. I like it well done. And I'm still going to look for restaurants that will serve me steak tarter. I realize they can't risk putting it on their menus any longer, but if I promise not to tell...

It's nice to live in the good U.S. of A. where I can be pretty sure what I order in a restaurant won't kill me. But government inspectors can take it way too far. There's been a lot of flap in the papers recently about city inspectors in Albuquerque notifying the media when they downgrade a restaurant but not notifying anyone when it is lifted.

One restaurant was closed for having a can of the wrong brand of bug spray. It turned out that brand was just fine and the place reopened the next day, but the damage had been done and the owner says business is still down.

It takes all the fun out of owning a restaurant anymore and makes it a lot harder to have a hamburger booth to support a charity. Inspectors are all over you. Their time would be put to better use if they'd pitch in and flop a few burger themselves.

While we're on the subject of too much government, the just-ended legislature was a fine example. Few bills that passed, actually needed to become law but the governor will sign them anyway because it makes people feel good to see their government protecting them.

Many of the unnecessary bills passed were to protect us from ourselves when we make bad choices. Lawmakers have long been into drug rehabilitation and that sort of thing. But this year a bill was introduced to

protect us from Internet scam artists.

The simple solution to such scams is if someone offers you \$10,000 if you'll send them \$500, don't do it. There is no conceivable way you'll ever see the \$500 or the \$10,000. But some idiots lose their life savings and the government is eager to fix it. My favorite warning to prevent scams is: you can never cheat an honest person. I know about Jean Val Jean and des-peration leading people astray, but let's leave that to novelists rather than politics.

The worst piece of unnecessary legislation to surface this year would have added six shots to the 16 already required for children to enter New Mexico schools. A drug company that makes the vaccines apparently was behind the bill. Opposing it were the state Health Department and the New Mexico Pediatric Society, both of which testified they didn't think the immunizations against a strain of flu and a strain of hepatitis were necessary.

"This takes people who do a great job at politics and makes them into doctors," said a representative of the Pediatric Society, showing the deference lawmakers require but often... don't deserve. "It ignores the expertise that state government has."

The bill passed the house 61-0, but after all the publicity, the sponsor, Rep. Kiki Saavedra of Albuquerque, backed off and said he was hurt by implications he backed the legislation for any reason but the kids.



HAVE A
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**PSYCHIC
PREDICTIONS
FOR THE NEW
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Taurus (April 20 - May 20)
You might feel like you're taking two steps forward, and one step backwards. You are! Stop and plan out what you want and need for now.

Gemini (May 21 - June 20)
When you least expect it, your ship will come in and go right back out. Be early, and expect the best out of everything and anyone you can.

Cancer (June 21 - July 22)
If you're feeling down, then this means you need to take a good look at your life as you know it. You already know what you can do to make it better.

Leo (July 23 - Aug 22)
Your feelings might be a little touchy. Others don't understand how you think and feel. You're good by yourself, but it's not good to be alone.

Virgo (Aug 23 - Sept 22)
When was the last time you were happy? Really Happy? If you don't start being happy, deep inside, you'll turn out to be an old grumpy person.

Libra (Sept 22 - Oct 22)
Your words can be very powerful right now, so don't say something off the cuff, that could really hurt someone deep down. Heal others with words.

Scorpio (Oct 23 - Nov 21)
Others can't feel your pain, if you won't let them see the real you. Your health is in question. You're running out of time, start eating right NOW.

Sagittarius (Nov 22 - Dec 21)
When you're down, that's the time to build a ladder of confidence, and walk out of the pity-party of life. Start eating and exercise and feel better.

Capricorn (Dec 22 - Jan 19)
You can't worry about others, when you need all the time to fix what is wrong with you. Your heart is in the right place. Heal you first, then others.

Aquarius (Jan 20 - Feb 18)
Same-ole, same-ole-stuff. Let go of the past this year once and for all. You have a beautiful life just waiting to take you away from your misery.

Pisces (Feb 19 - March 20)
Count your friends one by one. Make sure you tell them how much you love them or you might find yourself friendless one of these days. Reach out.

Aries (March 21 - April 19)
Your money is not going to keep you warm! Spend time with the ones that count. Share good times with loved ones and you'll reap more than money.

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Sheriff's Report

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

April 14
 8:48 a.m. damage to public property at location on Chuck Wagon.
 1:29 p.m. burglary at location on Bonito.
 3:30 p.m. Otero County Sheriff's Office requested a deputy to do warrant service at the Lincoln County Detention Center (LCDC).

April 15
 8:46 a.m. criminal damage to greens 15 and 16 at Alto golf course.
 10:15 a.m. missing person from location on Bonito Lake Road.
 11:10 a.m. threats at location on Deer Park Road.

1:06 p.m. Lincoln County Solid Waste Authority reported illegal dumping at Cedar Creek.
 1:32 p.m. alarm company advised of alarm sounding at location on Sonterra.

3:02 p.m. vandalism at location on lower Eagle Creek.
 3:41 p.m. accident with injuries at mile marker 289 on Highway 70. Hondo Fire Department, Glencoe Fire Department with extrication equipment, Med 1 ambulance and deputy responded. Injured transported to Eastern New Mexico Medical Center in Roswell.

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April 16
 5:18 a.m. request for ambulance at doctor's office.

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The most frequently reported crimes involve property. Property crimes include vandalism, theft, and burglary. During the next few weeks we will be supplying you with home security tips that can help you protect your family and home.

HOME SECURITY "Protecting Your Home"

You can help protect your family, home, and other possessions by investing a small amount of time and money. Most burglars will spend no longer than 60 seconds trying to break into a home.

When implementing these or other crime prevention tips, always keep in mind your own personal safety. Do not implement any methods that may hinder or prevent your ability to escape dangerous or hazardous situations. Make sure everyone inside your residence is aware of safety features that are in place and know how to quickly overcome them if they need to get out or get away in an emergency.

House Numbers
 In an emergency, can the police, firefighters, sheriff or ambulance drivers find your home quickly and easily from the street or other entrance way?
 Place permanent numbers no less than 3 inches in height on both the front and rear of a residence designating the official street address.

NEXT WEEK
 Lighting and Landscaping

Judge Karen L. Parsons
COURT CALENDAR
 12th JUDICIAL DISTRICT
 Division III

The following is the calendar for District Judge Karen L. Parsons.

