

# Capitan and Carrizozo Authorize RFP for CCNG

by Doris Cherry

Trustees for the village of Capitan and the town of Carrizozo have unanimously authorized their attorneys to draft a request for proposal for the "sale, lease or disposition" of the Capitan Carrizozo Natural Gas (CCNG) company and are calling for the CCNG board to meet immediately to lower gas rates to the previous year's levels.

As agreed upon two weeks before, the boards of trustees held a joint meeting to discuss CCNG on Tuesday, January 24 in Carrizozo. Before an audience with people from both Carrizozo and Capitan, Carrizozo town attorney David Stevens said he researched state statutes and found Sec. 3-54-1 that controls the sale or lease of municipal utilities or real property. He said the statute re-

quires a qualified appraisal of the real property, utility business and assets. It also allows for either a private or public sale.

"Carrizozo trustees never discussed anything but a public sale of the gas company," Stevens said.

The mayor of Capitan asked what a "private sale" means. Stevens said it means that jointly the owners could elect to negotiate with a pri-

ate entity as opposed to issuing a request for proposals (rfp).

"In my opinion an rfp will flush out any interested parties and allow us to talk with all of these interested parties," Stevens added.

Stevens said state law also requires, in a public sale, that the company be sold to the highest bidder that meets the criteria set in the rfp. If the highest bidder does not meet

the criteria, then the sale is offered to the next highest bidder, etc. "That is why we need to carefully draft the rfp to allow us to negotiate with the responsive bidders," Stevens said.

Trustees may also reject any or all bids, which Stevens said could arise if the bids are below the worth of the company assets.

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**HISTORIC MOMENTS.** Carrizozo mayor and trustees David LaFave and Wes Lindsay (top) meet with Capitan mayor, trustee Bobbi Shearer and attorney Mario Prelo (bottom) on January 25 for a joint session where they discussed and decided to go forward with a request for proposal for the sale, lease or disposition of the Capitan Carrizozo Natural Gas company. Carrizozo trustee Max Saucedo and Capitan trustees Ed Davis and George Tippin and Carrizozo town attorney David Stevens also attended the meeting, but were not included in the photos.



## County Commission Asks For Hospital Fund Cap

by Doris Cherry

Lincoln County Commissioners have asked for a cap on the amount of county matching funds for the hospital Sole Community Provider and the Medicaid matching program which are almost half of funds raised from the special hospital mill levy tax.

At their meeting January 18 in Carrizozo, county commissioners voted 4-1 in favor of the \$504,000 sole community provider payment for the fiscal year 2005-2006 budget (which begins July 1). County commissioner Earl Hobbs voted no.

With the \$504,000 match

from the county, Lincoln County Medical Center (LCMC) should receive back \$2,014,106 in sole community supplemental payments. The county is expecting about \$1 million in Sole Community Provider claims (made by individuals with hospital bills who cannot afford to pay) for Fiscal Year (FY) 2004-2005, said county manager Tom Stewart.

Stewart also showed the progression of the county's payment since 1993 when the program began. In the 1993-94 budget, the county provided an \$80,000 match, which increased steadily un-

til 1999-2000 when it was \$121,852. In 2000-01 the county sole community provider payment dropped to \$98,777 but a "supplemental payment" of \$164,905 was paid by the county.

In 2002-03, the county paid \$273,856 and LCMC (Presbyterian Healthcare System PHS) paid the supplemental payment of \$30,097. In 2003-04 the county paid \$360,865 for the sole community provider and the county paid \$67,562 in supplemental payment. In 2004-05 the county paid \$430,488

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## School Board Elections Next Tuesday, Feb. 1st

by Doris Cherry

Election day for all five school districts in Lincoln County is Tuesday, Feb. 1.

Polls will be open from 7 a.m. until 7 p.m. at the locations listed with each school district. Early in-person absentee voting and voting by absentee paper ballot ends at 5 p.m. tomorrow, Friday, January 28. All paper ballots must be received before 5 p.m. in the county clerk's office in the courthouse in Carrizozo.

Voters who are unsure which district they are registered in can check their voter identification cards sent from the county clerk, or by call-

ing the county clerk's office at 648-2385, ext. 6, or toll free at 1-800-687-2705, ext. 6.

The school districts below are listed according to the new district numbers. Some voters may have the old numbers listed on their voter ID cards and should contact the clerk's office for updated information.

**Capitan School Dist. #40**  
Polling place at the Lincoln County Fairgrounds office in Capitan. District includes areas of Lincoln County precincts 1, 2A & B, 3 A&B, 4, 5, 6, 7A, 10, 12A & C.

Two positions, with four year terms, are open on the board of education. Positions 1 and 2. Candidate for Position 1 is declared write-in James Fields; candidates for Position 2 are Doris Cherry and declared write-in Rudy Chavez.

The names of the declared write-in candidates do not appear on the voting machine ballot. Instead, the ballot states "declared write-in". Voters wishing to vote for a write-in must push the button next to the "write-in" on the ballot face, then type in the name of the declared write-in candidate on the keypad at the bottom of the voting machine. The name must be spelled closely enough for precinct workers to recognize it as the name of the candidate.

**Carrizozo School Dist. #37**  
Polling place at Carrizozo

Schools Administration Building, 800 D. Ave. District includes areas of Lincoln County precincts 1, 2A, 2B, 3A and 13.

Two positions, with four year terms, are open on Carrizozo Board of Education. Position 3 with candidates Angelo Vega and Denise Hill; Positions 4 with candidates W. Matt Ferguson, Deborah Ventura, Rose Kratochvil and Jack Ward.

**Corona School Dist. #38**  
Polling place at Corona Senior Center. District includes parts of Lincoln County precincts 1, 2A, 3A; part of Socorro County precinct 9D; parts of Torrance County precincts 8, 11 and 12.

Three positions are open on the Corona Board of Education. Position 3, which will be the remainder of a four year term which expires March 1, 2007, candidate Mark Sultemeier; Position 4, a four year term, candidate S. Jeanene Gibbs; Position 5, four year term, candidate William Highnight.

In addition to the three positions, Corona School District is asking voters to reauthorize the Capital Improvements Tax, or the SB9 two mill levy on property taxes, for the next four tax years beginning 2005. SB9 funds can only be used for remodeling, maintenance, equipment including com-

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## Alto Voters Approve Water & Sanitation District and Board

The Lincoln County Clerk conducted a special election at the Alto Lakes Golf & Country Club on January 10.

Official results show a turnout of 192 voters, slightly under 50 percent of those registered. Voters approved the formation of the Alto Lakes Water and Sanitation District (ALWSD) with 166 in favor to 23 against, approved a five member district board; votes were 30 for three member board to 158 for five member board, and elected five members to the board: Mark Clark, Warren Barrington, Mike DiSanto, Earl Adamy, and Dan Knorr.

On January 19, the 12th Judicial District Court in Carrizozo issued an order affirming the election and declaring the Alto Lakes Water and Sanitation District "a governmental subdivision of the State of New Mexico, a body corporate with all the powers of a public or quasi-municipal corporation".

The ALWSD board held a special meeting, at the Alto Lakes Golf & Country Club, January 26 during which the board agenda included adopting bylaws, election of officers, forming committees, adopting a regular meeting schedule, and tending to other organizational matters.



**NEW DIGS FOR THE SOIL OFFICE.** The Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) will soon get a new office, which is nearing completion at its location on 12th Street in Carrizozo. The facility will house the Carrizozo NRCS field service center, the southeastern New Mexico regional NRCS office and the South Central Mountain RC&D office. Move-in is expected some time in early May.

# Capitan and Carrizozo Authorize

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Once a proposal is accepted, state statutes require the municipalities to publish notice of the proposal terms and conditions "after the fact"; each board must adopt an ordinance that incorporate the terms and details of the sale and name of the purchaser; each board must adopt an ordinance that approves the sale; and notice of adoption of these ordinances must be published, and after 45 days of publication the

ordinances become effective. Provisions in the state statutes do allow for a referendum vote if 15 percent of the population sign a petition objecting to the sale. "There are very specific requirements we have to meet," Stevens said. The two boards of trustees made decisions to proceed with the sale of CCNG at their two separate meetings held early in January, Stevens continued. He then sug-

gested he and Capitan attorney Marc Prelo draft an rfp and approval of it from the boards to issue as soon as possible. "That would be the quickest way," Stevens said. Carrizozo resident Joe Thornton asked if the rfp could be issued before the appraisal was done. Stevens said they would not need the appraisal completed before the rfp is issued, just before the final consideration of the bids.

Capitan trustee Bobbi Shearer said Capitan was looking to only sell the utility part of CCNG, not the buildings, property and equipment assets. Stevens said that was the first he had heard of that and said that Carrizozo preferred to sell the company intact.

Shearer then asked about the CCNG cash in the bank, which was being considered for return to the CCNG customers. Stevens said the sale would include all non-cash assets of CCNG.

The mayor of Carrizozo said he spoke with the mayor of Capitan about the CCNG trucks. The mayor of Capitan said he thought the sale would include only the pipes, meters and valves and not the buildings or equipment. Shearer said she envisioned two separate appraisals, with all assets including building and vehicles and equipment and one with only the lines, meters and customer base.

Stevens said that was the first he had heard about not selling part of the assets, but it would be easy to exclude the buildings and any other asset from the rfp if Capitan wanted. Shearer said she was unsure if the village of Capitan wants the CCNG building.

Wanting to move the process forward, Stevens said the trustees needed to be specific on what they want in the rfp.

Shearer then questioned why the rfp should call for

proposals for lease. Stevens said by including lease or disposition in the rfp would allow the boards to at least entertain these proposals.

Prelo said if Carrizozo wants the CCNG vehicles, the appraised value of the vehicles would be offset from the cash assets.

At that point, both boards of trustees voted to go into closed session to discuss the details of what they want in the rfp. About 35 minutes later they came back into public session.

Shearer made the motion to authorize Prelo to meet with Stevens to draft the rfp to sell, lease or other disposition of CCNG company, with an option to include the sale or lease of the CCNG building and property and to allow the municipalities to negotiate for equipment and vehicles separately, with final advice and consent from the two boards of trustees. Capitan trustees Shearer, Ed Davis and George Tippin voted in favor of the motion.

Carrizozo trustee David LaFave made the same motion to which he and trustees Wes Lindsay and Max Saucedo voted in favor.

Both boards of trustees approved motions to authority Stevens and Prelo to retain a qualified appraiser.

CCNG finance officer Kay Strickland said CCNG had an appraisal done in 2003 and they received four responses to their rfp for such.

The mayor of Carrizozo said a special meeting of CCNG was needed as soon

as possible to discuss and take action on lowering gas rates. The mayor of Capitan said the CCNG board should discuss pulling the gas rates back to the 2003 levels. "I know it will step into the CCNG cash reserves, though," he added. "But I also know that both of these boards (of trustees) are aware that people are really hurting."

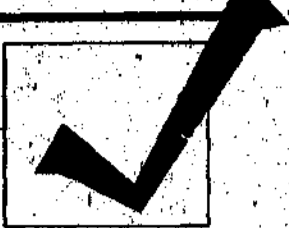
"We need to lower these rates for the schools and the folks," the mayor of Capitan added.

At the closing of the special meeting Prelo commended both boards of trustees for working together and moving forward. "We had no choice," said the mayor of Carrizozo.

Carrizozo trustees held a special public hearing on January 20, after which they voted to proceed with the sale of CCNG.

When an audience member asked if the cash assets of CCNG would go back to the customers, the mayor of Carrizozo said that the joint powers agreement that created CCNG requires the cash assets of CCNG to go back to each community. Carrizozo town clerk Leann Weibrecht said the money then will go into the town budget.

The mayor of Capitan said the CCNG board will meet and try to lower gas prices which will use some of the cash assets. For the remaining cash he said the mayors can't do what they want with this money.



