

County Agrees To Own Building For Domestic Violence Shelter If Funding Is Okayed

by Doris Cherry

Lincoln County has the highest per capita rate of domestic violence in New Mexico, according to state health department statistics, but has no facility to shelter victims of domestic violence. That may soon change if a state funding request is ap-

proved by the New Mexico State Legislature.

Lincoln County Commissioners at their meeting Tuesday, February 15, on a split 3-1 vote, agreed to accept ownership of a building for a domestic violence shelter. County commissioners Eileen Lovelace, Maury St. John and Tom Battin voted in favor, coun-

ty commissioner Earl Hobbs voted against the motion.

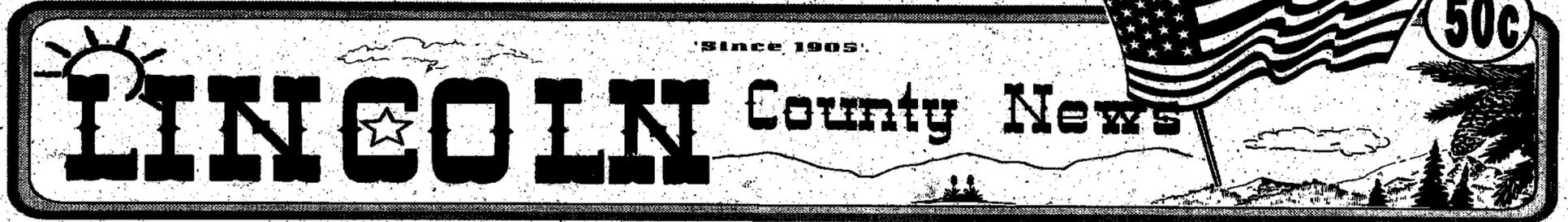
The county will not operate the shelter, rather will own and lease a building to the non-profit domestic violence organization, Center of Protective Environment, Inc. (COPE) out of

Alamogordo.

The county became involved with the domestic violence shelter project when county manager Tom Stewart went to the legislative house capital outlay committee in Santa Fe on January 31 to defend the

county's capital outlay requests.

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COLOSSAL SKI SEASON. With more than four feet of snow on the slopes at Ski Apache, the snow play season is going strong despite a few days of rainy weather. This photo shows a filled parking lot at the ski area and heavy skies on Feb. 11 that dumped so much wet snow and rain that Eagle Creek, which drains the ski area, flooded its banks and filled Alto Reservoir to the half way mark. (Photo by Kate Cherry)

County Sheriff Will Get Three More Deputies

by Doris Cherry

Lincoln County Sheriff's Office will get three additional deputies - for this year at least. Lincoln County Commissioners at their meeting Tuesday, February 15 ap-

proved a request from new sheriff Rick Virden to authorize the hiring of three additional deputies. Virden said with the three more deputies his department can offer 24 hour coverage for the county. County manager Tom Stewart showed how hiring

the additional three deputies will cost the sheriff's budget this fiscal year an additional \$5,273 only. Stewart said the figures were based on a decrease in the cost of insurance for the new sheriff; deletion of the "undersheriff" salary and benefits; several months of no payment to Virden when he resigned during the campaign due to the Hatch Act; and downgrades in the dispatch positions. With the budget adjustments, the department could fund two entry level deputies at \$15,533 a year each and a Chief Deputy at \$19,907 a year.

The three additional deputies will cost the sheriff's department an extra \$86,183 next fiscal year, which begins July 1, Stewart said.

Virden said with the hiring of the three officers he can have deputies on the street 24 hours a day, fulfilling the obligation he was elected to do. "The people of this county do need this service," Virden said.

Also Virden assured he was not going to appoint an undersheriff and preferred the Chief Deputy position.

County commissioner Eileen Lovelace said her concern is the cost to the budget next fiscal year because Stewart has projected that revenue to the county will increase about three percent, while projected expenditures are five percent. Lovelace asked if it would help to hire only two more deputies. Virden said two would help but would not enable him to have 24 hour coverage.

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SEEKING ENDORSEMENT of a concept plan for a proposed privately owned and operated sports complex next to the Sierra Blanca Regional Airport. EventScapes, Inc. principle Patric Pearson presented drawings of the proposed complex to the Lincoln County Commissioners at their meeting on Feb. 15.

County Seeks State \$\$ For Ranches of Sonterra Roads

by Doris Cherry

Not even 10 years old, Santiago and Escondida roads in the last phase of the Ranches of Sonterra development are falling apart, and the county will seek state funds to re-pave them.

Lincoln County Commissioners at their meeting February 15 approved on a slim 2-1 vote, with one abstaining, the county's applications for 2006 New Mexico State Highway and Transportation Department Cooperative Agreement funding programs. Under the program, the state pays 75 percent of the cost of accepted projects, while the county must provide a 25 percent match for each project.

Lincoln County will submit an application for the 2006 County Arterial Program (CAP) funding to overlay 1.5 inches of chip seal paving on 3.95 miles of Santiago and Escondida Roads in Ranches of Sonterra at a cost of \$187,216. The county's share is \$46,804. The county is also submitting an application for the 2006 Co-operative Program for a 1.5 inch overlay and patch on 1 mile of Santiago and Escondida in Ranches of Sonterra Unit 3 at a total cost of \$66,780 with

the county share at \$16,695.

The 2006 School Bus Project is to reshape, compact and lay six inches of base course on 1.31 miles of Juniper Springs Road in Loma Grande subdivision. The cost of that project will be \$53,232 with the county's share of \$13,308.

County commissioner Maury St. John voted against the choices for the 2006 cooperative projects because they sought funding for repaving two major roads in Ranches of Sonterra. County commissioner Earl Hobbs abstained from voting, because the project will put money into "substandard roads" that should have "never been accepted."

"Many of these roads are in high dollar subdivisions," Hobbs said. "When the roads

get substandard their residents yell to high heaven," he added. "I'm not too sympathetic to these subdivision roads we should not have accepted, but we did and now they're ours."

Hobbs said residents in Rancho Ruidoso Valley Estates, who appear to be of modest income, have told him they are tired of seeing paving on Deer Park Valley (in Alto Lake Golf and Country Club subdivision) when they have to drive over pot holes to get home.

"There is a lot of inequity on how we spend our road money," Hobbs continued. "We have got to more fairly apportion the road money we have."

County road manager Albert Hernandez defended the

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Carrizozo Cops Nab Construction Thief

Carrizozo police officers went on a foot race Monday, February 7 and nabbed a would-be thief.

According to information

from Carrizozo Police Department, 36 year old Mike Keaton of Ruidoso was arrested for burglary and booked into the Lincoln County Detention Center on a \$10,000 cash bond where he awaited arraignment in Magistrate Court in Carrizozo.

Keaton's arrest was the result of police response to a report made at 3 a.m. Monday, February 7 of a suspicious truck parked at the residential construction site owned by Frederic Ashworth at 509 E. Ave in Carrizozo.

The same site had been burglarized on October 11, 2004. That incident case remains open pending further evidence.

Police arrived to find the suspicious truck with its door open, but no one around. Inside the cab and truck bed were items that had been removed from the construction site. The identification of the truck's owner/driver was also inside the cab.

Carrizozo police chief Angelo Vega said he and his officers patrolled around Carrizozo in search of the suspect who was located and apprehended behind Four Winds motel at about 7:30 a.m. Vega told Carrizozo town trustees on February 8 that "the burglar thought he could outrun me."

Keaton was taken to Carrizozo Police Department where he was read his Miranda Rights. According to Vega, Keaton provided a voluntary statement in which he confessed to the burglary.

Items taken were tools, cement board and insulation.



COUNTY EMPLOYEE OF THE MONTH. Zia Sr. Citizens director Ada Hendryx (right) presents the Employee of the Month award to Ruidoso Downs Sr. Center head cook Pete Lopez. Married for 41 years, Lopez and his wife have nine children, and have cared for 244 foster children over the years.

County Agrees To Own

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"An unanticipated request was made by the capital outlay committee for the county to own the domestic violence shelter which was requested by COPE," Stewart said. Stewart showed copies of

House Capital Outlay Request 0051 sponsored by Rep. Dan Foley that included \$900,000 for Phase 2 restoration of four historic buildings at Fort Stanton; \$500,000 to construct or purchase a building for a

domestic violence shelter in Lincoln County; \$133,000 for upgrades to the Lincoln County Fairgrounds; \$123,577 for the detention center annex; and \$80,000 to renovate the old jail in the courthouse for office and storage space. The only priorities the county had listed for capital outlay requests were for the fairgrounds, detention annex and old jail renovation.

"I advised the Capital Outlay Committee chairman that I could not commit the county to taking on the Domestic Violence Project without authorization from the Board of County Commissioners," Stewart continued.

"The requested \$900,000 for the Fort Stanton historic buildings restoration and the \$500,000 for the COPE domestic violence shelter will, in all likelihood, mean that our established priorities of the detention center annex, old detention center and fairgrounds will once again be reduced by other capital outlay items falling into the County of Lincoln," Stewart said.

Last year, Lincoln County only received \$30,000 for its priority projects, out of the \$312,018 requested.

Kay Gomolak, director for COPE in Alamogordo and Debbie Haines with Leadership Lincoln, passed out copies of an article that told how Lincoln County has the highest per capita rate of domestic violence in the state. Gomolak apologized to commissioners for not having gone through the proper channels for the capital outlay requests.

The city of Alamogordo has owned the COPE shelter in Alamogordo since 1985, which was purchased

and renovated with Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funds, Gomolak said. What they want from Lincoln County is for the county to purchase and own a building. COPE will lease the building from the county and furnish, maintain and operate a shelter for up to 24 people.

Gomolak said COPE has found a building in a commercial zone in Ruidoso Downs that is for sale for \$300,000, and offers from a local contractor to do work at cost. Haines said COPE will be seeking funding from businesses and other entities to help with the shelter.

COPE in Alamogordo, and its satellite office in Ruidoso, receives funding from New Mexico Children, Youth and Families Department (CYFD), Gomolak said.

Battin asked if county ownership of the building is critical to COPE receiving the state capital outlay funding. Haines said she was also at the legislative hearing with Stewart. "COPE absolutely cannot get funding without the county," Haines said.

St. John suggested the municipalities be asked to purchase a building, if the shelter was to be located in a municipality. Haines said that is an option, but they came to the county to avoid being "territorial."

Stewart said this was not just a request for the county to be fiscal agent, rather for the county to own the building for the shelter.

Hobbs said the shelter was beyond the scope of the county. But Haines said Leadership Lincoln members, including St. John, met with the governor, and the First Lady on Feb. 2. She said the First Lady has a big initiative to reduce domestic violence and they hope the Lincoln County shelter project will be funded.

Gomolak said having a shelter in Lincoln County will allow victims to keep their jobs, keep their kids in their schools and keep close to other family members.

Hobbs continued to be skeptical, saying Lincoln County has received only small appropriations in the past. "I'm not sure how this is going to play out," Hobbs said. "We certainly won't get any funding if Rep. Foley or Sen. Adair requests it."

"Let's face it, Lincoln County does not get capital outlay funding like the northern counties do," Hobbs said.

Hobbs said he thought the COPE proposal was inadequate and then he made a motion to deny the request for consideration later. But his motion got no second.

When St. John said she was unsure of giving the county manager another county building to be responsible for, Gomolak said COPE will assume full responsibility for the shelter.

Lovelace then made the motion for the county to accept ownership of a building for domestic violence shelter. St. John seconded the motion which got the 3-1 vote.

Obituary

EMILIO BELTRAN

Emilio Beltran, 64, of Carrizozo, died February 5. He was born August 1, 1940 in Carrizozo and had lived there all his life.

He served in the Navy during the Vietnam war, and attended Santa Rita Catholic Church.

He married Ida Otero in 1963 in Carrizozo.

Survivors include his wife, Ida of Carrizozo; two sons, Clarence Beltran Sr. and wife

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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".

