CCNG Prices Will Increase in December

by Doris Cherry

Customers of Capitan-Carrizozo Natural Gas (CCNG) will get a surprise when they open their gas bills starting in December--a

30 percent price increase.

Alarmed at the increase Alarmed at the increase and wanting answers, Capitan Village Trustees and Carrizozo Town Trustees sat down with the CCNG board at a special joint meeting on Monday, November 22 in Capitan to air some "differences of opinion on where the gas company should go." By the end of the hour and By the end of the hour and 45 minutes of often repetitive discussion, officials from both communities called for CCNG to develop a pricing chart based on gas volume

factors figured at Capitan's altitude and to find all ways to cut operation and service costs in order to reduce the

overall gas bills.
Sheriff Tom Sullivan, chair of the CCNG board and the only Capitan representative left on the board, said the joint meeting was called because there appears to be a consensus with the Capitan Board of Trustees that CCNG is insolvent and will be bankrupt by spring. "I don't see it that way." Sulli-

Capitan trustee Bobbi Shearer, who resigned from the CCNG board along with the other Capitan representative Cliff Smith, opened the questioning. She asked CCNG finance officer Kay

Strickland why CCNG buys a certain volume of gas, then increases the pressures to sell more than purchased, thereby making what she called a profit estimated to be \$78,000 a year. Shearer also questioned why CCNG rates were nearly 80 percent high-

er than Zia Natural Gas rates. The mayor of Capitan said he was getting letters of complaint from the school superintendent and residents.

A resident who did not identify herself said she was concerned for herself, the businesses and many who are on low and fixed incomes.

Capitan trustee Bill Martin wanted to know what CCNG will do in the future to avoid

steep price increases. Are you implying CCNG is doing something illegal?" Sullivan asked.

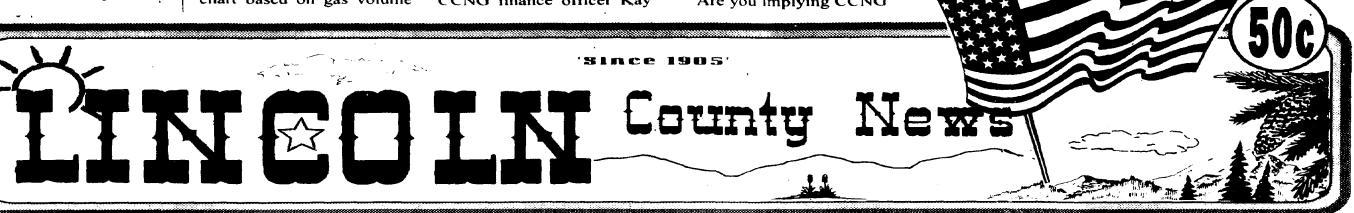
"Your numbers don't work," Shearer answered. "Something Cliff was trying to tell me for three years." Sullivan said gas prices are

going up everywhere, including for PNM, the biggest company in the state. He said he talked with Capitan school superintendent and explained the price increase for CCNG. Sullivan said he also spoke with the county manager about the increase in gas prices for the courthouse and detention center in Carrizozo, and the state general services department which maintains Fort Stanton, another CCNG customer. He said none of those entities are threatening to cut off CCNG and go with Zia

Sullivan said now Zia Gas cannot come into Capitan or Carrizozo because CCNG has the franchise on gas service in these communities.

When asked why the prices

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Thanksgiving

Let us pause a moment in our daily deliberations and give thanks for the many blessings we have received. Thankful for our health, our good friends, the rewards for honest toll, and the community and nation whose prosperity is our everpresent concern.

Let us be thankful of the right to be alive, no matter

how hard the road of life may be; and it will help us to know that the sunshine always comes after the storm and the rainow of properity in just ahead. - Emy Smith

Billboard Moratorium Renewed Another 90 Days

by Doris Cherry

Lincoln County Commissioners extended their moratorium on all new billboards for another 90 days until they decide on a proposed ordinance regulating the large

At their meeting November 19, county commissioners held a public hearing on a proposed ordinance that would regulate billboards. The previous 90 days moratorium on new billboards was set to expire that date.

After more than an hour of debate and discussion, county commissioners did not adopt the ordinance, rather they voted 4-1 to extend the billboard moratorium for an-

other three months. County attorney Alan Mo-

rel offered a draft proposed billboard ordinance which would prohibit any sign that is more than 300 square feet in size per side on any roadway in the county that is not within a municipality or on state or federal lands. The proposed ordinance would allow any sign less than 16 square feet in size.

The billboard issue came up this summer after two 'spectacular" (referring to size) billboards were put up, one in Carrizozo and the other on State Road 37 between Loma Grande and Bonito Lake turn off, and third planned for installation in Nogal. Residents of Nogal succeeded in getting the county commission to adopt an ordinance to prohibit billboards in Nogal townsite

only. However, a number of residents who obtained many signatures on petitions calfing for a prohibition on billboards came to the county commission asking for a county wide ordinance to regulate the signs.

Caroline McCoy, who led the initiative for the Nogal ordinance, said she had reconsidered the 300 square foot limit for billboard size and thought it was still too large. As an example she said the first row of chairs in the county commission chambers was 14 feet.

Tona Macken who favored a billboard prohibition said the newcomers to the county moved here for the rural beauty and unspoiled landscape. "I hope you adopt an ordinance to protect Lincoln County from lots and lots of billboards," she said. "Because if you don't years from now there will be lots of billboards and you want to get rid of them it will cost lots of money."

Oscuro resident Jerry Carroll, a "refugee from Dallas", urged the passage of a billboard ordinance to protect the health and welfare of the public and the custom and culture of the county. Carroll said the 300 square feet should be total size for both sides of a billboard. Carroll also questioned the height of signs in the proposed ordinance. He asked that a provision be added for notification of those adjoining property

Loma Grande resident Karen Smith said since June more than 400 people county wide have signed petitions in favor of a billboard ordi-

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Special County Meeting In Ruidoso Dec. 8 for ETZ

ETZ To "Drop Dead" Unless Extended

Lincoln County Commissioners are holding a special meeting/public hearing about the Ruidoso-Lincoln County Extra Territorial Zoning (ETZ) ordinance at 3:30 p.m. Wednesday December 8, in the Ruidoso Convention Center. December 8 is the day the ETZ will "drop dead" unless the county commission votes to extend it.

At their meeting November 16 in their chambers in the Lincoln County Courthouse in Carrizozo, county commissioners voted 3-2 to hold a special public hearing on December 8 to further discuss and possibly extend the ETZ ordinance.

County commissioners three months ago voted to dissolve the ETZ in 90 days if changes were not made to the E. I.Z. ordinance. The vote was taken as the result of a complaint of a business man in the ETZ who was having difficulty with complying with the requirement being set by the ETZ Commission and the Ruidoso planning office which administers the

On Nov. 16, county commissioner Earl Hobbs, who with county commissioner Maury St. John serve on the Ruidoso-Lincoln County ETZ Authority with Ruidoso councilor Ron Hardeman, opened the discussion. (The Ruidoso-Lincoln County ETZ Authority is made up of two county commissioners and one Ruidoso councilor.) Hobbs said the ETZ Author-

ity had met November 15 and formalized the compiled ETZ ordinance as presented by county attorney Alan Morel. The "compiled ETZ ordinance" consists of parts of different ETZ ordinances adopted in 1993, 1999 and 2001, under which the Ruidoso planning office has administered the ETZ.

Hobbs said the ETZ Commission (made up of seven members, three appointed by the village, three appointed by the county with the last selected by the ETZ Commission) met immediately following the Nov. 15 ETZ Authority meeting and continued the discussion on the ETZ ordinance. Hobbs said the ETZ Commission plans to continue working to revise the ETZ ordinance to present sion. "They (ETZ Commission) asked for an extension beyond the December 8 deadline which is the drop dead date," Hobbs said.

Hobbs said he personally submitted three pages of suggestions to the ETZ Commission, but they did not discuss any of them. As an example of his suggestions Hobbs said he wanted to delete the requirement that businesses in the ETZ must have a Ruidoso business license. However, the ETZ Commission rejected his suggestion. Hobbs said he left the ETZ Commission meeting early. "because a county commissioner being there is adverse to the proceedings."

Morel said the ETZ Commission is reviewing the or-dinance line by line. He said the ETZ Commission did not go through the substantive changes suggested by Hobbs, other than the business license issue which they voted against.
St. John said she did not

agree on the need to go through the ETZ ordinance line by line because the needed changes are at the end of the ordinance. St. John also said when she voted to give the ETZ Commission 90 days to present draft changes to the county commission she thought it meant until the regular December county commission meeting date.
"Now we find out it is up
(the ETZ Ordinance) short of the meeting," St. John said.
"I would hate to have it drop dead because of that."

County commissioner Rick Simpson suggested extending the ETZ ordinance a month at a time so attention is given each month. But Morel reminded that the ETZ is an ordinance which requires public hearings to make any changes or additions. "Unfortunately it will drop dead before the next meeting and you will need a special meeting to make the ETZ ordinance go past December 8." Morel said.

Hobbs acknowledge the ETZ Commission is working very hard on revising the ordinance. "But I came to real-

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ON THE HOT SEAT. Capitan-Carrizozo Natural Gas board president Tom Sullivan and the remaining members of the CCNG board sat down with Capitan Village Trustees and Carrizozo Town Turstees at a special joint meeting held Monday, November 22 in Capitan to explain the 30 percent increase that will first be seen on the December CCNG bills and to find ways to reduce that increase.

Brrr! Thanksgiving is pre-

WEATHER REPORT

dicted to be sunny but cold, with sunny weather through Friday. Another round of snowy wet weather and night time temperatures into the teens is predicted from Saturday through Tuesday.

Cut heating costs by closing off heater vents and doors to unused roomed. If rooms have no door, put a blanket over the doorway to keep out drafts. If necessary put blan-kets up over outdoor access doors. Close curtains at night, or if you have no curtains, put up blankets over your windows. If your windows face south and get daytime sun, open curtains and/or blankets during sunny days because this is free solar

When you bake, cook several items at the same time. For instance when you bake your turkey, bake your pies, potatoes, and bread at the same time. Not only will you have a yummy dinner, your house will warm up.

The following information was taken from the National Weather Service website. Weather reports, updated every four hours, can be viewed at www.srh.noaa.gov/abq/ on the internet.

Forecast for Carrizozo, Lincoln, Hondo and high plains of Lincoln County: Today, Wednesday, Nov. 24

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Grizzly

WEEKLY

BY Carrizozo High School Journalism Class

Sarah Ball, Instructor

Math Contest At C'zozo High School

On Saturday, November 13, a math competition was held in the cafeteria. The UNM/PNM (University of New Mexico/Public Services of New Mexico) Math Contest for grades 7th-12th consisted of word and application problems that were extremely difficult. Forty-three students participated in the contest Jessica Ward stated. "I struggle with math. The test was like Chinese to me. It was hard.

The test started at 9:15 am and ended around 10:00 am. Jessica Ward said. "I tried to answer all eight terrifying questions that were painfully hard. This test is for people who spend most of their time studying and have the time to figure out an expensive scientific calculator. It took me 30 minutes to finish and it was very hard.

The test that was taken on November 13 determines if the students make it to the second round. These tests are will be graded on Saturday. November 20. And the grades will be out before Christmas. If the students make it to the second round, they will be going to Albuquerque sometime in February to take another test. This will determine if they are overall winners.

Natasha Renney





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ize the real problem (with the ETZ) lies with the administration." Hobbs added.

St. John said there have been changes in the Ruidoso Village Planning office staff. But Hobbs said the staff change was "purely cosmetic" because "I lay 99,9 percent of the problems at the feet of Chay Rennick (Ruidoso planning officer.)"

St. John said the problems did not start with Rennick. "He inherited a lot of them," she added.

