

School Board Candidates Filing Days

December 21 & 28

by Doris Cherry

All school districts in Lincoln County will hold elections on Tuesday, February 1, 2005 for positions on their boards of education.

Registered voters residing within these school districts are eligible to become candidates for the board of education positions. All candidates wishing to have their names appear on

the school election ballots must file declarations of candidacy between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m. on Tuesday, December 21 with the Lincoln County Clerk in her office in the Lincoln County Courthouse.

Tuesday, December 28 is the last day for candidates to officially withdraw from the election, and is the only day to file as write-in candidates.

Capitan School District
Two four year positions are open on the Capitan Board of Education; Positions 1 and 2. Currently these are held by David Cox and Gary Tregembo.

Carrizozo School District
Two four year positions are open on the Carrizozo Board of Education; Positions 3 and 4, currently held by Jim Grider and Matt Ferguson.

Corona School District
Two four year positions are open on the Corona

Board of Education; Positions 4 and 5 currently held by Jeanene Gibbs and William Hignight, and Position 3 will be for two years, the remainder of a four year term, currently held by Mark Sultemeier.

Corona voters will also be asked on the ballot to continue the SB9 two mill levy. This will not increase taxes. Rather will continue the same taxes.

Hondo School District
Two four year positions are open on the Hondo

Board of Education; Positions 1 and 2, currently these are held by Dennis Nosker, Luis Jimenez and Position 3, will be for two years, the remainder of a four year term, currently held by Joe Torrez.

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LCSWA member Ray Dean gets a first hand look at the new residential trash collection truck and new poly carts prior to the November 30 LCSWA board meeting. The trucks and poly carts will be used in Ruidoso Downs, Capitan, and Carrizozo.

Mescalero Enterprises To Bring 300+ Jobs

by Doris Cherry

When the \$165 million Inn of the Mountain Gods and Casino reopens in mid-March 2005, more than 300 workers will be needed.

"Our vision for the resort is to be the best all season resort in the southwest," said Michael French, chief operating officer for the Inn of the Mountain Gods Resort and Casino to the Ruidoso Village Council at its meeting Tuesday, Nov. 30.

French and Brian Parrish, director of marketing, reported on the progress of construction of the Mescalero resort and casino and recent changes at Ski Apache, another Mescalero Tribal enterprise.

French said 90 percent of the construction of the new Inn resort and casino is completed and finishing work is underway. Move-in of furniture and other fixtures is scheduled to start in mid-December with a tentative "soft" opening date of March 15, 2005.

The resort hotel will feature 273 rooms, 25 suites and two "presidential" suites. There will be 1,500 parking spaces underground and 750 spaces above ground to serve the resort hotel and new 45,000 square foot casino. Improvements are being made to the Inn golf course also, French said.

The Inn is planning a \$2 million advertising campaign for the new resort and casino to increase visitation from existing markets in the primary market area in the 175 mile radius around Mescalero (includes Albuquerque, El Paso, Juarez, Midland and west Texas) and to expand its customer base.

The advertising campaign launches during the second week of January and will include television, radio, print and billboards in the primary market and targeted advertising in outer markets.

Mescalero Enterprises also plans partnerships with Cabela's Outdoor Outfitters, NM Open Golf tournament, a TV special on the Teaching and Learning Network, American Express, Creamland Dairy with a Ski Apache promotion offer on milk cartons, and a newly established Ruidoso lodgers discount lift ticket program for Ski Apache. French said the advertising will feature the entire Ruidoso area as a destination, not just the Inn resort and casino.

"The economic heal-

th of the whole area will increase dramatically with the resort opening," French said.

As for staffing, French said they are committed to hiring as many Mescalero tribal members as possible.

Currently, 35 percent of the staff are from Mescalero. To fill other positions, Mescalero Enterprises plans Career Expos in nearby cities, online recruiting through "H" Careers and ads in print media including Native American publications.

"There is concern in Ruidoso we will steal the labor force," French said. "That is not our plan."

Staff hired will receive training, be offered management in training programs, GED, responsible gaming and internet training. Guest services staff will be trained on standards and procedures, will have training certification and will be rated with a guest satisfaction survey. "It's all about how we take care of our customers," French said.

French also discussed changes at Ski Apache, which now has Dan Conners as the new director of operations. Conners came from the Mammoth Mountain resort.

New this year was the "Free Day" on the day before Thanksgiving, the official opening of the snow play area. Some 1,500 mostly local residents took advantage of the free day, French said.

Other new improvements to Ski Apache include remodeling of the lodge and improvements in the food service, paved parking lot and the "Bone Yard" snowboard terrain run. Ski Apache is planning to open the area to summer events beginning in 2005, pending US Forest Service approval.

Parrish said the Mescalero Enterprises is planning a Grand Opening of the new resort and casino in May, 2005 with top name entertainers, Native American entertainment and Pow Wow dancing and a golf event.

"The resort and casino will not compare to anywhere in New Mexico," Parrish said.

After the Mescalero Enterprises report, Ruidoso Village Councilors heard from their Affordable Housing Task Force members Bill Hodges and Mario Zaboni.

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Ruidoso Council In Conflict Over Audit Questions

by Doris Cherry

Accusations and finger pointing was flying as conflicts between Ruidoso councilors erupted at the November 30 regular village council meeting.

Issues surfaced when Ruidoso Village Councilor Angel Shaw attempted to have a council "code of ethics" and a separate procedures policy adopted. The code and policy, which were rejected, were suggestions from the New Mexico Municipal League.

Shaw said the proposed code defines her position as a councilor; that she will represent the interests of all people served by the municipality. She said the code helps define what can and cannot be said by councilors.

Councilor Deborah Byars said it is very clear in the constitution that no one can take away constitutional rights, including freedom of speech. She said a code of ethics is "fantastic" and said in Texas they are very strict about elected officials giving favors to those who helped their campaigns. Instead of a code, Byars said she would prefer a "Hello, Welcome to an elected official in Ruidoso."

Councilor Michele Rebstock asked of what advantage it would be to adopt a code of ethics. Mayor Leon Eggleston said if adopted it could be enforced.

Councilor Ray Nunley said councilors were elected because the voters thought they had good ethics. "If councilors don't have good ethics they don't stay long," Nunley said.

Byars said Shaw should look closely at the

code of ethics item that says the a councilor will not use service on the governing body for personal advantage or for family or friends. "Such as if you go to a department head and demand extra hours for a spouse or have rfp's," Byars said. "You suggest I've done these things?" asked Eggleston.

Shaw said she thought Byars was making

reference to her.

"These are innuendos and I am very offended by this," Eggleston said.

Byars said she would not discuss her comments any further and her reference had nothing to do about Shaw or her husband, who works for the village. "I was not pointing fingers," Byars said. "I just won't adopt

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ENMU Names New ENMU/Ruidoso Dean

Dr. Michael Elrod has been named dean of the Eastern New Mexico University Ruidoso Instruction Center, effective January 3, 2005.

According to a press release from ENMU, Dr. Elrod will come to Ruidoso from his current position as campus community and workforce development officer at the Dona Ana Community College, a branch of New Mexico State University. He is the senior administrative officer responsible for community education programs and services, workforce development and outreach educational programs. Dr. Elrod, with Dona Ana Community College since 1983, was also a professor, division head of business and information systems and interim campus academic officer. In 1982-83 Elrod taught at the Clovis branch of ENMU.

Elrod was awarded his doctor of philosophy in

higher education administration from NMSU in 2002. He earned a masters degree in educational management and development in 1989 and a BA in sociology from NMSU in 1974.

"We are very pleased to have attracted someone the caliber of Dr. Elrod," said Dr. Steven Gamble, ENMU president. "With his extensive community college experience in New Mexico, we feel that he is a great fit to take over the reigns of the Ruidoso Instruction Center."

"Having been under the direction of Dr. Jim Miller since its founding in 1991, ENMU-Ruidoso is in great shape," Dr. Gamble continued. "It has constantly expanded and been innovative in meeting the needs of the citizens of the Lincoln County area."

When ENMU-Ruidoso opened it shared space with Region IX Education

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Getting In The Spirit With... Christmas Carols



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School Board

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District election ballot will also include questions asking voters to re-authorize the SB9 two mil levy and to approve the authorization of \$700,000 in bonds over a six year period. Approval of both will not increase property taxes from their current levels.

According to Hondo School Superintendent John McCallum, the \$700,000 authorization will not go into effect at once, rather will be available to the district over six years. The most immediate need for the Hondo School district is for \$400,000 to replace and repair roofs, remodel the gym concessions and for other general repairs, McCallum told THE NEWS.

McCallum said if voters approve the bond issue, their property taxes will not increase, as the district is retiring an old bond. Also approval of the SB9 mil levy will not increase property taxes since that levy has been in place for many years. McCallum said the bond counsel has worked with the district to make sure there is no property tax increase if the bond issue is approved.

SB9 and bond money can only be used for repairs to buildings, to purchase equipment, activity vehicles and for construction. SB9 and bond money cannot be used for salaries or other school staff salaries.

McCallum said passage of the bond issue will also help the district provide needed match money for the state capital outlay program.

Hondo School will hold informational meetings about the bond issue and SB9 elections during January, McCallum added.

Ruidoso School District Two four year positions are open on the Ruidoso

so Board of Education; Positions 4 and 5 currently held by board vice-president James Paxton and board secretary Danny Sisson.

The Ruidoso School District will also ask voters to renew the SB9 mil levy.

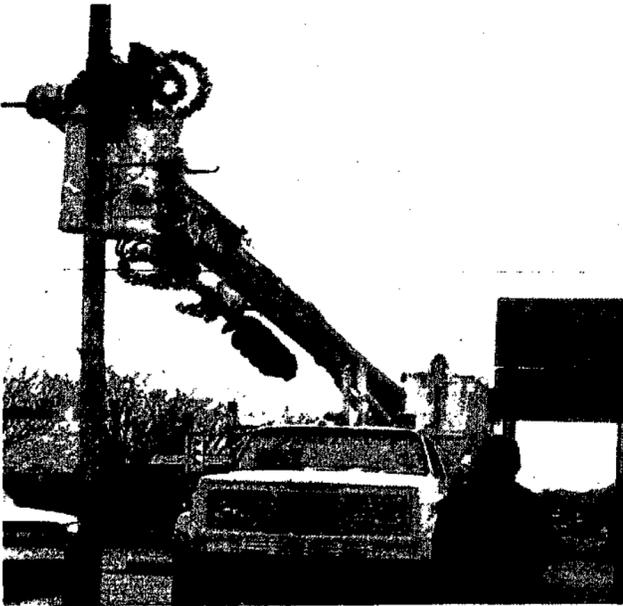
SB9 mil levies come up for renewal every three years.

Registered voters interested in seeking candidacy on their boards of education must have affidavits of voter registration available from the county clerk's office in order to file. All potential candidates wishing to have their names appear on the school district election ballot must file in person with the county clerk from 9 a.m. until 5 p.m. Tuesday, December 21 in the Lincoln County Clerk's office in the Lincoln County Courthouse in Carrizozo.