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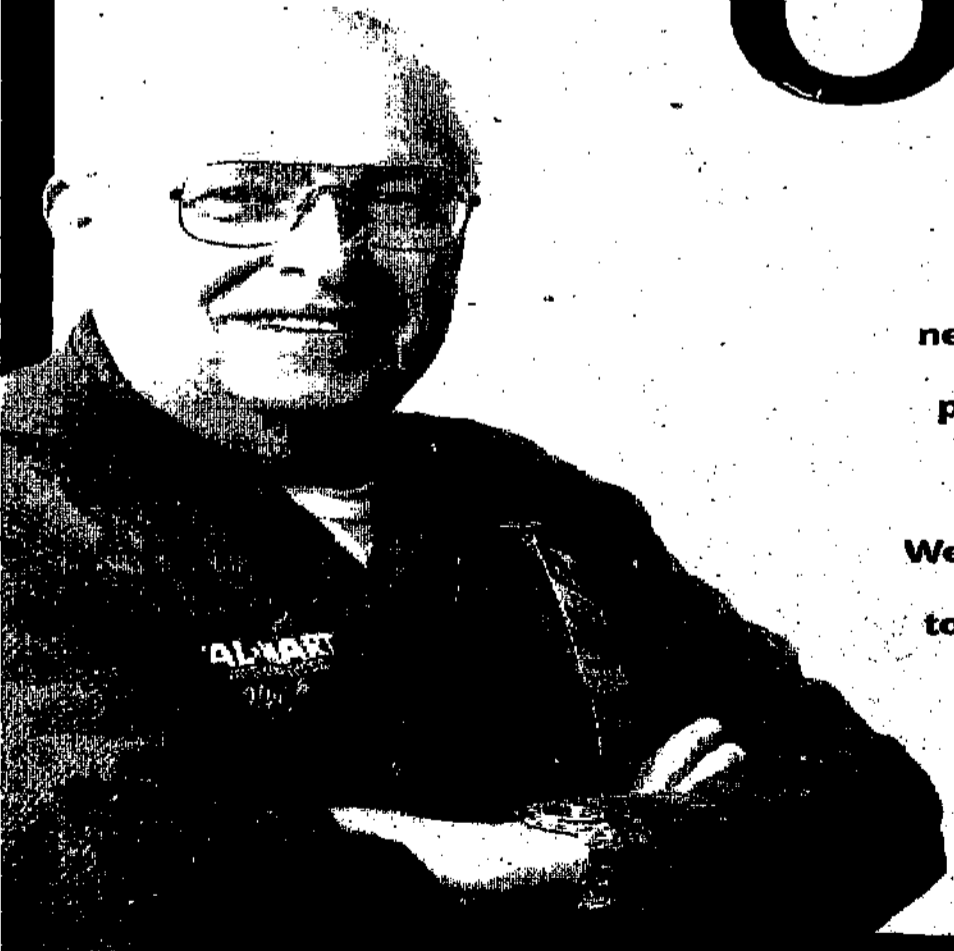
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# County Commission Asks For Hospital

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and then another \$83,008 in supplemental payments.

Stewart said the requested sole community provider payment has grown to where it is 40 percent of the total authorized 2.1 mills which voters approved to be used for the hospital. The mills generate about \$1,247,954. "If we include the Medicaid payment of \$296,091 these federal programs have grown to comprise 64 percent of the 2.1 mill receipts," Stewart said.

Stewart also asked commissioners to consider that the county Indigent Health Care Coordinator is becoming overwhelmed with the number of indigent and sole community claims that she has to process every month. So far this fiscal year, on an average month the coordinator Rhonda Burrows processes 183 applications. With individual applicant interviews required, Stewart suggested the county commissioners request that Lincoln County Medical Center (LCMC) consider supporting the county with some staff assistance. "Or perhaps processing the claims themselves and reporting the results to the IHC coordinator for subsequent Board of County Commission approval," Stewart added.

The county also is currently contributing \$155,000 of general fund money for the ambulance operations. LCMC administrator Jim Gibson said the Sole Community Provider payment is a federal program that recognizes that hospitals that are the only providers of such care in a community have undue burdens of charity care and bad debts. He said in the 2004 calendar year, LCMC had about \$3.8 million in charity care, indigent claims and bad debts, which was about 18 percent of the hospital's gross income. Gibson

said under the federal matching programs the hospital will receive three dollars for each dollar in the sole community, Medicaid and supplemental payments the county provides.

Without the payment Gibson said LCMC would not be able to offer some of the lowest rates in this part of the state. When asked if LCMC plans to do a rate increase, Gibson said a four percent rate increase was implemented beginning January 1, 2005.

Stewart said he was concerned about the payments taking so much of the hospital mill levy which is intended for capital improvements to the facility. Gibson said PHS recognizes this and is willing to take over the cost of some of the capital improvements at the hospital. In 2004, PHS spent more than \$400,000 on improvements at LCMC.

Stewart also said there is pending legislation that could drastically change how the county indigent funds are used.

County commissioner Maury St. John said she wanted to see a cap on the percentage of the hospital mill levy which can be used for the federal matching programs. Although she made the motion to approve the amount requested for the 2005-06 budget year, she also asked that the county manager research putting a certain percentage cap on the amount of money used from the mill levy, in order to reserve some of the funds for capital improvements at the hospital.

County commission chair Rick Simpson seconded the motion which got ayes from St. John, Simpson, commissioners Tom Battin and Eileen Lovelace, but a no

from Hobbs.

Burrows also suggested the county continue with its payments and wait to see what changes might be made to

the county indigent health care fund. Proposed legislation might look at the county fund to pay for insurance for uninsured.



**MONDAYS AND THURSDAYS**

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

**FIRST AND THIRD TUESDAYS**

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

**TUESDAYS**

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

**WEDNESDAYS**

--Trinity United Methodist Church, youth group, TIC TAC at 6:15 p.m. at the church at 10th and D, Ave. in Carrizozo. For youth in grades 7 through 12.  
--Alcoholics Anonymous, 7 p.m. Capitan Senior Citizens Center.

**FRIDAY, JANUARY 28**

--Last day to vote early in person, or to submit a paper absentee ballot for the February 1 school board elections. In person voting, and absentee paper ballots must be received by the county clerk's office in the courthouse in Carrizozo before 5 p.m.

**SATURDAY, JANUARY 29**

--Capitan Junior High 8th grade boys basketball v. Gateway Christian beginning at 4:30 p.m. in Traylor Gym in Capitan.  
--Ski Apache Assistive (Disabled) Skier Program annual silent auction 6 to 9 p.m. Ruidoso Convention Center.

**TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 1**

--School Board Elections for all school districts. Polling hours 7 a.m. until 7 p.m. at the respective polls (see article on the school board election for more information).  
--Lincoln County Public Land Use and Rural Affairs Advisory Committee (PLURAC) meets at 9 a.m. in the county commission chambers in the courthouse in Carrizozo. Public invited to attend. Agenda includes discussion of "undaunted Stewardship", appointments and vacancies; groundwater depletions petitions; sexually explicit and violent materials; plus standing items on ETZ and zoning; water; federal land management agencies; grazing; plus time for public comment.

**THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 3**

--Lincoln County Democratic Party regular monthly meeting 6 p.m. at K-Bob's Restaurant in Ruidoso. Dinner off the menu. Business meeting at 6:30 p.m. with guest speaker Lincoln County DWI Program coordinator Jerry Shaw. Everyone invited to attend.

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## Capitan School Students Participate In Ski School

Capitan Schools are participating in the Ski Apache ski school. All students will be dismissed early with busses running at 12:30 p.m. on Wednesday January 26, February 2, 9 and 16 to enable them to participate in the low cost program sponsored by Ski Apache.

Students and their parents are offered low cost lift tickets and equipment rentals, said Dr. Larry Miller, superintendent of Capitan School, during the regular school board meeting January 13.

The day of the week is a change from past ski programs which were held on Tuesdays. A new addition to the program is the \$10 lift ticket for adults accompanying children to the ski area. Students will be charged \$2 for lift tickets, and \$5 for equipment rentals and \$2 for instruction. Students were provided information and parental forms.

Also at the board meeting, Frank Walston, president of the Capitan Association of Classroom Teachers (CACT), requested clarification on school closures for weather. School superintendent Dr. Miller explained that on mornings with bad weather, bus contractor Frank Silva calls him around 5 a.m. to make a recommendation on school delays or closures because of the weather. Dr. Miller said he takes Silva's recommendation and decides on delay or closure.

Walston said many of the teachers have expressed their concerns because many teachers and students have to

travel Angus Hill, an area particularly hazardous in snowy and icy weather. Please convey this to Frank Silva," Walston said. School board member Robin Parks also said that (SEE PAGE 12).

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**THOUGHTS**  
FROM THE EDITOR'S DESK

*Now the fun begins*

By Ruth Hammond

Don't assume that just because the governing bodies of Capitan and Carrizozo have agreed to sell the Capitan Carrizozo Natural Gas company that the issue is settled. There are numerous things that could and probably will happen before Capitan Carrizozo Natural Gas is no longer in business. A few issues were discussed Tuesday night.

Instead of just accepting what is offered, CCNG must be appraised, which means an appraiser must be hired or contracted with to provide the appraisal. Apparently not everyone has the same ideas as to what will be for sale. Will the buyer pay for the building, equipment, property and assets? Or will the buyer only pay for the utility part such as pipelines, meters, valves and customer base?

Verifying what is actually for sale could cause more than a few disagreements between the governing bodies. Thank goodness state statutes are specific as to how the sale must be conducted, and the correct procedure before a binding deal can be made with a prospective buyer.

Evidently some people believe that a buyer is waiting and ready to make a deal, but it won't be in the next week or two. First both entities must approve the wording for the request for proposals (rfp) and that could take a while.

Rushing into a sale is not allowed by state statutes, which is added protection for residents of Carrizozo and Capitan, the true owners of CCNG. And ordinances that must be approved by both governing bodies are also required by state statutes that explain the proposed terms and conditions of a sale and list a name of the purchaser.

Spending the proceeds from the sale of CCNG could also be a source of contention. Some people believe that money will go to the municipalities and into their general fund to be spent as officials want. Other people believe refunds or rebates should be made to CCNG customers.

Individual opinions will vary, but hopefully there are state statutes regarding how the money may be spent.

One thing to remember is that disagreements were had before officials agreed to proceed with the sale of CCNG. Those disagreements could escalate before the terms to be listed in the rfp are decided. There may not be actual fights, but don't get too close when the sparring begins.

Now that the first step has been taken to sell CCNG, you might want to keep track of how long it takes before any money is received by either municipality. The rfp process could take several weeks, and the appraisal must be completed before rfp's may be considered. Once the negotiations begin with a prospective bidder or proposer, the sale will not be complete until after ordinances are adopted by both municipalities, and after publication of the ordinances it will be 45 days before the ordinances take effect. The fun now begins about selling CCNG.

**School Board Elections**

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puter, activity vehicles and other such needs.

**Hondo School District #39**  
Polling place at Hondo Valley School gym lobby. District includes parts of Lincoln County precincts 3, 12A, B & C.

Three positions are open on the Hondo Valley Board of Education, Position 1, a four year term, candidate Dennis Nosker; Position 2, four year term, candidate Luis Jimenez; Position 3, a two year term beginning March 21, 2005, candidate Joseph Torrez.

Hondo Valley Schools election also includes a General Obligation Bond Issue question, asking voters to authorize a bond issue of \$700,000 for erecting, remodeling and making additions to and furnishing school buildings, including computer hardware and software for student use.

**Ruidoso School Dist. #36**  
Polling place at the Lincoln County Clerk's office in the courthouse in Carrizozo from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. on Tuesday, February 1. Voters may also vote absentee in person or by delivering a paper ballot before 5 p.m. Friday, January 29, in the county clerk's office in the courthouse in Carrizozo.

Two positions, with four year terms, are open, Position 4 with candidate Rafael Salas and Position 5 with candidate Danny Sisson.

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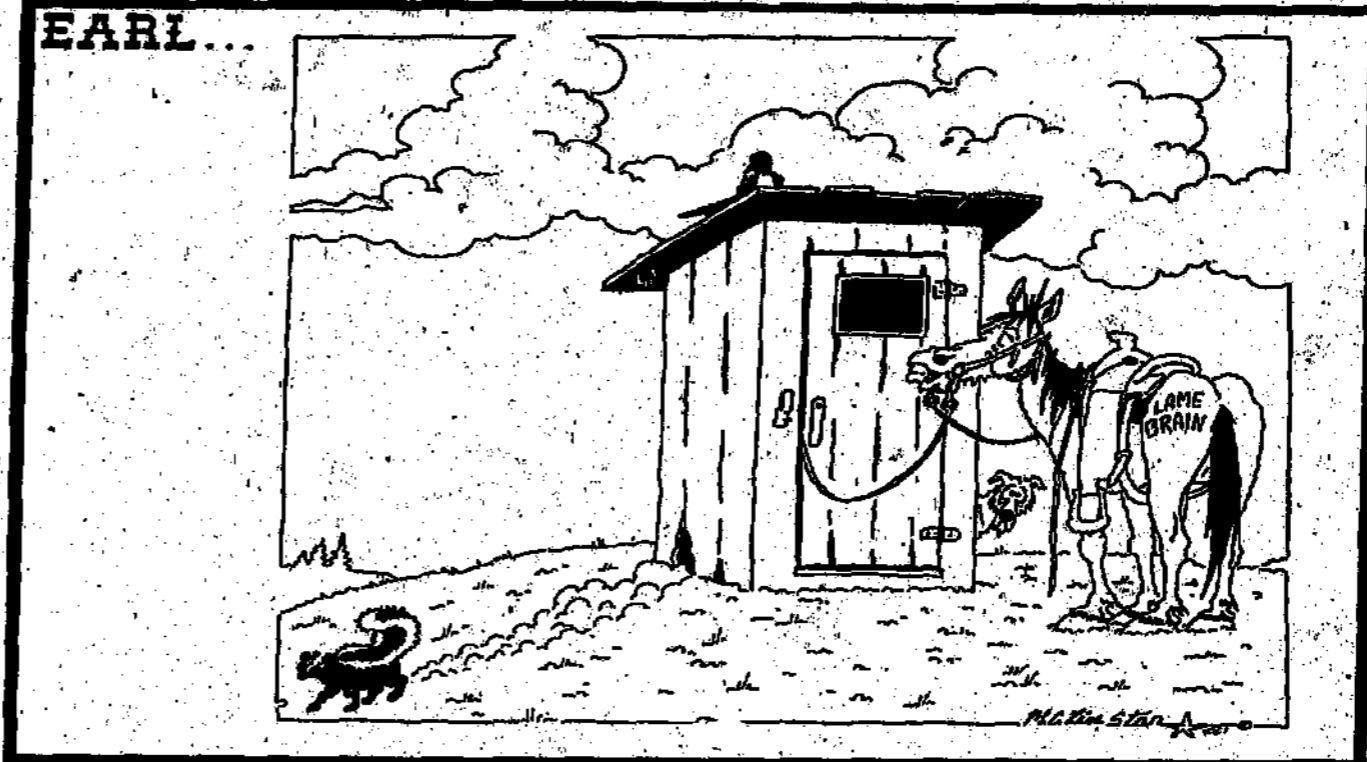
posing or write in candidates, nor SB9 or bond issue questions, Ruidoso School District chose to go with an election on paper ballot held only in the county clerk's office in the courthouse in Carrizozo as a way to save money. By state law the district is allowed to take this option which saved an estimated \$1,100 in election costs. As with all the districts, early and absentee paper ballot voting ends at 5 p.m. Friday, January 28 at the county clerk's office in Carrizozo.