County commissioner Leo Martinez said the county is not telling Ruidoso how to run its planning department, rather only comments on the ETZ ordinance. He said the ETZ is a good planning tool, but Ruidoso is "not cleaning house" with its staff changes.

County commissioner Rex Wilson asked if the ETZ Commission is re-writing the same ETZ ordinance or moving forward as a planning tool instead of an administrative tool to manage the ETZ. Hobbs said the administration of the ETZ is in the Ruidoso Village Code under zoning with the requirements enforced outside the village in the three mile planning and platting zone in the same manner as in the village. "They are saying (to those who live in the ETZ) we won't bring you into the village, but we will enforce our codes on you," Hobbs said.

One of the complaints about the Ruidoso administration of the ETZ is the high cost of permitting and inspection fees. Hobbs said by state law fees the village charges those in the ETZ can be increased by 10 percent of the fees charged to those within the village. "It's not bad enough those in the ETZ have de facto residency, they get a 10 percent more charge because they do not live in the village." Hobbs said.

"This bothers me."

"I suggested they reduce the fees to those in the ETZ by 20 percent of what is charged to those in the vil-

lage," Hobbs said.

County planning officer Patsy Sanchez said in the first nine months of 2004 Ruidoso took in \$140,000 in permitting fees. "Ruidoso is using the fees to make the planning department self-sustaining," Sanchez said. "So instead of (the ETZ) being a tool for planning, it's being used as an administrative

tool for many other things."
Wilson said that was a good argument for letting the ETZ drop dead. He said he thought the county commission had delivered the message to the ETZ Commission to re-write and present a new ETZ ordinance to the county commission.

Again Hobbs commented about the business license fees, which he said Ruidoso contends should be imposed fully on those businesses in the county ETZ. "I have a problem with this if the county does not require businesses to have a license," he added.

Martinez asked if the ETZ is being enforced in the way Ruidoso interprets it, such as having the right to inspect in the ETZ. Morel said the county elected to defer the administration of the ETZ to Ruidoso, so Ruidoso is exercising its rights to regulate the planning and platting and zoning issues.

Morel said after Hobbs left the ETZ Commission meeting, the group started discussing Hobbs' suggestions. "Their answer was to shift the administration of the ETZ back to the county," Morel said. "I'm not sure the county is ready for that." Wilson asked if the county

Wilson asked if the county appointees on the ETZ Commission reflect the feelings of the county commission. Morel said two of the appointees do and he was unsure about

the third.

J.R. Barringer, a businessman in the ETZ who has numerous problems and citations from Ruidoso planning department, said the ETZ is not being used for its original purpose. Barringer's issues with Ruidoso mostly over whether he can have an RV park at his flea market location, was one reason the county commission imposed the 90 day "drop dead" provision.

Morel said the ETZ ordinance does not address well or at all several issues, including the lack of definition of flea markets as a conditional use.

St. John said the ETZ Authority addressed two subjects on Barringer's appeal of the ETZ Commission ruling--impact fees for a mobile home hook up and the RV park. She said Barringer had addressed all other concerns but these two issues, so the ETZ Authority suggested Barringer apply for a variance for the permit for an RV park. She said the ETZ ordinance rules for RV parks are so strict it would be "astronomical" in cost to put in such a park. St. John said as for the mobile home hookup, Barringer should allow the village to do a die test to determine if the hook up was there previously. If it was, then Barringer would not be charged any impact fees.

As for the RV park, Barringer said RVs park at the Ruidoso convention center, and on ranches in the ETZ without being considered RV parks. St. John said Barringer was different because the RVs at his business are there all summer, not just for a short period of time.

Morel then stopped the discussion with Barringer because he said Barringer had advised he was taking his appeal to district court. Wilson then said all the county commission could do that day was to decide to let the ETZ drop dead or schedule a special hearing on December



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."

Friday, November 20, 1931

Made T-giving National Day

The impression seems to prevail in some quarters that the women of the United States never accomplished anything worth while before they were given the right to vote. Talk of that character is a million miles from the truth. The women of America have always been doing fine, big, worthwhile things, H.O. Bishop writes in the National Republic.

At this particular season of the year it is appropriate to tell about the woman who, after twenty years of patient effort, succeeded in having an annual Thanksgiving celebration in this country observed on the same day by all ofthe people.

The name of this woman was Mrs. Sarah Josepha Hale. Few women, either before or since. have accomplished more big things for the better-ment of men and women. Probably few persons of the present generation have ever heard of this gifted woman. She was born at Newport, N.H., October 24, 1788, and died in Philadelphia, April 30, 1879. She was taught by her mother. In 1813, at the age of twenty-five, she married a lawyer, David Hale, a brother of Salma Hale, historian and at one time member of congress from New Hampshire. Nine years later she was left a widow with five children. She was a genuine, old-fashioned American woman, and did not clamor for governmental or individual aid. She was quite content to go to work. In 1828 she became editor of the Ladies' Magazine, which had recently been started in Boston. She successfully edited this publication until 1837, when it was merged with Godey's Ladies' Book. She continued with the latter publication until 1877.

Much Work Well Done.

Editing a magazine is usually considered a pretty big job in itself. Mrs. Hal, however, seemed to find time for many other things. She organized the Seaman's Aid society in Boston, which is the parent of similar organizations now existing in most ports. The completion of the Bunker Hill monument was also partly due to the efforts of this little woman. She persuaded the women of New England to raise \$50,000 for that purpose.

The plan of educating women for medical and missionary service in foreign lands was inaugurated by Mrs. Hale. She devoted a number of years to this effort, finally succeeding through the organization of the Ladies' Medical Missionary society of Philadelphia, and the Woman's Union Missionary Society for Heathen Lands, in

Throughout her editorial work Mrs. Hale urged the practical advancement of women, advocating their employment as teachers and the establishment of seminaries for their higher education.

Thanksgiving in 1777.

It was in the early forties that Mrs. Hale began her campaign for making Thanksgiving a national holiday and its celebration on the same day all over the country. It was then the custom for different localities to observe the occasion on whatever day happened to strike their fancy.

Following the surrender of Bargoyne at Saratoga in 1777, the Continental congress had appointed a committee to recommend joint thanksgiving for "the signal success lately obtained over the enemies of the United States."

In 1778 Thanksgiving was set for December 30, most of the states concurring in a uniform date, but there were other Thanksgivins in May, June and December as the various states saw fit to order them.

It was not until January, 1795, that Washington was authorized by congress to proclaim a national Thanksgiving, which he did for February 19.

For twenty years Mrs. Hale wrote editorials in her magazine, and personal letters to governors and Presidents, in behalf of a national Thanksgiving day. Her efforts and patience were rewarded in 1863, when Abraham Lincoln saw the wisdom of her suggestions and decided to adopt the plan.

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

FIRST AND THIRD TUESDAYS --Jalayne Spivey of the District II Office of the State Engineer is at Ruidoso Village Hall from 9 a.m. to 12 noon. -Fibromyalgia Syndrome Support Group meets every third Tuesday, 6 p.m. K-Bob's in Ruidoso. Call 354-3046 for more information.

--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

SUNDAYS

-- Mama Grizzlies booster club for Carrizozo athletics, 5 p.m. Otero County Electric Cooperative office in Carrizozo. All mothers of Grizzly athletes welcome. Call Deborah Ventura at 648-2330 for information.

TODAY, WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 24 --Lincoln County News publishes early because of

Thanksgiving.
--Ruidoso Mid-Town Festival of Lights official "lighting" of mid town light poles and merchant businesses. Beginning for businesses and residences. of light display competition for businesses and residences.

THANKSGIVING, THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 25
--All public offices, banks, schools closed for Thanksgiv-

--Ski Apache opens for the season. Call 336-4356 or go to www.skiapache.com for information.

-- Thanksgiving dinner for the Capitan community. no charge, 11:30 to 2 p.m. Capitan School cafeteria. Volunteer helpers welcomed, call Charles Lane at 336-2221.

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 26

-All schools, Lincoln County, Town of Carrizozo, Ruidoso Village and state and federal offices closed for holiday. Post offices and Banks will be open.

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 27

-Historic Lincoln, Family Christmas Party at the Lincoln Museum and Visitor Center, 2 to 5 p.m. free admission. Door prizes, refreshments and free photos with Santa at 2. p.m. Call 653-4025 for information.

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 29

--Santa's Helpers workshop opens next to KIDX radio on Mechem Drive across from the post office. Deliveries will be made to applying and qualifying children on December 22. Donations of unwrapped new toys, blankets and winter wear accepted.

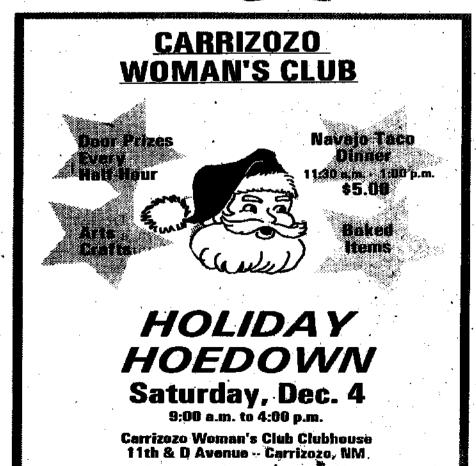
Capitan Chamber Annual Open House 5-7 p.m. Chamber Visitor Center, 433 W. Smokey Bear Blvd. Refreshments. Everyone invited.

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 30
--Lincoln County Solid Waste Authority board 2 p.m. at LCSWA offices in Ruidoso Downs. Public invited.

--Ruidoso Village Council, 6 p.m. village hall. --Carrizozo Jr. High Basketball v. Capitan, 4 p.m. Grizzly Gym in Carrizozo.

-Capitan Varsity basketball v. Carrizozo, 4 p.m. Cummins Gym in Capitan.





Billboard Moratorium

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nance. She said the economic security of Lincoln County depends on its beauty. Smith also said that she and others in favor of prohibiting billboards are not talking about prohibiting little business

San Patricio resident Ken Nosker was against regulating signs in the county because it is a private property and free enterprise right. He said currently the state highway department regulates signs. "I don't like someone living on a five acre plot tell-ing me what I can do on my property all along Highway Nosker said.

McCoy said the highway department only regulates signs along primary roadways and only Highway 54 and Highway 70 are considered primary highways.

Carroll suggested the billboard ordinance have a variance if someone can prove having a billboard. But that idea was not favored.

County commissioner Rick Simpson said the draft bill-board ordinance did not ad-dress the public lands along the highways, which do not have to abide by county ordi-nances. Simpson instead wanted to limit sign regulations to specific areas, especially along State Road 37 where residents seem most concerned about signs.

County commissioner Earl Hobbs said he believes property owners have a duty to not impose their rights upon other people. "Personally I would prohibit any billboard in the entire county." Hobbs said which brought a round of applause from the audience. "However, that is not a practical matter," he added.

Hobbs said he wanted all signs to be a maximum of 150 square feet, 5,000 feet away from any other large.

Fall Snow Keeps County Road Dept. Busy

Lincoln County Road Department crews were out clearing roads last weekend trying to keep up with the multi-day storm that blanketed the higher elevations of the county with up to 10 inches of snow.

Lincoln County Road Department foreman Albert Hernandez told THE NEWS he sent the county snow plows out early Saturday morning. They cleared the six to seven inches of snow on Gavilan Canyon Road and other major county roads in Alto and Cedar Creek areas near Ruidoso. Walter Garfield bladed roads in the Corona area which got eight inches of snow. Hernandez

The storm however kept coming through Saturday night into Sunday. Hernandez sent out his crews again early Sunday, clearing roads all over again.

This storm cost the department 18 hours of overtime for each of the eight men who went out," Hernandez said.

So far this fiscal year, which began July 1, the road department budget for overtime payments is doing good, Hernandez said. However. the season is just beginning and Hernandez said he will have to see how the weather in January will affect his overtime budget.