Friday, February 9, 1934

Images of Abraham Lincoln

By ELMO SCOTT WATSON

With the coming of February 12 and the celebration of Lincoln's birthday in more than half of the states of the Union and with the observance of the anniversary in various forms throughout the country, America will have ample reason for remembering the name and fame of one of her greatest sons. But there is another form of remembrance of Abraham Lincoln which serves to recall him to his fellow-Americans in every part of the country, not on just one day of the year, but on every day.

We, as a people, have elevated Lincoln to a pedestal, in the spiritual sense, a pedestal of love and honor and reverence. So from many a pedestal, in the physical sense, does the bronze or stone image of Lincoln gaze down at the people who delight thus to honor him. While it would be idle to argue as to who was the greatest American, if the number of statues of him that have been erected is any criterion, then it seems certain that Lincoln is that man.

For these images of Lincoln, portraying him in all the varied phases of his career, are to be found in 18 states of the Union, from Massachusetts to Oregon and from Minnesota to Kentucky, as well as in the District of Columbia. Proof that he has become a world-figure lies in the fact that England has two statues of him and Scotland one. Of those in this country, Illinois, the state which gave him to the nation, has the largest number -- twelve. Curiously enough, Kentucky, the state of his birth, has only three -- fewer than New Jersey, New York, Ohio and Pennsylvania, none of which have any such special connection with his life. Indiana, where Lincoln lived as a boy, from his seventh to his twenty-first year, has only two and both of these were erected very recently.

One of the Indiana statues is especially significant. Among the many images of Lincoln are representatives of him as the railsplitter, the militia captain, the lawyer, the congressman, the circuit rider, the debater, the candidate for President, the President-elect, the President, the Emancipator and the orator. All of them show him in his early manhood and his maturity, and connected with the erection of virtually all of them was some element of public co-operation.

But it remained for private enterprise to furnish a new sculpture portrait of Lincoln and in 1932 the Lincoln National Life Insurance company unveiled in the plaza between the two wings of its building in Fort Wayne, Ind., a heroic bronze statue of "Lincoln, the Hoosier Youth," the work of a leading American sculptor, Paul Manship. But this private enterprise has done more -- in the establishment of the Lincoln National Life foundation, under the direction of Dr. Louis A. Warren, a Lincoln scholar, and along with the unveiling of the new Lincoln statue this foundation issued an important piece of Lincolniana, a book bearing the title of "Heroic Statues in Bronze of Abraham Lincoln," by Franklin B. Mead.

This compilation, illustrated with photographs, shows that there have been erected no less than 54 such statues and given interesting data concerning the location, dates of dedication, names of the sculptors, facts about their careers, etc. From this source the following tabulation of Lincoln statues in bronze, listing them in the alphabetical order of states and countries in which they are located, is condensed:

CALIFORNIA: Lincoln, the President, by Haig Patigian. Located in front of the city hall in San Francisco's civic center. Dedicated February 12, 1912.

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA: Lincoln, the Emancipator, by Thomas Ball. Located in Lincoln park, Washington, D.C. Dedicated in 1876.

ENGLAND: Lincoln, the President, replica of the St. Gaudens statue in Lincoln park, Chicago. Located in front of Westminster Abbey. Dedicated in 1920.

Lincoln, the Candidate, by George Gray Barnard. Replica of the Barnard statue in Cincinnati. Located in Platt Field park in Manchester.

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road project priorities because paving the Ranches of Sonterra roads now will save them and prevent them from deteriorating completely.

Hernandez said the state funding helps pay for the paving projects, but there are many more paved roads in need of work than there is funding. He also said the county's road standard is gravel, and the county cannot really afford to do any new paving of roads.

Something like the front footage assessment to pay for the needed road work, was suggested by Hernandez, but Hobbs reminded everyone that such assessments were found to be illegal.

County commissioner and presiding chair Tom Battin said the county needs a long term solution, because with its current funding it cannot catch up with the growing population and subsequent traffic. Hernandez said he is working with the Rancho Ruidoso Valley Estates homeowners to convert their crumbling chip seal cul de sacs into gravel.

When mention was made to seek funding from the state legislature, county manager Tom Stewart suggested the county commission consider enacting the 1/8th percent gross receipt tax to take care of the detention center. That will free up the general fund money that would have gone to the detention center for use on roads. Stewart said if the county had all of its gross receipt taxes imposed, it also would have been eligible for an additional \$100,000 from the Small Counties Assistance program from the state.

Stewart said Ranches of Sonterra has eight miles of paved roads, so the funds available from the state highway coop projects is "nothing."

Bob Moeller of Nogal, saying he was at risk of returning to an unpopular issue, suggested the county look at the lease for Lincoln County Medical Center (LCMC) as a source of additional funding. (Currently Presbyterian Healthcare Services leases LCMC for \$1 a year.)

Hobbs replied that since he is "nearly politically dead anyway" he thought it was a good point to consider a higher lease for the hospital. "But it seems we have a mind set (on this commission) not to explore such options," Hobbs said.

Hernandez's second choices were for the state CAP to do chip overlay of Musketball and Alpine Village Road in Alpine Village subdivision near Ruidoso; for the School Bus Route project to do four inches and reshaping of Roads in Maggado Creek subdivision; and for the Co-operative project more paving of Musketball and Alpine Village Roads. St. John had requested these roads be considered for paving.

St. John said the people who live on Musketball Road had been to the county seeking help with their roads. "In all fairness I understand the Ranches of Sonterra roads are deteriorating, but it is not

fair for all the money for roads to be spent in Ranches of Sonterra," St. John said.

Hernandez said the county can maintain base course, and if the roads in Ranches of Sonterra are not repaved they will be gravel. "I want to be able to retire from the county knowing I have spent tax payers money fixing problems that were needed."

Hernandez said, "Not pave more roads and leave a debt for all county taxpayers."

The third choice for application for the state cooperative programs was to triple chip seal pave 3.6 miles of Cora Dutton Road.

All approved 2006 State Highway Cooperative projects will not begin until May 2006.

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

FIRST AND THIRD TUESDAYS
--Juan Hernandez from 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.

TODAY, THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 17
--Carrizozo Extension Club meets at 1 p.m. at Otero County Electric Cooperative Inc. office.
--Lincoln Historic Preservation Board meets at 7 p.m. at the Community Church in Lincoln.

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 19
--Capitan v Eunice district boys and girls basketball: start at 2 p.m. at Cummins Gym in Capitan.
--Jicarilla Mining District meeting cancelled due to muddy impassable roads.

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 21
--President's Day: federal, state and county offices, schools, banks closed for holiday; all municipal offices but Ruidoso closed.
--Ruidoso-ETZ Commission meets at 6:30 p.m. in Ruidoso Village Hall.

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 22
--Lincoln County Solid Waste Authority meets at 2 p.m.

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County Sheriff Will Get 3

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When Lovelace said the county cannot afford the additional deputies, Virden said it depends on what the county considers to be priorities. Virden said the \$86,000 is "miniscule" compared to other spending by the county.

Lovelace agreed the sheriff's office is important. Stewart said he and Virden are working on proposals for the municipalities that utilize the sheriff's office for police response that might help the sheriff's office revenues.

Also Stewart said if the cost of the additional deputies is too burdensome in the next fiscal year, he knows that at least one position can be "attritioned" but during the year. He said as he looked at personnel in the sheriff's office he realized none would have to be forced out in a year's time.

County commissioner and presiding chair Tom Battin said they should consider the safety of the county and if needed pay for an additional deputy. Then they can reconsider if there is a budget crisis.

County commissioner Earl Hobbs also favored the additional three deputies. County commissioner Maury St. John said Virden amply justified the need for and ability to finance the additional three positions.

When county commissioners hesitated and considered tabling the request for another month, Virden said he has postponed the realignment of his department for 60 days. "I cannot continue to postpone this. I need to run my department," Virden added.

Virden said his goal is to get the troops in the field.

Hobbs said Virden's proposal appeared to "take off the top and put on the bottom" by reducing the number of administrative positions and adding to the officers in the field. (County commissioners a number of years ago authorized the undersheriff to be paid the same salary as the sheriff.)

In response to a question from St. John about vehicles, Virden said there will be enough if the rotation of purchasing three new vehicles a year continues.

County commissioners also acknowledged receipt of the mid year 2004-2005 budget adjustments which had been approved by the New Mexico Department of Finance and Administration (DFA).

THOUGHTS
FROM THE EDITOR'S DESK

County Road Issues

By Ruth Hammond

Projects for road improvements in Lincoln County are more than a little confusing for residents. According to the county ordinances, roads in subdivisions must be built to certain standards before they will be accepted by the county commission for regular county road maintenance. The county's reasoning is that if roads are built to certain standards, there is a greater chance the roads will last.

Obviously there was a need to enforce the ordinance through the years. Many years ago when the county road review committee met at a specific subdivision and after inspection of those roads, made their recommendations to the county commission, there was a heated discussion. One complaint was that the cul de sacs were not large enough for any of the emergency vehicles to turn around.

There were other concerns about the roads in that specific subdivision, the core drilling samples of the road indicated the road was not built to county requirements. It appears that years later the roads were finally accepted.

However, some of those roads are now falling apart, just as some roads in later built subdivisions are causing problems for the county. The first thing is that the county road department is not equipped to build paved or chip seal roads. Subdivisions with paved roads or chip seal roads should remain private property and be maintained by the subdivision, not be the responsibility of the county.

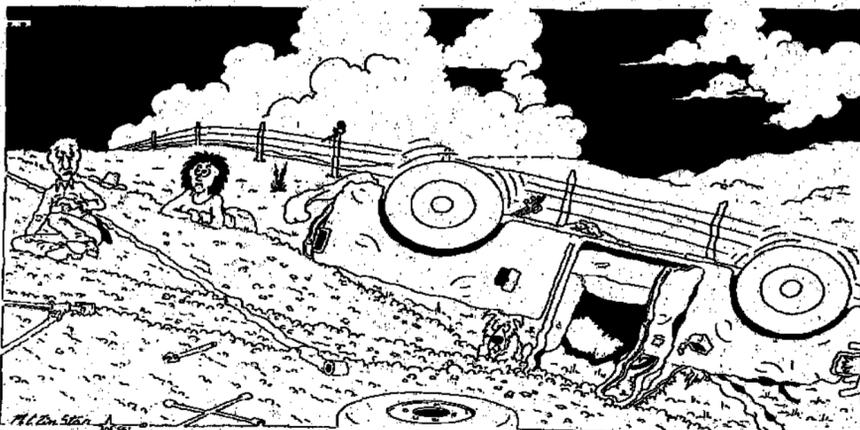
Oops! Now we are being told that the county accepted some roads through the years that are paved or chip seal and other roads that apparently were not built to standard. What this means is that county money that should be used for maintaining properly built roads will have to be spent maintaining roads that should never have been accepted.

Lincoln County will be applying for state highway money to resurface some of these roads. State highway money should be used for properly built roads, not be used for any paved or chip seal roads. Many of the other roads in the county are in need of repair and that is where the cooperative state highway money should be spent.

Even though these are now county roads, it might be a good idea for the county to compile a priority list for which roads should be resurfaced and when. Complaints would be made but referring to the list might be a help.

Some issues should be prioritized, not based on who can complain the loudest. That is not the way it should be and instead of giving in to the loudest, it seems the best thing would be to maintain roads in a specified order, except for the school bus routes which do have a definite priority. This simple solution would make it much more fair to those who wait and wait while others who have louder voices get preferential treatment. Being fair is the most important thing in achieving better harmony.

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It's time for round two. You asked for this, so now it's your turn to do what you came here to do. Don't allow ego or heart to get in the way. It's a job, do the best you can do. Do it with pride for yourself.

Aries (March 21 - April 19)
Good news. Yes, that's what I said. Take your pick. Good health. More love. Make all the money you need and want. How? By believing in yourself and not others. Have faith first, and reap the rewards. Go get it.

