

# County Rescinds rfp For Trash on 3 to 2 Vote

by Doris Cherry

Lincoln County will not be advertising for proposals to do residential trash service within the county.

At their meeting June 21, county commissioners, after a presentation about Lincoln County Solid Waste Authority (LCSWA) from consultant Joe Lewandowski, voted 3-2 to rescind the request for proposals (rfp) they authorized on May 17. At the May 17 meeting county commission-

ers then claimed it was a good idea to find out what other services were available and the possible costs.

Lewandowski provided information about the LCSWA history, himself and his experience with 14 counties, 14 villages, four towns, 11 cities, six state agencies and six federal agencies, plus his 26 years experience in private and public solid waste businesses. He also gave information about the relationship between the county and

LCSWA and how the county is a stockholder of LCSWA.

If the county goes with a private trash company, the county will have to dissolve the joint powers agreements for LCSWA and for the regional landfill. Other legal mechanisms include the general obligation bond for the landfill construction and the current leases and finances that LCSWA has. "For the county to go private will not be a short process, or a cheap one," Lewandowski said.

Other procedures for separating the county from LCSWA would require LCSWA board approval with an absolute majority; each member entity would have to approve and the New Mexico Department of Finance and Administration (DFA) would have to approve. If the county separates issues of collections, billings, debt/bond, and LCSWA employee layoffs would also have to be resolved. Lewandowski estimated LCSWA would lose

eight jobs if the county separated.

Lewandowski's report showed that expenses to provide service for the county exceeds the amount of revenue from the county billings. He also showed billing cost comparisons with other counties, with

LCSWA being among the highest of the ones listed in the report, however LCSWA offers more services than most. However other than Bernalillo County, most of the other counties listed subsidize their solid waste services

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## County Supports Otero Mesa Drilling

by Doris Cherry

Lincoln County Commissioners threw in their full support of the state land office proposal to allow very restricted drilling and pumping of natural gas and oil on a limited area of the Otero Mesa in southern Otero County along the border with Texas.

New Mexico State Land

Commissioner Pat Lyons and his assistant commissioner John Bemis who is in charge of the mineral resources division of the State Land Office (SLO), attended the June 21 county commission meeting held in Carrizozo.

They were present to provide information about the State Land Office and to seek support for the proposed oil and gas drilling on Otero Mesa. "The state land office has adopted the proposed BLM restrictive plan (for Otero Mesa)," Lyons said.

With help of slides Lyons showed how Otero Mesa consists of 2 million acres of BLM administered lands, 400,000 acres state land office lands and 400,000 acres of private lands.

Under the proposed BLM plan, the amount of land that will be disturbed by the exploration, drilling and pumping of gas and oil will be restricted to 1,600 acres; only five percent of the total surface area of the Otero mesa can be used; hydro-geologists must sign off on each well to assure no contamination of ground water and all well pipes will have cement casings; no surface disposal pits will be allowed and all drilling fluids must be trucked off each drilling site.

"About 95 percent of all the proposed wells will be for natural gas," Lyons said.

The BLM plan restricts any drilling/pumping on 484,000 of its administered acres and no surface disturbance on 40,000 acres. Also the State Land Office withdrew about 4,750 acres of its trust lands

on Otero Mesa because of proximity to water wells or are low lands with good range grass.

"The gas and oil people hate this plan," Lyons said.

After a question from county commissioner Maury St. John whether many companies are interested in the area, Lyons said all the gas and oil leases on state lands and BLM lands on Otero Mesa were leased from 1996 to 1999 under the former state land commissioner (Ray Powell, Jr.).

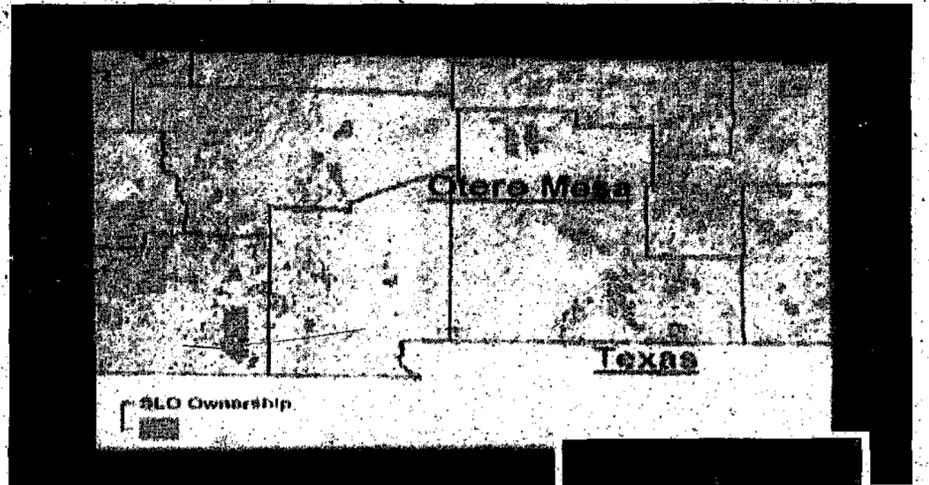
Otero Mesa drilling projects are estimated to bring in 381 jobs during the exploration phase and a full 500 jobs once production begins and an estimated \$30 million to the New Mexico economy. Also the proposed drilling would bring in an estimated \$30 million to the State Land Office that will benefit New Mexico public education.