Registered voters will have one more opportunity to file for board positions as write-in candidates, by filing as a write-in candidate from 9 a.m. until 5 p.m. Tuesday, December 28, also in the office of the Lincoln County Clerk in the Lincoln County Courthouse in Carrizozo.

Voter registration for the February 1 school district elections closes is at 5 p.m. Tuesday, January 4. Voters must be registered as residing within the district to be a candidate for a board position, or to vote in the district elections on February 1.

For more specific information about each school district contact the office of superintendent for the district. For information about filing as a candidate, or voting in the February 1 election call the Lincoln County Clerk toll free at 1-800-687-2705, ext. 6.



SIGN OF THE SEASON. Otero County Electric Cooperative, Inc. crews put up the large lighted holiday decorations in Capitan on Monday, during a snowy storm that left little snow but dropped temperatures into the single digits. OCEC crews also put up holiday decorations in Carrizozo on the same day. OCEC puts up the decorations in both communities at no cost.

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

Friday, December 20, 1930

Christmas Carols



By ELMO SCOTT WATSON
Drawing by Ray Walters.

One of the interesting developments of the celebration of Christmas in America is the revival of the ancient custom of singing Christmas carols on Christmas eve and the increasing observance of that custom in all parts of the country. Of course, we have always had some Christmas carol singing, varying in prevalence in different parts of the country and confined mainly to the Christmas exercises in church and school by the children just before the holiday. But in the hurry and haste of this modern high-speed age and our departure of observing the day, the singing of carols is one custom which has been allowed to lapse to a great extent.

It is interesting to note, however, that the Christmas carol is "staging a come-back" and that in places where its appearance seems all the more surprising because it is in the very center of our modern commercialism. In many of the big department stores in the large cities, in hotels and in restaurants, groups of musicians, dressed in the costumes of Old England, are playing and singing Christmas carols during the week before Christmas. In some of the railroad stations in the big cities hurrying commuters and other railway travelers are surprised to hear the sound of voices, singing old fashioned Christmas carols, pealing out through the cathedral-like spaces of these great structures and upon pausing for a moment they see that the singing comes from a balcony overlooking the concourse and that it is a trained choir of many voices which is thus adding to the Christmas spirit in evidence everywhere.

The first Christmas carol is said to be that sung by the heavenly host when the birth of Christ was announced to the shepherds. Here is a description of that singing as told by St. Luke:

"There were in the same country shepherds abiding in the field, keeping watch over their flocks by night. And, lo, the angel of the Lord came upon them, and the glory of the Lord shone round about them; and they were sore afraid. And the angel said unto them, Fear not; for behold, I bring you good tidings of great joy, which shall be to all people. For unto you is born this day in the city of David a Savior, which is Christ the Lord. And this shall be a sign unto you; ye shall find the babe wrapped in swaddling clothes, lying in a manger. And suddenly there was with the angel a multitude of the heavenly host praising God, and singing, Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace, good will toward men."

Probably the practice of singing at Christmas rose in imitation of this, as the majority of the carols declare the good tidings of great joy. The word "carol" itself comes from two Latin words meaning "to sing joyfully." Or as it was defined long ago in a curious old stanza:

"Know you what is a carol?
'Tis singing, with praise of God
If you praise God and sing not,
You utter no carol.
If you sing and praise not God,
You utter no carol."

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ENMU Names

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Cooperative offices on Suddeth Drive, until 1995 when it moved into its current location in the old hardware building in Sierra Mall on Mechem Drive. ENMU-Ruidoso grew from 300 students its first year to more than 1,500 now.

Gamble said Miller has done an excellent job as dean of the Ruidoso Instruction Center. "Dr. Miller's vision and leadership have been two of the major factors in the progress made at ENMU-Ruidoso. The Center is now ready to advance to branch campus status and become a full-service two-year college," Gamble said. "I give Jim and the citizens of Ruidoso and Lincoln County full credit."

"We cannot adequately express the appreciation we feel for what Dr. Miller has accomplished," Gamble continued. "And we wish him the best in his retirement."

Dr. Miller, whose official last day is January 8, 2005, said his decision to retire was prompted by health concerns. His future plans include pursuing a part-time position in the private sector and volunteering in the Ruidoso area.

Announcement of Dr. Elrod's appointment was made at a press conference on Nov. 23 in Ruidoso.



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Mescalero Enterprises

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The report opens with a statement that the housing needs of low-income families are not being met in the village of Ruidoso due to a number of obstacles, including excessive regulations, codes, impact fees and environmental laws. It goes on to define very low income as \$22,500 annual gross income with an affordable monthly home payment up to \$562; low income as \$36,000 annual gross income with affordable monthly housing payment of up to \$900; and moderate income as \$54,450 to \$54,000 with affordable monthly payments of \$911 to \$1,350 with a house price range up from \$116,000 to \$175,000. Figures were based on information from the federal Housing and Urban Development (HUD) agency.

Zaboni said the task force looked at several initiatives. Ruidoso building codes currently have no definition of affordable housing which needs to be changed. Impact fees need to be reconsidered with adjustments for affordable units. The village codes need to be revised to allow "granny flats" or small apartments for family members. Lastly, there needs to be a new image of affordable housing. "We're not talking about subsidized housing, that is a way of the past," Zaboni added.

Affordable rental units are really "stressed" now, Zaboni continued. "What impact will the new casino have on the available affordable rentals?"

French said one of the issues for recruiting staff for the new Inn resort and casino is the lack of affordable housing in Ruidoso and nearby areas. "If you had affordable housing (in Ruidoso) there would be a huge benefit to the casino and all businesses," French said. "We plan to add 300 to 400 new jobs, but the stopper is there is no place for workers to (afford to) live in Ruidoso."

Currently the casino hires people from Tularosa and El Paso, French added.

Ruidoso resident Bob Russell said the demand for service workers will increase and affordable housing is a priority. "The storm is headed our way, we can meet it prepared or not," Russell added.

Village planning officer Chay Rennick said the affordable task force recommendations have been incorporated into the village Comprehensive Plan now in the final steps of being drafted. After councilor Deborah

Byars suggested the affordable housing task force report be sent to the village Plan-

ning and Zoning Commission, Rennick said the report will be presented to P&Z for

discussion at its next meeting at 2 p.m. Tuesday, December 7.



WINNING WAYS.

The Ruidoso High School Lady Warriors proudly accept a proclamation from Ruidoso Mayor Leon Eggleston, making December 9 as "Ruidoso Warriors Championship Day" in Ruidoso, and encouraging all citizens to join in supporting and congratulating members of the Lady Warriors Volleyball Team for their triumphant performances. "The team, coached by Maria Cruz-Bennet, won the state Class AAA volleyball title. The team was recognized during the Nov. 30 Ruidoso Village Council meeting."

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MONDAY, DECEMBER 6
--Capitan Chamber of Commerce meets at 8:30 a.m. at the visitor center on Smokey Bear Blvd.

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 7
--Lincoln County Public Land Use and Rural Affairs Advisory Committee (PLURAAC) 9 a.m. county commission chambers in the Lincoln County Courthouse in Carrizozo.
--Ruidoso Planning and Zoning Commission 2 p.m. village hall.
--Capitan v. Carrizozo boys and girls basketball, beginning at 4 p.m. in Capitan.

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 8
--Capitan Elementary, Mid-School and High School Christmas music programs. Elementary at 2 p.m. mid and high school at 6:30 p.m. Traylor Gym.
--LCSWA Open House, noon to 4 p.m. LCSWA offices in Ruidoso Downs. Public invited to stop by.

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 9
--Carrizozo Trinity United Methodist Church community turkey luncheon. 12 noon at the church. Everyone invited, no cost but donations accepted.
--Capitan Board of Education, 6:30 p.m. Agenda includes enrollment update, board policy section VI, baseball field report, utilities comparison, and executive session for limited personnel matters - administrative evaluation and employee performances. Public welcome.
--Ruidoso Festival of Lights officials judging of residential and business holiday lighting displays. Applications available at Ruidoso Chamber of Commerce at 720 Sudderth Drive.

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 10
--Carrizozo Chamber of Commerce Christmas After Hours open house 5 to 7 p.m. Walkers' Blue Auction Barn on Central Ave. in Carrizozo. Public invited.

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 11
--Luminaria bagging at Carrizozo Fire Station. start 9 a.m. Coffee and donuts will be served, hamburger fry at noon for volunteers.

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 12
--Trinity United Methodist Church Christmas Cantata. 6 p.m. at the church. Public invited. Refreshments served after the program.

DECEMBER 14 & 15
--Corona Elementary Christmas Program. 1 p.m. matinee on Dec. 14 and 6:30 p.m. Dec. 15, in the school auditorium. No admission.

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.



BOOKMOBILE SCHEDULE

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 7
Corona Post Office 12:00 - 2:00
Carrizozo/Otero Electric 3:30 - 6:00

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 8
Carrizozo, Otero Electric 7:30 - 8:30
Nogal Post Office 9:00 - 9:45
Sapitan Smokey Bear Café 10:15 - 11:30
Fort Stanton RTC 12:30 - 2:00
Camp Sierra Blanca 2:10 - 2:50
Lincoln Post Office 3:15 - 4:00
Hondo Store 5:00 - 6:00

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Navy Seaman Recruit Luis F. Hernandez, son of Elena and Luis Hernandez of Ruidoso Downs, recently completed U.S. Navy basic training at Recruit Training Command, Great Lakes, Ill. Hernandez is a 2002 graduate of Ruidoso High School



NOTICE TO LINCOLN COUNTY PROPERTY OWNERS PROPERTY TAX DELINQUENT DATE

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THOUGHTS
FROM THE EDITOR'S DESK

Beginning the holiday season

By Ruth Hammond

Getting into the holiday spirit can be difficult at times. Too many people are already wondering how effective they will be this year with their "Bah, Humbug!" routine and may be found in front of a mirror practicing the glaring look they will cast toward any well-wishers. It is a shame they don't realize that the holiday season is more about sharing and having happy thoughts with others.

If you want to get in the holiday mood, remember back to when you were a child and how happy you were when the Christmas decorations were on display. Think about a special Christmas when you had the perfect gift for a particular person. Remember how much fun it was wrapping and enclosing all the love you could imagine in that one package? It might have been a bottle of perfume, the cheapest you could find, but it didn't matter to your mother, or it possibly was a colorful tie for you dad. Or it might have been a bouncing ball and jacks for a sister or a ball and bat for a brother or a rattle for the new baby.

Very often we tend to forget how happy we were when we were making our lists of things to give and the time and effort it took to choose the correct items for everyone.

If you want an extra special holiday season this year, ask family members to make lists of what they would like to give, instead of what they want to receive. It could be quite a surprise to find out what others want to give you and what they want to give to other family members and friends. Ask specifically that they not list expensive items but to include items they believe the person might want. A new car would be nice, but completely unreasonable.

