

C'zozo Public Barred From Town Attorney

by Doris Cherry

"Legal Bills Piling Up"

From now on any citizen wanting legal information about the town of Carrizozo must call city hall not the town attorney.

The town mayor gave the directive, with the nod of approval from trustees, during the August 11 town council meeting. The directive came about after the town received an unexpected

bill of \$300 in legal fees incurred when members of the public telephoned town attorney David Stevens mostly about the billboard issue.

Trustee Eilene Lovelace said town citizens needed to come into city hall and let staff know when they need legal questions answered. The mayor added that any such requests needed to be brought to his attention first.

"We have to ask the mayor if we can talk with attorney

said town clerk Leann Weihbrecht. "And we have to let him know to what reference."

"When people call (David Stevens) he bills us for the time," Weihbrecht continued. "We got a bill for \$307 and we know who called."

Carrizozo resident Marie Watkins agreed going through town staff was a good idea, yet the public's right to know what was going on with the billboard issue

needed to be addressed.

Weihbrecht and the mayor said the billboard issue is in litigation and the town could not talk about it.

Watkins said there needs to be a process to provide legal information if the lawyer is not accessible. Weihbrecht said the information falls un-

der the Inspection of Public Records Act and Watkins

would have to come to city hall to complete a form and pay for copies of any public information. However, the

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EXCELLENT EXHIBITS.

Carrizozo 4-H member Lane Carter tries out some of the hands-on 4-H exhibits at the Lincoln County Fair in Capitan on Aug. 11. Carter won blue ribbons for his archery and gun project displays, and he was showing a goat. Carter said he plans to enter his displays in the State Fair. The fair continues through Saturday, Aug. 14 with livestock shows and the exhibit hall open to the public from 8:00 a.m. until 8:00 p.m. through Friday then 8:00 a.m. until 3:00 p.m. Saturday when exhibits will be released. Anyone regardless of age is invited to enter the Pet Show which begins at 5:30 p.m. Friday, Aug. 13 in the livestock show ring.



No New Subdivision Within A Subdivision

by Doris Cherry

An owner of two large lots within the Ranches of Sonterra subdivision wants to create a new subdivision of those tracts.

The Lincoln County Planning Committee said no but the county commission took no action to support the committee's recommendation.

During the July 20 Lincoln County Commission meeting in Carrizozo, Bill Blaney, owner of two large tracts within the approved Ranches of Sonterra subdivision, was seeking an appeal to the county planning committee denial of his request to make a new subdivision within an existing subdivision. Blaney's explanation for the new subdivision was he did not

want to be part of Ranches of Sonterra.

County attorney Alan Morel said Ranches of Sonterra is a fully developed subdivision with restrictions that run with the land. To file for a new subdivision would not vacate the restrictions that originally came with the two lots. "You can not void an existing subdivision," Morel said.

Blaney said the state statutes and the county subdivision ordinance state he can subdivide his lots. "I don't want to be part of Ranches of Sonterra, and I have a right to do what I want with my 18 acres," Blaney said. "I intend to have my private property rights."

County commissioner

Maury St. John asked if the lots could not be re-subdivided.

Blaney said it has been more than seven years since the Ranches of Sonterra was developed and according to the county subdivision ordinance lots can be re-subdivided. Blaney said he is doing this because of the "little cliche" at Ranches of Sonterra that voted themselves "red tag authority."

Morel said when someone buys land in a subdivision they must follow the restrictive covenants of the subdivision.

Blaney said he did not want to do away with these covenants, rather he just wanted to create a new subdivision.

Morel said according to a specific state statute which he read, he did not believe the law intended to allow creation of a new subdivision within an already previously platted development. "Ranches of Sonterra has the right to enforce its restrictive covenants," he added.

County commission chair Rex Wilson asked if the Ranches of Sonterra has a right to "red tag" (to stop a new construction or development without prior approval)

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Forensics 101 for 'Billy'

by Doris Cherry

Lincoln County Sheriff Tom Sullivan got a fascinating look into the world of forensic science recently.

Sullivan, in his continued search for the true story of William Bonney alias Billy the Kid, had opportunity to watch as Dr. Henry Lee world famous forensic scientist tested a piece of old furniture which was reputed to have held the body of Billy the Kid. Lee did the forensic work on the O.J. Simpson case, the Jon Bene Ramsey case and other famous cases. Sullivan told THE NEWS.

Along with Sullivan and Lee were crew from the Curtis Production Company filming the forensic exploration for the History Channel and Court TV. Dr. Lee also has a show produced by

Curtis Production, Sullivan added.

The focus of an old bench reputed to have held the body of Billy the Kid after he was, as legend has it, shot and killed by sheriff Pat Garrett at Pete Maxwell's home in the Fort Sumner area. The bench now is in the possession of a descendant of the Pete Maxwell family who lives in Albuquerque.

The bench has been in the Maxwell family since 1881 and has been stored out of the weather, protecting the blood evidence, Sullivan said. Only once was the bench exposed to the elements, when a family member who took the bench without family approval returned it to the Maxwell family home in Fort

Sumner and left it outside to get rained on once. So the odds of finding blood evidence were very good.

Dr. Lee proved the good odds by utilizing a laser to bore into the wood of the bench to take samples and he took scrapings from the top and underneath of the bench. "Then he swabbed it with the chemical that changes color to indicate the presence of blood," Sullivan said.

"He found a lot of blood," Sullivan added.

After the swabbing and scraping Dr. Lee used duminol, which under a fluorescent light glows in the presence of blood evidence. "At the bottom of the bench there was only a weak positive for blood evidence," Sullivan said. "But as he moved up to the middle of the bench it was stronger positive and underneath of the bench was very strong positive."

Each swab and all scrapings taken from the bench were sealed in preparation to shipping to the Orchard Selmark Lab in Dallas. Sullivan said Dr. Lee uses the lab for most of his work, and the lab is also famous for its forensic work to determine DNA of the 9-11 victims.

After testing the bench in Albuquerque, Dr. Lee and Sullivan went to the old Lincoln County courthouse in Lincoln to test the old stairwell where deputy James Bell was allegedly shot to death when Billy the Kid made his famous escape in 1881. Sullivan said after studying the courthouse and

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OLDEST CORONA CITIZEN. Geraldine Perkins, 96, is honored by Congressman Steve Pearce and his assistant Briton Goad at the Corona museum during the Corona Summer Festival on July 24. Perkins is the granddaughter of the founder of Corona, Col. DuBois who donated the land for the village. Geraldine was the first woman to graduate from the New Mexico School of Pharmacology. Pearce also presented Ernest Sultemeier with a flag flown over the nation's Capitol building and said a prayer during the Corona American Legion Auxiliary dedication of the Corona War Casualties Memorial at the Corona museum patio. Goad, son of Cheri and Dr. Dale Goad of Carrizozo works for Cong. Pearce in his Washington, D.C. office.

Domestic Ends in Fatal Stabbing

A Sun Valley woman remains in the Lincoln County Detention Center held with no bond for allegedly fatally stabbing her husband.

Patricia Sundquist has been charged with an open count of murder and tampering with evidence for fatally stabbing Daryl Sundquist, her husband.

According to a press release from the Lincoln County Sheriff's Office, at 2:17 a.m. Saturday, August 7, Lincoln County Deputies responded to a domestic call

at a residence on Mogul Road in the Sun Valley area. Upon arrival deputies found a male subject with a single stab wound and requested the Office of Medical Investigator (OMI). Ruidoso Advanced Life Support (RALS) ambulance Med 2 also responded arriving at the location at 2:37 a.m.

Mr. Sundquist's next of kin were notified by the sheriff's office.

The investigation is continuing, said Lincoln County Sheriff Tom Sullivan.

Posey Case is Withdrawn from Grand Jury

The matter of Cody Posey, a juvenile charged with the alleged murder of his father, stepmother and stepister, has been withdrawn from consideration by the Lincoln County Grand Jury.

According to a press release, 12th Judicial District Attorney Scott Key and Posey's defense attorney Gary Mitchell agreed that an extension of time for setting preliminary hearing was necessary in the case. They also agreed the matter should be withdrawn from consideration by the Lincoln County Grand Jury.

"Stipulated orders extending Children Court time limits have been approved by a district judge," Key stated in the release.

Preliminary hearing for the Posey case will be rescheduled within 60 days.

By state law preliminary hearings for juvenile cases must be held within 30 days of the filings of the original charges, unless ordered otherwise by a court.

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LEGAL NOTICE

STATE OF NEW MEXICO
COUNTY OF LINCOLN
TWELFTH JUDICIAL
DISTRICT COURT
No. CV 2004-00062

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SAXON MORTGAGE SERVICES, INC
F/K/A MERITECH MORTGAGE
SERVICES, INC AS ITS
ATTORNEY-IN-FACT.

Plaintiff,

VS
SUSIE GIBSON A/K/A SUSAN A.
GIBSON AND JAMES E. GIBSON
A/K/A JAMES GIBSON,

Defendants

NOTICE OF SALE

Notice is hereby given that on August 18, 2004, at the hour of 9:00 am the undersigned Special Master, or his designee, will, at the front entrance of the Lincoln County Courthouse, 300 Central, Carrizozo, New Mexico, at 9:00 a.m., 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 600 Del Norte, Ruidoso, New Mexico 88345. (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 1, Block 3 of Del Norte Addition, Unit 4, Ruidoso, Lincoln County, New Mexico, as shown by the replat of Lots 8, 9, 10, 11, 12 and 13, Block 3, Del Norte Addition, filed in the office of the County Clerk of Lincoln County, August 6, 1982, in Cabinet D, Slide 86,

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 \$71,516.26, and the same bears interest at the rate of 8.7500%, which accrues at the rate of \$17.14 per diem, commencing on June 1, 2004, with the Court reserving entry of final judgment against said Defendant Susie Gibson a/k/a Susan A. Gibson 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

LEGAL NOTICE

TWELFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT
STATE OF NEW MEXICO
COUNTY OF LINCOLN
No. CV-04-08
Div. III

STATE NATIONAL BANK, a Texas banking corporation, successor in interest to Ruidoso State Bank.

Plaintiff,

ANTIA JOHNSON and JOHN MANLEY,
Defendants.

AMENDED

NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE

NOTICE IS GIVEN that on August 25, 2004, at 10:00 A.M., at the front entrance to the Village of Ruidoso Municipal Building located at 313 Cree Meadows Drive in Ruidoso, New Mexico, the undersigned Special Master will offer at public sale and sell the following described real property and mobile home to the highest bidder for cash:

Lot Eleven (11), Block Eight (8), BIG COUNTRY SUBDIVISION, 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 8, 1973, in Tube No. 478, and 1979 Big Bend Mobile Home, VIN #JD1487A.

The real property is also known as 133 Rock Drive, Capitan, New Mexico 88716.

The Special Master's sale will be conducted pursuant to the Judgment, Decree of Foreclosure, Order of Sale and Appointment of Special Master entered by this Court on April 7, 2004, in an action for collection of a Promissory Note and foreclosure of Mortgage.

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

Principal and interest through 8/25/04	\$15,119.65
Costs of suit	1,327.37
Attorney fees	2,050.88
Special Master's fee	250.00
	\$18,747.90

In addition to the Judgment liens referred to above, there will be accruing costs, including costs of publication of this notice.

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

/s/ Sarah Prothro
Sarah Prothro, Special Master

LEE GRIFFIN & ASSOCIATES, P.C.

By: /s/ Lee Griffin

Lee Griffin
1096 Mechem Drive, Suite 102
Ruidoso, New Mexico 88345
(505) 258-5546

Attorney for Plaintiff

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right to bid at such sale all of its judgment amount and submit its bid verbally or in writing. The Plaintiff may apply all or any part of its judgment to the purchase price in lieu of cash. The sale may be postponed and rescheduled at the discretion of the Special Master.

