

County Rejects Community Center

by Doris Cherry

With no extra money in county coffers for any projects, dreams of a county community center complete with indoor swimming pool faded Tuesday. Despite their enthusiasm and well made presentation, the large group of residents who packed the Lincoln County Commission chambers on Tuesday afternoon asking

for county support of the center went away unhappy. It was county commissioner Maurie St. John who made the group most unhappy. After a more than hour long discussion about the project, county commissioner Rick Simpson made a motion to authorize a public referendum for approval of the gross receipt taxes for the community center.

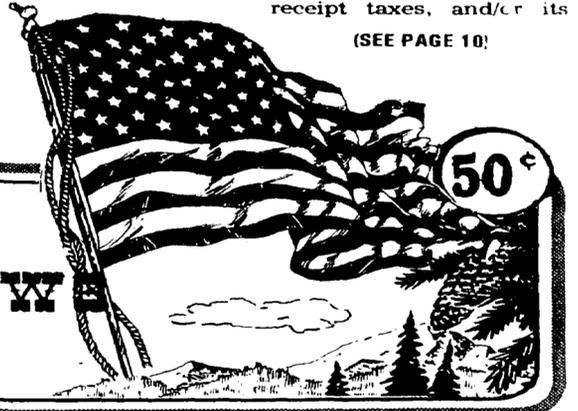
Seconded by county commissioner Leo Martinez, both he and Simpson voted in favor of such a referendum. County commission chairman Rex Wilson and county commissioner Earl Hobbs voted against the motion. St. John did not vote, instead she abstained, which is counted as a negative vote, thus breaking the tie against the mo-

tion. The group had come to the county commission to request a special election to let voters decide if they want taxes to pay for a community center that most likely would be constructed in Ruidoso. Early in the discussion, county manager Tom Stewart summarized the county's financial situation when he said, "The

county is headed for a train wreck in 2005." Stewart was referring to the continuing deficit spending, and the lean 2003-2004 preliminary budget that commission-

ers had cut by five percent for all departments. He said if the county budgets continue with its deficit spending it may have to impose its last two options one-eighth percent gross receipt taxes, and/or its

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Wortley Hotel To Get Metal Roof

by Doris Cherry

The Wortley Hotel in old Lincoln will soon get a new roof-made of corrugated metal.

Lincoln County Commissioners at their meeting Tuesday, May 20, voted 3-2 to overturn the ruling of the Lincoln Historic Preservation Board that denied a variance to Tim Hagaman, owner of the Wortley Hotel, to replace the cedar roof with metal. County commissioners Earl Hobbs and Maurie St. John voted to uphold the historic board decision. County commissioners Rick Simpson, Leo Martinez and Rex Wilson voted to overturn the decision and allow the metal roof.

According to the ordinance that established the Lincoln Historic Board, all decisions of the board, that are considered final, can be appealed to the county commission. Hagaman took his appeal to the county commission in April, but the appeal was tabled because it had not been advertised for public hearing. So finally at the meeting Tuesday, Hagaman made his appeal. Everyone who commented during the hearing was sworn in.

Introducing the issue, the county attorney said the historic board denied the metal roof based on

limitations on roofs on landmark properties as listed in the Lincoln Historic Preservation Ordinance. Wortley Hotel is considered a landmark property because it is within Zone A.

Hagaman said he wanted to replace the cedar shake roof with metal because of the serious fire threat and because of cost. And with all indications that drought will become the norm, Hagaman said he wanted to be an example for others in Lincoln

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Carrizozo Street Cleanup May 31

Carrizozo will hold a clean up day on Saturday, May 31.

The focus of this clean up day is to pick up trash along side the town streets, similar to the adopt-a-mile program, said town clerk Leann Wehbrecht.

The clean up day begins with registration at 7:30 a.m. at Carrizozo Rec Center. All children who register for the clean up can earn up to 10 free swimming pool passes. The passes will not be transferable to another person however, Wehbrecht added.

All who register for the



HONORING THEIR MEMORIES. Capitan Boy Scout Troop 57 members Arron Grier, Evan Parks and Junior Navarrette and their leader Brenda Williams set out flags on every grave at Fort Stanton Cemetery in preparation for the Fort Stanton Merchant Marine and Veterans Memorial Ceremony which begins at 11:00 a.m. on Saturday, May 24. Other scouts who helped put out flags who are not pictured were Robert Owings and Carl Williams. Boys interested in scouting are invited to attend the troop meetings at 5:30 p.m. every Thursday at Capitan Senior Center.

clean up will be treated to a free hamburger fry with cooking provided by members of the Carrizozo Volunteer Fire Department.

The clean up day is the third and last of a series of clean up days sponsored by funds from a New Mexico Clean and Beautiful grant.

LCSWA Budgets For Expansion

by Doris Cherry

As the Lincoln County Solid Waste Authority (LCSWA) expands its recycling and yard waste pick-up programs the LCSWA board has approved a 2003-2004 budget with 22 employees.

At their meeting May 15, the LCSWA board approved the preliminary 2003-2004 budget with total estimated revenues of \$2,180,570 and budgeted expenditures of \$2,180,378. These figures include general operating (collection system, board

of directors, administration and recycling); New Mexico severance tax bond (state appropriation) and total environmental gross receipt taxes paid by the municipalities and county.

The 2003-2004 budget shows an estimated net increase in revenue of \$98,978 over the revenue amounts budgeted for this fiscal year which ends on June 30. Some of that increase will come from collection fees from the 40-year roll off rentals that are budgeted to increase by an estimated \$56,429; from collection fees from county residential customers budgeted to increase by an estimated \$29,230; from Ruidoso Downs customers increase by \$4,170; from Capitan customers increase by \$9,940. Decreases of \$378 for Corona and \$2,427 for Carrizozo and \$367 for special services were budgeted.

Recycling revenues are budgeted at nearly the same figures as the 2002-2003 revised budget, with an estimated revenue of \$56,044. Total budgeted expenditures for recycling is \$71,319, which includes \$21,022 budgeted for purchase of a bailer for recyclable materials, fork lift and property payments; \$29,455 for personnel and

Gallinas Mountains Are Now Under Fire Restrictions

The Cibola National Forest, which includes the Gallinas Mountains near Corona, is now under fire restrictions.

Under the restrictions no campfire, charcoal grills or stove fires will be allowed on forest services lands without a permit, except in Forest Service developed campgrounds and picnic areas where grills are provided. Gas or pressurized liquid stoves, lanterns and heaters are allowed.

Smoking is allowed only within an enclosed vehicle

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In 1881 famous outlaw Billy the Kid escaped from the Lincoln County Courthouse in Lincoln.

During his escape The Kid allegedly shot and killed two deputies, but he was never indicted for the murder of deputies James Bell and Robert Ollinger.

Lincoln County Sheriff Tom Sullivan thinks it is time to remedy that old wrong. The Sheriff also thinks it is time to settle an argument over who really was Billy the Kid.

On April 29, Sullivan filed an official case in the Lincoln County Sheriff's

BILLY THE KID TO BE CHARGED

Office to reopen the investigation on the two homicides.

But pride is the real reason Sullivan wants to reopen the murder case and prove who is the real Billy. "We have the image of Sheriff Pat Garrett on our Sheriff's Office patches," Sullivan explained to THE NEWS when THE NEWS found the case filed on the sheriff's office dispatch blotter.

Sullivan explained that last winter he and his wife Pat were traveling through Texas to visit children when they went

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through Hico. In Hico are a monument and museum to Brushy Bill Roberts, the "real" Billy the Kid. Sullivan said the Brushy Bill Roberts story surfaced in 1990 when television journalism Sam Donaldson interviewed the old man who claimed to be the real Billy the Kid. Roberts claimed Billy did not die by Garrett's gun in Fort Sumner. Rather Roberts claimed he was Billy and he had escaped to live his long life in Texas. Donaldson also inter-

viewed many people in Hico and Fort Sumner, NM where legend says Garrett killed the Kid.

Sullivan said Brushy Bill made his first appearance when he came to Santa Fe in 1949 and met with then Governor Mechem and his lawyers.

"The Brushy Bill story contradicts all Lincoln County stands for," Sullivan said. "It is saying Pat Garrett was a liar and all he stands for was a lie."

"I don't want the Lincoln County Sheriff's Office,

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with its Pat Garrett patches, to be identified with a lie," Sullivan said.

So Sullivan is out to get some real proof of identity. "We're not sure where Billy the Kid is buried in Fort Sumner," Sullivan said. "But we know exactly where Billy's mother is buried in Silver City."

Sullivan would like to find some way to get a sample of Billy's mother's DNA and a sample of Brushy Bill's DNA to test whether Brushy's claim is true. He hopes by filing the homestead as a criminal investigation they can get court orders to obtain samples of DNA. "Then we

can tell Texas to put up or shut up," Sullivan added.

A private DNA testing company in Dallas is interested in the Billy the Kid project, Sullivan said.

With help from the Museum of the American West research is being done on old documents and archives in Arizona. Sullivan also has enlisted the help of his friend Steve Sederwall who has even told the governor's office about the project.

When Governor Bill Richardson visited Lincoln County on May 9, he mentioned the Billy the Kid project and said he thinks it is a good idea to

bring the Billy the Kid case back to life as tourism promotion for the county and area. Richardson proposed a Billy the Kid area that would include all of the communities where The Kid visited.

For now, the official homicide report has been filed.

On April 28 Museum of the American West historian Drew Gomer tested out a theory about the day of Billy's last escape in old Lincoln. Some claim there is no proof Billy shot the deputies because there were no actual eye witnesses to the murders. Billy was shackled and being held by a personal guard when he escaped. He allegedly shot his guard, and the other deputy who responded to the gun shots. Some speculate the second shooting was to leave no eye witnesses.