Next, ask why they selected the items they did to give as gifts. Maybe one person likes butterflies and wants to give butterfly potholders to a sister. That might be a clue that this person would prefer something with a butterfly motif instead of the sports theme you planned to give. It might sound devious, but it could give you an insight into what each person wants down deep inside. Not everyone will tell you exactly what they want, maybe because they are afraid you might think it is silly to want such a thing.

Gathering together and remembering past holidays is another way to start getting the holiday spirit. Talk about what you did, who said what, the smells, the food, and the fun. Memorable experiences should be shared, not kept hidden away. If Uncle Joe got down on the floor with the youngsters one year and played with their toys, talk about it. Not all uncles play with children's toys but probably more than you suppose. If grandma finally agreed to wear the dress she had been "saving for good" and spilled food on it, talk about how you helped remove the stains and told her how pretty she looked wearing it. Memories are what makes holidays special. Make memories this year.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

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TUESDAYS

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

WEDNESDAYS

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

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, 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

- 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.

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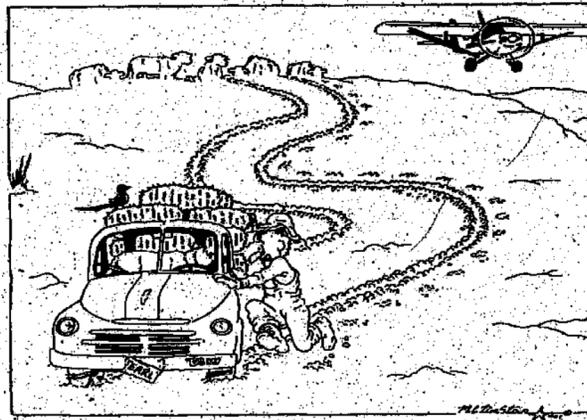
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EARL...



"Looks like the dog locked ol' Earl out of his pickup again while he was feeding the cattle..."

Inside the Capitol



SANTA FE -- As the lure of big gaming increases, more players want to get in the game and those already in push the envelope trying to extract even more profits.

More than a decade ago, this column warned that once gambling got a foot in the door, there would be no stopping its continued growth. We had racetracks back then but they weren't making much money, especially after Indian gaming got its start in the late 1980s.

Govs. Garrey Carruthers and Bruce King dug in their heels and said there would be no more gaming. It hurt King badly in his 1994 re-election effort, as the tribes and pueblos that already were inching into the business went after him.

Gary Johnson won that gubernatorial race and one of his first acts was to sign Indian gaming compacts with all who wanted into the business.

Then came the racetracks, bleeding financially and arguing that casinos were their only salvation. They got 'em, and now they're profitable enough that Hobbs is getting a new track and Raton and Santa Fe want to reopen.

Over the years, the handful of Indian casinos has increased to 13 tribes, which includes 10 pueblos, two Apache reservations and a Navajo pilot project. And that is by no means the end of it.

Nambe, with no major highway access, bought frontage property from Pojoaque Pueblo and will build UFO-themed Stergate Casino. Since that was merely an exchange of Indian trust land, no special permission was required for Nambe.

Then came Jemez Pueblo, partnering with a Santa Fe developer on a proposal to build a casino near Anthony, on our southern border, nearly 300 miles of the reservation. That does take special approval from the U.S. Interior Department and chances of success appear slim.

But that didn't prevent a copycat proposal from the Picuris Pueblo, high in the mountains of the "back road" from Santa Fe to Taos. Picuris is teaming with an Albuquerque promoter, and possibly the huge Mohegan Sun casino in Connecticut, to propose a casino near Chaparral, east of Anthony.

There even is talk about something happening at Santa Teresa, New Mexico's border crossing, just west of El Paso and in the back yard of Sunland Park racetrack and casino, which is opposing any further casinos within 50 miles.

That surprise was preceded only days earlier by an announcement from the Fort Sill, Oklahoma Apache tribal chairman Jeff Houser that his tribe wants to reclaim part of its ancestral homeland in southern New Mexico.

The Fort Sill Apaches are descendants of the Chiricahua Tribe that roamed the southwest in the 1800s. The Chiricahuas were forced out of their homeland by the U.S. government, deported to Florida and detained as prisoners of war for years. They never were granted a reservation, though some later purchased land in Oklahoma.

Their leader, Jeff Houser is a

nephew of famous Indian sculptor Allan Houser, whose work appears on the grounds of our state capitol. Houser wants to take the route of seeking an act of Congress, which doesn't require anyone else's approval. He is hopeful Congress will agree to grant land as compensation for the government's past acts.

While all this activity takes place on our southern border, a group of investors wants to build a new horse track and casino near the old La Mesa park track south of Raton on I-25. Pojoaque Pueblo is moving along with its plan to reopen Santa Fe Downs south of town. And a group in Tucumcari is still expressing interest in a track.

In the northwest corner of the state, SunRay Park and Casino in Farmington asked state gambling regulators for permission to cash Social Security retirement checks. SunRay argued that the ban on cashing government assistance checks shouldn't apply to retirement checks, which are earned. The Gaming Control Board didn't buy it.

But that won't end efforts to push the envelope.



"Good" NEWS Bulletin

SIMPLE SOLUTION!

Once again Camp Sierra Blanca is under fire, this time from Children, Youth and Families Department Secretary Mary-Dale Bolson, who wants to close it down. And everyone that knows that the facility is good for everyone concerned has gone into panic mode.

Mary-Dale has acknowledged that she has not included enough money in the department's budget to keep Camp Sierra Blanca open next year. First of all, does anybody up in Santa Fe over-see this chump? The governor, the legislature, the people that belong (that are appointed) to these so called boards -- does anyone know how agencies are spending our tax dollars? Why didn't anyone know that money had not been set aside for CSB before getting smacked in the face with this problem?

Now we're right back to square one -- more, (let's give them a townhall meeting) and then do what we want to anyway.

There is one simple solution that any employer has a right to do, "fire" incompetent people. Either the governor or legislature should step in. Let's see!!

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PSYCHIC PREDICTIONS

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Sagittarius (Nov 22 - Dec 21)
The lessons that you have learned in the past will now help you to be better equipped with what is coming up in your future. Check your EGO at the door. Want to get your point across? Then use loving words.

Capricorn (Dec 22 - Jan 19)
It's not about money or how hard you work, it's about how much you love what you're doing, and whom you're with. You hate losing money or time, so find out where it's going. You can do this now.

Aquarius (Jan 20 - Feb 18)
Whatever happened to just doing what needs to be done and doing it right so you can go on with your life? Tell the person who thinks they're in charge to let you do what you do best and get out of the way.

Pisces (Feb 19 - March 20)
Oh, this is going to be really funny if you can laugh at yourself and others without getting your feelings hurt. Remember: there isn't anything you can do for now except change the way you feel. Laugh at it.

Aries (March 21 - April 19)
A change in the air? You might be surprised that the change isn't going to be what you're about to do, but what is about to be done to you. Someone in your life that you love is about to walk out. Wave Bye-Bye.

Taurus (April 20 - May 20)
Don't let anyone get you upset unless you're ready for a fight. This time it's the real deal. Not just a temper tantrum. Look in the eyes of the one you love and see the truth before it's too late. Give true love.

Gemini (May 21 - June 20)
Smooth sailing? You are the captain of your own ship. Set sail and let the winds of truth flow through your hair. Feel the warmth of true love against your skin, and kiss your past good bye. Be all you can be.

Cancer (June 21 - July 22)
Don't even go there. You can't win this fight, and you don't feel like rehearsing the past anyway. Let whomever think they won this one. Let it go, but make people treat you the way you want to be treated. Respect.

Leo (July 23 - Aug 22)
Watch your words and your actions. Someone is watching you with keen perception. They want to learn what you have to give. Your past is a stepping stone for some but a pit-fall others. Your spirit is guiding you.

Virgo (Aug 23 - Sept 22)
Time to make a change. You know it, they know it, so just do it. But this time do it the way you have always wanted to do it. It's your time to shine like a shining star, just make sure it's not a falling star.

Libra (Sept 22 - Oct 22)
Your giving ways may backfire when you give to someone that can't give back. Give them time, love and understanding. They haven't been where you have gone. It's best not to say anything at all. Just Smile.

Scorpio (Oct 23 - Nov 21)
You're getting it all together. This is good. But don't expect others to follow suit when they don't know what your plans are. This could make everyone involved upset. Talk things over. Talk things out. Listen.

Looking Back...

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If you praise anything which does not appertain To the praise of God, Though, in singing, you praise, You utter no carol."

It is a curious fact that the singing of carols, like many of our other Christmas customs, owes something to a pagan as well as a Christian origin. The early church found that all pagan religions celebrated the birth of a new year. The Druids gathered mistletoe on what is our day of Christmas, the Romans held their saturnalia, the Persians held agricultural ceremonies, as did the Chinese.

Theophilus, bishop of Caesarea, toward the middle of the Second century, recommended "the observance of the birthday of our Lord on what day soever the 25th of December shall happen." There follows a definite statement that the first official carol was "Gloria in Excelsis Deo" and the year in which it was sung on the new date was 129 A.D. Thus the church was able to profit from the mood of merriment created by the pagans. The spirit of joy from many religions was merged into that of one.

Many high churchmen in the ancient times opposed the introduction of song into the solemn moments.

No voice, however, could stem the tide of innocent song which had invaded religious observance. The first crusade troubled by Urban in 1095 gave impetus to the troubadour movement and the holidays for five centuries were to resound with the songs of their inspiration. By 1500 carol singing was widespread in Europe and was introduced into England.

In the England of today wandering bands of minstrels or "waits" preserve the old customs by going from house to house piping Christmas tunes on reed instruments and singing carols. It may be this that they sing: "Wassail, wassail to our town! The bowl is white, and the ale is brown; The bowl is made of the rosemary tree, And so is the ale, of the good barlee, Little maid, little maid, tirl the pin! Open the door, and let us come in!"

Or they may lift up their voices in this equally old carol:

"Here us comes a wassailing, under the holly green,
Here us comes a wandering, so merry to be seen,
Good luck good Master Hodgkin, and kind Mistress also,
And all the little children that round the table go!
Your pockets full of money, your cupboards full of good cheer,
A merry Christmas, Guizzards, and a Happy New Year!"

The poor women and children also sing carols on the streets and are given cakes by those who listen. Some of the carol singers carry peaked lanterns to light them on their way. The bringing in of the Yule log in England was the occasion of a joyous ceremony and the singing of merry songs, such as the "Boar's Head" carol, still sung at Oxford at Christmas which goes as follows:

"The boar's head in hand bear I Bedecked with bays and rosemary; And I pray you, my masters, be merry. Quod estilis in convivio, Caput apri defero, Reddens laudes Domino!
"Our steward hath provided this In honor of the King of Bliss, Which on this day to be served is, Caputa apri defero Reddens laudes Domino!"

Almost every land has its own Christmas carols. They are called Wiegeliieder or Kristliieder in Germany, Noels in France, and carols in England. In Russia the ancient Kelyada songs, once sung to pagan gods, now dedicated to the Christian saints, are sung about the streets.