However, the governor and attorney general are in opposition to the proposed BLM plan, Lyons said. "The governor's alternative plan makes it impossible to drill on Otero Mesa because it withdraws 600,000 acres exactly where the gas play is at."

Lyons said with the governor's plan 20 to 30 years of natural gas reserves will be given to Texas. "We're letting Texas have our water, now they'll get our gas," Lyons added.

Lyons said his philosophy is multi-use of state trust lands instead of the philosophy of no livestock or oil/gas industry. "It is irresponsible to be

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STATE LAND COMMISSIONER Patrick Lyons addressed the Lincoln County Commissioners at their meeting June 21 seeking and receiving their unanimous support for proposed gas and oil drilling and pumping on a restricted area of the Otero Mesa (see map) on the New Mexico-Texas border in Otero County. (See related article.)

## Death Is Under Investigation

Lincoln County Sheriff's Office continues its investigation of the shooting death of a 72 year old woman on June 14.

About 10 a.m. on June 14, Lincoln County Sheriff's Office received a 911 call about a shooting in the 100 block of Gavilan Canyon Road in the Alto area.

According to a press release from the Sheriff's Office, investigators at the scene identified the victim as 72 year old Anita Ball from Big Spring, TX.

Further investigation revealed evidence inconsistent with suicide. The victim's body was sent to the Medical Investigator's Office for autopsy. Investigators are awaiting the finding of the autopsy report.

## County Continues Burn Ban

by Doris Cherry

Carrizozo Fireworks Display Will Be Held

Lincoln County Commissioners at their June 21 meeting continued the ban on open burning, but provided some exceptions not considered when the ban was first imposed on June 14.

County manager Tom Stewart said fire danger in Lincoln County, according to the Na-

tional Interagency Fire Center in Boise, ID, continues to show all areas in the county to be "very high" fire danger. Based on this, Stewart recommended keeping the burning ban imposed. The ban also prohibits the use of certain fireworks.

The resolution was changed from the one adopted on June 14, to include the prohibition against burning of trash, "except in appropriately approved incinerators."

County commission chair Rick Simpson said in past years when the burning ban was imposed, ranchers who had to feed livestock would put their empty feed sacks in the Lincoln County Solid Waste Authority (LCSWA) dumpsters.

"It is okay to incinerate your feed sacks in a burn barrel with a proper screen, which makes an appropriate incinerator," Simpson said. Use of a burn barrel with screen does not require a permit, Simpson added.

County commissioner Maury St. John said if people are concerned about whether they can burn in an approved barrel, they should call county emergency coordinator Bill Martin and let him know.

St. John also questioned whether the fireworks display in Carrizozo should be allowed under the ban. County commissioner Eileen Lovelace said Carrizozo Fire Department puts on the fireworks display and has contacted the state fire marshal for approval. Also the display is within the town of Carrizozo.

Simpson said the Lincoln County Fair Association has applied for a permit for their fireworks display at the rodeo on July 4 in the county next to Capitan.

Fireworks are always prohibited within the National Forests and within the village of Ruidoso.

Burning permits are available from the office of the county manager in Carrizozo.

### THEY SOWED THE SEEDS OF LIBERTY

KING HENDRICK

FRANKLIN'S SNAKE CARTOON

JOIN OR DIE

FRANKLIN

By Elmo Scott Watson

ON JULY 4 the American people will celebrate the one hundred sixty-eighth (two hundred and 39th in 2005) anniversary of the event which won them their liberty - the adoption of the Declaration of Independence. On that day, officially called Independence day, but better known as the "Fourth of July", they will honor the memory of these "50 immortals" who signed the document in which they held certain "truths to be self-evident", in which they did "solemnly publish and declare that these united colonies are, and of right ought to be, free and independent states" and in which "for the support of this declaration, with a firm reliance on the protection of Divine Providence", they did "mutually pledge to each other our lives, our fortunes and our sacred honor."

We know the names of most of them - the men who took the first decisive step toward winning independence and forming a new nation. But how many Americans know the names of other men who, many years before, had sowed the seeds of that liberty and of that new nation? How many of us know of Robert Livingston who, as early as 1701, was proposing colonial co-operation and a

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from their general funds. "LCSWA will never come to the county for funding to

cover operational costs," Lewandowski said. "The number one reason the

county collections costs are so high is illegal dumping," Lewandowski added. In addition, costs for county collections include dumpster replacements, maintenance on trucks that travel long miles at higher speeds than those in town. Also county residents have no limitations on how much trash they put in dumpsters.

In order to curb the illegal dumping, LCSWA volunteers clean up of the illegal sites, even though it is not legally or contractually obligated to do so, Lewandowski continued. He said LCSWA has no enforcement power to eliminate illegal dumping. "The county has the enforcement power but no will to do so," he added.

Previously LCSWA worked with local law enforcement to establish a CrimeStoppers award for people to report illegal dumping. At that time cleaning up illegal dumping was estimated to cost LCSWA \$170,000 a year.

Lewandowski summarized with several recommendations. Foremost was the recommendation that the county commission take back its authority to set county residential rates. Lewandowski said with the county commission approving rates, there will be no questions or accusations against LCSWA, and all questions will go to the elected commissioners. He also suggested LCSWA and the county enter into a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) outlining the agreement; provide public education on the cost of services and requirements; investigate possible house to house collection service in more densely populated areas of the county; increase productivity with yard waste disposal by shifting crews and delivery of second yard waste disposal grapple truck.