For more information about the school board elections call your respective school, or the Lincoln County Clerk's office at 648-2385 ext. 6, or toll free at 1-800-687-2705, ext. 6.



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**Inside the Capitol**  
by JAY MILLER

**SANTA FE** -- Many years ago, I wrote a column containing tips for aspiring lobbyists. It wasn't your normal "How a Bill Becomes a Law" piece, extolling the joys of becoming a citizen lobbyist for a day.

It was more an attempt to prepare first-time lobbyists for the realities of what they are likely to face when they come to Santa Fe to present their case to New Mexico lawmakers.

And maybe it served as a vehicle to provide some laughs for those who had been through their first experience and had confronted the harsh reality that things never go quite the same as the instruction sheet told them they would.

OK, so maybe my advice overstated the case a little. That's what one of Santa Fe's top lobbyists, Gary Kilpatrick, thought, after he read a reprint of my column in the New Mexico Business Weekly seven years ago.

But he liked the idea of injecting some humor and a moderate dose of reality into the training session he conducts for the state Association of Commerce and Industry every year at the beginning of the Legislature.

So Kilpatrick revised my "Lessons Learned Lobbying in Santa Fe" into a presentation he thought might provide a little more accurate picture of the adventures a citizen might expect upon a first attempt at conquering the New Mexico Legislature.

Kilpatrick emphasizes that most of those who try their hand at lobbying find themselves captivated by the process. He describes lobbying as an exciting and effective way to exercise your first amendment right.

After all, Kilpatrick says, it can't be so hard to buy a few lunches, schmooze in the halls, rub elbows with power brokers in the Bull Ring and then presenting a couple of minutes of razor-sharp testimony in committee.

But not so fast, he says. That's the fantasy league of lobbying. Let's look at what might be a "bad" day of lobbying.

**Adventure #1.** The very day you head to Santa Fe the Pinnacle Express covers the state with a foot of snow, making your early arrival to get your bearings a forgotten dream.

**Adventure #2.** If you find a parking place within three blocks of the Capitol, it will have someone's name on it, along with a sign describing the atrocities visited on those who dare to park there. You end up parking closer to Espanola than to the Round House.

**Adventure #3.** When you arrive at the Capitol, there is not a legislator in sight. The ones you want to see are in caucus. Then you learn that all the legislators are in caucus and everyone you see standing around is another lobbyist.

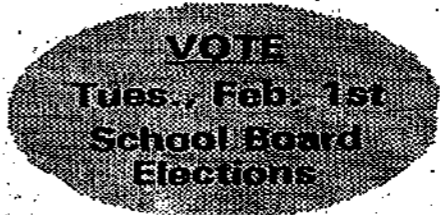
**Adventure #4.** As you walk around, you find there are many places you can't go. There are signs all over saying "No mad dogs or lobbyists beyond this point". And there are burly sergeants at arms everywhere who never heard of a Dale Carnegie course in public relations.

**Adventure #5.** The caucuses finally end and immediately all lawmakers go into a joint session for an

endless floor debate on whether the state question should be "red or green" and you wonder "What am I doing here?" The debate continues so long that lawmakers stroll over to their snack bar at the edge of the chamber. And there goes your chance to take one to lunch.

**Adventure #6.** The session finally ends and you catch a legislator in the hallway before his committee hearing starts. You tell him why your bill is wonderful, and ask him to vote for it. He asks who is lobbying on the other side and when you tell him, he explains that the guy was best man at his wedding and his first-born is named after him. Then he asks you to get together with the guy and reach a compromise. You do, and he says, "Sorry, buddy, try again next year."

Next time we'll explain what happens once the committee hearing begins.



**"Good" NEWS Bulletin**

**School Board Elections Are Tues., Feb. 1st**

First of all let me congratulate this group of candidates running for school board seats in next Tuesday's elections. It's good to see some good competition amongst the people running for election and working hard to entice people to vote for them. Those that worked the hardest will probably end up winning... and that's mostly good.

Some people might have a different take on this opinion... which is who the schools belong to? Me thinks that the schools belong to the tax payers and voters. I've heard it said that "the school belongs to the students"... I say the school is "for" the students, and the people on the school boards represent the tax payers and voters, for the good of the students.

People hired by the school should be accountable to the tax payers and voters through the school board... not the other way around.

It's not good to tell the same people that voted you to your position on the school board, that they have no right to know why some executive decisions are being made. So please take time to consider everything and everyone before voting.



Psychic Judi Christopher Ruidoso NM

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**Aquarius (Jan 20 - Feb 18)**  
What has not been seen will reveal its self at the right time. If you think you can't do something you're right. When you make up your mind to do it is when you'll see your potential in money and love.

**Pisces (Feb 19 - March 20)**  
What does Money, Love and Happiness have in common? YOU. It's like Mind, Body and Spirit. Things have to flow with true love, to make everything come out right. You can't have one without the other.

**Aries (March 21 - April 19)**  
You're trying to stick a square peg in a round hole. The lesson here: IF it doesn't come easy, then let it go. Love shouldn't hurt, and real friends don't hurt your feelings. Make sure you too haven't hurt someone.

**Taurus (April 20 - May 20)**  
Whatever will be will be is easy to say, but difficult to live with. Start out asking questions and end up with the answers you have been seeking. Not what you want, but what you need to help you grow and learn.

**Gemini (May 21 - June 20)**  
Speaking of love and money: How long do you think you can think about this before anything will change? Are you happy up to now? If not then do something different, so success will start happening.

**Cancer (June 21 - July 22)**  
Beyond you and what you can't see lies the truth about what you feel and need. You say one thing but your actions are saying another. Why? Because you're hurt. You think you're just mad. Speak the truth.

**Leo (July 23 - Aug 22)**  
You may feel like you're out of control. You are, but that's okay. Letting go of control is being in control. Especially when you quit trying to control other people. All you can do is love them and do the best possible.

**Virgo (Aug 23 - Sept 22)**  
You're ready for a new start, but don't know where to start. Let's start here and now changing the way you feel about yourself. If you're not happy with yourself then you can't be happy with other people.

**Libra (Sept 22 - Oct 22)**  
Your own tongue can cut your own throat if you don't watch out! Others need your loving attention, not a smart mouth. You may just be kidding, but this time you could really hurt someone that loves you.

**Scorpio (Oct 23 - Nov 21)**  
It isn't about who is right or wrong, it's about how much you really love someone to let your ego go for a few minutes so they can express how they feel. This has nothing to do with you personally. It's about them.

**Sagittarius (Nov 22 - Dec 21)**  
Don't throw the baby out with the water, just because your feelings are hurt. You have to look at the big picture and realize others have to do for themselves. If you really love someone you won't walk away.

**Capricorn (Dec 22 - Jan 19)**  
You have many unanswered questions. You have to go the right people to get them answered. Quit being afraid of showing your true feelings. Your friends know you and love for just you. Open up.

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**LEGALS**

**LEGAL NOTICE**

**NOTICE OF REGULAR SCHOOL BOARD ELECTION**

On the 1st day of February, 2005, there will be held in the Carrizozo Municipal School District No. 7, Lincoln and Socorro Counties, New Mexico (the "District"), a regular school district election (the "Election") for the purpose of submitting to the qualified electors of the District candidates for election two positions on the Board of Education.

The Voting Districts for the at-large positions on the Board and the Precinct Board Members for the Election shall be as follows:

Election Precincts	Polling Place	Precinct Board Member
1, 2A, 2B, 3A and 13	Carrizozo Municipal Schools 800 D. Ave. Carrizozo, New Mexico	Presiding Judge: Carol Zumwalt Election Judge: Leann Weibrecht Election Judge: Phyllis Zumwalt Election Judge: Douglas Jarrard Election Clerk: Sylvia Barela

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 the Election.

Absentee voting will be permitted as authorized by Section 1-22-19, NMSA 1978, and the Absent Voter Act of the Election Code, i.e., Sections 1-6-1 through 1-6-18; NMSA 1978, qualified electors may also vote absentee in person at the office of the County Clerk of Lincoln County, Lincoln County Courthouse, in Carrizozo, New Mexico, during the regular hours and days of business from 8:00 a.m. Friday, 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.

The candidates for membership on the Board of Education are as follows:

Board member Position	Candidates
Position 3 (four years)	Angelo Vega Denise W. Hill
Position 4 (four years)	Wallace Matthew Ferguson Deborah Lynn Ventura Rosemarie Lea Kratochvil Jack R. Ward

This notice is published in my capacity as Principal Filing officer for the Election.

LINCOLN COUNTY CLERK

By: Tammie J. Maddox  
Lincoln County Clerk

(SEAL OF THE COUNTY CLERK)

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**AVISO LEGAL**

**AVISO DEL ELECCION REGULAR DE JUNTA DE EDUCACION**

En el día 1 de febrero de 2005, tendrá lugar en el Distrito Escolar Municipio No. 7 de Carrizozo, Condados de Lincoln y Socorro, Nuevo Mexico (el "Distrito") una elección escolar regular del distrito (la "Elección") para el propósito de someter a los electores calificados del Distrito candidatos para elección dos posiciones en el Consejo de Educación.

Los Distritos Electorales y Los Miembros del Consejo del Recinto para Elección son los siguientes:

Recintos de Eleccion	Sitios de Votacion	Miembro del Consejo del Recinto
1, 2A, 2B, 3A and 13	Carrizozo Municipal Schools 800 D. Ave. Carrizozo, New Mexico	Juez Prsidiendo: Carol Zumwalt Juez de Eleccion: Leann Weibrecht Juez de Eleccion: Phyllis Zumwalt Escribano de Eleccion: Douglas Jarrard Escribana de Eleccion: Sylvia Barela

Los Centros para Votar en la Eleccion permaneceran abiertos entre las horas de las 7:00 a.m. y 7:00 p.m. el día de la Eleccion.

La votacion en ausencia se permitira en la manera autorizada por Secciones 1-6-1 et seq. NMSA 1978; siempre que conforme a Seccion 1-22-19, NMSA 1978, los electores habilitados podran votar tambien en ausencia presentandose personalmente en la oficina del (del la) Escribano(a) del Condado de Lincoln, durante las horas y en los dias habiles desde las 8:00 a.m. el 7 de enero 2005, siendo 25 dias antes de la Eleccion, hasta las 5:00 p.m. el 28 de enero 2005, siendo el dia viernes que antecede inmediatamente la Eleccion.

Los candidatos para ser miembros de la Junta de Educacion son los siguientes:

Posicion del Miembro de la Junta	Candidatos
Posicion 3 (cuatro años)	Angelo Vega Denise W. Hill
Posicion 4 (cuatro años)	Wallace Matthew Ferguson Deborah Lynn Ventura Rosemarie Lea Kratochvil Jack R. Ward

Este aviso se publica en mi capacidad de funcionario principal de archivos para la Eleccion.

Escribano(a) del Condado de Lincoln

Por: Tammie J. Maddox  
Escribana de Condado de Lincoln

(Sello de la Escribana del Condado)

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**LEGAL NOTICE**

**NOTICE OF REGULAR SCHOOL BOARD ELECTION**

On the 1st day of February, 2005, there will be held in the Capitan Municipal School District No. 28 ("District"), Lincoln County, New Mexico, a regular school district election ("Election") for the purpose of submitting to the qualified electors of the District candidates for election to membership on the Board of Education.