There are more stories about where the gun shots came from. Sullivan said to test the idea that shots fired inside the courthouse could be heard outside the building, a black powder 45 pistol with blanks was shot off inside the old courthouse. Meanwhile two people were sitting inside the Wortley Hotel to determine how easily Billy's gun shot could have been heard those many years ago. "They said they could hear the shot all over Lincoln," Sullivan said.

The event was video taped for a documentary, Sullivan added. He hopes the project will bring new interest to the Billy the Kid story and finally disprove the Brushy Bill Roberts theory.

"We want to get William Bonney indicted for those two murders," Sullivan said.

"And if we find that Pat Garrett was a liar about Billy the kid we will remove his image from our patch," Sullivan said.



THANK YOU. US Department of Interior Assistant Secretary Rebecca Watson (center) presents plaques of thanks to Johnson Stearns, Ramona Payne and Jack Payne who are volunteer hosts at the Bureau of Land Management Valley of Fires Recreation Area west of Carrizozo. On her first visit to New Mexico, Watson was taken on tours of BLM fire mitigation and watershed rehabilitation projects near Lincoln and Fort Stanton, the Fort Stanton Museum, SBS wood products facility in Glencoe, Valley of Fires and Mescalero Apache forest operations. Also pictured (far right) is BLM employee Albert Najjar.

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Firewood Permits Now Available For Gallinas Mountains

Cibola National Forest is now offering firewood permits for \$20.

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Permits are available at the Cibola National Forest Ranger District office in Mountainair for firewood cutting on the Cibola National Forest lands in the Gallinas Mountains near Corona.

For more information call the Mountain Ranger District office at 847-2990.

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or building, developed recreation site or while stopped in a three foot area that has been cleared of all flammable materials.

Fireworks are prohibited on all forest service lands.

For more information on camp areas where fires are permitted call Mark Chavez or Karen Carter at 505-348-3800.

For general fire information on any southwestern forest go to the web site at www.fs.fed.us/r3/fire or call toll free 1-877-6885.

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\$20,842 for operating.

For the collections department of the general operating fund, budgeted revenues of \$1,589,261 will come from trash collection fees paid by residential and commercial customers in Ruidoso Downs, Capitan, Carrizozo, Corona and the county. Of that \$1,513,114 has been budgeted for the expenditures for its collection system. Expenditures include \$627,888 for personnel salaries and benefits; \$570,716 for general operating such as electricity, heating, phone, uniforms, equipment rental, and the \$27,000 budgeted for the Capitan construction landfill closure; \$312,510 for capital outlay to purchase dumpsters, poly carts, and lease/purchase payments for the large collection and transport trucks; and \$2,000 for vehicle supplies/parts and oil.

LCSWA board members questioned the \$58,440 budgeted for overtime for the collections department, but operational supervisor Debra Ingle explained the need is due to nature of trash collection.

LCSWA board of directors have budgeted expenditures of \$7,398 for office supplies, insurance, dues/memberships/meeting expenses and travel/schools.

Administration department of LCSWA has budgeted total expenditures of \$297,354 with \$210,025 for personnel salaries and benefits and overtime. These include the finance officer, operational supervisor, and office clerks.

No revenues are budgeted for solid waste grants, with only \$7,074 being left from the 2002-2003 budget.

A new fund was budgeted for the revenue from the state appropriation of \$97,500, with all being budgeted as expenditures.

The special environmental gross receipt tax revenues are budgeted at an estimated \$261,504, a \$35,375 decrease in revenue from the 2002-2003 fiscal year. City of Alamogordo revenues are budgeted at \$249,736 which is \$23,890 less than last fiscal year. Expenditures for the special taxes are budgeted at \$264,119 for payments on the re-

gional landfill bond and \$250,000 to be transferred to the general operating funds for LCSWA.

Ingle said the budget includes money for additional employees as LCSWA expands its yard waste, grappling system. "This budget is based on our history," Ingle said. "And it only includes a one percent cost of living increase."

LCSWA board members unanimously approved the preliminary budget which will be sent to the New Mexico Department of Finance and Administration (DFA) for review and recommendations. The board set a budget workshop to review the DFA recommendations at 2 p.m. Thursday, June 26.

Also during the May 15 meeting, Ingle reported the grapple truck had finally arrived, and had developed hydraulic problems immediately. She said the LCSWA mechanic was working on the problem and the company from which the grapple was purchased had agreed to compensate LCSWA for the cost to repair the hydraulics. Ingle said she had notified the Ranches of Sonterra home owners association that the grapple truck would start working in that development by June 2. With the system, home owners in areas which are actively participating will be notified to put their yard waste at the side of the road, not under power lines. She said she expects there will be a six week turn around for pick ups.

Further information about the yard waste pick-up will be provided in the homeowners association newsletters, Ingle added.

For areas that have not opted into the yard waste pick-up, LCSWA will do special pick-ups of yard waste for \$10 a yard. If residents want to dispose of their own yard waste at Sierra Contractors in Ruidoso Downs it will cost \$7 a yard. Special pick up of miscellaneous trash will cost \$15 a yard.

"These are the costs unless we negotiate a contract for yard waste pick-up at an additional \$1.25 a month for residential service," Ingle added.

Carrizozo board member Ray Dean asked why LCSWA does not take

used motor oil in Carrizozo. Ingle said the LCSWA yard in Ruidoso Downs is the only location permitted to take used motor oil, and the permit had cost \$800. "And we do not pick up used motor oil," Ingle said. LCSWA charges to take the used motor oil, even at its yard in Ruidoso Downs.

Dean said the used oil just ends up in the dumpsters when there is no where to take it.

Ingle said she would look into the situation, but there is not a permitted site in Carrizozo area for taking the used motor oil.

Ingle said she also had been informed that the private aluminum recycler was no longer in business. She said LCSWA buys aluminum at its yard in Ruidoso Downs. Ingle also said she would like LCSWA to start aluminum recycling through the schools.

LCSWA had also begun accepting used carpet padding for recycling, Ingle added. Carpet padding must be taken to the LCSWA yard in Ruidoso Downs.

"The recycling program needs work," Ingle said. "And we have tried to turn it around, especially if we get a new recycling center and building."

LCSWA board members recessed to a closed session to discuss acquisition of private property. They took no action on their discussions when they returned to open meeting.

LCSWA board members unanimously approved advertising for requests for proposals (rfp) for an auditor. Last year the board hired John Schoenburger based on his proposal. But when Schoenburger did the 2001 audit, there were so many problems with his procedures that he agreed to reduce his rate for the audit for all the work the LCSWA staff had to do to correct his mistakes, Ingle said.

"The state auditor rejected his audit, because of his mistakes, not ours," Ingle added.

LCSWA has to inform the state auditor's office of the new rfp for an auditor by June 1.





Jessica Alvarez is Finalist In Teen Pageant



JESSICA JENNY ALVAREZ

Jessica Jenny Alvarez, age 16, daughter of Richard and Michelle B. Alvarez of Nogal, has been chosen as a state finalist in the Miss New Mexico American Teen Pageant to be held July 25 in Las Cruces.

The pageant is held for girls ages 4 through 19. Thousands of dollars in cash awards, scholarships, trophies, and prizes will be awarded during the state pageant weekend. According to pageant officials, since 1983 the Miss American Coed Pageant System has awarded more than ten million dollars in scholarships and awards to deserving young ladies. All activities are family-oriented. To purchase a ticket to the event please call Alvarez at 354-0397.

Jessica graduated high school in May of 2002 and has been attending Eastern New Mexico University of Ruidoso as a full-time student. She is a pre-med student and plans to specialize in neonatology. Her accomplishments include American Scholar, 3.5-3.9 Honor Roll, National

Honor Roll, U.S. National American History Merit Award, U.S. National English Merit Award-Published 2000-2001, and Who's Who Among High School Students-Published 2000-2001. She enjoys horseback riding, singing, biking, hiking and modeling. Jessica Alvarez is currently seeking sponsorship. A few of her sponsors include her parents, family members and friends.

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

TUESDAYS
--Fibromyalgia Syndrome Support Group, every other Tuesday, 6 p.m. K-Bob's in Ruidoso;
--Alcoholics Anonymous, 6:30 p.m. Carrizozo Zia Senior Citizens Center.

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

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

FRIDAY, MAY 23
--NM Health and Human Services Initiative meeting 8:30 a.m. Ruidoso Senior Center at 501 Sudderth Drive.

--Carrizozo School Graduation, 6:00 p.m. in the old gym.

SATURDAY, MAY 24
--Capitan School Graduation 10 a.m. Tiger Stadium.
--Fort Stanton Merchant Marine and Veterans Memorial Service, 11 a.m. Fort Stanton Cemetery on State Road 220.
--White Oaks Cemetery Association to place flags at all Veteran's graves in White Oaks Cemetery, with flags to remain through May 26.

SUNDAY, MAY 25
--White Oaks Cemetery Association will have the White Oaks School open Visitors can bring sack lunch and join the group.
--Free concert with Flying J Wranglers, 2 p.m. at Schoolhouse Park (by the swimming pool) on Sudderth Drive in Ruidoso. Sponsored by Ruidoso Arts Commission.

MEMORIAL DAY, MONDAY, MAY 26
--All public offices, banks closed.

TUESDAY, MAY 27
--South Central Mountain RC&D Council meets at 10 a.m. at the Alamogordo Chamber of Commerce building at 1301 No. White Sands Blvd. Public invited.

--Federated Republican Women of Lincoln County meet at 12 noon at Mountain Annie's Restaurant at 2710 Sudderth Drive in Ruidoso. For information call 257-2195.
--Ruidoso Village Council meets at 6 p.m. in village hall.