With last year's mild win-ter, the road department has salt and sand left and has enough money budgeted to buy more if needed for this

winter, Hernandez added. County road department just received a new snow plow/salt spreader which was but to use last weekend, Hernandez said.

Hernandez expressed his thanks to all county road department employees involved in the snow removal process.

sign, 1000 feet from a highway right of way with maximum height of 15 feet with no lights allowed. "I would: like to see every public roadway in the county under this

ordinance," Hobbs added: Hobbs said the county, which once had an economy primarily based on agriculture, now depends on attracting people here. "And we won't do that if the county is polluted with billboards," he added.

After more discussion about the provisions of the proposed billboard ordinance, county commission chair Rex Wilson said agriculture is not a dead industry in Lincoln County. He said portions of the county will always be agricultural. "Don't lose sight of the agri-cultural economic contribu-tions," Wilson said.

Wilson said he was in conflict with himself because he got involved with county. government because of the property rights issue. How-ever as a county commis-sioner he has to listen to the concerns of the residents and weigh their arguments for a realistic decision. Wilson said he did not want sign clutter, "but where do the regulations on the use of property stop?"

Wilson agreed with Carroll that there needs to be some mechanism to notify adjoining property owners about a proposed sign installation before the sign is put up. Morel said unless there is a permitting process for signs, there is no way to notify neighbors about sign installa-

County commissioners also discussed whether the proposed sign ordinance should have citation and penalty provisions for out of compliance signs and how to resolve the issue of "first comefirst served" when establish-

ing distance between signs.

Brad Cooper from White
Oaks said he had not seen any sign company represen-tatives defending themselves on the billboard issue. County commissioner Maury St. John, who has been against any billboard prohibition, said there was a billboard company representative at one meeting.

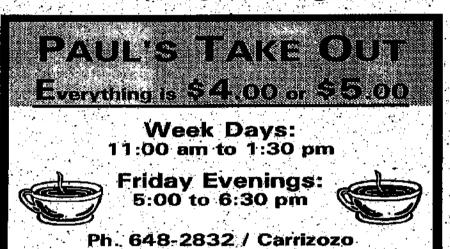
County commissioner Leo Martinez was opposed to a county wide billboard ordinance and also thought sign regulations should be imposed by area.

After more discussion Hobbs made a motion to extend the billboard moratorium 120 days with a hearing on the proposed ordinance in December, But it got no second. So he made another motion to extend the moratorium prohibiting all new bill-boards for 90 days with a hearing on a proposed sign ordinance at the December 14 regular county commission meeting. Simpson seconded the motion. No vote was taken on the motion which Hobbs and Simpson agreed to withdraw.

Again there was more discussion and finally St. John made a motion to let the billboard moratorium expire, not to pass a sign ordinance and let individuals deal with their neighbors, and let specific areas come to the county to regulate their areas, Simpson seconded the motion. On a roll call vote St. John and Simpson voted yes, Hobbs. and Martinez voted no. Wilson broke the tie by voting

Ruidoso realtor Harvey Foster suggested the sign ordinance be considered a variance so all applicants must come before a board and notification be made to all affected neighbors.

Finally, at the end of more than an hour of discussion. Simpson made a motion to put à moratorium on all new billboards in place for 90 days. Hobbs seconded the motion which carried with Simpson, Hobbs, Martinez and Wilson in favor and St. John against. Then Hobbs made another motion to hold a public hearing to reconsider the proposed sign ordinance at the December 1+county commission meeting. All commissioners voted in favor of that motion.



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LINCOLN COUNTY TREASURER reminds Lincoln County property owners that they must pay their first half property taxes by December 10, 2004 to avoid penalties and interest.

> ACCORDING TO N.M STATE STATUTE 7-38-83. TIMELINESS-B. ALL ACTS REQUIRED OR PERMITTED TO BE DONE BY MAIL ARE TO BE POSTMARKED <u>ON THE REQUIRED DATE</u>

The Lincoln County Treasurer's Office does honor the postmark, but your payments MUST BE POSTMARKED December 10, 2004.

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Thank You.

Beverly A. Calaway Lincoln County Treasurer P.O. Box 970 Carrizozo, New Mexico 88301 (505) 648-2397 or (800) 687-2705

THOUGHTS

FROM THE EDITOR'S DESK

Ruffled feathers

By Ruth Hammond

Comments were varied about the turkey information provided in this column last week. One person said if she had to go through all that she would never have a turkey to cook. Another person said he had only one shell when he went hunting for turkey and he had to get one or he wasn't allowed to hunt. The first comment had nothing to do with hunting a turkey, rather it was a question, "Who decided the turkey is 'poor'? Lots of turkeys are rich."

Of course some turkeys are rich, but it is safe to say that processed turkeys can be classified as being poor. It makes sense to say that a dead turkey is a poor turkey.

Lisually living turkeys are luckier, whether they are rich or poor. Rich turkeys often get their feathers ruffled when things don't go their way, while poor dead turkeys get stripped of their feathers. Maybe if rich turkeys got their teathers stripped off they wouldn't be quite as upset when things don't go their way. You never can tell, rich turkey feather plucking may be a worthwhile activity.

Narrow minded people, who have the same problem of getting their feathers ruffled when things don't go their way, often attend public meetings and let everyone else know they are narrow minded and can also be obstinate.

There are, or should be, numerous ways of resolving differences of opinion, but some people will not make an effort to work together. Isn't it a shame that some people (turkeys, whether they are rich or not) insist there is only one way to accomplish what needs to be accomplished?

If you are a naysayer, you may agree with them, but it would be better if you listened to what the other side has to say before making a determination as to right or wrong. The first thing is to try to obtain correct information, not what someone said that they heard someone else say:

Negative people seem to close their mind instead of trying to work together with the opposing side. Anything of concern, especially if the subject will affect the public, deserves to be discussed, not be given an ultimatum by an obstinate "do it my way or else" turkey type person. If you are one of those turkeys with ruffled feathers, you might consider why Thanksgiving was first started and what Thanksgiving is. It is a day for people to give thanks

Giving thanks doesn't mean just being thankful for food on the table, though that is one thing to be thankful for, it is for giving thanks for other things also. Be glad if you have officials representing you who will try to do what is best for everyone, not just their special friends. Be glad you have the opportunity to cast your vote to remove some of those turkeys from office if they don't do their duty to represent you they way they should. And be glad that even though there are flaws in our election system, it is better than many nations have. Happy Thanksgiving!



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WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 1

-- Volunteers to assemble new Carrizozo train light display meet at 1 p.m. at the Otero County Electric Cooperative storage facility by Carrizozo museum.

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 2

--Ruidoso Christmas in the Park, tree lighting at Schoolhouse Park on Sudderth Drive at 6 p.m. Call 257-5030 or go to www.folruidoso.com for information.

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 3

z-Lincoln County Water Research and Conservation

Committee meeting cancelled.

--Official lighting of the Carrizozo Train Display, 5 p.m. McDonald Park, and lighting of participating offices, businesses and residences

--First night of "Walk Through Bethlehem" Christmas program at 6-8 p.m. Angus Church of the Nazarene. Free. Call 336-8032 for information. Program at same times on December 4, 5, 9 and 10 also.

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 4

-- Carrizozo Woman's Club Holiday Hoedown, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Navajo taco lunch sold from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. More than 20 arts and crafts vendors anticipated. Call Sharon at 648-2219 for information.

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 5

-- Corona Feumenical Choir presents its Christmas program at 5 p.m. at Corona Presbyterian Church. No admission, refreshments to follow program.



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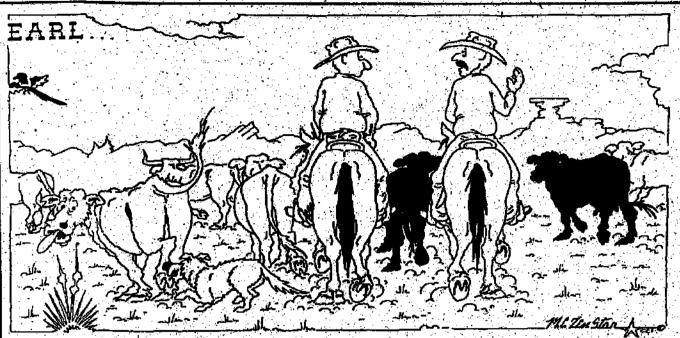
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"I haven't seen my wife for a week . . . I don't know if she left me or just gone shopping!"

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SANTA FE -- Gov. Bill Richardson is mentioned occasionally by the talking heads in post-election interviews. But he has much competition in the jockeying for position in the 2008 presidential sweepstakes.

Numerous Democratic governors are getting in line. And some of them delivered their marginal states to Sen. Kerry, Speaking of John Kerry, nei-ther he nor Sen. John Edwards is going away. Kerry will still be in the Senate and making noise. Edwards won't, so he has to find a position that will keep him in the news.

And former Gov. Howard Dean. still wants into the game. After months of seeing Kerry agree with the president on issues and being able only to say he would have done it better, many Democrats longed for the fiery Dean, who didn't agree with the president on much of anything.

Gov. Dean is being mentioned for chairman of the Democratic National Committee, but DNC leaders say they only want someone who will stay out of the 2008 presidential race. That rules out nearly everyone at this point, including Gov. Richardson, who is mentioned fairly often. Campaigning for the post might be the best way for Big Bill to prove he really wants to remain here as governor.

Florida Gov. Jeb Bush is having the same trouble with reporters. His refrain sounds exacly like Richardson's as he tries to convince the media that he likes his current job. Gov. Bush's situation is even more tenuous. than Richardson's, because there aren't very many Republicans being prominently mentioned for president

That will come, as 2008 draws nearer. And since Vice President Dick Cheney says he isn't up to a presidential run, there will be plenty of Republicans eventually jumping into the race. Right now, however, Jeb Bush and Sen. John McCain are about the only high-profile possibilities.

Either McCain or Gen. Colin Powell probably could have had the Democratic presidential nomination either this year or in 2000. Democrats are desperate enough that they will accept nearly anyone, based solely on winability. Both Powell and McCain are far too moderate for the conservative Republican groups that turn out the votes in both primary elections.

McCain has had an interesting transformation in our neighboring Arizona. Four years ago, Arizona conservatives circulated recall petitions against McCain for daring to oppose George Bush in the GOP presidential primary and for disagreeing with Bush on tax cuts. McCain couldn't have won a race against anyone at that point.

But after 9/11, when McCain praised the president's handling of the situation, Arizona conservatives backed off. And when McCain strongly supported the president for his war on terror and his war on Iraq, McCain held onto his Senate seat by the biggest margin ever.

But that doesn't mean his party will reward him with a presidential nom-ination in 2008. He still scares them. Gov. Richardson has been visibly

irritated about President Bush's claim

of a mandate after winning by only three percentage points. Richardson notes that he won by almost 10 points and Republicans said that certainly was not a mandate.

New Mexicans can be proud of having a good turnour this year. Many poll workers around the state reported having lines at their locations for the first time, despite the high early voting numbers.

Part of the reason for the lines, however, was lack of familiarity with touch screen voting machines. The old mechanical machines were supplied with a plywood mockup so election clerks could show people how to use them before they went in the booth.

Another problem is the constitutional amendments and bond issues at the bottom of the ballot. Voters make up their minds quickly about the candidates but slow down to read the amendments and bonds. Newspapers carry that information, and often make recommendations on the editorial page. This column always discusses them too. But it's still a bottleneck every year.



"Good" NEWS Eiglefin

LOOKING INTO THE **FUTURE**

1.) Last remaining mentalist Muslim dies in the American Territory of the Middle East (formerly known as Iran, Afghanistan, Syria and Lebanon).

2.) Baby conceived naturally . scientists stumped.

3.) Castro finally dies at age 112; Cuban cigars can now be imported legally.