"You have our attention," Lewandowski said about the county commission's actions for an rfp.

County commissioner Tom Baitin, who is the county's representative on the LCSWA board, said a lot of his questions about LCSWA were answered. County commissioner Eileen Lovelace asked what the answer is to illegal dumping.

Lewandowski said three things—education, enforcement and convenience. He suggested going to a centralized staffed convenience station such as in Torrance County, or the compactor method such as used in the village of Corona and in Ranches of Sonterra and Sun Valley Subdivisions in Lincoln County. As for enforcement, he said in the past, the sheriff had to be embarrassed into enforcement.

"What about the fee schedule," asked county commission chair Rick Simpson.

Lewandowski said the fee schedule is more complicated than just showing the rates for different communities and counties. Instead such a study would have to show what level of services are available at those rates. He said the schedule will be available to commissioners the following week.

After a question about the special environmental gross receipt taxes which LCSWA receives, Lewandowski said the state statutes governing the taxes does not specify how they can be spent beyond using them for solid waste activities.

County commissioner Maury St. John who initiated the rfp at the May meeting after voicing concerns about the LCSWA yard waste program said she has no problem with the residential services provided by LCSWA. Rather her problem is with the slash removal program. She said slash piles are getting worse in Cedar Creek where she lives.

"I say go to rfp so LCSWA can prove a governmental entity can be run like private enterprise," St. John said. "If the service can be provided by a private entity I am in favor of it." She said a private entity shut out by LCSWA told her they would lose nine jobs.

Lewandowski said in his experience the governmental trash service is as good, or better, than private services, and can beat private rates.

Also if a private entity from out of the county was to provide the best prices, the \$400,000 now paid in payroll at LCSWA would go out of the county.

County commissioner Earl Hobbs who voted against the rfp in May, said he regretted not getting the rate schedule as requested.

"I believe we made a mistake when the county unilaterally says to go out to rfp," Hobbs said. He added that he believes such an rfp violates the spirit of the JPA if not the JPA itself and that the rfp does a disservice to the partners in the enterprise. "I would like to see us rescind the rfp," Hobbs said and then made the motion for such. He did not get a second to the motion.

"No one says we want out (of LCSWA)," Simpson said.

Lovelace said she did not second Hobbs' motion to rescind mainly because she wanted more information. "I think we have a lack of communication," she added. "We don't need an rfp, we need information."

County citizen Al Barton supported LCSWA and said it is up to the county to do something about illegal dumping. He said he thought personal agendas were involved and county commissioners should represent all of the county. Lovelace suggested Lewandowski provide written recommendations on dealing with illegal dumping.

Debra Ingle, LCSWA operational supervisor, told about the convenience sites and



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".

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Friday June 29, 1934

## They Sowed Their Seeds of Liberty

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colonial union? And to how many of us does the name of Teonahagarawe, or King Hendrick, a chief of the Mohawk Indians, have any significance to the struggle for liberty? It is with these two men, but more particularly with King Hendrick, and with the events which foreshadowed the Declaration that this article deals.

Although the British Crown encouraged the idea of a colonial union to aid in its struggle with France for mastery of North America, the colonies paid little heed to such an idea coming from the Mother country and either disregarded or evaded directly her appeals to them to contribute to the conduct of the wars. So it seemed that the only possibility for co-operative effort lay in voluntary action on the part of the colonies. Sensing this fact, Robert Livingston, a leading merchant of New York who was much interested in opening up the rich resources of the back country, came forward with a plan of colonial union in 1701.

Livingston realized that the colony of New York alone could not carry out his ambitious scheme of development so in a long letter, dated May 13, 1701, he laid before the British Council of Trade and Plantations his scheme for uniting the colonies in "one form of government", divided into three groups, a southern, a central and a northern. Each year there was to be raised from this government a certain sum of money which would be administered from Albany by a board of commissioners selected from each of the groups.

The Crown was to send troops and equipment and the three groups were to supply labor, under a quota arrangement, for building and garrisoning forts which were to be built in the wilderness to protect settlers who were to be encouraged to take up lands in the West. Every two years the British government was to send out "two hundred youths" as replacement for 200 of the soldiers who were to be mustered out of service but who, if they would remain in the country, were to receive free land.

It was an excellent scheme and the British Crown was quick to realize its advantages. But, as usual, a lack of co-operation among the colonies prevailed and nothing came of Livingston's plan. For another half century they went their separate ways. By the middle of the Eighteenth century the menace of French expansion in the West and the tightening of their alliance with the Indians began to alarm the colonies seriously. In 1753 young George Washington, sent by Virginia to the Ohio country to warn the French away from the region claimed by the British, returned with their flat refusal to go.

Then Governor Dinwiddie of Virginia sent Captain Trent and his backwoodsmen to build a fort at the Monongahela, but before they could finish their work the French drove Trent away.

On May 9, 1754, the Pennsylvania Gazette of Philadelphia contained an account of Trent's surrender to the fort and predicted that unless something were done, the French would "kill, seize and imprison our Traders and confiscate their effects at pleasure (as they have done for several years past), murder and scalp our farmers, with their wives and children, and take an easy possession of such parts of the British Territory as they find most convenient for them; which if they are permitted to do, must end in the destruction of the British Interest, Trade and Plantations in America."