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

NOW, THEREFORE, notice is hereby given that in the event that said property is not sooner redeemed, the undersigned will as set forth above, offer for sale an 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 \$71,516.26, plus interest to and including date of sale of \$1,354.06 for a total judgment plus interest of \$72,870.32. 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
Telephone: (505) 648-9925

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LEGAL NOTICE

A Public Hearing shall be held at 1:30 P.M. on Tuesday, August 17, 2004, by the Lincoln County Board of Commissioners at the Lincoln County Courthouse (Commission Chambers), 300 Central Avenue, Carrizozo, New Mexico, to consider the application of Cattle Baron Restaurants, Inc., D/B/A Cattle Baron Restaurants, Inc./Tinne Silver Dollar, 201 East College Blvd., Roswell, New Mexico 88201, to transfer ownership of existing Liquor License No. 812/A-398049, located at Highway 70, Tinnie, Lincoln County, New Mexico, from Y. Salem Sager and Karen J. Sager, D/B/A Silver Dollar Restaurant, to Cattle Baron Restaurants, Inc.

MARTHA GUEVARA
Assistant County Manager

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LEGAL NOTICE

TWELFTH JUDICIAL
DISTRICT COURT
STATE OF NEW MEXICO
COUNTY OF LINCOLN
No. CV-04-95
Div. III

GARY DICK,
Plaintiff,

-v-

PAMELA HALEY, f/k/a Pamela Dick,
and ELECTRONIC REGISTRATION
SYSTEMS, INC.,
Defendants.

NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE

NOTICE IS GIVEN that on August 11, 2004, at 10:00 A.M., at the front entrance of the Village of Ruidoso Municipal Building located at 313 Cree Meadows Drive in Ruidoso, New Mexico, the undersigned Special Master will offer at public sale and sell the following described real property to the highest bidder for cash:

Lots 22 and 23, Block 14, PONDEROSA HEIGHTS SUBDIVISION, UNIT II, 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, September 13, 1956.

The real property is also known as 131 Larch Drive, Ruidoso, New Mexico 88345.

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 this Court on July 6, 2004, in an action for foreclosure of Judgments.

Plaintiff's Default Judgment directed foreclosure of the real property to satisfy Plaintiff's Judgment liens in the following aggregate amounts:

Principal and interest - 8/11/04	\$4,697.58
Costs	387.70
Attorney fees	713.86
Special Master's fees	200.00
	\$5,999.14

Plaintiff's judgment liens are subject and inferior to the prior first lien of Defendant Electronic Registration Systems, Inc.

In addition to the Judgment liens referred to above, there will be accruing costs, including costs of publication of this notice.

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

/s/ Sarah Prothro
Sarah Prothro, Special Master

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A cold front blew through Lincoln County Wednesday, bringing clouds and cooler temperatures. Chances are good for continued rain showers through Sunday.

The following information was taken from the National Weather Service website. Up to date weather reports can be viewed at www.srh.noaa.gov/abq/ on the internet.

Forecast for Carrizozo, Lincoln, Hondo and high plains of Lincoln County:

Today, Thursday, Aug. 12

Partly cloudy with 20 percent chance for showers and thunderstorms after noon. East wind 5 to 15 miles per hour (mph) becoming southwest. High around 84. Tonight mostly cloudy with 40 percent chance for scattered showers and thunderstorms mainly before midnight. East wind 5 to 15 mph, low near 57 in Carrizozo.

Friday, August 13

Partly cloudy with 20 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. South wind around 5 to 10 mph. High near 84. Friday night mostly cloudy with 30 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Low around 60.

Saturday, August 14

Partly cloudy with 30 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. High near 81. Saturday night partly cloudy with 20 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Low around 59.

Sunday, August 15
Partly cloudy with 30 percent chance for showers and thunderstorms. High around 82. Tonight partly cloudy with 20 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Low near 59.

Monday, August 16
Partly cloudy with 20 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. High near 83. Tonight partly cloudy with 10 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Low around 60.

Tuesday, August 17
Partly cloudy with 10 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. High near 85. Tonight, partly cloudy with low near 61.

Forecast for Ruidoso, Capitan and Corona.

Today, Thursday, Aug. 12

Mostly cloudy with 30 percent chance for scattered rain and thunderstorms, possibly severe after noon. South winds 5 to 10 mph. High near 75 in Ruidoso, near 78 in Capitan and 77 in Corona. Tonight mostly cloudy with 40 percent chance of scattered rain and thunderstorms, with Corona having possible severe thunderstorms before midnight. East winds 5 to 10 mph in Ruidoso and Capitan, southeast winds 10 to 15 mph in Corona. Lows of near 53 in Ruidoso and Corona and near 55 in Capitan.

Friday, August 13

Partly cloudy with 30 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms, mostly after noon. Southwest winds to 5 to 10 mph becoming east in Ruidoso and Capitan, southeast winds 5 to 10 mph in Corona. High near 75 in Ruidoso, 78 in Capitan and around 77 in Corona. Tonight partly cloudy with 30 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Lows around 55 in Ruidoso, 57 in Capitan and 54 in Corona.

Saturday, August 14

Partly cloudy with 30 percent chance for showers and thunderstorms. High around 73 in Ruidoso, near 76 in Capitan and Corona. Saturday night partly cloudy with 30 percent chance for showers and thunderstorms. Lows near 54 in Ruidoso and Corona and 56 in Capitan.

Sunday, August 15

Partly cloudy with 30 percent chance for showers and thunderstorms. High near 73 in Ruidoso, around 76 in Capitan and Corona. Tonight partly cloudy with 20 percent chance for showers and thunderstorms. Lows near 55 in Ruidoso, around 57 in Capitan and near 54 in Corona.

Monday, August 16

Partly cloudy with 20 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. High around 76 in Ruidoso, around 78 in Capitan and near 79 in Corona. Monday night partly cloudy with 10 percent chance for showers and thunderstorms. Lows around 56 in Ruidoso, around 58 in Capitan and around 55 in Corona.

Tuesday, August 17

Partly cloudy with 10 percent chance for showers and thunderstorms. High near 78 in Ruidoso, near 80 in Capitan and around 81 in Corona. Tonight, partly cloudy with 10 percent chance for showers. Lows near 55 in Ruidoso and Corona and 57 in Capitan.

Obituary

RACHEL M. PERKINS

Rachel M. Perkins, 91, of Alamogordo and formerly of El Paso, died August 8 with her daughter, Betty Stewart at her side.

Mrs. Perkins was born December 24, 1912. She and Harry were married September 1934.

Survivors include Betty Stewart and her husband Grady of White Oaks, grandson David Bostic of Australia and granddaughter Terrie Bouck of Utah and their families.

Looking Back...

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Approximately 50 church members attended the farewell dinner for the Halls who left this week for Freedom, Calif., to take over the Methodist pastorate there.

A purse was made up for the Halls' going away gift as an expression of the members' appreciation of the good work of the pastor and his wife while in Carrizozo.

Personals

PFC Thomas Archuleta, son of Mr. and Mrs. Florencio Archuleta, left Saturday for Fort Dix, N.J., after a 21-day furlough at home. While traveling from Camp Hood, Texas, where he was stationed previously, Archuleta visited Mr. and Mrs. Pete Marguez, Alamogordo, his brother-in-law and sister.

Alfred Hadley, son of Mr. and Mrs. W.J. Hadley has enlisted in the Navy. He will report to San Diego shortly for duty.

Herman E. Kelt, Jr. of Albuquerque, who is in the naval reserve will report at the San Diego base shortly. Mrs. Kelt who is employed in Albuquerque will remain there for the time being.

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Nogal Mesa

by Dorothy Guck

This week the summer comes to a glorious end. At least most of the mothers' experience quite a glorious feeling when the teachers again take over the children for the greater part of the day.

Capitan schools are a week behind the other schools of the county in their opening but most of the boys are on the school grounds each afternoon for football practice.

Our Colorado vacation made us realize that fishing is just as good at home. Mr. and Mrs. Emmett Ryan of Mesa, Ariz., and Mr. and Mrs. Carl Busacher and two children of Milwaukee, Wis., were guests our first week home.

We are proud to know that Bobbie Peebles and Nancy Knight won first honors for the county on their 4-H project at A. & M. College. Bobbie has been working at Fort Stanton the past week.

The Angus Cemetery work day was a great success. A large group hoes weeks, mended fences and ate a delicious picnic lunch. Jesse Harris of Green Tree donated lumber which Charlie Peebles fashioned into sturdy picnic tables.

Nogal has been able to supply quite a number of county residents with peaches for canning. Most crops in other parts of the state were frozen this spring.

El Paso Boy Wins First At Kids Rodeo

Raymond Russel, El Paso boy edged out Roy Tucker, Jr., Three Rivers, by 10 points to qualify for the all-expense paid trip to the Herald-Post rodeo in El Paso, September 1-4.

Young Russel was a contestant in the senior division of the third annual Kids rodeo and Barbecue held Sunday, August 27, at the Three Rivers Ranch arena, and sponsored by the Tularosa Lions Club and Thomas F. Ryan III of Three Rivers.

Jo Ann Straley of Ancho was the only casualty of the day when the calf she was attempting to ride threw her and she was struck in the head by the hoof of the calf. The blow raised a large lump over Jo Ann's right eye, but within a short time she was back and again competing in the contest. She was awarded the title of Hard Luck Cowgirl at the conclusion of the show and given a merchandise order for blouse and jeans, which had been donated by the City Dairy, Alamogordo.

Harry Straley Jr. of Ancho earned the Hard Luck Cowboy title which gave him two pairs of Levis given by the Turner Dry Goods in Tularosa.

Following are the high point boys in the junior and senior divisions:

Senior Division

Raymond Russel, El Paso 80; Roy Tucker Jr., Three Rivers 70; Robert Shephard 50; Jan Hart 40; Joe Shanta 40, Lee Straley 40.

Junior Division

Howard McDonald, Aubrey Dobbs and Ralph Shanta ties for high with 80 points each.



FAST ACTION

Lincoln County News

CLASSIFIED ADS

CALL: (505) 648-2333



HUGE 3-FAMILY YARD SALE!!
Saturday, August 14, at 8:00 a.m., 1604 H. Ave., Carrizozo (George Vega residence). Kids and adult clothes, houseware, toys, baby items, child's battery go-kart, rocking chair, and much more.
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FOR SALE: 1985 Palm Harbor 16'x60' Mobile Home. Located at 600 'D' Ave., in Carrizozo, 2-bedroom, 2-bath, on (2) corner lots. Nice and clean, excellent condition. Call 648-4600.
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The Pipeline Group Presents Contractor Awareness Program

The Pipeline Group's annual "Public Education - Contractor Awareness Program" will be held at 6:30 p.m. on Thursday, August 26 at the Roswell Convention & Civic Center, 912 N. Main, in Roswell. The program will be sponsored by a group of companies with a common goal of preventing accidents and damages to underground pipelines and utilities.

A free dinner will be catered by Kim's Ribs for all persons involved in excavation related activities in Chaves and Lincoln counties. Following the dinner, a brief safety program will be presented which stresses the importance of accident prevention by identifying pipeline and utility rights of way, use of one-call systems, and the importance of working with pipeline and utility companies to safely excavate in the vicinity of underground facilities. Sponsors will provide promotional materials: including notification information for their companies, safety related brochures and other safety reminders.

Each year many lives are injured or lost, plus millions of dollars in repairs and lost products are incurred due to "third party" incidents - someone digging into a pipeline.