SATURDAY, MAY 31
--Carrizozo Street Clean up, registration 7:30 a.m. at Rec Center, noon hamburger fry at Spencer Park for those registered.
--Bicycle workshop 8:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. Carrizozo Recreation Center.
--Carrizozo Swimming pool opens for season at 12 noon.

Lincoln County Fair Queen Contest Soon

The Lincoln County Fair Queen contest will be held soon. The contest is open to young women between the ages of 16 and 22 who live in Lincoln County. Contestants will be judged 50 percent on horsemanship and 50 percent on personality.

Reigning queen Amanda Bird will crown the new queen during the Smokey Bear Stampede Rodeo in Capitan. The

new queen will preside over the rodeo performances, the Lincoln County Fair, and represent the county at the 2004 state fair queen contest.

Interested young women are encouraged to contact Mary Jane Cooper at 505-853-4180 to obtain an application and more information about the contest. Entry deadline is June 18.

Eleven Merchants Comply With Youth Tobacco Sales Laws

The annual Federally mandated tobacco sales compliance check was held in Lincoln County April 12 and 14 when 15 randomly selected merchants were approached by trained and supervised 15 to 17 year olds who attempted to buy cigarettes. The compliance check was conducted by The Counseling Center and Presbyterian Medical Services / Improving Health Initiative, in participation with the Department of Health Behavioral Health Services Division.

Eleven of the merchants requested identification, and when the teens could not produce proof of legal age (18) the merchants refused to sell. The 11 merchants who successfully trained their staff to comply with the law that forbids the sale of tobacco products to minors are: Sturges Venture Market in Carrizozo, Carrizozo Texaco, Allsup's Convenience Store at 725 Mechem in Ruidoso, Cigarette Alley in Ruidoso Downs, Circle K in Ruidoso Downs, Cree Manor Inn in Ruidoso, Sandia Oil in Ruidoso, Sun Country Food Mart in Hondo, TR's Market in Alto, and WalMart in Ruidoso Downs.

This is the sixth year the survey has been conducted in Lincoln County. Last year there

was 100 percent compliance, no merchant was willing to sell to an underage buyer. The fact that four merchants, or 27 percent, were willing to do so this year highlights the need for increased merchant and community education regarding the harmful effects of tobacco on young people.

White Oaks Cemetery To Place Medallions On Veteran's Graves

The White Oaks Cemetery Association decided to award all our fallen Veterans with a brass medallion denoting the war in which they served, it is a flag holder as well.

Letters were sent to the families of the Veterans asking them to donate \$23.35 toward the purchase. The White Oaks Cemetery Association also obtained a small grant to help with the cost. Most people responded and the association was able to purchase 54 medallions. There are 69 Veterans buried in the White Oaks Cemetery.

The flag holders with the flags will be placed in the White Oaks Cemetery for the May 28 Memorial Day this year. They will be placed May 24 and remain through May 26 for the public to view.

Sunday, May 25 the White Oaks School House will be open, and everyone is invited to bring a sack lunch at noon.

Community Bicycle Workshop May 31 At Carrizozo Rec Center

A community bicycle workshop will be held at the Carrizozo Rec Center Saturday, May 31 from 8:30 a.m. until 2 p.m. Anyone and everyone needing help fixing a bicycle is invited to attend.

There will be FREE slime for tires, the substance that helps keep tires from going flat, people will be there to help with bicycle repairs, and LOTS of free parts.

Fun activities include bicycle drag racing, bike rodeo and mass group ride.

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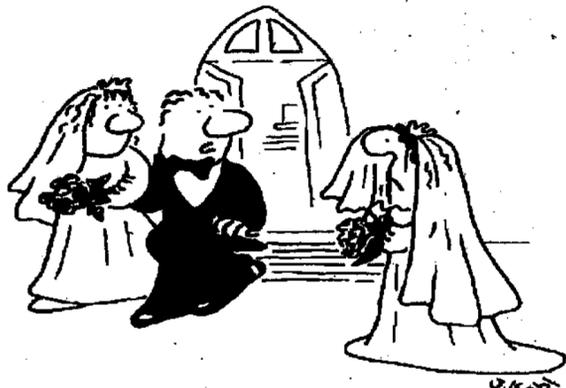
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THOUGHTS

FROM THE EDITOR'S DESK

Long Long Meetings

By Ruth Hammond

Maybe you did not attend the marathon meeting held by the county commissioners Tuesday, but many people were there, or rather they were there for part of the meeting. The fact that the commissioners worked through lunch is more than a bit disturbing. If the commissioners want to work through lunch they should provide lunch for everyone.

Evidently some people did leave the meeting for lunch and were concerned they might miss important business. This is not the way to encourage people to be involved in government, rather it discourages people from attending these meetings and gives the implication of trying to hide some governmental business transactions from the public.

Many, many times we have suggested commissioners set a different meeting schedule that would allow plenty of time to conduct county business without having meetings last 10 or more hours. For some unknown reason, the commissioners seem to prefer marathon meetings, which also discourages the public from attending. Is that really what the commissioners want to do, discourage the public?

One other remedy for the marathon meetings would be to schedule all budget matters at special budget meetings and not include any budget matters during regular county meetings. And time limits should be enforced, as well as limiting time to present information about budget requests long after all budget requests should have been submitted.

Regardless of how important any situation may be for a select few, the county does not have unlimited funds to pet projects for certain people. And commissioners have a responsibility to limit the amount of time spent discussing these matters. Rehashing the same information over and over is not a help, but causes people to want to forget it.

Instead of meeting all day and half the evening, the commissioners could easily accomplish more business and probably be much more rested if meetings were no longer than six hours, with a recess for lunch for everyone, not a bring in, work through lunch for commissioners. The public would be more inclined to participate, clearer minds would be making decisions, and better decisions could be made.

Apparently some people prefer to stumble through with set ideas instead of trying a new approach that could be beneficial to everyone. Apparently some people are not willing to change an unsatisfactory procedure for anything that could be classified as being different, especially if the procedure is suggested by other than an elected official.

Listening to the public should include considering any suggestions made, but that has not been happening as to the length of the commission meetings held each month. We have repeatedly suggested commissioners set meeting dates more often than once a month, with no response.

Doesn't it seem commissioners should want to do the best job they can do? And doesn't it seem shorter meetings would produce more efficient results? And wouldn't it be better for everyone to discuss issues with clear minds?

Apparently commissioners are not listening, which is their choice, but we will continue to make suggestions. Yes, we do believe maybe one day they will listen.

Have a safe holiday.

Wortley Hotel To

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who want metal roofs. He also argued that since the cedar roof was put on in 1985, it should not be classed as a landmark improvement that has to be preserved.

Throughout the discussion on the appeal, old pictures were shown that indicated at least part of the roof on the pre-1930 Wortley was metal. Hagaman also listed several other buildings in Lincoln that have been allowed to have metal roofs.

Historic board chairman Reg Ritchie said most of the original buildings in Lincoln had cedar shakes, and only four now have the wooden roof.

When Ritchie discussed the Historic Board and said that only one request for variance before the historic board had been denied, Hagaman said that Ritchie, an architect, had amended all the approved variances and had required his architectural stamp before approval.

Also supporting the Historic Board decision was state cultural affairs officer Dorothy Victor who said the Lincoln Historic Ordinance is very specific about re-roofing with materials that do not differ to such an extent that the appearance is altered.

"Please consider the impact of the outcome of this appeal on how the county ordinance will be maintained in the future," Victor added. She also said the Office of Cultural Affairs finds the Lincoln Historic Ordinance gives Lincoln area property owners options and oppor-

tunities to appeal. "So we feel it is a fair ordinance," she added.

County commissioner Hobbs agreed metal roofs are the most fire safe, if the soffets are properly covered with fire rated materials. Hobbs after discussion said he would have to go along with the Historic Board decision, because it could set a precedent for commissioners to overturn it.

Ritchie also predicted if commissioners overturn the decision they in the future will be having to hear more appeals to Historic Board decisions.

Ritchie also said that the BLM and forest service spent \$700,000 in thinning the forests around Lincoln and have reduced the fire dangers. Ritchie recommended Hagaman re-roof the Wortley with a cement or fiberglass shingle that has the look of cedar shake.

After considerable discussion about the legalities of the Lincoln historic ordinance, Hobbs said while he is a great believer in private property rights, Hagaman had submitted himself to the Historic Ordinance when he bought the Wortley Hotel five years ago. "And so he accepted the conditions of the ordinance," he added.

Martinez said metal roofs were historic and would look old to visitors from other countries who come to Lincoln.

Wilson said the 1930 porch was metal and thus created a conflict.

Ritchie in his last comments said Hagaman was



INSIDE THE CAPITOL
by Jay Miller

SANTA FE -- Is the smoke-filled room back in New Mexico presidential politics? Some people are worried now that Gov. Bill Richardson has signed legislation authorizing political parties to use a caucus system rather than a primary election to determine who they will support for president.

Currently major political parties -- that's Democrats, Republicans and Greens at this point -- enjoy the privilege of having the state conduct primary elections for each party on the first Tuesday in June. The June date works well for federal, state and local candidates, with one exception. By the time New Mexicans vote their choices for presidential nominees, the game has already been over for three months.

For our state to become a player in the presidential sweepstakes, we need to choose our candidates in February. But that's in the middle of a legislative session, so lawmakers aren't about to switch everyone's primary elections to February. The alternative used by most states is to have a separate presidential primary in March. But that involves an extra cost the New Mexico lawmakers have wanted to avoid.

Another alternative is out there, however. Political parties, if they so desire, can conduct their own presidential nominations whenever they desire and pay for it themselves. Minor parties aren't left out of the process. That's the way they already do it.

