

County Tightens Annual Budget Belt

by Doris Cherry

Faced with reductions in the federal payment in Lieu of Taxes program, rising costs of employee insurance and fuel, and hoping to maintain the current level of county services, Lincoln County Commissioners juggled budget figures at their preliminary budget hearing on Tuesday, May 3 in Carrizozo.

All morning May 3 county commissioners heard testimony from various outside agencies and organizations seeking a bit of the county money pie. By late afternoon, many of these requests had been rejected or reduced in order to keep the proposed 2005-2006 fiscal year budget from going too deeply into the red.

County manager Tom Stewart and county finance officer Glenna Robbins presented county commissioners with a preliminary budget that was based on projected revenues and projected needs for each of the county's departments. In the general county operating fund, revenues for 2005-2006 are projected to be \$6,528,107. Of

this amount, \$3,620,837 is projected to come from county property taxes. General fund expenditures are projected at \$4,398,031. Another \$2,603,326 was projected to be transferred from the general fund to the Road Fund, Farm and Range, special programs, Capital improvement projects, agreements, legislative agree-

ments, corrections (\$1,167,719 for contract operations of the county detention center), ambulance services, Zia Senior Citizens,

juvenile fund (for juvenile detention).

The preliminary budget

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SUNNY DAYS. Carrizozo residents enjoyed sitting in the bright spring morning last week, which was soon followed by rainy, showery and foggy weather. Warm days are predicted to return with highs in the 80s next week, although there will be chances for showers and thunderstorms through Sunday in the higher elevations. Visitors to the free street dances at Smokey Bear Days in Capitan might be wise to bring along umbrellas and jackets.

Request For Ruidoso Council Pay Rejected

by Doris Cherry

A request from Ruidoso Village Councilor Don Williams to consider compensation for elected village mayor and councilors got a fair hearing, but was not accepted.

At the April 26 Ruidoso Village Council meeting, Williams who was on the agenda to discuss the compensation, said he had met many people who would be highly qualified for village council, but did not run because there was no financial compensation for serving. Williams proposed that giving councilors compensation would encourage more people to seek office.

Any compensation would be available only for those elected or re-elected to office in 2006, not for the current sitting councilors, reminded village attorney John Underwood.

Councilor Michelle Rebstock said she heard similar comments about compensation, which she said is given to elected officials in the form of insurance benefits paid by the village. "We receive \$500 a month plus insurance paid for serving on the council," Rebstock said. After the insurance co-payment there is little left for gas and phone bills, she added.

Rebstock said it was an "eye-opener" about how much time and energy is required to serve as councilors.

Eggleston said years ago the municipal judge was also a low paid position, and few people sought that office. Once the village increased

the judge pay, 17 people ran for the position.

Councilor Ron Hardeman said he knew what the job of councilor paid before he ran for office. He said school board members are paid nothing, and many municipalities do not pay their councilors or they are paid per meeting. "I am opposed to paying councilors," Hardeman said. He said perhaps the mayor needs a higher compensation because he spends more time on village business.

Eggleston said he ran for mayor knowing what it pays and the level of responsibilities. "It was because of my love for Ruidoso that I ran for mayor," Eggleston said.

"We all do a lot without pay, and there is a lot of volunteerism in this community," Eggleston added.

Byars said she had no clue when she ran that the councilor job had any compensation and she was tickled pink when she learned she would have paid insurance. "Not all business people have medical insurance or if they have it the cost is very high," Byars, a business person, said. "I appreciate what I am being paid in terms of compensation and benefits."

Hardeman said he was unsure of providing elected councilors with financial incentive, rather he said the village needs community spirited people to run. "In considering the budget, I will not vote the council a pay raise without giving the employees a raise first," Hardeman said.

Councilor Angel Shaw said

as a 10 year volunteer she is thrilled to have the current compensation and she was there to give to the community.

"If you run for office for the money, that is the wrong reason," Eggleston concluded.

Byars said it was a good discussion.

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Smokey Bear Days May 6 & 7

by Doris Cherry

Come help celebrate Smokey Bear's birthday with a two day bash in Capitan, Friday May 6 and Saturday May 7.

Festivities begin at noon on Friday, with the Smokey Bear marketplace on Smokey Bear Blvd. just south of Smokey Bear Historical State Park. The marketplace will feature vendors with arts, crafts, gifts, Smokey Bear memorabilia, food and drink, as well as an information booth from the Capitan Chamber of Commerce.

The marketplace will be open until dusk on Friday and Saturday.

At 7 p.m. on Friday, May 6 the free street dance featuring the Desperados Country and Western band will begin and last until 11 p.m. in the street between Smokey Bear park and the laundromat. The street will be closed off for the dance.

Saturday, May 7 begins at 10 a.m. with the opening of the Smokey Bear marketplace and Fire Prevention exhibits and free live country western music at Smokey Bear Park. Musicians scheduled to play are Evelyn Roper, Eddy Harrison, Harold Hill, Tom and Donna Hatton, Palo Duro, Dennis Jay, The Lost Canyon Rangers, Mixed Company, Johnny Bencomo and Scotty Fitch provided by Joe Baker, Backforty Bunkhouse Productions.

During the day on Saturday, May 7 until 6 p.m. there will be a chainsaw bear carv-

ing contest. Call Capitan Chamber of Commerce at 354-2273 for entry information. There also will be an antique and custom car show with winners receiving Smokey Bear Days jacket and hats, activities for kids, fire prevention education exhibits and the Smokey Bear cold air balloon.

Smokey's birthday winds down with another free old time country and western music dance featuring fiddler Johnny Gimble and the Desperados from 7 to 11 p.m. in the street west of Smokey Bear Park.

May 9 is the day in 1950 that a small burned bear cub was found in the Capitan Mountains following a huge fire. Realizing the potential for making the cub the "living symbol" of Smokey Bear, state game officials convinced the national zoo to take the small bear, and even flew him there in a small single engine airplane.

Little Smokey got more famous the closer he got to the National Zoo in Washington D.C. as crowds came out to see the little cub at every airplane stop.

Smokey died in 1976 and was brought back home to be buried at the then new Smokey Bear Historical Park. Visitors now can view Smokey's grave which is at the back of Smokey Bear Historical Park that features plants from almost every life zone within Lincoln County. The park is located in the heart of Capitan on Smokey Bear Blvd.

The 2005 Smokey Bear Days are sponsored by Capitan Chamber of Commerce and Village of Capitan in cooperation with New Mexico State Forestry Division, Smokey Bear Historical State Park, US Forest Service and City Bank New Mexico.

For more information about the event, or vendor information, call 354-2273.

117 Variances Are Illegal

by Doris Cherry

Some 117 property owners in Lincoln County do not pay bills to Lincoln County Solid Waste Authority for disposal of their household trash.

Instead these 117 owners

have "variances" that have allowed them for the last several years to dispose of their own domestic trash at a site somewhere on their 300 or more contiguous acres. The 300+ contiguous acres amount is set by the Lincoln County Solid Waste ordinance under the variance section.

However, the ordinance as written and adopted in 1997 allows variances only if the property owner has obtained official approval for a private landfill from the New Mexico Environment Department Solid Waste Bureau. While the 117 land owners obtained variances from Lincoln County Solid Waste Authority (LCSWA) and never paid bills to LCSWA, they never got official approval from the NMED, thus making their private disposal sites illegal and creating a question of whether the property owners should have to pay for solid waste services.

So learned the members of LCSWA, visiting county commissioner Maury St. John and visiting county attorney Alan Morel at the LCSWA board meeting on Tuesday, April 26 at the LCSWA offices in Ruidoso Downs.

The issue of the variances arose in February when property owners Stirling Spencer, Sid Goodloe and others attended the LCSWA meeting with concerns about their

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UP, UP AND AWAY. Lincoln County Solid Waste Authority makes its residential rounds on Wednesday in Carrizozo with the new trash collection truck that is fully automated and requires only the driver to operate. With the new truck came new poly carts which all residents received. LCSWA is seeking bids to drill a water well, and to do excavation work at the site for the new LCSWA recycling center, transfer station and offices on Highway 70 east in Ruidoso Downs (see legal ads in this issue of THE NEWS).

117 Variances

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variances. As a result of those questions, LCSWA invited Fred Bennett with the NMED (ED) Solid Waste Bureau in Roswell to a meeting to provide answers.

Bennett, who attended the April 26 meeting, cited state solid waste management regulations under which private disposal is permitted. He said that approval of a private domestic disposal site comes from the state only.

LCSWA operational supervisor Debra Ingle said in the past all people had to do to get a variance was to supply to LCSWA a copy of a warranty title for 300+ contiguous acres. However, Ingle said, there always was the second part of the county's variance application that advises land owners that before

a variance could be given the land owner must obtain approval for the domestic disposal site by application with the NMED.

"That system was not followed," Ingle said. "And now we have 117 variances out there without ED approval."

Bennett said NMED cannot recognize any variances granted in the past by LCSWA. "Any exemption has to be promulgated by the state," he added.

Citing Section 108B in the state solid waste regulations about on-site domestic solid waste disposal, Bennett said there are three major criteria for such disposal sites: feasibility for the land owner to utilize a solid waste facility (dumpsters are considered a solid waste facility of the

LCSWA); the proposed disposal site will not harm the environment or safety of the residents; the site is not in violation of the state solid waste regulations for domestic household waste.

The requirements of the NMED application for a domestic disposal site does not specify acreage, which Bennett said is a county added requirement. The NMED application requires the location of the property selected for a disposal site in township, range and section; description of local regulations such as the county's acreage requirement; feasibility of ability to dispose at an alternate site (such as a LCSWA dumpster); distance to permitted site (dumpster); estimated amount of trash generated per year in tons and cubic yards; general cost to transport household trash to a permitted site (dumpster) and if it is prohibitive in cost or hardship to do so; route of travel to closest permitted site; characteristics of the property proposed for a domestic disposal site; methods to be used to dispose of domestic trash and types of trash to be disposed; how the land owner will protect the groundwater and surface water; brief summary as to why the NMED should support an exemption for the applying landowner; proximity of the proposed site to population, to known water crossings, to ground water, to alluvial fans; geological/hydrological features of the proposed site such as sandy soils, sink holes or other locations that could result in potential harm to groundwater; other factors and other requirements.

"The variance is only to dispose of your own trash," Bennett said. "A property owner cannot take anyone else's trash."

Ingle said the LCSWA of-

fice in Ruidoso Downs has the NMED application forms for domestic disposal sites. These can be completed and mailed to Fred Bennett at NMED, SW Bureau, 1914 West 2nd Street, Roswell NM 88202.

Bennett said the applications will be reviewed and either approved or denied. He said the process from application submittal until approved usually takes two weeks, however if all 117 variance holders submit applications it will take longer.

Lincoln County Attorney Alan Morel asked Bennett if he recommended the county do away with the 300+ acre requirement. Bennett said not necessarily, but land owners seeking variances must comply with county ordinance and state regulations.

Ruidoso councilor and LCSWA representative for Ruidoso, Ray Nunley said the county's ordinance requires validation of the variances by the NMED.

Ingle said since she has been operational supervisor, whenever someone contacts LCSWA for a variance, LCSWA sends them the NMED application form.

Ingle said the issue with the variances came up because some citizens called LCSWA requesting variances. "We mailed out the NMED applications and that caused a chain reaction from those who had not received those in the past," Ingle said.

LCSWA attorney Angie Schneider-Cooke said what happened was LCSWA denied a variance to one of the property owners who got upset.

Visiting county commissioner Maury St. John said the issue of the granting variances is not up to LCSWA, rather should be referred to the state.