The Voting Districts for the at-large positions on the Board and the Precinct Board Members for the Election shall be as follows:

Election Precincts	Polling Places	Precinct Board Members
1, 2A, 2B, 3A, 3B, 4, 5, 6, 7A, 10, 12A, & 12C within the District	Lincoln County Fair Bldg. Capitan, New Mexico	Presiding Judge: Edith Dobbins Election Judge: Ellen Womack Election Judge: Joyce Hansen Election Clerk: Phoebe M. Taylor Election Clerk: Mitzi Dobbins Election Clerk: Diana Billingsley Election Clerk: Joyce Cox

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**LEGAL NOTICE**

**RESOLUTION NO. 2004-14**

**OPEN MEETINGS ACT**

WHEREAS, the Lincoln County Board of Commissioners meeting in a regular session at Carrizozo, New Mexico, on the 18th day of January, 2005, at 8:30 A.M. as required by law; and

WHEREAS, Section 10-15-1(B) of the Open Meetings Act (Sections 10-15-1 through 10-15-4 NMSA 1978) states that, except as may be otherwise provided in the Constitution or the provisions of the Open Meetings Act, all meetings of a quorum of members of any board, commission or other policy making body of any state agency held for the purpose of formulating public policy, discussing public business or for the purpose of taking any action within the authority of or the delegated authority of such board, commission or other policy making body, are declared to be public meetings open to the public at all times; and

WHEREAS, any meeting subject to the Open Meetings Act at which the discussion or adoption of any proposed resolution, rule, regulation or formal action occurs shall be held only after reasonable notice to the public; and

WHEREAS, Section 10-15-1(D) of the Open Meetings Act requires the Lincoln County Board of Commissioners to determine annually what constitutes reasonable notice of its public meetings.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Lincoln County Board of Commissioners that:

1. Regular meetings of the Lincoln County Board of Commissioners shall ordinarily be held each month at a time and place designated in the notice. A proposed agenda will be available at least twenty-four (24) hours before the meeting from the Lincoln County Manager's Office located in the Lincoln County Courthouse, Carrizozo, New Mexico.

2. Special meetings of the Lincoln County Board of Commissioners may be called by the Chairman or a majority of the members upon three (3) days notice.

3. Emergency meetings of the Lincoln County Board of Commissioners are meetings called under circumstances which demand immediate action by the Lincoln County Board of Commissioners. Although the Lincoln County Board of Commissioners would avoid emergency meetings whenever possible, such circumstances may occasionally arise. Emergency meetings of the Lincoln County Board of Commissioners may be called by the Chairman or a majority of the members upon three (3) hours notice.

4. For the purposes of regular meetings described in paragraph 1 of this resolution, notice requirements will be complied with by the Lincoln County Clerk's permanently posting on the bulletin board at the Lincoln County Courthouse a copy of this resolution, as well as a notice setting forth the days and times of the regular meetings which have been set by resolution. Changes effecting the date of a regular scheduled meeting will be mailed to those broadcast stations licensed by the Federal Communications Commission and newspapers of general circulation that have made a written request of the Lincoln County Board of Commissioners for notice of public meetings at least seven (7) days prior to the new meeting date.

5. For the purposes of special meetings and emergency meetings described in paragraphs 2 and 3 of this resolution, notice requirements shall be met by posting notices in the offices of the Lincoln County Clerk and the Lincoln County Manager. The Lincoln County Manager's Office shall provide telephonic notice to those broadcast stations licensed by the Federal Communications Commission and newspapers of general circulation that have made written request of the Lincoln County Board of Commissioners for notice of public meetings.

6. Every effort shall be made to follow the Robert's Rules or Order. The Robert's Rules of Order shall be specifically modified to allow the Chairman to vote in all instances.

7. If you are an individual with a disability who is in need of a reader, amplifier, qualified sign language interpreter, or any other form of auxiliary aid or service to attend or participate in the hearing or meeting, please contact the County Manager's Office at 505/648-2385 at least one week prior to the meeting or as soon as possible. Please contact the County Manager's office at 505/648-2385 if a summary or other type of accessible format is needed.

8. Pursuant to Section 10-5-1(H) NMSA 1978 of the Open Meetings Act, the Lincoln County Board of Commissioners may close a meeting to the public if the subject matter of such discussion or action is included in Subsection H of the Open Meetings Act, section 10-15-1 NMSA 1978. If any commission meeting is closed pursuant to Section 10-15-1(H) NMSA 1978, such closure:

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**LEGAL NOTICE**

NOTICE is hereby given that on December 27, 2004, Strome Investments, LLC, P.O. Box 223, Laguna, New Mexico 87026, filed application No. H-98-A & H-98-A-A into 0275-A & H-272 et al with the STATE ENGINEER for permit to change location of well, place and purpose of use of underground waters and to change point of diversion from groundwater to surface waters in the Hondo Underground Water Basin in the State of New Mexico.

The applicant proposes to discontinue the diversion of 35.0 acre-feet per annum shallow groundwater diverted from well H-98-A located in the SE¼SW¼NE¼ of Section 15, Township 11 South, Range 17 East, N.M.P.M., by ceasing the irrigation of 10.0 acres of land described as follows:

SUBDIVISION	SECTION	TOWNSHIP	RANGE	ACRES
PL SE¼SW¼NE¼	15	11 S.	17 E.	6.52
PL SW¼SW¼NE¼	15	11 S.	17 E.	3.48

The applicant proposes to commence the diversion of 35.0 acre-feet per annum of the surface waters of the Rio Ruidoso, and supplemental shallow groundwater, from the following described points of diversion:

SURFACE:	SUBDIVISION	SECTION	TOWNSHIP	RANGE
Rio Ruidoso	SW¼NE¼SW¼	19	11 S.	13 E.
WELLS:				
H-272	NW¼NE¼SW¼	36	11 S.	13 E.
H-272-S	SE¼SW¼NE¼	25	11 S.	13 E.
H-272-S-2	SW¼SW¼NE¼	2	11 S.	13 E.
H-272-S-3	NE¼SW¼SE¼	2	11 S.	13 E.
H-272-S-4	SE¼NW¼NE¼	11	11 S.	13 E.
H-272-S-5	NE¼NW¼SW¼	14	11 S.	13 E.
H-272-S-6	SW¼NE¼NE¼	15	11 S.	13 E.
H-272-S-7	SW¼NE¼SE¼	10	11 S.	13 E.
H-272-S-8	SE¼NW¼SW¼	14	11 S.	13 E.
H-272-S-9	NW¼NE¼NE¼	23	11 S.	13 E.
H-272-S-11	NW¼NE¼SE¼	25	11 S.	13 E.

for the municipal purposes within the Village of Ruidoso.

The applicant requests that this water right be approved for diversion for the Village at times of substantial flow of the Rio Ruidoso as follows: May 1 through October 31 greater than 6.0 cfs at Hollywood Gage; November 1 through April 31 greater than 4.0 cfs. Application is made to divert up to a minimum of 35.0 acre-feet per annum from the Rio Ruidoso and/or the H-272 et al wells due to similar or less consumptive use at the move-to place of use.

The move-from points of diversion and places of use are located in Alamo Canyon, South of Hondo, Lincoln County, New Mexico. The proposed move-to points of diversion and place of use are located within the Village of Ruidoso, 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 in person, you must specifically identify your water rights; and/or (2) If public welfare or conservation of water within the State of New Mexico, you must show you will be substantially affected. The written protest must be filed in triplicate, with the State Engineer, 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 filed 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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# COUNTY MANAGER'S REPORT

Lincoln County Manager Tom Stewart gave the following report to the Lincoln County Commissioners at their meeting January 18 in their chambers in the Lincoln County Courthouse in Carrizozo.

New hirings in the County Manager's Office To replace the recent de-

partures of Glenna Robbins, Jane Williams and Patsy Sanchez from the county manager's office. Fran Altieri of Carrizozo has been hired as the county finance director. Orlando Samora of Carrizozo has been hired as the county's new purchasing agent; and Curt Temple has been hired as planning tech-

nician. "I want to thank all those who applied for these positions," Stewart said. "And I look forward to working with these great new additions."

Drivers License Monitoring In concert with the New Mexico Association of Counties Insurance Pool, Stewart said he undertook prelimi-

nary steps to enroll county drivers in the monitorship program operated by a company called SAMBA. The program costs \$1 per enrolled driver per month and the county's insurer will offer a four percent reduction in premiums for employees enrolling in the program. The program will report to the county any employee driving offenses for appropriate action. Assuming the county has about 70 drivers to monitor, the program will cost about \$840 a year, but will save an estimated \$5,200 in insurance premiums per year. "I await further coordination and instructions," Stewart said.

Mobile Emergency Operations Center The county Emergency Service Coordinator Bill Martin advised that LDV, Inc. of Burlington, Wisconsin has made a proposal to the state for the county's Homeland Security related mobile command post. The vehicle will be purchased by the State under a GSA contract for \$250,319. "We await further action by the state," Stewart added.

Hospital Fire Alarm Difficulties The fire alarm system at Lincoln County Medical Center (LCMC in Ruidoso) went inoperative at the end of December due to a system transformer failure. Various interim fixes have been tried. Recall that the county is in the process of designing and bidding out for a replacement system, but the final product is months away. LCMC administrator Jim Gibson and EMS director Jim Stover worked with the State Fire Marshal's Office for another interim fix. "I have authorized emergency procurement, if necessary, for a temporary system once coordination is complete with the State Fire Marshal's Office," Stewart said.

"We did find an interim fix," he added. The fix would cost about \$20,000 to replace a panel but will have a direct application with the new fire alarm system.

County commissioners approved a recommendation from Stewart to sell the surplus medical equipment, a hematology analyzer, to the single bidder Coast to Coast Medical of Fall River, MA which bid \$750.

County commissioners also approved a recommendation for the county to donate two obsolete pieces of x-ray medical equipment to the Technical Vocational Institute (TVI) of Albuquerque. Stewart advised that he examined the two pieces of equipment at LCMC and learned that TVI would like the equipment for demonstration/teaching purposes. The equipment was a 1989 Kodak M6B processor which originally cost \$15,000 and the second piece was a 1993 GE Medical Systems C-Arm which originally cost \$122,506.

"Judging from past actions of similar pieces of obsolete equipment, the equipment is in scrap condition and would definitely bring far less than \$500," Stewart said.

State Statutes allow donation of equipment and property from one governmental entity to another upon proper public notice. Stewart also advised commissioners that he prepared a letter regarding the notice of intent for the county to donate the equipment which will be sent to the state Department of Finance and Administration (DFA) for final approval.



Carrizozo Grade School "BRAVO!" Achievers for December 2004 / Kindergarten, 1st and 2nd Grades

**BOTTOM ROW:** Anthony Vallejos, Dominic Garcia, Garrison Ventura, Danny Roper, Lashae Lueras, Mikhail Barela, Andrea Apodaca, Adriana Samora, Christian Najjar. **2nd ROW:** Kadee Sedillo, Veronica Ochoa, Dillon Walema, Emily Comstock, Hannah Ventura, Cheyanne Apodaca, Deline Arteché, Kristie Gallacher, Tyrell Barela. **3rd ROW:** Lexi Zamora, Leslie Ryan, Caleb Ventura, Miccah Hamilton, Desirae Zamora, Patience Anaya, Cirsten Barela, Gracie Hooten. **4th ROW:** Erick Culley, Gene Gore, Tiffany Vega, Lisa Ventura, Fantasia Dennis, Josh Ventura, Zhane Vega, Tiffany Vega.

**FALL SEMESTER: (Kindergarten)** Deline Arteché, Mikhail Barela, Dominic Garcia, Gracie Hooten, Lashae Lueras, Danny Roper, Garrison Ventura, Hannah Ventura. **(1st Grade)** Patience Anaya, Cirsten Barela, Emily Comstock, Miccah Hamilton, Christian Najjar, Leslie Ryan, Kadee Sedillo, Caleb Ventura, Dillon Walema, Lexi Zamora, Dominique Zamora. **(2nd Grade)** Tiffany Vega, Josh Ventura.

## To my fellow citizens of Carrizozo

Most of you will recall last year we stood together as a community in support of our principal and a very good math teacher that unfortunately were not retained in our school system. We faced strong opposition and ultimately certain members of our elected school board refused to hear us as parents and members of the community. As I stated in my last letter to the editor it is time for a change.

On February 1st, we will have an opportunity to change. I implore you as individuals and a community to vote for Deborah Ventura. We came together last year as a community in support of our children and we must continue to move forward with the same resolve. Our vote represents our voice and what direction we want to see our school move towards.

As a community we should desire a constant, stable education environment for our children. Our children deserve as good of an education as every other child in this nation receives regardless of our population or the number of children enrolled in our school.

Every concession should be made to ensure that for every child enrolled in school at Carrizozo receives a quality education that meets national standards and prepares our students to move forward in the educational process. As a school board member I will fight to ensure that your children receive all of the above.

Be sure to vote on February 1st, every vote counts and every vote will directly affect our children.

God bless you,  
*Deborah Ventura*  
Deborah Ventura

Please, vote  
**DOBORAH**  
**VENTURA**  
Position 4

Paid for by candidate



As the Lincoln County News goes into its 101st year of being in existence (1905-2005), we will be randomly publishing articles that have been published in the NEWS from old files. The following article appeared in the "Lincoln County News and Carrizozo Outlook"

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Friday, March 17, 1950

## Arthur J. Rolland

Dec. 3, 1880 -- Mar. 1950

by Chester Foust

Arthur Rolland was born in Fenton, Mich., on December 3, 1880. He came to New Mexico in 1903, engaging in the retail drug business in Alamogordo with a brother, Frank. In 1906, he established a drug store in Carrizozo, continuing in this activity to the day of his death.