4. Postal Service raises price of first class stamp to \$17.89 and reduces mail delivery to Wednesday only.

5.) 85-year, \$75.8 billion study: Diet and exercise is the key to weight loss.

6.) Supreme Court rules punishment of criminals violates their civil rights.

7.) IRS sets lowest tax rate at 75 percent.

8.) Floridians still don't know how to use a voting machine.

NOTE: Any Lincoln County NEWS readers wanting to make suggestions to this list, which will appear weekly are invited to do. so. Call of Fax to 648-2333 or write P.O. Box 459, Carrizozo. NM 88301.



PSYCHIC PREDICTIONS

Psychic *Judi Christopher* Ruidoso NM http://www.roldoso.net/psychie (505) 257-2996

judithchristopher@hotmail.com

You are ready! For anything and anyone. Watch your health so you can be non-stopable for the new journey that awaits you. Be sure to be around true friends at this time that love you for just you. Let love in. Capricorn (Dec 22 - Jan 19) Things are going to get back to normal. Whatever normal is. Others will respect your wishes because you are going to stand up for what is right. Smile and give hugs where needed. Cail

Sagittarius (Nov 22 - Dec 21)

someone that loves you. Aquarius (Jan 20 - Feb 18) "Right on." You can hit the bulls eye now. Get good sleep, eat the right food, stay around ONLY good people and watch your world change for the better. Let go of bad jobs; people, places and things. Got

Pisces (Feb 19 - March 20) Yes, Yes, Yes you can do this. You have been here before and you'll get through this again. Make notes of what not to do next time, so you won't have to go through this again. Make up your mind to be happy.

Aries (March 21 - April 19) "Whatever" Don't start getting down just because someone hurt your feelings. If they really loved you, they would have thought long and hard how to tell you this, It's not what was said, but how it was said.

Taurus (April 20 - May 20) When you do what you do, then do it with love or it won't get done like it's is supposed to. Loving something you do is like getting paid for free. Time to change what needs to be changed before it's too late. Get Happy.

Gemini (May 21 - June 20) Nothing seems to be going your way, or the way you planned it, so just throw up your hands and laugh at it. It will happen the way it's suppose to happen. Have faith. Have fun so you can enjoy this with love.

Cancer (June 21 - July 22) You thought you could do this, so why are you backing out? This has nothing to do with someone else. It has to do with the faith you have in yourself and no one can give you that but you. What are you waiting for?

Leo (July 23 - Aug 22) Your feelings could be real touchy. so watch who you are around at this time. Your heart needs a big hug so make sure you surround yourself with only people that truly love you. It's your turn to get hugs and kisses.

Virgo (Aug 23 - Sept 22) Now is the time for all great people like yourself to come to the aid of themselves! You have gone beyone the call of duty for everyone else. Now it's time for you to have a little fun too. Remember: Someone loves you.

Libra (Sept 22 - Oct 22) You'll have to watch your tongue. Others might hurt someone you love, but it's the lesson behind it that needs to be done. All you can do is be there when then chips fall. Give only love and hugs. Step back and watch.

Scorpio (Oct 23 - Nov 21) You might be hurt for many reasons but the question is why? Why put up with something or someone that isn't worthy of you? Why are you letting someone treat you this way? Stand up and walk out for once.



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From that day to this Thanksgiving has been celebrated by the entire nation the last Thursday of November.

After the 1795 day of Thanksgiving in February, the festival was skipped for twenty years. In 18115, when peace with Great Britain followed the War of 1812, congress resoved that "a joint committee of both houses wait upon the President of the United States and request that the offering of devout acknowledgments to God for his mercies and in prayer to him for the continuance of his blessings.

Long Lapse After 1815.

The day fixed for observance was April 13, 1815, but thereafter Thanksgiving as a national celebration fell by the wayside, not to be revived until Mrs. Hale's campaign moved President Lincoln to act in 1863.

Mrs. Hale's presistent efforts had won favor for the idea in most states by the time the Civil war had arrived. Some states already had begun the observance of a fall Thanksgiving day nearly ten years before the national day in Nobember was set aside. New York was on of these, and her représentatives in congress tried repeatedly to induce that body to name a day. In 1863 there were actually two Thanksgiving days, the northern states having observed on in August for the victory at Gettysberg.

Following the assassination of Lincoln, Mrs. Hale feared the holiday might be allowed to drop. She urged the necessity of keeping the national fall festival as a "Thanks day for all good things given us by the Heavenly Father." Mrs. Hale wrote to ministers all over the country, urging them to help.

The First Congregational church of Washington responded to Mrs. Hale's plea, and sent a delegation to President Andrew Jackson requesting him to issue a Thanksgiving proclamation. He accepted and the Presidents since have followed his example without being petitioned, the states issuing separate proclamations in keeping with the national edict.

Mrs. Hale wrote many books and poems. The most famous of her poems were "Mary's Lamb," "The Light of Home" and "It Snows." Perhaps the best known of her works is "Woman's Record, or Sketches of All Distinguished Women From the Creation to the Present Day," first published in 1853, and enlarged in 1869. She went on writing verses and jingles for childrne, articles and novels for grown persons and editing her magazine until shortly before her death in 1870, at which time she was ninety-one years old.

THANKS is one of the things we forget. We ke our blessings as a matter of course. We seldom say a work about them -- although we kick like steers when things don't go right. So let's stop complaining long enough to say "Thank You." -- Grit.

Give Thanks for "Goodly Turkey"

How well I remember that old Thanksgiving dinner! Father at one end and mother at the other. end, the children between and wondering if father ever will get done carving the turkey.

The day before at school, we had learned that Greece was south of Turkey, but on the table we found that Turkey was bounded by grease. The brown surface waited for the fork to plunge astride the breastbone, and with knife sharpened on the jambs of the fireplace, lay bare the folds of white meat.

Give to the disposed to be sentimental, the heart. Give to the one disposed to music the drumstick. Give to the one disposed to theologi-

cal discussion the "parson's nose."

Then the pies! For the most part a lost art. What mince pies! For the most part a lost art. What mince pies! in which you had all confidence, fashioned from all rich ingredients, instead of miscellaneous leavings which are only short of glorified hash! Not mince pies with profound mysteries of origin! But mother made them, and laid the lower crust and the upper crust, with here and there a puncture by the fork to let yu look through the light and flaky surface into the substance beneath. The DeWitt into the substance beneath. -- T. DeWitt Talmage, D.D.

A Sour Note

* "I never seemed to have any luck with the women," sighed the old bachelor. Then you're lucky," growled the pessimist.

Learns by Falls

- * The child, through stumbling, learns to wals erect. Every fall is a fall upward. Parker
 - * Love never figures out the cost.
 - * No plan "works very well".

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Sheriffs Report

The following information was taken from dispatch re-cords in the Lincoln County Sheriff's Office in the Lincoln County Sheriff's Office in the courthouse in Carrizo-

November 16 9:36 a.m. request for ambulance at location on 5th Street. Capitan ambulance arrived at 9:46 a.m. and at 10:06 a.m. left for Lincoln County Medical Center (LCMC) in Ruidoso, arriving there at 10:35 a.m.

11:30 a.m. funeral home requested deputy for funeral escort from the Mormon Church on Highway 48. Deputy dispatched.

12:37 p.m. request for deputy for accident without injuries report at Alto Post Office. Deputy arrived at 12:56 p.m. and took the subject to magistrate court, while a female was on route to LCMC.

4:41 p.m. request for ambulance for heart patient at location on Comanche Court. Med I advanced life support (ALS) ambulance stationed at LCMC arrived at 5:04 p.m. and at 5:28 p.m. left for LCMC arriving there at 5:58

5:34 p.m. theft of K-9, a black and brown pit bull, from location on Apple Blossom. At 6:08 p.m. Ruidoso Downs police department advised one of their officers. had intercepted the male and two other subjects at a business in Ruidoso Downs.
Deputy arrived at 6:13 p.m. and at 6:19 p.m. advised the call was cancelled because state police were handling the call. 🕝

9:19 p.m. traffic hazard on High Mesa and Twin Tree, a sedan was sticking out on the roadway on a curve, looked like the vehicle was broken down. Deputy arrived at the location at 9:35 p.m. and advised the vehicle had a plate and later the deputy advised. that a female had called to say she was on route to pick up the vehicle.

November 17 7:44 a.m. railroad reported accident without injuries, mile marker 115 on Highway 54, a SUV was broken down in the southbound lane, appeared to have lost the rear axle. Deputy arrived at 7:54

8:43 a.m. K-9 at large in Shangri-La, a mother dog with five pups. Deputy dispatched.

2 p.m. request for deputy for funeral escort from fu-neral home in Ruidoso. Deputy dispatched.

2 p.m. abandoned vehicle belonging to a drunken driver on Gavilan Canyon was at a pull out for more than two weeks, was vandalized and pushed into the creek. Deputy advised he had the vehicle removed from the creek because it was an environ-mental hazard, however he was unable to locate the vehicle identification number

(VIN). 2:40 p.m. Corona village hall reported subject driving without a license. Deputy dispatched.

6:40 p.m. abandoned vehicle at mile marker 2 on State Road 220, a rental moving truck. The rental company was called and gave authority to have the sheriff's office have the vehicle towed.

11:59 p.m. request for ambulance at mile marker 276 on Highway 70 for the caller's daughter. Med 1 ALS arrived at 12:18 a.m. and at 12:35 a.m. left for LCMC arriving there at 12:52 a.m. November 18

2:06 a.m. request for ambulance at location on EO20 off Highway 380 for female with problems breathing. Hondo ambulance arrived at 2:24 a.m. and at 2:40 a.m. left for LCMC, arriving there at 3:03

8:15 a.m. theft. Deputy dispatched.

11:52 a.m. temporary restraining order (TRO) violation at location on Mechem

Drive. Deputy dispatched. 1:40 p.m. magistrate court requested a deputy for warrant service in Capitan. Deputy dispatched. 4:15 p.m. hunting from Bo-

nito Lake Road, a white pick-up with New Mexico plates. At 5:24 p.m. Game and Fish officer responded.

7:40 p.m. threats by disgruntled ex-employee at business in Capitan. Deputy dispatched.

11:05 p.m. unruly child at location on Sky View. Mother requested deputy to talk with here 13 year old son who was out of hand. Deputy dispatched.

November 19 5:50 a.m. request for ambulance at location on E. Ave-for possible heart attack. Carrizozo ambulance arrived at 5:58 a.m. and at 6:47 a.m. advised they were intercepting the Air Ambulance.

7:34 a.m. hunters/power line at location on E017 off. Highway 70. Responding deputy advised the problem was a transformer that went out, and he made no contact with hunters.

7:49 a.m. trespassers at location on Patos Road in White Oaks Deputy dis-

patched. 10:14 a.m. Game and Fish Dept. officer advised he recovered stolen property from location on Patos Road in White Oaks, Deputy dispatched.

11:30 a.m. magistrate court requested a deputy to do war-rant service in Carrizozo. Deputy dispatched,

3:25 p.m. request for deputy to locate and speak to a male and female subjects to attempt to retrieve Life Line equipment that an elderly person was using until she left for a care facility. Re-sponding deputy advised he made no contact with the subjects at the location and he would try the next day. Dispatch spoke with the EMS director who advised if the deputy did not retrieve the equipment, the sheriff's office could file larceny charges against the person for the equipment.

3:44 p.m. theft at trailer park on Highway 70 east of Ruidoso Downs. Deputy dispatched.

4 p.m. fire alarm company advised of fire and smoke alarms sounding at closed restaurant on Highway 380. Carrizozo fire department arrived at 4:05 p.m. and ad-vised all was okay, construction workers set off the a-

4:35 p.m. state police requested agency assistance for Dept. of Transportation on Highway 54 because vehicles were falling to yield to the DOT officers. It was not a pursuit situation as the vehicles were going speed limit, they just wouldn't stop. Dis-patched deputy advised of the drunken driver at mile marker 155.