Ingle said by county ordinance, LCSWA sends a bill to each property owner for trash collection services. It is up to the property owner to contact LCSWA if they have 300+ contiguous acres and would like a variance for a domestic disposal site. "We send them the NMED form and notify them if NMED approves their site, then by county ordinance, LCSWA is allowed to waive the monthly trash collection fee," Ingle said.

When asked if NMED does periodic inspections of the currently permitted domestic disposal sites, Bennett said no because there are too many sites and too few NMED staff. He said occasionally they make a visit of a proposed site if there is something in question, such as proximity to a live stream.

Bennett said NMED approval for an exemption or variance for a domestic disposal site does not relieve the property owner from paying fees to a solid waste authority or county that is served by dumpsters. "That is up to the LCSWA or the county to decide," Bennett said.

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Councilor Ray Nunley spoke in defense of the county commissioners who had been mentioned in terms of receiving salaries. Nunley said county commissioners get no huge salary, and when he was county commissioner the only reason he voted to increase county commission salaries was to give all other county elected officials salary increases.

Byars asked Underwood if there is a way the village could pay for meals and other costs for elected officials while on official duties. Underwood said the best way to do this would be to establish a separate account to accept private donations to pay for these costs, but he would research state laws to determine how this could be done.



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, July 9, 1943

With the Men in Service

Staff Sgt. Ramon St. John from Dalhart, Texas, passed through here Tuesday evening for a short visit with his mother, Mrs. Agnes St. John, sister Mabel and brother Eloy at Alamogordo. Ramon has been awarded his 'wings'.

The War Department reported today that Tech. Sgt. Charles H. Provine, son of Mrs. Helen C. Provine of Capitan, is a prisoner of war held by the Italians.

Staff Sg. Eugene Dow from Biggs Field, Texas spent the weekend here with his parents and other relatives.

Pvt. Tony Perea arrived here Monday night on furlough from an Army camp in California. Tony was the star shortstop of the local baseball team before he left here about four years ago.

Robert William Allen of Three Rivers has been called to service in the U.S. Air Corps. He has gone to Sheppard Field, Texas, to enter training as an Aviation Cadet. Bill has been a student at NMMI for the past two years.

Seaman 1/c Loice (Friday) Sherrill is spending a five day leave with his wife, Mrs. Sherrill, who is employed by the Outlook Gift Shoppe, is taking her vacation at the same time with him.

Lt. Aubrey Hines got twelve hours off, somewhere in Africa and he occupied the time visiting his brother, Capt. Carol Hines.

Pvt. Alcario Baros of Carrizozo is now stationed at the Coast Artillery Replacement Training Center, Camp McQuaide, California, where he will undergo 13 weeks of basic training.

Fort Oglethorpe, Ga., July 5. Her husband overseas with the Army, Auxiliary Effie Ailene Marler has begun her military training with the Women's Army Auxiliary Corps at the Third WAAC Training Center. Auxiliary Marler, of Ruidoso, was clerk of the county board of education, Lincoln County, Carrizozo, NM before enrolling in the WAACs. The Ruidoso WAAC is being instructed in administration, supply, and many other subjects which will enable her to release some man for active duty at the conclusion of her training. Auxiliary Marler is the daughter of Mrs. Ethel Wilson, Ruidoso.

Pvt. Joe Morales of Carrizozo, son of Mr. and Mrs. Salvador Morales, was here for a few days visiting his parents and other relatives. Joe was one of a party who conveyed prisoners of war to the United States recently, disembarking in Newport News, Va. Joe received orders Monday to entrain for that part immediately.

What to Write Soldiers

"The soldier wants the intimate details of life back home," says Chaplain (Major) Alvne L. McKnight of Cleveland, Mississippi, who has just returned to the U.S. after five months of duty on Guadacanal. "That the girl two doors down has taken a war plant job, or that the couple across the street have had a baby may make your letter read like a personal column in a small town weekly newspaper, but that's what he wants. By all means, don't tell the soldier about your troubles. He has enough of his own. Domestic troubles affect the morale of the soldier at the front more than anything else. Something to live for and go back to is what keeps a soldier going. It is what gives a man fight. Home is everything to the man at the front."

Walter Winchell

Right now the darling of the sloganeers is:

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BOOKMOBILE SCHEDULE

TUESDAY, MAY 11

Corona Post Office 12:00 - 2:00
Carrizozo/Otero Electric 3:30 - 6:00

WEDNESDAY, MAY 12

Carrizozo/Otero Electric 7:30 - 8:30
Nogal Post Office 9:00 - 9:45
Capitan Smokey Bear Cafe 10:15 - 11:30
Fort Stanton RfC 12:30 - 2:00
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CALENDAR OF EVENTS

MONDAYS AND THURSDAYS

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

WEDNESDAYS

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

TODAY, THURSDAY, MAY 5

--Upper Hondo Soil and Water Conservation District board meets at 4:30 p.m. at the conservation office on Highway 380 west in Capitan.

--Lincoln County Democratic Party meets at 6 p.m. for dinner and 6:30 p.m. for business meeting at K-Bob's Restaurant in Ruidoso. Call 630-2004 for information.

FRIDAY & SATURDAY, MAY 6 & 7

--Smoky Bear Days in Capitan. Events begin at noon on Friday, with arts and crafts, street dance 7 p.m. by Smokey Bear Park; additional events on Saturday, including free country western street dance 7-11 p.m. Other events from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.

SATURDAY, MAY 7

--Fort Stanton Sesquicentennial Conference at Fort Stanton. Call Dr. Cynthia Oroscio at 258-2212 or email her at cynthia.oroasco@enmu.edu to pre-register which is required. There is a cost.

--Cinco de Mayo celebration, 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. School House Park on Sudderth Drive in Ruidoso (next to swimming pool.) Food and drink available, dancers and other entertainment; admission.

SUNDAY, MAY 8

--Mothers Day! Take Mom to dinner, or better yet, fix dinner and clean up for her!

MONDAY, MAY 9

--Rural Economic Development Through Tourism (REDTT) board meets at 1 p.m. at Spencer Theater for the Performing Arts. RSVP by May 6 to Sue Harkness at 505-630-0044 or email to lctc101@yahoo.com.

--Ruidoso-Lincoln County Extraterritorial Zoning Authority meets at 6:30 p.m. at Ruidoso Village Hall.

TUESDAY, MAY 10

--Capitan Elementary School Patriotic Program, 2nd and 3rd grade singing patriotic music, 9 a.m. multipurpose room in Traylor Gym.

--Carrizozo Chamber of Commerce, noon. Four Winds Restaurant.

--Lincoln County DWI Council meets at 4:30 p.m. at Ruidoso Senior Center on Sudderth Drive.

--Ruidoso Village Council 6 p.m.

--Carrizozo Town Trustees 6 p.m.

--Carrizozo Soil and Water Conservation District board meets at 6:30 p.m. at the new NRCS offices on 12th Street in Carrizozo.

--Capitan Village Trustees 6:30 p.m.

--Corona Village Trustees 7 p.m.

--Corona School Board 7 p.m.

WEDNESDAY, MAY 11

--Fifth annual Weed Workshop, 8:30 a.m.. Best Western Pine Springs Inn, Ruidoso Downs. to register or for more information call 505-354-2220.

THURSDAY, MAY 12

--Capitan Elementary Choir with Capitan middle and high school guitar classes spring concert, 2 p.m. multipurpose room.

--Capitan Board of Education, 6:30 p.m. administration building.

FRIDAY, MAY 13

--Corriente CowBelles Ag Day 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. at Lincoln County Fairgrounds in Capitan, working displays of various agricultural products and livestock. All Capitan elementary classes participating, public invited.

--Starry Nite Party in Lincoln, program begins at dusk at Lincoln Pageant Grounds on Highway 380, west of the old courthouse. Telescopes will be available or bring your own. Astronomy program by NMSU astronomers. Small charge. For information call 505-630-0044 or toll free to 1-800-653-6460. The event is sponsored by the Lincoln County Rural Economic Development Through Tourism (REDTT).

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shows an estimated beginning cash balance, on July 1, 2005, of \$1,853,484; projected revenues of \$6,528,107; projected transfers of \$2,603,326; projected expenditures of \$4,598,031; with estimated ending cash balance, on June 30, 2006, of \$1,380,234. Under state law, the county is required to have an emergency reserve of 3/12ths of the general fund revenues, which would be a projected \$1,099,508.

No salary increases are figured into the preliminary budget at this time, said county manager Tom Stewart to the county commissioners. Instead, any salary increase or one time merit pay will be considered in December at the budget mid-year review.

Although property valuations projected for 2005 are an estimated \$67,083,165 more than the previous year and will produce about \$155,691 additional revenues for the general fund, this will not offset the reduction in the PILT. Stewart added.

County assessor Rick Silva had a different revenue picture, estimating the additional revenue from increased property values will be more like \$640,000. Stewart, taking a more conservative approach averaged the revenue to make the general fund overspent only by \$273,000.

With that figure in hand, county commissioners began the task of determining which outside agency requests would be granted and what equipment and vehicles would be purchased for its own departments.

External requests came from the Special Olympics, USDA Predator Control, Cooperative Extension Service, SNMEDD, Capitan Library, RASCAL Club, Claunch Pinto Soil and Water Conservation District, BigBrothers/BigSisters, White Mountain Search and Rescue, Zia Therapy, Lincoln County Community Cooperative, Early Years Childhood Center, Ruidoso Library, Opportunity House, Inc., KEDU-LP community radio, NM Bookmobile, South Central Mountain RC&D, NM Association of Counties/AZNM Coalition of Counties dues.

County commissioners had considered dropping the county's \$49,827 contribution to the cooperative extension office which provides agricultural and garden services to residents, assists the county Extension Clubs and supervises the 4-H and nutrition programs county wide. But after the presentation from the extension agent and home economist on the services their office provides, county commissioners agreed to continue the county's funding share.

USDA Predator control funding request of \$90,000 for three "wildlife specialists" (trappers) for the county

did not set well with the county manager or county commissioners. The funding request was a more than \$50,000 increase from the previous budget year for the program. The predatory control program gets revenue from a 25 cents a head tax which livestock producers self-impose, and half of its funding from the US Department of Agriculture. The \$90,000 represented half of the cost to employ three full-time specialists, which both the program representative and livestock producer Duane Frost said are needed to control the numbers of predators which threaten livestock and wildlife.

After discussion, Stewart recommended and county commissioners agreed to the county funding the predator program with \$20,205 in 2005-2006 which will finance two specialists. Stewart said it will now be up to the Livestock Predator Board to meet and agree to increase their per head tax to 50 cents in order to keep the two specialists in 2006-2007 budget year.

County commissioners agreed to provide \$500 for Special Olympics; \$20,205 for predator control program; \$49,827 for the county's share to extension service; \$2,000 for Capitan Public Library; \$1,000 to BigBrothers/BigSisters because of its expanded programs into Corona and Carrizozo; \$10,000 to Ruidoso Library; \$1,050 to NM Bookmobile; \$20,360 for annual dues to New Mexico Association of Counties.

County commissioners agreed to funding \$4,000 to KEDU radio with the provision it continue to provide free informational time to county officials. County commissioner Maury St. John suggested county commission chair Rick Simpson put his "patriotic moments" onto the radio as a series. County commissioner Tom Battin suggested the station reformat its sponsorship announcements so they will sound more like sponsorships instead of a commercial.

Requests not funded were Southeastern New Mexico Economic Development District dues of \$5,100 (at this time); RASCALS after school program with county commissioners saying this program needs to go to Ruidoso and Ruidoso Downs for funding requests since its mostly serves children from those communities; Zia Therapy; Lincoln County Community Cooperative; Early Years Childhood Center saying if the county funds this one it will have child care centers asking for money; Opportunity House; NM/AZ Coalition of Counties.