In 1908, he married Mrs. Margery McCourt Roslington, and to his union two daughters were born, who survive, Helen Rolland Ardans, Albuquerque, and Mrs. Poe Corn, Roswell. He is also survived by two brothers, Frank, Alamogordo; Charles, Fenton, Mich. and a sister, Mrs. H.P. Scott, Detroit, and three grandchildren, Poe Rolland Corn, Roswell; Betty Jane Corn, Roswell, and Jeanne Alexis Ardans, Albuquerque. One September 26, 1922, Rolland was married to Mrs. Sadie Pace LeFleur, who survives with her son by a former marriage, Walter LaFleur, Lordsburg.

Mr. Rolland gave generously of his time and effort in public service, holding office during his career as postmaster of Carrizozo, mayor of Carrizozo, clerk of Lincoln County, trustee of the NM Institute for the blind, member of the Selective Service Board, and local representative of the Red Cross and Salvation Army. He held membership in the Odd Fellows and Elks' fraternal orders.

Episcopal services were conducted Tuesday, March 14, 1950, at 2:20 P.M. by Rev. Rainey of Fort Stanton at the Carrizozo Trinity Methodist Church, followed by interment in Evergreen Cemetery, Carrizozo.

Art Rolland would probably say he went over the hill with his boots on. Friday morning there was a glint of the off mischief in those kindly eyes and he remarked that there were no prescriptions to fill because Dr. Turner was "down with a bad cold." There was some of the old spring and bounce in his step as he made his daily trip to the bank, and at noon he drove his beloved Sadie home for lunch in "Old Betsy Jane."

They were back in the early afternoon, and Art reported that Sadie's posies were beginning to peek in their little patio. About 4 o'clock he went over to the barber shop, and ordered "the works." When he and Sadie left the store that evening around 6, he called her attention to the movie at the Lyric and suggested they "see the show tonight."

But Sadie, who had been waging a day-and-night fight for many months to conserve Art's fading strength said "they'd see how he felt after supper." In the evening, he complained of some distress, and Sadie summoned Mr. Hadley from the hospital. Art seemed relieved. The end came swiftly and mercifully sometime after midnight, as he tried to rise from his bed.

For almost a year Art had not felt well. He called it "the misery." To all suggestions that he retire he gave the characteristic reply that there was nothing he wanted to do except "go over the hill with my boots on" and that's the way it was last Friday night.

To borrow again from his own phrases, "there went a good guy." There is hardly a family in the county that cannot recall some special kindness, some helpful deed or word, given them by this little man whose capacity for friendship, sympathy and understanding was truly phenomenal and great.

He possessed a startling memory for many years for names and faces and was an encyclopedia of information on early Lincoln County people and events. His judgment of character was quick and usually infallible, and his appraisals were given in terse, salty comments. "The child of a king" he reserved for those who were really tops. But Art could also refer to some reprobate as "not worth the killin'."

Art Rolland was really brother to everybody in this community, and to scores of others in far-away places who had chanced to cross his path. Back in the days of mining at White Oaks and Nogal, more than one strapped prospector was the beneficiary of Art's generosity and willingness to make a bet. In lean years, no worthy rancher or cowboy ever was turned down for necessities.

Few husbands show their wives the courtesy, respect and graciousness which Art gave to his Sadie, and everybody knows what deep affection there was between the two. His stepson and step-

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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 the Election.

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., on January 7, 2005, being the twenty-fifth day preceding the Election, until 5:00 p.m., on January 28, 2005, being the Friday immediately prior to the Election.

The candidates for membership on the Board of Education are as follows:

Table with 2 columns: Board Member Position and Candidates. Includes positions 1 and 2 with candidates James Fields, Doris Mae Cherry, and Rudy A. Chavez.

This notice is published in my capacity as Principal Filing Officer for the Election.

LINCOLN COUNTY CLERK

By: Tammie J. Maddox, Lincoln County Clerk

(SEAL OF THE COUNTY CLERK)

Published in the Lincoln County News on January 20 and 27, 2005.

AVISO LEGAL

AVISO DE ELECCION REGULAR DE JUNTA DE EDUCACION

El 1 de febrero 2005 se efectuara una eleccion regular ("Eleccion") en el Distrito Escolar Municipal Numero 28 del Capitan, ("Distrito") Condado de Lincoln, Estado de Nuevo Mexico con el fin de presentarle a todos los votantes habilitados del Distrito candidatos para eleccion para ser miembros de la Junta de Educacion.

Los Distritos Electorales y Los Miembros del Consejo del Recinto para Eleccion son los siguientes:

Table with 3 columns: Recintos de Eleccion, Sitios de Votacion, and Miembro del Consejo del Recinto. Lists precincts, voting locations, and council members.

Los Centros para Votar en la Eleccion permaneceran abiertos entre las horas de las 7:00 a.m. y las 7:00 p.m. el dia de la Eleccion.

La votacion en ausencia se permitira en la manera autorizada por Secciones 1-6-1 et seq., NMSA 1978; siempre que conforme a Seccion 1-22-19, NMSA 1978, los electores habilitados podran votar tambien en ausencia presentandose personalmente en la oficina del (del la) Escribano(a) del Condado de Lincoln, durante las horas y en los dias habiles desde las 8:00 a.m. el 7 de enero 2005, siendo 25 dias antes de la Eleccion, hasta las 5:00 p.m. el 28 de enero 2005, siendo el dia viernes que antecede inmediatamente la Eleccion.

Los candidatos para ser miembros de la Junta de Educacion son los siguientes.

Table with 2 columns: Posicion del Miembro de la Junta and Candidatos. Lists positions 1 and 2 with candidates James Fields, Doris Mae Cherry, and Rudy A. Chavez.

Este aviso se publica en mi capacidad de funcionario principal de archivos para la Eleccion.

Escribano(a) del Condado de Lincoln

Por: Tammie J. Maddox, Escribano(a) del Condado de Lincoln

(Sello del (de la) Escribano(a) del Condado)

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LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF REGULAR SCHOOL BOARD ELECTION AND SCHOOL BOND ELECTION AND PUBLIC SCHOOL CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS TAX ELECTION

On the 1st day of February, 2005, there will be held in the Hondo Valley Public School District No. 20 ("District"), Lincoln County, New Mexico, a regular school district election ("Election") for the purpose of submitting to the qualified electors of the District candidates for election to membership on the Board of Education, the question of creating a debt by the issuing of general obligation bonds, and the question of whether a property tax should be imposed for the purpose of capital improvements in the District.

The Voting District and the Precinct Board Members for the Election shall be as follows:

Table with 4 columns: Voting District, Election Precinct, Polling Place, and Precinct Board Member. Lists district 1, precincts 3, 12A, 12B & 12C, polling place Hondo Valley School Gym Lobby, and board members.

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 the Election.

Absentee voting will be permitted in the manner authorized by NMSA 1978, Section 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 County Clerk of Lincoln County, during the regular hours and days of business from 8:00 a.m., on January 7, 2005, being the twenty-fifth day preceding the Election, until 5:00 p.m., on January 28, 2005, being the Friday immediately prior to the Election.

The candidates for membership on the Board of Education are as follows:

Table with 2 columns: Board Member Positions and Candidates. Includes positions 1, 2, and 3 with candidates Dennis R. Nosker, Luis A Jimenez, and Joseph I. Torrez.

At the Election, the following questions shall also be submitted to such qualified, registered electors of the District:

GENERAL OBLIGATION BOND QUESTION

"Shall the Board of Education of the Hondo Valley Public School District No. 20, County of Lincoln, State of New Mexico, be authorized to issue general obligation bonds of the District, in one series or more, in the aggregate principal amount of not exceeding \$700,000 for the purpose of erecting, remodeling, making additions to and finishing school buildings and purchasing or improving school grounds and purchasing computer software and hardware for student use in public school classrooms or any combination of these

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LEGAL NOTICE TWELFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT COUNTY OF LINCOLN STATE OF NEW MEXICO CV-0434 WESTERN BANK OF ALAMOGORDO, Plaintiff,

vs. FRANK W. DORAME; DEBERLY S. DORAME AND FIRST NATIONAL BANK OF CHICAGO, Defendants.

NOTICE OF SALE

NOTICE is hereby given that on February 10, 2005, at 1:00 p.m., the undersigned Special Master will sell to the highest bidder at the front steps of the Lincoln County Courthouse Building, located at 300 Central, Carrizozo, NM, all Defendant's interest in the real property located 303 Westview, in Lincoln County, Ruidoso Downs, New Mexico, and more particularly described as:

Lots 4 and 5, Block 3, of RIVER PARK ADDITION, Ruidoso Downs, Lincoln County, New Mexico, as shown by the plat thereof filed in the office of the County Clerk of Lincoln County, April 26, 1967, in Tube NO. 270.

The sale will satisfy a In Rem Default Judgment and Order of Foreclosure against Defendants, Frank W. Dorame and Deberly S. Dorame, entered on January 4, 2005, in the amount of \$7,461.28, with interest accruing at the rate of 14.5% per year (\$2.97 per diem) from December 15, 2004; and

The Default Judgment and Order of Foreclosure may be obtained from either the court clerk or the undersigned Special Master prior to the sale date. Western Bank of Alamogordo, has the right to bid at the sale to apply its judgment to the purchase price as a credit in lieu of cash. For all other bidders, the sale terms are cash or its equivalent by the close of business on the day of sale. The sale may be postponed and rescheduled at the Special Master's discretion.

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

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LEGAL NOTICE

STATE OF NEW MEXICO COUNTY OF LINCOLN TWELFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT

No. CV-2004-00298 JUDGE: Karen Leigh Parsons

THE MONEY MAN, INC.,

Plaintiff,

vs.

MARY DAVIS and DAVID DAVIS,

Defendants.

NOTICE OF PENDENCY OF ACTION

THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO TO THE FOLLOWING NAMED DEFENDANTS:

MARY DAVIS and DAVID DAVIS

GREETINGS: You are hereby notified that THE MONEY MAN, INC., Plaintiff, has filed an action in the District Court of Lincoln County, New Mexico, Civil Docket Number CV-2004-00298 wherein you are named as Defendants and wherein said Plaintiff seeks to obtain constructive service upon you.

The general object of said action is to foreclose certain mortgages dated June 5, 2002, and August 29, 2002, said mortgages having been duly recorded in the office of the Lincoln County Clerk on June 10, 2002 and November 12, 2002 in Book 279, Pages 485-487 and, Pages Book 295, Pages 490-491, of the Lincoln County Records, and the real estate which may be affected by and which is involved in the above-captioned and numbered cause in more fully described in said mortgages.

You are further notified that unless you enter your appearance in said cause on or before the February 28, 2005, judgment will be rendered against you by default and the relief prayed for in the Complaint will be granted.

The name and post office address of the attorney for the Plaintiff are as follows: MARK A. FILOSA, Post Office Drawer 391, Truth or Consequences, New Mexico, 87901.

WITNESS my hand and the seal of the District Court of Lincoln County, New Mexico, on the 27th day of December, 2004.

JAN PERRY Clerk of the District Court

(Seal)

By: Elizabeth Ysasi Deputy

Published in the Lincoln County News on January 6, 13, 20 and 27, 2005.



There are better chances for rain and snow showers over the next five days. Temperatures will be closer to seasonal averages with lows below the freezing mark.

For information and tips on dealing with winter weather, go to www.srh.noaa.gov/abq/preparedness/wwwaware-2.htm on the internet.

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

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

Today, Thursday, Jan. 27 Mostly cloudy with 40 percent chance of scattered rain showers. South winds 10 to 15 miles per hour (mph). High near 51. Tonight partly cloudy with 20 percent chance of snow showers. West winds 10 to 15 mph. Low near 30 in Carrizozo.

Friday, January 28 Partly cloudy with west winds 5 to 10 mph. High around 53. Tonight partly cloudy with low around 24.

Saturday, January 29 Partly cloudy with high near 52. Tonight partly cloudy with 10 percent chance for snow showers. Low around 25.

Sunday, January 30 Partly cloudy with 10 percent chance of rain showers. High around 48. Tonight partly cloudy with 10 percent chance of snow showers. Low near 25.

Monday, January 31 Partly cloudy with 10 percent chance of snow showers. High near 48. Tonight partly cloudy with low around 27.

Tuesday, February 1 Partly cloudy with high around 52. Tonight, partly cloudy with low around 27. Forecast for Ruidoso, Capitan and Corona.

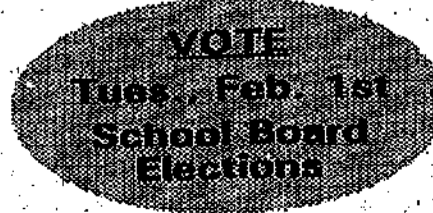
Today, Thursday, Jan. 27 Mostly cloudy with 40 percent chance of scattered rain turning to snow showers mostly in the morning in Ruidoso, Capitan and Corona. Snow accumulation of less than one inch. South winds 5 to 10 mph. High near 46 in Ruidoso, 49 in Capitan and 45 in Corona. Tonight partly cloudy with 20 percent chance of snow showers. South to southwest winds around 10 mph. Lows near 28 in Ruidoso, 30 in Capitan, and 27 in Corona.