Taurus (April 20 - May 20)
There isn't enough money in the world if someone treats you with disrespect. Don't allow anyone to be mean or just plain stupid. Walk away. Fly, run, swim. But whatever you do, don't allow this. Love you.

Gemini (May 21 - June 20)
Watch out! You have two choices or make a mistake. What you will be doing, thinking, loving, caring, will make you money or can break your heart. That's the price you pay when you put all your eggs in one basket.

Cancer (June 21 - July 22)
It's not your concern. This has nothing to do with you. All you can do is love that person without criticism. Step away, and allow them to heal on their own. Send unconditional love and prayers. You'll be rewarded.

Leo (July 23 - Aug 22)
A new road? A new way of doing something? A new you? You'll be doing something new and exciting. It's about time. Get out of your self made rut and start living again. You're too good of a person to just rust.

Virgo (Aug 23 - Sept 22)
Someone will give you the answer you have been looking for. You know you need to be doing something different with your life. Make sure you know what you want to do, before you ask what you need to do.

Libra (Sept 22 - Oct 22)
If you don't know what to do, then ask the right person for the right answers, so you don't waste more time and money. You need a break from yourself before you drive yourself up a wall. Give extra hugs and kisses.

Scorpio (Oct 23 - Nov 21)
You've got it going on. Yes you do. Your hard work will pay off in the long run. Be sure you get good rest and eat right or you'll go back to your old habits. The new you is shining through. Have fun.

Sagittarius (Nov 22 - Dec 21)
Running away? Old habits die hard. You're not giving someone a chance to tell their side of the story. You're assuming the worst. You'll be surprised just how much true friendship and love can heal. Try it.

Capricorn (Dec 22 - Jan 19)
It's not fair, but one more time you'll be called in to help someone before they totally mess up their life. Your gift will show them the right path to go on. You too will learn a lesson in giving and receiving. No ego.

Aquarius (Jan 20 - Feb 18)
Don't do it. Don't walk away like you always do. You may never get this chance again to love without conditions attached. They already know how you feel. It's in the way you touch someone's heart. That's good.

Inside the Capitol

by JAY MILLER



SANTA FE -- New Mexico citizens are beginning to see the impact of the constitutional amendment we passed in September 2003, transferring control of public schools from an elected state board of education to the governor.

Two education items were on that special election ballot. One of them, permitting a little bigger dip for schools into the state permanent fund, passed narrowly amid much controversy. The other amendment, abolishing the elected state Board of Education and transferring its powers to the governor, passed by a bigger margin with little controversy.

Easy passage of the governance amendment was somewhat surprising in light of its failure in previous elections. New Mexicans traditionally have not liked giving up the right to vote on their public officials, even if they can't name them or describe exactly what they do.

But this time New Mexico voters gave the benefit of the doubt to a governor who argued that education was his top priority and there wasn't much he could do about it as long as a separate board had control.

One year earlier gubernatorial candidate Bill Richardson had laid out his vision for moving New Mexico forward. Voters like his energy, enthusiasm and ideas.

That popularity continued through the early months of Richardson's administration, resulting in the Legislature agreeing to put the two education measures on the ballot and scheduling a seldom-seen special election to get the governor's program moving quickly.

Richardson campaigned all summer that year to sell the changes. It wasn't easy for New Mexicans to swallow either amendment, but here was a governor willing to devote his considerable influence to improving education in New Mexico in a way we never had found possible to accomplish in the past.

So we gave him his shot and, true to his word, Richardson embarked on a mission to increase school funding, raise teacher licensing standards, require more testing and offer more opportunities for students.

He's still going full steam ahead. But in the process, some New Mexicans are noticing that there's no way to slow down the juggernaut.

Sure, the newly-created Public Education Department holds hearings on changes in proposals, just as the elected board did. But whereas the elected board would then vote, in public, in the presence of those asking for changes, department staff return to their offices to make a decision another day.

It is much quicker and more efficient this way. There are no stalemates. Under pressure can be avoided. Bad suggestions can be ignored. But some New Mexicans are starting to feel that something is missing.

Gone is the ability to lobby the board member from your district for some representation. And gone is the ability to vote for or against that member in the next election.

The only public official account-

able now is the governor, and he doesn't have the accessibility of the former elected board members. And gone is the assurance that policies will remain in place when an administration changes. When new members are elected to a board, regulations continue until changed by majority vote.

Certainly there is a good chance the new system will work at least as well and may even result in the significant improvements promised by the governor.

Our nation has survived quite nicely for over 200 years with no elected national boards. State education department personnel do revise their proposals in response to public input and strive to make as many accommodations as they can within directives of the governor.

Meanwhile some New Mexicans are feeling a little steamrollered. One of those groups in private pre-schools, which don't ask for government funding, but which nevertheless face regulation of their program content under a pre-kindergarten proposal by the governor.

That may be an area in which the new Public Education Department should slow down and take a closer look at whether it is proposing unac-

"Good" NEWS Bulletin

Go After What We Want!

We sometimes hear the expression -- too often for our good -- that if this town could be this, and could be that, how much better it would be.

In looking about, some of us have seen other towns that seemed to prosper more, that seemed to have more of the things that make for a bigger and better town, than we have.

It is true, some towns do have more than we have, but in the majority of instances they have these things because somewhere in the town there is a man/woman who was not satisfied with things as they were. He/she wanted them better. He/she interested those about him/her and soon they became a group of men and women working together toward the accomplishment of one end.

The result was a better town, a different atmosphere, an atmosphere that bred progress and brought forth aggressiveness, and the town became known everywhere in our area as a good, live town.

Only live people can make a live town.

Have we not enough live, progressive and aggressive men and women to make our town all we want it to be?

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Calendar of Events

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at the LCSWA offices in Ruidoso Downs.
--Ruidoso Village Council meeting has been cancelled.

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 23

--Lincoln County Lodgers Tax Committee meets at 10 a.m. at the Watson House in Lincoln.

March 1 is Deadline To Apply For Internships With Senator Domenici

Students at a New Mexico institution of higher education may apply to become a 2005 Summer Intern in Sen. Pete Domenici's Washington, D.C. office.

Application deadline is March 1.

The 2005 summer internship program has two sessions; the first from May 31 to July 1 and the second from July 5 until August 5. Students who are New Mexico residents or attending a New Mexico two or four year school are eligible to apply.

Students selected to participate will receive a \$1,500 stipend.

New Mexico residents will be given priority in the selection process.

Applications are available on the senator's website at <http://domenicisenate.gov>. For more information about the program and intern responsibilities call Lynden Armstrong in Washington D.C. at 1-202-224-6621.

Completed applications, cover letter, resume and two letters of recommendation

must be mailed to US Senator Pete Domenici, c/o Lynden Armstrong, 201 Third Street NW Suite 710, Albuquerque, NM 87102. All applications must be post-marked by March 1 to be considered.

Free Legal Workshop Feb. 23 In Las Cruces

Two free legal workshops will be held on Wednesday, February 23 and Thursday, February 24 both at the Branigan Memorial Library at 200 E. Picacho in Las Cruces.

The free Family Law Workshop will be held from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. on February 23. It will be conducted by attorney Edith Reeves who will give information about divorce, custody, child support issues and will answer questions.

The workshops are open to the public at no cost.

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Sheriff's Report

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

February 7
11:45 a.m. Children, Youth and Families Dept. (CYFD) requested deputy for a referral in Hondo Valley. Deputy dispatched.

3:46 p.m. request for ambulance at location on Smokey Bear Blvd. for female who fell. Capitan ambulance arrived at the location at 3:53 p.m. and at 4:25 p.m. left for Lincoln County Medical Center (LCMC) in Ruidoso, arriving there at 4:58 p.m.

5 p.m. deputy advised he did warrant service to a 45 year old male subject at Lincoln County Detention Center (LCDC).

5:54 p.m. request for ambulance at location off Aspen Rd. for seven year old female with pain in her right side, hot and sweaty. Capitan ambulance arrived at 6:06 p.m. and at 6:16 p.m. left for LCMC and requested a paramedic meet them. Paramedic came on board at 6:31 p.m. and they arrived at LCMC at 6:49 p.m.

February 9
7:15 a.m. fire alarm in annex building at courthouse. Carrizozo fire chief arrived at 7:16 and at 7:18 a.m. advised all was okay. the alarm malfunctioned.

8:21 a.m. CYFD referral at location in Angus. Deputy dispatched.

9:55 a.m. superintendent reported threats at Hondo school. Deputy dispatched.

12:02 p.m. theft at location on Alta Mira. Deputy arrived at 12:40 p.m.

2:23 p.m. LCDC reported finding drugs, four marijuana joints, at LCDC. Deputy dispatched.

3:35 p.m. caller from Ohjo requested a welfare check of two subjects at location on Hitching Post. Deputy dispatched.

3:36 p.m. request for ambulance at ski area for 17 year old female with head injury. Med 1 advanced life support (ALS) ambulance stationed at LCMC arrived at 4:06 p.m. and at 4:29 p.m. advised their assignment completed.

4:20 p.m. anonymous caller reported visible smoke at mile marker 146 on Highway 54. Dispatch called a rancher who advised all was okay.

7:58 p.m. suspicious activity at location on Juniper Springs Road, the caller heard two car doors close, dogs barking, then quiet. Deputy assigned.

8:46 p.m. information at location on Thistle. Reporting party wanted to make a report because her husband's ex-wife told the daughter to pack and leave. Deputy assigned.

9:04 p.m. anonymous caller reported reckless driver at mile marker 140 on Highway 54, a red car with Texas plates was driving slow with its hazard lights on. Deputy dispatched.

9:57 p.m. request for ambulance at location on 8th Street for patient with chest pains. Carrizozo ambulance arrived at 10:03 p.m. and at 10:08 left for LCMC, then intercepted with Med 8 ALS at 10:29 p.m. and arrived at LCMC at 10:52 p.m.

February 10
Report of dog bite that occurred January 27 at location in Loma Grande.

2:30 p.m. request for deputy for report of fraudulent use of credit card for subject at location on Pine Hill Loop. Deputy assigned.

2:48 p.m. information at location on San Mateo in Alto. Deputy assigned.

5:32 p.m. burglar alarm at the waste water treatment plant east of Ruidoso Downs. Deputy dispatched.

5:36 p.m. possible explosions on lower Eagle Creek. Ruidoso police got a call from a male subject at location in lower Eagle Creek reporting he heard about three explosions in the area.

Upon a call back, the deputy spoke with the mother who advised she only heard a noise, no smoke or dust.

7:18 p.m. 911 report of suspicious activity at church campgrounds in Angus, the caller was seeing police stationed at all exits/entrances and he wanted to know what was going on. Deputy assigned.

7:52 p.m. possible drunken driver on Gavilan Canyon Road, a blue pick-up with New Mexico plates was all over the road. Deputy dispatched.

8:21 p.m. caller from Missouri requested ambulance at location on north Snell. Carrizozo ambulance arrived at 8:49 p.m. and advised assignment completed at 9:40 p.m.

8:28 p.m. request for ambulance at location on Sunrise Drive for 57 year old female with a swollen left arm. Med 3 ALS arrived at 9:30 p.m. and at 9:43 p.m. left for LCMC arriving there at 10 p.m.

9:02 p.m. 911 request for ambulance at location on Old Fort Stanton Road for elderly male in need of breathing treatment. Med 3 arrived at 9:12 p.m. and at 9:30 p.m. advised assignment completed.

11:16 p.m. LCMC emergency room requested a deputy to give a courtesy ride to a female from the ER to her home in Alto. Deputy dispatched.

February 11
12:44 a.m. Otero County Sheriff's Office advised of a report of a possible drunken driver at mile marker 87 on Highway 54 heading toward Carrizozo in a blue vehicle swerving all over the road. Deputy dispatched.

12:33 p.m. theft at location on French Drive. Deputy assigned.

4:43 p.m. breaking and entering at location on Goodnight-Loving Trail, a male subject in a ski jacket and dark pants on a four wheeler. Deputy dispatched.