Monday, April 21
 9 a.m. jury trial
 SNM v. Hugh Lackey; CR-2002-107 (Singh/R. Hawthorne)
 2 p.m. teleconference
 Professionalism Committee

Tuesday, April 22
 9 a.m. jury trial
 SNM v. Marcello Silva; CR-2002-31 (Stevens/Mitchell)
 12 p.m. judges brown bag lunch in Alamogordo
 1 p.m. Camp Sierra Blanca graduation

Wednesday, April 23
 8:15 a.m. teleconference
 Estate of Hurd; PB-97-31 (Bassett) presentment
 9 a.m. jury trial continued
 SNM v. Marcello Silva; CR-2002-31
 Darrell Brantley (domestic mediator)
 10 a.m.
 Nickerson v. Nickerson; DV-2002-96 dismissal
 Niederstadt v. Niederstadt; DV-2003-30 motions
 10:30 a.m.
 Gutierrez v. Pena; DV-2003-21

Thursday, April 24
 9 a.m. Jury Trial
 SNM v. Marcello Silva; CR-2003-123

Friday, April 25
 8:30 a.m.
 Carrizozo v. McAllister; CR-2002-82 appeal
 1:30 p.m. sentencing
 Johnny Fierro; CR-2001-139
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 113 Central Ave. Carrizozo Beach - 648-JOES



Church Directory

MOUNTAIN MINISTRY PARISH, SIERRA BLANCA PRESBYTERY

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

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

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

First Baptist Church

HAYDEN SMITH, Pastor
 314 10th Ave., Carrizozo, NM
 848-2969 (Church) or 648-2107
 Sunday School 9:45 a.m.
 Worship Service 10:55 a.m.
 Sun. Evening Training at 8:15 p.m.
 Evening Worship 7:15 p.m.
 Wednesday Bible Study 7:00 p.m.

Carrizozo Community Church (AIG)

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

Santa Rita Catholic Community

FR. DAVE BERGS, Pastor
 213 Birch, Carrizozo, NM, 648-2853
SATURDAY:
 Capitan Sacred Heart 5:00 p.m.
 Carrizozo Santa Rita 6:30 p.m.
SUNDAY:
 Capitan Sacred Heart 9:00 a.m.
 Carrizozo Santa Rita 10:30 a.m.
 Corona St. Theresa 1:00 p.m.

Church of Christ

TOM POINDEXTER, Minister 354-3135
 Ave. C at 12th, Carrizozo, NM
 Sunday School 10:00 a.m.
 Worship Service 11:00 a.m.
 Evening Worship 1:15 p.m.
 Wednesday Bible Study 7:00 p.m.

St. Matthias Episcopal Church

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

Claych Community Church

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

United Methodist Churches.

JOHANNA ANDERSON, Pastor
 1000 D. Ave. 648-2893 / 648-2846
 Carrizozo, NM 88301
 Sunday School (All Ages) 10:00 a.m.
 Worship Service 11:00 a.m.
 Choir Practice (Tuesday) 6:30 p.m.
 United Methodist Women
 Every 3rd Wednesday 2:00 p.m.
 Fellowship Dinner on
 4th Sunday of Month 12:30 p.m.

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

Christ Community Fellowship

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

Capitan Church of Christ

LESLIE EARWOOD, Minister
 5th & Lincoln / 336-4627
 Sunday Bible Study 10:00 a.m.
 Worship Service 11:00 a.m.
 Evening Worship 6:00 p.m.
 Wednesday Bible Study 7:00 p.m.

Trinity Southern Baptist Church

MEL GNATKOWSKI, Pastor / 848-2530
 Phone 354-2044
 Capitan (South on Hwy 48)
 Sunday School 9:30 a.m.
 Worship Service 11:00 a.m.

First Baptist Church of Corona

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

LaGrone Funeral Chapel
Jerry & Lanita Rasak

In Memory of
BILL WINKLER
Stearns Insurance Agency

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Jessica Tully-Mitchell

National Award Winner

The United States Achievement Academy has announced that Jessica Tully-Mitchell from Glencoe, NM, has been named a United States National Award Winner in Leadership and Service, and in English. Jessica had further been named All-American

Scholar and Outstanding Student of America.

This award is a prestigious honor very few students can ever hope to attain. In fact, the Academy recognizes fewer than 10% of all American high school students.

Jessica, a senior at

Capitan High School, was nominated for these national awards by Ms. JoBeth Vinson, English Teacher, and Jack H. Nelson, Sr., Counselor.

In addition to the academic honors, Jessica has lettered each high school year in four (4) different sports: basketball, volleyball, track and rodeo. She has been All District/All Tourney in basketball since her freshman year and All District/All Tourney in volleyball since her sophomore year, and this year was named to the All North/South team in both basketball and volleyball. She has qualified for state in track since her freshman year in several events. She also participates in NBHA and has also won the Chaves/Lincoln County Youth and 3D buckles and qualified for World.

She is the Sports Liaison for Student Council, on the Mediation Team, member of FCA, selected for Presidential Class-



Jessica Tully-Mitchell

room and the National Youth Leadership Conference, honored in Who's Who, Who's Who in Sports, National Honor Society and is a National Youth Leader.

Jessica will appear in the United States Achievement Academy Official Yearbook, which is published nationally.

The Academy selects USAA winners upon the exclusive recommendation of teachers, coaches, counselors, and other

qualified sponsors and upon the Standards of Selection set forth by the Academy. The criteria for selection are the student's academic performance, interest and aptitude, leadership qualities, responsibility, enthusiasm, motivation to learn and improve, citizenship, attitude and

cooperative spirit, dependability, and recommendation from a teacher or director.

Jessica is the daughter of Gary Mitchell and Tricia Tully from Glencoe, and the granddaughter of Gerald and Wynema Tully and Arney and Manon Mitchell.

Thank You Card

We would like to thank Dr. Robinson and his staff, Ruidoso Home Care (especially Kathy, Lynn, and Marie), the staff at Ruidoso Care Center, especially the CNAs, and the staff at LCMC, for the excellent care and compassion you all gave to our dad, Bill Brazel. We do appreciate all of you.

Thank you to all the friends for the cards, calls, flowers, prayers, and wonderful food. All of this has helped at this difficult time. Thank you all.

The family of Bill Brazel

Grizzly WEEKLY

by Carrizozo High School Journalism Class

Sarah Ball, Instructor

Grizzly Tracksters Make Ready for State Meet

Track season is off to a good start for the Carrizozo high school track team. The Grizzly track team this year consists of 24 athletes. So far individuals and relay teams have qualified for the state track meet.

Ariel Burr has qualified in the 100-meter dash, 200-meter dash, 400-meter dash, long jump, and triple jump; Lacey Burd has qualified in the 400 meters and 800-meters; Christa Franck has qualified in the shot put and javelin field events; Adrienne Zamora also qualified in the javelin; Anthony Beltran qualified in the shot put and the discus. In the girls relays Lacey Burd, Ariel Burr, Whitney Whittaker, Mary Beth Shivers, Christa Franck and Adrienne Zamora have alternated in qualifying in the 4x100, 4x200, 4x400 and the medley relays.

There are three more track meets left in the regular season before the state track meet. The three remaining meets will be at Mescalero, Tularosa and the District meet in Estancia on May 3. The state track meet will be on the 9th and 10th of May in Albuquerque.