Along with this appeal for concerted action there appeared in the Gazette the first real cartoon, drawn by the published of the Gazette, Benjamin Franklin. It showed a disjointed snake, each part labeled with the initials of one of the colonies, and under it the motto "Join, or Die".

Later Franklin's graphic portrayal of the urgent necessity for colonial union was reprinted in other papers throughout the colonies, who soon had an opportunity to get into practical effect the lesson which it taught but who, as usual, muffed the chance. That was at the

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# Justus Wilson Earns State FFA Degree

Justus Wilson of Ancho received the highest award the New Mexico FFA association presents when he was awarded the State FFA degree during ceremonies at the New Mexico FFA State Convention in Las Cruces June 6-9.

Also at the ceremony Wilson was named the Environmental Science and Natural Resources Management Proficiency winner.

Wilson's State FFA degree was recognition of his completion of two years of agricultural education classes and completed record books documenting his agribusiness enterprise in which he earned and/or invested at least \$1,000.

Wilson used those completed record books and additional information to compete for the 2005 Environmental

Science and Natural Resources Management Proficiency award. His project involved the reclamation of more than 400 acres of rangeland on his Wilson family ranch near Ancho. Through his efforts trees and brush were removed to improve forage for cattle and wildlife and watershed quality.

With his project, Wilson leased and operated his own equipment and had to learn to budget both time and money. He also gained knowledge about watershed and resource management.

"It was quite a thrill to be recognized on the stage (at the state FFA convention) for my project," Wilson stated in a press release. "Most ranchers do a good job as stewards of the land and the livestock.

It is exciting when we are recognized for what we just consider good business."

Wilson received as \$100 check as part of his award and a plaque from IMC Global Inc., the 2005 sponsor of the Environmental Science and

Natural Resources Management Proficiency award.

Wilson joined 800 other FFA members from across New Mexico at the State FFA Convention. Justus is the son of Rex and Carol Wilson of Ancho.



Ginger Goodan, State FFA President, and Ancho's Justus Wilson.

## County Supports

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dependent on foreign oil," he said, adding that the price of barrel of oil was \$60 on June 20. "If gasoline goes to \$5 a gallon it will ruin our country's economy."

As for possible endangered species on state trust lands, Lyons said his office works to keep any species of animal from becoming listed as endangered. He spoke about the successful efforts taken by gas/oil producers on state lands to prevent their operations from harming the prairie chicken and thus keeping the bird off the endangered species list. Such listing would set in motion restrictions that could shut down gas/oil production.

County commissioner Earl Hobbs asked how the SLO plan to work around the opposition from the governor and attorney general. Lyons said he is trying to get the information about the proposed drilling plan to the public to show how the operations will not pollute water or endanger wildlife.

Also in response to Hobbs' question about whether the governor will withhold funding for the State Land Office because of the opposition,

Lyons said the state land office is making record profits under his administration and he has a very good working relationship with the governor.

At the end of Lyons' presentation county commissioners unanimously voted to do a resolution of support for the proposed SLO plan to allow drilling on state trust lands on Otero Mesa.

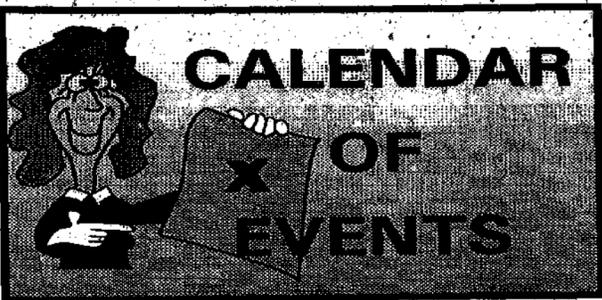
The Otero Mesa issue began in 1998 when Yates Petroleum drilled a gas well and discovered a large natural gas pool under Otero Mesa. Environmentalists, some area residents have protested the plan to allow gas and oil drilling and production in the area. The governor and attorney general have also protested the proposed BLM plan for Otero Mesa and offered their own restrictive alternatives.

When the issue was first brought to the Lincoln County Commission two years ago commissioner Rick Simpson described Otero Mesa as a special place unspoiled by development where abundant wildlife and prehistoric sites exist. Simpson at that time supported limited and restrictive drilling on the Mesa, which some environmentalists term as once of the last unspoiled grass lands in the southwest.

On June 21, Simpson continued his support of drilling on Otero Mesa under the restrictive BLM terms, by casting his yes vote for a resolution of support.

Otero County Commissioners also voted unanimously to support the State Land Office and BLM proposed gas/oil drilling/production plan for Otero Mesa.

For more information about the State Land Office go to [www.nmstatelands.org](http://www.nmstatelands.org) on the internet.



## CALENDAR OF EVENTS

### FIRST AND THIRD TUESDAYS

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

### TUESDAYS

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

### WEDNESDAYS

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

### FRIDAY, JUNE 24

--Carrizozo Volunteer Fire Department brisket dinner 4 to 7 p.m. Carrizozo Senior Citizens Center. Proceeds to help pay for July 4 fireworks display.

### SATURDAY, JUNE 25

--Corona Lending Library Community Yard Sale, 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Main Street.