There's nothing really sinister about it, but to many, it sounds that way. People imagine a handful of politicos getting together in a back room and making the decision about which presidential candidate New Mexico will support. It may be easier for that to happen with a caucus system, but here is how it is intended.

Instead of having to find out where to vote in a primary election, voters would have to find out where their precinct meeting is to be held. Party rules call for it to be publicized, including in the newspaper. Most counties usually hold one big county convention and then break people into precincts for voting.

Exactly the same people are eligible to vote at precinct meetings as are eligible to vote in primary elections -- all registered members of the party. Instead of an election clerk checking your name against the party registration list, it will be a precinct officer of your party doing it.

So no one is disenfranchised if a party decides to hold caucuses rather than a primary. If you have made a choice of candidate before the caucus date, there are likely to be well-publicized rallies for the candidate that you can attend and receive all sorts of information on the presidential selection procedure. Iowans have done this for years and no one complains. They make a big party out of it.

Democrats are likely to take advantage of the caucus option next year. Gov. Richardson pushed the legislation this year. New state Democrat Chairman Bill Sisneros of Santa Fe says one of his first actions will be to get the process going.

Republicans won't have a race since they have an incumbent and, unlike Democrats, they don't think it's proper to go after one of their own. At least the new chairman doesn't. Four years from now, Republicans are likely to go the caucus route.

Greens are displaying little enthusiasm for the caucus process currently, mainly because Republicans and Democrats both like it. If competition in the Green presidential race develops, New Mexico Greens would be wise to adopt the new process.

Caucuses can be held as early as national party rules allow. For Democrats, the date is February 1. Richardson is suggesting Tuesday, Feb. 3 so don't bet against that happening.

Why does Richardson like the idea? Detractors say he figures it will help him when he runs for president. Richardson says it gets New Mexico noticed. And of course, it also gets Bill noticed. That may be why Democrat presidential hopefuls already are piling into the state.

not so interested in fire safety as much as he was interested in putting on a metal roof.

Hagaman said he was not the only one interested in metal, as the state monuments were also considering the material.

Later Ritchie rebutted that comment, saying the

state monuments director had never made such a statement.

At the end of the arguments, the county attorney said economics of a metal roof are irrelevant to the appeal, rather commissioners had to consider the appeal to reverse the decision of the His-

toric Board, uphold the decision or change it, based on evidence.

The attorney also said that if the commission overturns the decision, the Historic Board may feel they and the historic review process is irrelevant.



PSYCHIC PREDICTIONS FOR THE NEW MILLENNIUM

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Gemini (May 21 - June 20)
Get ready, get set... Go! Remember, just because you can go fast, at what you do, doesn't mean that it will get you where you need any better. Slow down.

Cancer (June 21 - July 22)
You are on the right road. Keep in between the lines, and don't assume everything will go as planned. Each day will bring in something new. Beware.

Leo (July 23 - Aug 22)
All work and not play, can make you a little edgy. Take time to have some real fun. You'll do better work, once your head is clear of unwanted stress. Have fun.

Virgo (Aug 23 - Sept 22)
You can set your sails, but remember you can't get where you want to go, without depending on mother nature. Keep a free spirit, and fly free for now.

Libra (Sept 23 - Oct 22)
Things are going to lighten up, because you have decided to let go of people, places and things that don't count. Share good times, with real friends.

Scorpio (Oct 23 - Nov 21)
You'll feel, like everyone at the same time, wants your attention. Delegate your time. They'll understand when you have to say "No." One thing at a time.

Sagittarius (Nov 22 - Dec 21)
Get your loose ends, tied up. You're going to be going down another road, pretty fast. Make sure you pack (Mind, Body and Soul) what you need. Relax.

Capricorn (Dec 22 - Jan 19)
Your money could do double duty, if you ask the right questions, and get the truth, once and for all. You need to find out where it's going, and why!

Aquarius (Jan 20 - Feb 18)
It's your turn to take charge of what you'll be doing, and how you really want it. Get the tough stuff out of the way. Take a trip, clear your head.

Pisces (Feb 19 - March 20)
Busy, Busy, Busy. You'll try to do too many things all at once, and could lose yourself in the long run. Stop, and find out just what needs to be done.

Aries (March 21 - April 19)
You can do it! Plan ahead, save the money, it's just a matter of putting one foot in front of the other. You don't have to ask why and how, just when.

Taurus (April 20 - May 20)
Be sure, what is being told, is in your best interest. Some times our friends and loved ones don't want us to do what we want to, because of them!

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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.

May 12:
7 a.m. items missing from state highway yard near Carrizozo.

8:08 a.m. shoplifting Hondo schools requested a deputy to speak to students who were involved with shoplifting while on a field trip.

8:51 a.m. man down at mile marker 301 on Highway 70. Hondo ambulance transported the man to the hospital in Roswell.

3:01 p.m. missing vehicle in Nogal, the caller reported that while she was detained over the weekend, her vehicle was taken from her residence.

5:01 p.m. possible fire at the east end of the south side of the Capitan Mountains, Hondo, Glencoe and Lincoln Volunteer Fire Departments and Forest Service responded. Lincoln Zone sent a plane out which verified there was no smoke.

7:48 p.m. request for welfare check on Haley in the Alto area.

9:44 p.m. alarm company advised of a fire alarm sounding in the court house, Carrizozo Fire Department responded and advised there was no fire.

11:09 p.m. burglar alarm at a business in Hondo. Owner advised.

May 13:
8:31 a.m. smoke spotted on the west side of Airport Road. Bonito Fire Dept. advised there was no sign of fire.

8:45 a.m. Ruidoso Downs police department advised a smoke column was seen. Hondo Fire Department responded and advised it was probably the concrete/asphalt plant for the highway construction, which would be underway for several days.

8:57 a.m. request for deputy for stray dog on Teton Valley Heights.

9:50 a.m. possible domestic in Nogal, two subjects were arguing and such again.

2:31 p.m. missing vehicle in Nogal.

10:34 p.m. juvenile problem off State Road 48 in Capitan. Deputy assigned.

May 14:
8:24 a.m. loose dog on E008.

8:50 a.m. deer hit at the intersection of State Road 48 and ski run road.

11:10 a.m. Children, Youth and Families Dept. (CYFD) referral in Capitan.

1:58 p.m. deputy advised he was doing warrant service at the Lincoln County Detention Center

(LCDC).

3:42 p.m. missing coins; a caller from Deming reported missing coins while in Lincoln County.

4 p.m. LCDC advised of a fight at LCDC.

4 p.m. worthless checks on Main Street in Corona.

4:09 p.m. assault/battery in Alto.

10:49 p.m. drug overdose in Enchanted Forest. Deputy requested ambulance and Med 1 responded to transport to Lincoln County Medical Center (LCMC) in Ruidoso.

May 15:
12:12 a.m. domestic off mile marker 270 on Highway 70.

12:37 a.m. harassment on 2nd Street in Capitan. Deputy assigned.

5:22 a.m. request for deputy at location off mile marker 272 on Highway 70.

6:48 a.m. livestock, horses, on the #4 fairway, tearing up the golf course in Alto. The responding deputy located the horses, which were not on the golf course, but were very spooked. At 9:15 a.m. the livestock inspector was on the scene and by 9:54 a.m. the owner had removed the horses.

7:55 a.m. dog complaint, two strays, at mile marker 280, on Highway 70. Responding deputy advised

that the dogs were wild and he would see about getting a trap.

8 a.m. locked gate, caller advised he was going to cut the lock on a gate. At 8:17 a.m. the responding deputy advised he had arrived at the scene and the lock was still on the gate.

8:19 a.m. request for ambulance for 81 year old male on Lake Shore Drive. Med 1 ambulance transported to LCMC.

10:16 a.m. broken gas valve at the Bonito Fire Department station in Alto. By 10:25 a.m. volunteers got the valve shut off, but still wanted the gas company. At 10:32 a.m. the gas company advised it was doing an un-manned blow off and all was okay.

2:10 p.m. Ruidoso Downs police advised of a recovery of a vehicle in the Downs.

2:28 p.m. deputy advised he was doing warrant service at LCDC.

4:34 p.m. 911 report of domestic in progress on State Road 48 in Capitan. A female juvenile was out of control, striking family members and pets. Deputy and Capitan police responded.

5:52 p.m. request for assistance for harassment at trailer park east of Ruidoso Downs.

6:10 p.m. caller advised her 16 year old foster daughter was in possession of marijuana.

8:06 p.m. puppy in trap that deputy brought on E008 in San Patricio, request to have it picked up.

9:35 p.m. Otero County Sheriff's Office advised of a broken down truck in the roadway at mile marker 87 on Highway 380 east of Carrizozo.

May 18:
7:30 a.m. criminal damage at mile marker 4 on State Road 37, the caller stated a subject had cut the lock on his gate.

9:57 a.m. request for deputy at trailer park for peace keeping.

10:04 a.m. Capitan high school requested ambulance for female down. Med 1 and Capitan ambulance responded, with Med 1 transporting to LCMC.

11:55 a.m. slash pile on Umbrella Drive in Brady Canyon. The caller said the Forest Service told her to contact the sheriff's office about the slash pile on her neighbor's property next to the caller's home.

1:44 p.m. trespassing on Escondida in Ranches of Sonterra. About eight subjects in a blue green older pick-up were trespassing on the caller's property in order to get to the falls.

2:35 p.m. request for ambulance at Carrizozo Health Clinic to transport an 85 year old male. Carrizozo ambulance transported to LCMC.

3:43 p.m. Ruidoso police advised of a roll over without injuries on Alpine Village Road.