Thousands of communications, some life-threatening, may be disrupted when expensive fiber-optic cables are damaged or severed. These types of excavation can be financially devastating to the responsible party. This safety program is an attempt to help those who do excavation work to avoid such situations.

Sponsors for the program include: Crosstex Energy Services - Duke Energy Field Services LP - Dynegy Midstream Services LP - El Paso Natural Gas Co - Frontier Field Services LLC - Holly Energy Partners - Kinder Morgan CO2 Co. LP - Mid-America Pipeline Co LLC - PNM Gas Services - Transwestern Pipeline Co - Valero Logistics Operations LP.

For more information call (800) 982-8752 or visit our web site at www.pipelinegroup.com.



EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY

Administrative Office of the Courts
SECRETARY 2

The Twelfth Judicial District Court in Ruidoso, NM is accepting applications for the position of Secretary 2 for the Drug Court Program. This is a classified, full-time position that works under general supervision, performs clerical and secretarial duties, assists the public and may assist with other duties. The salary range for this position is \$10,647 hr. -- \$11,144 hr.

QUALIFICATIONS

Requires a high school diploma or GED with three years of secretarial or equivalent experience including office automation software. Experience as a case manager is desirable.

Knowledge of generally accepted office practices, procedures and equipment; basic mathematics; proper English usage, grammar, vocabulary and spelling; and legal terminology.

Ability to type at a reasonable rate of speed; operate a personal computer and use word processing, database software; answer phones; deal with the public; handle stressful situations; communicate effectively; use discretion in the disclosure of information and maintain confidentiality; follow written and oral discretions; prioritize and organize workload; maintain accurate and orderly records and files; train others; establish cooperative working relationships; and check files and documents to ensure accuracy and compliance with established rules and procedures.


TO APPLY:

Applications may be obtained from the website, www.nmcourts.com/jobs.htm. Applications along with a resume must be submitted by 4:00 p.m. on Wednesday, August 18, 2004 to:

Rick Gilsdorf
Twelfth Judicial District Court
1000 New York Ave., Room 209
Alamogordo, NM 88310
(All envelopes to be marked "Confidential")
Recruitment opens July 30, 2004.
Recruitment Closes, August 18, 2004
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THOUGHTS
FROM THE EDITOR'S DESK

Space Station Nearby

By Ruth Hammond

Eventually New Mexico may be the home of the long awaited Spaceport. Different states have tried to convince officials the spaceport should be located elsewhere, but it appears New Mexico may be the final selected location.

Multiple reasons have been given as to why there is a need for a spaceport, but the main thing is that space is important. You've heard debates about space travel, and may even believe in UFOs. As to the theory of little green men invading, they probably are not green. And if they want to invade, and they have the technology to travel to our galaxy from their planet, they most likely have the technology to do whatever they want to do here on earth.

Preparing for an invasion from outer space may be a project to keep people busy but it is a waste of time. The best thing people can do is start making proper use of space, particularly the empty space between their ears.

Too many people do things without thinking, and that is a definite indication of empty space between the ears. Others may rationalize their actions, with examples that have nothing to do with what they are talking about. And another group has a "me" attitude that defies description.

Instead of being self centered and haphazard and using nonsensical illustrations, these people could accomplish much more if they put more effort into working for the good of everyone involved instead of just a select few.

Neglecting to look ahead is a common failing. Take for instance the Carrizozo Municipal Golf Course, instead of taking care of it for the general public and for future generations, the facility appears to have been abandoned.

Every week people come to Carrizozo to play golf and are amazed at the condition of the greens and fairways. Most people cannot understand why anyone would allow this previously beautiful town asset to be neglected. Is this an example of empty space between the ears of the people who should have made certain the golf course was correctly maintained? Town property deserves attention.

Suppose all assets were treated this same way. Would you neglect regular maintenance of your vehicle? Or do you check the oil level and tire pressure at intervals? You know the importance of keeping your vehicle in proper running order and realize your safety and the safety of your passengers is of utmost importance. Even if your vehicle is older and doesn't appear as spiffy as it did when it was new, regular maintenance is necessary.

Sadly, not everyone realizes that regular maintenance can cost much less than one big overhaul. It would have been much better if the golf course had continued to be maintained instead of being shuffled aside because some people didn't keep it in topnotch condition. It would be nice if the golf course had received spaceport publicity.

Gov. Unable to Attend Event at Fort Stanton

Governor Bill Richardson is hosting the Western Governors' Association Conference in Santa Fe this week and will be unable to attend the Fort Stanton Live! event on Saturday, August 14.

Governor Richardson was scheduled to receive a heritage award at noon on August 14 from Fort Stanton

Inc. which sponsors the Fort Stanton Live event. The governor's representative Don Dutton will accept the award on the governor's behalf.

Dutton told THE NEWS the governor sends his appreciation for the award and his regrets for being unable to attend the event to receive the award in person.

Governor Richardson supported the legislative bill that created the Fort Stanton Development Commission and has aided restoration efforts at Fort Stanton by supporting legislative funding for roofs and other needs on historic buildings at the state-owned Fort.

Fort Stanton Live! is sponsored and produced by Fort Stanton Inc. which is a non-partisan, nonprofit organization dedicated to preserving the historic Fort.

Fort Stanton Live! is free and open to the public with activities ranging from historic military reenactment, Apache dancers, to Irish music. The event begins at 10 a.m. and ends at 5 p.m. Food concessions will be available.

Fort Stanton is 23 miles northeast of Ruidoso and can be reached from State Road 220 (Airport Road) which intersects with State Road 48 in Alto. Stay on State Road 220 past Sierra Blanca Regional Airport to the intersection with the Devil's Canyon county road. Go north at that intersection staying on the pavement to Fort Stanton.

Fort Stanton may also be reached from Highway 380, by turning onto State Road 220 about four miles east of Capitan. Go another three miles to the Fort.

THINK RAIN!

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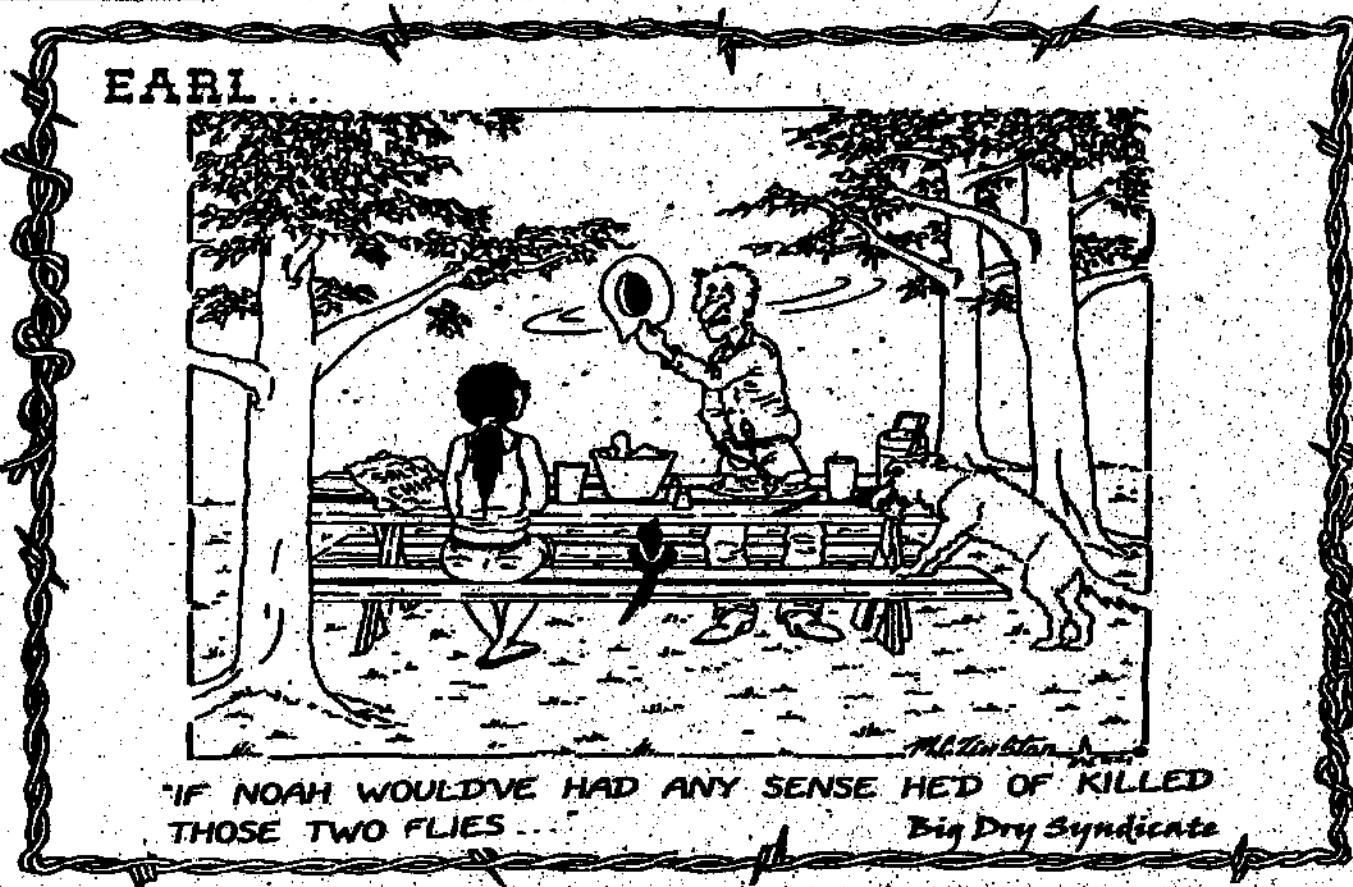
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Leo (July 23 - Aug 22) Your actions speak loud and clear. Your Leo roar keeps everyone at bay. Don't hurt others just because you can. Your friends can heal what has been hurt when you allow it. Your work is going to get better.

Virgo (Aug 23 - Sept 22) You'll start something new, or is it really the same old thing, just a different day? Your Spirit needs to be fed. Feed it with love and understanding from true friendship. Take a trip and return happy.

Libra (Sept 22 - Oct 22) Don't assume the worst. Ask the right questions so communication isn't the reason to lose something or someone that you really need and want. Ask then react. Your sharp tongue could cut your own throat.

Scorpio (Oct 23 - Nov 21) Your feelings are just about to break. Why? Because your heart and your mind are not talking to each other. Remember if you have to work too hard for something or someone, then maybe it's not working.

Sagittarius (Nov 22 - Dec 21) Is it too late? Can you go back in time and correct what is wrong? NO, but you can start today by doing what you should have been doing all along, making yourself happy. Make money two different ways.

Capricorn (Dec 22 - Jan 19) What are you supposed to know, when you don't know what you supposed to know? Tell whomever it is to kiss your assets \$\$ and show them you know what you're doing. Then party on.

Aquarius (Jan 20 - Feb 18) Don't go overboard when it comes to someone else's fights. You need to concentrate on your own life and make it better. When was the last time you told someone you love them? Tell them again and again.

Pisces (Feb 19 - March 20) When you think you can't do any more, that's when someone will show you, you can. It's up to you to say "NO" and "Yes". No one can make you do what you really don't want to do. Don't get mad. Talk it out.

Aries (March 21 - April 19) Don't sign anything unless you are absolutely sure you want to do this. Think what this entails down the road. Will this change your life for the better or will you have to change for someone else. Think first then act.

Taurus (April 20 - May 20) Your money matters are just that it does matter. Remember the love you give someone isn't how much money you give them. Don't get your feelings hurt when the love or money isn't returned. Love is free.