### MONDAY, JUNE 27

--Santa Rita Catholic Church parish picnic 6-8 p.m. at Ranches of Sonterra. Parishioners bring side dish, parish will provide meats.

### TUESDAY, JUNE 28

--Federated Republican Women of Lincoln County luncheon, 12 noon Greenhouse Cafe in Capitan, guest speaker Tom Battin. RSVP by June 25 to 505-653-4217.  
--Lincoln County Solid Waste Authority, 2 p.m. LCSWA offices in Ruidoso Downs.  
--Carrizozo Town Council 6 p.m. in the new town hall.  
--Ruidoso Village Council 6 p.m. village hall.

### FRIDAY, JULY 1

--First day of 50th Annual Smokey Bear Stampede rodeo, crowning of Lincoln County Fair Queen prior to 7 p.m. opening ceremonies, Fletcher Hall Arena at Lincoln County Fairgrounds in Capitan. Rodeo continues at same time on Saturday, Sunday and Monday.

### MONDAY, JULY 4, INDEPENDENCE DAY!

--All public offices closed.  
--25th Annual Smokey Bear Fun Run 6:45 a.m. registration, 7 p.m. race starts from old Train Depot in Capitan.  
--Capitan Public Library book and bake sale 8 a.m. to 3 p.m.  
--50th Annual Smokey Bear Parade 10 a.m. Smokey Bear Blvd. in Capitan.  
--Ranch Rodeo at 12:30 p.m. at fairgrounds.  
--Final performance of Smokey Bear Stampede, 7 p.m. Fireworks during the rodeo weather permitting.  
--Carrizozo Chamber of Commerce BBQ dinner 5-8 p.m. pro shop at the Carrizozo golf course.

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**Federated Republican Women of Lincoln County**  
Tuesday, June 28th -- 12 noon  
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**THOUGHTS**

FROM THE EDITOR'S DESK

**Light Bulbs Are Drug Paraphernalia**

By Ruth Hammond

Carrizozo has scheduled a public hearing at the next town council meeting to consider adopting an ordinance concerning drug paraphernalia. While most people agree that it is wrong to have drug paraphernalia, most people are aware that the majority of the items they have in kitchens can be used as drug paraphernalia, such as spoons, bowls, saucers and blenders, even though most of us have no idea how these items are used in the production of illegal drugs.

Other items found in the home can also be used either in the making of illegal drugs or in using illegal drugs. It was a shock to hear last week that light bulbs can be used to smoke crack. Evidently crack is an illegal drug and some people smoke it, though we don't understand why they do.

Needless to say, being told by the parent of a 16 year old and a 23 year old about how some people make crack pipes using light bulbs was quite a strange experience. This parent explained the procedure, and it seems very strange.

The main thing to realize is that illegal drugs are illegal. We don't understand why anyone would go to the trouble to dismantle a light bulb and make a crack pipe, when this energy could and should be used in a productive manner.

Rather than get high on illegal drugs, if that ingenuity was used properly, there could be numerous inventions that would benefit the world and possibly cure some diseases.

And instead of doing great things, what some people do is now causing light bulbs to be on the list of things that are considered drug paraphernalia. A solution might be to not have any spare light bulbs in your house, an inconvenience if you prefer to have extras on hand when bulbs burn out.

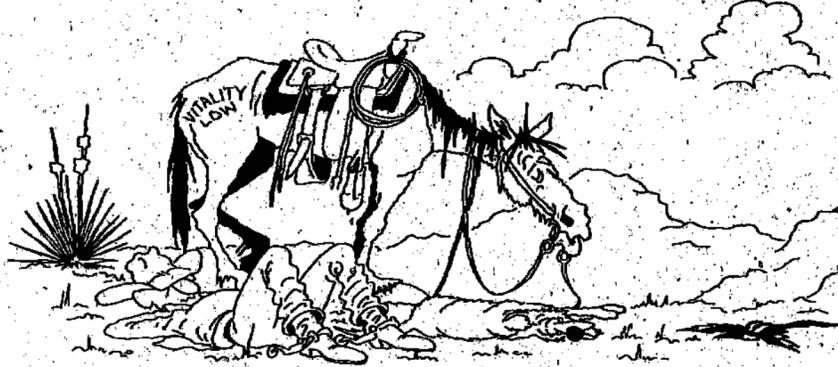
Before you dispose of your spare light bulb and get rid of eating utensils and blender, the best thing to do would be to attend the town council meeting and voice opinions about the proposed ordinance. There is a state ordinance in effect that should be enforced before adding another one.

Apparently very few times has the town enforced the state ordinance, which causes even more questions as to why the town wants to enact an ordinance. If more of these questions would be answered, with written documentation, there would probably be fewer objections at the hearing.

Not complying with the laws is reason to be charged, but some people are concerned that they may be targeted and their kitchen items will be confiscated for evidence while charges are pending. And now light bulbs may be added to the list as being drug paraphernalia. Being in the dark is one thing, but lack of light bulbs is even worse.

Documentation that would be necessary to alleviate some concerns would be defining exactly why any of these household items might be considered drug paraphernalia, not having officials say, "They will use good judgment." If good judgment was used the ordinance is unnecessary.