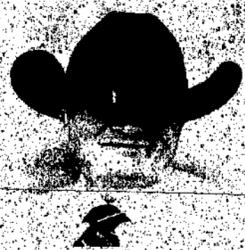
3:47 p.m. motorcycle accident with injuries about 10 miles north of Capitan on State Road 246. Capitan ambulance transported one to LCMC, state police also responded.

5:13 p.m. deputy advised of an abandoned vehicle on Alpine Village Road and he needed to move the T-bird out of the road.

May 17:
12:41 a.m. loud music at trailer park east of Ruidoso Downs.

12:46 a.m. alarm at business in Hondo.
12:50 a.m. unattended death in the Carrizo Peak

from the
Lincoln County Sheriff's Office
by **R.E. Virden**
Lincoln County Undersheriff



This service is provided to the citizens of our county in an effort to address their concerns and to better assist them in protecting their day to day way of life and an attempt to continually move in a positive direction.

The most frequently reported crimes involve property. Property crimes include vandalism, theft, and burglary. The following home security tips can help you protect your family and home.

HOME SECURITY "Protecting Your Home"

Consider An Alarm

Alarms can be a good investment, especially if you have many valuables in your home, or live in an isolated area, or live in an area with a history of break-ins.

Check with several alarm companies before you buy. Decide what level of security fits your needs. Do business with an established company and check references before signing a contract.

Learn how to use your system properly. False alarms can cause people to stop paying attention and you will probably be fined.

Keys

Where are your keys? You have defeated the purpose of locks if you don't know where the keys are. If there is a chance that a former owner or tenant might still have a key - have a locksmith re-key your locks. This might be a good time to evaluate how good your locks are and consider upgrading to better locks.

Also, where is your garage door opener? Treat your garage door opener with as much security as you do your house key - it is an electronic key to your home.

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

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

Monday, May 19:
8 a.m. Jury trials

Amanda Lentz; CR-2002-152 trial cancelled, pled on May 9

Jonathan Lentz; CR-2002-153 trial cancelled, pled on May 9

John Estes; CR-2002-135 trial cancelled, nolle
Randolf Martinez; CR-2003-16 trial continued to later date.

Raymundo Vargas; CR-2003-11 trial continued to later date.
Humberto Baeza; CR-2002-110 trial continued to later date.

Tuesday, May 20:
8:30 a.m. Judge to attend Lincoln County Commission meeting.
12 noon, Judge to attend Judges Brown Bag lunch in Alamogordo.

Wednesday, May 21:
9 a.m. jury trial, Brian Flowers; JR-2003-23 (Key/Mitchell)
Before Darrell Brantley domestic mediator, 10 a.m.
Tina Maldonado v. Manuel Maldonado; DV-2003-46
Brendan Gochenour v. Amy Gochenour; DV-2003-47

Thursday, May 22:
9 a.m. jury trial
SNM v. Rose Kratochvil; CR-2001-125 (Dobbs/Linda Burson)
SNM v. Wesley Owen; CR-2001-148 (CS/Rafkin) continued to later date.

Friday, May 23:
9 a.m. jury trial, SNM v. Rose Kratochvil; CR-2001-125 continued.
2 p.m. JQ-02-01 permanency hearing continued.

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Worship 11:00 a.m.

Ancho Community Presbyterian Church;
SCOTT KING, Pastor / 648-2024
Worship 8:00 a.m.
Sunday School 10:00 a.m.

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

First Baptist Church

HAYDEN SMITH, Pastor
314 10th Ave., Carrizozo, NM
648-2868 (Church) or 648-2107
Sunday School 9:45 a.m.
Worship Service 10:55 a.m.
Sun. Evening Training at 8:15 p.m.
Evening Worship 7:15 p.m.
Wednesday Bible Study 7:00 p.m.

Carrizozo Community Church (A/G)

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

Santa Rita Catholic Community

FR. DAVE BERGS, Pastor
213 Birch, Carrizozo, NM, 648-2853
SATURDAY:
Capitan Sacred Heart 5:00 p.m.
Carrizozo Santa Rita 6:30 p.m.
SUNDAY:
Capitan Sacred Heart 8:00 a.m.
Carrizozo Santa Rita 10:30 a.m.
Corona St. Theresa 1:00 p.m.

Church of Christ

TOM POINDEXTER, Minister 354-3135
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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.

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REV. CANDON JOHN PENN, Rector
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Church Community Church

TONY SCACCIA, Minister
648-1402
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) 8:30 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 8:30 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
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1st and 3rd Tuesday 9:30 a.m.

Christ Community Fellowship

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Sunday School 9:30 a.m.
Sunday Morning Worship 10:30 a.m.

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Sunday Bible Study 10:00 a.m.
Worship Service 11:00 a.m.
Evening Worship 6:00 p.m.
Wednesday Bible Study 7:00 p.m.

Trinity Southern Baptist Church

MEL GNATKOWSKI, Pastor / 648-2530
Phone 354-2044
Capitan (South on Hwy. 49)
Sunday School 9:30 a.m.
Worship Service 11:00 a.m.

First Baptist Church of Corona

CAL WEST, Pastor / 648-7875
Sunday School 10:00 a.m.
Worship Service 11:00 a.m.
Wednesday Bible Study 7:00 p.m.
Fellowship Dinner 1st Sunday of Month

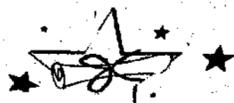
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We wish you well graduates; good luck!!



Old Lincoln Town

by Rosalie Dunlap

What a beautiful day we had for Mother's Day. It was a little warm but no wind for a change. We went to Portales to be with my mother. We attended church with her. The minister was a former resident of Carrizozo - Harry Riser.

Bethany Hooper, granddaughter of Pam and Herman McArthur, was recently named "Employee of the Month" by McDonald's in Roswell. Bethany had just recently begun to work for McDonald's. Congratulations.

Lincoln has been a busy place again week before last. The Lincoln County Leadership Class held its final meeting with graduation at the Ellis Store. They have been a busy group the past nine months, learning about government, colleges, having a number of prominent speakers, educational trips and activities. They had lunch at the Wortly Hotel. John McGrath gave a presentation on the Preservation Board activities, and tour of Lincoln. Sixteen members of the class and board members were present.

The week kept the State Monuments and the Anderson-Freeman Museum bus with touring school children. They all enjoyed watching the spinning and weaving at the La Placita.

The Lincoln County Photography group met Thursday a week ago. There were 15 members who enjoyed the trip to Chaco Canyon and surrounding area. A few photos from the participants were shown.

Saturday night, May 10 was the annual Starry Night in Lincoln. It was one of the affairs we missed as were gone.

Susie (Shree) and Dick Kuns are visiting in Lincoln. Dick had the misfortune of being rear-ended enroute to a family funeral.

Donna Smith, who has been living in the Dolan house, has moved back to Oregon to her old employment.

Our daughter, Lois who lives at Portland, TX (Corpus Christie) reports that the smoke is terrible. It is coming up from Mexico and Brazil.

We had a customer in the shop that had just left there. They were glad to get away from the smoke.

Another gentleman was standing nearby and we got into a conversation of Germany. Both the men had been in Germany and one had grown up in German community. An interesting visit.

Let's hope the wind will be less destructive. We are so fortunate not to have the tornadoes that has destroyed so much of the country. Let us pray that the hurricane season will not be as destructive. They are predicting a severe hurricane season.

Memorial Day is almost upon us and the racing season will begin. The

road construction is moving along but will cause a lot of delays. Lately the delays haven't been too long.

It has been a week of sorrow, happiness and busy.

Joy Runion of Tinnie passed away as she was talking on the telephone. Joy had a great many stories to tell about her childhood as the daughter of Louise (Massey) and Milt Mabie.

She was an accomplished artist in her own right. She built a beautiful home at Tinnie and a wonderful yard. She loved working in her garden, flowers and improving her property.

Lincoln County lost one of its well known personalities, with the death of Jackie Spencer Morgan. No one will ever know how many people she helped, the schools, the town of Carrizozo with its golf course, park, Rec Center. She was so helpful to Betty Shrecengost and I when we needed help with the Pony Express.

She purchased a new activity bus for the athletic program in Carrizozo.

Our daughter was able to go skiing at Sierra Blanca due to her support for the youngsters wanting to learn skiing.

She was a great backer of the 4-H program and the Lincoln County Fair.



Tillie Daubs celebrated her 90th birthday with a party at the Cree Meadow. We had too many conflicts and were unable to attend the festivities.

Mr. and Mrs. Herman McArthur celebrated their wedding anniversary this week.

Joy Schable attended the horse seminar and schools held at Capitan recently. She was the only one to sign for both the morning and afternoon classes.

Gary Stilwell is recovering from an entanglement with his two dogs.

Ralph Dunlap presented a program on Uzbekistan to the Ruidoso Women's Club last week.

It was nice to see and visit with old friends. It seems we have seen so many old friends lately. It is nice to remember old times.

The 2nd Lincoln County Fiber Festival was held at the pageant grounds Saturday and Sunday. There were more vendors which was nice. In spite of other activities and the hot weather attendance was good. The town of Magdalena was well represented at the festival.

The Las Cruces Spinners joined the Lincoln County spinners, demonstrating the various wheel. Elaine Brannon of Capitan demonstrated the Charka (India) wheel.