Friday, January 28 Partly cloudy with west winds around 10 mph. High near 47 in Ruidoso, 50 in Capitan and 47 in Corona. Tonight partly cloudy with lows around 25 in Ruidoso, 26 in Capitan and 22 in Corona.

Saturday, January 29 Partly cloudy with high near 45 in Ruidoso, 48 in Capitan and 45 in Corona. Tonight partly cloudy with 10 percent chance for snow showers in Ruidoso, Capitan and Corona. Lows around 26 in Ruidoso, 27 in Capitan and 22 in Corona.

Sunday, January 30 Partly cloudy with 10 percent chance for snow showers. High near 41 in Ruidoso, near 44 in Capitan and near 40 in Corona. Tonight partly cloudy with 20 percent chance of snow showers in Ruidoso and 10 percent chance in Corona. Lows near 25 in Ruidoso, 26 in Capitan and 20 in Corona.

Monday, January 31 Partly cloudy with 10 percent chance of snow showers. High around 41 in Ruidoso, 43 in Capitan and around 40 in Corona. Tonight partly cloudy with lows around 24 in Ruidoso, 27 in Capitan and 21 in Corona.





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purposes, said bonds to be payable from general (ad valorem) taxes and to be issued and sold at such time or times upon such terms and conditions as the Board may determine?"

**PUBLIC SCHOOL CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS TAX QUESTION**

"Shall the Board of Education of the Hondo Valley Public School District No. 20, County of Lincoln, State of New Mexico, be authorized to impose a property tax of \$2.00 per each \$1,000.00 of net taxable value of the property allocated to such District under the Property Tax Code for the property tax years of 2005, 2006, 2007, 2008, 2009 and 2010 for the purpose of the following capital improvements in the District: erecting, remodeling, making additions to, providing equipment for and furnishing school buildings, purchasing or improving school grounds and purchasing computer software and hardware for student use in public school classrooms; maintenance of public school buildings and public school grounds exclusive of salary expenses of employees of the District; and purchasing activity vehicles for transporting students to extracurricular school activities?"

This notice is published in my capacity as Principal Filing Officer for the Election.

**LINCOLN COUNTY CLERK**

By: **Tammie J. Maddox**  
Lincoln County Clerk

(SEAL OF THE COUNTY CLERK)

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**AVISO LEGAL**

**AVISO DE ELECCION REGULAR DE JUNTA DE EDUCACION Y ELECCION DE BONOS ESCOLARES Y ELECCION CON EL FIN DE APROBAR IMPUESTOS PARA MEJORAS MATERIALES**

El 1 de febrero 2005 se efectuara una eleccion regular ("Eleccion") en el Distrito Escolar Publica Numero 20 de Hondo Valley ("distrito"), Condado de Lincoln, Nuevo Mexico, con el fin de presentarse a todos los votantes habilitados del Distrito candidatos para eleccion para ser miembros de la Junta de Educacion, la cuestion si se puede crear una deuda con la emision de bonos de obligaciones generales, y la cuestion si se debe imponer un impuesto de propiedad con el fin de hacer mejoras materiales en el Distrito.

El Distritos Electoral y Los Miembros del Consejo del Recinto para la Eleccion son los siguientes:

Distrito Electoral	Recinto de Eleccion	Sitio de Votacion	Miembro del Consejo del Recinto
1	3, 12A, 12B & 12C	Hondo Valley School Gym Lobby	Juez Presidiendo: Billy Jones Juez de Eleccion: Juan S. Montoya Juez de Eleccion: Elizabeth Montes Escribana de Eleccion: Beverly Hammond

Los Centros para Votar en la Eleccion permaneceran abiertos entre las horas de las 7:00 a.m. y las 7:00 p.m. el dia de la Eleccion.

La votacion en ausencia se permitira en la manera autorizada por NMSA 1978, Secciones 1-6-1 et seq; siempre que conforme a NMSA 1978, Seccion 1-22-19, los electores habilitados podran votar tambien en ausencia presentandose personalmente en la oficina del (de la) Escribano(a) del Condado de Lincoln, durante las horas y en los dias habiles desde las 8:00 a.m. el 7 de enero 2005, siendo 25 dias antes de la Eleccion, hasta las 5:00 p.m. el 28 de enero 2005, siendo el dia viernes que antecede inmediatamente la Eleccion.

Los candidatos para ser miembros de la Junta de Educacion son los siguientes:

Posiciones del Miembro de la Junta	Candidatos
Posicion 1 (cuatro años)	Dennis R. Nosker
Posicion 2 (cuatro años)	Luis A. Jimenez
Posicion 3 (un plazo de dos años comenzando el 21 de marzo, 2005)	Joseph I. Torrez

En la Eleccion, las siguientes cuestiones sera sometida a la consideracion de dichos votantes del Distrito que se hayan inscritos y esten habilitados:

**CUESTION DE BONOS DE OBLIGACION GENERAL**

"¿Se le concedera la autorizacion a la Junta de Educacion del Distrito Escolar Publica Num. 20 de Hondo Valley, Condado de Lincoln, Estado de Nuevo Mexico a fin de que emita Bonos de una serie o mas de obligacion general del Distrito, en la suma agregada principal que no exceda de los \$700,000, con el fin de construir, remodelar, agregar anexos y amueblar a los edificios escolares y comprar o mejorar terrenos escolares y comprar programas y equipo de computadora para el uso estudiantil en las aulas escolares publicas o una combinacion de estos propositos, los dichos bonos se pagaran con los fondos derivados de los impuestos generales (ad valorem) y se emitiran y se venderan en tal fecha o en tales fechas y conforme a los terminos y condiciones que la Junta determine?"

En la Eleccion, la siguiente cuestion tambien sera sometida a la consideracion de dichos votantes habilitados y registrados del Distrito:

**CUESTION SOBRE IMPUESTOS PARA MEJORAS MATERIALES DE ESCUELA PUBLICA**

"¿Se le debera otorgar la autorizacion a la Junta Escolar del Distrito Escolar Publica Num. 20 de Hondo Valley, Condado de Lincoln, Estado de Nuevo Mexico para que imponga un impuesto de propiedad de \$2.00 por cada \$1,000.00 de valor neto tributable de la propiedad asignado a dicho Distrito conforme a Codigo de Impuestos Sobre la propiedad para los años tributables 2005, 2006, 2007, 2008, 2009 y 2010 con el fin de hacer las mejoras materiales siguientes en el Distrito: construir, remodelar, anadir, a, proveer equipo para y amueblar los edificios escolares, comprar o mejorar los terrenos escolares y comprar programas y equipo de computadora para el uso estudiantil en las aulas escolares publicas el mantenimiento de los edificios publicos; y de los terrenos escolares excluyendo las sumas de los salarios de los empleados del Distrito; y la compra de vehiculos para las actividades escolares con el fin de transportar a los estudiantes a las actividades extracurriculares?"

Este aviso se publica en mi capacidad de funcionario principal de archivos para la Eleccion.

Escribano(a) del Condado de Lincoln  
Por: **Tammie J. Maddox**  
Escribana de Condado de Lincoln

(Sello del (de la) Escribano(a) del Condado)

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**LEGAL NOTICE**

**NOTICE OF REGULAR SCHOOL BOARD ELECTION AND PUBLIC SCHOOL CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS TAX ELECTION**

On the 1st day of February, 2005, there will be held in the Corona Municipal District No. 13, Lincoln, Socorro and Torrance Counties, New Mexico, a regular school district election ("Election") for the purpose of submitting to the qualified electors of the District candidates for election to membership on the Board of Education, and the question of whether a property tax should be imposed for the purpose of capital improvements in the District.

The Voting District and the Precinct Board Members for the Election shall be as follows:

Voting District	Election Precinct	Polling Place	Precinct Board Member
1	(Consolidated) 1, 2A, 3A, 9D (Socorro County) 8, 11, 12	Corona Senior Center, Corona, New Mexico	Presiding Judge: Nelva June Tyree Election Judge: Loretta Sanchez Election Judge:

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STATE OF NEW MEXICO  
COUNTY OF LINCOLN  
TWELFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT  
CV04-280  
**READY AMERICA FUNDING, CORP.**  
Plaintiff,

vs.  
**AFFORDABLE MANUFACTURED HOMES, LLC, and LEE L. WALKER, individually,**  
Defendants.

**NOTICE OF SALE ON FORECLOSURE**

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the above-entitled Court, having appointed me Special Master in this matter with the power to sell, has ordered me to sell the real property situated in Lincoln County, New Mexico, commonly known 1112 Shoshone Trail, Alto, New Mexico, and more particularly described as follows:

LOT 3, BLOCK 2 OF RANCH RUIDOSO VALLEY ESTATES, LINCOLN COUNTY, NEW MEXICO, AS SHOWN BY THE PLAT THEREOF FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY CLERK OF LINCOLN COUNTY, NOVEMBER 30, 1982, IN CABINET D. SLIDES 99 THROUGH 103, INCLUSIVE, TOGETHER WITH THE 28X80 MODEL 332 4BDR/3BTH 2,080 SQ. FT., SERIAL NUMBER FCH-01-04-6983a, HUD LABEL OR TEXAS SEAL NUMBERS: NTA1298825, AND ANY IMPROVEMENTS OR ADDITIONS THERETO, AFFIXED TO THE AFORESAID REAL ESTATE.

The sale is to begin at 1:00 p.m. on February 25, 2005, outside the east entrance of the Lincoln County Courthouse, City of Carrizozo, County of Lincoln, State of New Mexico, at which time I will sell to the highest and best bidder for cash in lawful currency of the United States of America, the Property to pay expenses and costs of sale, and to satisfy the judgment in favor of Plaintiff, Ready America Funding Corp.

Ready America Funding, Corp., was awarded judgment on January 6, 2005, in the principal sum of \$87,072.72, plus outstanding interest due on the Note through December 17, 2004, in the amount of \$8,545.42 and accruing thereafter at the rate of 18.00% per annum (\$42,939.97 per diem), plus late charges in the amount of \$390.78, plus a deferred fee in the sum of \$9.72, plus corporate advances in the amount of \$939.70, plus delinquent late charges in the amount of \$63.71, plus attorney fees in sum of \$1250.00 and costs through December 17, 2004, in the sum of \$911.65, with interest thereon at the rate of 18.00% per annum until paid.

The sale is subject to a one (1) month right of redemption in favor of the Defendants as specified in the Judgment filed herein. PROSPECTIVE PURCHASERS AT THE SALE ARE ADVISED TO MAKE THEIR OWN EXAMINATION OF TITLE AND THE CONDITION OF THE PROPERTY, AND TO CONSULT THEIR OWN ATTORNEY BEFORE BIDDING.

Michael LaValle,  
Special Master  
c/o Leverick & Musselman  
5120 San Francisco NE  
Albuquerque, NM 87109  
(505) 858-3303

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RESOLUTION NO. 2004-14  
OPEN MEETINGS ACT

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(1) if made in an open meeting, shall be approved by a majority vote of a quorum of the Lincoln County Board of Commissioners and authority for the closure shall be stated in the motion calling for the vote on a closed meeting. The vote on a closed meeting shall be taken in an open meeting and the vote of each individual member is to be recorded in the minutes. Only those subjects announced or voted upon prior to closure by the Lincoln County Board of Commissioners may be discussed in a closed meeting; and  
(2) if called for when the Lincoln County Board of Commissioners is not in an open meeting, the closed meeting shall not be held until public notice, appropriate under the circumstances stating the specific provision of law authorizing the closed meeting is given to the members and to the general public.

9. Pursuant to 10-15-1 NMSA 1978, paragraph C., a member or members of the Lincoln County Board of Commissioners may participate in a meeting of the Board by means of a conference telephone or other similar communications equipment when it is otherwise difficult or impossible for the member or members to attend the meeting in person, provided that each member participating by conference telephone can be identified when speaking, all participants are able to hear each other at the same time and members of the public attending the meeting are able to hear any members of the public body who speaks during the meetings.

PASSED, ADOPTED AND APPROVED this 18th day of January, 2005.

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF LINCOLN COUNTY, NEW MEXICO  
TOM BATTIN, MEMBER  
EARL B. HOBBS, MEMBER  
EILEEN LOVELACE, MEMBER  
RICK L. SIMPSON, MEMBER  
MAURIECE A. ST. JOHN, MEMBER

(SEAL)  
ATTEST:  
TAMMIE J. MADDOX, COUNTY CLERK

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**Sheriff's Report**

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balance at location on I. Ave. for 75 year old female not feeling well. Carrizozo ambulance arrived at 4:44 p.m. and requested ALS from Alamogordo intercept which happened at 5:23 p.m., with arrival at the hospital in Alamogordo at 5:56 p.m.

6:11 p.m. deputy advised of a felony arrest at Highway 37 and Noyal Canyon Road, a brown sedan attempted to elude, then the subjects abandoned the vehicle and fled.

6:33 p.m. civil dispute at RV park on Gavilan Canyon. The reporting party has ongoing civil dispute with the landlord. Now the subject that is moving into the trailer left for a short time and upon return found the water was turned off and the valve locked. Deputy assigned.