Simpson said all organizations requesting county money were deserving organizations. "But we have important county organizations and departments that are our first priority," Simpson said.

County commissioners also considered and funded only a portion of the long list of needs for various county departments. Total personnel services, with salaries and all benefits (county pays 80 percent of health insurance with employee paying 20 percent) for all 120 employees of the county is \$4,345,259.

After considering the external requests, county commissioners determined which "unfunded requests" from the county manager would get money. They agreed to budget \$17,000 as the county's share to have the Single Engine Attack Transport airplane stationed at Sierra Blanca Airport for fire season; \$18,000 for a part time deputy and metal detector wand for district court security as requested by District Court Judge Karen Parsons; \$15,000 to replace a roof on the courthouse annex building; \$15,000 to install three radio repeaters in the Hondo Valley for emergency response; \$10,000 to refurbish

heating and cooling in the Ruidoso substation; \$12,000 for air tanks safety equipment in the detention center as required by the state fire marshal.

Requests from the county 911 rural addressing department for a vehicle replacement; from the sheriff for two large SUVs and one patrol car; the road department request for two dump trucks and two 3/4 ton pick ups and the clerk's request for funds to construct a storage vault for records; the assessor's request for PC upgrade and construction of a detention center annex for DWI were all put on hold until mid year. All agreed it was wise to continue vehicle replacement for the sheriff's office instead of allowing the entire fleet to age to the need for all vehicles to be replaced.

Also a request for \$165,000 from Glencoe Palo Verde Fire Department for property and construction of a new fire station and a request for \$70,000 to purchase water tanks for Glencoe and Nogal Fire Departments were also tabled until mid year.

Requests for a three percent salary increase for all employees estimated to cost an additional \$145,000 for salaries and benefits) and special "incentives" for the assessor and assessor's chief deputy, upgrade of road department secretary, position and pay increase for the emergency services coordinator and rural addresser were not considered at this time because of the budget shortfall. Stewart said he preferred to build a reserve in the budget for an employee salary increase to be considered at mid year.

Lastly Stewart said the request from Judge Parsons for a new courthouse was something for a future bond issue. But county commissioner Maury St. John said "not under my watch."

By 5 p.m. when Simpson closed the special budget public hearing, the figures stood with the preliminary proposed general fund budget spending (and transferring to other departments) \$375,900 more than it projected to receive in income.

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7pm-11pm: Free Street Dance featuring the Desperados

Saturday, May 7th

10am-6pm: Free Live C&W Music* & Fire Prevention Exhibits at Smokey Bear Historical Park. Smokey Bear Marketplace, Chainsaw Carving, Antique & Custom Car Show, Fire Prevention Education, Activities for Kids, Smokey Bear Cold Air Balloon, Food & Drink Vendors available throughout the day

7pm: Free Old Time C&W Street Dance featuring Fiddler Johnny Gimble & the Desperados

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THOUGHTS

FROM THE EDITOR'S DESK

Happy Mother's Day

By Ruth Hammond

As you know, Sunday is Mother's Day and there will be a flurry of gift buying and telephone calls, especially to Mothers living far away. The surprising thing is that many adults don't remember the majority of the things their Mother did when they were youngsters. Most of the things people do remember are about their later years.

Not remembering doesn't mean your Mother didn't do a lot of things. Older adults probably don't remember how their Mother did laundry on a washboard in a tub out over a blazing fire. And that was back when diapers were cloth. When wringer washing machines were first used, your Mother spent hours feeding clothes through the wringer into the rinse tubs, and sometimes her arm would get caught in the wringer. After that she hung the clothes on the line, followed by ironing the starched clothing.

Children usually didn't pay much attention to all the work their Mothers did, even the cooking and cleaning. Meals were prepared, dishes were washed, floors were scrubbed, and through all this the main thing children did remember was how strict their Mothers were all the time.

Endeavoring to provide for her children, Mothers did all these things. Then when the children were in school Mothers would attend PTA meetings and Open House and programs to watch their darlings perform in public.

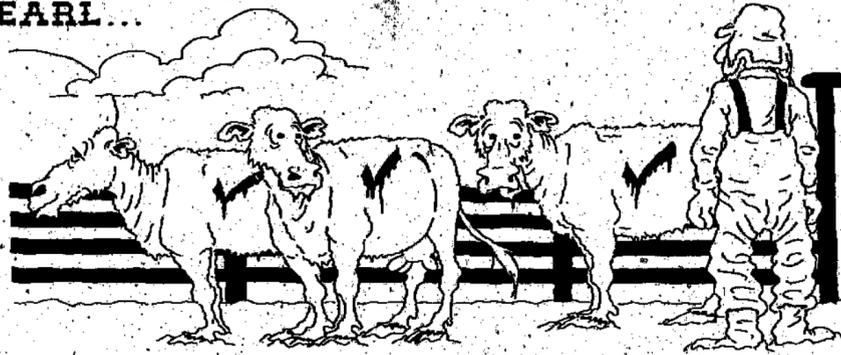
Sometimes your Mother would sit, and you wondered how she could sit and do nothing, unaware that she was probably tired and emotionally exhausted from all the things she did. Later when she got older and talked about the things you did as a child, you would get embarrassed.

The stories Mother told might have sounded as if they were from the middle ages, but most were true. Yes, you did upchuck during a special occasion, or you cried when you were supposed to sing in a Christmas pageant, or you tracked mud in on a freshly waxed floor. And then when you were older the things you did caused most of the gray hairs she now has. You stayed out late, drove too fast, and skimped on doing your homework, bringing down grades.

Rather than extend the list of things you did wrong, your Mother now proudly brags that you are a fine adult, and unbeknownst to you much of the time, she is pleased that you are such a fine person. She tells everyone about your job, where you live, and your accomplishments. She treasures each bit of communication from you, and when you call her on Sunday it will be extra special for her.

You might not remember the things she did, but she did them, often without thanks or recognition. Sunday is the day set aside for Mothers, but through your growing up years every day was Mother's Day. There were things to do every day for you because she was your Mother. If you Mother is not alive, stop and remember her too.

EARL...



EARL SAYS HE SHOULD HAVE EXPLAINED THINGS A LITTLE BETTER LAST NIGHT WHEN HE ASKED HIS COSMOPOLITAN BRIDE TO CHECK THE HEIFERS.

INSIDE THE CAPITOL

by Jay Miller

SANTA FE -- In his inaugural address, Gov. Bill Richardson promised to go boldly where no governor has gone before. Actually, he didn't day it quite that way, since I'm not his speech writer. But it would have been a good idea because he did promise to be bold. And he has been.

Gov. Richardson's recent bill signings and vetoes proved his boldness beyond a doubt as he took some courageous stands and introduced a new twist to the sign-or-veto process.

Lawmakers sent the governor several pieces of controversial legislation -- an immigrant policing bill, a gaming license bill, some pork for Pojoaque Pueblo, a bill extending hours of slot play at race tracks and a bill that would help fund a telephone company on the underserved Navajo Reservation.

All involved tough decisions, but the governor didn't blink. He vetoed a bill introduced at the request of his state gaming commission authorizing it to grant licenses to people who had been rejected by other states. The bill might have helped R.D. Hubbard, one of his biggest campaign contributors.

The governor also vetoed a bill to provide some startup costs for a phone company to serve Navajos lacking phone service. Butch Maki, one of Richardson's first campaign workers and later a congressional staffer, was involved, causing detractors to allege it was a sweetheart deal.

Also vetoed was about a half-million dollars of projects for Pojoaque Pueblo, sponsored by House Speaker Ben Lujan, the governor's most effective legislative supporter. Richardson cited Pojoaque's refusal to pay \$30 million it is estimated to owe as a result of the gaming compact it signed.

Richardson has used capital outlay vetoes as punishment. Roswell Rep. Dan Foley, a frequent critic of the governor's, has been the most frequent target. It's not good government and Richardson shouldn't be doing it. But he has proposed the proper alternative to dividing the money available for everyone's pet projects.

The governor proposes a joint capital outlay council to prioritize statewide needs and allocate money on a planned and managed basis. Lawmakers have rejected the proposal because they think the projects they get for their districts is what causes us to vote for them.

As long as lawmakers insist on playing that game, they can expect governors to play their games. If lawmakers didn't have to spend so much time hawking the requests of their constituencies every session, they could spend more time on the major issues facing the state.

One of the most difficult decisions Richardson had to make was his veto of the immigrant policing bill. The measure would have prohibited state and local police from enforcing fed-

eral immigration laws. Those laws have made undocumented immigrants unwilling to report crimes and to be witnesses in criminal cases because it could result in their deportation.

Richardson knows that federal efforts to control immigration have not prevented large numbers of illegals from settling in border states. Their distrust of police allows crime to flourish in immigrant communities.

Something needs to be done but Richardson was unwilling to tie the hands of law enforcement. His solution was to veto the bill but issue an executive order preserving the main intent of the legislation. It prohibits state and local police from prying into a person's immigration status when investigating other crimes.

Richardson used a similar tactic when he signed a bill increasing the hours a racetrack may keep its slot machine areas open. He didn't want further expansion of gambling, but he used his approval of the bill to leverage side deals with each track owner halting other contemplated expansion and assuring their support of any efforts to treat gambling addiction.

The governor also vetoed money legislators had set aside for an exercise room in the Capitol and for Web-casting of their sessions. For a guy who needs all the help he can get from lawmakers, that's pretty bold too.



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Taurus (April 20-May 20) You're getting spring fever that's good. But don't go spending extra money just because your spirit is happy. Let your mind play a part in all of this or your spring fever could back fire on you. Think Love.

Gemini (May 21-June 20) So you're thinking about expanding your space? Could this mean letting someone in your space that you haven't let in before? Let your heart take a chance on something new and exciting. Love with all your heart.

Cancer (June 21-July 22) Don't waste your time on anyone that can make you mad. Blow it off and find new friends if need be. If you have to be around someone in a bad mood then be quiet and don't complain. Don't let them rule.

Leo (July 23-Aug 22) It's only a matter of time when others will see what you've been trying to say all alone. Don't let ego go to your head. Be quiet and let them come back to you and tell you just how good you really are. Be nice.

Virgo (Aug 23-Sept 22) Love? You don't have time for it? If you don't have love then you will not have a complete life. Let your hair down for once and have a little fun. Don't expect anything and watch your heart come alive.

Libra (Sept 22-Oct 22) Work hard, play hard, but don't take it hard. Surround yourself with caring and loving family and friends. Seek knowledge about what you really want to accomplish this year and watch it come true. Dream on.

Scorpio (Oct 23-Nov 21) Oh boy! Watch out because your life as you know it is about to come unglued. This could be good as long as you don't take it personal. Don't get mad. Don't lose it. Enjoy the ride and laugh all the way to the bank.

Sagittarius (Nov 22-Dec) Take it easy. Don't run away from something or someone just because you're enjoying your life. Sit back and allow good things to come your way. Share your love with family and friends. Expect nothing in return.

Capricorn (Dec 22-Jan 19) Pat yourself on the back. You've done a good job. Hold your head up high put a smile on your face and walk on. Remember just because someone doesn't tell you they need you, that doesn't mean they don't.

Aquarius (Jan 20-Feb 18) There's more questions than answers. Are you ready for the answers? Don't take life personal. Talk about the good things so good things can come your way. Don't throw away good love because you can.

Pisces (Feb 19-March 20) That's beside the point. Don't argue about something to someone that doesn't make a hill of beans. Don't waste your good energy on bad people. Heal from the inside out. It's your time to shine. More money.