Gemini (May 21 - June 20) Let others go through what need to go through without you having to tell them what they might be doing wrong. Their lesson is to find it out on their own. Just give them love and support.

Cancer (June 21 - July 22) Whatever it is that is bugging you it's going to get worse if you don't nip it in the bud real soon. Remember feelings and facts are not the same. Find out the facts before the feelings get too hurt.

Inside the Capitol
by JAY MILLER
Who Could Benefit From A Book Deal About 'Billy'?

SANTA FE -- The three sheriffs trying to dig up Billy the Kid and his mother are a slippery bunch of varimints. Their responses to my information requests have been full of contradictions and pieces that don't fit together.

The sheriffs claim they are conducting an official criminal investigation, so they can't tell me anything about what they are doing or how much time and money they are spending on the investigation.

That is important information to me because I contend that they are wasting a great amount of time and taxpayer money going after possible criminals who committed their acts over a century ago. And all they are accomplishing is the likely destruction of a legend that no longer will be able to boost tourism in Silver City and Fort Sumner.

But at other times, the sheriffs tell me the total investigation is funded with private money and they don't have to tell me about that either. It seems highly unlikely that private money is paying their salaries and funding the operation of their offices while they spend time on their investigation, but it may be paying many other expenses.

So what are we to make of a privately-funded criminal investigation? Is that good public policy? It does save taxpayer money. But think about it. What happens if rich folks can fund criminal investigations? They can take over New Mexico law enforcement. They can go after whomever they want. It sounds like vigilante justice.

It also sounds a little like the infamous Santa Fe Ring that controlled sheriffs and district attorneys and judges back in Billy's day. That's what Billy and John Tunstall and Alexander McSween were fighting against.

Is history repeating itself? Well, it's probably not that bad, but someone is putting a large amount of money into financing a criminal investigation. And we have a right to know who it is.

Private money entering public coffers to be used for operational purposes must be open to sunshine laws. In this case, it becomes part of an official criminal investigation by public officials, thereby "changing color" and becoming subject to public scrutiny.

But the current situation is totally different. The sheriffs are shielding the identity of their benefactor and the use of all money received. Depending on their audience, they are shielding that information either as part of a criminal investigation or as the act of private citizens doing some privately-funded research on their own.

In fact, sometimes, they're just three good old boys out having fun, proclaiming that it will be good for tourism and maybe there might even be a book or movie deal in it.

The public has a right to know what is happening. Where is the money coming from and for what hidden purpose? This intrigue extends all the way up to the governor and apparently there is more than one anonymous benefactor. The public has a right to know what, if anything, these benefactors are receiving in return.

At this point, the sheriffs are playing a shell game with us. They said they are really conducting an "ongoing criminal investigation." That should mean taxpayer expenses. But Sullivan and Graves claim "private" benefactors and Sederwall suprisingly told the Attorney General that he was using his "own private funds."

The sheriffs claim their "criminal investigation" shields them from releasing information. That would be information about "criminals," but not information about where the money is coming from.

The fact is that the sheriffs can't shield themselves from scrutiny by claiming that any of their acts are private since they are all public officials conducting a very public case.

And what about Deputy Sederwall, who seems to be doing most of the leg work in this investigation. He presents himself as a deputy, authorized to conduct a criminal investigation and dig up bodies, but when I inquired as to the conditions of his deputizing, I was told he is only a "reserve" deputy, a title that doesn't even appear in state statutes.

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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.

August 3
 2:16 a.m. deputy advised of lights on and an open door at business in Bonito area. The deputy advised he would standby until another deputy arrived.
 2:42 a.m. request for ambulance at Lincoln cemetery for a female running up and down Highway 380 saying she was having chest pains and she was bleeding from the mouth. Hondo ambulance

arrived at 3:07 a.m. and at 3:22 a.m. left to meet with the paramedics at 3:32 a.m. and arrived at Lincoln County Medical Center (LCMC) in Ruidoso at 4:04 a.m.

2:51 a.m. state police requested a deputy for agency assistance at Lincoln Cemetery as the situation may have been more than a medical call. Deputies responded.
 8:16 a.m. threats, a subject at a business in Ruidoso requested to speak to a deputy in reference to threats. Deputy dispatched.
 8:18 a.m. possible accident with injuries at mile marker 283 on Highway 70. Hondo

fire department and ambulance responded. Ambulance arrived at 8:37 a.m. but developed mechanical problems on route to LCMC and requested Med 1 advanced life support (ALS) ambulance stationed at LCMC to intercept, which happened at 9:06 a.m. with final transport to LCMC arriving there at 9:20 a.m.
 8:30 a.m. animal complaint at location on Gavilan Canyon Road. Deputy dispatched.
 10:30 a.m. Arizona caller requested a welfare check on a male subject at location on County Road 6. Deputy dispatched.

er 280 on Highway 70, behind an old church. Hondo fire dept. arrived at 6:09 a.m. and at 6:12 a.m. advised it was a lightning strike. Hondo brush units arrived at 6:28 a.m. and were released to their station at 8:12 a.m.
 7:11 a.m. request for ambulance for a 76 year old female who fell and had possible hip injury at location at mile marker 106 on Highway 380. Med 7 arrived at 7:19 a.m. and at 7:32 a.m. left for LCMC and requested Med 1 intercept which occurred at 7:36 a.m. for transport to LCMC arriving at 8:15 a.m.
 11 a.m. deputy advised he did warrant service at business on Highway 70 in Ruidoso area.

3:11 p.m. stolen firearm from location on ski run road. Deputy dispatched.
 4:26 p.m. \$21.15 gas skip rom on ski run road. Before deputy could arrive, the owner of the vehicle called at 4:34 p.m. and advised he loaned the vehicle to an employee and he would come to pay for the gas. Deputy call was cancelled.
 6:43 p.m. smoke sighted north of Carrizozo. Carrizozo fire department was dispatched and a Game and Fish Dept. officer responded to locate the fire. At 6:54 p.m. the officer advised it was a lightning strike that started a yucca on fire. Carrizozo fire department brush trucks arrived at 7:03 p.m. and at 7:20 p.m. advised assignment completed.

1:35 p.m. threats at location in Ruidoso. Deputy dispatched.
 5:15 p.m. request for ambulance for female having trouble breathing at location on Gavilan Canyon road. Med 1 arrived at 5:27 p.m. and at 5:39 p.m. left for LCMC arriving there at 5:46 p.m.
 6:03 p.m. request for ambulance and assistance at location in Angus area. Deputy dispatched.
 7:36 p.m. larceny at location in Ruidoso. Deputy dispatched.
 11:04 p.m. deputy advised he was doing agency assistance at location on Mechem Drive in Ruidoso.

August 4
 7:16 p.m. possible civil issue at location on Rancho Ruidoso. Deputy arrived at 7:43 p.m. and at 8:04 p.m. advised assignment completed.
 8:02 p.m. accident without injuries, with vehicle in the roadway on State Road 48 in the Alto area. Deputy arrived at 8:11 p.m. and advised cancelling the call for state police because someone was coming to pull the vehicle off the road and he would standby at the location.

2:33 a.m. residential alarm sounding at location on Highway 380. Dispatch advised they needed a key holder to verify the alarm, but that made the female caller upset. Dispatch advised a deputy would go check as the female was in Lubbock on an emergency. Deputy arrived at 3:01 a.m. and advised all was okay.
 8:57 a.m. state police requested ambulance at accident with injuries at mile marker 306 on Highway 70. Med 7 arrived at 9:15 a.m. and received a refusal by 9:50 a.m.
 9:51 a.m. neighbor problems at location in Alto. Deputy dispatched.

11:01 p.m. accident at mile marker 138 on Highway 54. Carrizozo ambulance arrived at 11:25 p.m. and advised a car hauler had wrecked.
August 4
 4:43 a.m. theft at location on Valley View in Palo Verde Slopes. Deputy assigned.
 8:04 a.m. request for ambulance for man down at location in Cedar Creek. A woman was at her husband's house to report her husband was cold to touch and she thought he had expired. Med 1 and a deputy were dispatched. Med 1 arrived at 8:15 a.m. Deputy arrived at 8:43 a.m. and requested the Office of Medical Investigator (OMI).

1:25 p.m. forgery at location on Moccasin Trail. Deputy dispatched.
 3:04 p.m. request for ambulance for altercation injury at Capitan post office. Med 1 arrived at 3:42 p.m. and at 3:47 p.m. left for LCMC arriving there at 4:16 p.m.
 4:45 p.m. Lincoln County Detention Center (LCDC) advised of warrant service, a person turned himself into the jail administrator and was referred to appear before the judge who awarded the person to the work release program. The undersheriff advised that a signed warrant was needed.

August 5
 8:37 a.m. deputy advised he was doing warrant service at district court.
 9:44 a.m. request for ambulance for man down at location on G. Ave. who was possibly expired. Carrizozo ambulance arrived at 9:51 a.m. and at 9:54 a.m. requested the OMI who arrived at 10:04 a.m.
 10:01 a.m. animals at large at location on Sierra Drive, a large Pit Bull and a Hound dog. Deputy arrived at 10:26 a.m. and at 10:37 a.m. advised he had both K-9 prisoners.
 5:40 p.m. bear on porch at location in Cedar Creek. Deputy arrived at 5:58 p.m. and at 6:14 p.m. advised he made no contact with the bear and he requested the reporting party to call back if the bear returns.

August 7
 2:17 a.m. stabbing at location in Sun Valley. Med 2 arrived at 2:37 a.m. Deputies arrived at 2:22, 2:26 and 2:56 a.m. OMI requested.
 11:48 a.m. doors open at business in Glencoe area. Deputy arrived at 12:40 p.m. and advised all was okay, the night crew forgot to lock the door.
 2:25 p.m. deputy requested for traffic control at location on Gavilan Canyon Road, south of Warrior Drive. Deputy arrived at 2:40 p.m. and was done by 5:27 p.m.
 2:59 p.m. four wheelers racing on private property and running through stop signs at location on Little Big Horn in Rancho Ruidoso. Deputy arrived at 4:20 p.m. and made contact with the drivers of the four wheelers at 4:30 p.m. and got their phone numbers which he called at 5:06 p.m.
 4:31 p.m. female with baby speeding. Deputy arrived at 4:37 p.m. and at 4:47 p.m. advised he made no contact.

8:09 p.m. possible illegal plants at location on Moccasin Trail. Deputies arrived at 8:38 p.m. At 9:22 p.m. a deputy spoke with the Narcotics Enforcement Unit which was to follow up.
 10:01 p.m. civil kidnapping at location in Fawn Ridge. Deputy dispatched.
 11:07 p.m. disturbing the peace at location in Rancho Ruidoso. Deputy dispatched.
August 5
 1:27 a.m. 911 hang-up from location on ski run road. Deputy dispatched.
 6:04 a.m. fire at mile mark-

5:33 p.m. possible target shooting at location on LaMay Road. Deputy arrived in the area at 6:03 p.m. and at 6:07 p.m. advised he made no contact with shooters.



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Carrizozo Gridders Hit Hard by Graduation

Carrizozo High School has a tough football schedule this season, which is made tougher due to the loss by graduation of eight out of 11 starters.

Out of the six returning lettermen, two are linemen, Andy Baroz, guard, and Alton Lenard, tackle. The other four include Jimmy Barnett, 165-pound quarterback; Bob Powelson, 160-pound fullback; Joe Navarro, 130-pound halfback; and Tony Adler, 125-pound halfback.