November 20 8:52 a.m. horses not being fed on Lower Eagle Creek Road. Dispatched deputy advised the animals are being fed and had water in the trough. Another deputy who checked the animals the day before advised they had food and water then also.

9:36 a.m. Corona village hall requested a deputy for a neighbor dispute on Old Crown. Deputy dispatched. 12:25 p.m. TRO violation

at location in Hondo. Deputy. dispatched.

3:47 p.m. Carrizozo caller requested a welfare check, attempt to locate, her daughter in the Hondo area because her daughter's ex boyfriend had made threats, 8:53 p.m. breaking and entering at location on Gavilan Canyon, someone broke into the call-er's residence, and she had a possible suspect who had a TRO on file. Deputies dispatched.

November 21 12:24 p.m. domestic at location on Highway 48, the husband hit her in the face. Capitan ambulance arrived at 1:23 a.m. and at 1:53 a.m. left for LCMC. Deputy and state police also arrived, with state police advising they had arrested a male.

8:57 a.m. erratic driving in the northbound lane on High-way 54 at mile marker 112. Deputy dispatched. 11:29 a.m. parking viola-tion in Arabela. Deputy dis-

patched.

Church Directory



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

Corona Presbyterian Church: . 10:00 a.m.

First Baptist Church

HAYDEN SMITH, Pastor 314 10th Ave., Carrizozo, NM 648-2968 (Church) or 648-2107 Sunday School 9:45 a.m.

Carrizozo Community Church (A/G)

JOHNIE L. JOHNSON, Pastor Corner of C Ave. and Thirteenth, 648-2186

Santa Rita Catholic Community

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FR. DAVE BERGS, Pastor	
213 Birch, Carrizozo, NM, 648-2853	
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Church of Christ

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Sunday School		10:00 a.	
Evening Worship Wednesday Bible Study		1:15 p	.Hrj

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 p.m.

LaGrone Funeral Chapel

Jerry & Lanita Rasak

Claunch Community Church

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

United Methodist Churches

	JOHANNA ANDERSON, Pastor			
	1000 D. Ave, 648:2893 / 648-2846			•
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Children's Sunday School 9:30 a.m.

Christ Community Fellowship

ED VINSON, Pastor (Inter-denominational) 514 Smokey Bear Blvd., Capitan, NM

Capitan Church of Christ

LESLIE EARWOOD, Minister 5th & Lincoln / 336-4627 Wednesday Bible Study7:00 p.m.

Trinity Southern Baptist Church

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

First Baptist Church of Corona

CAL WEST, Pastor / 849-7975

Angus Church of the Nazarone Serving All of Lincoln County

RICK HUTCHISON, Pastor / 336-8032 Southwest Corner of Hwy. 48 & 37 Junction Between Ruidoso and Capitan, NM

Sunday: Sunday School for all ages10:30 a.m. Morning Worship 10:39 a.m.
Children's Church 10:45 a.m.
Evening Worship 6:00 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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LINCOLN COUNTY

Manager's Report

Lincoln County Manager Tom Stewart gave the following report to the Lincoln County Commission Tuesday, November 16. **Evaluation of Commission**

Chamber Audio System On October 26, the contractor who installed the sound system in the county commission chambers conducted an evaluation to find the difficulties with feedback and lack of volume. Stewart said he and the contractor discovered perhaps the source of the problems and have remedied it. The contractor is also doing an estimate to provide a feed of the sound into the assessor's and treasurer's offices.

County commissioner Earl Hobbs commented that there appears to be a continuing interest to have the county commission meetings broadcast on the radio. He asked if anything needed to be done to the sound system to facilitate the broadcasts. KEDU staff person Harvey Twite said the sound system is fine

Donation of Ambulance As part of the contract for the Highway 70 project, the state insisted the project contractor, Sierra Blanca Contractors, have an ambulance at the project site, ensuring EMS coverage of the project area. Additionally, the state called for the construction company to donate the ambulance used in the project coverage to the county upon completion of the project. With progression of the construction, workday coverage has shifted from the Hondo area up to the Ruidoso area. So the contractor has

appearance.

(Cadigan/Underwood)

Pending matters.

ratty) Merits...

donated the 1995 Ford Ambulance to the county. EMS director Jim Stover is evaluating the appropriate stationing of the ambulance, Stew-

art added.

USGS Report and Follow-on Study

US Geological Service
(USGS) officials advised that the draft report of our hydrologic study in the Rio Ruidoso and the Rio Bonito basins is being drafted. Their original estimate of the re-port availability has been

shifted to mid-December.
"Their goal is to attend the December 16 county commission meeting with copies of the report in hand," Stewart said.

Recall that the study agreement ran from October 1, 2001 to June 30, 2004," Stewart said. "Proposed fol-low-up initiatives will be detailed at that time.

The county contributed \$130,000 to the project and USGS has contributed \$110,000.

State Inspection of Ruidoso Clinic On November 3, the state Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) project officer from Department of Finance and Administration (DFA) inspected the new Ruidoso Public Health Facility and found all to be in order. "He was impressed with the facility," Stewart said. County Web Site Develop-

ment County manager's office staff Punkin Schlarb and Connie Stone have taken on, as an ENMU project, the revamping of the county web site. "We look forward to a vibrant web site with official

and staff photos, and access to ordinances and other perti-

nent web sites," Stewart said. County lodgers tax committee member Jeremy Jor-don asked if any consider-ation can be given to promot-ing on the web site, the lodgers who pay the county lodgers taxes. Stewart said he thought that would be appro-

Exception For PSAP Sites On November 5, DFA granted the county an exception to the new state require-ment for consolidating the two Public Safety Answering Points (PSAPs) within the county. "We can have our two PSAPs now," Stewart added. One of the PSAPs is located in the sheriff's office in the Lincoln County Courthouse in Carrizozo and the other is at Ruidoso Police Department in Ruidoso. Stewart requested the exception to the required consoli-dation based on the difficulty of communications due to terrain and the need for an emergency back up if one PSAP is out of commission.



Christian Camp and Retreat Center

Admission is FREE! 3rd Annual Silent Auction & Banquet Sunday, December 5th 5pm-doors open * 6pm-Supper Seats are limited. Call for Free tickets 354-3322 All proceeds go to help the Camp

Buy a raffle ticket for \$20 for a chance to win a brand new 2005 Yamaha Kodiak 400 auto. 4x4. Only 500 tickets being sold.

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Monday, November 22 8 a.m. Joseph Larue; CR-2004-198 (Wills/Mitchell) First
ppearance. 8:10 a.m. Neff Change of Name; CV-2004-269 (Craig)
8:15 a.m. Carri v. Village of Ruidoso; CV-2004-82
Cadigan/Underwood)
9:00 a.m. Fender v. Magalianes; CV-2003-62
Rafkin/Schneider-Cook) Half-day for merits. 1:00 p.m. Estate of Whelpley; PB-2004-23 (Rafkin/ProSe)
ending matters.
1:30 p.m. Smith v. Switzer; DV-2004-57 (Rafkin/Mc-
wane) Objection to decision.
2:30 p.m. Lagg v. Lagg; DM-2004-101 (McSwane/Han-
atty) Merits. 3:30 p.m. Cross v. Cross; DM-2004-124
McSwane/C.Hawthorne) Merits.
Tuesday, November 23 Judge in Ruidoso 8:00 a.m.
Cody Bomer; JR-2003-46 Check in.
Milinda McCarty; JR-2004-52 Pre trial hearing. Glynn Enjady; JR-2003-55 Pretrial hearing, merits.
Danielle Russell; JR-2004-35 Disposition.
Matthew Desantis: JR-2004-66
Jake Tetreault; JR-2004-42 Adjudication.
Davis McLeskey; JR-2004-40 Motion.
Jonathan Browning; JR-2004-60 Adjudication. 10:00 a.m. Parsons v. Parsons; DM-2004-15 Review
earing.
11:00 a.m. Guardianship: PO-2004-12 (R.Hawthorne)
erits.
11:30 a.m. Ficke v. Ficke; DM-2004-167 (McSwane)
emporary restraining order. 3:00 p.m. Drug Court Staffing.
4:30 p.m. Drug Court.
Parrell Brantley domestic mediator hears cases Tuesday
11:00 a.m. Bustamante v. Tercero; DV-2004-131

Tuesday, November 23
Judge in Ruidoso
8:00 a.m.
Cody Bomer; JR-2003-46 Check in.
Milinda McCarty; JR-2004-52 Pre trial hearing.
Glynn Enjady; JR-2003-55 Pretrial hearing, merits.
Danielle Russell; JR-2004-35 Disposition.
Matthew Desantis; JR-2004-66
Jake Tetreault; JR-2004-42 Adjudication.
Davis McLeskey; JR-2004-40 Motion.
Jonathan Browning; JR-2004-60 Adjudication.
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hearing.
11:00 a.m. Guardianship; PQ-2004-12 (R.Hawthorne)
Merits.
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4:30 p.m. Drug Court.
Darrell Brantley domestic mediator hears cases Tuesday.
11:00 a.m. Bustamante v. Tercero; DV-2004-131
1:00 p.m. Smith v. Smith; DM-2004-122 (Angie Schnei-
der-Cook/R.Hawthorne) Interim.
Wednesday, November 24
8:15 a.m. Teleconference. Dement v. Finley; CV-2003-1-
49 (Atkins/Rafkin) Motion.
8:30 a.m. The Title Company v. Gavin; CV-2003-80
(Rafkin/Witham/R.Hawthorne) Half day for merits

DISTRICT COURT

Swane) Objection to decision.

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a.m. The Title Company v. Gavin; CV-2003-80	0
Witham/R. Hawthorne) Half day for merits.	
Thursday & Friday, November 25 & 26	<i>i</i> .

Courts closed for Thanksgiving holiday.

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LEGALS

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE is hereby given that on October 22, 2004, Patsy M. Voss, P.O. Box 7, Carrizozo, NM 88301, filed application numbered T-4703 with the STATE ENGINEER for Permit to Appropriate Underground Waters in the Tula-rosa Basin, Lincoln County, using existing well T-1951 located in the SE1/4SE1/4NE1/4, Section 3, Township 8 South, Range 10 East, N.M.P.M., on property owned by the applicant for a total diversion of 5.34 acre-feet per annum; 4.17 acre-feet per annum for the irrigation of 1.0 acre owned by the applicant and an additional 1.17 acre-feet per annum for the irrigation of another 1.0 acre, previously permitted for 3 acre-feet per annum under T-1951. The two acres are located in the SE1/4NE1/4 of said Section 3. The existing welli and land is located in Carrizozo, NM.

Any person, firm or corporation or other entity having standing to file objections or protests shall do so in writing (legible, signed and include the writer's complete name and mailing address). The objection to the approval of the application: (1) if impairment, you must specifically identify your water rights; and/or (2) if public welfare or conservation of water within the state of New Mexico, you must show you will be substantially effected. The written protest must be filed, in triplicate, with the State Engineer, 1680 Hickory Loop, Suite J, Las Cruces, New Mexico 88005 within ten (10) days after the date of the last publication of this Notice. Facsimiles (faxes) will be accepted as a valid protest as long as the hard copy is sent within 24-hours of the facsimile. Mailing post-mark will be used to validate the 24-hour period. Protests can be faxed to 505-524-6160. If no valid protest or objection is filed, the State Engineer will evaluate the application in accordance with Sections 72-2-16, 72-5-6 and 72-12-3 of NMSA, 1978.