5:33 p.m. request for agency assistance at location near Hale Lake Road for possible cruelty to animals, a dog with no shelter chained with no food or water. Deputy dispatched and Ruidoso Downs police notified.

9:38 p.m. trouble with two male subjects at location at mile marker 276 on Highway 70. Deputy dispatched.

February 12
1:47 a.m. request for ambulance at location on Old Fort Stanton Road for unresponsive male. Med 1 arrived at 2:01 a.m. and was cancelled at 2:04 a.m.

7:34 a.m. unattended death at location on Old Fort Stanton Road. Deputy arrived at 8:02 a.m. and advised assignment completed at 8:27 a.m. 9 a.m. Magistrate Court requested deputy to do warrant service in the courtroom. Deputy dispatched.

9:32 a.m. theft at location on Oak Drive in Capitan area. Deputy dispatched.

12 noon possible theft behind business in Bonito. Deputy assigned.

4:15 p.m. request for ambulance at location on Antelope Circle in Maggado Creek for elderly male who accidentally took too much insulin. Capitan ambulance arrived at 4:43 p.m. and at 5:12 p.m. advised they received a refusal.

4:20 p.m. state highway department advised of a traffic hazard on Ski Run Road, a vehicle was on the roadway and needed to be moved. State Police requested the SO handle the call.

5:16 p.m. information report at location on Valley View in Palo Verde Slopes, one of the kids was upset and was breaking windows and other items in the house. Deputy dispatched.

11:11 p.m. reckless driving at the intersection of Highways 380 and 70 in Hondo, Capitan School bus #10 was driving at a high rate of speed with kids in it. Deputy dispatched.

11:21 p.m. custody at location in Enchanted Forest, the caller's girl friend left with his seven year old son and he hasn't seen them since 10 a.m. Deputy assigned.

February 13
1:26 a.m. request for ambulance at location on Lava Loop Road for 65 year old



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Dedicated in 1919.

ILLINOIS: Lincoln, the President, by Augustus St. Gaudens. Located in Lincoln park, Chicago. Dedicated in 1887.

Lincoln, the Railsplitter, by Charles J. Mulligan. Located in Garfield Park, Chicago. Dedicated in 1911.

Lincoln, the Emancipator, by Larkin Goldsmith Mead. Located on the Lincoln tomb, Springfield. Dedicated in 1874.

Lincoln, the Orator, by W. Granville Hastings. Replica of the Hastings statue in Cincinnati. Located in Bunker Hill. Dedicated in 1904.

Lincoln, the Captain, by Leonard Cruelle. Located on the site of the old Dixon blockhouse in Dixon. Dedicated in 1930.

Lincoln, the Debater, by Leonard Cruelle located in Taylor park in Freeport. Dedicated in 1929.

Lincoln, the Circuit Rider, by Lorado Taft. Located in Carle park in Urbana. Dedicated in 1927.

INDIANA: Lincoln, the Hoosier Youth, by Paul Manship. Located in the plaza of the Lincoln National Life Insurance company building in Fort Wayne. Dedicated in 1932.

Lincoln, the President, by Charles Keck. Located in front of the court house at Wabash. Dedicated in 1932.

IDAHO: Lincoln, the Emancipator, by Alfonso Pelzer. Replica of the Pelzer statue at Lincoln, NJ. Located in front of Lincoln hall at the Idaho Soldiers' home, Boise. Dedicated February 12, 1915.

IOWA: Lincoln, the Orator, by W. Granville Hastings. Replica of the Hastings statue in Cincinnati. Located before the Green county courthouse in Jefferson. Dedicated in 1918.

Lincoln, the Orator, by George E. Ganier. Located in front of the high school in Webster City. Dedicated in 1913.

KANSAS: Lincoln, the President, by Robert Merrill gage. Located on the statehouse grounds, Topeka. Dedicated February 12, 1918.

KENTUCKY: Lincoln, the President, by Adolph A. Weinman. Located in the rotunda of the statehouse at Frankfort. Dedicated in 1911.

Lincoln, the President, by Adolph A. Weinman. Located at Hodgenville. Dedicated in 1900.

Lincoln, the Candidate, by George Gray Barnard. Replica of the Barnard statue in Cincinnati. Located in front of the public library in Louisville. Dedicated in 1922.

MASSACHUSETTS: Lincoln, the Emancipator, by Thomas Ball. Replica of the Ball statue in Washington, DC. Located in park square in Boston. Dedicated in 1879.

MICHIGAN: Lincoln, the Emancipator, by Alfonso Pelzer. Replica of the Pelzer statue at Lincoln, NJ. Located in Detroit. Dedicated in 1919.

Lincoln, the President, by Charles H. Niehaus. Located in the public square in Muskegon. Dedicated in 1900.

MINNESOTA: Lincoln, the Congressman, by Max Bachman. Located in the GAR circle of the Victory Memorial drive in Minneapolis. Dedicated in 1930.

NEBRASKA: Lincoln, the Orator, by Daniel Chester French. Located on the state capitol grounds at Lincoln. Dedicated in 1922.

Lincoln, the Lawyer, by Franz Zelezny. Located on the high school lawn in Omaha. Dedicated in 1907.

NEW JERSEY: Lincoln, the President, by Francis Edwin Elwell. Located in East Orange. Dedicated in 1911.

Lincoln, the Statesman, by James Earle Frazer. Located in the plaza at the entrance to West Side park in Jersey City. Dedicated in 1931.

Lincoln, the President, by Getzon Borglum. Located on the plaza before the Essex county court house in Newark. Dedicated in 1911.

NEW YORK: Lincoln, the Emancipator, by Henry Kirke Brown. Located in Prospect park, Brooklyn. Dedicated in 1809.

Lincoln, the Orator, by Henry Kirke Brown. Located in union square, New York. Dedicated in 1870.

Lincoln the Orator, by Leonard W. Volk. Located in Rochester. Dedicated in 1892.

OHIO: Lincoln, the Candidate, by George Gray Barnard. Located in Lytle park, Cincinnati. Dedicated in 1917.

Lincoln, the Orator, by W. Granville Hastings. Located on the grounds of the Avondale school in Cincinnati. Dedicated in 1902.

Lincoln, the Orator, by Max Kalish. Located in front of the Administration building of the school board. Dedicated in 1931.

OREGON: Lincoln, the president, by George F. Waters. Located in the park in front of the Masonic temple in Portland. Dedicated in 1928.

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Church Directory



MOUNTAIN MINISTRY PARISH, SIERRA BLANCA PRESBYTERY

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

Ancho Community Presbyterian Church:

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

Corona Presbyterian Church:

Sunday School 10:00 a.m.
Worship 11:00 a.m.

First Baptist Church

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

Carrizozo Community Church (A/G)

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

Santa Rita Catholic Community

FR. DAVE BERGS, Pastor
213 Birch, Carrizozo, NM, 648-2853
SATURDAY:
Capitan Sacred Heart 5:00 p.m.
Carrizozo Santa Rita 8:30 p.m.
SUNDAY:
Capitan Sacred Heart 9:00 a.m.
Carrizozo Santa Rita 10:30 a.m.
Corona St. Theresa 1:00 p.m.

Church of Christ

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

St. Matthias Episcopal Church

REV. RON THOMSON, Rector
Corner of E Ave. and Sixth, Carrizozo, NM
1-505-258-1242
Holy Eucharist Sunday 9:30 a.m.

Claunch Community Church

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

United Methodist Churches

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

CAPITAN:

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

Christ Community Fellowship

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

Capitan Church of Christ

LESLIE EARWOOD, Minister
5th & Lincoln / 338-4627
Sunday Bible Study 10:00 a.m.
Worship Service 11:00 a.m.
Evening Worship 6:00 p.m.
Wednesday Bible Study 7:00 p.m.

Trinity Southern Baptist Church

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

First Baptist Church of Corona

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

Angus Church of the Nazarene

Serving All of Lincoln County
RICK HUTCHISON, Pastor / 338-8032
Southwest Corner of Hwy. 48 & 37 Junction
Between Ruidoso and Capitan, NM

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

LaGrone Funeral Chapel

Jerry & Lanita Rasak

In Memory of
BILL WINKLER

Stearns Insurance Agency

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NEW MEXICO PUBLIC EDUCATION DEPARTMENT
2004-2005 DISTRICT REPORT CARD

CARRIZO MUNICIPAL SCHOOLS



NO CHILD LEFT BEHIND

What is Adequate Yearly Progress (AYP)?

AYP is the annual academic proficiency targets in reading and math that the state, school districts and schools must reach to be considered on track for 100% proficiency by school year 2013-14. AYP is part of state and federal statute. The Federal No Child Left Behind (NCLB), Act of 2001 says that each state shall establish a timeline for adequate yearly progress. The timeline shall ensure that no later than 12 years after the 2001-2002 school year all students in each group described in the law will meet or exceed the state's proficient level of academic achievement. New Mexico Statute Article 20C says, "The state shall institute an 'adequate yearly progress program' that measures public schools' improvements..."

What do schools have to do in order to meet AYP?

- Schools need to:
- a) Achieve a 95% participation rate on state assessments.
 - b) Reach targets for proficiency or reduce non-proficiency
 - c) Reach targets for the attendance rate for elementary and middle schools and the graduation rate for high schools.

Who has to meet AYP?

The state, school districts, schools, and subgroups of 25 or more students within schools. The subgroups include Ethnicity/Race: Caucasian, African American, Asian/Pacific, Hispanic, Native American; as well as Economically Disadvantaged (FRLEP), Students with Disabilities (Special Ed), and English Language Learners (ELL).

THIS REPORT INCLUDES:

- District Student Demographics
- No Child Left Behind District Summary
- No Child Left Behind Accountability by Subgroup
- 4th, 8th, and 11th Grade Assessments
- School Board Member Participation
- Data on District Expenditures
- Teacher Quality Data
- Parent Survey on the Quality of Education

NO CHILD LEFT BEHIND SUMMARY

New Mexico Statewide NCLB Determination: AYP not Met			
District NCLB Determination: Meets AYP			
Schools that Met AYP	3	Total Number	100
Schools in School Improvement	0	Percent	0
Schools in Corrective Action	0		0
Schools in Restructuring	0		0

NO CHILD LEFT BEHIND 2004 DISTRICT ACCOUNTABILITY DATA (AYP)

Schools in District	Determination	Subgroups
CARRIZO ES	Meets AYP	None
CARRIZO HS	Meets AYP	None
CARRIZO MS	Meets AYP	None

2003-2004 STUDENT DEMOGRAPHICS*

	CARRIZO MUNICIPAL SCHOOLS		STATE WIDE	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Female	105	48	156,715	49
Male	113	52	166,351	51
Caucasian	86	44	105,823	33
African-American	7	3	7,833	2
Hispanic	115	53	169,453	52
Asian/Pacific	0	0	3,833	1
Native American	0	0	36,124	11
ELL	0	0	54,528	17
Special Education	43	20	51,111	16
Migrant	0	0	2,382	1
Total	218	100	323,068	100

* Source: ADS 40th day submission to Public Education Department.

CARRIZO MUNICIPAL SCHOOLS
Vision and Mission Statement
2004-2005

VISION: The vision of the Carrizozo Schools is to provide a safe and respectful environment, which will support each student's journey towards academic excellence and life long learning.

MISSION: "Educating the Leadership of Tomorrow"

Teacher Quality Data*

	STATE WIDE: 4%		DISTRICT: 0%	
	Percent of teachers where highest degree reported is a Bachelor's	Percent of teachers where degree reported is a Master's or Higher	Percent of core academic classes taught by Highly Qualified Teachers Spring 2004	Percent of core academic classes taught by Highly Qualified Teachers Fall 2004
STATE WIDE	59	38	71	75
DISTRICT WIDE	39	57	74	86
CARRIZO ES	11	55	83	100
CARRIZO HS	8	25	83	78
CARRIZO MS	9	33	59	88

GOALS

- Goal 1: All students will read at or above grade level. Emphasis on grades 1st and 4th grades (K-12) must meet Adequate Yearly Progress.
- Goal 2: All students K-12 will be expected to perform at the "90" percentile as measured by the PED evaluation instrument and all grades (K-12) must meet Adequate Yearly Progress.
- Goal 3: All students will improve written and oral communication skills across the curriculum.
- Goal 4: Demonstrate and promote care and respect among staff, students, and community.