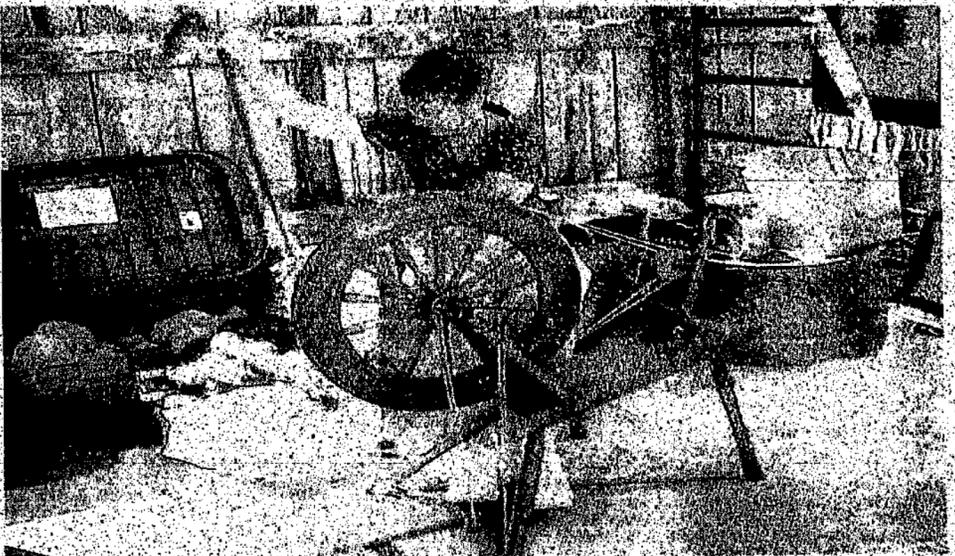
A big attraction for the youngsters were the adorable miniature kids (goats). They loved getting out of their pen. The Capitan 4-H club had a snow cone booth.

Lincoln County musicians performed during the day Saturday. There were speaker problems which will have to be improved next year.

Lincoln, as elsewhere in NM, had severe winds last week. Then it turned warm over the weekend with little breeze Saturday but some Sunday.

There quite a few motorcycles in town from the Golden Aspen Motorcycle Rally held at Ruidoso last week.

Memorial weekend is coming up and I hope everyone is careful with



Elaine Brannen, of the Lincoln Spinning Bees, with the Charka spinning (wheel) from India at teh Fiber Festival held in Lincoln over the weekend. (Photo by Rosalie Dunlap)

matches, cigarettes and driving through the construction on Highway 70.

We still have people going through Lincoln at high rate of speeds in the early mornings. Please be careful so we don't have our walkers, children and tourists - a lot who are elderly injured.



Mrs. Castner, Ruidoso Women's Club, wearing a robe that Ralph Dunlap brought back from Uzbekistan. (Photo by Rosalie Dunlap)

AROUND CORONA

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Harelson were honored with a reception, Saturday, May 10, marking their 50th wedding anniversary. It was given in the party room at the Corona Cafe and was hosted by their children and grandchildren: Pam Thurman and Penny Harelson, Mineola, TX; Peggy Harelson and son, Jonathan, Roswell, Don and Lesley Harelson, Los Alamos, Glendon Wheelock and friend, Kim Fauso, Arvada, CO. One daughter and her husband, Mr. and Mrs. Ron Martin were unable to attend.

Others present were friends from Grants, Carrizozo, Ancho and members of Bill's family: brother, Tuffy and wife, Gen, Espanola, sisters, Helen Vordenbaum, Wichita Falls, TX, Jerry Stephenson and husband, Steve, Surprise, AZ, and Bobbie Graham, Aztec, nieces, Sandy Light, Winslow, AZ and Sue Trego Sanger, TX and nephew, Carroll Trego, also of Sanger. Dee Proctor was the official photographer. The refreshment table held the cake, finger foods, tea and coffee. Favors were ribbon tied bags of M&M's.

Kelly Brewer, a Corona High School graduate, whose newsroom leadership has helped The Albuquerque Tribune earn national recognition for journalistic excellence, has been named editor of the Record Searchlight, in Redding CA, effective June 1.

The Record Searchlight and The Tribune are both owned and operated by the E.W.Scripps Co. Alan Horton, vice president/newspapers for Scripps, says "Kelly Brewer is one of the most creative and promising newspaper editors in the country. She is known for her thoughtful editing, deep sense of fair play and flair for community journalism."

Kelly moves to Redding after serving two years as editor of The Tribune. Under her direction, the newspaper won the 2002 Scripps Howard National Journalism Award for Public Service Reporting. The Tribune's winning entry was a three-week series, The State of Our

Children, which documented the difficulties and challenges that confront children who live in poverty in New Mexico.

Kelly was named editor of the Tribune in 2001 after serving two years as the newspaper's managing editor. She first joined the Tribune in 1983 as a reporter and copy editor. After working briefly as a student newspaper advisor at the University of California at San Francisco, she returned to The Tribune and has since served as the newspaper's assistant managing editor, assistant news editor and news editor.

A 1982 graduate of the University of New Mexico, Brewer also has worked as a reporter for the Associated Press (1982-1983) and as a freelance book editor, with a concentration on behavioral and social science textbooks published by Basic Books, Lexington Books and McGraw Hill. She is married to successful mystery novelist, Steve Brewer and they have two sons, Max, 13, and Seth, 11.

Kelly is the daughter of Jeanene and A.J. Gibbs, and granddaughter of the late Kennan and Mary Frances Fuller, Corona.

Space Museum Plans Columbia Memorial

The New Mexico Museum of Space History will hold a memorial service May 26 for the seven Shuttle Columbia astronauts who perished when the spacecraft was destroyed as it re-entered the earth's atmosphere February 1.

The service will begin at 9 a.m. in Astronaut Memorial Garden, located adjacent to the International Space Hall of Fame in Alamogordo.

The memorial service is open to the public.

RC&D To Meet In Alamogordo Tuesday, May 27

The South Central Mountain RC&D Council will meet Tuesday, May 27 at 10 a.m. at the Alamogordo Chamber of Commerce building, 1301 North White Sands.

Agenda items include Forest Health and Water issues. The public is invited to attend.



CAPITAN BANDS, high school and middle school combined for a concert at Spencer Theater for the Performing Arts on May 5. Band director DuWayne Shaver introduced the graduating seniors in the band, some of whom were in Shaver's first Fifth Grade band. Capitan High School choir under the direction of Wayne Ellison also performed at the tree concerts.

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LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICIA DE ALERTA AL PUBLICO Mayo 27, 2003, 6:30 P.M.

LA CIUDAD DE VILLAGE OF CAPITAN

La Ciudad de Village of Capitan, Nuevo Mexico tendra dos juntas el 27 de Mayo, 2003, a las 6:30 de la tarde, las dos en el ayuntamiento, situado en 114 Lincoln Ave., Capitan, Nuevo Mexico. El proposito de las juntas publicas sera para discutir el programa de Desarrollo en la Comunidad del conjunto de Donacion en Nuevo Mexico (CDBG) y para avisar a los ciudadanos de las metas del programa, la escala de actividades elegibles y otra informacion pertinente. Tambien es para obtener las opiniones de ciudadanos sobre desarrollo de la comunidad y necesidades de habitacion, particularmente las necesidades de gente con ingresos bajos y moderados.

Los Objetivos estatales y nacionales de programa CDBG requieren que las actividades del proyecto cumplan con por lo menos uno de los siguientes requisitos: Beneficio para las familias de ingresos bajos y moderados; ayuda en la prevencion o eliminacion de barrios desafortunados y insalubres, y de cumplir con otras necesidades del desarrollo de la comunidad de origen reciente que poseen una amenaza inmediata a la salud y bienestar de la comunidad y cuando otros recursos no esten disponibles para cumplir con estas necesidades.

Las categorias de fondos elegibles incluyen infraestructura para la comunidad; Rehabilitacion de Casa; Desembolso de Capitan para Servicio Publico; Planificacion, Emergencia y Colonias.

Todos los grupos interesados estan invitados a asistir y entregar sus ideas para proyectos y datos del apoyo a su testimonio.

Los residentes que no pueden atender la junta pueden enviar sus comentarios a:

Kathryn Griffin / Village Clerk
114 Lincoln Ave.
Capitan, New Mexico 88316
505-354-2247

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LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF PUBLIC BUDGET HEARING

Notice is hereby given pursuant to 22-8-10 NMSA, 1978 that the Board of Education of Corona Public School District #38, County of Lincoln, State of New Mexico will on Thursday, May 29, 2003, 6:00 P.M., at the Corona School Board Room, 250 Franklin Street, present and publicly review the budget for the 2003-2004 fiscal year.

This is a Public Hearing and all school patrons and parents are invited to attend.

Done at Corona, New Mexico, this 14th day of May 2003.

CORONA BOARD OF EDUCATION
Gage, President

ATTEST:
Shad Cox, Secretary

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LEGAL NOTICE

STATE OF NEW MEXICO COUNTY OF LINCOLN TWELFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT No. CV-02-279

COUNTYWIDE HOMES LOANS, INC.

Plaintiff,

vs.
DALREY D. DOYLE; CAROL L. DOYLE;
and JOHN DOE and JANE DOE,
(true names unknown), tenants.
Defendant(s).

NOTICE OF SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on May 28, 2003, at the hour of 10:00 a.m. the undersigned Special Master will, at the east door of the Lincoln County Courthouse in Carrizozo, New Mexico, sell all the right, title and interest of the above-named Defendant(s) in and to the hereinafter described real estate to the highest bidder for cash. The property to be sold is located at 251 Sunny Slope Drive, Ruidoso, New Mexico, and is situate in Lincoln County, New Mexico, and is particularly described as follows:

Lot 41 A, Block 2, of SUNNY SLOPE SUBDIVISION, Ruidoso, Lincoln County, New Mexico, as shown by the Replat of Lots 40 and 41, Block 2, Sunny Slope Subdivision, filed in the office of the County Clerk and Ex-officio Recorder of Lincoln County, New Mexico, on February 7, 1997, in Cabinet F, Slide No. 617.