Aries (March 21-April 19) You know what you have to do. Quit putting it off. It's now or never. It's like ripping off a band-aid. The hurt can't heal until you can see what is really hurting you. Tell the truth and set yourself free. Be happy.

DISTRICT COURT CALENDAR

The Calendar for District Judge Karen Parsons

Monday, May 2 Judge in Alamogordo. Staff meetings. 12 noon Brown bag lunch. 1:30 p.m. Anderson v. Anderson; DM-2003-427 Otero Case; Motion for contempt.

Tuesday, May 3 8:15 a.m. Teleconference: Amerman v. Butts; DM-2003-127 (Patterson/ProSe) 8:30 a.m. Jury Trials: #1 Anita Trujillo; CR-2004-182 (Schryer/Mitchell) #2 Gerald Crow; CR-2003-198 (Schryer/Mitchell) #3 Monroy Chavez; CR-2004-27 (Key/Rafkin) 1 p.m. Norman Waites; JR-2004-15; Plea/disposition. Darrell Brantley domestic mediator hears cases on Tuesday.

10 a.m. Dolores Montes-Ramirez v. Victor Ramirez; DV-2005-20 Aracela Reger v. Mark Reger; DV-2005-24; new petition Kateri Sanchez-Carpenter v. Norvell Carpenter; DV-2005-21 10:30 a.m. Elton Matthews Vs. Martin Madrid Jr.; DV-2005-24 11 a.m. Sigurd Schmitz v. Layle Sneed; DM-2005-26; Interim.

Wednesday, May 4 8:15 a.m. Teleconference; Atkinson v. Atkinson; DM-2004-92 (Werner/Rafkin); Judicial inquiry. 8:30 a.m. Jury Trial, #1 Brian Commanche; CR-2004-204 Schryer/Mitchell)

Thursday, May 5 7 a.m. Prayer Breakfast - Ruidoso 8:30 a.m. Jury Trials. #1 Brian Commanche; CR-2004-2-04 (Schryer/Mitchell) 10 a.m. #2 Luttrell v. Carter; CV-2003-119; (C.Hawthorne/Beauvais) One day for motions and merits.

Friday, May 6 8:05 a.m. Corona v. Corona; DM-2004-48 (Schneider-Cook); Order to show cause. Smith v. Smith; DM-2004-122 R.Hawthorne/Schneider-Cook; Order to show cause. Ross v. Ross; DM-98-111 (Schneider-Cook); Order to show cause. Gerhardt-Turner v. Turner; DM-2003-143 (Schneider); Order to show cause. 9 a.m. Bench Trial, Gist v. Carter; CV-2003-185 (R.Hawthorne/Pool) One day.

"Good" NEWS Bulletin

ONE BIT OF TOUGH DETAIL THAT SMITH DIDN'T MIND

Two men worked side by side in a War Production board office. They never spoke, but each watched the other.

One man left work daily at four o'clock. The other toiled on till six or later.

Some months passed. Then the harder-working of the two approached the other.

"I beg your pardon," he said, "but do you mind telling me how you can clean up your work every day at four o'clock?"

"Not at all," said the other man. "When I come to a tough piece of detail, I mark it, 'Refer to Mr. Smith.' I figure that in a department as large as this, there is sure to be a Mr. Smith. And I must be right; those papers never come back."

The harder worker started to remove his coat.

"Brother," he said, "prepare for action. I'm Mr. Smith."

Should Improve

"What are you doing at the university?"

"Taking medicine."

"Feeling better?"

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Sheriff's Report

Lincoln County Sheriff Rick Virden reports that his department is working to verify the addresses of convicted sex offenders who are by law required to register their locations.

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

April 25

11:08 a.m. deputy advised of a rolled over dump trailer at location in Ranches of Sonterra. Bonito fire dept. arrived at 11:24 a.m. and at 12:15 p.m. advised assignment completed.

11:42 a.m. request for ambulance at location on G. Ave. for 94 year old female who fell with possible hip fracture. Med. I advanced life

support ambulance stationed at Lincoln County Medical Center (LCMC) in Ruidoso responded and arrived at the location at 12:15 p.m. At 12:31 p.m. Med. I advised they were leaving for LCMC and arrived there at 1:22 p.m.

3:01 p.m. Lincoln County Detention Center (LCDC) sergeant requested a deputy for illegal property in the jail, an inmate had a knife. Deputy dispatched.

April 26

7:36 p.m. Carrizozo police requested an ambulance at a business for a male subject with severe pain from old injury. Carrizozo ambulance arrived at 7:45 p.m. and at 7:55 p.m. left for LCMC arriving there at 8:34 p.m.

7:53 a.m. request to pick up K-9 in Nogal, request for deputy to pick up two K-9s.

Deputy dispatched. 11:47 a.m. Magistrate Judge requested deputy to do warrant service to male subject at LCDC. Deputy dispatched.

2:07 p.m. Texas caller reported lost cell phone at ski area. Deputy assigned.

4:35 p.m. Carrizozo resident advised of suspicious activity at mile marker two on ski run road. Deputy dispatched.

8:14 p.m. missing signs in Ranches of Sonterra, request for deputy to meet with caller on April 27. Deputy assigned.

9:13 p.m. fire at location in Alamo Canyon. Fire could be seen from cattle company, but it was unknown if it was grass or structure fire. Hondo fire dept. arrived at 9:27 p.m. and advised assignment completed at 10:38 p.m.

April 27
8:29 a.m. vehicle at crossing at mile marker 92.5 on Highway 380. Deputy dispatched.

12:28 p.m. grass fire at location on Boothhill in Rancho Ruidoso. Bonito fire dept. responded and advised it was about a tenth of an acre and just needed mopping up. Attack tanker arrived at 12:41 p.m. and at 1:14 p.m. all units advised assignment completed.

1:58 p.m. theft of several

items from location in Hondo. Deputy dispatched.

2:58 p.m. smoke/manure pile on county road in Glencoe area, request for assistance. Glencoe Palo Verde fire dept. arrived at 3:03 p.m. and at 5:25 p.m. advised they had completed and had returned to station.

2:55 p.m. missing juvenile from Hondo School, a female 9th grader, a 15 year old. The responding deputy later advised the subject was found.

5:37 p.m. problems with subject at mile marker 286.5 on Highway 70. A bus driver requested an officer for problems with a passenger. Deputy dispatched.

April 28
6:17 a.m. request to speak to deputy to provide supplemental information on trespass report at mile marker 276 on Highway 70. Deputy dispatched.

9:25 a.m. Children, Youth and Families Department (CYFD) in Santa Fe requested a deputy for a referral. Deputy assigned.

9:29 a.m. CYFD request for deputy for referral at mile marker 271 on Highway 70. Deputy dispatched.

11:47 a.m. Glencoe Palo Verde fire dept. advised of flare up at manure pile in Allison Canyon. Engine arrived at 12:20 p.m. and at 3:01 p.m. had returned to station.

1:29 p.m. request for deputy at location on Gavilan Canyon for the caller's daughter who was acting strange, hearing voices when nobody was around, and she had climbed out of the window onto the roof of the house. Deputy dispatched.

5:30 p.m. deputy advised he did warrant service to a 28 year old male at LCDC, wanted on a grand jury warrant for his arrest. Deputy dispatched.

6:41 p.m. request for deputy to pick up stray kitten under the house in San Patricia. Deputy dispatched.

7:49 p.m. phone threats at location on Pinehill Court. request for deputy for phone threats to a 13 year old female. Deputy dispatched.

11:49 p.m. request for deputy in Alto area. Deputies dispatched.

April 29
9:50 a.m. Hondo School superintendent requested a deputy because a teacher had found a letter which stated a 16 year old female was having sex with an adult male, the female is a special ed student with mental age of an 11 year old. Investigator dispatched.

10 a.m. recovered drug paraphernalia from location on Highway 70 in Hondo. Deputy dispatched.

10:12 a.m. caller from Clovis reported a civil - stolen vehicle/embezzlement. The caller reported a vehicle stolen from a garage in the Alto area. Deputy dispatched.

12:26 p.m. District Court requested a deputy for a juvenile without adult supervision. Deputy dispatched.

2:54 p.m. traffic hazard at mile marker 68 at Highway 380, a male subject with long blond hair was walking east-bound and jumping out in front of traffic trying to get people to stop. Deputy dispatched.

6:12 p.m. 911 request for ambulance for 58 year old male diabetic. Capitan ambulance arrived at the location at 6:35 p.m. and at 6:44 p.m. left for LCMC arriving there at 7:19 p.m.

April 30
1:50 p.m. deputy advised he found an open door at residence on Mesa Road in Alto.

10:19 p.m. anonymous caller reported loud party at Bonito Lake, with underage subjects possibly drinking. Unknown the number. Deputy dispatched.

May 1
12:13 a.m. one vehicle accident with injuries three miles east of Carrizozo on Highway 380, patient was 21 weeks pregnant. Carrizozo ambulance arrived at 12:27 p.m. and at 12:32 p.m. left for LCMC, at 12:43 p.m. intercepted with paramedics who came aboard for arrival at LCMC at 1:18 a.m.

7:59 a.m. request for dep-



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"Will Russia make a separate peace?" . . . Like it or not, Russia has the best record of any of the major nations for keeping its word - with Germany, as everybody knows, an unbroken record for never keeping its pledges. . . . One analyst the other morning was chuckling at Goebbels' funeral speeches at the burial of the RAF victims. He followed the usual line of damning the British and American aviators (for their terror raids) and in the next breath threatening that the Germans would do the same thing, only dirtier, when they got around to it. . . . Silly, isn't it? . . . Just the same, even that iniquity has its repeaters over here. . . . You hear whispers deploring the ravages of the Allied airmen. It is remarkable that not a peep came out of the same mourners when our side was running second.

Some of the Italian soldiers, however, know better. . . . During the recent Tunisian campaign one of the American boys talked with a captured Italian soldier, who once romped with eh New York midnight set. . . . "Well," comom-forted the Yank, "you're in good hands, nobody'll hurt you."

"Thanks very much," was the reply between giggles, "but don't feel sorry for me. I'm going to America. You're going to Italy!"

One of the dramatic stories brought back by recently returned war reporters is about the soldiers in a German town executed for distributing pamphlets which read: "We must avenge the needless deaths of the heroes at Stalingrad by assassinating Hitler!"

When the Nazi commanding officer of the firing squad gave the order to fire he "sympathetically" said: "Aim at their MEDALS!"

The story about the sailor who recently got up in the House Gallery. . . . He was fed up with all the oratorical bigotry during the poll-tax debate. . . . And he interrupted by shouting: "Mr. Speaker, I would like to know why a man must pay tribute for the right to vote when he can fight without doing it?" . . . Guards seized him. A psychiatrist looked him up and down. . . . Ah, then he was released. . . . To which Newsweek delightfully observed: "The sailor paid the inevitable consequence of asking a sensible question of Congress - and had his head examined!"

Fuller's Thesaurus of Anecdotes includes the one about Will Rogers spurning an invite to dinner by saying: "I've already et."

"You should say," said the friend, "have eaten."

"Well," drawled Rogers, "I know a lot of fellers who say 'have eaten' who ain't et!" . . . So that future historians won't be misled, what Rogers was criticized for was saying "ain't" - and his answer was: "I notice a lotta fellers who ain't saying 'ain't, ain't eatin'!"

Personals

Mrs. Elsie Reeder sold the small house she owned next to Paden's Drug Store, formerly occupied by the McQuillens, to Elmer Eaker.