Educational Plan For Student Success (EPSS) Target Areas

- Reading Success
- Math Success
- Communication
- Care and Respect "for self and others"



School Board Member Participation*

Board Member	Number of Points
Crenshaw, Lisa	13
Ferguson, Matt	19
Grider, Jim	13
Harkey, Steve	14
Zamora, Lee Roy	0

Source: 2003-04 New Mexico School Board Association annual report.

* In addition to the training required by the NM State Board Association, many school board members attend additional training. The information provided here does not reflect other training that school board members have received.

Data on District Expenditures

Includes state general fund operational monies only for 2003-2004.

	Expenditure	Percent
Direct Instruction	\$1,112,895	58
Instructional Support	\$301,330	16
Administration	\$157,349	8
Business and Support Services	\$41,037	2
Operations/Maintenance of Plant	\$262,982	13
Food Services	\$15,000	1
Athletics	\$68,022	3
Non-Instructional Student Support	\$20,084	1
Community Services	\$0	0
Transportation Services	\$0	0
Capital Outlay	\$0	0
Total	\$1,978,699	100

Source: End of year district-reported expenditures to NM Public Education Department School Budget office.

THANKS TO OUR COMMUNITY FOR YOUR SUPPORT, AND PLEASE KNOW THAT YOU ARE ALWAYS WELCOME AT OUR SCHOOL!! YOU MAY OBTAIN A COPY OF THIS REPORT CARD AT THE SUPERINTENDENT'S OFFICE.

Carrizozo Municipal Schools
P. O. Box 99
Carrizozo, New Mexico 88301
Phone# (505) 648-2347/2348
Mel Holland, Principal
Sergio Castañon, Superintendent

CARRIZO MUNICIPAL SCHOOLS BOARD OF EDUCATION

Steve Harkey	President
Jim Grider	Vice-President
Lisa Crenshaw	Secretary
LeeRoy Zamora	Member
Matt Ferguson	Member

ASSESSMENTS

Students in New Mexico schools are assessed in Reading and Mathematics in the 4th and 8th grade by the New Mexico Standards Based Assessment (NMSBA), the SUPERA for Spanish speaking students, and the NM Alternative for Students with Disabilities. These assessments were developed to measure the NM Standards and Benchmarks that educators and the public determined are important for our students to know and be able to do. The assessment results reported are for ALL students enrolled and participating in the testing during the 2003-04 school year. The assessments were administered during March 2004. Results for groups of less than 10 students are not reported and are indicated by ***. Percents may not add to 100, due to rounding.

4TH GRADE

	Gender	Ethnicity	Status	Percent at Each Proficiency Level				
				Advanced	Proficient	Meeting Proficiency	Beginning Proficiency	Not Valid
READING	Female	100	8	***	***	***	***	***
	Male	100	8	***	***	***	***	***
	Caucasian	83	8	***	***	***	***	***
	African-American	***	0	***	***	***	***	***
	Hispanic	100	7	***	***	***	***	***
	Asian/Pacific	***	0	***	***	***	***	***
	Native American	***	0	***	***	***	***	***
	Special Education	100	1	***	***	***	***	***
	ELL*	***	0	***	***	***	***	***
	Low Income	***	0	***	***	***	***	***
	Migrant	***	0	***	***	***	***	***
All Students	2003-04	100	12	***	***	***	***	***
	2002-03	***	12	***	***	***	***	***
NM State	2003-04	89	24.288	***	41	***	32	20
	2002-03	***	25.196	***	38	***	30	24

8TH GRADE

	Gender	Ethnicity	Status	Percent at Each Proficiency Level				
				Advanced	Proficient	Meeting Proficiency	Beginning Proficiency	Not Valid
READING	Female	89	8	***	***	***	***	***
	Male	100	11	0	36	46	18	0
	Caucasian	100	12	8	42	33	17	0
	African-American	***	0	***	***	***	***	***
	Hispanic	100	6	***	***	***	***	***
	Asian/Pacific	***	0	***	***	***	***	***
	Native American	***	0	***	***	***	***	***
	Special Education	90	1	***	***	***	***	***
	ELL*	***	0	***	***	***	***	***
	Low Income	***	0	***	***	***	***	***
	Migrant	***	0	***	***	***	***	***
All Students	2003-04	100	17	6	41	41	12	0
	2002-03	***	19	5	47	37	11	0
NM State	2003-04	88	25.110	12	44	28	16	1
	2002-03	***	25.106	12	39	27	21	1

ASSESSMENTS (continued)

Students in New Mexico schools are assessed in Reading and Mathematics in the 11th grade by the New Mexico High School Standards Assessment (NMHSSA) and the NM Alternative for Students with Disabilities. The NMHSSA was developed to measure the NM Standards and Benchmarks that educators and the public determined are important for our students to know and be able to do. The assessment results reported are for ALL students enrolled and participating in the testing during the 2003-04 school year. The assessments were administered during November 2003 and the information is reported by subgroups. Results for groups of less than 10 students are not reported and are indicated by ***. Percents may not add to 100, due to rounding.

11TH GRADE

	Gender	Ethnicity	Status	Percent at Each Proficiency Level				
				Advanced	Proficient	Meeting Proficiency	Beginning Proficiency	Not Valid
READING	Female	100	8	***	***	***	***	***
	Male	100	8	***	***	***	***	***
	Caucasian	83	5	***	***	***	***	***
	African-American	100	1	***	***	***	***	***
	Hispanic	100	10	30	50	30	10	0
	Asian/Pacific	***	0	***	***	***	***	***
	Native American	***	0	***	***	***	***	***
	Special Education	100	2	***	***	***	***	***
	ELL*	***	0	***	***	***	***	***
	Low Income	***	0	***	***	***	***	***
	Migrant	***	0	***	***	***	***	***
All Students	2003-04	100	16	13	50	31	6	0
	2002-03	***	19	5	47	37	11	0
NM State	2003-04	95	20.246	16	37	30	13	2

NCLB ADEQUATE YEARLY PROGRESS (AYP) BY SUBGROUP

AYP data are based on students who have attended a school for a full academic year. In addition to reading and math scores, a third academic indicator is required. For elementary and middle schools, it is attendance rate, while graduation rate is used for high schools. Results are not reported for subgroups with less than 25 students and is indicated by ***. *ELL - English Language Learners

	Academic Indicator	NCLB Goal	PERCENT OF STUDENTS									
			All Students	Caucasian	African American	Hispanic	Asian/Pacific	Native American	FRLEP	ELL	Special Education	
STATE WIDE	Reading Proficiency	41	63	71	47	46	69	36	43	31	21	
DISTRICT WIDE	Reading Proficiency	41	60	***	***	***	***	***	***	***	***	
CARRIZO ES	Reading Proficiency	34	75	***	***	***	***	***	***	***	***	
CARRIZO HS	Reading Proficiency	44	63	***	***	***	***	***	***	***	***	
CARRIZO MS	Reading Proficiency	45	47	***	***	***	***	***	***	***	***	
STATE WIDE	Math Proficiency	37	50	68	41	42	72	35	41	30	22	
DISTRICT WIDE	Math Proficiency	37	51	***	***	***	***	***	***	***	***	
CARRIZO ES	Math Proficiency	38	58	***	***	***	***	***	***	***	***	
CARRIZO HS	Math Proficiency	35	44	***	***	***	***	***	***	***	***	
CARRIZO MS	Math Proficiency	37	53	***	***	***	***	***	***	***	***	
STATE WIDE	Attendance Rate	92	95	96	96	96	97	93	***	94	94	
DISTRICT WIDE	Attendance Rate	92	96	***	***	***	***	***	***	***	***	
CARRIZO ES	Attendance Rate	92	96	***	***	***	***	***	***	***	***	
CARRIZO MS	Attendance Rate	92	96	***	***	***	***	***	***	***	***	
STATE WIDE	Grad Rate	75	89	91	93	89	91	81	***	73	78	
DISTRICT WIDE	Grad Rate	75	100	***	***	***	***	***	***	***	***	
CARRIZO HS	Grad Rate	75	100	***	***	***	***	***	***	***	***	

Parent Survey on the Quality of Education

The Quality of Education Survey is provided to all parents statewide yearly by regulation. It consists of ten required questions by the NM Public Education Department.

- Q1. My child is safe at school.
- Q2. My child's school facilities is in good repair and has sufficient space to support quality education.
- Q3. My child's school holds high expectations for academic achievement.
- Q4. School personnel encourage me to participate in my child's education.
- Q5. The school offers adequate access to up-to-date computers and technologies.
- Q6. School staff maintains consistent discipline, which is conducive to learning.
- Q7. My child has an adequate choice of school-sponsored extracurricular activities.
- Q8. My child's teacher provides sufficient and appropriate information regarding my child's academic progress.
- Q9. The school staff employs various instructional methods and strategies to meet my child's needs.
- Q10. My child takes responsibility for his or her learning.

	No. of Valid Surveys	PERCENT OF RESPONSES THAT "STRONGLY AGREED" OR "AGREED"									
		Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q5	Q6	Q7	Q8	Q9	Q10
STATE WIDE	125,583	85	80	84	82	77	80	69	87	80	88
DISTRICT WIDE	52	38	94	90	90	90	87	81	90	87	100
CARRIZO ES	29	97	97	90	90	90	93	83	90	86	100
CARRIZO HS	8	100	83	100	83	83	83	100	100	100	100
CARRIZO MS	17	100	94	88	94	94	76	71	88	82	100

- 11. Summer School, Evening and Library, and After School tutoring programs are beneficial to my child. 77%
- 12. Bravo and Student of the Month awards have a positive impact on my child. 73%
- 13. My child has benefited

Weatherization Applications Are Now Available

Community Action Agency of southern New Mexico is now accepting applications from people to participate in the weatherization program. The program is for low income, elderly and/or disabled residents to assist them with minor repairs that would conserve energy. Minor repairs include window repairs and glass replacement; repair or replacement of exterior doors; insulation and check on all gas-fire appliances for safety.

To obtain an application, call the Community Action Agency toll free at 1-800-657-8967 or by writing to "Community Action Agency, Attn: Housing Program, 320 E. Wyatt Drive, Las Cruces, NM 88001.



Carrizozo Grade School "BRAVO!" Achievers for January 2005 / 3rd, 4th and 5th Grades

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

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

ACT Testing for the Students

Many high school students across the nation are preparing to take the April 9th ACT, some for the first time, some for the second, some even for the third. Students will prepare to take the exam by getting information about the test and also by getting the practice they will need. Believe it or not, college entrance tests were not created to solely haunt students throughout their junior and senior years. However, the pressure is still on to do well.

The scores help college admission officers to judge how much students know and to determine how prepared they are to do college level work. Besides a student's high school grades, an ACT score is the most important factor influencing admission decisions. In addition, some colleges will use a student's ACT/SAT score to determine who is eligible for scholarship dollars. The higher the score, the more money he/she gets. The test scores are very important, but they are just one aspect of a student's future. High school students' transcripts will show how well they did over a four year period. So it is just as important to maintain a high grade point average (GPA) throughout high school, as it is to do well on the exam. Personally, students can use this test to compare themselves academically to other students in the United States.

Experts recommend that students should start preparing seriously about six to eight weeks before the test. Students can do this in a number of ways. One is by getting an ACT CD ROM. The CD ROM can help students because the CD has a pre ACT test which students can take to determine their strengths and weaknesses. Another way of studying is by going to a web site called www.testprepreview.com. This also has a pre ACT test that the student can take. It also has a lot of other information about the structure of the test.