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LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE is hereby given that on July 16, 2004, Harlan Vincent, HCR 46, Boc 1531, Ruidoso Downs, New Mexico 88346, filed application No. 01718-B & H-1042 into H-1390 with the STATE ENGINEER for permit to change point of diversion, place and purpose of use from surface and supplemental groundwater to groundwater by ceasing the diversion of 12.672 acre-feet per annum of the surface waters of the Leopoldo Gonzalez Ditch, a tributary of the Hondo River, diverted at a point in the SW1/4SW1/4SE1/4 of Section 20, Township 10 South, Range 16 East, N.M.P.M., and supplemental shallow well No. H-1042 located in the SW1/4NE1/4NW1/4 of Section 28, Township 10 South, Range 16 East, N.M.P.M. and ceasing its use for the irrigation of 3.96 acres of land described as the N1/2NW1/4 of Section 28, Township 10 South, Range 16 East, N.M.P.M.

M.P.M.

The applicant proposes to commerce the

diversion of 12.672 acre-feet per annum of groundwater by using existing well No. H-1390, located in the SW1/4NEI/4SEI/4 of Section 15, Township 11 South, Range 14 East, N.M.P.M., for commercial purposes within a mobile home park and the irrigation of up to 1.0 acre of land described as the SEI/4 of Section 15, Township 11 South, Range 14 East, N.M.P.M.

The above described move-from point of diversion and place of use are located approximately 2 1/2 miles west of San Patricio, Lin-

coln County, New Mexico.

The above described move-to point of diversion and place of use are located east of the City of Ruidoso Downs, Lincoln County, New Mexico.

Any person, firm, corporation or other entity having standing to file objections or protests shall do so in writing (legible, signed, and include the writer's complete name and mailing address). The objection to the approval of the application; (1) if impairment, you must specifically identify your water rights; and/or (2) if public welfare or conservation of water within the State of New Mexico, you must show you will be substantially effected. The written protest must be filed in triplicate, with the State Engineer, 1900 W. Second Street, Roswell, New Mexico, 88201, within ten (10) days after the date of the last publication of this Notice. Facsimiles (fax's) will be accepted as a valid protest as long as the hard copy is sent within 24-hours of the facsimile. Mailing postmark will be used to validate the 24-hour period. Protests can be faxed to (505) 623-8559. If no valid protest or objection is filed, the State Engineer will evaluate the application in accordance with Sections 72-2-16, 72-5-6 and 72-12-

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LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF SPECIAL MEETING AND PUBLIC HEARING

NOTICE is hereby given that the Lincoln County Board of Commissioners will hold a Special Meeting and Public Hearing beginning at 3:00 p.m. on Wednesday, December 8, 2004, to be held at the Ruidoso Convention Center, Room 4, 111 Sierra Blanca Drive, in Ruidoso, New Mexico. The purpose of this meeting is to hold a Public Hearing to consider extending the deadline set by the Board of County Commissioners on August 17, 2004 regarding the dissolution of the Ruidoso-Lincoln County Extraterritorial Zoning Ordinance No. 1983-3 as amended by the following ordinances, and other proper business that come before the Board:

A.) ORDINANCE NO. 1991-8 AMEND-ING THE RUIDOSO-LINCOLN COUNTY EXTRATERRITORIAL ZONING ORDI-NANCE NO. 1983-3, SECTION 5 RELAT-ING TO ADMINISTRATION

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE is hereby given that on October 15, 2004, Patricia J. Reynolds, P.O. Box 53, Giencos, New Mexico 88324, filed application No. 0865 into 0275-A & H-272 et al with the STATE ENGINEER for permit to change point of diversion, place and purpose of use of surface vater in the Hondo Underground Water Basin in the State of New Mexico.

The applicant proposes to discontinue the diversion of 15.68 acre-feet per annum of the surface waters of the Rio Riddoso, a tributary of the Rio Hondo, via the J. Tully Ditch. North at a point in the NWANWANWA of Section 34. Township 10 South, Range 15 East, N.M.P.M., by ceasing the irrigation of 4.9 acres of land described as the S1/2S1/2SWA of Section 27. Township 10 South, Range 15 East, N.M.P.M.

The applicant proposes to commence the diversion of 15.68 acre-feet per annum of the surface waters of the Rio Ruidosc and supplemental shallow groundwater diverted from the following described points of diversion:

SURFACE DIVER	SION:			
RIO RUIDOSO	SUBDIVISION	SECTION	TOWNSHIP	RANGE
	SWWNEWSW W	19	11 S.	13 E.
GROUNDWATER	DIVERSION:			
WELL NO.	SUBDIVISION	SECTION	TOWNSHIP	RANGE
H-272	NWWNEWSWW	36	11 S.	13 E.
H-272-S	SEMSWMNEM	25	118.	13 E,
H-272-S-2	SW4SW4NB4	2	I1 S.	13 E.
H-272-S-3	NEWSWWSEW	2	11 S.	13 E.
H-272-S-4	SEKNWKNEK	11	IIS.	13 E.
H-272-S-3	NEWNWWSWW	14	11 S.	13 E.
H-272-S-6	Swaneanea	15	11 S.	13 E.
H-272-S-7	SWWNE%SE%	10	11 S.	13 E.
H-272-S-8	SEKNWKSWK	14	li S.	13 E.
11-272-S-9	NWKNEKNEK	23	11 S.	13 E.
H-272-S-11	NWWNENSEN	25	11 9.	13 E.

Said waters are to be used for municipal purposes within the Village of Ruidoso.

It is requested that this water right be approved for diversion by the Village of Ruidoso at times of substantial flow of the Rio Ruidoso as follows: May I through October 31 greater than 6.0 of at Hollywood Gage; November I through April 31 greater than 4.0 of. Applicant requests a minimum diversion for municipal purposes of 15.68 acre-fort per amount to balance the move-from consumptive arigation requirement recognizing 45% (of diversion) as consumptive use for municipal tise.

Emergency authorization is requested.

The move-from points of diversion and places of use are located one and one-third mile west of Glencoe, Lincoln County, New Medico.

The proposed move to points of diversion and place of use are located within the Village of Ruidoso, Lincoln County, New Meetics.

Any person, firm, corporation or other entity having standing to file objections or present shalf do so in writing (legible, signed, and include the writer's complete name and mailing address). The objection to the eigenval of the application: (1) if impairment, you write specifically identify your water rights; and/or (2) if public welfare or conservation of water within the State of New Maxico, you must show you will be substantially official. The written protest must be filed in triplicate, with the State Bugineer, 1900 W. Second Street, Roswell, New Maxico, 82201, within the (10) days after the date of the last publication of this Notice. Passingles (fax's) will be excepted as a valid protest at long as the hard copy is start within 24-hours of the facelanile. Mailing postment will be used to validate the 24-hour period. Protests can be faxed to (505) 623-8559. It so walld protest or objection is filed, the State Engineer will avaluate the application in accordance with Sections 72-2-16, 72-3-6 and 72-12-3.

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B.) ORDINANCE NO. 1999-01 AMEND-ING THE RUIDOSO-LINCOLN COUNTY EXTRATERRITORIAL ZONING ORDI-NANCE NO. 1983-3, ARTICLES 1 THROUGH XXIV RELATING TO ADMINISTRATIVE STRUCTURE AND PROVISIONS

C.) ORDINANCE NO. 1999-02 AMEND-ING THE RUIDOSO-LINCOLN COUNTY EXTRATERRITORIAL ZONING ORDI-NANCE NO. 1999-01, ARTICLES I THROUGH III RELATING TO ADMINIS-TRATIVE STRUCTURE AND PROVI-SIONS

All parties and interested citizens will have the opportunity to be heard. Copies of the proposed agenda for the December 8, 2004, may be obtained from the County Manager's office a the Lincoln County Courthouse in Carrizozo, twenty-four (24) hours prior to the meeting.

Auxiliary aides are available upon request, please contact Martha Guevara at 505/648-2385 ext. 100 at least 48 hours in advance of the meeting to make any necessary arrangements.

MARTHA GUEVARA Assistant County Manager

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LEGAL NOTICE

STATE OF NEW MEXICO COUNTY OF LINCOLN TWELFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT No. CV-04-273

SHELLIE BURTON EVANS, SUCCESSOR TRUSTEE OF THE BILL J. BURTON FAMILY TRUST, and FLOYD GOODLOE, Plaintiffs,

Fian

ALL UNKNOWN CLAIMANTS OF INTEREST IN THE SUBJECT PROPERTY,

Defendants.

AMENDMENT NOTICE OF PENDENCY OF ACTION

TO: All unknown claimants of interest in the following described property

Township 7 South, Range 14 East, N.M.P.M.; Section 6: W/2NE/4, containing 80 acres more or less;

GREETINGS:

You are directed to serve a pleading or Motion in response to the Complaint on file in this cause within thirty (30) days after publication of this Notice and file that same, all as provided by law. You are notified that, unless you so serve and file a responsive pleading or Motion, the Plaintiffs will apply to the Court for the relief demanded in the Complaint. You may obtain a copy of the Complaint by contacting the attorney for the Plaintiffs:

Kelly Mack Cassels Sanders, Bruin, Coll & Worley, P.A. Post Office Box 550 Roswell, New Mexico 88202-0550 Ph: 505/622-5440

The general object of this cause is to quiet title to the above-described property in the true and correct owners thereof. Once this cause has been prosecuted to its end, the ownership of the above-described property will be established as set out in the Complaint on file herein and any and all unknown claimants will be barred and forever estopped from having or making any glaim to the subject property.

claim to the subject property.

DATED this 8th day of November, 2004.

JAN PERRY
Clerk of the District Court
of Lincoln County
By: Elizabeth Ysasi
Deputy

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WEATHER

(Con't. from P. 1)

Mostly sunny with northwest wind around 5 miles per hour (mph). High near 42, Tonight mostly clear with west winds around 5 mph. Low near 26 in Carrizozo.

Thanksgiving Day,
Thursday, November 25
Mostly sunny with west
wind between 5 and 10 mph.
High around 50. Tonight
partly cloudy with low around 30.

Friday, November 26
Mostly sunny with high around 55. Tonight partly cloudy with low around 31.

Saturday, November 27
Partly cloudy with 20 percent chance of rain showers.
High around 53. Tonight partly cloudy with 20 percent chance of snow showers before 5 a.m. then slight chance of rain showers. Low near

Sunday, November 28
Mostly cloudy with 20 percent chance of rain showers before 5 p.m., then slight chance of snow showers. High around 45. Tonight partly cloudy 20 percent chance of snow showers before 5 a.m. then slight chance of rain showers. Low around 19

Monday, November 29
Partly cloudy with 20 percent chance of showers before 5 p.m. High near 44.
Tonight partly cloudy with 10 percent chance of showers. Low around 19.

Tuesday, November 30
Partly cloudy with a 10
percent chance of showers.
High around 45. Tonight
partly cloudy with slight
chance of showers. Low around 20.

Forecast for Ruidoso, Capitan and Corona.
Today, Wednesday, November 24

ber 24
Partly cloudy with calm wind become north around 5 mph. High near 40 in Ruidoso, 42 in Capitan and 36 in Corona. Tonight, mostly clear with west wind around 5 to 10 mph. Lows of 25 in Ruidoso, 28 in Capitan and 22 in Corona.

Thanksgiving Day,
Thursday, November 18
Mostly sunny with west
winds 5 to 15 mph. High around 45 in Ruidoso, 47 in
Capitan and 46 in Corona,
Tonight partly cloudy with
low around 26 in Ruidoso, 29
in Capitan and 25 in Corona.

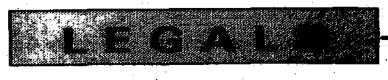
Friday, November 26
Mostly sunny with high around 49 in Ruidoso, 52 in Capitan and 49 in Corona. Tonight partly cloudy with lows around 28 in Ruidoso and 30 in Capitan and 27 in Corona.