It is to Austria, however, that we are indebted for one of our best known of all Christmas songs. For "Silent Night" had its origin in a simple pre-Christmas party to which a young priest, Joseph Mohr, was invited in Oberndorf, near Salzburg, Austria, in 1818. At Oberndorf it was the custom shortly before Christmas for wandering comedians from the nearby village of Laufen to give crude representations of the Christmas story as recounted in the Bible. A shipowner named Maier invited Joseph Mohr, young assistant priest who had recently come to the village from Salzburg, to be his guest at a little party. As a special surprise for the priest, Maier arranged for the comedians from Laufen to stage their festival play at his home.

The thoughtful hospitality of the Maier couple and the touching simplicity of the festival play so stirred the young priest that instead of going straightway home he climbed the so-called "Totenberg" (mountain of the dead), overlooking Oberndorf, and stood there in silent meditation.

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Sheriff's Report

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

November 22

8:43 a.m. request for ambulance at location on Jobe Rd. Capitan ambulance arrived at 9:02 a.m. and at 9:16 a.m. left for Lincoln County Medical Center (LCMC) in Ruidoso arriving there at 9:49 a.m.

11:50 a.m. threats, request for deputy to take a report of a male subject making threats toward the female caller before court. Deputy dispatched.

5:30 p.m. domestic battery; LCMC emergency room advised that a female was there who had been in a domestic battery at Cedar Creek earlier. Deputy dispatched.

5:50 p.m. request for welfare check at location on Smokey Bear Blvd. Capitan police arrived and requested an ambulance. Capitan ambulance arrived at 6:08 p.m. but was refused.

November 23

10:49 a.m. harassment in Corona. Deputy dispatched.

1:50 p.m. deputy requested ambulance at business. Corona ambulance arrived at 1:54 p.m. and at 2:06 p.m. left for LCMC arriving there at 3:40 p.m.

November 24

7:15 a.m. K-9 at large on Watson Place, the neighbor's beagle was loose and was at his fence making his dogs bark. Deputy dispatched and advised no one was home, then at 8:42 a.m. he advised he found the dog and at 9:06 a.m. he advised the dog was returned to its owner who was given notice of a traffic citation.

7:42 a.m. Children, Youth and Families Department (CYFD) in Albuquerque requested a deputy for a referral at location on Tina Drive. Deputy dispatched.

8:03 a.m. missing person, his wife took his child and he cannot locate them. Deputy arrived at 8:19 a.m. and by 8:36 a.m. was with the subject.

9 a.m. Judge Parsons requested a deputy for a temporary restraining order (TRO) standby at location on Colorado Street, to get his belongings. Deputy dispatched.

9:43 a.m. agency assistance at ski area, request for deputy to take the juvenile probation officer to the area to locate a subject. Deputy dispatched.

11:27 a.m. Lincoln County Detention Center (LCDC) requested a deputy because of comments made by an inmate towards his wife in his case. Deputy dispatched.

4:14 p.m. missing snow board at ski area, request for deputy to make a report. Deputy dispatched.

6:30 p.m. accident without injuries at mile marker 107 on Highway 54, a car was off the road. State Police responded, deputy responded

to assist with traffic at 7:01 p.m. State Police requested ambulance at 7:12 p.m. to check the driver. Carrizozo ambulance arrived but was refused at 8:15 p.m.

6:45 p.m. attempt to locate, the Clouderoft police chief was attempting to locate a red jeep with black rag top with New Mexico plates in Nogal. Deputy dispatched.

9:06 p.m. request for ambulance at location on El Ojito off E017, for a 78 year old female who fell with possible hip injury. Hondo ambulance arrived at 9:27 p.m. and at 9:52 p.m. left for LCMC arriving there at 10:20 p.m.

9:49 p.m. request for ambulance at location on E017, a neighbor was having chest pains. Hondo ambulance requested Ruidoso advanced life support (ALS) ambulance, which arrived at 10:04 p.m. but was refused at 10:06 p.m.

10:14 p.m. drunk males at business in Tinnie area, three men were acting up and the caller just wanted a deputy to

stop by. Deputy dispatched. November 25

2:24 a.m. 911 hang-up from location on Franklin St. in Corona. Dispatch called back but there was no answer. Deputy dispatched.

8:17 a.m. CYFD Albuquerque requested a deputy for a

referral at a location in Alto. Deputy dispatched.

9:22 a.m. possible stolen vehicle at 8 mile crossing. Deputy dispatched.

11:51 a.m. lost Texas hikers on Trail 24, Mills Canyon. The caller, her husband and nine year old son were lost and believed they had crossed over onto Trail 22 and hit two feet of snow and they were not dressed for the (SEE PAGE 6)



IN APPRECIATION. Lincoln County Sheriff Tom Sullivan honors his administrative secretary Donna Harkey as the Lincoln County Employee of the Month for November during the Lincoln County Commission meeting on Tuesday, November 16. Each month a different county department honors an employee.

SEASONS GREETINGS Church Directory



MOUNTAIN MINISTRY PARISH, SIERRA BLANCA PRESBYTERY

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

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

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

First Baptist Church
HAYDEN SMITH, Pastor
314 10th Ave., Carrizozo, NM
648-2968 (Church) or 648-2107
Sunday School 9:45 a.m.
Worship Service 10:55 a.m.
Sun. Evening Training at 6:15 p.m.
Evening Worship 7:15 p.m.
Wednesday Bible Study 7:00 p.m.

Carrizozo Community Church (A/G)
JOHNNIE L. JOHNSON, Pastor
Corner of C Ave. and Thirteenth, 648-2186
Children's Church 10:30 a.m.
Worship Service 10:30 a.m.
Wednesday Bible Study 7:30 p.m.

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

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

St. Matthias Episcopal Church
REV. RON THOMSON, Rector
Corner of E Ave. and Sixth, Carrizozo, NM
1-505-258-1242
Holy Eucharist Sunday 8:30 a.m.

Gleason Community Church

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

United Methodist Churches

JOHANNA ANDERSON, Pastor
1000 D. Ave; 648-2893 / 648-2848
Carrizozo, NM 88301
Sunday School (All Ages) 10:00 a.m.
Worship Service 11:00 a.m.
Choir Practice (Tuesday) 6:30 p.m.
United Methodist Women
Every 3rd Wednesday 2:00 p.m.
Fellowship Dinner on
4th Sunday of Month 12:30 p.m.

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

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

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

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

First Baptist Church of Corona
CAL WEST, Pastor / 849-7976
Sunday School 10:00 a.m.
Worship Service 11:00 a.m.
Wednesday Bible Study 7:00 p.m.
Fellowship Dinner 1st Sunday of Month

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

Sunday:
Sunday School for all ages 9:30 a.m.
Morning Worship 10:30 a.m.
Children's Church 10:45 a.m.
Evening Worship 6:00 p.m.
Wednesday:
Teen dinner and games 6:00 p.m.
Teen Bible Study 7:00 p.m.
Prayer Meeting 8:00 p.m.

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LINCOLN COUNTY

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FRANK O'BRYEN

Sheriff's Report

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weather. Three deputies responded, at 11:54 a.m. Med 2 ALS was put on standby and State Police notified. A Mast helicopter was called in and picked up two hikers. A deputy along with the husband and others walked out. Med 1 arrived at the command post at 5:33 p.m.

1:44 p.m. request for ambulance for sledding injury, a female was sledding outside the area. Med 1 arrived at the ski area at 2:18 p.m. and at 2:46 p.m. left for LCMC arriving there at 3:25 p.m.

2:29 p.m. accident with injuries at location on Lincoln Rd., a male subject had wrecked his motorcycle and had abdomen and leg injury. Capitan ambulance arrived at 2:46 p.m. and was refused.

4:33 p.m. Ruidoso police requested agency assistance at the "R" (on the hill by the river). A subject was at the R and possible shots fired. Deputy dispatched.

6:55 p.m. 911 report of a breaking and entering/damage to property at location on Fort Stanton Road, someone broke into the caller's residence, threw items around but it did not look like anything was taken. Deputy dispatched.

10:20 p.m. breaking and entering in progress at location in Nogal, the neighbor's house was being broken into and the owner was out of state. Deputy dispatched.

November 26

12:20 p.m. request for ambulance at ski area. Med 1

ALS arrived at 12:49 p.m. and at 1:41 p.m. arrived at LCMC.

1:45 p.m. vandalism at location east of Lincoln. Deputy dispatched arriving at 2 p.m.

3:51 p.m. deputy advised he did warrant service with \$50,000 cash bond from Judge Proctor's court to subject at location on Highway 42 in Corona.

4:45 p.m. anonymous caller advised of a possible burn at the corner of Alpine Village Road and Big Bear, the male caller thought it was too windy to burn, even in a barrel. Deputy dispatched.

5:12 p.m. Ruidoso Downs police advised of a report of illegal cutting of trees on Hale Lake Road. Subjects in

two vehicles with Texas plates were cutting trees at the second switchback. Deputy dispatched.

5:58 p.m. alarm at bank. Deputy dispatched.

6:37 p.m. breaking and entering at residence in Corona area, and a SUV had just left the residence. Deputy dispatched.

6:42 p.m. 911 report of accident with injuries on High Mesa Road. Med 1 arrived at 6:59 p.m. and at 7:17 p.m. left for LCMC arriving there at 7:36 p.m. Bonito Fire Dept. also responded arriving at 6:58 p.m. Deputy assisted with traffic and a wrecker from Ruidoso Downs was dispatched.

November 27

9:13 a.m. request for deputy for peacekeeping at location on E005. The assigned deputy advised he spoke with both parties and it was okay for the male subject to be at the location for several hours unloading a large double wide.

10 a.m. request for deputy for peacekeeping at location on Bonito Lake Road. Deputy dispatched.

12:42 p.m. request for ambulance at ski area. Med 1 arrived at 1:19 p.m. and at 1:55 p.m. left for LCMC arriving there at 2:37 p.m.

No time given; four wheelers in Enchanted Forest. Deputy dispatched.

1:58 p.m. request for deputy for peacekeeping at trailer park in Ruidoso Downs east, to escort the caller to pick up her three cats, she was having problems with the owners. Deputy dispatched.

4:12 p.m. request for deputy for peacekeeping at location on Shauna Lane so female could pick up personal items for her and her baby. Deputy dispatched.

9:34 p.m. request for am-

bulance at location on Mt. View, a female called Ruidoso police advising she slipped and fell with possible back injury. Capitan ambulance arrived at 9:43 p.m. and at 10 p.m. left for LCMC arriving there at 10:34 p.m.

November 28

8:42 a.m. open door at location on Mesa Drive, caller got home and found the neighbor's balcony door open and he thought the wind did it. Deputy responded and at

9:18 a.m. advised all was okay, the door was secured.

12:30 p.m. breaking and entering at location at riverside resort, someone broke into a residence. Deputy arrived at 12:42 p.m.

2:03 p.m. accident with injuries on Carrizo Canyon Road, a vehicle v. motorcycle. Med 1 arrived at 2:08 p.m. and at 2:33 p.m. arrived at LCMC. The report was given to Ruidoso police.