Chris Vallejos.

Tribe Gains Head Start Funding

U.S. Senator Pete Domenici confirmed that the Mescalero Apache Tribe has gained \$472,118 in federal funding to back the tribe's Head Start programs aimed at boosting early childhood education and development.

The funding was awarded through the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) and will boost Mescalero's full-year and half-day Head Start programs.

"The children of Mescalero will benefit most from this federal investment. It will ensure children receive the sort of preparation necessary to successful transition into grade school and subsequent academic achievement," Domenici said.

Domenici serves on the Senate Appropriations Committee that sets funding levels for HHS, which approved \$6.6 billion for the Head Start program in fiscal year 2003. Mescalero Apache Tribe is one of the many New Mexico Head Start programs that have benefitted from the senator's efforts to increase funding for the program.

Clara Farah to Speak at Capitan Library's 1st Friday Lecture

Capitan Public Library's First Friday Adult Lecture Series will be held on May 2, from 7 to 8 p.m. at the library.

"Planning the Second Half of Your Life," will be presented by Clara Farah, Ph.D. Farah is a clinical psychologist and coach specializing in working with midlife and older adults committed to actualizing their potential. In her presentation she will help people to understand how to plan the second half of life. She is currently authoring a book on the subject. Farah and her husband live on the family ranch near Lincoln.

The Capitan Library volunteers will provide refreshments after the program. The lectures are free of charge.

The First Friday program for June will take place June 6, with the Redinger High Desert Minstrels providing an evening of chamber music. The group includes two violins, a flute and a cello. Weather permitting, the concert will be held outside in the library yard.



Serving our Country

Air Force Capt. Hans P. Haussler has arrived for duty at Yokota Air Base in Tokyo, Japan.

Haussler, a commander, is assigned to the 624th Air Control Flight.

He graduated from Capitan High School in 1985, and also received a master's degree from the University of Oklahoma in Norman, Oklahoma in 2000.

Haussler is the son of Gregory D. Haussler of Capitan and Teresa J. Wright of Clarksville, Paris, Texas.

*** GOING OUT OF BUSINESS**

100'S OF COMPUTERS, POWER TOOLS & SHOP EQUIPMENT

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Exhibit Hall - Lincoln County Fairgrounds
Capitan, New Mexico

*Computer Business Systems has GONE OUT OF BUSINESS and consigned us 100's of used computers to sell at AUCTION in 2003.

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Check day of sale for computer brands, sizes, and available quantities
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- Air Paint Guns
- Air Touch Up Guns
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- 100's of Wrench Sets

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- Engine Hoists 2 Ton
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- Floor Jacks 3-1/2 Ton
- Creepers
- Drill Presses Floor & Bench
- Gear Pullers Sets
- Drill Press Vises
- Bench Vises
- 3/4" Socket Sets
- 100's of Socket Sets
- 100's of Wrench Sets
- 100's of Shop Hammers
- 100's of Screwdriver Sets
- Tap & Die Sets
- Bolt Cutters
- Booster Cables
- Brake Tool Kits
- Coil Spring Compressors
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- Waxer Polishers
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Sale conducted by: M.H. Loper
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Senior Centers Available

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nied use of a senior center, was concerned the cost varied from \$10 a night to \$25 an hour, and was up to the individual center managers.

The county attorney said the fee cannot be a donation because of the way the federal contracts for the senior programs are written. However, the fee can be a damage deposit. He suggested anyone wanting to use the senior

center get to know the manager to get the lower fee.

St. John suggested that everyone who uses the centers pay the \$25 deposit first, then after using the center twice without problems the fee go to the \$10 per use. But the county attorney said the centers do not belong to the county.

The attorney said he would get back with the

commissioners at their May meeting for a more defined proposed policy.

A member of an organization that uses the Capitan senior center said they are now charging their group the \$25 an hour, when the group never paid anything before but had always provided a donation to defray utility costs.

Later in the meeting, commissioners discussed a letter Wilson sent in response to a quote attributed to the county attorney at the March county commission meeting. Wilson said he had gotten a nice letter from the county attorney explaining the misunderstanding was a "glitch in reporting." Wilson who was still concerned about how citizens who disagree with the current presidential decisions are being treated. "Diversity of opinion is a strength not a weakness," Wilson added.

"Our country is still divided over Iraq and possibly will be more so as time goes on," Wilson said. "I must remind you that one of the duties of citizenship is tolerance."

County commission chairman Rex Wilson said THE NEWS had provided an explanation letter in which THE NEWS advised it was retracting an incorrect quote attributed to the county attorney.

The county attorney said he made peace with Wilson. He also admitted he "stumbled out of the gate" by making reference to what might be offensive groups during the March meeting when they were discussing who could use the senior centers. The attorney said no offense was intended with this.

In other business, commissioners:

-Selected four unnamed randomly selected lodges for the annual audit, as required by the lodgers tax ordinance.

-Deleted a request for appeal of a rejected indigent health care claim because the claimants failed to file an appeal in writing with the county manager.

-Scheduled a formal appeal of a Lincoln Historic Preservation Board decision to reject a request to replace the roof of the Wortley Hotel with metal, instead of the existing cedar shakes. The appeal was not heard because a public hearing had not been scheduled and advertised for the April meeting.

-Appointed Greg Switzer, Ronnie Merritt, Doris Cherry and Jerry Carroll to serve as alternates to the Public Land Use and Rural Affairs Advisory Committee. These alternates will be called upon to fill vacancies on the committee when regular members resign or are removed for having missed three consecutive meetings.

-Approved recommendations from the county lodgers tax committee for funding: \$3,000 to Fort Stanton Inc. for advertising the Fort Stanton Live event on August 8; \$1,200 for a sign/brochures for the Wildland Fire Fighters Museum in Capitan; \$1,164 for Lincoln County Tourism Council for the Fiber Fest in Lincoln; \$1,800 for the Golden Aspen Rally Association for advertising the Sept. 17-

21, 2003 rally; \$1,000 for advertising the 2004 Aspen Cash Rally on May 20-23, 2004; \$2,500 for advertising the Lincoln County Art Loop; \$400 for advertising the annual Corriente CowBalls team roping in Capitan; \$2,000 for the NM Emergency Medical Services Corporation to advertise the EMS Region III annual conference April 21-27 in Ruidoso; \$500 for advertising the

\$1,920 for insurance/advertising for the Lincoln County Sheriff's Posse annual Trail Ride July 31-Aug. 3; \$200 for Ruidoso First Presbyterian Church advertising the Arts and Crafts Fair on June 28; \$2,200 for advertising the Carrizozo Chamber of Commerce Cinco de Mayo event on May 3; \$1,200 for advertising the 10th annual Arts of White Oaks tour; \$2,398 for promotional brochures for the Lincoln County Overland Stage Co.; \$2,100 for advertising the Carrizozo Heritage Museum; \$500 for advertising the

Octoberfest; \$1,400 to refurbish the historic map of Lincoln County at the county courthouse; \$2,350 for brochures for Fort Lone Tree Camp. The county attorney said he consulted several other attorneys about the issue raised at the March meeting about the Lone Tree Camp being a religious organization and all agreed since the brochures are not handed out at church and are meant to attract people to the county, the funding request is allowed and does not violate the separation of church and state.