After being asked how he prepared for the ACT test, Brandon Morales, senior, answered, "I try not to think about the test." He was also asked what he thought about the test, and he said, "It is a good test to take because it challenges you in a way that this school can't. You could be top ten in the school but be average in the state."

Nicole Nava

Thank You Card

Dear Grizzly Supporters,

It is with great humility and deep appreciation that I thank the families and friends of the Carrizozo Municipal School District for their incredible turnout in our February 2nd School Board Election.

You have shown, without any doubt, exactly how important it is to you that our children are given a positive, protective and progressive educational experience. We will continue forward in our resolve to provide it to every single child.

I thank you for your confidence in me, and your loyal support of our school!

MATT FERGUSON
Position 4,
Carrizozo School Board

Obituary

(Continued from Page 2)

December of Ruidoso, and Lenny Beltran and wife Renee of Las Cruces; daughter, Liz Beltran of Ruidoso Downs; three brothers, Lorenzo Beltran of Carrizozo, Ernie Beltran of Albuquerque, and Orlando Beltran of Carrizozo; three sisters, Quirina Jaramillo, Mabel Zamora and Francis

Zamora, all of Carrizozo and five grandchildren. Funeral services were held at Santa Rita Catholic Church with the rosary Feb. 11 and funeral mass the following day. A Santa Rita fund has been established for Emilio Beltran. People may donate at any Wells Fargo Bank.



Job Shadow

The Junior Class participated in the Ground Hog Day Job Shadow on February 3rd. Students were able to be excused from a day of school to investigate a prospective career by spending a day with a person in that career. The participants were Junior Corley who shadowed a welder, Nykki Bernaldez who shadowed a lawyer, Justus Wilson who shadowed a flight trainer, and Britni Ward who also shadowed a graphic designer and a beautician.

Britni Ward said, "I shadowed Stacey Wren at Print Right Now and Ronda Newsome at Before and After." Britni added, "I am interested in graphic design and I love to draw freehanded. I also share a large interest in cosmetology. I enjoy doing hair and nails. I enjoyed going to Print Right Now as well as Before and After, but I think I would rather pursue a career in cosmetology where I learn how to give facials, do hair, make-up and nails, rather than graphic design."

The event was sponsored by Carrizozo Schools, Paw Prints Design, and Wells Fargo Bank.

Tierney Burd

Spelling Bee

Five participants from Carrizozo Elementary School participated in the Lincoln County Spelling Bee at Ruidoso High School on February 3rd.

Mrs. Corley, the fifth grade teacher, had two students participate, Levi Corley and Sara McNatt, and from Mrs. Serna, fourth grade, Patrick Ryan, Sierra Anaya and Brittney Simmons.

Levi Corley and Patrick Ryan finished in the top five spellers in the county from our school.

Tierney Burd

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LEGAL

**LEGAL NOTICE
TWELFTH JUDICIAL
DISTRICT COURT
COUNTY OF LINCOLN
STATE OF NEW MEXICO**
No. CV-05-37
Division III

JANIS PETTUS, PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE OF THE ESTATES OF RONALD E. HAVENOR AND FAYE W. HAVENOR, DECEASED.
Plaintiff,
vs.
WELLS FARGO BANK, N.A., SUCCESSOR IN INTEREST TO UNITED NEW MEXICO BANK AT ALBUQUERQUE; THE UNKNOWN SUCCESSORS IN INTEREST TO THE FOLLOWING NAMED DEFUNCT CORPORATION: LAKESIDE CORPORATION; AND ALL UNKNOWN CLAIMANTS OF INTEREST IN THE PREMISES ADVERSE TO THE PLAINTIFF;
Defendants.

SUMMONS AND NOTICE OF PENDING ACTION

THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO TO THE FOLLOWING NAMED DEFENDANTS: THE UNKNOWN SUCCESSORS IN INTEREST TO THE FOLLOWING NAMED DEFUNCT CORPORATION: LAKESIDE CORPORATION; AND ALL UNKNOWN CLAIMANTS OF INTEREST IN THE PREMISES ADVERSE TO THE PLAINTIFF:
GREETINGS: You are hereby notified that Janis Pettus, Personal Representative of the Estates of Ronald E. Havenor and Faye W. Havenor, Deceased, Plaintiff, has filed an action in the District Court of Lincoln County, New Mexico, Civil Docket No. CV-05-37 Div. III, wherein you are named as Defendants and wherein said Plaintiff seeks to obtain constructive service upon you.
The general subject matter of said action is to quiet title to certain real estate, which is the subject matter of the above-captioned and numbered cause of action and is described as follows:

Lot 225 of DEER PARK VALLEY SUBDIVISION, UNIT 8, Lincoln County, New Mexico, as shown by the plat thereof filed in the office of the County Clerk of Lincoln County on April 17, 1981, in Cabinet D, Slides 7 to 10, inclusive. TOGETHER WITH all improvements thereon. SUBJECT TO reservations, restrictions and easements of record.

You are further notified that unless you enter your appearance, plead or otherwise respond in said cause on or before April 11, 2005, judgment will be rendered against you by default and the relief prayed for in the Complaint will be granted to Plaintiff in conformity with the allegations of the Plaintiff's Complaint.

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

WITNESS my hand and seal of the District Court of Lincoln County, New Mexico, on this the 10th day of February, 2005.

JAN PERRY
Clerk of the District Court
(SEAL)
By: **Jolene Biggs**
Deputy

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**LEGAL NOTICE
STATE OF NEW MEXICO
COUNTY OF LINCOLN
TWELFTH JUDICIAL
DISTRICT COURT**
No. CV 04-113

CHASE MANHATTAN MORTGAGE CORPORATION,
Plaintiff,
vs.
WILLIAM EDGE A/K/A WILLIAM EDGE AND SHAMARIE MILLS,
Defendants.

NOTICE OF SALE

Notice is hereby given that on March 2, 2005, at the hour of 9:00 am the undersigned Special Master, or his designee, will at the front entrance of the Lincoln County Courthouse, at 300 Central, Carrizozo, New Mexico, sell all of the rights, title and interest of the above-named Defendants, in and to the hereinafter described real estate to the highest bidder for cash. The property to be sold is located at 108 Wyatt Earp Court, Alto, New Mexico 88312, (if there is a conflict between the legal description and the street address, the legal description shall control) and is more particularly described as follows:

LOT 5, BLOCK 25, OF RANCHO RUIDOSO VALLEY ESTATES, LINCOLN COUNTY, NEW MEXICO, AS SHOWN BY THE PLAT THEREOF FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY CLERK AND EX-OFFICIO RECORDER OF LINCOLN COUNTY, NEW MEXICO, ON NOVEMBER 30, 1982, IN CABINET D, SLIDE NOS. 99 AND 103, BOTH INCLUSIVE.

including any improvements, fixtures, and attachments, such as, but not limited to, mobile

homes. Subject to all taxes, utility liens and other restrictions and easements of record, and subject to a one (1) month right of redemption by the Defendants, the foregoing sale will be made to satisfy a foreclosure judgment rendered by this Court in the above-entitled and numbered cause, being an action to foreclose a mortgage on the above-described property. The Plaintiff's judgment is \$90,392.76, and the same bears interest at the rate of 8.0000% per annum, which accrues at the rate of \$19.81 per diem, commencing on December 1, 2004, with the Court reserving entry of final judgment against said Defendant William Edge a/k/a William R. Edge for the amount due after foreclosure sale, for costs and attorney's fees, plus interest as may be assessed by the Court. The Plaintiff has the right to bid at such sale all of its judgment amount and submit its bid verbally or in writing. The Plaintiff may apply all or any part of its judgment to the purchase price in lieu of cash. The sale may be postponed and rescheduled at the discretion of the Special Master.

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

NOW, THEREFORE, notice is hereby given that in the event that said property is not sooner redeemed, the undersigned will as set forth above, offer for sale and sell to the highest bidder for cash or equivalent, the lands and improvements described above for the purpose of satisfying, in the adjudged order of priorities, the judgment described herein and decree of foreclosure together with any additional costs and attorney's fees, costs of advertisement and publication, a reasonable receiver and Special Master's fee to be fixed by the Court. The total amount of the judgment due is \$90,392.76, plus interest to and including date of sale of \$1,822.52 for a total judgment plus interest of \$92,215.28. Sale is subject to the entry of an order of the Court approving the terms and conditions of this sale.

PETER BACA, Special Master
P.O. Box 215
Carrizozo, NM 88301
Telephone: (505) 648-9925

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**LEGAL NOTICE
STATE OF NEW MEXICO
COUNTY OF LINCOLN
TWELFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT**
No. CV04-225

MORTGAGE ELECTRONIC REGISTRATION SYSTEMS, INC.,
Plaintiff,
vs.
WENDELL POWERS; ELAINE POWERS; UNKNOWN OCCUPANTS WHOSE TRUE NAMES ARE UNKNOWN,
Defendant(s).

NOTICE OF SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned Special Master will on March 9, 2005, at 8:00 A.M., Lincoln County Courthouse, 300 Central, Carrizozo, NM 88301, sell and convey to the highest bidder for cash all the right, title, and interest of the above-named defendants in and to the following described real estate located in said County and State:

LOT 10A, BLOCK 134 OF MESA VERDE ACRES UNIT 4, LINCOLN COUNTY, NEW MEXICO, AS SHOWN BY THE REPLAT OF LOTS 7, 8, 9, 10 AND PARTS OF LOTS 11 AND 12, BLOCK 134, MESA VERDE ACRES, UNIT 4, FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY CLERK OF LINCOLN COUNTY, OCTOBER 23, 1996 IN CABINET F, SLIDE 555.

The address of the real property is 104 West Lobo, Capitan, NM 88316. Said sale will be made pursuant to the Decree of Foreclosure entered on January 19, 2005, in the above entitled and numbered cause, which was a suit to foreclose a note and mortgage held by the above plaintiff and wherein plaintiff was adjudged to have a lien against the above-described real estate in the sum of \$302,083.87, plus interest from January 31, 2005 to the date of sale at the rate of 9.375% per annum, the costs of sale, including the Special Master's fee, publication costs, and plaintiff's costs expended for taxes, insurance, and keeping the property in good repair. Plaintiff has the right to bid at such sale and submit its bid verbally or in writing. The Plaintiff may apply all or any part of its judgment to the purchase price in lieu of cash.

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

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that this sale may be subject to a bankruptcy filing, a pay off, a reinstatement or any other condition that would cause the cancellation of this sale. Further, if any of these conditions exist, this sale will be null and void. The successful bidder's funds shall be returned, and the Special Master and the mortgagee giving this notice shall not be liable to the successful bidder for any damages.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that the real property and improvements concerned with

herein will be sold subject to any and all patent reservations, easements, all recorded and unrecorded liens not foreclosed herein, and all recorded and unrecorded special assessments and taxes that may be due.

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

Dated: February 4, 2005.

Peter Baca
c/o Shapiro & Melnhold, L.L.P.
13725 Struthers Road, Suite 201
Colorado Springs, CO 80921
(800) 286-0013 (719) 634-4868

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**LEGAL NOTICE
STATE OF NEW MEXICO
COUNTY OF LINCOLN
TWELFTH JUDICIAL
DISTRICT COURT**
NO. CV-04-281

TOWN AND COUNTRY CREDIT CORPORATION,
Plaintiff,
vs.
NANCY L. BANKSTON, THE UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF NANCY L. BANKSTON, ROBERTA M. COX, THE UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF ROBERT M. COX, and FEDERAL HOME LOAN MORTGAGE CORPORATION,
Defendant(s).

AMENDED NOTICE OF SUIT

STATE OF NEW MEXICO to the following above-named Defendant(s): Nancy L. Bankston, The Unknown Spouse of Nancy L. Bankston, Roberta M. Cox, and The Unknown Spouse of Roberta M. Cox.

GREETINGS: You are hereby notified that the above-named Plaintiff has filed a civil action against you in the above-entitled Court and cause, the general object thereof being to foreclose a mortgage on property located at #2 Shangrila, Alto, Lincoln County, New Mexico, said property being more particularly described as:

Lot 2 SHANGRILA SUBDIVISION, UNIT 1, Lincoln County, New Mexico, as shown by the plat thereof filed in the office of the County Clerk of Lincoln County, June 27, 1980, in Tube No. 708.