Donald Queen, Eddie Holguin and Henry Vega, squadmen, will be material support for the team but its greatest potential source of men will come from the freshman and sophomore classes. Likley candidates from those classes are:

- Preston Lindsey, Lee Straley, Donald Calentine, Gerald King, Claude Wilson, Archie Robinson, Robert Armstrong, Jerry Kennedy, Crawford Garrison, Roy Grumley, Bobby Hicks, and Flavio Herrera.
- The Carrizozo schedule to date is:
 Sept. 8, Corona, there.
 Sept. 15, Capitan here.
 Sept. 21, Roswell B team, there.
 Sept. 29, Ruidoso, there.
 Oct. 6, Tularosa, here.
 Oct. 13, Capitan, there.
 Oct. 20, Ruidoso, here.
 Nov. 3, Socorro, there.

William Gallacher To Head Local Republicans

Republicans of Lincoln County met August 28 in Carrizozo to conduct an organizational meeting.

Fred W. Moxey, state campaign director with headquarters in Albuquerque, was present and reported it as a very successful meeting, well attended and good spirit shown.

William Gallacher, Carrizozo, was elected Lincoln County Republican chairman to fill the office left vacant by the recent death of State Representative Will T. Coe.

Mrs. Mabel Vigil, Carrizozo is the secretary of the county organization and Mrs. Lorine Samelson, Ruidoso, vice chairman.

J.G. Moore, Carrizozo, was appointed publicity chairman.

Trout Planted In Nogal

District Game Warden William Humphries announced this week 5,000 legal sized trout were planted in Nogal Lake on August 24.

The fish were brought to Nogal Lake from the Pecos Fish Hatchery, Pecos, NM.

Schedule Hearings On Sale Of Titsworth Estate

A hearing on the sale of the George Titsworth estate is scheduled for September 6 at the court house in Carrizozo.

An examination of court records discloses the assets of the estate in Lincoln County have been sold to Will Ed Harris of Carrizozo for \$550,000 by Mrs. Gussie I. Titsworth, administratrix and widow of the late George Titsworth who died last fall.

The sale is subject to the approval of the court, or, if there are any objections from the heirs or others, the court will naturally consider a higher bid.

Covered Dish Supper Honors Rev. Hall

Rev. and Mrs. Ollie Hall of Carrizozo were honored with a covered dish supper held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Clyde C. Brewster by members of the Trinity Methodist Church, August 25.

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Although most travelers experience only minor mishaps like sunburn or a missed exit ramp, more serious problems can occur at home. Simple common-sense safety practices can help you avoid these problems when you travel.

Prepare Your Home

- Use this checklist to prepare for your trip, to make certain you don't forget anything important before you leave home.
- * Stop mail and newspaper delivery or have a neighbor collect them daily.
- * Leave shades and blinds in normal position.
- * Put at least two lights and a radio on automatic timers.
- * Ask a neighbor to keep your property maintained (grass mowed, snow shoveled).
- * Have someone leave trash at your curb on garbage collection day and park a car in your driveway occasionally.
- * Leave a key with a trusted neighbor in case of emergency.
- * Ask your police department if it has a "Vacation Check" program. You could probably indicate your dates of departure and return, as well as which rooms have timed lights, and which neighbor has a key.
- * Lock all windows and doors before you go. Don't forget garage doors.

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Old Lincoln Town

by Rosalie Dunlap

Another very successful Old Lincoln Days has come and gone. There was a great number of people in town. The Pageant was dedicated to the memory of John Thomas and Cody Walker. The vendors began setting up Thursday.

The Pony Express Trail Ride had no problems with weather or riders. Rosemary LaRue and Betty Joiner handled the sale of the letters and posters on the porch of the I.A. Placita and the Post Office. Betty Joiner is working on the history of the Pony Express Race and Trail Rides.

It sprinkled just a little before the pageant on Sunday afternoon but didn't hurt the performance or the crowd. It was great seeing so many of younger generation participating in the pageant. The little ones are a crowd pleaser. They are so cute dancing with the fiesta dancers.

We had a wonderful parade with enough horses to satisfy all the horse lovers, especially the children. It was great to see the tractors in the parade this year. The parade judges were Frances Galle-

gos, Reggie Ritchie and Sharon Amastae. Cheri Hobbs was the parade chair-

man. One the happenings that marred the days for the locals was the blocking of the driveways. Don't people realize we need to enter and leave our homes??

There was a lot of activities at the Museum. Ina Tillman had four generations in the pageant, Ina Tillman, John and Jean Parker, Mikel Tillman, Jennifer Royalty, and McKinsey Katnes.

The Coral West of Ruidoso was a generous donor for the raffles at each performance. The funds raised go toward the scholarships the pageant group give each year. This past year the scholarships were awarded.

The scholarship winners from the pageant this past year were Colt Freemolle, Jessica Becker and Claryssa Silva. The scholarships are awarded to 4-h and FFA members, who are participants of the pageant or whose family are involved.

The cast had a party and dance following the Saturday performance.

The John Thomas family were the Grand Marshall's this year. John and his wife Mickey and family were involved in the pageant as actors and director. John played the part of Billy the Kid for years. The family members present were Stan and Debbie Thomas, daughter Linsey, Lincoln, J.C. and Cathy Ford, Las Cruces, and their son Frank and wife, Christine.

A film crew from the Equestrian Channel was filming the Trail Ride and NBC was filming the pageant festivities. Great publicity for the area.

Everyone was visiting with friends that hadn't been seen

in years.

Jay and Sara Walley, and family, Martine and Monica attended the Saturday evening performance. It was great seeing Jay. He is doing great and sill in therapy following his severe stroke several months ago.

Jay and Sara had just returned from Reno, NV where they attended the Freedom 21 convention.

Ralph Vance visited his aunt and uncle, Peg and Leota Phingsten last week.

The Ted Allen family is home after staying a month above Taos.

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legal information was not available because of the litigation, Weibrecht said.

Resident Ray Dean asked for an explanation of what is meant by saying something is in litigation. Police chief Angelo Vega said once there is a threat of litigation, all information pertaining to the issue is kept confidential according to client-attorney privilege until the issue is

resolved. "Once the threat is cleared, the public can have all the pieces of paper," Vega added.

Watkins said the town desires to have a monthly update on the legal issue from the attorney, considering what the town pays for legal fees. The town budgeted \$30,000 for legal fees this year, Weibrecht said, and the town is facing many legal fees for water rights protests.

After discussion Lovelace said the town could direct Stevens to not accept calls from the public, unless Stevens wants to do it "pro-bono" (for free).

Watkins said she believes the public having information about the billboard issue is critical. While expressing appreciation for what Weibrecht does in town hall.

Watkins said she will continue to pursue information about the billboard. With that the mayor gave the directive that the attorney accept no calls from the public about any town issue. Earlier in the meeting Watkins had asked about the status of the town order to the billboard owner to comply with town ordinances because it has been longer than 30 days. The mayor said everything is under direction of the attorneys who are negotiating until both sides can come to agreement. "There is a lot of red tape," the mayor said.

The mayor said the sign owner has decided not to sue the town over the billboard issue, rather the right thing.

Dean said he has heard a rumor that people are saying he (Dean) has cost the town \$4,000 in legal fees for pursuing the out of compliance billboard. The mayor said that is just a rumor.

DISTRICT COURT CALENDAR

The Calendar for District Court Cases

Monday, August 9
8:15 a.m. teleconference, Wachovia Bank v. Thompson; CV-2003-238 (Martinez/Stevens) Motion.
2:30 a.m. Criminal jury trial, Stuart Bass; CR-2004-14 (Thompson/Mitchell)

Tuesday, August 10
8:15 a.m. teleconference, Great American Custom v. Stuart Bass; CV-2004-40 (Ruben/Lowther/Bass/ProSe) Status.
8:30 a.m. Criminal jury trial continued, Stuart Bass; CR-2004-14 (Thompson/Mitchell)
5:30 p.m. Camp Sierra Blanca dinner at Cree Meadows in Ruidoso.

Wednesday, August 11
8:30 a.m. Criminal jury trial, Paul Sanchez; CR-2003-217 (Ceballes/Mitchell)
Darrell Brantley domestic mediator hears the following cases on Wednesday, August 11
10 a.m. DiPaolo v. DiPaolo; DV-2004-86
10:30 a.m. Ortiz v. Smallwood; DV-2004-89
Smith v. McClellan; DV-2004-90
1:15 p.m. DV-2004-78 Review hearing.

Thursday, August 12
8:15 a.m. teleconference, Nunn Electric v. Silver Dollar Electric; DV-2003-230 (Kanter/Rafkin)
8:30 a.m. Criminal jury trial continued, Paul Sanchez; CR-2003-217 (Ceballes/Mitchell)
2:30 p.m. teleconference, The Title Company v. Gavin; CV-2003-80 (R.Hawthorne/Rafkin/Witham) Motion.
3 p.m. Franck v. Franck; DM-2003-172 (ProSe) Two hours for merits.

Friday, August 13
9 a.m. Jury trial docket call.
Monette Finley & Rodney Lilly; CR-2003-104 & 106.
Julian Orosco; CR-2003-200
Rick Collins; CR-2004-60
Jesse Bernal; CR-2004-61
Jennifer Williams; CR-2004-70
Robert Servantez; CR-2004-73
Gabriela Comacho; CR-2004-75
Ambriel Lundquist; CR-2004-78
John Blackmon; CR-2004-72
Mark Reger; CR-2004-55
Johnny Padilla; CR-2004-35
James Kellogg; CR-2004-79
Joe Bookhammer; CR-2004-62
George Romero; CR-2004-44
Georbn Word; CR-2004-83
Denise Duran; CR-2004-88

9:30 a.m. Plea conferences.
Arlis Scott; CR-2004-110
Terry Kerr; CR-2004-111
Thomas Muldowney; CR-2004-108
Russell Waide; CR-2004-109
Chris Mitchell; CR-2004-113

Obituary

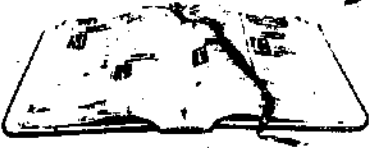
ALEJANDRO J. CANO

Alejandro J. Cano was born March 13, 1942 in Artesia. He died at his home in Capitan on July 28. He was reared in Hope and spent his adult life in Lincoln County. He and Julia Ann Perry were married on Dec. 9, 1974 in Hagerman. She survives him at the family home. Survivors include his wife, Julia; children, Elizabeth Cano of Ruidoso, David Lambert, Rudy Castaneda and Margart Cano-Sammis,

all of Capitan; eight grandchildren; one great granddaughter; two brothers, Prescilano Cano of Ruidoso and Johnny Amable Cano of Artesia; sister Adelina Nancy Castaneda of Roswell, and numerous nieces and nephews. Cremation was under the direction of Anderson and Bethany Funeral Home & Crematory.

Friends will be welcomed on Sunday, Aug. 8 between 12:00 noon and 5 p.m. at 140 Eagle Creek Rd. in Capitan.

Church Directory



MOUNTAIN MINISTRY PARISH, SIERRA BLANCA PRESBYTERY

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

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

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

First Baptist Church

HAYDEN SMITH, Pastor
314 10th Ave., Carrizozo, NM
648-2868 (Church) or 648-2107
Sunday School 9:45 a.m.
Worship Service 10:55 a.m.
Sun. Evening Training at 6:15 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 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
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. RON THOMSON, Rector
Corner of E Ave. and Sixth, Carrizozo, NM
1-505-258-1242
Holy Eucharist Sunday 9:30 a.m.