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Yes, You Can Afford Telephone Service

Every person in America should have access to quality affordable telecommunications service. This principle of "Universal Service" has been the goal of the telecommunications industry for decades. In 1934, the federal government codified the goal and reaffirmed it in 1996 by establishing policies for the preservation and advancement of Universal Service.

To achieve the Universal Service goal, carriers have access to a fund that is generated by contributions from the telecommunications providers in the United States. Telecommunications companies draw from the fund to provide four programs that support telecommunications services nationwide. Link-Up American (Link-Up) and the Lifeline Assistance Program (Lifeline) are part of the fund's Low-Income Program and are described in detail below. Toll Limitation Service is another program available to low-income subscribers to help them control what they spend on telephone service.

Lifeline, Link-Up and Toll Limitation Service support provide discounts to eligible low-income consumers to help them establish and maintain telephone service.

What type of discount is available? Lifeline assistance lowers the cost of basic monthly local telephone service. Eligible consumers can receive up to \$10 per month in discounts. Additional state support also may be available.

Eligible residents of Indian reservations or tribal lands can receive up to an additional \$25 in Lifeline support, but must pay at least \$1 for basic monthly service.

Link-Up reduces the cost of initiating new telephone service. Eligible consumers can receive a 50% discount off the one-time costs associated with initiating telephone service up to a maximum of \$30. Eligible consumers also qualify for a deferred payment schedule for remaining costs of up to \$200.

Eligible low-income consumers living on tribal lands are eligible for an additional discount of up to \$70 to cover 100% of the charges between \$60 and \$130.

Toll Limitation Service (TLS) support allows eligible consumers who wish to avoid incurring large long distance fees to choose toll blocking or toll control at no cost.

How do I know whether I am eligible? Eligibility for Lifeline, Link-Up and TLS support varies by state. Individuals who reside in states that have their own discount programs qualify for federal Lifeline, Link-Up and TLS support if they meet the eligibility criteria established by their state. In states that do not provide state support,

an individual is eligible if he or she participates in one of the following programs:

- Low-Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP)
- Federal Public Housing Assistance or Section 8
- Medicaid
- Food Stamps
- Supplemental Security Income (SSI)
- Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF)
- National School Lunch free lunch program

In addition, a consumer may be eligible if his or her household income is at or below 135% of the federal poverty guidelines:

Size of Family Unit	Annual Income Level
1	\$12,689
2	16,862
3	21,155
4	25,448
5	29,741
6	34,034
7	38,327
8	42,620
For each additional person add	4,293

Income-based criteria will be in effect for all telephone companies that offer Lifeline beginning in June 2005. Some telephone companies may offer Lifeline discounts to individuals who qualify based on household income before that date.

Residents of Indian reservations or tribal lands qualify if they participate in any of the programs listed above, have a household income that is at or below 135% of the federal poverty guidelines, or participate in one of these programs:

- Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA) general assistance
- Head Start income eligible
- Tribal TANF

How do I apply to receive Lifeline, Link-Up and TLS support discounts?

Consumers must apply through their local telephone company. Tularosa Basin Telephone Company provides telephone service in the Tularosa (585 prefix), Cloudcroft (682 prefix) and Carrizozo (648 prefix) areas. Please let us know if you are interested in any of these programs. Also, visit the Universal Service Administrative Company (USAC) website at www.lifelinesupport.org for more information about eligibility requirements. You also may call USAC toll free at 1-888-641-8722, with any questions about Lifeline, Link-Up and TLS discounts.



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Tomorrow

A person often encounters many challenges during their time on earth. How they deal with these challenges construct their core character. Every inhabitant on the globe has their share of ill desired situations, and must search for ways to defeat them, while, in the same respects, living their lives to the fullest.

Obstacles are difficult, and abundant. Sometimes these predicaments we are placed in, whether voluntarily or involuntarily, help develop who we are. At the most horrific times, when hope seems mislaid or lost, we must realize that there is always a way to rise above these tests.

Many of us seniors ask the age old question "Why me?" This is a common question that is asked frequently throughout an entire lifetime. Although you are never quite sure why something happens to you, it must be understood that it happened for a reason. Every second in our life, and what happens in that second, is meant to. It is our path, our journey, our plan. In one minute, events can occur that can change your life, and the lives of everyone around you.

The future is unpredictable, or is it? I came to a conclusion that an individual has the power to control his or her destiny to a certain point. The daily choices we make, whether it is to sleep in five extra minutes or wake up five minutes early, will have immense impacts on our lives. For instance, say you left to school or work five minutes early and got in a wreck. Had you taken an extra few seconds to pet your dog or eat breakfast would have changed the outcome of situation.

The point I am struggling to get at is simple - live every second of your life to the fullest. Life is far too short to fret. We are never guaranteed to awake the following morning, but no one stops to think about that. What if you failed to wake up tomorrow? Would you have gone about your life in a different manner? Would you have made sure that you told everyone who had a spot in your heart that you loved them?

We, as humans, take our lives for granted. We assume that we will awake, with not even the foggiest thought of reality. Nothing in life is guaranteed. It is a gift to wake up each and every morning, and we should thank God for giving us that gift. But that seldom occurs. Everyone is guilty of believing that they are guaranteed to waken.

Tomorrow:

Tomorrow may never come. Squeeze the life out of life, and milk it for every drip it has. Take time out of your day to enjoy the simplicities and beauties life has to offer and treasure them. Do not fear taking a risk or a chance, because that is a part of life. You never know when your time on earth will expire. Enjoy all the gifts and wonders the world gives you. After you've read this short passage, take time to absorb it. Understand every aspect. Read each line closely and carefully. Then, after you have soaked up the message...

Live.

Brandon Morales

CORONA NEWS



Corona had eight inches of very fine snow the weekend of the 13th and 14th. It closed churches and a pampered chef party.

Sunday evening saw the end of a successful deer hunt.

Wednesday, November 17 students in Corona Elementary School received instruction on the dangers of electricity. The program was presented by Charles "Sandy" Ridenour from Central New Mexico Electric Cooperative, Inc.

Gerald Garcia from the State Department of Finance was in the village hall last week reviewing the books concerning grants. He was very complimentary about the village clerk, Kathy Muniz, and her implementation of the grants.

Thursday, November 18 Patrick Gibson, Energy Control, Inc. of Rio Rancho, presented a program on different types of systems for small and large institutions to use biomass in the production of energy. The focus of the company is to pair institutions with the right system and make it a successful project.

The meeting was attended by Superintendent of Schools Travis Lightfoot, board member Bill Hignight, Brent Raehner, Ph.D., and Terri Raehner of Restoration Solutions, all of Corona.

Representatives of the South Central Mountain Resource Conservation and Development Council (which promotes rural development), the Natural Resources Conservation Services and forest service personnel from Capitán, Carrizozo, and

Mountainair were also in attendance.

Heating a school with the correct biomass system can be cost effective, energy efficient and a renewable energy. Energy Control, Inc. helps schools find grants and other funding for the capital investment required to get started with the biomass system.

Gilbert Stewart brought his wife, Janetta Foster Stewart, home after four months of hospitalization. Janetta has been hospitalized since July 8th in both Albuquerque and Los Angeles. She will still have to make regular trips to Albuquerque for speech therapy.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Bryan, Corona, spent the night of the 12th with the McKown family of Las Cruces and Saturday afternoon all of them drove to El Paso to the 50th wedding reception honoring Suzie and Dave Morrow. Mr. Morrow was stationed in Germany in 1948 when he met Suzie. He returned in 1954 and they were married. Parents of two sons the Morrows traveled extensively in South American and Asia until he retired from the armed forces. He went to work for El Paso Natural Gas as an electrician. They lived at Lincoln Station for about 10 years until he retired and they moved to the home they had bought in El Paso. While in Corona, they were active in the Corona Baptist Church. Susie Morrow was Marilee Bryan's first Sunday School teacher and at the reception, she was especially interested in Marilee's children, Neli and Brandi. The reception was held at the Sun Valley Baptist Church with about 150 in attendance.

Mark your calendars! The Christmas Cantata presented by the Corona Ecumenical Choir will be held December 5 at the Presbyterian Church in Corona at 5:00 p.m. with light refreshments to follow. The Corona elementary Christmas program will be held December 15 at 6:30 in the school auditorium. A matinee performance for senior citizens will be held December 14 at 1:00 p.m. The Christmas Eve Candlelight Service is scheduled for 7:00 p.m. at the Presbyterian Church.

The snow started before daylight Monday morning. By 10:00 a.m. the wind driven snow caused two of the school busses to leave early and by 1:00 school was dismissed and all evening meetings were cancelled.

Richard Tyree, 23, youngest son of Mr. and Mrs. Mitch Tyree of Eunice and grandson of Mr. and Mrs.

Tommy Tyree, Corona, appeared on television one evening last week.

He is a member of a very special team of seven women, a man from Denmark, and Richard, in the U.S. Army Medical Corps sent to Washington, D.C. to observe hospitals in the area: Andrews Air Force Base, Bethesda and Ft. Meade.

One evening, they were at Walter Reed when President Bush came through on one of his regular visits to the hospital, stopped to visit and congratulate them on their mission.

Richard spent time at a diagnostic clinic and this week will practice inoculations in preparation for his finals at Walter Reed. December 18, he flies to Kippingen Hospital in Germany. He plans to return to Iraq.

Mr. and Mrs. Byron Yancey left Wednesday to spend Thanksgiving with his sister, Lorene Adams and family in Wichita Falls, Tx. They returned Saturday

ahead of the storm.

Mrs. Helen Toland and Lew Toland came up to spend Thanksgiving in their Cedarvale home. The town was deserted. They returned to Roswell Saturday afternoon so that Helen could play for church Sunday morning.

Bill and Faith Hignight spent Thanksgiving week moving into their new home in Pinon Village. Faith is getting ready to take her sister, Janetta Stewart, to Al-

buquerque for therapy. Janetta survived her first week at home and the long holiday. She is so happy to be home again.

Specialist Thomas Chavez, Santa Rosa, a member of the elite New Mexico National Guard Military Police Unit, left November 27 for Ft. Polk, LA for two months of training before being deployed to Iraq. Thomas is the son of Mrs. Grace Warfield, who moved back to

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LEGAL NOTICE
NOTICE OF RESCHEDULED MEETING

NOTICE is hereby given that the Lincoln County Board of Commissioners will hold the Regular Meeting on Thursday, December 16, 2004, at 8:30 A.M., at the Lincoln County Courthouse (Commission Chambers) in Carrizozo, New Mexico.