TWO MORE!!! Carrizozo volunteer firemen Lee Najar Jr., Chris Barela and Walter Hill (top photo) serve up two more delicious enchilada plates with all the trimmings last Friday, during their fund raiser, held at the senior center, while LeeRoy Zamora and Fred Padilla (bottom photo) prepare another pot of red chile. Funds go toward paying for annual events sponsored by the fire department, such as Christmas Luminaria and Fourth of July Fireworks displays, and the handing out of Christmas goodies to the little ones and homebound seniors.

(Photos by Sherri Hopper)



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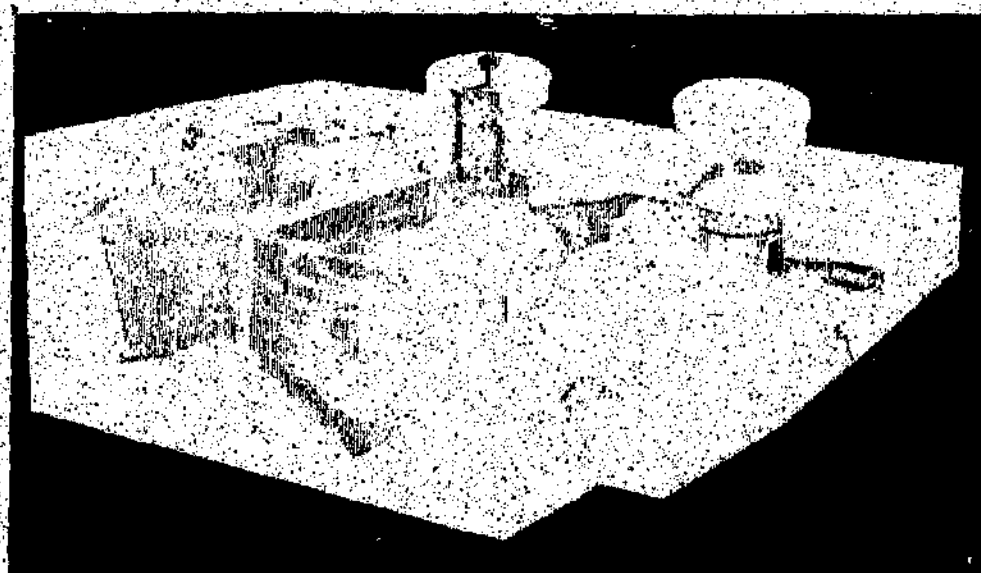
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LEGALS

LEGAL NOTICE

STATE OF NEW MEXICO
COUNTY OF LINCOLN
TWELFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT
Cause No. PB-2003-04
Division III

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF
DOROTHY F. CHANEY, DECEASED

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that William E. Chaney has been appointed personal representative of this estate. All persons having claims against this estate are required to present their claims within two months after the date of the first publication of this Notice or the claims will be forever barred. Claims must be presented either to the undersigned attorney for personal representative at 307 E. Eleventh Street, Alamogordo, New Mexico 88310, or filed with the Twelfth Judicial District Court, Lincoln County Courthouse, Carrizozo, New Mexico 88301.

DATED: April 10, 2003

JOHN R. HAKANSON, P.C.

By: John R. Hakanson
Attorney for
Personal Representative
307 E. Eleventh Street
Alamogordo, New Mexico 88310
505/437-2874

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LEGAL NOTICE

STATE OF NEW MEXICO
COUNTY OF LINCOLN
TWELFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT
No. CV-02-58

CHASE MANHATTAN MORTGAGE CORPORATION,
Plaintiff,

vs.
GAYLORD D. GILLEM, GAIL J. GILLEM,
a/k/a Gail Jennings Gillem, and RUIDOSO STATE BANK, Merged without Assistance into State National Bank, El Paso, Texas,
Defendants.

NOTICE OF SALE

Notice is hereby given that on May 2, 2003, at the hour of 9:00 a.m. the undersigned Special Master, or his designee, will, at the front entrance of the Lincoln County Courthouse, at 300 Central, Carrizozo, New Mexico, sell all of the rights, title and interest of the above-named Defendants, in and to the hereinafter described real estate to the highest bidder for cash. The property to be sold is located at 103 Carleen Place, Ruidoso, New Mexico 88345 (if there is a conflict between the legal description and the real property address, the legal description shall control), and is more particularly described as follows:

Lot 47, 48 and 49, Block 14 of PARADISE CANYON SUBDIVISION, Ruidoso, Lincoln County, New Mexico, as shown by the Second Supplement Plat thereof filed in the office of the County Clerk of Lincoln County, April 26, 1956, in Tube 147.

including any improvements, fixtures, and attachments, such as, but not limited to, mobile homes, subject to all taxes, utility liens and other restrictions and easements of record, and subject to a one (1) month right of redemption by the Defendants, the foregoing sale will be made to satisfy an in rem foreclosure judgment rendered by this Court in the above-entitled and numbered cause, being an action to foreclose a mortgage on the above-described property. The Plaintiff's in rem judgment is \$79,230.69, and the same bears interest at 8.2500% per annum, which accrues at the rate of \$17.91 per diem, commencing on July 1, 2002, with the Court reserving entry of final in rem judgment against said Defendants Gaylord D. Gillem and Gail J. Gillem a/k/a Gail Jennings Gillem for the amount due after foreclosure sale, for costs and attorney's fees, plus interest as may be assessed by the Court. The Plaintiff has the right to bid at such sale all of its in rem judgment amount and submit its bid verbally or in writing. The Plaintiff may apply all or any part of its in rem judgment to the purchase price in lieu of cash. The sale may be postponed and rescheduled at the discretion of the Special Master.

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

NOW, THEREFORE, notice is hereby given that in the event that said property is not sooner redeemed, the undersigned will as set forth above, offer for sale and sell to the highest bidder for cash or equivalent, the lands and improvements described above for the purpose of satisfying, in the adjudged order of priorities, the in rem judgment described herein and decree of foreclosure together with any additional costs and attorney's fees, costs of advertisement and publication, a reasonable receiver and Special Master's fee to be fixed by the Court. The total amount of the in rem judgment due is \$79,230.69, plus interest to and including date of sale of \$5,480.46 for a total in rem judgment plus interest of \$84,711.15. Sale is subject to the entry of an order of the Court approving the terms and conditions of this sale.