Navy Constructionman Recruit Luis F. Hernandez, son of Luis Hernandez of Ruidoso Downs, recently graduated from the Equipment Operator Course. Hernandez is a 2002 graduate of Ruidoso High School and joined the Navy in July 2004.

Benefit Fund  
Established At  
Wells Fargo Bank

A benefit fund has been established at Wells Fargo Bank for Amanda Hurley of Carrizozo.

Amanda's mother died unexpectedly on January 12. Amanda is 18 years old and expecting a baby in the near future.

Donations can be made to the Amanda Hurley Donation Account at any Wells Fargo Bank office.

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(Torrance County)

Sandra Alford  
Election Clerk:  
Sue Hughes

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 the Election.

Absentee voting will be permitted in the manner authorized by NMSA 1978, Section 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. on January 7, 2005, being the twenty-fifth day preceding the Election, until 5:00 p.m. on January 28, 2005, being the Friday immediately prior to the Election.

The candidates for membership on the Board of Education are as follows:

**Board Member Positions**

- Position 3 (remainder of a four year which expires March 1, 2007)
- Position 4 (four years)
- Position 5 (four years)

**Candidates**

- Mark Sultemeir
- Shirley Jeanene Gibbs
- William E. Highnight

At the Election, the following questions shall also be submitted to such qualified, registered electors of the District:

**PUBLIC SCHOOL CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS TAX QUESTION**

"Shall the Board of Education of the Corona Municipal School District No. 13, County of Lincoln, Socorro and Torrance, State of New Mexico, be authorized to impose a property tax of \$2.00 per each \$1,000.00 of net taxable value of the property allocated to such District under the Property Tax Code for the property tax years of 2005, 2006, 2007 and 2008 for the purpose of the following capital improvements in the District: i.e., erecting, remodeling, making additions to, providing equipment for and furnishing school buildings, purchasing or improving school grounds and purchasing computer software and hardware for student use in public school classrooms; maintenance of public school buildings and public school grounds exclusive of salary expenses of employees of the District; and purchasing activity vehicles for transporting students to extracurricular school activities?"

This notice is published in my capacity as Principal Filing Officer for the Election.

LINCOLN COUNTY CLERK

By:

Tammie J. Maddox  
Lincoln County Clerk

(SEAL OF THE COUNTY CLERK)

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**AVISO LEGAL  
AVISO DE ELECCION REGULAR DE JUNTA DE EDUCACION  
Y ELECCION CON EL FIN DE APROBAR IMPUESTOS  
PARA MEJORAS MATERIALES**

El 1 de febrero 2005 se efectuara una eleccion regular ("Eleccion") en el Distrito Escolar Publica Numero 13 de Lincoln, Socorro, y Torrance Counties, New Mexico, con el fin de presentarles a todos los votantes habilitados del Distrito candidatos para eleccion para ser miembros de la Junta de Educacion, la cuestion si se debe imponer un impuesto de propiedad con el fin de hacer mejoras materiales en el Distrito.

El Distritos Electoral y Los Miembros del Consejo del Recinto para la Eleccion son los siguientes:

Distrito Electoral	Recinto de Eleccion	Sitio de Votacion	Miembro del Consejo Recinto
1	(Consolidado) 1, 2A, 3A, 9D (Socorro County) 8, 11, 12 (Torrance County)	Corona Senior Center Corona, New Mexico	Juez Presidiendo: Nelva June Tyree Juez de Eleccion: Loretta Sanchez Juez de Eleccion: Sandra Alford Escribana de Eleccion: Sue Hughes

Los Centros para Votar en la Eleccion permaneceran abiertos entre las horas de las 7:00 a.m. y las 7:00 p.m. el dia de la Eleccion.

La votacion en ausencia se permitira en la manera autorizada por NMSA 1978, Seccion 1-6-1 et seq., siempre que conforme a NMSA 1978, Seccion 1-22-19, los electores habilitados podran votar tambien en ausencia presentandose personalmente en la oficina del (de la) Escribano(a) del Condado de Lincoln, durante las horas y en los dias habiles desde las 8:00 a.m. el 7 de enero 2005, siendo 25 dias antes de la Eleccion, hasta las 5:00 p.m. el 28 de enero 2005, siendo el dia viernes que antecede inmediatamente la Eleccion.

Los candidatos para ser miembros de la Junta de Educacion son los siguientes:

**Posiciones del Miembro de la Junta**

- Posicion 3 (resto de los cuatro años que expira marzo 1 de 2007)
- Posicion 4 (cuatro años)
- Posicion 5 (cuatro años)

**Candidatos**

- Mark Sultemeir
- Shirley Jeanene Gibbs
- William E. Highnight

En la eleccion, la siguiente cuestion tambien sera sometida a la consideracion de dichos votantes habilitados y registrados del Distrito:

**CUESTION SOBRE IMPUESTOS PARA  
MEJORAS MATERIALES DE ESCUELA PUBLICA**

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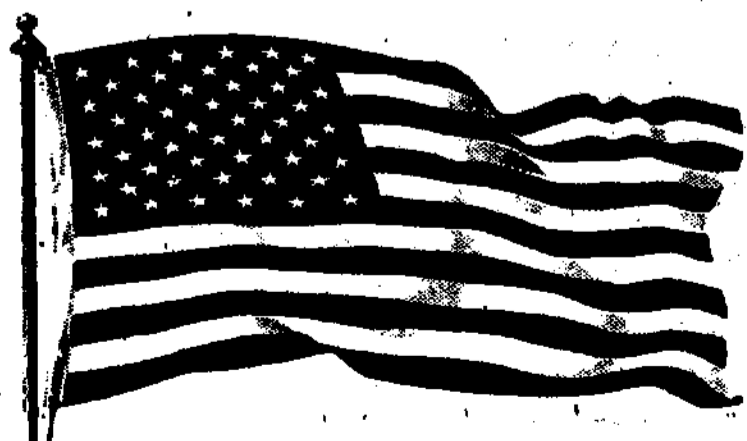
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grandchildren were as his own and Art's own daughters recognized thoroughly their daddy's priceless virtues. To his grandchildren, as most of us, he was a lovely thing to adore.

When the "sun began to set," as Art put it, there was a physical change that all who knew him could see. He spoke now and then of the inevitable, and recalled that a very great number of his contemporaries had gone Beyond.

But, in his spirit and day-by day attitude he was courageous and, of course, good-natured.

There will always be something of Art Rolland in this community until the last person who knew him follows him on over the hill. For Art gave himself a hundred thousand times over, to newcomer and oldtimer alike, to the well fixed and to the poor, to Spanish or Anglo, Protestant or Catholic, rancher or railroader, Democrat or Republican.

Said Herman Kelt to Will Gallacher, at the graveside, "There, old friend, goes Mr. Carrizozo himself."

A good guy. Really, a very great guy.

**Quentin Reynolds Honors A. J. Rolland**

Last week's issue of the News-Outlook, stated Esquire magazine was being contacted for permission to reprint an article by Quentin Reynolds, titled "The Not-So-Vanishing American," which included a short story about Art Rolland, well known Carrizozo druggist.

Permission was received last Friday afternoon, but that night Art Rolland, beloved by rich and poor alike, received the summons to which all of us must eventually answer.

The following is reprinted from april 1950, Esquire: Copyright, 1950, by Esquire, Inc.:

"I have spent some time in that part of New Mexico adjacent to the little town of Carrizozo (Pop. 1,457). Carrizozo is headquarters for the ranchers for miles around, and on a Saturday they'll ride into town, not for the conventional bourbon that is the wine of the country, but for the chocolate sodas dispensed at the fountain in Art Rolland's drugstore. Whiskey is a commonplace commodity in the cattle country - and ice-cream sode is a rare treat, and everyone swears that Art makes the best choloocate soda in the world. Art's drugstore is much like the general store in a New England town, and his soda fountain is the New Mexico version of the old cracker barrel.

"Art Rolland, whose hair is now white now, is just about the best-liked mak in that part of the country. You only have to hang around his drugstore to find out why. I was there one afternoon with the late Tom James, who ran the O-Bar-O Ranch some twelve miles out of town. A beat and wrinkled-faced Mexican came into the store and walked to the counter. Art greeted him effusively. The old Mexican ordered a lot of things, including some medicine, pipe tobacco, and a bottle of whiskey.

"Why don't you surprise your wife with a box of candy?" Art suggested, and the Mexican nodded. Then Art wrapped up everything and made a list of the articles the Mexican had ordered. "Let's see," art said, "that all comes to \$11.50. I'll just put it on your bill.

"Tom James nudged me and whispered 'Now watch what happens'.

"The Mexican grunted his thanks and Art waved a cheerful good-by. Then the Mexican hobbled out. Art took the piece of paper on which he had figured out the price of the articles, casually crumpled it up, and dropped it on the floor.

"Art has been supporting that old man and his wife for ten years, to my knowledge," Tom James chuckled. "Art supports a lot of people in this neck of the woods. Yeah, a lot of people around here think Art Rolland hung the moon."

"That's about the highest praise you can get from a New Mexican rancher.

The foregoing story is but one illustration of the esteem in which Rolland was held by a multitude of friends and acquaintances. He counted friends from every walk of life, and one has only to listen to the local residents to understand how far flung were his contacts.

He was loved and respected by all, and many are the deeds of good fellowship recounted by those who have known him for years.

The writer observed an incident recently in Rollands's store, which is illustrative of the late owner's consistent generosity. Two persons visited the store to greet Mr. Rolland and recall happenings of previous days. Upon leaving, they were presented with a box of candy by Mrs. Rolland, who remarked her husband wanted them

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**Old Lincoln Town**

by Rosalie Dunlap

Our condolences to the Cox family. Their son and grandson, John, was killed in an airplane accident recently.

Recent visitors of Murray Arrowsmith were his daughter, Mandy and his parents of Tucson, Rex and Bonnie Arrowsmith.

Our gymnastic youngsters are still doing excellent in their competition. At the recent New Mexico Classic in Albuquerque, Sunday, January 6th, in level five, John Hobbs brought home a total score of 43.30. His scores were 6.8 on floor, 4.4 pommel horse, 7.3 steel rings, 9.4 vault for first place, 6.5 parallel bars, 8.8 high bars for 2nd place. John had ripped both hands at practice on Friday so he didn't perform his best on Sunday in the events that required a firm grip.

Daniel Hobbs brought home a 13th place in the 8 and 9 age group with a total score of 48.05. Daniel's scores were 6.6 floor, 7.3 pommel horse, 8.7 steel rings, 8.6 vault, 8.4 parallel bars, 8.45 high bars.

Also competing were Quade Hall, Alto, in the age 8 and 9. He brought home the 7th all around; Drey Smith, Ruidoso, in the 6 and 7 age group with a 4th all around; Garrett Eggleston, Ruidoso, also in the 6 and 7 age group, also competed.

Drew Gomber, Lincoln's historian and storyteller, will bring the "1874 Battle of Adobe Walls" at the Hubbard Museum of the American West in Ruidoso, February 19, at 7:00 p.m. The battle occurred in the Texas pan-handle.

The Anderson-Freeman Museum, Lincoln, has scheduled art workshops at the Dr. Woods Annex for the month of March.

Michael Chelsey will have a workshop for adults on pastel painting, Saturday, Marcy 5th from 10 a.m to 4 p.m. His passion in his paintings are his landscapes.

Albuquerque artist, Beth Sailer, will giving a workshop March 12 and 13th. It will also be held at the Dr. Woods Annex, Lincoln. All skill levels are welcome.

For further information contact Coda Omness - 505-378-4142.

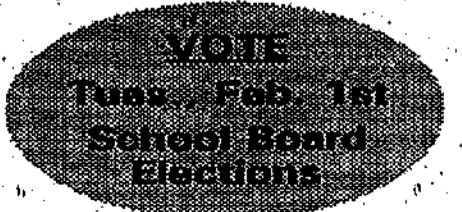
The Lincoln Water System held their annual meeting last week. Newly elected officers are president Ira Rabke, vice-president Dan Eagan, and secretary-treasurer Phoebe Taylor. Ralph Dunlap resigned but will act as a consultant and system operator.

Mr. and Mrs. Johnny Coleman, Ore City, Texas, lost their home and contents over the weekend. Their nephew, Gary Coleman, works for the Otero County Electric and their niece is Gayle Brown of Capitan. They are also the in-laws of Lois Coleman and a brother to David.

The fire was caused by built up lint in their dryer. So everyone should be sure and check their lint from their dryers. Just another precaution we should all take.

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Brown, Capitan, have a new son. He has been named Mason Jax.

It is hard to imagine the snowstorms in the east since we have had almost spring-like weather. The nights are still cold and we have had some winds. And next week is the beginning of February.



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**GRIZZLY WEEKLY**  
 by Carrizozo High School JOURNALISM CLASS  
 Sarah Ball, Instructor

**Spelling Bee**



Levi Corley -- 2nd place (left),  
 Joel Ferguson -- 1st place

Carrizozo Schools spelling bee was held on Thursday, January 13, at 9:00 on the stage in the old gym. The winner was Joel Ferguson, sixth grade, who will advance to the next round of the spelling bee held in El Paso. The runner up was Levi Corley, fifth grade, who will be going to the county spelling bee along with Jordan Hill, Stephanie Zamora, and Sara McNatt third, fourth, and fifth place winners. The spelling bee was put together with the help of the National Honor Society.