Judge and Mrs. M.C. St. John were called to Alamogordo last Wednesday, where Mrs. Agnes St. John underwent a throat operation. She is reported as doing nicely.

Mr. Harry Straley was in town on business from Ancho last Saturday.

Mrs. Frank Maxwell and son Warden were here Monday from the Maxwell ranch near Claunch. Warden was shere on furlough and left on No. 3 for his Army camp.

Mrs. Arthur Martinez, nee Bertha Chavez, wrote from Topeka, Kansas, that she and her soldier husband are enjoying Army life. The sent best regards to friends.

Mrs. Era Smith and daughter, Mrs. R.E. Hemphill and her little son, Robert, spent Monday and Tuesday, in El Paso with Mrs. O'dell Baker.

Mrs. Ida Vega Herrera and little brother, Richard Vega, who had been visiting Pvt. Joe Herrera in South Carolina for the past month, arrived home Wednesday night.

For Sale: 1381 acres, graxing and hay land, at Coyote, Adress A.C. Armstrong, 2623 West 49th St., Terrace, Kansas City 3, Kansas.

Just Jesting

In His Stead

Henpeck was being shown over a large works.

"That machine," said his guide, "does the work of thirty men."

Henpeck sighed.

"Ah," he said, "At least I've seen what my wife should have married."

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Church Directory



MOON: AIN 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 8:00 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 8:15 p.m.
Evening Worship 7:15 p.m.
Wednesday Bible Study 7:00 p.m.

Carrizozo Community Church (A/B)

JOHNNIE L. JOHNSON, Pastor
Corner of C Ave. and Thirteenth, 848-2186
Children's Church 10:30 a.m.
Worship Service 10:30 a.m.
Wednesday Bible Study 7:30 p.m.

Santa Rita Catholic Community

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

Church of Christ

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

St. Matthias Episcopal Church

REV. RON THOMSON, Rector
Corner of E Ave. and Sixth, Carrizozo, NM
1-505-268-1242
Holy Eucharist Sunday 9:30 a.m.

Claunch Community Church

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

United Methodist Churches

JOHANNA ANDERSON, Pastor
1000 D, Ave. 648-2893 / 648-2846
Carrizozo, NM 88301
Sunday School (All Ages) 10:00 a.m.
Worship Service 11:00 am
Choir Practice (Tuesday) 8:30 p.m.
United Methodist Women
Every 3rd Wednesday 2:00 p.m.
Fellowship Dinner on
4th Sunday of Month 12:30 p.m.

CAPITAN:

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

Christ Community Fellowship

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

Capitan Church of Christ

LESLIE EARWOOD, Minister
5th & Lincoln / 338-4827
Sunday Bible Study 10:00 a.m.
Worship Service 11:00 a.m.
Evening Worship 8:00 p.m.
Wednesday Bible Study 7:00 p.m.

Trinity Southern Baptist Church

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

First Baptist Church of Corona

CAL WEST, Pastor / 848-7975
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 / 336-8032
Southwest Corner of Hwy. 48 & 37 Junction
Between Ruidoso and Capitan, NM

Sunday:
Sunday School for all ages 9:30 a.m.
Morning Worship 10:30 a.m.
Children's Church 10:45 a.m.
Evening Worship 6:00 p.m.

Wednesday:
Teen dinner and games 6:00 p.m.
Teen Bible Study 7:00 p.m.
Prayer Meeting 8:00 p.m.

LaGrone Funeral Chapel

Jerry & Lanita Rosak

In Memory of . . .
BILL WINKLER

Stearns Insurance Agency

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Historical

Lincoln County

Spring * Summer * Autumn * Winter



County Tightens Annual

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Stewart said the finance office would take all figures determined during the hearing and adjust the preliminary budget for "cleaned up" preliminary budget presentation at the regular Tuesday, May 17 county commission meeting.

In total, the preliminary proposed 2005-2006 fiscal year budget for Lincoln County shows an unadjusted beginning cash balance estimate of \$6,274,825 (this includes all departments, including grants, corrections, lodgers tax, etc.); budgeted projected revenues of \$14,449,994; total projected expenditures of \$16,015,395, and estimated projected ending

cash balance of \$4,709,424.

Because of the projected shortfall, Stewart said county commissioners have several options provided by the state legislature. Those include imposition of the additional discretionary property tax mill of .25 which would yield an estimated additional \$158,771; the last 1/8th gross receipt tax which requires a referendum (vote) that would yield an estimated \$590,000 a year; a new "correctional" 1/8th gross receipt tax that would yield an estimated \$590,000 a year that would require a referendum if voters provide petitions calling for such; and a new county

operational gross receipt tax of 1/16th that would yield an additional \$295,000 a year. If the gross receipts were enacted, the county would be eligible to receive an additional \$125,000 a year under the small counties assistance program.

All taxes imposed would produce a possible increase of \$1,758,771 a year. However, county commissioners did not favor these tax increases and preferred to tighten the county budget belt.



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

BOTTOM ROW: Jace Hill, Amanda Gallegos, Sierra Anaya, Shayna Gallacher, Erica Vega. **2nd ROW:** Analicia Beltran, Mason Huston, Sarah Ferguson, Jeremiah Sedillo, Rylah Zamora, Andrea Beltran. **3rd ROW:** Catalena Vega, Sara McNatt, Jonathan Smith, Brittany Simmons, Tavi Nash, Sean Medina, Arturo Najera, Zachary Zamora. **TOP ROW:** Shayna Zamora, Victoria Ventura, Levi Corley, Lane Carter, Eric Lueras, Marshall Ventura, Travis Calvert. (Not Pictured: Patrick Ryan, Nikko Ryan).

NOTICE TO LINCOLN COUNTY PROPERTY OWNERS
PROPERTY TAX DELINQUENT DATE

LINCOLN COUNTY TREASURER reminds Lincoln County property owners that they must pay their second half property taxes by May 10, 2005 to avoid penalties and interest.

ACCORDING TO N.M. STATE STATUTE 7-38-33, TIMELINESS-B, ALL ACTS REQUIRED OR PERMITTED TO BE DONE BY MAIL, ARE TO BE POSTMARKED ON THE REQUIRED DATE.

The Lincoln County Treasurer's Office does honor the postmark, but your payments **MUST BE POSTMARKED May 10, 2005.**

INTEREST shall accrue at the rate of one percent (1%) per month or any portion of a month. (Statute 7-38-49 NMSA 1979).

PENALTY on taxes that become delinquent, shall be imposed at one percent (1%) of the delinquent tax total, or a minimum of five dollars (\$5.00); for each month they remain unpaid. (Statute 7-38-50).

By N.M. State law, property taxes are the personal obligation of the property owner, whether or not the tax bill was received. Mail payments or contact us at the address and phone number below should you have questions regarding your property tax bills.

Thank You.

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

31/4/21-5/5



Ruidoso Council Selects Lodgers for Annual Audit

Okay's Liquor Permit For Plaza Event

Fifteen lodging establishments in Ruidoso will undergo audit of their lodging rents and how much lodgers tax they paid for the 2004-2005 fiscal year which will end June 30.

Councilors during their regular meeting Tuesday, April 26, chose lodging establishments at random with each councilor drawing out two names and the mayor choosing three. No names of establishments were revealed to the councilors or the public.

Ruidoso collects more than

\$900,000 a year in the "lodgers" or occupancy taxes. New Mexico statutes require that municipalities collecting over \$50,000 a year in the occupancy taxes must select for random audit one or more vendors to verify the amount of gross rent subject to the lodgers tax and to ensure that the full amount of the lodgers tax on that rent was collected.

Village clerk Irma Nava said by village policy, the village audits 20 percent of the total number of lodging vendors per fiscal year. Once a lodger is audited in one fiscal year, the lodger will not be eligible for audit for two years, unless the village manager determines a need for such.

Councilors also approved recommendations from the Lodgers Tax Committee to appropriate from the current fiscal year lodgers tax funds, \$1,000 for the "Blooming in June Arts and Crafts Fair"; \$1,000 for "Art in the Pines Artists' Studio Tour".

Councilors also approved a special dispensers permit for the Ruidoso Mountain of Blues Festival at the 9-acre village plaza park on June 25.

At the start of the meeting during audience participation, 25-year village resident Terry Sodd said she has several concerns for the village plaza location on Wingfield and Grindstone drives. She asked if this was a definite location or if the village had reconsidered a property along Sudderth in the mid town area.

"The Canning property is where most of the public events have been held in Ruidoso," Sodd said. "There is a natural rock amphitheater at the river, and people in the area are accustomed to events being held there."

"Instead we cut more trees and put in multi-level parking and condos," Sodd said. "To watch all the trees go down on Sudderth Drive is devastating to us old timers."

She then asked the village if the 9-acre tract near the old police station is to be the final place for the village events plaza, that as many trees as possible be saved.

Mayor Leon Eggleston said the village has contracted Design Workshop to draft a design for the plaza. He said the plans for the plaza will go to public hearing before they are approved. Plans are for the work at the plaza to be done sometime in the next fiscal year which goes from July 1, 2005 to June 30, 2006.

Eggleston said there is no option for the village to purchase the Canning property which has only been offered to the village for development, not for sale.

Councilor Deborah Byars said she has heard the price for the Canning property is

"astronomical" which she doubted taxpayers would approve.

Councilors postponed until

their May 10 meeting, a presentation by the village affordable housing task force subcommittee.

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LEGAL NOTICE
NOTICE OF SPECIAL BUDGET HEARING

Notice is hereby given pursuant to Section 22-8-10, NMSA, 1978 compilation that the Board of Education of Carrizozo School District #7, County of Lincoln, State of New Mexico, will on Tuesday, May 17, 2005 at 5:30 P.M. M.D.T., at the Board Room, 800 D. Avenue, present and publicly review the operating budget for the 2005-2006 fiscal school year.

This is a public hearing and all school patrons are invited to attend.

Done at Carrizozo, New Mexico, this 27th day of April, 2005.

CARRIZOZO SCHOOL BOARD OF EDUCATION
Steve Harkey
President

ATTEST:
Lisa Crenshaw
Secretary

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LEGAL NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that the Lincoln County Solid Waste Authority, Lincoln County, New Mexico, calls for seal bids on New Transport Freightliner Truck With Wilkens Wet Kit. Interested bidders may secure a copy of the specifications from the office at the headquarters for the Lincoln County Solid Waste Authority, at 222 Second St., P.O. Box 2405, Ruidoso Downs, N.M. 88346. Phone: 505-378-4697.

Sealed bids must be received by the Operational Supervisor no later than 2:00 p.m. May 16, 2005, at which time the bids will be opened.

The Lincoln County Solid Waste Authority reserves the right to accept or reject all or any part of any bid, waive minor technicalities, and award the bid to best serve the interests of the Authority Bids must comply with the N.M. Procurement code.