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

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LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE is hereby given that on January 16, 2003 The Village of Ruidoso filed applications numbered T-4194 through T-4194-S-3, T-4196 through T-4196-S-3 and T-4197 through T-4197-S-5 with the STATE ENGINEER for permit to appropriate

Underground waters of the State of New Mexico from the Tularosa Basin in Lincoln County for Municipal, Industrial and other commercial purposes within Lincoln and Otero Counties. Under T-4194 through T-4194-S-3, applicant proposes a total diversion of 1,000 acre-feet per annum of water combined from all four wells. Under T-4196 through T-4196-S-3, applicant proposes a total diversion of 1,000 acre-feet per annum of water combined from all four wells. Under T-4197 through T-4197-S-5, applicant proposes a total diversion of 1,500 acre-feet per annum combined from all six wells. Location of proposed wells are described as follows: Well T-4194 is proposed for the NW1/4SW1/4SW1/4, Section 32, Township 6 South, Range 11 East, N.M.P.M., on land owned by Bar W. Ranch, Inc.; T-4194-S is proposed for the NE1/4SE1/4SW1/4, Section 32, Township 6 South, Range 11 East, N.M.P.M., on land owned by Bar W. Ranch, Inc.; T-4194-S-2 is proposed for the NW1/4NE1/4SE1/4, Section 32, Township 6 South, Range 11 East, N.M.P.M., on land owned by Bar W. Ranch, Inc.; T-4194-S-3 is proposed for the SW1/4SE1/4SE1/4, Section 32, Township 6 South, Range 11 East, N.M.P.M., on land owned by Bar W. Ranch, Inc.; T-4196-S is proposed for the SW1/4SW1/4SW1/4, Section 19, Township 7 South, Range 11 East, N.M.P.M., on land owned by Bar W. Ranch, Inc.; T-4196-S-2 is proposed for the SE1/4NW1/4NW1/4, Section 19, Township 7 South, Range 11 East, N.M.P.M., on land owned by the State of New Mexico; T-4196-S-3 is proposed for the SE1/4SE1/4SE1/4, Section 19, Township 7 South, Range 11 East, N.M.P.M., on land owned by Bar W. Ranch, Inc.; T-4197-S is proposed for the SW1/4SW1/4SW1/4, Section 33, Township 7 South, Range 11 East, N.M.P.M., on land owned by Greg Pino, Paul Pino and Pres Pino Jr.; T-4197-S-2 is proposed for the NW1/4NW1/4NW1/4, Section 3, Township 8 South, Range 11 East, N.M.P.M., on land owned by Barham Family Ranch, LLC; T-4197-S-3 is proposed for the SE1/4SE1/4NW1/4, Section 3, Township 8 South, Range 11 East, N.M.P.M., on land owned by Barham Family Ranch; T-4197-S-4 is proposed for the NE1/4NW1/4SE1/4, Section 3, Township 8 South, Range 11 East, N.M.P.M., on land owned by Greg Pino, Paul Pino and Pres Pino Jr.; T-4197-S-5 is proposed for the SE1/4SW1/4SE1/4, Section 3, Township 8 South, Range 11 East, N.M.P.M., on land owned by the Barham Family Ranch, LLC. Proposed locations for wells T-4194 through T-4194-S-3 are approximately 6 to 7 miles north of Carrizozo in the alluvial aquifer recharged by the White Oaks Draw on the east side of U.S. Highway 54. Proposed location for wells T-4196 through T-4196-S-3 are approximately 2 to 3 miles north of Carrizozo on the east side of U.S. Highway 54, before the State Highway 349/U.S. Highway 54 intersection, in the alluvial aquifer along Nogal Arroyo. Proposed location for wells T-4197 through T-4197-S-5 are approximately 3 to 4 miles east of Carrizozo on U.S. Highway 380, and north of U.S. Highway 380 in the alluvial aquifer directly down stream of Nogal and Tortolita Arroyos.

Any person, firm or corporation or other entity having standing to file objections or protests shall do so in writing (legible, signed and include the writer's complete name and mailing address). The objection to the approval of the application: (1) if impairment, you must specifically identify your water rights; and/or (2) if public welfare or conservation of water within the state of New Mexico, you must show you will be substantially affected. The written protest must be filed, in triplicate, with the State Engineer, P.O. Box 729, Las Cruces, New Mexico 88004-0729 within ten (10) days after the date of the last publication of this Notice. Facsimiles (faxes) will be accepted as a valid protest as long as the hard copy is sent within 24-hours of the facsimile. Mailing postmark will be used to validate the 24-hour period. Protests can be faxed to 505-524-6160. If no valid protest or objection is filed, the State Engineer will evaluate the application in accordance with Sections 72-2-16, 72-5-6 and 72-12-3.

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LEGAL NOTICE
STATE OF NEW MEXICO
COUNTY OF LINCOLN
TWELFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT
No. CV-02-250

DEUTSCHE BANK NATIONAL TRUST COMPANY, As Custodian or Trustee, f/k/a Bankers Trust Company of California N.A.,
Plaintiff,

vs.
JUAN E. LOPEZ and CYNTHIA LOPEZ,
Defendants.

NOTICE OF SALE

Notice is hereby given that on May 2, 2003, at the hour of 9:05 a.m. the undersigned Special Master, or his designee, will, at the front entrance of the Lincoln County Courthouse, at 300 Central, Carrizozo, New Mexico, sell all of the rights, title and interest of the above-named Defendants, in and to the hereinafter described real estate to the highest bidder for cash. The property to be sold is located at 1113 Little Creek Road, Rancho Ruidoso Valley, New Mexico 88312 (if there is a conflict between the legal description and the real property address, the legal description shall control), and is more particularly described as follows:

LOT 8, BLOCK 8 OF RANCHO RUIDOSO VALLEY ESTATES, LINCOLN COUNTY, NEW MEXICO, AS SHOWN BY THE PLAT THEREOF FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY CLERK OF LINCOLN COUNTY, NOVEMBER 30, 1982, IN CABINET D, SLIDES 99 THROUGH 103, INCLUSIVE,

including any improvements, fixtures, and attachments, such as, but not limited to, mobile homes, subject to all taxes, utility liens and other restrictions and easements of record, and subject to a one (1) month right of redemption by the Defendants, the foregoing sale will be made to satisfy a foreclosure judgment rendered by this Court in the above-entitled and numbered cause, being an action to foreclose a mortgage on the above-described property.

The Plaintiff's judgment is \$116,776.74, and the same bears interest at 9.5700% per annum, which accrues at the rate of \$30.62 per diem, commencing on April 1, 2003, with the Court reserving entry of final judgment against said Defendants Juan E. Lopez and Cynthia Lopez for the amount due after foreclosure sale, for costs and attorney's fees, plus interest as may be assessed by the Court. The Plaintiff has the right to bid at such sale all of its judgment amount and submit its bid verbally or in writing. The Plaintiff may apply all or any part of its judgment to the purchase price in lieu of cash. The sale may be postponed and rescheduled at the discretion of the Special Master.