Auxiliary aides are available upon request; please contact Martha Guevara at 505/648-2385 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
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 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 A.G. and C.G., children. The above proceeding could ultimately result in the termination 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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LEGALS

LEGAL NOTICE

RESOLUTION AND PROCLAMATION OF REGULAR SCHOOL DISTRICT ELECTION

WHEREAS, the Board of Education of the Capitan Municipal School District No. 28 ("Board" and "District," respectively), in the County of Lincoln and State of New Mexico, has determined that a Regular School District Election ("Election") be held on February 1, 2005, pursuant to NMSA 1978, Sections 1-22-1 through 1-22-19; and

WHEREAS, the Board has determined that two (2) positions on the Board are to be filled at the Election by submitting to the qualified electors of the District the names of candidates qualified to appear on the ballot for election to the positions to be filled; and

WHEREAS, the persons who desire to fill such positions on the Board shall be required to file declarations of candidacy or declarations of intent to be a write-in candidate, all in accordance with NMSA 1978, Sections 1-22-1 *et seq.*

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF THE CAPITAN MUNICIPAL SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 28 CONSTITUTING THE GOVERNING BODY OF SAID DISTRICT, IN THE COUNTY OF CHAVES AND STATE OF NEW MEXICO:

Section 1. On the 1st day of February, 2005, there will be held in the Capitan Municipal School District No. 28, Lincoln County, New Mexico, a regular school district election for the purpose of submitting the names of candidates for the two (2) positions to be filled on the Board, being the positions for Board Member Position 1 and Board Member Position Number 2, to the respective qualified electors of each such Board Member District.

Section 2. At the Election the following at-large positions on the Board shall be filled by the qualified electors of the district:

- Position 1: For a four-year term commencing March 1, 2005; and
- Position 2: For a four-year term commencing March 1, 2005.

Section 3. The Voting Districts for the Election are as follows:

Election Precincts	Polling Places
1, 2A, 2B, 3A, 3B, 4, 5, 6, 7A, 10, 12A, 12B and 12C within the District	Lincoln County Fair Building, Capitan, New Mexico

In addition, absentee voting shall be permitted as described in Section 9 herein.

Section 4. The polls for the Election will be open between the hours of 7:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m. on the day of Election.

Section 5. A declaration of candidacy for the positions on the Board to be filled at the Election shall be filed with the County Clerk of Lincoln, the proper filing officer, during the period commencing at 9:00 a.m., December 21, 2004, being the third Tuesday in December, and ending at 5:00 p.m. on the same day, pursuant to NMSA 1978, Section 1-22-7.

Section 6. In making a declaration of candidacy, the candidate for membership on the Board shall submit a sworn statement of intent in substantially the form provided in NMSA 1978, Section 1-22-8.

Section 7. A person who desires to be a write-in candidate for membership on the Board at the Election shall file with the County Clerk of Lincoln, a declaration of intent to be a write-in candidate before 5:00 p.m. on December 28, 2004, being the thirty-fifth day preceding the date of the Election, pursuant to NMSA 1978, Section 1-22-18.

Section 8. A person is a qualified elector of the District if on the day of the Election he or she is a citizen of the United States, at least 18 years of age, and a resident of the District. In order to vote, qualified electors of the District must have previously registered with the County Clerk of Lincoln County or any voter registration agent in accordance with law. Any qualified elector of the District who is not now registered and who wishes to vote at the Election should register during regular office hours prior to 5:00 p.m. on January 4, 2005, being the twenty-eighth day immediately preceding the Election at the office of the County Clerk of Lincoln County, Lincoln County Courthouse, Carrizozo, New Mexico or by any registration agent at a designated agency as provided in NMSA 1978, Section 1-4-47 and 1-4-48.

Section 9. Absentee voting will be permitted in the manner authorized by NMSA 1978, Sections 1-6-1, *et seq.*; provided, however, that pursuant to NMSA 1978, Section 1-22-19, qualified electors may also vote absentee in person at the office of the County Clerk of Lincoln County, during the regular hours and days of business from 8:00 a.m., January 7, 2005, being the twenty-fifth day preceding the Election, until 5:00 p.m., January 28, 2005, being the Friday immediately prior to the Election.

Section 10. Voting on election day and absentee voting in person, as provided in Section 9 above, shall be by a voting system defined in NMSA 1978, Sections 1-9-1, *et seq.* Other absentee voting shall be by paper ballot. At least one voting system shall be used at the polling place for each Voting District.

PASSED AND ADOPTED this 11th day of November 2004.

/s/
Gary Tregembo, President
Board of Education

(SEAL)
Attest:
Secretary, Board of Education

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**LEGAL NOTICE
RESOLUCION Y PROCLAMACION
DE ELECCION REGULAR
DE DISTRITO ESCOLAR**

CONSIDERANDO QUE, la Junta de Educacion del Distrito Escolar Municipal Num. 28 de Capitan ("Junta" y "Distrito" respectivamente), en el Condado de Lincoln y el Estado de Nuevo Mexico, ha determinado que se llevara a cabo una Eleccion regular de Distrito Escolar ("Eleccion") el 1 de febrero 2005, conforme a NMSA 1978, Secciones 1-22-1 a 1-22-19;

CONSIDERANDO QUE, la Junta ha determinado someter a votacion en la Eleccion a los electores habilitados que se llenaran dos (2) posiciones en la Junta con los nombres de los candidatos habilitados para aparecer en la balota de eleccion para las posiciones que se llenaran; y

CONSIDERANDO QUE, las personas que quieren llenar las posiciones en la Junta se requieren someter declaraciones de candidatura o declaraciones de intento ser candidato de nombre llenando por escribir, todo conforme a NMSA 1978, Secciones 1-22-1, *et seq.*; y

AHOR, POR LO TANTO, LA JUNTA DE EDUCACION DEL DISTRITO ESCOLAR MUNICIPAL NUM. 28 DE CAPITAN EL CUAL CONSTITUYE EL CUERPO GOBERNANTE DEL DISTRITO, EN EL CONDADO DE LINCOLN Y ESTADO DE NUEVO MEXICO RESUELVE:

Seccion 1. El 1 de febrero 2005 se llevara a cabo una eleccion regular en el Distrito Escolar Municipal Num. 28 de Capitan, Condado de Lincoln, Estado de Nuevo Mexico con el fin de presentarle a todos los votantes respectivos habilitados del Distrito los nombres de los candidatos por las dos (2) posiciones que se llenaran en la Junta.

Seccion 2. En la Eleccion, las siguientes posiciones en la Junta se llenaran por los votantes habilitados del Distrito:

- Posicion 1: Por un plazo de cuatro anos comenzando el 1 de marzo, 2005; y

Posicion 2: Por un plazo de cuatro anos comenzando el 1 de marzo, 2005 y

Seccion 3. Los distritos electorales para la Eleccion son los siguientes:

Recintos de Eleccion
1, 2A, 2B, 3A, 3B, 4, 5, 6, 7A, 10, 12A, 12B, y 12C que esta dentro el Distrito

Sitios de Votacion
Lincoln County Fair Building
Capitan, New Mexico

Seccion 4. Los Sitios de Votacion para la Eleccion permaneceran abiertos entre las horas de las 7:00 a.m. y las 7:00 p.m. el dia de la Eleccion.

Seccion 5. Una declaracion de candidatura para las posiciones en la Junta que se llenaran en la Eleccion se presentara con el(la) Escribano(a) del Condado de Lincoln, el oficial apropiado de registracion, durante el periodo comenzando a las 9:00 a.m., el 21 de diciembre, 2004, siendo el tercer martes de diciembre, y terminando a las 5:00 p.m. el mismo dia, conforme a NMSA 1978, Seccion 1-22-7.

Seccion 6. Al declarar la candidatura el candidato que quiere ser miembro de la Junta sometera una declaracion jurada de intento en la forma sustancial conforme a NMSA 1978, Seccion 1-22-8.

Seccion 7. Una persona que quiera ser miembro de la Junta por medio de ser candidato de nombre llenado por escribir en la Eleccion presentara con el(la) Escribano(a) del Condado de Lincoln una declaracion de intento de ser candidato de nombre llenado por escribir antes de las 5:00 p.m., el 28 de diciembre, 2004, siendo el dia treinta y cinco que antecede la fecha de la Eleccion conforme a NMSA 1978, Seccion 1-22-18.

Seccion 8. Una persona es elector habilitado del Distrito se en la fecha de la Eleccion el o ella es ciudadano(a) de los Estados Unidos, tiene por lo menos 18 anos de edad, y es residente del Distrito. Para votar, los electores habilitados del Distrito deben haberse registrado previamente con el (la) Escribano(a) del Condado de Lincoln, o cualquier auxiliar de registracion conforme a la ley. Cualquier elector habilitado del Distrito, que no este registrado ahora y que desee votar en la Eleccion debe registrarse en la oficina del (de la) Escribano(a) del Condado de Lincoln, en el Edificio de la Corte en Carrizozo, Nuevo Mexico, durante las horas habiles antes de las 5:00 p.m. el 4 de enero de 2005, siendo veinte y ocho dias inmediatamente antes de la Eleccion, o por cualquier agente de registracion de votantes en una agencia designada en NMSA 1978, Secciones 1-4-47 y 1-4-48.

Seccion 9. La votacion en ausencia se permitira conforme lo prescriben NMSA 1978, Secciones 1-6-1, *et seq.* siempre que conforme a NMSA 1978, Seccion 1-22-19, los electores habilitados podran votar presentandose personalmente en la oficina de (de la) Escribano(a) del Condado de Lincoln durante las horas y en los dias habiles entre las 8:00 a.m., el 7 de enero 2005, siendo veinte y cinco dias antes de la Eleccion, hasta las 5:00 p.m., el 28 de enero 2005 que es el dia viernes que antecede inmediatamente la Eleccion.

Seccion 10. La votacion en el dia de eleccion y en ausencia en parsona, en la manera prevista en la seccion 9 arriba, se llevara a cabo usando un sistema de votacion, definido en NMSA 1978, Secciones 1-9-1, *et seq.* La otra votacion en ausencia se llevara a cabo usando balotas de papel. Se usara, por los menos, un sistema de votacion en el sitio de votacion de cada Distrito Electoral.

APROBADA Y ADOPTADA este dia 11 de noviembre 2004.