Saturday, November 27
Partly cloudy with 30 percent chance for snow showers in Ruidoso, 30 percent chance of rain showers in Capitan and Corona. Highs near 49 in Ruidoso, 51 in Capitan and 45 in Corona. Tonight party cloudy with 30 percent chance of snow showers, mainly before 5 a.m. in Capitan and Corona. Lows near 23 in Ruidoso, 25 in Capitan and 22 in Corona.

Sunday, November 28
Partly cloudy with 20 percent chance for snow showers. Highs near 37 in Ruidoso, 40 in Capitan and 38 in Corona. Tonight partly cloudy with 10 percent chance for snow showers in Ruidoso and 20 percent chance of snow showers in Capitan and Corona. Lows around 16 in Ruidoso, 18 in Capitan and 17 in Corona, Monday, November 29

Partly cloudy with 20 percent chance for snow showers all day in Ruidoso and in Capitan and Corona before 5 p.m. Highs around 37 in Ruidoso, 40 in Capitan and 38 in Corona. Tonight partly cloudy with 20 percent chance of snow showers. Lows around 15 in Ruidoso, 18 in Capitan and Corona.

Tuesday, November 30
Partly cloudy with 10 percent chance of snow showers. Highs around 36 in
Ruidoso, 41 in Capitan and
37 in Corona. Tonight partly
cloudy with 10 percent chance for snow showers. Lows
around 17 in Ruidoso, 20 in
Capitan and 18 in Corona.



LEGAL NOTICE
TWELFTH JUDICIAL
DISTRICT COURT
COUNTY OF LINCOLN
STATE OF NEW MEXICO
CV-04-260

Div. III

JACK G. PRICE, a single man, Plaintiff,

GROUP I

MARQUIE PRICE aka MARCIA SHERILL PRICE, and her UNKNOWN SPOUSE, IF, ANY; WESLEY OWEN, individually, and doing business as Circle W Equipment, and his UNKNOWN SPOUSE, IF ANY; DEBRA OWEN aka DEBBIE OWEN, and HER UNKNOWN SPOUSE, IF ANY; THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE, NEW MEXICO EDUCATORS FEDERAL CREDIT UNION; PETROLINK, INCORPORATED, AND THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO, DEPARTMENT OF LABOR, EMPLOYMENT SECURITY DIVISION,

GROUP II

JOHN DOES 1 THROUGH 100 and their UNKNOWN HEIRS, DEVISEES AND ASSIGNS; and

GROUP III

ALL UNKNOWN CLAIMANTS OF INTEREST IN THE PREMISES ADVERSE TO THE PLAINTIFF, Defendants.

NOTICE OF PENDENCY OF SUIT
TO THE FOLLOWING NAMED
DEFENDANTS AGAINST WHOM
CONSTRUCTIVE SERVICE IS
HEREBY SOUGHT TO BE
OBTAINED:

Group I:

Marquie Price Aka Marcia Sherili Price, and Her Unknown Spouse, If, Any; Wesley Owen, Individually, and Doing Business as Circle W Equipment, and His Unknown Spouse, If Any; Debra Owen Aka Debbie Owen, and Her Unknown Spouse, If Any; the United States of America, Internal Revenue Service; New Mexico Educators Federal Credit Union; Petrolink, Incorporated, and the State of New Mexico, Department of Labor, Employment Security Division,

Group II

John Does 1 Through 100 and Their Unknown Heirs, Devisees and Assigns; and

Group III

All Unknown Claimants of Interest in the Premises Adverse to the Plaintiff,

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the Plaintiff's have filed a Complaint to Quiet Title in the above captioned cause wherein you are named as a Defendant.

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that the general object of this action is to quiet title in and to certain real property located in Lincoln County, New Mexico, as more particularly set forth in the Complaint on file in the abovecaptioned cause.

The Plaintiff's attorney is:

Zachary J. Cook

Lee Griffin & Associates, P.C.

1096 Mechem Drive, Suite 102

Ruidoso, New Mexico 88345

PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that if you intend to contest this suit, you must respond to the Complaint on or before 20 days from the last date of publication of this Notice.

WITNESS my hand and seal of this Court this 26th day of October, 2004.

IAN PERRY
Clerk of the District Court
BY: Elizabeth Ysasi
Deputy

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LEGAL NOTICE

STATE OF NEW MEXICO COUNTY OF LINCOLN TWELFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT No. CV-2004-272

CHASE MANHATTAN MORTGAGE CORPORATION,
Plaintiff,

DON E. HOOVER, INDIVIDUALLY AND AS PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE OF THE ESTATE OF DEBORAH LYNN HOOVER A/K/A DEBBIE HOOVER, THE ESTATE OF DOBORAH LYNN HOOVER A/K/A DEBBIE HOOVER, DECEASED, AND UNKNOWN HEIRS, DEVISEES OR LEGATEES OF DOBORAH LYNN HOOVER A/K/A DEBBIE HOOVER, DECEASED.

Defendants.

NOTICE OF SUIT

TO: All Defendants

You are hereby notified that a civil action has been filed against you in District Court of Lincoln County, New Mexico. by Plaintiff,

Chase Manhattan Mortgate Corporation (hereinafter referred to as "Chase"), in which Chase prays for foreclosure on its Note and Mortgage on real property located in Lincoln County, New Mexico, and the property described in the claim in said cause against Defendants named above, that the said real property be sold according to law and practice of this Court to pay the lien of the Plaintiff, and that the interest of the Defendants, and each of them, and all persons claiming under or through them and all other persons bound by these proceedings be barred and foreclosed of all rights, interest of claims to said real property, and for such other and further relief as the Court may deem just and proper.

Court may deem just and proper.

The property involved is the real estate and improvements located at 110 North Loop Road.

Nogal, New Mexico 88341, and/or possibility 106 Wolf Springs Loop Road, Nogal, New Mexico 88341, and more particularly described.

Lot 1, Block 1, Wolf Springs 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, August 18, 1981, in Cabinet D, Slide Nos. 38 and 39 and as further shown by the Plat of Survey, filed November 21, 1996 in Cabinet F, Slide 570

including any improvements, fixtures, and attachments, such as, but not limited to, mobile homes. If there is a conflict between the legal description and the street address, the legal description shall control.

You are further notified that unless you enter or cause to be entered your appearance or file responsive pleadings or motions in said cause within twenty (20) days of the fourth consecutive publication of this Notice of Suit, judgment will be rendered in said cause against you and each of you by default, and the relief prayed for will be granted.

The name of the attorneys for Chase is Little & Dranttel, P.C., 3803 Atrisco Blvd., NW, Suite A, Albuquerque, New Mexico 87120, Telephone (505) 833-3036.
WITNESS the Honorable Karen L. Parsons.

WITNESS the Honorable Karen L. Parsons. District Judge of the Twelfth Judicial District Court of the State of New Mexico, and the Seal of the District Court of Lincoln County on November 01, 2004.

JAN PERRY Clerk of the District Court

(SEAL)

By: Mickie L. Vega Clerk

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LEGAL NOTICE

STATE OF NEW MEXICO COUNTY OF LINCOLN TWELFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT IN THE CHILDREN'S COURT No. JQ-2004-06 Div. III

STATE OF NEW MEXICO ex rel. CHILDREN, YOUTH AND FAMILIES DEPARTMENT

In the Matter of A.G. and C.G., Children, And Concerning Martin Grier and Nancy Grier, Respondents.

NOTICE OF
PENDENCY OF ACTION
NANCY GRIER aka NANCY BRYANT
TO THE ABOVE NAMED RESPONDENT:

YOU ARE NOTIFIED that an action has been biled against you in the above named Court and County by the State of New Mexico in which the State of New Mexico has filed a petition alleging that you have abused and neglected A.G. and C.G., children. The above proceeding could ultimately result in the termination of your parental rights.

mination of your parental rights.
YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that this matter will be heard in the Children's Court Division of the District Court in Lincoln County, New Mexico, thirty days after the last publication of this notice.

WITNESS my hand and the Seal of the District Court of the State of New Mexico.

JAN PERRY Clerk of the District Court

(SEAL)

by: Elizabeth Ysasi Deputy

ATTORNEY FOR PETITIONER: Lynne Pruett, 2200 Indian Wells Rd., Alamogordo, NM 88310 (505) 434-5950

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LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE is hereby given that on October 14, 2004, Jerry and Marilyn Burchette, P.O. Box 156, Lincoln, New Mexico 88336, filed application No. 01416-E with the STATE ENGINEER for permit to change point of diversion of surface water in the Hondo Underground Water Basin.

The applicant proposes to discontinue the diversion of 9.75 acre-feet per annum of the surface waters of the Rio Bonito, a tributary of the Rio Hondo, via the Elena Vigil Ditch at a point in the NE1/4NW1/4NE1/4 of Section 13. Township 10 South, Range 16 East, N.M.P.M. and commence it's diversion from the Rio Bonito using a river pump at a point located in

the SW1/4NE1/4NW1/4 of Section 19, Town-ship 10 South, Range 14 East, N.M.P.M.

Said waters will continue to be used for the irrigation of 3.0 acres of land described as Pt. SE1/4SW1/4SW1/4 of Section 18 and Pt. N1/2NW1/4 of Section 19, all in Township 10 South, Range 17 East, N.M.P.M.

The move-from point of diversion is located approximately 5 miles northwest of Hondo, Lincoln County, New Mexico.

The proposed move-to point of diversion is located approximately 4 1/2 miles northwest of Hondo, Lincoln County, New Mexico.

Hondo, Lincoln County, New Mexico.

Any person, firm, corporation or other entity having standing to file objections or protests shall do so in writing (legible, signed, and include the writer's complete name and mailing address). The objection to the approval of the application: (1) if impairment, you must specifically identify your water rights; and/or (2) if public welfare or conservation of water within the State of New Mexico, you must show you will be substantially effected. The written protest must be filed in triplicate, with the State Engineer, 1900 W. Second Street, Roswell, New Mexico, 88201, within ten (10) days after the date of the last publication of this Notice. Facsimiles (fax's) will be accepted as a valid protest as long as the hard copy is sent within 24-hours of the facsimile. Mailing postmark will be used to validate the 24-hour period. Protests can be faxed to (505) 623-8559. If no valid protest or objection is filed, the State Engineer will evaluate the application in accordance with Sections 72-2-16, 72-5-6 and 72-12-3.

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LEGAL NOTICE

STATE OF NEW MEXICO COUNTY OF LINCOLN TWELFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT IN THE CHILDREN'S COURT

No. JQ-2004-08 Div. III

STATE OF NEW MEXICO ex rel. CHILDREN, YOUTH AND FAMILIES DEPARTMENT In the Matter of B.S., Child, And Concerning Guadalupe Davila

and Antonio Sanchez, Respondents.

NOTICE OF PENDENCY OF ACTION

ANTONIO SANCHEZ

TO THE ABOVE NAMED RESPONDENT:

you are notified that an action has been filed against you in the above named Court and County by the State of New Mexico in which the State of New Mexico has filed a petition alleging that you have abused and neglected B.S., a child. The above proceeding could ultimately result in the termination of your parental rights.

YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that

YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that this matter will be heard in the Children's Court Division of the District Court in Lincoln County, New Mexico, thirty days after the last publication of this notice

publication of this notice.

WITNESS my hand and the Seal of the District Court of the State of New Mexico.

JAN PERRY
Clerk of the District Court

(SEAL)

By: Mickie L. Vega Deputy

ATTORNEY FOR PETITIONER: Lynne Pruett, 2200 Indian Wells Rd., Alamogordo, NM 88310 (505) 434-5950

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LEGAL NOTICE
IN THE PROBATE COURT
STATE OF NEW MEXICO
COUNTY OF LINCOLN
No. 2061

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF SIBYL GLADYS RIDDLE, Deceased. NOTICE TO CREDITORS

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned has been appointed Personal Representative of this estate. All persons having claims against this estate are required to present their claims within two (2) months after the date of the first publication of this notice, or the claims will be forever barred. Claims must be presented either to the undersigned Personal Representative at the address listed below, or filed with the Probate Court of Lincoln County, New Mexico, at the following address: Post Office Box 338, Carrizozo, New Mexico, 88301-0338.