**EARL...**



**HARD WORK NEVER KILLED ANYBODY... HOWEVER, EARL SAYS RELAXATION IS ALSO RESPONSIBLE FOR VERY FEW CASUALTIES.**

**Inside the Capitol**



by JAY MILLER

**SANTA FE** -- The Ancient and Royal City of Santa Fe soon will be celebrating its 400th anniversary. But when?

Santa Fe's 350th anniversary was celebrated in 1960, with much hoopla attracting national and international attention. I was a college student at the University of New Mexico in Albuquerque at the time, with my attention devoted to many pursuits other than historical celebrations. But I remember the media coverage.

Since then, it has been discovered that Santa Fe is at least three years older, and may have been founded as early as 1605. But local leaders in the City Different seem quite indifferent to the whole idea of moving their 400th birthday celebration to an earlier date.

Even before the 1960 celebration, there were indications that Santa Fe was established a few years prior to 1610. In 1944, UNM history professor Frank Scholes mentioned a 1607 founding date in a footnote, citing material owned by a London documents broker. But no one followed up on it for the 1960 celebration.

It wasn't until 1994, when someone noticed that footnote in a publication that Museum of New Mexico officials contacted the London firm and learned that 50 years later, the documents still had not been purchased. Museum officials then made an undisclosed offer and the papers now belong to the state of New Mexico.

The 50 pages of material include notarized papers with official seals, some signed by New Mexico's first governor Juan de Oñate. One of the bigger surprises in the documents is the revelation that our state briefly had a second governor, who never was recognized by history books.

When the Spanish viceroy of Mexico City ordered Oñate to resign his command because of allegations of cruelty, Juan Martinez de Montoya was named his successor as governor. But Martinez was dismissed when it became evident he was more interested in developing the settlement of Santa Fe and improving relations with the natives than in searching for gold.

These newly-discovered documents were assembled by Martinez's descendants to win recognition of his service in the settlement of New Mexico. The Martinez family initiated a legal proceeding to petition the crown to grant its ancestor the noble rank of hid-algo.

The discovery of these documents was quite a find because most of New Mexico's first 82 years of history disappeared during the Pueblo revolt of 1680.

Seven years ago, when New Mexico celebrated the 400th anniversary of its founding in 1598, near San Juan Pueblo, north of Espanola, festivities were marred by protests about Oñate's cruelty to the natives.

If Martinez turns out to be Santa Fe's founder, we could have a politically correct good time, celebrating him as the symbol of the struggle for "perfect friendship among united cultures," as our state flag pledge proclaims.

Museum staff went to work studying those documents as soon as they were obtained 11 years ago. While speaking at a function at Rancho de Las

Golondrinas just south of Santa Fe, sometime after the document study began, Museum of New Mexico Director Tom Chavez told Santa Fe Mayor Debbie Jaramillo, who was in the audience, that further evidence may reveal that Santa Fe was founded as early as 1605.

A few years one way or the other may not be of great importance. But it does put our founding at least as early as Jamestown, Va., which later was abandoned. It also puts more distance between us and Plymouth, Mass., founded in 1620. It doesn't get us much closer to St. Augustine, Fla., which received much publicity during Hurricane Frances, as being founded in 1565.

But Santa Fe still has some of its original buildings, which the others can't claim and it always has been a capital city, which gives us some bragging rights.

A group of community leaders is reportedly beginning efforts to approach the city council with a proposal to move the celebration to at least 2007 and to begin planning efforts immediately.



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**Cancer (June 21-July 22)** There is a new batch of trouble and it's got your name all over it. This is good! Others are warned: Don't mess with you when you're trying to do the best you can. Don't start a fight but give extra love.

**Leo (July 23-Aug 22)** You may find that you'll need to do what you're doing the old fashioned way. Pick up the phone and call. Mail. Shake hands. Take someone special to lunch. The cell phone and the computer is off for now.

**Virgo (Aug 23-Sept 22)** Once was is now in the past should stay in the past. Energy is in the here and now. Not spent energy that has been used up. Don't look in the rear view mirror. Step into the present and future. Got love?

**Libra (Sept 22-Oct 22)** Your work load is going to get real heavy if you take on others work load too. "Thank you" will not be enough. They'll expect it out of you all the time. Do what you need to do, and let them do what they need to do.

**Scorpio (Oct 23-Nov 21)** You're one step closer to getting what you need to do. Don't let things slip out of your hands now because of EGO. There is still a lot of work to be done. The faster you put it together the faster it will arrive.

**Sagittarius (Nov 22-Dec 21)** Your money is going to get stronger. Get out there and make sure everyone knows what you have to offer. You get out of it what you put into it. True friendship and love doesn't hurt. More love coming your way.

**Capricorn (Dec 22-Jan 19)** Others don't care about how you feel. They just want the job done right. They care about what makes them happy. You have changed, so have all the rules. It is what it is, nothing more, nothing less.

**Aquarius (Jan 20-Feb 18)** Get ready, get set, Go. Don't allow anything or anyone stand in your way. You're new journey is about to begin, so hold on tight. Watch what you eat and drink. Your feelings will tell the truth about someone.

**Pisces (Feb 19-March 20)** Now isn't the time to stop. You're tired because you're not taking care of your body. Would you run your car on empty and low oil? Drink more water. Stress is killing you. Quit it. Go and have more fun.

**Aries (March 21-April 19)** Touchy, touchy. Don't get around anyone that is in a bad mood, it could rub off on you. Find something nice to say, or don't say anything at all. Don't gossip, it could come back and bite you in your assets.