Claunch Community Church

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

United Methodist Churches

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

CAPITAN:

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

Christ Community Fellowship

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

Capitan Church of Christ

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

Trinity Southern Baptist Church

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

First Baptist Church of Corona

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

Angus Church of the Nazarene
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RICK HUTCHISON, Pastor / 336-8032
Southwest Corner of Hwy. 48 & 37 Junction
Between Ruidoso and Capitan, NM
Sunday:
Sunday School for all ages 9:30 a.m.
Morning Worship 10:30 a.m.
Children's Church 10:45 a.m.
Evening Worship 8:00 p.m.
Wednesday:
Teen dinner and games 6:00 p.m.
Teen Bible Study 7:00 p.m.
Prayer Meeting 6:00 p.m.

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LEGALS



Wednesday afternoon, Corona experienced a real electrical storm with some rain - four tenths at the south end of the village, more on the north. The first tank filled and the underpass ran about three feet deep. The water spread out northeast and filled a dirt tank in less than 15 minutes before the flow stopped.

Corona Public Schools starts Monday, August 16. Teachers will report for duty on Thursday, August 12.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Hine, their daughter, Colleen Hostetter, and husband Hans, all of Clovis, visited friends in Corona, Saturday afternoon. The Hines were interested in family history and sites. They visited the cemetery and learned that his great-grandfather, Joe Simpson, died in 1920. He would appreciate knowing anything about this man. They had visited Mrs. Simpson and have information on the Yates side of the family, but know nothing about the Simpsons.

Mrs. Rand Perkins was secretary for the Springfield, CO rodeo last week. The fog was so thick it was difficult to see the barrier and the arena looked like a duck pond at times.

Guests of Earl and Lovella Moore this week were a friend of 50 years, Alma Little, Carlsbad and her chauffeur, grandson, Logan Shores, Elko, NV. Logan will be a freshman in architecture at Texas Tech this fall. He enjoyed a tour of the Huey steel facility.

Mr. and Mrs. Pete Porter went to Benson, AZ to see her uncle Owen Raney, a former resident of Punkin Center. They attended a reception given by the three daughters and one son of Owen and his wife Quincy, who honored their parents on Owen's 90th birthday, Quincy's 85th birthday and the couple's 65th wedding anniversary.

Sheriff's Report

(Con't. from P. 5)

8:06 p.m. an anonymous caller reported kids breaking bottles at location on Screaming Eagle. Deputy arrived at 8:12 p.m. and advised that kids were throwing pine-cones.

8:15 p.m. welfare check of infant at location on Wild Rose to check on the oxygen level. Deputy arrived at 8:24 p.m. and advised all was okay and he provided the doctor's phone number.

August 8
6:20 a.m. request for ambulance at location at 10th and 3rd for 76 year old male who was sick and who had just had knee surgery.

6:43 p.m. an El Paso caller reported an altercation in the Bonito Lake area between the caller's daughter and her boyfriend, and the caller's windshield was broken. Deputy dispatched.

9:41 p.m. missing stuff, request for deputy at location on Apple Blossom for co-worker who was refusing to return stuff taken from the job site. Deputy dispatched.

which diverts from a river pump at a point in the NW1/4SE1/4NE1/4 of Section 5, Township 11 South, Range 15 East, N.M.P.M., and ceasing its use for the irrigation of 0.73 acres of land described as Pt. W1/2E1/2NE1/4 of Section 29, Township 11 South, Range 14 East, N.M.P.M., for municipal purposes within the City of Ruidoso Downs.

The applicant proposes to commence the diversion of 1.051 acre-feet per annum (consumptive irrigation requirement) of shallow groundwater from wells No. H-974 and H-974-S, both located in the SE1/4NE1/4NE1/4 of Section 29, Township 11 South, Range 14 East, N.M.P.M., for municipal purposes within the City of Ruidoso Downs.

The above described move-from point of diversion and place of use are located approximately 2 miles west of Glencoe on Highway 70, Lincoln County, New Mexico. The above described move-to points of diversion and place of use are located within the City of Ruidoso Downs, Lincoln County, New Mexico.

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**LEGAL NOTICE
LINCOLN COUNTY SPECIAL
DISTRICT COMMISSION
NOTICE OF PROCEEDINGS**

The Lincoln County Special District Commission shall hold a public hearing on August 26, 2004 at 1:00 pm at the Alto Lakes Golf & Country Club, Alto, NM, in the Sierra Room. Then and there, the Commission will hold a public hearing on a proposal to create an Alto Lakes Water and Sanitation District. The factors to be addressed at the public hearing are as outlined in §4-53-8 NMSA 1978.

AGENDA

- I. Appointment of a Secretary to keep minutes of the proceedings.
- II. Brief historic overview.
- III. Discussion of Special District Procedures, Section 4-53-8.
- IV. Public hearing on proposal to form Alto Lakes Water and Sanitation District.
- V. Approval of Formation of Alto Lakes Water and Sanitation District.

TAMMIE J. MADDOX
Lincoln County Clerk

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LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE is hereby given that on June 18, 2004, Richard David G. Sanchez, P.O. Box 1544, Ruidoso Downs, New Mexico 88346, filed application No. H-1795 into 0774 & 0777 with the STATE ENGINEER for permit to change point of diversion and place of use from groundwater to surface water by ceasing the diversion of 4.0 acre-feet per annum of shallow groundwater from well No. H-1795 located in the S1/2NE1/4SW1/4 of Section 24, Township 10 South, Range 13 East, N.M.P.M., and ceasing the irrigation of 1.25 acres of land described as Pt. SW1/4 of Section 24, Township 10 South, Range 13 East, N.M.P.M.

The applicant proposes to commence the diversion of 4.0 acre-feet per annum of the surface waters from the Rio Ruidoso, a tributary of the Pecos River, which diverts from a river pump at a point in the NW1/4SE1/4NE1/4 of Section 28, Township 10 South, Range 14 East, N.M.P.M., for the irrigation of 1.25 acres of land described as Pt. NE1/4NW1/4SE1/4 of Section 27, Township 10 South, Range 16 East, N.M.P.M.

Application is made to transfer water rights back to their original point of diversion and place of use. Said rights were transferred to their current location by OSE permit No. 0774 & 0777 into H-1795 issued on April 3, 2002.

The above described move-from point of diversion and place of use are located approximately 2 1/2 miles northeast of Alto, Lincoln County, New Mexico. The above described move-to point of diversion and place of use are located approximately 1/2 of a mile west of San Patricio on Highway 70, Lincoln County, New Mexico.

NOTICE is further given that on June 18, 2004, Richard David G. Sanchez, P.O. Box 1544, Ruidoso Downs, New Mexico 88346 filed application No. 0774 & 0777 into H-974 & H-974-S, with the STATE ENGINEER for permit to change point of diversion and place of use from surface water to groundwater by ceasing the diversion of 1.80 acre-feet per annum (consumptive irrigation requirement) of the sur-

face waters from the Rio Ruidoso, a tributary of the Pecos River, which diverts from the Lower Chosas Ditch South at a point in the NW1/4SE1/4NE1/4 of Section 28, Township 10 South, Range 16 East, N.M.P.M., and ceasing its use for the irrigation of 1.25 acres of land described as the NE1/4NW1/4SE1/4 of Section 27, Township 10 South, Range 16 East, N.M.P.M.

The applicant proposes to commence the diversion of 1.80 acre-feet per annum (consumptive irrigation requirement) of shallow groundwater from wells No. H-974 and H-974-S, both located in the SE1/4NE1/4NE1/4 of Section 29, Township 11 South, Range 14 East, N.M.P.M., for municipal purposes within the City of Ruidoso Downs.

The above described move-from point of diversion and place of use are located approximately 1/2 of a mile west of San Patricio on Highway 70, Lincoln County, New Mexico. The above described move-to points of diversion and place of use are located within the City of Ruidoso Downs, Lincoln County, New Mexico.

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NOTICE is hereby given that on August 3, 2004, City of Ruidoso Downs, P.O. Box 348, Ruidoso Downs, New Mexico 88346, filed application No. H-974-S-2 with the STATE ENGINEER for permit to supplement the diversion of 38.2 acre-feet per annum of shallow groundwater by drilling a shallow well approximately 8 3/4 inches in diameter and 300 feet in depth at a point in the SE1/4NE1/4NE1/4 of Section 29, Township 11 South, Range 14 East, N.M.P.M.

Applicant proposes to supplement shallow wells No. H-974 and H-974-S, both located in the SE1/4NE1/4NE1/4 of Section 29, Township 11 South, Range 14 East, N.M.P.M., for municipal purposes.

The above described wells and place of use are located within the City of Ruidoso Downs, Lincoln County, New Mexico.

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GROUP I: THE FOLLOWING NAMED PERSON IF LIVING, IF DECEASED HIS UNKNOWN HEIRS, AND THE UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF THE FOLLOWING NAMED PERSON IF LIVING, IF DECEASED HER UNKNOWN HEIRS: RAJA MAKAREM;

GROUP II: C.O.R., INC., A TEXAS CORPORATION, SUCCESSOR IN INTEREST TO THE DEFUNCT CAMELOT OF RUIDOSO, INC., A NEW MEXICO CORPORATION;

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

Defendants.

**SUMMONS AND NOTICE OF
PENDENCY OF ACTION**

THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO TO THE DEFENDANTS ABOVE NAMED IN GROUPS I, II and III:

GREETINGS: You are hereby notified that Diane Waldine, Plaintiff, has filed an action in the District Court of Lincoln County, New Mexico, Civil Docket No. CV-04-204 Div. III, wherein you are named as Defendants and wherein said Plaintiff seeks to obtain constructive service upon you.

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

Lot 10, Block 3, of CAMELOT SUBDIVISION, UNIT 1, Lincoln County, New Mexico, as shown by the plat thereof filed in the office of the County Clerk of Lincoln County on April 21, 1973, in Tube No. 492, TOGETHER WITH all improvements thereon. SUBJECT TO reservations, restrictions and easements of record.

You are further notified that unless you enter your appearance, plead or otherwise respond in said cause on or before September 22, 2004, judgment will be rendered against you by default and the relief prayed for in the Complaint will be granted to Plaintiff in conformity with the allegations of the Plaintiff's Complaint.

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

WITNESS my hand and seal of the District Court of Lincoln County, New Mexico, on this the 9th day of August, 2004.

(SEAL)

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

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LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE is hereby given that on June 18, 2004, Gloria Castillo, 1406 West 4th Avenue, Tularosa, New Mexico 88352, filed application No. H-1795 into 0736 with the STATE ENGINEER for permit to change point of diversion and place of use from groundwater to surface water by ceasing the diversion of 2.336 acre-feet per annum of shallow groundwater from well No. H-1795 located in the S1/2NE1/4-SW1/4 of Section 24, Township 10 South, Range 13 East, N.M.P.M., and ceasing the irrigation of .73 acres of land described as the SW1/4 Section 24, Township 10 South, Range 13 East, N.M.P.M.

The applicant proposes to commence the diversion of 2.336 acre-feet per annum of the surface waters from the Rio Ruidoso, a tributary of the Pecos River, which diverts from a river pump at a point in the NW1/4SE1/4NE1/4 of Section 5, Township 11 South, Range 15 East, N.M.P.M., for the irrigation of 0.73 acres of land described as Pt. W1/2E1/2NE1/4 of Section 5, Township 11 South, Range 15 East, N.M.P.M.

Application is made to transfer water rights back to their original point of diversion and place of use. Said rights were transferred to their current location by OSE permit No. 0736 issued on December 19, 2002.

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No New Subdivision

(Continued from Page 1)

Morel said yes and then Blaney said he did not believe it would stand up in court.

Morel said if Blaney simply wanted to divide his land without creating a new subdivision that can be done by simply filing a new plat with the county clerk. "I do not recommend giving county approval to this lot split," Morel added.