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Saving New Mexico's Most Endangered Historic Places

Don Goldman

The purpose of the New Mexico Heritage Preservation Alliance (NMHPA) is the preservation of the remarkable heritage of peoples, religions, places, events, and structures that show who we New Mexicans are. But historic preservation is a never-ending struggle to hold back the tide, a tide of neglect and ill-considered change and

natural decay. Under the best of conditions -- as when enlightened governments, corporations, private organizations, and individuals see the value of preserving our cultural heritage -- parts of the tide are turned back. In those times and places, we are richer. But often there are pieces of our heritage that have been ignored: or that governments, private owners, or

corporations intend to purposefully destroy or alter in the name of "progress" or a misguided pursuit of profit. These are the sad and frustrating aspects of preservation. Sad, in that pieces of our heritage are in such poor condition that they are "endangered" in the first place. And frustrating, because these places, so important in representing what we New Mexicans are and what we

Previously Endangered Places That Are Now Less Endangered

- 1 New Mexico's Night Sky, statewide, 1999 Night Sky Office, (505) 989-7745
- 2 Manhattan Project Structures, Los Alamos, 1999 Hedy Dunn, museum director, Los Alamos Historic Society, (505) 662-6272
- 3 San Esteban del Rey Church, Acoma Pueblo, 1999 Francisco Uvi?a, Cornerstones Community Partnerships, (505) 982-9521
- 4 Silver City Waterworks Building, Grant County, 1999 Susan Berry, Silver City Museum director, (505) 538-5921
- 5 Bridge of the Hídalgos, Santa Fe, 2000 Joy Clausen, (505) 820-2249
- 6 Fort Stanton, Lincoln County, 2000 Tom Steward, county manager, (505) 648-2385
- 7 Kneeling Nun, Grant County, 2000 Vic Topmiller, (505) 538-2923
- 8 Cumbres & Toltec Scenic Railroad, Chama, 2000 Brian Shoup, Friends of the C&TSRR, (505) 880-1311
- 9 Truby's Tower and Three Corn Ruin, Rio Arriba County, 2001 Larry Baker, Salmon Ruins Museum, (505) 632-2779
- 10 Deming Depot, Deming, 2001 Scott Vinson, county manager, (505) 546-0494
- 1 Tucumcari Metropolitan Park, Tucumcari, 2003 Doug Powers, community development director, (505) 461-2143
- 12 Gutierrez-Hubbell House, Albuquerque, 2003 Chip Berglund, Bernalillo County open space section, (505) 314-0401
- 13 Melvin W. Mills House, Springer, 2003 Kyle Parr, (505) 483-2428

Most Endangered Places in 2004

with contact-person. Descriptions of these places are available from Don Goldman, (505) 473-2821.

- 1 Aztec Ruins National Monument, San Juan County, Anna Chavez, (505) 334-8556
- 2 Marked and Unmarked Cemeteries, statewide, Glenna Dean, (505) 827-3989
- 3 Valle Vidal Unit, Carson National Forest, Colfax County, Leslie Beck, (505) 377-8035
- 4 Mesa Prieta, San Juan Pueblo, Rio Arriba County, Katherine Wells, (505) 852-1351
- 5 Village of Agua Fria, Santa Fe County, Tamara Lichtenstein, (505) 473-9654
- 6 Folsom Hotel, Union County, Betty Griffin, (719) 495-2542
- 7 Lake Valley Ghost Town, Sierra County, Neal Ackerly, (505) 534-0035
- 8 Hoyle House, White Oaks, Lincoln County, Larue Wetzel, (505) 648-2408
- 9 St. John's Methodist Episcopal Church, Colfax County, Judy Young, (505) 445-2255
- 10 Motel Blvd., Lordsburg, Hidalgo County, Sandy Broadbent, (505) 542-9864

have accomplished, are examples of failure.

The reasons for being endangered are many. Some are understandable, as when a private owner simply does not have the financial means to save her property, or when a city or federal agency owns so many heritage places that priorities must be set, and some places get lost in the resulting budgets. Others are not understandable, as when the private or public owner cannot comprehend that a place is of a significance well beyond that of being merely a property or investment.

The NMHPA knows from experience that, if attention can be drawn to endangered places, good things often happen: grants are forthcoming, owners change their minds, local citizens form groups. To that end, we annually select a group of those "places" that are most in danger of being lost. These are places that have been noticed by someone -- sometimes its owner, sometimes an aware neighbor or government agency -- as being a place or thing that we as a society ought to have protected better than we have.

The first list of Most Endangered Places was selected in 1999, and with the 2004 list they number 62. It is always a sad chore, because this listing might be the last chance to save a piece of our heritage. Sometimes it is too late, because in some cases there is not much that can be done to save a Most Endangered Place: it is too deteriorated or saving it would be too costly, or a final choice has been made to use the land for something else. As has always been the case in historic preservation, we are running an ER and we know we'll lose some of our patients.

But during these five years, some wonderful things have happened. Each of these places has friends who care about it, and will go to remarkable lengths to save it. NMHPA's annual listing of Most Endangered Places is intended to help those friends preserve their special places. And it often works!

Because of their efforts, some of the places listed as endangered in previous years are a little -- and in a few cases, a lot -- less endangered. Dedicated people have pushed them back from the brink.

Don Goldman is retired from the National Park Service and is the volunteer coordinator of the Most Endangered Places list. He lives in Santa Fe.

Sheriff's Report ---

(Con't. from P. 5)

uty for peacekeeping while caller digs holes at location on County Road CO22. Deputy dispatched.

11:18 a.m. dumpster dispute on west Gavilan, two males were having a dispute over a dumpster. Deputy dispatched.

11:51 a.m. theft from business in Alto area, a diamond necklace stolen. Deputy dispatched.

12:31 p.m. male caller reported assault at location in Angus, caller advised that another male hit the caller when the caller tried to serve the other male papers. Deputy dispatched.

12:50 p.m. assault at location on Rose Circle. A male subject came to the caller's property with his son's grandma and threw papers at the caller and hit the caller. Deputy dispatched.

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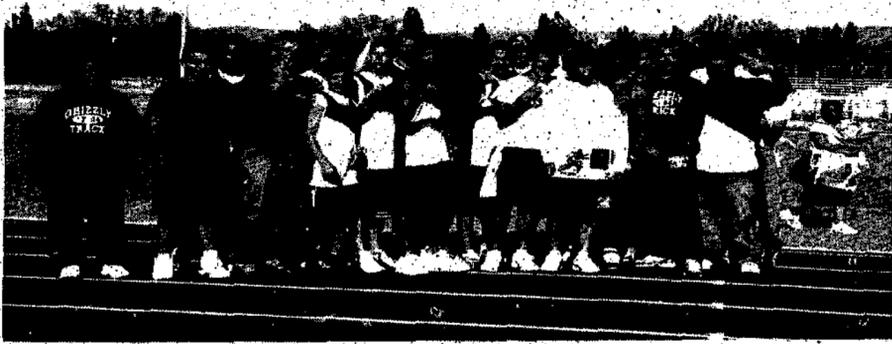
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WEEKLY
by Carrizozo High School
JOURNALISM CLASS
Sarah Ball, Instructor



**Carrizozo Grizzly Track Team
District Champs**



**Grizzly Girls Track Team
2nd Place**

Listed below are the Carrizozo athletes that have qualified to participate at the NM State Track and Field Championship Meet in Albuquerque, and their qualifying times.

BOYS DIVISION

- 100 meter dash: Joshua LeBlanc 11.29; Eric Korocil 11.63.
- 200 meter dash: Loshua LeBlanc 23.55.
- 800 meter run: Jeff Burd 2:17.78.
- 1600 meter run: 5:05.49.
- 110 meter high hurdles: Johnny Beltran 17.05.
- 300 meter intermediate hurdles: Johnny Beltran 45.03.
- 4x100 meter relay: LeBlanc, Korocil, Beltran, Samora, Zamora, Burd, Lueras 45.88.
- 4x200 meter relay: Beltran, Burd, LeBlanc, Samora, Lueras, Zamora 1:38.66.
- 4x400 meter relay: Beltran, LeBlanc, Samora, Zamora, Korocil, Burd 3:46.32.
- 1600 meter medley relay: Beltran, Lueras, Korocil, LeBlanc, Samora, Burd, Zamora 4:08.05.
- High Jump: Jeremy Zamora 5' 4", Chaz Zamora 5' 2".
- Pole Vault: Jesse Samora 9' 6", Greg Vigil 8' 6".
- Long Jump: Joshua LeBlanc 19' 5".
- Triple Jump: Eric Korocil 37' 3.5".
- Shot Put: Carl Lueras 41' 2.75".
- Discus: Adam Zamora 119' 7"; Carl Lueras 113' 11.5".
- Javelin: Johnny Beltran 156' 0", Joe Samora 140' 7".

GIRLS DIVISION

- 100 meters: Tierney Burd 13.75.
- 800 meter run: Whitney Whittaker 2:53.40.
- 1600 meter run: Stephanie Brewer 6:50.06.
- 3200 meter run: Kaitlyn Vega 15:57.98.
- 4x100 meter relay: Brewer, Burd, Schafer, Whittaker, Vega, Schlarb 56.32.
- 1600 meter medley relay: Brewer, Burd, Schafer, Whittaker, Vega, Schlarb 5:08.11.
- Pole Vault: Kathleen Schlarb 5' 6".
- Shot Put: Tierney Burd 27' 9.5".
- Discus: Kaitlyn Vega 90' 5".

AP English

Since the 2001-2002 school year, Carrizozo has added a new, challenging class to the already hectic schedule. Advanced Placement English, or as many know it now as AP, is a more complex than your average English class. The class thoroughly prepares students while developing analytical skills. Because Carrizozo is such a small school, it was difficult to fit an AP class into its schedule. The only way it was possible was to combine juniors and seniors who voluntarily chose to take the class. Through patience and persistence, Carrizozo was able to offer the class.

Although the class was new to Carrizozo, AP has been around since the late 1950's. In 1955, only 104 high schools and 130 colleges participated in the program. Since 2000, over 13,000 high schools and 3,000 colleges have adopted the courses. AP classes are not limited to English. They consist of a variety of classes, such as studio arts, economics, government and politics, European history, Latin literature, environmental science, calculus, physics, etc.

Sarah Ball has been heading the program since its arrival to Carrizozo. She is very passionate about the class. Her passion awoke when she was teaching in California. In her period of teaching, she met a fellow English teacher, Mr. Gene Peery. For a week, she used her prep period to sit in on his class to observe what he did that made him so admirable and effective. Mrs. Ball eventually discovered the reason why Mr. Peery was so commendable, it wasn't so much a technique he used; but rather the person he was and the expectations he had that defined him.

After absorbing what she discovered, she realized that in her heart, this was the type of teaching she wanted to pursue. I've been in the AP English program for two years and have learned many literary techniques, read many mind-capturing novels, and have written many arduous essays. However, the difficulty I had initially expected to encounter faded as the time went by. Mrs. Ball has slowly but surely molded the class into "English machines!" Her intensity in the classroom and the passion she has for the class is immense.

"I want you to learn to think critically, to recognize, to question, to analyze...and from that conclude."

In the class, although we read tons of books, short stories, speeches, letters, essays, etc. We have been feverishly trying to sharpen and strengthen our skills. Between worksheets, practice tests, and essays, I would have to say that our skills are finely tuned. This year's seniors took the AP Language and Composition exam on Monday, May 2 - and I was one of them.

After all the preparation we went through, the difficulty of the test was still what I expected it to be. The practice tests and practice essays aided heavily because I know that if I had not tasted those "samples," the test would have had a very bitter taste.

Seniors Stephanie Brewer and Jake Riddle also took the test. According to Stephanie, it wasn't as bad as she thought it was going to be. Time was the only factor that troubled her. "English isn't my forte," replied Brewer, "but I'm happy I took (AP English) and the test because I believe it will better prepare me for college."

Brandon Morales

LINCOLN TOWN

by Rosalie Dunlap

The Billy the Kid Trail ride began last week, starting from Lincoln and ending at Ft. Sumner. It began with a barbecue at the pageant grounds Wednesday evening and the ride began the next day.

It is a crazy world. A friend of ours was sitting in the car, with the doors locked, waiting for her husband to get a small item in a store. Some things came up, broke the window, stole her purse and injured her head. Now it may be that someone may have poisoned a neighbor's dog. With so many school children around it is a scary situation.