/s/
Gary Tregembo,
Presidente, Junta de Educacion

(SELLO)
Doy Fe:
Secretaria(o), Junta de Educacion

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**DISTRICT COURT
CALENDAR**
*The Calendar for
District Judge Karen Parsons*

- Monday, November 29
 - 8:15 a.m. LeFevre Name Change: CV-2004-279
 - 8:15 a.m. Teleconference, Flagstar v. Hair; CV-2004-184 (MSJ) (Nesbitt)
 - 8:30 a.m. Jury trial, Jesse Bernal; CR-2004-61 (Esquibel/Burson)
 - 1:05 p.m. Teleconference, Kuykendall v. Kuykendall; DM-2004-132 Judicial inquiry.
 - 1:15 p.m. Teleconference, SNM vs. Klinekole; CR-2003-127
- Tuesday, November 30
 - 8:15 a.m. Dimarco v. Presbyterian; CV-2003-187 (Gordon/Lyle) Motion.
 - 8:30 a.m. Jury Trial, Kenneth Carnes; CR-2003-218 (Dobbs/Holmes) Darrell Brantley domestic mediator hears cases on Tuesday 1:30 p.m.
 - Palmer v. Watts; DV-2004-140
 - Ryen v. Gass; DV-2004-141
 - 1:45 p.m. Gonzales v. Walker; DV-2004-142
 - 2:00 p.m. French v. Powell; DV-2004-143
- Wednesday, December 1
 - 8:10 a.m. Teleconference, Estate of Daryl Carson; PB-2004-20 (Threet/Burroughs) Motion.
 - 8:30 a.m. René Rivera; CR-2004-143 (Schryer/C.Hawthorne) Bench Trial.
 - 1:15 p.m. Hammond Estate; PB-2004-30 (C.Hawthorne)
 - 1:30 p.m. JQ-2004-09 Adjudication.
 - 2:30 p.m. JQ-2004-10 (10 Day)
 - 3:30 p.m. MWM Enterprises v. Ford; CV-2004-248 & CV-2004-239 (Yarbro/Leonard)
- Thursday, December 2
 - 8:15 Teleconference, Wells Fargo v. Van Winkle; CV-2004-112 (Vadnais/Rafkin)
 - 8:45 a.m. Dunn v. Dunn; DM-2004-17 (Beauvais) Default.
 - 9:00 a.m. Cardrew v. Jones; CV-2001-252 (Beauvais/ProSe) Motion for default.
 - 9:30 a.m. Vega v. Vega; DM-2003-82 (Beauvais) Order to show cause.
 - 10:00 a.m. Barela v. Barela; DM-2004-117 (Schneider-Cook/Beauvais) Merits.
 - 10:30 a.m. Bishop v. Ruidoso Vending; CV-2004-228 (R.Hawthorne/C.Hawthorne) Motion.
 - 11:30 a.m. Teleconference, Staples v. Staples; M-1998-60 (ProSe/Pittman) Motion.
 - 1:00 p.m. Jury Trial Docket Call.
 - Javier Hernandez; CR-1999-133
 - Joshua Gent; CR-2001-21
 - Russell Waide; CR-2004-109
- Friday, December 3
 - Judge in Albuquerque.

Corona News

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Corona, November 15, to care for Thomas' children, Marqise, age 6 in first grade and Sebastian, age 3 in pre-school. Thomas appeared on television with his unit prior to leaving for Ft. Polk.

Mrs. Rick Manning surprised her husband with a dinner and dance in honor of his 70th birthday. Saturday, November 27. Special guests were his youngest son and family from Austin, Tx and members of Loretta's family from Socorro and Albuquerque. grandkids and great-grandkids. Cakes by Brenda Marshall featured tiny tools referring to his electrical engineering career. Guests danced to the music of the Country Swingers, Roswell.

Mr. and Mrs. Gaylan Page, Friday, Tx, stopped Saturday with friends in Corona on the way home from a visit with her mother in Pojoaque. Their daughter, Katie, is a member of the Texas A & M marching band and is terribly disappointed to be going to the Holiday Bowl in San Diego instead of the Cotton Bowl.

There was a softball tournament in Las Vegas, Nevada, last weekend. Mr. and Mrs. Marc Polosky and Whitney went by plane and were met by Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Lindsay, Lyndsi Polosky and Mrs. Zelfa Atkinson. Whitney is a left handed pitcher for the Albuquerque Starz, a year round team. The Starz took first place in the National Tournament held in Hutchinson, Ks, last summer. The winter series tournament winners had not yet been announced when the Lindsays left Las Vegas to beat the storm into New Mexico.

The complicated travel arrangements were made so that the three Polosky women could be back in time for basketball practice. Whitney, an 8th grader at Roosevelt Middle School in Tijeras, Lyndsi, a varsity player at Manzano High School and Waynette, an educational assistant at Roosevelt Middle School, who coaches at Roosevelt Middle School and Manzano High School. Fortunately, practice was cancelled, because after circling the Albuquerque airport for almost an hour, the Polosky's plane was sent to El Paso for refueling.

Julia Kerr is recovering from gall bladder surgery at her home in Westpoint, MS.

Don't forget the Christmas Cantata, Corona Presbyterian Church, Sunday, December 5, 5:00 p.m. with goodies to follow.

The Corona Public Schools Christmas program will be held December 15 rather than December 8, due to the basketball schedule.

The Christmas Eve Candlelight Service will be held at the Presbyterian Church at 7:00 p.m. Santa Claus will arrive at the Corona Fire Station at approximately 6:03 p.m. on Christmas Eve. He will expect to see all the boys and girls there.

LEGALS

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,

vs.

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 quiet 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 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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LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARINGS

NOTICE is hereby given that the Lincoln County Board of Commissioners will hold Public Hearings beginning at 9:00 a.m., on Thursday, December 16, 2004, to be held at the Lincoln County Courthouse (Commission Chambers) in Carrizozo, New Mexico, to consider the following ordinances:

A. ORDINANCE NO. 1983-3 -- THE RUIDOSO-LINCOLN COUNTY EXTRA-TERRITORIAL ZONING ORDINANCE, AS AMENDED BY ORDINANCES NO. 1991-8, 1999-01, AND 1999-02.

B. PROPOSED LINCOLN COUNTY OUTDOOR ADVERTISING REGULATION ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING RESTRICTIONS AND PROHIBITIONS TO PROMOTE SAFETY OF TRAVELERS ALONG CERTAIN HIGHWAYS, TO PREVENT VISUAL POLLUTION OF THOSE HIGHWAYS THROUGH REGULATION OF OUTDOOR ADVERTISING, TO PROTECT THE INVESTMENT IN PUBLIC HIGHWAYS AND PRIVATE PROPERTY VALUES; DEFINING AREAS TO BE REGULATED, ETC.

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

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

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 well 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 postmark will be used to validate the 24-hour period. Protests can be faxed to 505-524-6160. If no valid protest or objection is filed, the State Engineer will evaluate the application in accordance with Sections 72-2-16, 72-5-6 and 72-12-3 of NMSA, 1978.

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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,

vs.

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 Mortgage 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.

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 as:

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 & Drantel, P.C., 3803 Arisico Blvd., NW, Suite A, Albuquerque, New Mexico 87120, Telephone (505) 833-3036.

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

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 its diversion from the Rio Bonito using a river pump at a point located in the SW1/4NE1/4NW1/4 of Section 19, Township 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.

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 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: Mickie L. Vega
Deputy

ATTORNEY FOR PETITIONER:

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

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PUBLIC NOTICE

The Lincoln County Enhanced 911 Committee will hold a special meeting on Wednesday, December 8, 2004. The meeting will begin at 8:30 a.m. in the Commissioner's meeting room of the County Courthouse in Carrizozo, New Mexico.

Purpose of the meeting is to continue with the naming of roads in the county with no name or those with duplicate names for E-911 Rural Addressing purposes.

A. Rename roads with duplicate names and those currently without names-list is available on county website www.lincolncountynm.net and will be posted at Post Offices throughout the county.

Copies of the agenda for the meeting will be available at the office of the County Manager 24 hours prior to said meeting.

Auxiliary aides are available upon request; please contact 648-2385 at least 48 hours prior to the meeting to make any necessary arrangements.

Published in the Lincoln County News on
Thursday, December 2, 2004.



Brrrr! Very cold temperatures, which arrived later than predicted in last week's weather report, dipped into the single digits Monday and Tuesday nights. Temperatures are predicted to warm up Friday as another chance for snow moves into the county on the weekend.

Avoid broken water lines by using heat tape and foam insulation. Cover outdoor faucets with insulation of some sort and a five gallon plastic bucket. If a tight budget prevents the purchase of insulation, you can use old jackets, blankets or comforters to cover faucets and pipes. If you are unable to insulate or get to your pipes, leave one indoor faucet dripping with cold water. This is not a long term solution, but will keep your pipes from freezing.

For a more long term fix to rising heating cost, consider solarizing the sunny part of your home and/or office. A simple solar air heater can be made out of two by four boards, plywood and plastic. Make a box, paint the back of the box black, cover with plastic with a duct to fit into a window. Set the box under a south facing window and put the duct into the house by opening the window about six inches. Make sure the duct fits into the window sill without leaving gaps. During a sunny day, the heat from the box will rise into your house, providing free heat. The window must be closed at night to prevent the cold night air from seeping into the house.

The following information was taken from the national weather service website at www.srh.noaa.gov where weather forecasts are updated every four hours.

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

Today, Thursday, Dec. 2
Mostly sunny with north winds 5 to 10 miles per hour (mph) becoming east. High near 43. Tonight mostly clear with southeast wind around 5 mph becoming west.

Friday, December 3
Partly cloudy with north wind between 5 and 10 mph. High around 50. Tonight partly cloudy with low around 22.

Saturday, December 4
Partly cloudy with high around 49. Tonight, partly cloudy with low around 21.

Sunday, December 5
Partly cloudy with high near 49. Tonight partly cloudy with low near 18.

Monday, December 6
Partly cloudy with 10 percent chance of snow showers. High near 47. Tonight partly cloudy with low around 18.

Tuesday, December 7
Partly cloudy with high near 47. Tonight partly cloudy with low near 19.

Forecast for Ruidoso, Capitan, Corona and other higher elevations:

Today, Thursday, Dec. 2
Mostly sunny with north wind between 5 and 10 mph. Highs near 38 in Ruidoso, 40 in Capitan and 37 in Corona. Tonight mostly clear with east wind around 5 mph becoming west. Lows

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The silence of the night, the blinking of the stars, the murmur of the Salzach river all inspired him. Quickly he descended to his parish house, and late that night the words to "Stille Nacht" were written.

The next day he hurried to his chum and co-worker, Franz Gruber, village organist and school teacher. He requested his friend to write the music for his song. Happy at this opportunity, Gruber composed the melody that is known perhaps to more people than any other single melody.

Christmas eve of 1818 came and the priest and the teacher were ready to offer the song for the first time. Unfortunately the organ of St. Nicola was out of commission that night. For a moment it seemed as though the congregation were to be cheated out of this unique premiere. But Gruber ran back to his home and got his guitar. To its accompaniment Mohr and Gruber then sang "Stille Nacht" for the first time as a duet.

Pat Garrett's Son Dies

El Paso, Tex., Dec. 9 -- Poe Garrett, 41, eldest son of Pat Garrett, famous sheriff of New Mexico and slayer of the notorious "Billy the Kid", died in a hospital here today of a cerebral hemorrhage. He is survived by his mother, Mrs. Pauline Garrett, of Las Cruces, NM and a sister, Miss Elizabeth Garrett of Roswell.

Counting Our Wealth

By Douglas Malloch

Come, count our wealth, good wife; How rich we are, we two. We have the gift of life, You me, and I have you. The children, girls, a boy, And one who waits beyond-- What hearts have so much joy As hearts so fond?

Come, count our wealth again; How rich we are, indeed: A roof to shed the rain, And friends to help in need, And work for my two hands, For which the world will pay, No gems, no gold, no lands, But love each day.

Come count our wealth, my dear; How rich we are, withal; One light forever near, Whatever shadows fall. These are the gold God meant These and the gift of health, Yes, if we're discontent, Come, count our wealth.