THE FOREGOING SALE will be made to satisfy a judgment rendered by the above Court in the above-entitled and numbered cause on April 17, 2003, being an action to foreclose a mortgage on the above-described property. The Plaintiff's judgment, which includes interest and costs, is \$111,743.99 and the same bears interest at 8.625% per annum from May 1, 2003. The amount of such interest to the date of sale will be \$739.48. The Plaintiff has the right to bid as such sale and submit its bid verbally or in writing. The Plaintiff may apply all or any part of its judgment to the purchase price in lieu of cash. The sale may be postponed and rescheduled at the discretion of the Special Master.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that the real property and improvements concerned with herein will be sold subject to any and all patent reservations, easements, all recorded and unrecorded liens not foreclosed herein, and all recorded and unrecorded special assessments and taxes that may be due. Plaintiff and its attorneys disclaim all responsibility for, and the purchases at the sale takes the property subject to, the valuation of the property by the County Assessor as real or personal property, affixture of any mobile or manufactured home to the land, deactivation of title to a mobile or manufactured home on the property, if any, environmental contamination on the property, if any, and zoning violations concerning the property, if any.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that the purchaser at such sale shall take the title to the above described real property subject to a one month right of redemption.

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

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LEGAL NOTICE

STATE OF NEW MEXICO COUNTY OF LINCOLN TWELFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT No. CV 03-17

MORTGAGE ELECTRONIC REGISTRATION SYSTEMS, INC., (SOLELY AS NOMINEE FOR LENDER, AND LENDER'S SUCCESSORS AND ASSIGNS), Plaintiff,

vs.
SUSAN M. PRYCE; FIRST NATIONAL BANK
OF RUIDOSO; JOHN DOE, TENANT WHOSE
TRUE NAME IS UNKNOWN; JANE DOE,
TENANT WHOSE TRUE NAME IS UNKNOWN;
THE UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF SUSAN M.
PRYCE, IF ANY.
Defendant(s).

NOTICE OF SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned Special Master, or his/her designee, will, on June 10, 2003, at 9:00 a.m., at the Lincoln County Courthouse, 300 Central, Carrizozo, NM 88301, sell and convey to the highest bidder for cash all the right, title, and interest of the above-named defendants in and to the following described real estate located in said County and State:

LOT 21, BLOCK 4, PINECLIFF, RUIDOSO, LINCOLN COUNTY, NEW MEXICO, AS SHOWN BY THE PLAT THEREOF FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY CLERK AND EX-OFFICIO RECORDER OF LINCOLN COUNTY, NEW MEXICO, FEBRUARY 20, 1963, IN TUBE NO. 171.

The address of the real property is 122 MONJEAU DR., RUIDOSO, NM 88345. Said sale will be made pursuant to the Decree of Foreclosure entered on April 9, 2003, in the above entitled and numbered cause, which was a suit to foreclose a note and mortgage held by the above plaintiff and wherein plaintiff was adjudged to have a lien against the above-described real estate in the sum of \$161,882.39, plus interest from April 16, 2003 to the date of sale at the rate of 7.37500% per annum, the costs of sale, including the Special Master's fee, publication costs, and plaintiff's costs expended for taxes, insurance, and keeping the property in good repair. Plaintiff has the right to bid at such sale and submit its bid verbally or in writing. The Plaintiff may apply all or any part of its judgement to the purchase price in lieu of cash.

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

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that the real property and improvements concerned with herein will be sold subject to any and all patent reservations, easements, all recorded and unrecorded liens not foreclosed herein, and all recorded and unrecorded special assessments and taxes that may be due.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that the purchaser at such sale shall take title to the above-described real property subject to rights of redemption.
Dated: April 29, 2003.

PETER BACA

Special Master
c/o Shapiro & Meinhold, L.L.P.
13275 Struthers Road, Suite 201
Colorado Springs, CO 80921
(800) 286-0013 (719) 634-4868

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LEGAL NOTICE STATE OF NEW MEXICO COUNTY OF LINCOLN TWELFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT No. CV-03-42

WELLS FARGO BANK MINNESOTA, N.A., AS TRUSTEE, Plaintiff,

vs.
STANLEY D. STANBROUGH, KAREN
L. STANBROUGH, a/k/a Karen Stanbrough,
and ASSOCIATES FINANCIAL SERVICES
COMPANY OF NEW MEXICO, INC. n/k/a
Associates Financial Services Company, Inc.,
Defendants.

NOTICE OF SALE

Notice is hereby given that on June 6, 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 156 Snikey Bear Drive, Capitan, New Mexico 88316 (erroneously referred to in the Complaint for Foreclosure, filed February 28, 2003, as 156 Snikey Bear Drive, Capitan, New Mexico 88316) (if there is a conflict between the legal description and the street address, the legal description shall control), and is more particularly described as follows:

LOT 3, BLOCK 4 OF MT. CAPITAN SUBDIVISION, CAPITAN, LINCOLN COUNTY, NEW MEXICO AS SHOWN BY THE REPLAT THEREOF FILED IN THE (OFFICE) OF THE COUNTY CLERK OF LINCOLN COUNTY, FEBRUARY 3, 1963, IN TUBE NO. 210.

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

including any improvements, fixtures, and attachments, such as, but not limited to, mobile homes, subject to all taxes, utility liens and other restrictions and easements of record, and subject to a one (1) month right of redemption by the Defendants, the foregoing sale will be made to satisfy a foreclosure judgment rendered by this Court in the above-entitled and numbered cause, being an action to foreclose a mortgage on the above-described property. The Plaintiff's judgment is \$73,263.85, and the same bears interest at 8.7500% per annum, which accrues at the rate of \$17.56 per diem, commencing on May 1, 2003, with the Court reserving entry of final judgment against said Defendants Stanley D. Stanbrough 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 \$73,263.85, plus interest to and including date of sale of \$649.72 for a total judgment plus interest of \$73,913.57. 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 April 17, 2003 the Town of Carrizozo, P.O. Box 247, Carrizozo, NM 88301, filed complete application number T-4283 with the STATE ENGINEER to appropriate Underground Waters of the State of New Mexico from the Tularosa Basin in Lincoln County for municipal, residential, commercial and golf course purposes within and outside the municipal limits of the Town of Carrizozo for a diversion of 3,500 acre-feet to be consumptively used from existing wells T-1962, T-1962-S, T-1962-S-2 and T-1962-S-3 all located in the SE1/4NE1/4SE1/4, Section 1, Township 8 South, Range 10 East, N.M.P.M., on land owned by the Town of Carrizozo. Existing wells are located at the Carrizozo Golf Course.

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 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 of 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

ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS

Separate sealed bids will be received for the following three construction projects by the Owner, County of Lincoln, until 2:00 p.m., June 24, 2003, at the office of the purchasing agent, 300 Central Ave., Carrizozo, NM 88301-0771. Proposals will be opened publicly and read aloud. Proposals received after that time will not be accepted. The three projects are as follows:

Invitation For Bid #02-03-019 - Carrizozo Health Center Additions. This project consists of the construction of a new medical office wing and the addition of new dental offices and lab space for the Carrizozo Health Clinic in Carrizozo, New Mexico.

Invitation For Bid #02-03-020, CDBG Project #02-C-NR-1-1-A-28 - Ruidoso Public Health Clinic - This project consists of the construction of a new Public Health Clinic for the Village of Ruidoso, New Mexico.

Invitation For Bid #2-03-021 - Materials Management Warehouse, Laundry Facility, and Endoscopy Suite for the Lincoln County Medical Center - This project consists of the construction of a new Materials Management Warehouse and Laundry Facility for the Lincoln County Medical Center, in Ruidoso, New Mexico. The project will also consist of interior renovations to include a new endoscopy procedure room and a new surgical recovery room.

After May 22, 2003, the Contract Documents for the three projects listed above may be examined at the office of the Project Architect:

Rhode May Keller McNamara Architecture P.C.
Simms Tower, Studio 1100, 400 Gold Ave. SW
Albuquerque, NM 87102 (505) 243-3454

Bona fide bidders may procure copies of the Contract Documents from Albuquerque Reprographics, Inc., 4716 Melrod, Albuquerque, NM (505) 884-0862. General Contractors will be allowed a maximum of three (3) sets for a deposit of \$30.00 each for the Carrizozo Health Center Additions, \$40 each for the Ruidoso Public Health Clinic, and \$40 each for the Lincoln County Medical Center Additions. Subcontractors and material suppliers will be allowed one set for a deposit amount listed above. Extra sets can be purchased for cost of reproduction.

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OBITUARIES

WANDA THELMA DUKE

Wanda Thelma Duke, 72, a resident of Corona, died May 14, at home. Mrs. Duke was born April 21, 1931 in Corona to Lewis Grady and Ida Thelma (Bryan) Pate. She married Curtis Duke January 16, 1950 in Silver City. Wanda Duke and her husband lived at Mariano Lake on the Navajo reservation in the 1950s and later moved to Gallup, so their daughters could attend school. After 40 years in Gallup she retired with her husband to live near Corona.

After retiring to the Corona area she became active in many organizations, serving as Crown CowBelle president and was honored as Crown CowBelle of the year. She was also Ex-Regent of the Sierra Blanca Chapter, National Society Daughters of the American Revolution (NSDAR), and a national vice chairman of the NSDAR. She served the Daughters of American Colonist (DAC) as State chairman of protocol and was the State President for the United Daughters of 1812 (USD 1812) at the time of her death, also the Cameo Society past president.