The area is getting some nice showers and cool temperatures. There are still spots that are dry. The fields in the Hondo valley are so pretty and with the livestock grazing it makes for a beautiful scene.

Lincoln area residents enjoyed the movie *The Straight Story*. It brought back memories of Richard Farnsworth. He was such a sweet, gentle man and loved by all.

There have been large number of school children visiting Lincoln.

My news column may be a little erratic in the next few weeks. We have been gone so much that I haven't kept up with the goings on in and around Lincoln. With some health problems in the family we will be gone quite a bit.

Eradication Through Re-Vegetation

FIFTH ANNUAL WEED WORKSHOP



Date: Wednesday, May 11th
Place: Best Western Pine Springs Inn
1420 E Hwy 70 Ruidoso Downs
Time: 8:30 a.m.

Early registration by phone or mail: \$10.00

Registration at door: \$15.00

Lunch by the Buttery will be provided.

Registration by mail, make checks payable to: LCCWMA, P.O. Box 900, Capitan, NM 88316 no later than May 9th.

Agenda

- 8:30 - 8:55 a.m. Registration - Coffee and Refreshments
- 8:55 - 9:00 Welcome and Introductions
- 9:00 - 9:55 Lou Naue, San Francisco Soil and Water Conservation District. Removal of Non-Natives and Revegetation with Native Plants.
- 10:00 - 10:55 Blake Curtis, Curtis and Curtis Seed. Native Plants. Smart Plant Selection and Proper Planting Techniques
- 11:00 - 11:55 Justin Norsworthy, NMSU. Weed Identification
- 12:00 - 12:30 Lunch
- 12:35 - 1:30 Lou Naue. Watershed Restoration: A How to
- 1:35 - 1:50 Final Comments/Adjourn

Door Prizes!

For registration or more information about the workshop, call the Upper Hondo Soil and Water Conservation District (505)354-2220

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LEGAL NOTICE

**CAPITAN MUNICIPAL SCHOOLS
NOTICE OF INVITATION
TO SUBMIT BIDS**

The Capitan Board of Education is accepting bids for 2005/2006 Copy Machine Maintenance for the Capitan Municipal School District. Bids must be sealed and marked "Bid for 2005/2006 Copy Machine Maintenance" and received by 2:00 P.M. on Tuesday, May 17, 2005, in Office of the Superintendent, Administration Building, 150 Forest Street, Capitan, NM, at which time all bids will be opened and read aloud.

The Board reserves the right to reject any and all bids and waive all technicalities. The Board will award the bid at the June 9, 2005 Regular meeting at 6:30 P.M. in the Board Room of the Administration Building.

Specifications are available at the Office of the Superintendent or by phone (505) 354-2239.

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LEGAL NOTICE

**STATE OF NEW MEXICO
COUNTY OF LINCOLN
NO M32-CV-2005-00248
DIVISION II**

ADRIAN HENRY, PLAINTIFF

vs.

KIMBERLY DAVIS, DEFENDANT

NOTICE OF SHERIFF'S SALE

On May 26, 2005 at 10:00 a.m. at the front steps of the Lincoln County Sheriff's Office, 300 Central Ave. Carrizozo, New Mexico, I will offer for sale and sell the below described property to the highest bidder for cash or immediately available funds. Amounts due on the date of sale \$2,221.69.

Said sale is pursuant to a judgment in the captioned cause M32-2005-00248 filed in the 2nd Division Magistrate Court Lincoln County, New Mexico wherein the following property was seized under a Writ of Execution by the Lincoln County Sheriff's Department.

1. United Boat Builders Fiberglass Boat Hull #NM8649AX
2. Evinrude Motor #80753R Serial #E01401
3. 1987 Toyota Camry 4 Door, License/FYM959 (NM) VIN/JT2sV2H3109806
4. 1 (1) JVC Stereo Unit in Nylon Case
5. 1 (1) Lot of Miscellaneous tools
6. 1 (1) Lot of Miscellaneous Automotive Tools and Accessories.

Pursuant to New Mexico Statutes 39-4-9 NMSA 1978, Defendant may redeem ownership of above listed properties by full payment of judgment and costs up to the time of sale.

R.E. VIRDEN
Lincoln County Sheriff

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LEGAL NOTICE

ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS

Sealed bids will be received by the Lincoln County Solid Waste Authority, 222 Second Street, Ruidoso Downs, New Mexico 88346, attention: Debra Ingle, for the construction of the project known as LCSWA - Water Supply Test and Production Well Drilling and Completion, until 3:00 p.m., May 31, 2005. Mail or deliver bids in a sealed envelope, with Water Supply Well Bid written on the outside of the envelope, to the offices of the Lincoln County Solid Waste Authority.

The work comprises of drilling testing, and sampling of a pilot test borehole (Phase I), and construction of a water supply well (Phase II).

Copies of the contract documents and construction specifications are available to bidders from the Engineer, Souder, Miller & Associates, 1201 Parkway Drive, Santa Fe, New Mexico 87507-7258, telephone (505) 473-9211, upon receipt of a \$100.00 refundable fee. The \$100.00 deposit will be returned to bidders, provided the bid document package is returned, in good condition, within ten days after the bid opening.

A pre-bid conference (mandatory) will be held at 10:00 a.m., May 24, 2005, at the well construction site. The site can be reached by turning south on the dirt road (which will be marked) in Ruidoso Downs that is approximately 500 feet west of Mile Marker 266 on U.S. Highway 70, then traveling due south approximately 800 feet.

Each proposal will be accompanied by a bid security, in the amount of not less than five (5) percent of the total amount bid, which will be returned not later than thirty (30) days after the receipt of bids.

The successful bidder will be required to furnish a performance bond and a labor and material payment bond in the amount of one hundred (100) percent of the amount bid to assure performance of the contract, and payment for all labor and materials of the contract.

No proposals may be withdrawn after the scheduled closing time for receipts for proposals, and the Lincoln County Solid Waste Authority reserves the right to reject, or approve, any and/or all items on the proposal.

No bidder may withdraw its bid within forty-five (45) days after the actual date of the opening thereof.

James D. Smith, P.E.
Souder, Miller & Associates

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LEGAL NOTICE

Invitation to Bid

**Lincoln County Solid Waste Authority
Rough Grading and Retaining Wall
Construction for the Green Tree
Solid Waste Transfer Station
and Recycling Center**

Separate sealed BIDS for Rough Grading and Retaining Wall Construction for the Green Tree Solid Waste Transfer Station and Recycling Center will be received by the Lincoln County Solid Waste Authority at P.O. Box 2405, 222 2nd Street, Ruidoso, New Mexico 88345, until 3:00 p.m., prevailing time, May 18, 2005, and then will be publicly opened and read aloud.

The project consists of rough grading of approximately eight acres of land and the construction of approximately 400 feet of 6-foot high and 200 feet of 15-foot high concrete retaining wall for the proposed Greentree Solid Waste Transfer Station and Recycling Center in Lincoln County.

The CONTRACT DOCUMENTS may be examined at the following location:

- * Lincoln County Solid Waste Authority, 222 2nd Street, Ruidoso, New Mexico 88346; (505) 378-4697
- * Souder, Miller & Associates, 1201 Parkway Drive, Santa Fe, NM 875057, (505) 473-9211
- * F.W. Dodge Corp., 1615 University Ave. NE, Albuquerque, NM 87102 (505) 243-2817
- * Builders New and Plan Room, 3435 Princeton Dr. NE, Albuquerque, NM 87107, (505) 884-1752

Copies of the CONTRACT DOCUMENTS may be obtained at the office of the engineer, Souder, Miller & Associates, 1201 Parkway Drive, Santa Fe, New Mexico 87507 (505-473-9211), upon payment of a deposit of \$50.00 for each set.

And BIDDER, upon returning the CONTRACT DOCUMENTS in good condition, within 30 days of the bid opening, will be refunded the \$50.00 deposit.

A mandatory pre-bid meeting, will be held on May 9, 2005, at 10 a.m., at the Lincoln County Solid Waste Authority, 222 2nd Street, Ruidoso, New Mexico 88346.

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LEGAL NOTICE

**STATE OF NEW MEXICO
COUNTY OF LINCOLN
TWELFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT
No. D1226CV200500015**

**WELLS FARGO BANK, N.A., SUCCESSOR
BY MERGER TO WELLS 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 SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned Special Master will on June 15, 2005, at 12:10 P.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 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**

The address of the real property is 45 Little Big Horn aka 1413 Little Big Horn, Alto, NM 88312. Said sale will be made pursuant to the Decree of Foreclosure entered on April 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 \$110,065.03, plus interest from April 29, 2005 to the date of sale at the rate of 6.75% 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, at the time of sale, 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: April 29th, 2005.

PETER BACA
Special Master
c/o Shapiro & Meinhold, 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 ROBERTA M. COX, and FEDERAL HOME LOAN MORTGAGE CORPORATION,

Defendant(s).

NOTICE OF SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned Special Master will, on June 8, 2005, at 12:15 p.m., at the main entrance of the Lincoln County Courthouse, Carrizozo, New Mexico, 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 2 SHANGRI LA 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

The address of the real property is #2 Shangri-la, Alto, New Mexico. Said sale will be made pursuant to the Decree of Foreclosure entered on April 14, 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 \$208,237.59, plus interest from April 1, 2005, to the date of sale at the rate of 7.99% per annum, or \$38.51 per day, the costs of sale, including the Special Master's fee of \$213.50, publication costs, and plaintiff's costs expended for taxes, insurance or 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.

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. Plaintiff and its attorneys disclaim all responsibility for, and the purchaser at the sale takes the property subject to, the valuation of the property by the County Assessor as real or personal property, affixture of any mobile or manufactured home to the land, deactivation of title to a mobile or manufactured home on the property, if any, environmental contamination on the property, if any, and zoning violations concerning the property, if any.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that the purchaser at such sale shall take title to the above described real property subject to a one (1) month right of redemption.

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.

Dated: April 29, 2005.

PETER BACA
Special Master
P.O. Box 215
Carrizozo, New Mexico 88301
(505) 648-9925

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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, May 5
Partly cloudy with 10 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms in the afternoon. Southwest winds 10 to 20 mph. High near 79. Tonight partly cloudy with 10 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Southwest winds 10 to 20 mph. Low near 47.

Friday, May 6
Partly cloudy and breezy with west winds 10 to 15 mph increasing to 20 to 25 mph with gusts up to 35 mph. High near 80. Tonight partly cloudy and breezy with 20 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Low around 46.

Saturday, May 7
Partly cloudy with high around 77. Tonight partly cloudy with low around 46.

Sunday, May 8
Mostly sunny with high around 79. Tonight mostly clear with low near 46.

Monday, May 9
Partly cloudy with high near 81. Tonight partly cloudy with 10 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Low around 46.

Tuesday, May 10
Partly cloudy with 10 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. High near 81. Tonight, partly cloudy with low around 47.

Forecast for Ruidoso, Capitan and Corona.

Today, Thursday, May 5
Partly cloudy with 10 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms in the afternoon in Ruidoso and 20 percent chance in Capitan and Corona. South winds 10 to 20 mph, with gusts up to 30 mph in Ruidoso only. High near 70 in Ruidoso and Corona and 74 in Capitan. Tonight partly cloudy with 10 percent chance for showers and thunderstorms. Southwest winds 10 to 20 mph, becoming west in Capitan. Lows near 41 in Ruidoso and Corona and 44 in Capitan.

Friday, May 6
Partly cloudy and breezy with west winds 15 to 25 mph with gusts as high as 35 mph. High near 73 in Ruidoso, 77 in Capitan and 72 in Corona. Tonight partly cloudy with 30 percent chance for showers and thunderstorms. Lows around 40 in Ruidoso, 43 in Capitan and 39 in Corona.