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

NOW, THEREFORE, notice is hereby given that in the event that said property is not sooner redeemed, the undersigned will as set forth above, offer for sale and sell to the highest bidder for cash or equivalent, the lands and improvements described above for the purpose of satisfying, in the adjudged order of priorities, the judgment described herein and decree of foreclosure together with any additional costs and attorney's fees, costs of advertisement and publication, a reasonable receiver and Special Master's fee to be fixed by the Court. The total amount of the judgment due is \$116,776.74, plus interest to and including date of sale of \$979.84 for a total judgment plus interest of \$117,756.58. Sale is subject to the entry of an order of the Court approving the terms and conditions of this sale.

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

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LEGAL NOTICE
TWELFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT
STATE OF NEW MEXICO
COUNTY OF LINCOLN
No. CV-03-27
Div. III

KIMBERLEE K. PRESTON,
Plaintiff,

vs.
H.B.P., Inc., a Texas Corporation,
and COLE PRESTON, INC., a Texas Corporation
Defendants.

NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on May 12, 2003, a 10:00 a.m. at the front entrance to the subject real property, located at 97 Vienna Terrace, in Ruidoso, New Mexico, the undersigned Special Master will offer at public sale and sell to the highest bidder for cash the following described real property:

Lot 97, INNSBROOK VILLAGE, Ruidoso, Lincoln County, New Mexico as shown by the plat thereof, filed in the office of the County Clerk and Ex-Officio Recorder of Lincoln County, New Mexico, on June 30, 1975.

The physical location of the property is 97 Vienna Terrace, Ruidoso, New Mexico. The Special Master's sale will be conducted pursuant to the Default Judgment, Decree of Foreclosure, Order of Sale and Appointment of Special Master entered by the Court on April 4, 2003, an action for foreclosure of mortgage.

Plaintiff's Judgment directed foreclosure of the real property to satisfy the following judgment liens:

Principal	\$57,345.52
Accrued Interest through 5/12/03	\$17,973.60
Costs of suit	129.00
Attorney fees	1173.29
Special Master's fee	200.00
	\$76,621.41

In addition to the judgment liens noted above, there will be accruing interest and costs, including costs of publication of this notice.

The Special Master may continue the date of sale by appearing at the time designated in this notice and announcing the postponement to another specific date.

WITNESS my hand on April 8, 2003.

SARAH FROTHRO,
Special Master

Lee Griffin
LEGAL SERVICES INC., P.C.
1026 Mechem Drive, Suite 102
Ruidoso, New Mexico 88345
Attorney for Plaintiff

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LEGAL NOTICE
NOTICE OF INVITATION
TO SUBMIT BIDS

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

Bids must be received in the office of the Superintendent by 4:00 P.M. on Wednesday, April 30, 2003 at which time all bids will be opened and read aloud. A recommendation will be made to the Board of Education at the May 8, 2003 regular Board meeting at 6:00 P.M. in the boardroom of the administration building located at 150 Forest St., Capitán, NM.

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

Dr. C. Larry Miller
Superintendent
Capitán Municipal Schools

Published in the Lincoln County News on April 17 and 24, 2003.

Corona News

About 35 people braved the twenty degree weather for Sunrise Services at the Corona ballpark.

Fred Lackey celebrated his 98th birthday April 9th. Ruth Davidson attended the festivities and went home with her daughter for a California visit.

Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Withers, Carrizozo were visitors Sunday helping celebrate the baptism of their great granddaughter Rebecca Allison Martin. Mr. and Mrs. Clay Lightfoot and Mr. and Mrs. Cody Lightfoot, Moriarty were also present for the occasion.

Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Gunn and their three children, Tucumcari, were at the Bell Ranch for Easter.

Stacy Merritt and her header, Matt Stockton, Dexter won the team roping in their division at the Lincoln Rodeo in Capitán Easter weekend. Stacy also won the poles, barrels, flags and breakaway. Lance Merritt, 5th grade, won second in the steer stopping in his age group.

In high school rodeo over the weekend, Victor Perez and his partner, Billy Burke, Moriarty won the team roping at Gallup, Sunday. Taos Muncy placed 2nd in the bronc riding Sunday and in the top ten in calf roping.

Jean Roberts and her daughter, Amber, and grandson, D.J. Hand left Friday for Escondido, Calif. to attend the April 26th wedding of Jean's grandson Jason Michael Smith to Laura Maureen Flanagan, Oceanside, Calif. Jean will also get to meet her great grandson, Jacob Smith, son of Mr. and Mrs. Douglas Smith. The trio will spend a week visiting friends and family.

Sheriff's

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at store in Hondo. Deputy and keyholder were on route.

6:39 p.m. accident with injuries at location on Capitán Gap Road, a subject wrecked his motorcycle back in the woods. Deputy and Capitán ambulance responded.

9:37 p.m. loud party at mile marker 86 on Highway 380, 12 adults all drinking with large bonfire and small children crying. Two deputies responded.

10:39 p.m. assault at trailer park, an 18 year old burned a 15 year old with a cigarette on the arm.

11:53 p.m. 911 hang-up at location on High Mesa. April 21

0:28 a.m. larceny at trailer park.

10:09 a.m. request for ambulance for 48 year old male with seizures. Med 1 transported to LCMC.

11:32 a.m. LCDC reported battery at LCDC.

11:47 a.m. request for ambulance for overdose at location on Eagle Creek Canyon Rd. Med 1 and deputy responded and requested to call a counselor, and transported to LCMC.

Capitan Mayor, Trustees

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The mayor said he is the representative because he did not send trustees a letter of resignation from LCSWA, and because he withdrew his resignation memo. Trustee Leroy Montes said he wanted a letter of resignation from the mayor. But Tippin said trustees accepting the mayor's letter of resignation was not on the agenda.

"If you don't accept it (the resignation) that makes me the representative," the mayor responded and thus ended the discussion about the LCSWA representative.

Discussion drifted away from the LCSWA issue to go to an agenda item that was cancelled because a presentation was not ready. Then they came to Tippin's agenda item for the agenda. "I'm confused on how to get on the agenda," Tippin said. "At the last meeting I asked this (LCSWA) be on this meeting agenda."

"Call me and we'll discuss it," responded the mayor.

"Does the mayor have total control over the agenda?" Whitaker then asked.

"Yes," answered the mayor.

"I don't think so," Whitaker replied. "I don't like being taken off the agenda, and others never put on. If a citizen asks to be on the agenda, I don't see how you can take them off."

"I just don't put them on," the mayor said.

Montes said according to the municipal league the

council has the authority to name someone to take care of the agenda. Montes then asked trustee Bobbie Shearer to check that information.

The mayor then told Whitaker to call the municipal league and have them send a letter as to who can set the agenda.