Mrs. Duke is survived by her husband of 53 years Curtis Duke of Corona; two daughters, Frances Laverne and husband Alex Rodriguez of Durango, CO, and Thelma Lanita and husband Gerald L. Rasak of Corona; three grandchildren and three great grandchildren.

Mrs. Duke was preceded in death by her parents and one brother, Bennett Lawrence Pate.

Funeral services were held May 17, at the Corona Presbyterian Church with Pastor Scott King officiating, burial followed in the Corona Memorial Cemetery. Pallbearers were Mack Bell, Dan Bell, William Bryan, Thomas Mulkey, Michael Rodriguez and Paul Rodriguez. Honorary pallbearers were all her friends and neighbors.

JUANELL DAVIS

Memorial service for Juanell "Coach Mom" Davis, 61, of Capitan was May 21, in the Traylor Gym in Capitan officiating was her son Shawn Davis.

Mrs. Davis died May 16 in Capitan. She was born November 20, 1941 at Hollis, OK and moved to Capitan in August 1990. She was a dedicated school teacher and coach and was a member of the Baptist Church. She married Ed Davis on November 10, 1962.

Survivors include her husband Ed of Capitan, a son, Shawn Davis and his wife Carla of Los Lunas; a daughter, Susan Davis of Orlando FL; four brothers, Kenneth Reeves of Washington, George Reeves and Farris Reeves of Texas; Jerry Reeves of Florida; a sister, Linda Reeves of Oklahoma; three grandchildren, Skyler Davis, Michael Davis and Matthew Davis; she was preceded in death by a son, Marty Davis in 2001.

Have A Safe
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WEEKLY

by Carrizozo High School
Journalism Class
Sarah Ball, Instructor

Goodbye

The 2002/2003 school year is coming to an end. This means, for many of us, that these will be our final days in high school. I am among these few individuals.

Over twelve years of our lives are finally completed. It is now time to take our lives into our own hands and live the way we want to. No longer will we have a parent to depend on for everything we need. From now on, we will have to rely on ourselves to make the responsible choices that will keep us healthy and happy. It's kind of scary if we think about it, but in a way it is also new and exciting. This is our opportunity to go into the world and make something of ourselves. This is our chance to show everyone that we have the ambition to strive for what we want and that we will not let anything stand between us and accomplishing our goals. We have come far from our childhood years and are beginning to realize we are now young adults.

We are the new generation, helping to determine the future.

As graduation day slowly inches its way closer, both anticipation and sorrow start to surface. We are relieved to be finally leaving and excited as we expect a new change. On the other hand, we are mournful that we will be leaving our friends and all the familiar faces and comforting sameness that we have grown accustomed to. Even with all of these feelings stirring around inside of us, we know that we are ready to leave.

Although life is full of sorrow and disappointment, hopefully the amount of joy we make for ourselves will be greater than that of the misfortunes and will make everything we have endured entirely worth it.

Matt Hernandez



CARRIZOZO VARSITY and JV KNOWLEDGE BOWL MEMBERS brought back some trophies after competing in Ruidoso on May 7. The JV team placed 3rd and varsity team placed 2nd.

Carrizozo Knowledge Bowl teams excel at Ruidoso competition



CARRIZOZO 8th grade Knowledge Bowl team shows off their 3rd place trophy.



CARRIZOZO 6th grade Knowledge Bowl team shows off their 3rd place trophy won at a recent competition held in Ruidoso.

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

May 27, 2003

The Village of Capitán invites all interested citizens to a Public Hearing to be held at the Village Hall, 114 Lincoln Ave., Capitán, NM at 6:30 P.M. on May 27, 2003.

The purpose of the public hearing will be to discuss the 2003 Small Cities Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Program. To advise citizens of the program objectives and receive public input on community needs and suggestions for CDBG projects.

The CDBG program is designed to meet activities, which will address one to three state and national objectives:

- 1.) Benefit principally low-moderate income families.
- 2.) Aid in the prevention or elimination of slum and blight.
- 3.) Meet other community development needs of recent origin which pose serious and immediate threats to the health and welfare of the community.

All incorporated municipalities under 50,000 are eligible to apply. Applicants may apply for funding assistance for Community Infrastructure, Housing, Public Service, Capital Outlay, Economic Development, Emergency Planning and Colonias.

For information contact:
Kathryn Griffin, Village Clerk
114 Lincoln Ave., Capitán, NM 88316
505-354-2247

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Sheriff's Report

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area, request for ambulance. Responding deputy requested Office of Medical Investigation (OMI).

8:35 a.m. fire of a railroad tie south of Corona. Corona Fire Department advised the tie was just smoldering and there was no need to close the tracks. Railroad company was called and advised they were running a grinder and had their own equipment to deal with the tie.

8:40 a.m. CYFD referral in Alto.

10:01 a.m. deputy advised he was doing warrant service and was on route to LCDC with a prisoner.

May 18:

12:12 a.m. request for ambulance in San Patricio for 73 year old female who was down. Med 1 responded and requested deputy and at 12:53 a.m. an unattended death was declared.

12:16 a.m. request for ambulance for 86 year old male who was weak on Mira Monte. Med 2 transported to LCMC.

11:30 a.m. motorcycle accident with injuries at the intersection of Central Ave. and E. Ave. Carrizozo ambulance transported to LCMC.



Serving Our Country

Air Force Airman Joel C. Romero has graduated from basic military training at Lackland Air Force Base, San Antonio, TX. He is the son of Danell DeGraff of Glendora, CA and grandson of Janell Kane of Corona.

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County Rejects Center

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last option mill levy on property taxes.

But it was those very taxes that the community center advocates were seeking to finance the estimated \$9 million or \$10 million needed for the project.

Community center spokesman Paul Worth, Ruidoso High School principal, said for several years citizens of the county have expressed a desire for a community recreation center. But the main obstacle has been funding. Last year, a survey was taken county wide to determine if there is enough financial support for a YMCA. That survey found it unfeasible because of the need for large, private donations.

Despite this, community center advocates continued to meet and finally they took their appeal to the county commissioners.

Worth said the purpose of the community center would be to develop programs that reflect the needs of the community, provide activities for all ages and groups, support sense of community through communication, collaboration and character building and to improve the quality of life for all citizens. Worth said the center would be a safe haven that would be open year round.

Joe Zagorie, a Ruidoso realtor and youth sports coach, showed a video he had made of community centers in other areas. He

said the center is needed for the youth of the community.

Sergio Castro, the juvenile probation officer, said he supports the community center where juveniles will be served by mentors instead of going home to empty houses. "This will help keep juveniles out of the criminal justice system," he said.

When considering a location for such a center, Castro said it will most likely be in Ruidoso because it is that area where the most kids live.

Joan Zagone, Ruidoso realtor and on the board of directors of the first Leadership Lincoln, said the goal of the Leadership Lincoln is to create a "Lincoln County" community. "This community center will not be just another Ruidoso project," Zagone said. "It can be located anywhere in the county."

James Paxton, a member of the Ruidoso School Board, asked commissioners to let the voters of the county decide if they want to help finance such a community center.

Judy Miller, Ruidoso Downs city trustee, said Lincoln County is a high risk community. "If we don't stand up we don't do our kids right," Miller said. She also said the City of Ruidoso Downs supports the community center concept. "We see the need," she added.

Doug Babcock, Ruidoso police department detective and father of an 11

year old who attends Capitan School, said youth here need a place.

"Lincoln County leads the state on per capita suicide, and New Mexico leads the nation in suicide. We need something like this to bring Lincoln County together."

Terry McMasters, a father of three children, said he sees a great need for something for the kids to do, especially when the forests are closed, or if kids don't have a pocket full of money to ride go carts. "We need structured activities with a mix of people," McMasters said. "I would love to have something for families without costing lots of money."

Jerry Carroll from Oscura who has no children supported the community center concept.

Two individuals spoke against the concept, mostly because of the lack of specific plans and proposed operational costs for such a center and because government has no place providing recreation.

After the presentations, Stewart said the two one-eighth gross receipt taxes left to the county would produce about \$500,000 a year. However, if the taxes were to be dedicated to a community center, the county would have no further taxing option in the future if needed to help pay for basic county services, he added.

Stewart said another option is a general obligation bond election. Two mills of property tax would pro-



CLASS OF 2015. Carrizozo Kindergarten class practices their patriotic songs for graduation which was held May 16. Kindergartners on top row from left are Tiffany Vega, Patrick Barela, Jaclynn Ortiz, Fantasia Dennis, Branson Vega, Shania Boyd, and Joshua Ventrúa; on bottom row from left are Zhane Vega, Jacie Thornton, Ceaira Walker, Jared Sarinopoulos, Erick Culley, Caleb Ventura and Gene Gore. Not pictured was Lisa Ventura. Their teacher was Kellie Gallacher and teacher's aide was Lorene Baroz.

duce about \$1.15 million a year which would finance a \$10 million project and provide an overflow account for the center operations.

But county commissioners and most in the audience favored the gross receipt tax, because it would be paid by everyone, not just property owners.

During discussion Martinez said he would prefer to use the money from the hospital mill levy for a community center instead of it going to the hospital. Wilson said it was inappropriate to pit the recreation center against the hospital. Hobbs said the hospital taxes cannot be spent for anything but the hospital.

Martinez said Ruidoso should get more from the county because Ruidoso pays 85 percent of the taxes. "You help us (the county) but you don't get help from us," Martinez said.

That caused a comment that 43 percent of the property taxes come from Ruidoso and 48 percent of the property taxes come from properties located in

the county, outside of a municipality.

"Can we come back with petitions asking for an election?" asked Worth after commissioners voted down the chance to hold a special election. "You can't force this body to do an election," replied Stewart.

"We're not saying no," said Wilson at the end of the discussion. "We're just saying we can't do it now."

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