**Taurus (April 20-May 20)** Okay, you have thought long and hard about what you need to do to change your life for the better. You're not ready! No you're not because if you were, you wouldn't even have to ask the question if you're ready. Get ready.

**Gemini (May 21-June 20)** Is your stomach upset? Then quit doing what you're doing! You know what you're doing. You know what is right and wrong. Be right with the person in the mirror and you'll be right with everything else. Smile.

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**CALENDAR**

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--Carrizozo Fire Department fireworks display, dusk at Carrizozo golf course. No charge. Families bring approved fireworks to shoot off in restricted area at the park.

**JULY 10**

--Music, games and free burgers and hot dogs 5-7 p.m. Spencer Park in Carrizozo. Sponsored by Angus Church of the Nazarene.

**JULY 11-15**

--Carrizozo First Baptist Church Vacation Bible School in the evening. Call Marcia Nixon at 648-5612 for more information.

**JULY 16-17**

--Santa Rita Fiesta, Fred Chavez Park and Santa Rita Catholic Church in Carrizozo. 2005 Fiesta Queen candidate is Sarah White. Dance Saturday night at Fred Chavez Park, brisket dinner on Sunday after Mass. Local groups wanting a booth at the fiesta should contact the Santa Rita Parish Office.



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# Accidents

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

**June 14**  
 5:03 a.m. request for ambulance for possible cardiac at location on Center Street. Capitan ambulance responded.  
 8:02 a.m. animal in roadway in Alto area. Deputy dispatched.

8:49 a.m. damage to property at location on Smokey Bear Blvd. Capitan police dispatched.  
 10:10 a.m. shooting at location on Gavilan Canyon Road. Deputy and Med 2 advanced life support (ALS) ambulance out of Lincoln County Medical Center (LCMC) in Ruidoso dispatched.  
 10:23 a.m. medical emergency, request for ambulance at Carrizozo Health Clinic.

Carrizozo ambulance dispatched.  
 10:25 a.m. deputy advised he did warrant service at location on D. Ave.  
 10:58 a.m. disturbance/family at location at mile marker 282 on Highway 70. Deputy dispatched.  
 11:41 a.m. request for peacekeeping at location at mile marker 273 on Highway 70. Deputy dispatched.  
 12:04 p.m. accident on Highway 54 north. Deputy dispatched.  
 12:21 p.m. disturbance/harassment at location on White Cat Road in San Patricio area. Deputy dispatched.  
 2:44 p.m. vandalism at location on 100 block of Blackhawk. Deputy dispatched.  
 5:03 p.m. deputy advised he did warrant service to a subject at Lincoln County Detention Center (LCDC).  
 6:46 p.m. request for agency assistance at location on Aspen in Capitan. Deputy dispatched.  
 10:48 p.m. disturbance/other at location on D. Ave. Carrizozo police dispatched.  
 11:15 p.m. request for ambulance for chest pains at resi-

dence on Little Creek Road. Med 1 ALS responded.  
**June 15**  
 7:24 a.m. request for ambulance for medical emergency at location at Highways 380 and 54. Carrizozo ambulance responded.  
 7:45 a.m. vandalism at location on the 400 block of Gavilan Canyon. Deputy dispatched.  
 8:43 a.m. medical emergency at location on 100 block of Grandview. Capitan ambulance responded.  
 11:24 a.m. larceny/theft at location on 100 block of Country Lane in Alto area. Deputy dispatched.  
 12:38 p.m. prowler at location on 400 block of 2nd Street. Capitan police dispatched.  
 2:22 p.m. disturbance/other at location on 100 block of Homestead Loop. Deputy dispatched.  
 2:35 p.m. request for ambulance for subject who was bleeding at Bonito Lake. Med 1 responded.  
 3:27 p.m. damaged property, no crime, at LCDC. Deputy dispatched.  
 4:22 p.m. disturbance/harassment at location on Tulley Road. Deputy dispatched.  
 8:43 p.m. disturbance/family at location on 100 block of Lode Star. Capitan police and deputy dispatched.  
 8:55 p.m. disturbance/family at location at mile marker 278 on Highway 70. Deputy dispatched.  
 10:30 p.m. trespassing at location at mile marker 5 on Airport Road. Deputy dispatched.  
 10:32 p.m. disturbance/other at location on 100 block of 18th Street. Carrizozo police dispatched.  
 10:40 p.m. disturbance/loud party at location on D. Ave. Carrizozo police dispatched.

**June 16**  
 6:36 a.m. larceny/theft at location on 100 block of Coggins Court. Deputy dispatched.  
 8:33 a.m. burglary at location on 100 block of Broadmore. Deputy dispatched.  
 9:03 a.m. burglary at location on 100 block of Mulligan. Deputy dispatched.  
 12:38 p.m. unknown trouble call at LCDC. Carrizozo police dispatched.  
 12:45 p.m. disturbance/family at location on 300 block of Pinos Altos. Deputy dispatched.  
 1:25 p.m. disturbance/family at Ruidoso police department. Deputy dispatched.  
 3:43 p.m. gas skip. Carrizozo police dispatched.  
 4:52 p.m. missing person from location east of Capitan. Deputy dispatched.  
 5:11 p.m. accident at business. Capitan police dispatched.  
 5:22 p.m. disturbance/other at location on 100 block of Aspen. Capitan police dispatched.  
 6:23 p.m. larceny/theft of vehicle from location on 600 block of Midiron Trail. Deputy dispatched.  
 6:46 p.m. request for welfare check at location on Highway 70 in Hondo. Deputy assigned.  
 6:50 p.m. civil dispute at location on Old Fort Stanton Road. Deputy dispatched.  
 7:09 p.m. smoke at Cedar Creek area. Bonito fire dept. dispatched.  
 8:08 p.m. welfare check at location on 400 block of W. Second Street. Capitan police dispatched.