The students who competed in the spelling bee ranged from third grade through seventh grade. From each of those classes four students were selected either by a class spelling bee in which the last four students remaining would participate, or by the teachers themselves. The reader was Sarah Ball, high school English teacher. The judges were Toni Rossi, student aid, and Rosemary Shafer, librarian and consumer sciences teacher.

During the spelling bee the contestants could ask to have the word repeated, to have the word used in a sentence, or to be given the definition. Once they orally made a mistake, they could not go back and correct that mistake.

After the spelling bee was over, Joel Ferguson said, "It was easy and I liked it." The word that he spelled to win was "alloy." Levi Corley said, "It was pretty easy but challenging at times." The word that eliminated him was "edging."

Jacob Verdugo

**Corona News**

The United Daughters of the Confederacy met January 6 at the Albuquerque Petroleum Club. President Lenore Stober hosted Mrs. Janice Langford, UDC Texas division president along with NM Sons of Confederate Veterans President Jim Red. NMSCV webhost Ed Whitted and member Hugh Formhals.

Corona area residents Curtis Duke and daughter Lanita Rasak attended as guests of Mrs. Jean Falck, of Albuquerque.

Mrs. Langford had come to NM at the request of the SCV to look over the UDC marker near Socorro and discuss with the Bureau of Land Management the possible removal of the marker to a safer location at Ft. Craig. The marker was placed by the UDC Texas Division about 1936 and is now just off I-40 south of Socorro on the east side of the highway. It is subject of vandalism of the worst sort. The BLM wants the marker and would place it near the Fort entrance inside the grounds. More information will be available as the move progresses.

Mrs. Langford told about the near completion and opening of the museum in Fort Worth, TX which will house the UDC flag collection of wonderful old battle flags. The grand opening was scheduled for late April but has now been moved to late July so the construction of

special display cases can be finished. The cases will allow one to move completely around the articles so they can be seen on all sides. The museum is being built by Fort Worth businessman Ray Richey and will also house his extensive collection of both Confederate and Union war items. Mrs. Richey will also be displaying her collection of period costumes. More information on the museum and collection can be found at <http://www.txudc.org/museum.htm>. From that site there is a link in the upper left corner of the page back to their homepage.

Mr. Red and Mr. Whitted told us about their effort to take control of up to 27 Confederates who are buried in an old Spanish cemetery in the Socorro area. A family has moved two trailers onto the site and bulldozed all of the gravestones. Law enforcement and state government officials are trying to undo this damage and assist the SCV in removing these fallen soldiers to a proper location. More information and pictures can be found at their website, <http://nm-scw.org>

Sharon Mulrey, secretary for the NM UDC, provided detailed information for this article.

**VOTE**  
 Tues. Feb 1st  
 School Board  
 Elections



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to have it. The incident serves as an excellent example of the open heartedness of this community's beloved patron.

A young Spanish boy, with tears in his eyes, told of knowing and working for Rolland at intervals over a long period of time.

The Catholic priest from the local parish, Father DeBaca, related he had recited the rosary for their friend, Mr. Rolland. When asked if Rolland was of the Catholic faith, the priest replied, "No, but he was good to us."

Those simple but fervent words eloquently express the sentiment of Art Rolland's friends and acquaintances everywhere.

Race or creed meant nothing to him. The welfare of his fellow man was the important factor in his design for living.

His passing will leave a void in the lives of many persons. Art Rolland was truly his brother's keeper.

**Ladislado Salas Succumbs After Short Illness**

The beloved and gentle mannered partrician and pioneer, Ladislado (Laiso) Salas, after a brief illness was "called home" on March 9, 1950. Salas was active up until a few days prior to his death. Interment was made at Priest Hill Cemetery, Lincoln on March 10.

"Laiso," as he was affectionately known, could usually be found surrounded by children (his grandchildre, and the neighbors' children) listening to his exaustless store of fascinating tales. He was the best "baby sitter" for miles around.

Salas was born in Manzano, NM, as was his father before him, on April 15, 1872. At the age of 2, he was brought to Lincoln, where he was reared and educated. It was here that he later married and reared his family, lived a full and faithful life, and died surrounded by his family. He is survived by his widow, Philomena; two daughters, Mrs. Dan Gomez and Miss Rosa Salas, three sons, D.R. Salas, Ruidoso; O. Salas and E.R. Salas, Lincoln. In addition several grandchildren survive.

Father DeBaca, who officiated at all the services, revived the old Spanish custom of holding a short service at the Salas home before the one held at St. John's, Lincoln.

Solemn mass for the deceased was recited on March 11, 1950 at the Lincoln Catholic Church.

**Picacho Woman's Club Meets; Flowers Discussed**

The Picacho Woman's Club held its regular meeting at the school house Monday night. The topic discussed was "Home and Flower Gardening." After three movies were shown, state college bulletins were given each member for use in the future.

This club will sponsor a demonstration the first week in April on "Preparing Foods for the Deep Freeze and the Proper Methods of Cooking Frozen Foods." The exact date will be announced later. All interested in this demonstration keep it in mind. The women of Picacho extend an invitation to everybody for the demonstration.

Those present for the meeting were Mesdames Milt Mable, Dick Fresques, Julian Sandoval, Jr., B. Randle Jr., Fred Romero, A.N. Kimbrell, Dan Salas, Charles Fuller, Hugh Sloan, Buelah Swanson and Miss Elsie Kimbrell. Mrs. Fred Romero and Mrs. Swanson were hostesses, and served refreshments.

**Licoln National Forest Hit By Four-Day Fire**

A fire which apparently started last Sunday in Tanbark Canyon and spread to Littleton and Dark Betsy Canyons has burned over an area of approximately 1,800 acres, southwest of Capitan.

Firefighters under the direction of Ranger Ed Guck fought the fire, which was fanned by high winds. It is believed the fire is now under control.

Firefighters were recruited three times from Carrizozo, according to Mayor Vernon Petty. He stated there were 26 men in the first group, and the Southern Pacific Railroad sent two truck loads of men to the scene on Sunday night. On Monday another group of 15 men were dispatched to the fire area.

State Patrolman H. Douglas, Lincoln County Sheriff S.M. Ortiz, W. Ratliff, Nick Vega and Friday Sherrill were among those who furnished transportation for the firefighters. In addition, Holloman Air Base sent approximately 100 men to aid in controlling the fire.

**LEGAL NOTICE**

**CAPITAN-CARRIZOSO NATURAL GAS RESOLUTION 2004-06 2005 MONTHLY MEETING DATES**

WHEREAS, the Board of Directors of the Capitan-Carrizozo Natural Gas meeting in special session on January 7, 2005, did approve the following dates for the regularly scheduled monthly meetings of 2005 and

WHEREAS, the location of each meeting will alternate between Capitan and Carrizozo each month. The special meetings called will be held at the business office in Capitan and

WHEREAS, the time of each regular meeting and special meeting shall be 6:00 P.M. unless changed by the Board of Directors.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Directors of the Capitan-Carrizozo Natural Gas hereby adopts the following as the official meeting dates for 2005.

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| January 19, 2005   | Capitan, NM   |
| February 16, 2005  | Carrizozo, NM |
| March 16, 2005     | Capitan, NM   |
| April 20, 2005     | Carrizozo, NM |
| May 18, 2005       | Capitan, NM   |
| June 15, 2005      | Carrizozo, NM |
| July 20, 2005      | Capitan, NM   |
| August 17, 2005    | Carrizozo, NM |
| September 21, 2005 | Capitan, NM   |
| October 19, 2005   | Carrizozo, NM |
| November 16, 2005  | Capitan, NM   |
| December 21, 2005  | Carrizozo, NM |

RESOLVED in the special meeting of the Board on this 7th day of January 2005.

- MANUEL HERNANDEZ,**  
 Chairman  
**TOMMY GUEVARA,**  
 Director  
**STEVE SEDERWALL,**  
 Director  
**ANGELO VEGA,**  
 Director

**ATTEST:**  
 Kay Strickland,  
 Administrative Supervisor

Published in the Lincoln County News on Thursday, January 27, 2005.

# Capitan School Students Participate

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many people live in the Loma Grande area where roads get hazardous in snowy weather. Dr. Miller said it is a tough decision to delay or close school because he can't know all conditions. "I make the best decision I can with the information available," Dr. Miller said. "I rely on Frank Silva." Dr. Miller said Silva is in contact by cell phone with all bus drivers who give reports on the weather and roads in their routes.

School board members also heard a presentation from technology director John Ashcraft about a e-rate phone system that would consolidate all internet networking with an upgraded phones system that would allow for voice mail, messaging, rapid dialing, and other services unavailable from the current system. Estimated cost of the new system would be less than \$20,000, which could be taken from the district SB9 funds. SB9 is a two mill levy on property taxes that voters periodically approve. The money can only be used for building, improvements, equipment and other tangible items, not for salaries or benefits.

Anticipating major needs for a new gym and other construction the school board also accepted the superintendent's recommendation to enter into a financial advisory agreement with Dane

Rauscher which will prepare bond issue information. The company will not charge the district for the services until a bond issue is approved by voters.

School board member Danny Haynes asked if the finance company would help guide a plan for a bond issue that will help the district build a new gym. Dr. Miller said the firm would provide such guidance and the cost of the service would be figured on a percentage of the bond issue. For example, Dr. Miller said if the bond issue is \$5 million, then the cost of the finance service would probably be less than \$25,000.

Parks said the selection of the financial firm is part of the first step of the district master plan. Board members unanimously approved the agreement.

Dr. Miller then reported on the school district's request for legislative funding. The requests include \$25,000 for equipment and improvements to the Capitan baseball program; \$300,000 to construct phase 2 of the Capitan baseball field project; \$20,000 for equipment for the VoAg middle and high school programs. (The request is numbered HCOR0056 sponsored by Rep. Dan Foley.)

Gov. Bill Richardson has proposed \$93 million more for education. Dr. Miller announced. However, the schools are asking for \$125

million in order to fulfill the three tiered licensure requirement that gives teachers increased salaries. Dr. Miller said the problem with the governor's figure is the amount does not cover the increased cost of benefits to match the higher teacher salaries.

Dr. Miller said he plans to apply for funding for the master plan from the public school capital outlay council. While such plans had not been funded in previous years, last year Corona Schools set a precedence by asking for and getting money for a master plan from the council.

School enrollment taken on the 80th day of class was 633 total, which was 17 more than were enrolled at the end of the 2003-04 school year, and 36 more than were enrolled on the 80th day in 2004. Of that total, 10 are in the three to four year old program; 276 are in kindergarten to 5th grade; 157 in middle school (6-8); and 190 in grades 9-12 in high school. School funding is based on the enrollment.

A highly informative presentation was made about the Crane Reading Program offered from the Lions Club. Dr. Allen and Virginia Crane made the presentation with help from Bob and Kitty Callender with the Ruidoso Valley Noon Lions Club. Dr. Crane said his program is based on 35 years of research that has shown reading speed

and proficiency in children and adults can be greatly increased by training "the eyes to work together as a team."

Dr. Crane demonstrated a specialized set of goggles that electronically records the movement of eyes as a per-

son reads. School board member Parks volunteered to try the goggles which showed that she allowed her eyes to move along the page reading each word. Use of the goggles helps train the eyes to work together and to learn to read per line, Dr. Crane said.

Cost of the total program package is about \$53,000 which includes training for

teachers and technical support. The Callenders said the Ruidoso Lions club is willing to help the district with financial aid. They also said the services of the reading program can be provided to individuals. More information about the program is available by calling the Callenders at 258-1345.



Carrizozo Grade School "BRAVO!" Achievers for December 2004 / 3rd, 4th and 5th Grades

**BOTTOM ROW:** Joshua Vallejos, Amanda Gallegos, Sierra Anaya, Nikko Ryan, Brittany Simmons, Erica Vega, Shayna Gallacher, Jace Hill, Rylah Zamora. **2nd ROW:** Sara McNatt, Lacey Roche, James Offutt, Sarah Ferguson, Mason Huston, Nicholas Chavez, Arturo Najera. **3rd ROW:** Levi Corley, Catalena Vega, Johnathan Smith, Jade Roper, Andrea Beltran, Jeremiah Sedillo, Patrick Ryan, Tavi Nash. **4th ROW:** Victoria Ventura, Andres Verdugo, Travis Calvert, Marshall Ventura, Andrea Vigil, Isaac Vega, Lane Carter, Analicia Beltran, Zachary Zamora. (Not pictured: Sean Medina, Eric Lueras).

**FALL SEMESTER:** (3rd Grade) Sarah Ferguson, Shayna Gallacher, Jace Hill, Mason Huston, Lacey Roche, Johnathan Smith, Rylah Zamora. (4th Grade) Sierra Anaya, Analicia Beltran, Andrea Beltran, Tavi Nash, Nikko Ryan, Patrick Ryan, Victoria Ventura. (5th Grade) Catalena Vega, Marshall Ventura.

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