Whitaker said the village meeting agendas have been manipulated several times, especially for LCSWA discussions. "Why are you taking things off that I ask for?" Whitaker asked. He then said the village clerk told him things cannot be added to the agenda if the mayor says not to add them.

Tippin said he also has asked for things to be on the agenda only to find they were not put on. "Or were deleted," Tippin added.

The mayor then said he wanted to hear no more complaining about LCSWA. "I'm tired of dealing with that corrupt organization!" the mayor exclaimed.

"How do you not allow us to discuss it?" Whitaker continued. "This is totally wrong!"

"We'll find out who has total control (over the agenda)," Whitaker continued. "But it won't make any difference, because you do as you want."

With that final comment, trustees voted to adjourn and left the meeting hall.

One trustee told THE NEWS after the meeting he had never served with a mayor who is so unprofessional and discourteous.

New Mexico Municipal League general counsel Randy VanVleck told THE NEWS that there is nothing defined in state statutes regarding who has the authority to set agenda. "It's mostly a matter of custom or practice or Parliamentary Procedure," VanVleck said. "In most forms of mayor-council governments the mayor sets the agenda with input from staff and members of the governing body."

"It is totally inappropriate for a mayor to refuse to put an item on the agenda," VanVleck added. "A governing member should be able to ask to be on the agenda."

According to New Mexico State Statutes Chapter 3, Sec. 12-3 subsection 8 the governing body "shall determine the rules of its own proceedings."

THE NEWS talked with other municipal clerks who said they had worked with mayors who let the clerk set the agenda and other mayors who wanted to be involved with the agenda. The clerk said all mayors she worked for also would add agenda requests from citizens who could not resolve issues administratively.

OBITUARIES

NINA D. JOHNSTON
Graveside services for Nina D. Johnston, 84, of Capitan were held April 22, at the Capitan Cemetery with the Rev. Jim Smith officiating. She was born August 28, 1918 at Alden, Kansas and died April 18, in Ruidoso.

Nina moved to Lincoln County in 1986 from Colorado and was very involved with ranching all of her life. She married Ernest A. Johnston on August 30, 1941 at Raton and he preceded her in death on April 23, 1996.

Nina is survived by a daughter, Joy Slane of Capitan; two grandchildren, Riley Henson and wife Pauline of Bloomfield and Clint Henson and wife Wanda of Raton; and three great grandchildren.

Arrangements were under the direction of LaGrone Funeral Chapel of Ruidoso.

FAST ACTION

Lincoln County News

CLASSIFIED ADS

CALL: (505) 648-2333

MOTEL FOR SALE

Deal fell through, the Crossroads Motel in Carrizozo is back on the market. Located at high traffic intersection of U.S. Highways 54 and 380. Fronts onto both highways. There is possible bank financing available. Call for information.

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EMPLOYMENT NOTICE

Lincoln County is now accepting applications for two positions of **TEMPORARY LABORERS** with the Lincoln County Road Department. Must work hard and be able to perform minor maintenance on equipment. Must have a Current driver's license, be able to do manual labor and drive a tractor to mow weeds. Employment will be condition upon applicant's successful completion of a physical examination and substance abuse test. Obtain applications at the Lincoln County Manager's Office in Carrizozo or by calling 505/648-2385. Applications must be received no later than 5:00 P.M., April 30, 2003. **LINCOLN COUNTY, EQUAL OPPORTUNITY EMPLOYER AND IN COMPLIANCE WITH THE AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES ACT, TITLE II-A**

2tc/4/17-24

VACANCY NOTICE

April 16, 2003

POSITION: High School Math Teacher
CONTRACT: 2003-2004 Academic Year
QUALIFICATIONS: Have or is eligible for New Mexico License. Ability to be successful mentor. Excellent interpersonal skills.

APPLICATION DEADLINE: Until Filled.
PROCEDURE: Call or write for application (or download from our web page at: www.capitan.k12.nm.us)

Submit documents to:
Office of the Superintendent
Capitan Municipal Schools
P.O. Box 278
Capitan, NM 88316
Phone: 505-354-2239
Fax: 505-354-2240

Capitan Municipal Schools policy is to select the best-qualified applicant without regard to race, color, marital status, religion/creed, sex, disability/handicap, or national origin.

2tc/4/24 & 5/1

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NEW STEEL BUILDING
28x40
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FOR SALE: 2002 GMC

Denali, 320 HP, loaded including moon roof, 30,000 miles. Cost over \$50,000 new, asking \$35,000. Call Chuck at 658-2900.

1tc/4/24

FOR SALE: Electric doublewall oven, Magic Chef, used, \$75; 4-burner used counter top gas stove, \$45. Both green.

Ph. 354-2274
2tp/4/17-24

FOR SALE: (1) acre close to Carrizozo schools. Utilities nearby. \$9,500.00. 648-2323.

2tp/4/17-24

FOR SALE: 4+ acres country setting! city utilities

505-437-3986
4tc/4/3 to 24

STEARNS INSURANCE AGENCY CARRIZOZO

(505) 648-2911

Operation Stop Withholding

began April 5, 2003, visit www.givemeliberty.org or call 505-648-4447.

1tp/4/24

FOR SALE: 1984 Dodge Pickup, 1-ton, \$1,200. Call 648-4929.

2tp/4/24 & 5/1

FOR RENT: 1 bedroom apt. \$265.00 per month, plus utilities, furnished. References required. 408 1/2 12th St. Phone 648-3015

tfn/4/10

INSIDE GARAGE SALE

Saturday, Apr. 26, 8:00 to 2:00, Highway 246, 2.2 miles north of Capitan. Windows, storm doors, light fixtures, water tank, linens, books, household items, toys, Scottish sideboard, camping equipment, computer cart, MUCH MORE.

1tp/4/24

Experienced and licensed Real Estate Sales Person wanted. Call 648-2900 for details.

2tc/4/24 & 5/1

Planning a fund-raiser? Why not schedule it for June 27th & 28th - Carrizozo Alumni will be in town!!

4tp/4/10 to 5/1

Do you need your yard cleaned, trees trimmed, trash hauled, garden filled, manure, fence built or repaired?

Call 505-648-4447
1tp/4/24

Without it, how would anybody know what to sell?

Advertising, use it!!

Thank You Card

Thank you to those who paid their last respects to my husband, Marcos B. Barela, at the services on April 6 at Assembly of God Church.

Special thanks to Mr. & Mrs. Don Means, Jovita Torres, and Ruidoso Ford, for cards, flowers and food.

Very special thanks to Johnie Johnson for officiating the services, LaGrone Funeral Chapel for respecting the last wish of my husband for cremation, and to the American Legion who gave Marcos his well deserved last salute during the spreading ceremony. God Bless you all.