To The Last

Farmer: "An how's Lawyer Jones doing, Doctor?" Doctor: "Poor fellow! He's lying at death's door." Farmer: "That's grit for ye -- at death's door an' still lyin'!"

Pipe Line Frozen Up

The New Mexico Light & Power Co., located at White Oaks, had difficulties of its own the past week. The pipe line, leading from the source of water supply to the engine room was frozen up and covered in many places with snow and ice.

It was, therefore, difficult to locate the break in the water flow, and as a consequence, we ad only partial service over a period of about 48 hours. It is the first time in 15 years that such a difficulty has been encountered by the company.

Repairs have been made and everything is running smoothly.

Tells Santa

Picacho, N. Mex. December 10, 1930

Dear Santa Claus:

I am a little girls ten years old, I am in the fifth grade, I work very hard and I also study very much.

I want you to bring me a basketball, some candy, a pen, and a watch. I guess that will be all for this time.

Hoping to see you soon, Your Dear Friend, Beatrice Kimbrell.



Old Lincoln News

by Rosalie Dunlap

What a cold stormy weekend. It is still COLD and the wind is not helping.

It has been a hectic two weeks. Our daughter Lois and husband David spent the weekend then journeyed onto Higley (Phoenix) AZ. We followed a day later where we spent Thanksgiving with our granddaughter, and the rest of our family.

The day after Thanksgiving was the big day. Our granddaughter, Patricia and Jerry Pastrono, were married in a beautiful outdoor setting. Her brother, Scott and Jerry's great niece, Vanessa, officiated at the wedding. A sit down dinner and a dance followed the ceremony.

When we arrived home Sunday afternoon my brother, Larry Chaulk was waiting for us. He had arrived Saturday evening. He visited with his old high school chum, Bill Pippin Monday afternoon.

We had taken the Show Low - Springerville route home. We spent some time at the bottom of Salt River Canyon. It had been long time since we had been on the route.

Richard Phillips, who suffered bruises and not a broken hip, is back and driving his gasoline truck.

The Jerry Burchett's had a house fire while they were visiting in Washington, State. The quick work of the



REDTT To Meet In Alto December 13

The Lincoln County Rural Economic Development Through Tourism (REDTT) council meets December 13 at 1 p.m. in Alto at the Scarborough House B & B. Directions If you need directions, please contact Sue Harkness, 505.630.0044 or email lctc101@yahoo.com

The public is welcome to attend. Discussion will include the 2005 joint fam tour with Otero County and upcoming elections. Lunch will be served at 12 noon, there is a charge. Please RSVP to Sue before December 7. If you wish to participate in the Christmas gift exchange please bring a gift valued at less than \$10.00.

The goal of REDTT is rural economic development through tourism. Projects include Natural Fiber Festival in Lincoln, Arts in the Orchard in historic Lincoln, Voices From the Past at White Oaks, Milner's Day and Starry Nite in Lincoln.

REDTT is a program of the USDA, administered through NMSU via local county extension agents and county extension home economists. For more information, please contact Pete Gnatkowski by phone 505 648-2311 or by email pgnatkow@nmsu.edu

Lincoln Fire Department held down the damage to their home.

The Lincoln County 4-Her's will have their annual award program Sunday after-

noon. The Lincoln County Extension women will have their annual Christmas party at Angie Provine's December 8th.



FAST ACTION Lincoln County News CLASSIFIED ADS CALL: (505) 648-2333

Lincoln County, New Mexico RIO RUIDOSO WATER RIGHTS. 100 acres Judicially adjudicated (3.2 acre-feet per acre per annum) Offered for lease January 5, 2005 Priority dates 1865-1869 attached to: San Patricio Irrigation Ditch; F. Hilburn Irrigation Ditch, Limacher Irrigation Ditch: Direct Inquires to: 1-505-982-9278. 3tp/11/18-12/2

EMPLOYMENT NOTICE DEPUTY TREASURER -- Lincoln County Treasurer's Office. The applicant must have knowledge of AS/400 and personal computer, basic accounting skills, and the ability to perform a variety of general clerical duties, including typing, records maintenance and processing daily mail. Starting salary is \$19,100.64 per year, advancing to \$20,055.36 after 6 months in the position. Obtain application and job description from Martha Guevara at 505/648-2385 ext. 100. Closing date for applications is 5:00 P.M., Monday, December 13, 2004. Lincoln County, Equal Opportunity Employer and in Compliance with ADA Requirements, Title II-A. 2tc/11/24-12/2

EMPLOYMENT NOTICE PLANNING TECHNICIAN -- The County of Lincoln is seeking an experienced planning technician. The ideal candidate may have a degree (Associates or Bachelors) in an appropriate field. The planning technician will be responsible support to various boards and committees involved in planning/zoning; performs field inspection for compliance with various ordinances/statutes/regulations; issues permits and inspects platted plans and documents for compliance with appropriate regulations. The planning technician will be expected to conduct routine office duties and perform other duties as assigned. Position is a classified employer with excellent health and retirement benefits. Starting salary is \$24,194 per year, advancing to \$25,405 after 6 months in the position. Starting date for employment is December 20, 2004. To obtain an employment application by mail; send a resume to Thomas F. Stewart, Lincoln County Manager, P.O. Box 711, Carrizozo, New Mexico 88301 or telephone 505/648-2385. Closing date for applications is 5:00 p.m. Monday, December 13, 2004. Lincoln County, Equal Opportunity Employer and in Compliance with ADA Requirements, Title II-A. 1tc/12/2

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Ruidoso Council In Conflict

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something without the resources to enforce it."

Rebstock said the code was too general. "I feel some (councilors) are not doing our best and how do you rate that?" Rebstock asked.

Eggleston said he sees a lack of communication on the council. He said he was concerned that some councilors brought information to meetings that was not shared with other councilors before the meeting.

Shaw further explained the reason for her concerns was a meeting of three councilors with the special auditor. "I supported hiring him for an objective audit opinion," Shaw said. The problem was three councilors met with the auditor and gave him a verbal list of things they wanted him to look into.

Byars said her concerns with the audit was procurement and personnel overtime.

Eggleston said it is the duty of the council to have all information before hand to review in order to make decisions. Byars said she believes in the importance of the public hearing the debate. Councilors then discussed an issue of whether information should be provided to all councilors prior to a meeting and whether that violates the open meeting act by becoming a "rolling quorum." Byars said she discussed the situation with Bob Johnson, director of the New Mexico Foundation for Open Government. She said she was told if the information had nothing to do about policy it was okay to provide it to all councilors. She said the situation with the auditor happened on a snowy day

and she simply presented her concerns about the audit and left.

Councilor Ron Hardeman objected to three councilors taking it on themselves to address issues with the audit. "I think it was poor judgement," he said. "It taints the minds of others and the public on whatever the audit shows." Hardeman said a letter from Johnson about the audit issue indicates it was not the best idea.

Byars said the council has no audit committee and the auditor had no problem meeting with three councilors. (Three councilors meeting in one place does not make a quorum.)

Eggleston said he thought it was wrong for councilors to ask an auditor to look at areas. Byars said she asked for the auditor to look at the procurement items.

Eggleston then said the issue was over village attorney John Underwood's contract. Byars said the auditor said there were no procurement problems. Then she said she specifically asked the auditor about the employment working for two department without getting overtime.

"This is the most ridiculous argument I have ever heard," Nunley said. "I am embarrassed. We should get on with the business of the village and stop trying to get people fired."

Susan Lutterman, resident and Ruidoso school board member, said councilors should not forget they have a manager, whose authority they are overriding. Lutterman suggested councilors hold a retreat and stop fighting and begin a new year.

"You are not doing any good for our village (with arguing)," Lutterman said. "Quit pointing fingers."

Former Ruidoso councilor Bob Sterchi said in the eight years he served on the council he had differences with his fellow councilors, but they respected each other and the mayor. "It appears not so any more," Sterchi said. He urged councilors to work on compromise which is what politics are about.

Resident Jack McGran supported the debate between councilors. "I'm sorry if feelings get hurt, but it is more important for all information and issues to be public," he added. "I encourage the council to continue to ask questions."

When Shaw said she would have preferred to have heard personally from the councilors about the concerns, Byars said nothing was planned or schemed.

Hardeman said everyone should respect the majority vote about Underwood and his water consultants subcontract.

But Byars said it is no victory when three councilors vote one way and the other three the other way.

After councilors voted unanimously to take no action on the proposed code of ethics and council procedures, they moved on to an agenda item to approve Underwood's subcontract agreements with Atkins Engineering Associates, Inc., Henninghausen & Olsen, LLP and Frank Potter and Tom Turney. The issue was the item of debate about whether a request for proposals should have been issued for the water consultants.

Underwood said his contract for legal services with the village allows him to do subcontracting, which is the situation with the water consultants he hired to help with the upcoming litigation and water rights acquisition hearings with the NM State Engineer's Office.

Rebstock was concerned about the agreement and fee schedule documents provided by Underwood, which he drew up recently yet were dated Oct. 2003.

Nunley said the council discussed the water rights acquisition and the water consultants during closed session, but came out to open session to vote upon the issue. Byars said her issue was they did not have the consultant's fee schedule at that time.

McGran said he had problems with how the village water plan was developed with no opportunity for public input. Underwood said the 40 year water plan was different than the current water issues, and consultants for that plan did go to rfp before the council.

When the vote was taken to approve the fee schedule and agreements with the water consultants, Hardeman, Shaw, Nunley and Don Williams voted for approval. Byars and Rebstock voted against it.

In a memo from village manager Lorri McKnight to the council, dated October 29, 2004, estimated cost of water consulting work through the SEO hearings the week of February 14, 2005 was \$36,000 to \$58,000 for Henninghausen; \$50,000 for Atkins, nothing beyond current billings for Underwood and nothing for Potter. Another billing estimate of \$43,000 for Shomaker and Associates was added on Nov. 12.



Weather Report

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near 16 in Ruidoso and Capitan and near 15 in Corona.

Friday, December 3
Partly cloudy with northwest wind between 5 and 10 mph. High near 47 in Ruidoso, 48 in Capitan and 44 in Corona. Tonight partly cloudy with low around 20 in Ruidoso, 22 in Capitan and 21 in Corona.

Saturday, December 4
Partly cloudy with high near 46 in Ruidoso, near 47 in Capitan and 44 in Corona. Tonight partly cloudy with low around 18 in Ruidoso, 20 in Capitan and 21.

Sunday, December 5
Partly cloudy with high near 45 in Ruidoso, 47 in Capitan, 43 in Corona.

Tonight partly cloudy with 10 percent chance for snow showers. Lows of 15 in Ruidoso, near 18 in Capitan and 19 in Corona.

Monday, December 6
Partly cloudy with 10 percent chance of snow showers. Highs around 40 in Ruidoso and Corona and 43 in Capitan. Tonight partly cloudy with low around 15 in Ruidoso, 18 in Capitan and 19 in Corona.

Tuesday, December 7
Partly cloudy with high near 40 in Ruidoso, 43 in Capitan and 41 in Corona. Tonight partly cloudy with lows near 16 in Ruidoso, 19 in Capitan and Corona.

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