Saturday, May 7
Partly cloudy with 20 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. High near 70 in Ruidoso, 74 in Capitan and 68 in Corona. Tonight partly cloudy with 20 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Lows around 40 in Ruidoso and Corona and 43 in Capitan.

Sunday, May 8
Mostly sunny with high near 72 in Ruidoso, 76 in Capitan and 70 in Corona. Tonight mostly clear with lows near 40 in Ruidoso and Corona and 43 in Capitan.

Monday, May 9
Partly cloudy with high near 74 in Ruidoso, 78 in Capitan and 72 in Corona. Tonight partly cloudy with 10 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms with lows around 40 in Ruidoso and Corona and 43 in Capitan.

Tuesday, May 10
Partly cloudy with 10 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. High around 74 in Ruidoso, 78 in Capitan and 72 in Corona. Tonight partly cloudy chance of showers and thunderstorms.

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FORT STANTON

State Historic Preservation Officer Katherine Slick and staff attended a meeting on April 27 on the proposed Fort Stanton State Veterans Cemetery with Veterans Services Secretary John Garcia. Secretary Garcia's goal is for the design of the cemetery and administrative and maintenance spaces to be completed and approved by the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs by December 2005. Garcia is seeking \$3 million in federal funds early next year. The Historic Preservation Division (HPD) reviews the

project because of its funding sources and designation as an historic register listing at the state and national level. It is hoped the collaboration of the State Veterans Cemetery, Fort Stanton Development Commission, Fort Stanton, Inc. Property Control Division/GSD and HPD will be a precedent-setting partnership that will set the tone for future development of the Fort. Also attending from HPD were Dorothy Victor, Lisa Meyer and Sam Cata; the Fort Stanton Development Commission and Friends of Fort Stanton.



EMPLOYMENT NOTICE

DRIVER/COOK AIDE -- Zia Senior Citizens Center in Ruidoso Downs. The applicant must assist in transportation of senior citizens; delivering meals to the homebound seniors; assisting with food preparation, service and cleaning kitchen area. The applicant must have a clean driving record; no felony convictions; and must possess a valid New Mexico Driver's License. Obtain application and job description at the Ruidoso Downs Senior Center, 393 Highway 70 West, Ruidoso Downs or from Martha Guevara at 505/648-2385 ext. 100. Closing date for applications is 5:00 p.m., Monday, May 16, 2005. Lincoln County an Equal Opportunity Employer and in compliance with ADA, Title II-A.

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EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY

The City of Ruidoso Downs is accepting applications for Firefighter. Full benefit package. Uniform Allowance. High school diploma or equivalent. Must be a U.S. Citizen. 18 years of age and possess a valid NM Driver's License. Must pass physical and drug screening. Must possess Firefighter I with S 130 & S 190, First Responder, EMT Basic preferred. Hazmat. Provide copies with application. Must meet physical ability requirements as set forth by the NM Fire Academy. Successful candidates must meet the response time requirements as set forth by the City of Ruidoso Downs. Starting salary \$10.51 per hour. EEOE. For complete job descriptions and application visit City Hall at 122 Downs Drive, Ruidoso Downs, NM, call (505) 378-4422 or email us at stevevord@zianet.com. Position open until filled.

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FOR SALE by owner:

3 BR, 2 Bath, double-wide Mobile Home, on two lots in Carrizozo. Call Collect 520-458-2577 after 7:00 p.m.

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FOR SALE -- 2000 Blazer (Red), 80,000 miles, 4WD, loaded. Asking \$9,400 negotiable. 648-2002 evening.

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Hush Up

"Now, sir," said the ambitious young man, "you have tried my voice. I want you to tell me frankly what it is best adapted to."

Without a moment's hesitation the singing master replied: "Whispering."

But to Come Back --

"You're an hour late."

"Yes sir, I fell down a flight of stairs."

"But surely it doesn't take an hour to fall down a flight of stairs?"

Friday, July 16, 1943

With the Men in the Service

Pvt. Benigno Delgado was here on furlough last week. Pvt. Delgado is in the Infantry and is stationed at Camp Rucker, Alabama.

Seaman Jack Greer was here from California last week, visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ira Greer at Tucumcari, his grandmother, Mrs. P.M. Johnson and other relatives in Carrizozo.

Bill Brazel, who completed his course at the San Diego Naval training base, has been sent to Galveston. Bill is now 2/c Petty officer.

Corporal Bill Kelt has been transferred to the Albuquerque training base from Kelly field, Texas.

Petty Officer Walker Leslie, son of Mr. Lish Leslie of White Oaks, arrived Tuesday night for a visit with the home folks. Walker was wounded in a naval battle in the South Pacific, and had been in a hospital in San Francisco for the past seven months. Walker still walks with the aid of a cane.

Joe Beltran and Albert Zamora of Lincoln, Elias Freeman and Trujillo of Capitan, Tito Candalaria and Truax of Carrizozo were among the 18-year-old boys who left Wednesday evening for their final examination at the Ft. Bliss Reception Center. Henry Griego failed to pass the Wasserman test and was rejected by the Selective Board. Ramon Chavez was another local boy making the trip.

Seaman Herman E. Kelt, who has been in the Navy for some time, is now somewhere in the South Pacific.

Lieut. William McKinley and Mrs. Edith Norman McKinley were re-married here last evening by Justice of the Peace Elerdo Chavez. They will leave for California when Lt. McKinley's furlough is up.

Dempsey Asks Exchange of Prisoners.

El Paso Times

With two more New Mexico soldiers dead in Japanese prison camps, according to the Associated Press, Tuesday, Gov. John J. Dempsey telephoned Secretary of State Cordell Hull urging that something be done about returning American prisoners.

"I explained our situation fully to Mr. Hull," the governor said, "Even not considering New Mexico's small population, we had as many, or more, men in the Philippines at the time of the surrender as any other state."

"I am very much alarmed about the heavy death rate of our prisoners in Japanese camps, as supported daily by the press. Mr. Hull wanted to know whether all these reports were authentic, and I said they were, coming usually from next of kin who have received notification from the War Department."

"Mrs. Hull spoke very sharply about the difficulties of dealing with a nation such as Japan. He told me that Switzerland now is our representative, but appeared interested in my suggestion that efforts be made through Russia."

"I am eager to do anything we can to get our boys out of the Japanese camps. Perhaps some agreement could be reached for an exchange." As far as I am concerned, it would be fine if they would take all the Japanese held in this country."

Mr. Hull gave no definite assurance. Governor Dempsey said, but expressed extreme sympathy with the request that all avenues be explored, at least with the aim of effecting "the return of ill prisoners."

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First Savings Bank in Ruidoso, NM has the following position open:

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Please submit a written resume by mail to daryl.lindsay@firstsavingsbanks.com or fax to 505-257-9013.

First Savings Bank
Attn: Daryl Lindsay
2713 Sudderth Drive
Ruidoso, NM 88345
Equal Opportunity Employer

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EMPLOYMENT NOTICE

DEPUTY TREASURER -- Lincoln County Treasurer's Office. The applicant must have knowledge of AS/400 and personal computer, basic accounting skills, and the ability to perform a variety of general clerical duties, including typing, records maintenance and processing daily mail. Starting salary is \$19,100.64 per year, advancing to \$20,055.36 after 6 months in the position. Obtain application and job description from Martha Guevara at 505/648-2385 ext. 100. Closing date for applications is 5:00 P.M., Monday, May 16, 2005. Lincoln County, Equal Opportunity Employer and in Compliance with ADA Requirements, Title II-A.

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117 Variances Are Illegal

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Now the concern is whether the land owners who do not have NMED approval for their domestic disposal sites should pay LCSWA for these services, Ingle added.

With no property owners at the meeting who wanted to discuss their issues over the variances, LCSWA board members then moved on to an agenda item on how to deal with the 117 property owners with county vari-

ances. Schneider-Cooke said she thought the only way for LCSWA to deal with the issue is to send a form letter with NMED application to all property owners with variances, advising they must complete the application and submit it to NMED for approval of their domestic disposal sites, or they will be charged with LCSWA trash fees.

Only after approval by

NMED will property owners be given variance to paying the LCSWA monthly trash fees, if they let LCSWA know they have been approved by NMED, Schneider-Cooke said.

Ingle asked the LCSWA board if they wanted to activate accounts for all 117 property owners, or wait until the letters of notification have been mailed. All members agreed they should wait

before billing.

"It was not their fault," Schneider-Cooke said. "Their variances were granted (by LCSWA) in the past."

Ingle said she believed the letters should come from the county. Morel said he would "be happy to do the letter" with Schneider-Cooke's help and have chairs of both the county commission and LCSWA sign the letters. Ingle agreed because LCSWA operates under what the county ordinance provides.

County commissioner and county representative on LCSWA Tom Battin said LCSWA needs to be responsive and in the long term, the county commission examine the ordinance requiring the 300+ contiguous acres.

All LCSWA members approved a motion that Morel and Schneider-Cooke draft a form letter with state regulations and county ordinances regarding the variances. NMED application form to be mailed to all 117 property owners.

Free Gun Locks Available At County And Police Depts.

Lincoln County manager's office, Ruidoso police and Carrizozo police department are participating in the Project ChildSafe gun safety initiative.

National Shooting Sports Foundation is providing free gun locks to law enforcement and other governmental agencies in New Mexico as part of the national Project ChildSafe initiative. The initiative is funded by a grant from the US Department of Justice through August 31.

Free firearm safety kits which include a gun lock are available at the Lincoln County Manager's office in the Lincoln County Courthouse in Carrizozo, and at the Carrizozo Police Department, and the Ruidoso Police Department.

"We are continuing to remind gun owners that their most important responsibility is to know how to safely handle and properly store their firearms in the home," said Doug Painter, president of the National Shooting Sports Foundation in a press release.

Carrizozo Police Department advised *THE NEWS* that they have "oodles" of the gun lock kits available at no cost to the public.

For more information about the initiative go to www.projectchildsafe.org.



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

BOTTOM ROW: Justice Kassel, Garrison Ventura, Mikhail Barelá, Danny Roper, Alex Randolph, Taylor Thornton, Andrea Apodaca, Hannah Ventura. **2nd ROW:** Deline Arteché, Gracie Hooten, Dristie Gallacher, Cirsten Barelá, Caleb Ventura, Veronica Ochoa, Micah Hamilton, Dillon Walema, Emily Comstock. **3rd ROW:** Lashae Lueras, Dominique Zamora, Kadee Sedillo, Lisa Ventura, Patience Anaya, Lindsay Chavez, Christian Najar, Desirae Zamora, Lexi Zamora. **TOP ROW:** Tiffany Vega, Fantasia Dennis, Josh Ventura, Zhane Vega, Jaclynn Ortiz, Jacie Thornton. (Not Pictured: Erick Culley).



LETTERS TO THE EDITOR POLICY

The Lincoln County News welcomes letters to the editor. Letters will be the writer's personal opinion and will not reflect the editorial opinion of the Lincoln County News.

All letters must be original. No copies of form letters will be used. Preference is given to typewritten letters. Hand-written letters must be legible.

Letters must be signed by the writer with the author's full name, address and telephone number. Only the writer's name and city of residence will be published.

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Letters of any length will be considered for publication with priority given to letters of no more than 300 words. All letters are subject to editing for length, grammar, spelling, and reader interest.

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FRESH Ground Chuck \$2.99

ASSORTED FLAVORS Blue Bunny Ice Cream FAMILY SIZE PAIL 4 \$9

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