Blaney said he was being denied due process in his attempt for a new subdivision by the county planning committee and the county attorney.

County planning officer Patsy Sanchez said Blaney brought his proposed subdivision plan which showed lot lines changed, not subdivided.

A representative from

Ranches of Sonterra presented a letter from the property owners association which only recently learned of Blaney's request. The group was not notified by Blaney of his intentions and the group opposed his proposal.

San Patricio resident Ken Nosker who also owns land in Ranches of Sonterra also complained about the property owners association. Nosker said the association has done "things in direct opposition to the residents in a capricious manner."

"I am against anything the property owners association of Ranches of Sonterra wants to do," Nosker added.

County commissioners took no action on the appeal, rather Wilson directed Morel to "negotiate" with Blaney over the situation.

County commissioners also:

--Adopted a resolution to continue as an active member of the Southeastern New Mexico Economic Development District (SNMEDD), with possible reconsideration for next fiscal year. County manager Tom Stewart said he will make recommendation on continuing with SNMEDD next year after he sees who is selected as the new SNMEDD executive director to replace Tony Elias who died in early July.

--Approved a cooperative agreement with the US Forest Service for improvements to Bonito Canyon Forest Service Road 107 under which the county will receive \$10,000 in materials which the county will put down on the road.

--Approved the final road acceptance of the private roads in the Copper Canyon Subdivision Phase 1, located

in Angus.

--Approved the 2004-2005 cooperative agreements with the New Mexico Department of Transportation for pavement rehabilitation.

--Authorized a letter be sent to the New Mexico Department of Health protesting a proposal to require counties to pay for county employee medical insurance out of county indigent health care funds.

--Approved a \$3,333 contribution in exchange for services to the Lincoln County Community Cooperative which will be used as a match to a \$55,000 grant for the cooperative which will provide an array of services to youth with high risk of delinquent behavior and those who have been apprehended for delinquent acts.

--Awarded bid for dust control suppressant to Envirotech Chemical of Los Lunas for 16 cents per square yard and awarded the proposal to enter into a contract for one year for banking services for the county to First National Bank with branch in Ruidoso.

--Approved the county Lodgers Tax Committee recommendations to fund \$4,061 for advertising costs of the Carrizozo Chamber of Commerce Gov. McDonald Old Settlers/Reunion Day on July 24; approved \$2,975 for advertising the county in Trailer Life publication.

--Appointed James Sanchez to the Lincoln Historic Preservation Board to replace John McGrath who resigned; postponed appointments to the Lincoln County Lodgers Tax Committee until the August meeting; appointed Pam Lewis to the Public Land Use and Rural Affairs Advisory Committee (PLURAAC) to fill a vacancy created when Tony Seno resigned; postponed the appointment to the Water Research and Conservation Committee.

--Recessed to executive session to discuss threatened and pending litigation from Beauvais v. Thomas, et al; Long Beach Mortgage v. Chavez, et al; Mauldin v. PHS, LCMC & Worthington; State v. Hurd, et al; State v. Lewis et al; State v. Marley et al; State v. Neria et al; State v. Sothen et al; Varner v. County et al; Sam Chavez v. Lincoln County Clerk's Office; Toni Gibson v. MacKenzie, Borrego & Lincoln County; Mortgage Electronic Finance Registration Systems Inc (Bank of NY) v. Lincoln County/LCSWA; Freddy Baca, et al v. Lincoln County et al; Capitan v. LCSWA; Bank One et al v. Thomson, Lincoln County, LCSWA; Toni Wood v. Lincoln County, CSI, MacKenzie.

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As the Lincoln County News nears the century mark of being in existence (1905-2005), we will be randomly publishing articles that have been published in the NEWS from old files. The following article appeared in the "Lincoln County News and Carrizozo Outlook"

Friday, September 1, 1950

Beauty Queen Named Here

Mrs. Clarence Hust, Carrizozo, was named Lincoln County's beauty Queen last Saturday evening at the show held in the local grade school auditorium.

Wearing a bronze evening gown embroidered in brown sequins, the attractive brunette walked up the steps leading to the stage to receive her crown and gifts of flowers and candy.

Sponsored by the Carrizozo Woman's Club, the contest was conducted on a county-wide basis.

Following are the names of the contestants and their sponsors as reported to The News-Outlook by an official of the local Woman's Club:

Capitan -- Evelyn Cheney, Titsworth Company; Vada Chapman, Pearl's Coffee Shop; Gwendolyn Martin, Dee Hickman's Service Station.

Fort Stanton -- Mary Ann Cox, Fort Stanton Store.

Carrizozo -- Margaret Shrum, Petty's General Merchandise; Josephine Telles, Carrizozo Hardware Company; Jeannette Posey, Harkley Lumber Company; Cecilia Chavez, Vidaurri's Store; Lydia Chavez, Ortiz Chevron Station; Katie Marie Snodgrass, Phillips 66; Elaine Shults, Carrizozo Mercantile Company; Barbara Jean Branum, Shafer Motor Company; Mildred Hust, Nickels Building and Hardware Company; Betty Moore, Monte Vista Service Station; Peggy June Cathey, City Garage; Katholene Ward, Lane Sisters; Era Berry, Grace Jones Abstract Company; Emily Ann Johnson, Vega Feed Store; Roberta Key, Burton's Hardware.

This list does not include the names of the contestants who for various reasons were unable to be present at the time the selection of the Queen was made.

Judges were Ben Griesen and Vernon Petty, mayors, respectively, of Capitan and Carrizozo, and Burr McClain, Fort Stanton.

Mayor Petty opened the program with an introduction of a radio performer known as Red Brown, who had previously been billed as master of ceremonies for the evening. Petty added humorously he never heard Brown's program because someone "turns the water off in Carrizozo between midnight and 7 A.M."

With the exception of a couple of vocal numbers by Bobby Rickerson, Carrizozo, Brown not only MC's the show, but, as it later developed, he was the show -- period.

The disc jockey and singer of hillbilly songs on an early morning program, aired from an El Paso station, led off with the introduction of the Beauty Queen contestants. As the names of the contestants and their sponsors were announced, each girl walked across and off stage. When all had been named, Brown asked them to walk back across the stage in single file before the judges who were seated upon the stage. The judges then retired back stage to make their selection, and the beauty contestants found seats in the audience.

From there on Brown plugged Brown. Assisted by his wife and small son, whom he called "Frog", the group presented a program of instrumental music, including several hillbilly songs. The boy made a good showing with his accordion selections, but probably the audience would have been as well pleased had he dispensed with some of his gyrations during the time he was on stage. Apparently, the lad enjoyed the opportunity to be seen and heard, however, as he was observed amusing the beauty queen contestants despite the stern glances of his parents from the stage.

The elder Brown displayed a propensity for punctuating his numbers with such grimacing and shuffling of feet as to be somewhat confusing to the onlookers.

After an hour or so of listening to Brown plug his radio program between musical numbers, and throw in a few commercials for his sponsors, a nation wide chain store and others, Mrs. Brown came back stage to announce to her husband and the audience the Beauty Queen had been chosen. She reported it had been a hard decision to make, and each judge had selected three names and those names were placed in a sack -- the sack was displayed to the audience by Mayor Petty along with some humorous remarks.

Mrs. Brown said she then drew three names out of the sack, and these three names were returned to the sack by the judges. Then, according to Mrs. Brown, she pulled another name out of the sack for the winning one.

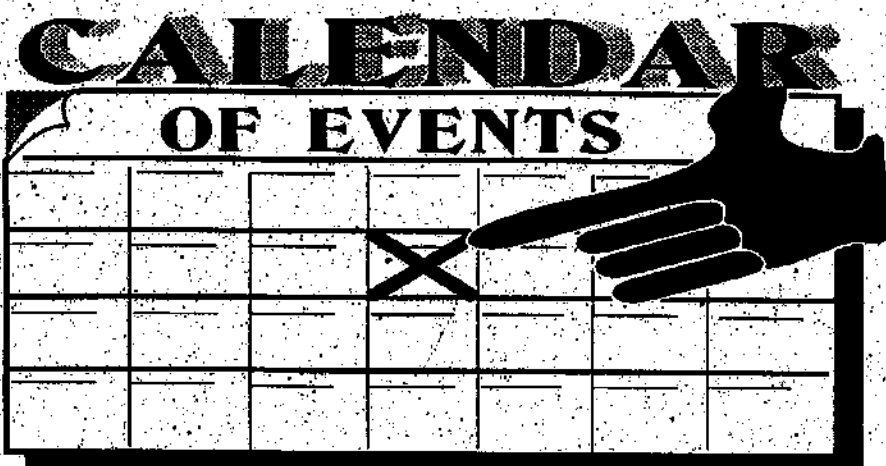
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C'zozo Town Auction Aug. 28

Town of Carrizozo will auction off surplus items, including the 1962 Dodge Dart fire chief's car, at 8 a.m. Saturday, August 28, at the town maintenance yard behind Carrizozo Country Club.

Town trustees approved the resolution that authorized the auction and the surplus items from each town department during their regular meeting Tuesday, August 10. Auction inventory from the fire department includes the 1962 Dodge Dart station wagon and a 1973 Ford F-350 ambulance; from the police department two computer keyboards, two Sony recorders, radar carrying case, "Life Hammer", two night sticks, pistol holder, magazine holder, two pepper spray holders, two pen light holders, three belt clips, Polaroid camera, radio charger, two radar antennas, box radar, cassette holder, gun cleaner, two shotguns chambered for 2

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Carrizozo School Supplies List

Carrizozo middle and high school students start class on Wednesday, August 25 and Carrizozo elementary school starts on Monday, August 30. The following supply lists were provided by the school.

Kindergarten--backpack with child's name, 2 boxes regular size tissues, five boxes 8-color crayons, 1 small bottle school glue, 2 glue sticks, 10 #2 pencils, 8-count box of thick markers, three containers of regular sized baby wipes, one box zip lock sandwich bags, smock or over-sized old t-shirt for painting, child sized blanket or mat for rest time. Please write your child's name on all items.

First grade--2 boxes 8 color crayons, box of 24 crayons, glue, scissors, box tissues, 2 erasers, package of 24 #2 pencils, 8 color watercolor set, 2 glue sticks, colored pencils, small box zip bags.

Second grade--24 #2 pencils, two boxes of 24-count crayons, three 8-count boxes crayons (one for home), one bottle school glue, scissors, 1 folder with pockets, 2-3 pencil erasers, 2 glue sticks, 2 boxes tissues, 1 spiral notebook, erasers, box zip lock bags, colored pencils, watercolor paint set.

Third grade--3 packages wide-ruled loose leaf notebook paper, two packages of 24-count #2 pencils, two

boxes of 24 count crayons, one box tissues, box quart size zip bags for students with last names beginning with A-M, box gallon size baggies for students whose last names begin with N-Z, one pair sharp scissors, one accordion file folder, 10 glue sticks, 10 red marking pencils, one package of colored pencils, one paperback dictionary. No need for three ring binders or zipper binders as these are too big for the desk, no need for pencil boxes or colored markers.

Fourth grade--3 packages wide-ruled loose leaf paper, two packages of 24-count #2 pencils, one box tissues, one box quart size zip bags for students whose last names begin with A-M, one box gallon size zip bags for students whose last names begin with N-Z, one pair sharp scissors, one accordion file folder, 10 glue sticks, 1 pkg. "Brights" student file folders, 24 count crayons, box tissues, one package of colored pencils, one paperback dictionary. No need for three ring binders or zippered binders, pencil boxes or colored markers.