Unless you enter your appearance in said cause on or before March 21, 2005, judgment by default will be entered against you.

Plaintiff's attorneys:
ELIZABETH MASON, P.C.
ELIZABETH MASON
3104 Monte Vista NE
Albuquerque, New Mexico 87106
505/872-8700

WITNESS the Honorable KAREN L. PARSONS, Judge of the Twelfth Judicial District Court, Lincoln County, New Mexico, this 26th day of January 2005.

JAN PERRY
Clerk of the District Court
By: **Clydene Baca**
Deputy

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PUBLIC NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that the Lincoln Historic Preservation Board will hold its regular scheduled meeting on Thursday, February 17, 2005. The meeting will be held in the Community Church in Lincoln beginning at 7:00 p.m.

AGENDA

- I. CALL TO ORDER
- II. ROLL CALL
- III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES - December 16, 2004, January 20, 2005.
- IV. NEW BUSINESS
 - 1. Ficke House Addition
 - 2.
 - 3.
- V. OLD BUSINESS
 - 1. Ficke Dog kennel
 - 2. Pekelsma
 - 3. Blancy sign
- VI. CORRESPONDENCE
- VII. REPORT - SITE VISIT BY BOARD (IF APPROPRIATE)
- VIII. EARLY CONSULTATIONS ABOUT WORK IN THE DISTRICT
- IX. MONTHLY REPORTS ON PENDING ITEMS APPROVED & UNDERWAY
 - 1. Neil and Cindy Gizzard
- X. ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION No action will be taken.
- XI. ADJOURN

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New Surface Water Rules Are Available On The Web

New rules and regulations for administration of surface water in New Mexico, which were adopted January 14, 2005, will soon be available from the New Mexico Office of the State Engineer.

Once the newly adopted New Mexico Surface Water Management Rules and Regulations become effective they can be downloaded from the Office of the State Engineer website at: www.ose.state.nm.us.

The rules and regulations, which govern management of surface waters throughout the state, had not been completely updated since 1953.

"Revisions were necessary because the existing regulations did not adequately address additions to state law, revised methods in accounting for the state's waters, nor the conjunctive management of surface and underground water," said state Engineer John D'Antonio in a press release.

An administrative hearing was held on June 21, 2004 on the then proposed rules and regulations. Comment period on the final draft of the proposed rules and regulations was conducted until December 3, 2004.

To request a copy of the rules by telephone, contact Paul Wells at the Office of the State Engineer at 505-827-6130.

Sheriff's Report

(Con't. from P. 5)

female with chest pains. Carrizozo ambulance arrived at 1:39 a.m. and at 1:46 a.m. left for LCMC and intercepted Med 8 for paramedic at 2:10 a.m. and arrived at LCMC at 2:35 a.m.

11:04 a.m. open door at car dealer in Ruidoso Downs area. A deputy advised that a motorist in a vehicle with Texas plates flagged him down to report that doors were open and the keys in the ignition on a vehicle at the car dealer. Deputy dispatched.

11:41 a.m. request for ambulance at location on 17th Street for father with labored breathing. Carrizozo ambulance arrived at 11:49 a.m. and at 11:59 a.m. requested Med 8, then left for LCMC at

12:02 a.m. intercepted with Med 8 at 12:19 p.m. arriving at LCMC at 12:54 p.m.

12:25 p.m. request for ambulance at ski area for 25 year old male with chest pains. Med 1 responded and at 12:53 p.m. the ski area requested the ambulance arrive soon because the patient had red lined. Med 1 arrived at 12:57 p.m. and left at 1:22 p.m. for Sierra Blanca Regional Airport to intercept an air ambulance, arriving there at 1:57 p.m.

1:19 p.m. K-9 at large on Screaming Eagle, puppy from across the street was carrying off stuff, tearing up stuff and was not being kept at its home. Deputy assigned.

1:56 p.m. request for ambulance at roll over accident at mile marker 10 on ski run road for 12 year old female whose hand was trapped between the car and road. Med 1 arrived at 2:28 p.m. and at 2:36 p.m. left for LCMC arriving there at 3:13 p.m.

3:10 p.m. Ruidoso Downs police requested agency assistance at location on River-view. Deputy dispatched.

10:50 p.m. request for ambulance at location on Highway 380 in Hondo area where a domestic had occurred. Hondo ambulance arrived at 12:06 a.m. and at 12:16 a.m. left for LCMC arriving there at 12:45 a.m.



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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, Feb. 17: Mostly cloudy with 30 percent chance of scattered showers. South winds between 10 and 15 miles per hour (mph). High around 51. Tonight mostly cloudy with 30 percent chance of showers. South wind 5 to 10 mph. Low near 33 in Carrizozo.

Friday, February 18: Mostly cloudy with 30 percent chance of showers. Southwest winds to 10 mph. High around 56. Tonight mostly cloudy with 30 percent chance for showers. Low around 33.

Saturday, February 19: Partly cloudy with 30 percent chance of showers. High near 53. Tonight partly cloudy with 10 percent chance for snow showers. Low around 29.

Sunday, February 20: Partly cloudy with 10 percent chance for showers. High around 55. Tonight partly cloudy with low near 27.

Monday, February 21, President's Day: Partly cloudy with high near 56. Tonight partly cloudy with low around 27.

Tuesday, February 22: Partly cloudy with 10 percent chance for rain showers. High around 52. Tonight, partly cloudy with low around 26.

Forecast for Ruidoso, Capitan and Corona:

Today, Thursday, Feb. 17: Mostly cloudy with 20 percent chance of rain showers in the afternoon. South winds between 5 and 10 mph in Ruidoso and between 10 and 15 mph in Capitan and Corona. High near 44 in Ruidoso, 46 in Capitan and 43 in Corona. Tonight mostly cloudy with 30 percent chance of scattered snow showers. South winds 5 to 10 mph. Lows near 31 in Ruidoso, 32 in Capitan and 30 in Corona.

Friday, February 18: Mostly cloudy with 30 percent chance of rain showers. South to southwest winds to 10 mph. High near 48 in Ruidoso and Corona and 51 in Capitan. Tonight mostly cloudy with 30 percent chance of snow showers in Ruidoso and Capitan and 20 percent chance of snow showers in Corona. Lows around 31 in Ruidoso and Corona and 33 in Capitan.

Saturday, February 19: Partly cloudy with 30 percent chance of rain showers in Ruidoso and Capitan and 20 percent chance in Corona. High around 47 in Ruidoso, 50 in Capitan and 48 in Corona. Tonight partly cloudy with 10 percent chance for snow showers. Lows around 27 in Ruidoso and Corona and 29 in Capitan.

Sunday, February 20: Partly cloudy with 10 percent chance of showers. High around 48 in Ruidoso, 51 in Capitan and 47 in Corona. Tonight partly cloudy with lows near 25 in Ruidoso and Corona and 27 in Capitan.

Monday, February 21: Partly cloudy with high near 49 in Ruidoso, 52 in Capitan and 48 in Corona. Tonight partly cloudy with lows around 25 in Ruidoso, 26 in Capitan and 24 in Corona.

LEGAL NOTICE
STATE OF NEW MEXICO
COUNTY OF LINCOLN
TWELFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT
No. D1226CV200500543

WELL FARGO BANK, N.A., SUCCESSOR BY MERGER TO WELL FARGO HOME MORTGAGE, INC.,
Plaintiff,

vs.
MICHAEL BROWN AKA MICHAEL K. BROWN; UNKNOWN MOBILE HOME LIENHOLDERS, IF ANY; UNKNOWN MOBILE HOME OWNERS, IF ANY; UNKNOWN OCCUPANTS WHOSE TRUE NAMES ARE UNKNOWN; THE UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF MICHAEL BROWN, AKA MICHAEL K. BROWN, IF ANY.
Defendant(s).

NOTICE OF SUIT

STATE OF NEW MEXICO to the above-named Defendant(s):

GREETINGS:
You are hereby notified that the above-named Plaintiff has filed a civil action against you in the above-entitled Court and cause, the general object thereof being to foreclose a mortgage on property located at 45 Little Big Horn aka 1413 Little Big Horn, Alto, NM 88312, Lincoln County, New Mexico, said property being more particularly described as:

LOT 45, BLOCK 3 OF RANCHO 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.

INCLUDING THE MOBILE HOME: 2000 SILVER CREEK, 28X48, SERIAL #SCH01004636AB

Unless your serve a pleading or motion in response to the complaint in said cause on or before April 4, 2005, judgment by default will be entered against you.

Respectfully Submitted
SHAPIO & MEINHOLD, L.L.P.
By: Kelly J. McMullen
Sharon Hankla, NM Bar #8122
Kelly J. McMullen, NM Bar #17033
13725 Struthers Road, Suite 201
Colorado Springs, CO 80921
300/286-0013; 719/634-4868
Attorney for Plaintiff

WITNESS the Honorable KAREN L. PARSONS, DISTRICT COURT JUDGE, of the Twelfth Judicial District Court, Lincoln County, New Mexico, this 3rd day of February, 2005.

JAN PERRY
Clerk of the District Court
By: Jblene Biggs
Deputy

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LEGAL NOTICE
STATE OF NEW MEXICO
COUNTY OF LINCOLN
TWELFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT
No. CV-04-44

THE BANK OF NEW YORK, ACTING SOLELY IN ITS CAPACITY AS TRUSTEE FOR EQCC TRUST 2001-1F,
Plaintiff,

vs.
CAROLE J. JOHNSON, CITY BANK, AND CITY BANK OF NEW MEXICO,
Defendants.

NOTICE OF SALE

Notice is hereby given that on March 17, 2005, at the hour of 12:05 pm the undersigned Special Master, or his designee, will, at the front entrance of the Lincoln County Courthouse, at 300 Central, Carrizozo, New Mexico, sell all of the rights, title and interest of the above-named Defendants, in and to the herein-after described real estate to the highest bidder for cash. The property to be sold is located at 119 Twin Tree Rd, Alto, New Mexico 88312, (if there is a conflict between the legal description and the street address, the legal description shall control) and is more particularly described as follows:

Lot 4, Block 6 of HIGH MESA SUBDIVISION, UNIT 1, Lincoln County, New Mexico, as shown by the replat thereof filed in the office of the County Clerk of Lincoln County, June 17, 1971, in Tube No. 382,

including any improvements, fixtures, and attachments, such as, but not limited to, mobile homes. Subject to all taxes, utility liens and other restrictions and easements of record, and subject to a one (1) month right of redemption by the Defendants, the foregoing sale will be made to satisfy a foreclosure judgment rendered by this Court in the above-entitled and numbered cause, being an action to foreclose a mortgage on the above-described property. The plaintiff's judgment is \$117,886.16, and the same bears interest at the rate of 8.5000% per annum, which accrues at the rate of \$27.45 per diem, commencing on December 1, 2004, with the Court reserving entry of that judgment against said Defendant Carole J. Johnson for the amount due after foreclosure sale, for costs

and attorney's fees, plus interest as may be assessed by the Court. The Plaintiff has the right to bid at such sale all of its judgment amount and submit its bid verbally or in writing. The Plaintiff may apply all or any part of its judgment to the purchase price in lieu of cash. The sale may be postponed and rescheduled at the discretion of the Special Master.

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

NOW, THEREFORE, notice is hereby given that in the event that said property is not sooner redeemed, the undersigned will as set forth above, offer for sale and sell to the highest bidder for cash or equivalent, the lands and improvements described above for the purpose of satisfying, in the adjudged order of priorities, the judgment described herein and decree of foreclosure together with any additional costs and attorney's fees, costs of advertisement and publication, a reasonable receiver and Special Master's fee to be fixed by the Court. The total amount of the judgment due is \$117,886.16, plus interest to and including date of sale of \$2,937.15 for a total judgment plus interest of \$120,823.31. Sale is subject to the entry of an order of the Court approving the terms and conditions of this sale.