Mrs. Marcos B. Barela, Sr.
Tom, Tami & Adam
Mr. & Mrs. Mark Ortega
Mr. & Mrs. Paul Griego

LEGALS

LEGAL NOTICE
STATE OF NEW MEXICO
IN THE PROBATE COURT
LINCOLN COUNTY
No. 1956

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF MARCOS B. BARELA, SR., DECEASED.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned has been appointed personal representative of this estate. All persons having claims against this estate are required to present their claims within two (2) months after the date of the first publication of this notice, or the claims will be forever barred. Claims must be presented either to the undersigned personal representative at the address listed below, or filed with the Probate Court of Lincoln County, New Mexico, located at the following address: P.O. Box 338, Carrizozo, NM 88301.

Dated: April 9, 2003.

BARBARA A. BARELA
Personal Representative
P.O. Box 461
Carrizozo, NM 88301
505-648-2288

TAMMIE J. MADDOX, Clerk
By: Opal Hill, Deputy

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CITY: _____

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(* Add 10 Cents per word for each word over 20.)

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Lincoln County News
P.O. Drawer 458 / 309 Central Ave.
Carrizozo, NM 88301
Ph. or Fax: (505) 648-2333

Several Opportunities For Rabies Vaccinations on Saturday

There will be several opportunities for residents of Lincoln County to have pets vaccinated for rabies on Saturday, April 26.

Dr. Mary Jane Cooper, a veterinarian with both Ruidoso Animal Clinic and Carrizozo Animal Clinic will be at Nogal Post Office from 9 to 9:45 a.m., then at Carrizozo Fire Station from 10 to 11:30 a.m. The rabies clinic will be at the White Oaks turn-off on Hwy. 54 from 11:45 a.m. to 12:15 p.m. and then in An-

cho from 12:35 to 1 p.m. Veterinarian Becky Washburn will conclude the series of clinics by holding a rabies clinic in Corona at the Corona Fire Station from 2:30 to 4 p.m.

Rabies vaccinations will cost six dollars each and other vaccinations will be offered at reduced rates. City dog tags will also be available.

Also on Saturday, the village of Capitan will collaborate with Washburn to provide a rabies clinic at

the new Capitan Fire Station from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Rabies vaccinations will be available and representatives from the village of Capitan will be at the clinic with city dog tags.

Pets should be on a leash or in a pet carrier.

Find Out If You Qualify for
A FREE Mammogram!
1-877-852-2585
It could save your life!
NEW MEXICO HEALTH

Angie Schneider is New

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sion to discuss possible land acquisition.

The board took no action on discussions in closed session once they returned to the open meeting.

Dean also voted against Resolution 2003-04-01 that sets out notice of meetings. The resolution gives 20 days for preparation of the draft minutes of the last meeting. But Dean wanted the draft minutes to be available within three or four days because he has trouble remembering things. Ingle said while most bodies give 10 days, LCSWA has always been 20 days.

LCSWA finance officer Bev Foote also does the minutes from the tape recordings of the meetings which she usually takes home to work on because there are no quiet or pri-

vate areas at the LCSWA office.

Dean had earlier complained about the minutes having summaries of discussion held during the meeting. As a compromise to Dean, the LCSWA board approved the minutes with wording added that discussions were as Ingle summarized.

Foote said she had to summarize because some discussions lasted 45 minutes.

Martinez said the minutes will not be "verbatim" from the tape recordings. "If you have questions go to the tapes to transcribe to your liking," he said. "Minutes are just action."

Dean said there have been problems in the past with the minutes.

Ingle said LCSWA keeps all the tape recordings of all meetings. "We do not

dispose of any," she said.

Dean said he wanted to see the draft minutes sooner than just a few days before the upcoming meeting. Dean then tried a motion to require draft minutes in 10 days, but he got no second. Ingle said the board at the budget workshops could consider purchasing dictaphone equipment. Foote said she could get draft minutes out by 10 days but it would be just the actions taken.

Shearer said she would rather the draft minutes take 20 days and be more inclusive of discussion. Cummins and Martinez agreed with Shearer.

Dean voted no on both the meetings notice resolution and acceptance of the March meeting minutes.



Windy weather was intermittent last week, with similar weather predicted for this coming week. A warm day is predicted for Saturday.

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, April 24: Sunny and breezy with northwest winds 15 to 25 miles per hour. High of 68. No chance for precipitation. Tonight, mostly clear and breezy with low of 39.

Friday, April 25: Mostly clear with high of 74, low of 41.

Saturday, April 26: Mostly clear and breezy. Highs to 80, and low of 42.

Sunday, April 27: Mostly clear and breezy with highs to 75, low of 43.

Monday, April 28: Mostly clear with highs to mid 70s, lows low to low 40s.

Tuesday, April 29: Mostly clear. Highs upper 60s to mid 70s, lows upper 30s to mid 40s.

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

Today, Thursday, April 24: Sunny with northwest winds 15 to 20 miles per hour. No chance for precipitation. High of 63. Tonight mostly clear with low of 35.

Friday, April 25:

Mostly clear of 69. Low of 34.

Saturday, April 26: Mostly clear and breezy. Highs to 78, lows to 39.

Sunday, April 27: Mostly clear and breezy with highs to mid 70s,

lows to 40.

Monday, April 28: Mostly clear with highs to 70s, lows in the 30s.

Tuesday, April 29: Mostly clear with highs to low 70s, lows to low 30s.

Obituary

Carole A. Stromberg

A memorial service for Carole A. Stromberg, 62, of Carrizozo, will be Saturday, April 26, at 3 p.m. in the First Baptist Church in Carrizozo. Carole died April 18 in Carrizozo. She was born April 9, 1941 at Peru, Indiana.

Carole moved to Carrizozo 9 years ago from Mexico. She was the general manager of the Trading Post in Carrizozo.

She is survived by her husband Chris, of Carrizozo; two sons, Larry Stromberg of Taylor, Texas and Jim Stromberg of Questa; two daughters, Carrie Adams of Terre Haute, Ind. and Lyn Adams of Las Vegas, Nev.; and 15 grandchildren.

Arrangements are under the direction of LaGrone Funeral Chapel of Ruidoso.

GREG HAUSSLER,
NRCS DISTRICT CONSERVATIONIST
With Carrizozo and Capitan Field Offices

Is Retiring

We simply must throw him a farewell party and you are invited!!!

*PLACE: Cree Meadows Country Club
301 Country Club Drive
(Across from the Baptist Church)
Ruidoso, New Mexico*

DATE: Fri., May 2, 2003 / 6:00 p.m.

*MEAL: (2) kinds of enchiladas, taco salad, dessert, drinks,
\$6.00 per person (Open bar in lounge)*

We hope you will attend to wish him well!

If you would like to contribute toward a gift, please send your contribution to:

*Sue Stearns / Carrizozo SWCD
P.O. Box 457
Carrizozo, NM 88301*

and we will add your name to the card.

You must call the office or drop a note if you wish to attend no later than Friday, April 25th.

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Potted Meat
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