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Fifth grade--4 packages wide-ruled loose leaf notebook paper, 4 spiral notebooks, 24 count crayons, erasable blue or black pens, one package of 10-count #2 pencils, 1 pair sharp point scissors, 2 boxes tissues, 2 glue sticks, 1 pkg. colored pencils, ruler with centimeters and inches, 2 black pens, 5 multicolored high lighters (pink, orange, yellow, green, blue), one eraser, 5 folders with pockets and brads, 1 package of 8-tab dividers for notebook, one 3-ring notebook, one package of washable markers.

Mid-school math--1 3-ring binder, pencils, loose leaf paper, red pens or pencils for grading, ruler with centimeters and inches.

Integrated fine arts - mid and high school--1 set colored pencils, one spiral notebook, #2 wooden pencils, and ruler.

High school students should come with pencils, pens and paper on the first day of school at which time they will receive supply lists from the various teachers.

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.
--Fibromyalgia Syndrome Support Group meets every third Tuesday, 6 p.m. K-Bob's in Ruidoso. Call 354-3046 for more information.

TUESDAYS
--Capitan Public Library preschool reading hour at 1 p.m.
--Alcoholics Anonymous, 6:30 p.m. Carrizozo First Baptist Church Fellowship Hall.
--Crossfire Youth Group, 6:30-8 p.m. Trinity Baptist Church in Capitan. For junior and senior high school age youth.

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

TODAY, THURSDAY, AUGUST 12
--Lincoln County Fair continues, exhibit hall open 8 a.m. until 8 p.m. Shows ongoing.
--Capitan School Board 6 p.m. school administration building.

SATURDAY, AUGUST 14
--Fort Stanton Live! sponsored by Fort Stanton, Inc. music, re-enactments, food.
--County Democrats invited to attend Fort Stanton Live! event at Fort Stanton and to stay afterwards for a brief gathering at the north end of the old stables for an update on upcoming party activities.

MONDAY, AUGUST 16
--Capitan School 6th grade orientation, 5:30 p.m.
--Ruidoso-Lincoln County Extra-territorial Zoning Commission.

TUESDAY, AUGUST 17
--Lincoln County Commission meets at 8:30 a.m. in their chambers in the Lincoln County Courthouse in Carrizozo, 9 a.m. public hearing on proposed ordinance to regulate billboards in Nogal and consideration of public input on a concept of county-wide sign regulations and possible county-wide billboard moratorium. Agenda available from the office of the county manager at 648-2385.
--Carrizozo School Board 6 p.m.

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 18
--Local Emergency Planning Committee (LEPC) meets at 1:30 p.m. at Ruidoso Village Hall.
--Capitan-Carrizozo Natural Gas board 6 p.m. community room at Wells Fargo Bank in Carrizozo.
--Ruidoso Parks & Recreation committee meets at 6:30 p.m. in village hall.

THURSDAY, AUGUST 19
--Class starts for all Capitan Schools, grades K-12.
--Ruidoso Lodgers Tax Committee 2:30 p.m. village hall.
--Lincoln Historic Preservation Board, 7 p.m. community church in Lincoln.

FRIDAY, AUGUST 20
--Capitan Schools Back to School night 5 p.m.

SATURDAY, AUGUST 21
--Jicarilla Council of Government, 4 p.m. Jicarilla Community Center.

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 25
--Class starts for students in Carrizozo Mid and High Schools.
--Lincoln County Lodgers Tax Committee 10 a.m. Watson House in Lincoln.

Capitan School Supplies List

All Capitan schools, grades K-12, start Thursday, August 19.

The list of supplies for each grade are:

Kindergarten--two boxes of tissues; four boxes of 8-count regular size (not fat) Crayolas; one package of 10 count "Twist Up Crayons" regular colors; one set of 8 water colors; one 4-oz. bottle Elmer's white school glue; four fat (.77 oz.) glue sticks; small plastic school box (5 x 8"); pair metal scissors (left handed if needed); backpack with child's name in it; one dozen #2 regular yellow pencils; small travel-size pillow for rest time; plastic water bottle with name on outside; two plastic stiff bottom pocket folders (no brads or side pockets); box ziplock sandwich bags; one package eraser tops.

First grade--two 16-pack Crayolas (no off brands or larger boxes); 16 glue sticks; pair pointed scissors; two large boxes of tissues; 20 #2 yellow pencils (no Trusty brand); two large pink erasers; one watercolor set; one box ziplock quart freezer bags; small (6x8") plastic school box with attached lid; one small backpack; three plastic folders with brads and pockets.

Second grade--30 plain yellow pencils; 30 pencil top erasers; 64 count box crayons; pair pointed metal scissors; large 7.6 ounce bottle white glue; three large boxes of tissues; one small (6 x 8") school box; one watercolor paint set (Crayola brand); one box quart or gallon sized ziplock bags; three glue sticks; four solid color plain paper folders with no brads inside; one spiral wide-ruled, 70-page, plain cover notebook without perforated pag-

es; one small backpack without wheels.

Third grade--three folders with brads; two sturdy plastic pocket folders; one pack wide-ruled notebook paper; two spiral 70-page spiral notebooks with no perforated paper; one box 64 count Crayolas; one bottle Elmer's Glue; one pair 6.5 inch pointed scissors; four packages yellow wooden pencils; two red ink Bic medium point pens; two packages pencil top erasers; two large boxes tissues; one package of 9-count colored pencils; one box ziplock gallon sized freezer bags; one backpack without wheels.

Fourth grade--box of pencils; three boxes of tissues; three packages of loose-leaf paper; box of crayons; box of colored pencils; pencil sharpener; ruler; scissors; glue; one permanent black Sharpie marker; six to eight different colored folders with brads and pockets; one water bottle; one cup for hot chocolate; one box of hot chocolate mix; one package of note cards with names printed on them in big letter (for the Hall of Fame); two red pens or pencils.

Fifth grade--two packages of loose leaf notebook paper; two packages of white copy paper; two large boxes of tissues; 100 3 x 5" index cards; one pair large pointed scissors; four 120-page spiral notebooks; one box 16-count crayons; package of colored pencils; large bottle Elmer's Glue; one package of Expo Wipe Off Markers; one Sharpie (permanent black marker); six different colored pocket folders with brads; two Highlighters; pens; lots of pencils; one roll of tape.

Middle and High School students should bring pens, pencils and loose leaf paper the first days of school, when they will receive each class supply lists.

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ACT has launched a new website for students taking the college admissions exam, www.actstudent.org. The site features information that changes according to the needs the student has during the school year.

Services and information at the website include online registration, early scores and score reporting, information about the ACT, free test prep questions and information, college search and online applications, financial aid need estimator, and additional college planning information.

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and 3 inch shells, seven boxes 12 gauge shotgun shells, chain saw and weed eater.

Other police department items for auction are a 1993 white Caprice, 2002 blue Chevrolet Impala, Brother typewriter.

Other items include: princess type phone, phones from phone system, Epson Stylus printer, laserjet printer, two cell phones and chargers.

Maintenance department items for auction are a 1952 International water tank truck, pull type Toro gang mower, reels for Toro, five reel Jacobson gang mower, three reel Toro greens mower, three greens mower reels, Rogers aerator with concrete weights, box lawn mower parts, glass counter, 6 x 3 foot desk with drawers, large pile of scrap metal including 6 and 4 foot pipe, six 10 x 10 canopy tops, 1988 Ford ranger pick-up, sewer router, 3 foot backhoe bucket.

Items from city hall include Sharp SF2118 copier, two

monitors, file index cabinet, five file cabinets, metal desk, two bookshelves, three keyboards, AS400 computer base, HP Deskjet 560C printer, HP 1100 Laserjet printer, tower, Olympia typewriter, HP720C Deskjet printer, Xerox copier, Omega 303 copier, IBM Selectric II typewriter, two office chairs, Tandy TRS-80 computer with monitor, two white computer tables, 1989 white Caprice.

NMED Offers Free Well Water Testing

The New Mexico Environment Department (NMED) announced that users of private wells can have a sample of their water tested for free at any NMED field office. These free tests will analyze the sample for fluoride, iron and nitrate. Tests for pH electrical conductivity (a measure of total minerals) and organic vapor also may be provided depending on instrument availability.

Instructions on how to collect a well water sample and a list of NMED field offices is available on the website, http://www.nmed.state.nm.us/fod/LiquidWaste/well_testing.html.

The free testing is limited to samples from private domestic wells. For further information call Jon Goldstein, communications director, NMED at 505-827-0314.

Forensics 101 For Billy

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the shooting he contended Bell was really killed at the top of the stairs, not near the bottom of the stairs as legend has it. "We started with the original flooring at the top of the stairs," Sullivan said. "We got weak and strong positive for blood."

"Then we went downstairs and got a ladder and tested the underneath of the boards at the top of the stairs," Sullivan continued. "We got a strong positive."

"The dumlinal lit up with strong positive of blood," Sullivan said.

They also tested the walls along the stairway but found old lead based paint produced a false reading.

Proving this blood evidence is from Bell could be hard to do as no one has been able to find a living descendant of Bell's, Sullivan added.

The blood evidence from the bench is important, because they hope it will provide the DNA evidence for Billy the Kid, Sullivan said.

This DNA evidence is important to the case of the unresolved murder of deputy James Bell in 1881, for which Billy the Kid is credited. Under this active murder case actually filed in Lincoln County this spring, Sullivan has sought to determine whether the bones buried in Fort Sumner are actually those of Billy the Kid. Sullivan told THE NEWS early in the case that he became interested after going through Hico, TX where the Brushy Bill museum is located. Brushy Bill claimed to

be Billy the Kid who was not killed by Pat Garrett, rather escaped to live to an old age.

Sullivan originally wanted to get evidence to prove the bones in Fort Sumner are Billy's by exhuming the body of the Kid's mother, Catherine Antrum, which is buried in Silver City, and extracting DNA from the bones and comparing them with the DNA from the "Billy" bones in Fort Sumner.

However, the district court in Grant County dismissed Sullivan's request to exhume the body of Catherine Antrum, with prejudice. "The judge said to bring him Billy's DNA first," Sullivan said.

Soon they may have just that DNA, derived from the scrapings and swabs taken from the bench that is still in the possession of the Maxwell family descendants. "It will take the lab in Dallas about a month to complete all DNA and other extensive tests ordered by Dr. Lee," Sullivan added.

Once they have the DNA evidence from the bench, Sullivan and his privately financed attorney Bill Robbins will again submit a request to the Grant County District Court to exhume Antrum's body.

Sullivan said the legal papers to request the exhumation are in the process again and they are trying to speed up the entire process. Sullivan leaves his office as Lincoln County sheriff in December.

The request for a pardon for Billy the Kid is now in

the works with the governor," Sullivan added. "We've asked if he could grant the pardon before the end of my term."

All legal and lab work is being paid for by private sources, Sullivan said. He said Robbins and Dr. Lee are providing their work pro-bono.

A full length documentary about the case is also in the works, Sullivan added.

"We're not using any public money for this case," Sulli-

van told THE NEWS. "We're not using any deputies' time either."

Sullivan, his partner in the case Steve Sederwall and the DeBaca County Sheriff Tom Graves joined together on the case, gaining support from Governor Bill Richardson. Sullivan told THE NEWS that

Gov. Richardson offered the use of state forensic labs in the case, but Sullivan said that was never the intent and all testing will be done at the private lab financed with private funds.

Sullivan did not elaborate on where the private funds are coming from.

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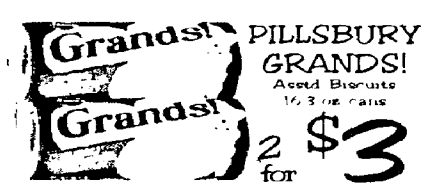
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