DATED: November 11, 2004.

BILLY DON RIDDLE 733 Green Valley Drive Abilene, Texas 79601-4576 (325) 676-7338

Alan P. Morel
ALAN P. MOREL, P.A.
Post Office Box 1030
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Corona News__

by Lanita Rasak

Dr. Samuel Billison died this week. His degree was in education. He was a Navajo Code Talker. He worked and lived in Window Rock AZ, and he had a delightful sense of humor.

Curtis Duke of Corona taught school in Fort Defiance, AZ in the 70's and Dr. Billison was always a speaker at their educational conferences. He is the voice on the GI Joe Code Talker action figure.

I spent some time with. Sam and his wife Patsy this year, and I am glad I got to know them. I had Sam auto-graph my GI Joe action figure last September when the New Mexico Daughter's of the American Revolution sponsored a bus tour of New Mexico. One of our stops was Gallup where Dr. Billi-son, Patsy and other relatives met us for a banquet. Sam spoke to the group at length about his days as a Marine and a code talker. He graciously autographed my GI Joe, His wife Patsy told me "do not call it a doll." So action figure it was. Several of my DAR friends had planned to have him sign their GI Joe's also. He was to attend a Christmas dinner in Albuquerque at the Petroleum Club as a guest of the Charles Dibrell Chapter DAR where he would speak and thank the daughters for sponsoring him for the DAR Medal of Honor which he received in Washington DC

this past July.

I was there in DC when he accepted his award. Seated next to Patsy Billison, her sister and niece, it was an electrifying evening.

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Jean Falck and I escorted Patsy Billison to the WWII Memorial while Alice Jones of Charles Dibrell Chapter escorted Dr. Billison to the Pentagon, and Quantico where he spoke to young Marines and finally to a dinner with Senators from AZ and Hawaii among others. We also went with the Billisons to see Senator Domenici and to Senator Bingaman's office where Sam asked for help to fund an ROTC unit in Window Rock.

we became friends in those few days in DC. Sam spoke at the American Indian luncheon and charmed the ladies. He always had funny endearing stories but he also told of a Navajo in the Bataan Death March who was taken to Tokyo, stripped na-ked and had water poured over him until he froze to the ground. They asked him what the coded message was, and he told them. It was Navajo and he translated, but the code could not be broken. He saw this man later back on the reservation and he told Sam he didn't much like code talkers. You could certainly see why.

Dr. Billison was to be an

honored guest at the April conference of the New Mexico Daughters of the American Revolution to be held in Albuquerque during the tri-centennial. He will be forever missed.

State Regent Lois Faye Lampson and District Director Jean Falck attended the funeral Saturday, Nov. 20 in Window Rock.

The Corona School will have the Christmas program on December 8 at the auditorium and Linda Greer is the director.

The Corona Ecumenical Choir will perform a Cantata on December 5 at 5 p.m. at the Presbyterian Church. There will be refreshments afterward.

The Corona area received RAIN Monday afternoon and evening. Something to be thankful for this Thanksgiving Day.





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Food Vitamin

Government tests show that Vitamin G. a food factor promoting growth, is from five to eight times more abundant in beef liver, pork liver and beef kidney than in lean beef, pork or lamb.

Dance - Barbecue at White Oaks

A big barbeque and dance will take place at White

Oaks tommorrow night:

The Gloom Chasers will furnish the music, which will be fine as usual. Everybody is invited to come and have a grand time.

Carrizozo Hi School Notes

On November 11 Armistice Day, the football boys played the town team. The boys held the town gang to a seoreless tie until Captain Clayton Hust of the town team went over for a touchdown. They lined up again and went over for the extra point. The game ended thus - 7-0 in favor of the town team.

However, the boys should not feel badly over losing the game, considering Raymond Price, of the town team, has had three years of high school football and two years in college, and Clayton Hust two

years with the navy crack eleven.

Friday the Thirteenth, and a game scheduled with Corona for that evening. All those wishing to see the game and having means of conveyance were excused from school and four or five cars, besides the school bus, bearing the players, mudded up up to Corona, and saw our boys run up the score to that lucky number, 13 to Corona's 6.

The same thing happened on Friday the Thirteenth last year, the boys beating Dexter in basketball with a score of 13 to 10.

And another stunt Thursday. The Sophomores. under Miss Evard, put on a portrayal of the "Shooting of Dan McGrew as it Actually Happened," accompanied by a reading of the same name by Frances Charles a comic reading by Betty Joyce and a musical number by Vena Snow. The program as a whole was very good, and the different parts were well portrayed.

Monday the different clubs met, and a Fencing Club was started. Some very lively times are to be looked forward to in this ancient sport of the Royalty of France. Three of our musketeers might even be turned out.

Wednesday the assembly was devoted to a sort of pep meeting, for the sole purpose of telling the boys that the town is behind them, and that they should ocme out and practice hard for that game with Capitan Thansgiving.

The English flyers who are flying 400 miles an hour should be able to overtake the prosperity which we were told some time ago was just around the



CCNG Prices Will A

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for CCNG are so much higher than Zia's, Sullivan said CCNG has to pay a distribution fee and a transport fee to Natural Gas Processing Company which owns Zia Natural Gas. "We have no control over these fees, because former board members who made several mistakes, such as selling the major transmission line," Sullivan

Sullivan said the CCNG board is concerned for the CCNG employees and the little company that has been in business since 1966 with an excellent accident record. He suggested people who do not like the CCNG fees go to an alternative heating fuel such as propane or electric.

When the mayor of Capitan asked what the purpose of CCNG is, Carrizozo trustee Eileen Lovelace and the mayor of Carrizozo both said to serve the people. To which the mayor of Capitan asked at any cost? When do we say it's not working."

Martin asked what strategy CCNG, the CCNG board and the municipalities will take to moderate the costs now and for next year. "We did not catch the right price (for gas) at the annual buy in and now we're trapped into the high price." Martin said. "What do we do to make sure we are protected in the fu-

The mayor of Carrizozo said CCNG has done the best it could being a small company, which compared to Zia is like a small business trying to compete with Wal Mart. He said CCNG does a lot of services not provided by Zia Sullivan said CCNG also carries a lot of customers who cannot pay. Later in the discussion Strickland said CCNG charges \$5 per service call to seniors and \$10. to all others.

Lovelace asked Strickland if CCNG can cut anywhere. Strickland said the budget for expenses is very slim. She said they work with older equipment but do have new pickups. "Our expenses every year are pretty much the same other than the price of gas." she added.

Capitan Trustee George Tippin suggested Strickland bill for gas based on volume and pressure factors for Capitan's altitude as opposed basing billing on volume and pressure factors at sea level which she currently does. Tippin said by changing the factor the gas cost should be

Tippin also suggested CCNG do a price chart that shows that natural gas, even at CCNG prices, is cheaper than propane which would help CCNG pick up more customers.

Tippin said CCNG could do away with the distribution and transportation fees Zia now charges CCNG if CCNG constructed its own transmission gas line from the main El Paso Natural Gas to the north. Shearer said CCNG would not even break even on the debt for such a

"It appears Capitan wants to sell the gas company to Zia Gas," Sullivan stated. "I see Zia as a big vulture waiting for us to die. If Zia takes over, your dollars will go to Wyoming instead of staying

An audience member asked, why CCNG is a good deal, because newcomers wouldn't care about the history of CCNG only that it has higher prices. Sullivan said CCNG is the only deal in Capitan.

Lovelace said her concern is that in 1990 when David Hamilton, owner of Zia Gas. bought the gas transmission line from CCNG. Hamilton said he did not care what happened to Carrizozo and he would not provide gas service to Carrizozo.

Lovelace said the town has wrestled with the CCNG issue with Hamilton and she has a hard time trusting him, Shearer said Zia (Hamilton) is regulated by the Public Regulation Commission (PRC). Sullivan said Hamiltoh is a manipulator who gets all he wants from the PRC because he has "deep pock-

ets." When Sullivan asked the mayor of Capitan for his solution, the mayor said if Carrizozo separated from CCNG and formed its own gas company, Carrizozo could still get gas.

The mayor of Carrizozo said if Hamilton would assure Carrizozo his company would transport gas for Carrizozo it would be okay. "But I've been on the board for eight years and every time they would try to negotime (with Hamilton) it turns into a big lie," the mayor of Carrizozo said.

The mayor of Carrizozo then asked Shearer how many times she went to Santa Fe (to the PRC) when she was on the CCNG board to try to negotiate with Hamilton. "A number of times," Shearer said, "And I still hope for a miracle."

Carrizozo trustee Wes Lindsay suggested taking the issue to the people for answers. CCNG board member Angelo Vega from Carrizozo suggested a special election. The mayor of Capitan said officials are elected to represent the people and the trustees should make decisions on what "we feel our people want."

When the mayor of Carrizozo said he's gotten no complaints, the mayor of Capitan said Capitan school spent \$71,000 last year with CONG when it could go over three feet and hook into Zia Gas lines which run across

Capitan school board vice president, said if the school could go with Zia it would save \$30,000 a year. However, the school would have to set up its own franchise.

"Are we going to sell CCNG to save the school and city?" Strickland asked. "Damn right!" answered the mayor of Capitan.

Strickland said last year CCNG was cheaper than Zia and CCNG has to make some profit. Martin said some of the costs for CCNG are the high salaries for the 26- and 37-year employees.

A suggestion was made to move the CCNG office into Capitan village hall or Carrizozo town hall to consolidate office costs and cut expenses. Lovelace said that was considered in the past and was not allowed.

Sullivan said pricing natural gas is like a "crap shoot" just like gasoline. Strickland said CCNG is locked into the price of gas from the supplier. Wasatch Energy of Farming-ton, Utah at \$7.68 for one year. Last year's price was \$4.65. Strickland said CCNG does not have the expertise like the bigger gas company to know when to make the best gas buy.

After more discussion, including more explanation on how natural gas is measured in terms of volume and 'British Thermal Units (BTUs)". the mayor of Capitan said the village in June asked CCNG for a rate study. Sullivan said such a study would cost \$14,000 only to find out CCNG prices are too high. He said Capitan should pay school property. David Cox, for such a study if they want

one. Carrizozo town clerk Leann Weihbrecht suggested one of the municipalities apply for a planning Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) to do the rate studý.

The mayor of Carrizozo tinally told the mayor of Capitan to put together a pre-sentation for the December 15 CCNG meeting to be held in Carrizozo. But discussion did not end instead continued. on about the discrepancy on how many CCNG customers were lost to Zia in the Loma Grande area and whether the CCNG board was operating properly.

The mayor of Capitan continued to argue about the \$78,000 (for the overage of gas) and where it goes. Sullivan said there is no \$78,000 in cash and it did not disap-

Vega said Tippin had good ideas and he suggested Strickland and Sullivan work together to re-figure the volume factor and how to cutthe cost of service, then meet again for a resolution. Vega asked if Hamilton has approached anyone in the last 90 days. Shearer said after she resigned from the CCNG board she met with the Zia Gas attorney, and Lovelace commented "that explains

The higher priced CCNG bills will be sent out on De-cember 3. Sullivan said CCNG will send letters to customers about the price of gas and ways to reduce costs by closing off rooms, etc.

Sullivan closed the discussion when he said the audit of 2003-2004 CCNG books was just finished and it showed the books and company to be in great shape. thanks to Strickland and her assistant,



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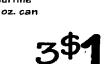


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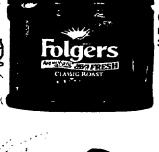


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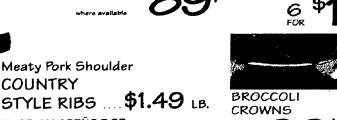




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