PETER BACA,
Special Master
Carrizozo, NM 88301
Telephone: (505) 648-9925

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LEGAL NOTICE
STATE OF NEW MEXICO
COUNTY OF LINCOLN
TWELFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT
No. CV 05-08

Mark McCloskey,
Plaintiff,

vs.
Henry Leslie Bentley (deceased) and all unknown claimants adverse to Plaintiff,
Defendants

SERVICE OF PROCESS BY PUBLICATION IN A NEWSPAPER

You are hereby notified that an action has been filed requesting that the court approve service of process upon Henry Leslie Bentley (deceased) and all unknown claimants adverse to Plaintiff, Defendants, by publication in a newspaper of general circulation.

The Petition of Mark McCloskey, Plaintiff, was filed, against Henry Leslie Bentley (deceased) and all unknown claimants adverse to Plaintiff, Defendants, on January 10, 2005 in the Twelfth Judicial District Court of Lincoln County, New Mexico, and is numbered CV-05-08 and is entitled Mark McCloskey, Plaintiff v. Henry Leslie Bentley (deceased) and all unknown claimants adverse to Plaintiff, Defendants.

This lawsuit is an action to Quiet Title to Real Property located at 127 Upper Terrace, Ruidoso, New Mexico 88345. The legal description is described as: Lot 14A, Block 2, of Hamilton Terrace Subdivision, Ruidoso, Lincoln County, New Mexico.

Any responses to this publication must be communicated twenty days from the last date of publication. The attorney of record for the Plaintiff is David M. Stevens, Attorney at Law P.C., 106 Rio Street, Ruidoso, New Mexico 88345 (505) 257-0777.

The court found that the plaintiff has made diligent efforts to make personal service, but has not been able to complete service of process. The Order for Service by Publication was signed by Judge Karen Parsons, Twelfth Judicial District Court, Lincoln County, New Mexico, on January 25, 2005.

Plaintiff hereby serves process on Henry Bentley (deceased) and all unknown claimants adverse to Plaintiff, by publication once a week for three consecutive weeks in the Lincoln County News.

Dated this 7th day of February, 2005.

Published in the Lincoln County News on February 17, 24; and March 3 and 10, 2005.

LEGAL NOTICE
GEORGE STATEN+ ASSOCIATES
ARCHITECTS+ PLANNERS
137 WILLIE HORTON DRIVE
RUIDOSO, NEW MEXICO 88345-7709
FOR CONSTRUCTION OF A
NEW ALTO OFFICE BUILDING
OTERO COUNTY ELECTRIC
COOPERATIVE, INC.
CLOUDCROFT, NEW MEXICO

Notice is hereby given that sealed bids in duplicate on forms provided for the furnishing of all labor and material for the construction of a new office building to be located on Highway 48 near Mile Marker 11, next to their existing Alto Office Building. Bids will be received at the office of the general manager of Otero County Electric Cooperative, Inc. in Cloudcroft, New Mexico at 2:00 PM, Wednesday, March 16, 2005, at which time bids will be publicly opened and read. All interested parties are invited to attend.

The proposal will be accompanied by a cashier's check or a certified check upon some sol-

vent bank or bid bond in a sum not less than five (5) percent of the maximum bid, payable to Otero County Electric Cooperative, Inc., P.O. box 227, Cloudcroft, New Mexico, 88317. The bidder may not withdraw his bid for a period of thirty (30) days after the date set for the opening, thereof. In case of failure of the successful bidder to enter into a contract and give acceptable performance and payment bonds, the said check or bid bond shall be forfeited to the Board of Trustees for the Otero County Electric, Inc. as liquidated damages; otherwise it will be returned to the bidder within thirty (30) days from the date of the opening of bids.

The successful bidder will be required to complete the project by or before Friday, July 29, 2005, unless such time is extended by the Owner, and the sum of Five hundred Dollars (\$500.00) per day shall be the measure of liquidated damages assessed the Contractor for each and every calendar day in excess of that date required by the successful bidder to complete the work under the Contract.

The proposal on submission indicates that the bidder will furnish all insurance called for in these provisions.

General bidders desiring plans and specifications may secure two sets of same from George Staten+ Associates, AIA Architects+Planners, 137 Willie Horton Drive, Ruidoso, New Mexico 88345-7709. Telephone Number (505) 6300-4444 and Fax number (505) 258-1724, upon deposit of one hundred dollars (\$100). Plans and specifications should be available after Monday, February 21, 2005. The deposit shall be refunded if and when said plans and specifications are returned in good condition within ten (10) days after the date of opening of bids, and as otherwise provided in AIA Document A701-1997, instructions to Bidders.

Plans and specifications may be examined at the office of the Architect, the Cloudcroft Office of Otero County Electric Cooperative, Inc., the existing Alto Office of Otero County Electric Cooperative, Inc., and at the following plan rooms:

- McGraw Hill Construction Dodge
1615 University, N.E.
Albuquerque, NM 87103
(505) 243-2817 Ofc
(505) 842-0231 Fax
- Builder's News and Plan Room
3435 Princeton Dr, N.E.
Albuquerque, NM 87107
(505) 884-1752 Ofc
(505) 883-1627 Fax
- Reed Construction Data
331 Candelaria, N.E.
Albuquerque, NM 87101
(505) 881-8590 Ofc
(505) 881-2063 Fax

Proposals must be transmitted in DUPLICATE in accordance with the instructions to Bidders on the loose forms provided for that purpose. The Owner reserves the right to reject any or all bids and waive all technicalities.

BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE OTERO COUNTY ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE, INC.

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ARE YOU IN AGRICULTURE? TOURISM?

Do You Want Alternate Income?

Attend the Agri-tourism Workshop
February 24 at the
Ruidoso Convention Center,
8:00 to 12:30

This workshop is for producers, farms and ranches interested in direct marketing, retail sales and agri-entertainment. Cost is free with membership --
(\$25-active member/voting,
\$15-inactive member/non-voting).

Agri-tourism: That activity where people visit a work

- > 8:00 registration
- > 8:30 Introduction to the Agri-tourism Advisory council and membership benefits.
- > 8:45 NMDA marketing specialist will speak on marketing strategies, NMDA programs to assist small agri-businesses, and advertising.
- > 9:45: 4 successful producers talk about their start up, business decisions, retail products and advertising.
- > 11:00: Meet the speakers.
- > 11:15: Cooperative Extension services talk about obtaining free experts to help develop your niche/product or government regulation.
- 12:30: SBA talks about business planning and financial decisions. Farm Bureau Services discuss risk management, liability issues and "just in case" planning in allowing the public on your property.

Extreme Gardening 2005



So far 2005 has been a mixed bag, from the dry and mild days of January to the return of cold and wet weather so far in February.

2004 was considered one of the wettest years in decades, with enough rain and snow fall in the last part of the year to carry on through January.

With so much moisture, the ground is still wet, and everywhere native and

so native grasses are green! This gives us very good odds to avoid the nasty dirt filled storms of March and April, and instead look forward to Spring Flowers!

Plan your vegetable garden now for within three weeks it will be possible to plant spinach, radishes and hardy lettuce outside under a protected row cover.

When considering what

vegetables you would like to grow, take into account the garden space you have and what you and your family like to eat. No point in growing a field of squash if no one eats it.

Then evaluate what methods worked in your garden last year, such as the cloche and row covers. We found in the Extreme Garden that the Remy brand fabric row cover cloth did not stand up to

the UVs and extreme weather here in Lincoln County. Hail destroyed one cloche in the Extreme Garden, while the old sheet cloche stood up to rain, hail, wind and because this gardener got lazy, snow.

This year in the Extreme Garden we will avoid purchasing the costly Remy cloth and look for alternatives, such as the old light colored bed sheet. Two mil grade plastic will also work, provided it is shaded. However, plastic prevents any absorption from rain and thus has its drawbacks.

Also in February, when a warm spell arrives, take advantage and go outside to do garden clean up. If you did not remove old cloches or other garden structures last fall, do it now. Pull back all mulch covers and check for insects. If you find them hatching, remove the mulch to the compost pile, turn the dirt and recover it with fresh mulch. There are plenty of pine needles in Ruidoso that are there for the taking, just remember to take a plastic garbage bag along next time you go to town.

Check your compost piles. If they are not frozen, they might need tending, and turned. If you have fresh manure add it to the compost to heat it up some.

If any greens, such as Swiss Chard, wintered over, you could give them a boost by removing any frozen and dead leaves, then mulching around them. Again, look for bug pests whenever you remove dead plants, or any garden structures.

Unless you have con-

structed raised beds, consider changing the shape of your garden beds. Sit a while and watch how the sun moves across your garden now in the winter. Remember in the summer the sun will be overhead! If you have very shady places in your garden, these areas will be best suited for greens and lettuces. Sunny and protected places are best suited for tomatoes, chili or other warmer weather plants.

At this point it is hard to tell if the summer will be good for growing chili in altitudes above 6,000 feet. If you want to grow chili, consider jalapeno or piquenos which set fruit and ripen much quicker than Big Jim's the popular relleno chili.

Whenever considering any warm weather vegetable plant, look at the seed packet. On the back is the "days to harvest". If it takes 90 days for a tomato to be ready for harvest, that is too long for altitudes above 6,000 feet.

This year in the Extreme Garden we are going to try a hybrid "grape" tomato which is the tiny sweet cherry tomato seen on the expensive produce shelves. It matures very quickly.

Eggplants are also bred for cool short seasons, choose the small varieties.

Seeds are now on the racks at the dominate discount store. Order from catalogues soon, or to get a list of catalogues go to www.gardenlist.com. It is a great resource site with links to all sorts of garden catalogues and informa-

tion. Evaluate your last year's garden and incorporate what worked and toss out what didn't. Watch the weather like a hawk, make the national weather service website one of your bookmarks on your internet addresses. Satellite maps give lots of information, with some of the best being the water vapor maps. If you want successful seedlings, prepare your beds and plant just before a wave of moisture. Greens and lettuces especially will respond immediately. Remember to give the green's protection with shade cloth or fiberglass window screening material, because windy sunny days will return.

To Do Around the Garden this Month:
Clean up, haul and spread manure and compost; till if the ground is not too wet or still frozen; re-contour or redesign garden beds; spread mulch to retain moisture. If the end of February is calm and warmed, plant green and lettuce seeds.

Coming Up: Extreme Gardening column will feature interviews with gardeners and small farmers from all elevations of Lincoln County. The first interview is with Mark Cherry, who inspired many of the ideas shared in this column.

The March Extreme Garden column will feature "fire mitigation and forest health" information for those who live within the juniper/pinon and mixed conifer forests. This gardener while acknowledging the one seed juniper to be a weed in need of control, will show how the tough species is important as wind breaks in areas that have limited rainfall and as the best firewood species.



Carrizozo Grade School "BRAVO!" Achievers for January 2005 / Kindergarten, 1st and 2nd Grades

BOTTOM ROW: Justice Kassel, Garrison Ventura, Taylor Thornton, Mikhail Barela, Danny Roper, Alex Randolph, Andrea Apodaca, Kristie Gallacher, Lashae Lueras. **2nd ROW:** Anthony Vallejos, Gracie hooten, Dominic Garcia, Deline Arteche, Veronica Ochoa, Miccah hamilton, Dominique Zamora, Patience Anaya, Cheyanne Apodaca, Kadee Sedillo. **3rd ROW:** Gene Gore, Emily Comstock, Lexi Zamora, Lindsay Chavez, Cirsten Barela, Desirae Zamora, Samantha Vermilion, Leslie Ryan, Tyrrell Barela. **TOP ROW:** Zhane Vega, Fantasia Dennis, Jacie Thornton, Lisa Ventura, Josh Ventura, Jaclynn Ortiz, Tiffany Vega. Not pictured (absent): Dillon Walema, Caleb Ventura, Hannah Ventura.

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