**June 17**  
 8:19 a.m. disturbance/other at location on Bonito Lake Road. Deputy dispatched.  
 10:46 a.m. shooting at loca-



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famous Albany congress of 1754. For as George M. Wrong, author of the volume, "The Conquest of New France" to "The Chronicles of America" series, says: "The English colonials showed a political blindness that amounted to imbecility. Albany was the central point from which the dangers on the sides might best surveyed. Here came together in the summer of 1754 delegates from seven of the colonies to consider for common peril. The French were busy in winning, as they did, the support of the many Indian tribes of the West and the old allies of the English, the Iroquois, were nervous for their own safety."

Outstanding among these native orators who spoke such plain words to the delegates was Teonahigarawe or King Hendrick of the Mohawks. Although he is not so well known to most Americans as that other Mohawk leader, Thayendanegea or Joseph Brant, Hendrick was one of the most important Indian figures in colonial history. He was born about 1672 near the present site of Westfield, Mass. Although he was the son of a Mohegan of the Wolf clan, his mother was a Mohawk woman, so he became a member of the latter tribe. Some time between 1690 and 1692 Teonahigarawe was converted to Christianity by a Dutch preacher named Godefridus Dellius and given the name of Hendrick Peters, later shortened to Hendrick.

As a Christian preacher and a natural leader, Hendrick rapidly rose to a position of prominence among the Mohawks as an orator and a councilor. After the failure of General Nicholson's expedition against Canada during Queen Anne's war, the provincial authorities of New York became fearful that the Iroquois might join forces with the French. To prevent this and to gain more active support from the Mother country in carrying on the war, Col. Peter Schuyler decided to make a journey to England and to take with him several Iroquois leaders. Hendrick was one of the five chosen to go and in April, 1710, Schuyler and his Iroquois delegation arrived in London where they were received with great ceremony as "native kings" of the Five Nations of the Iroquois confederacy.

Upon their return to America King Hendrick took an active part in the preparations for the campaign against the French, but the Treaty of Utecht ended the war before any important results were accomplished. From that time on Hendrick was much in the limelight as a war leader of his people but more as an orator and a frequent speaker to councils with the provincial authorities in Albany. For a time he was swayed toward the cause of the French, but the influence of Sir William Johnson, with whom he later became such a firm friend, kept him loyal to the English.

During the negotiations with the Iroquois at the Albany congress Hendrick was the chief speaker for the Indians. In answer to charges that the Iroquois were leaning to the French, he replied hotly: "You have asked us the reason of our being driven like leaves before the wind. The reason is because of your neglect of us these three years past. You have thrown us behind your back and disregarded us, whereas the French are always turning this way and that, with their eyes ever upon the trail, ever using their utmost endeavor every day, walking softly like the wolf

in winter to seduce and bring our people over to them. 'Tis your fault, brethren, that we are not strengthened by conquest, for we would have gone and taken Crown Point, but you hindered us. We had concluded to go and take it, but we were told it was too late and that the ice would not bear us; instead of this, we burnt your own forts at Seraghtoga and run away from it, which was a shame and a scandal to you. Look about your country and see. You have no fortifications about you, no, not even to this city. Look at the French. They are men. They are fortifying everywhere. But, we are ashamed to say it, you are all like women -- weak and defenseless."

But this stinging indictment of the faltering military policy of the English was overshadowed in importance by another of Hendrick's speeches at the congress. It was delivered on July 4, 1754, and in it he anticipated by 22 years to the day some of the ideas express in the Declaration of Independence. He said:

"Brethren, it is very true, as you told us, that the clouds hang heavy over us and it is not very pleasant to look up; but we give this belt to clear away all the clouds, that we may all live in bright sunlight, and keep together to strict union and friendship, then we shall become strong and nothing can hurt us."

"Brethren, I will just tell you what a people we were formerly. If any enemies arose against us, we had no occasion to lift up our whole hand against them, for our little finger was sufficient; and as we have now made a strong confederacy if we are truly in earnest therein, we may retrieve the ancient glory of the Five Nations."

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

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

First Baptist Church  
 HAYDEN SMITH, Pastor  
 314 10th Ave., Carrizozo, NM  
 648-2868 (Church) or 648-2107  
 Sunday School 9:45 a.m.  
 Worship Service 10:55 a.m.  
 Sun. Evening Training at 6:15 p.m.  
 Evening Worship 7:15 p.m.  
 Wednesday Bible Study 7:00 p.m.

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

Trinity Southern Baptist Church  
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 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 / 648-7875  
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 Morning Worship 10:30 a.m.  
 Children's Church 10:45 a.m.  
 Evening Worship 6:00 p.m.  
 Wednesday:  
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 Teen Bible Study 7:00 p.m.  
 Prayer Meeting 8:00 p.m.

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# Sheriff's Report

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tion at intersection of Highways 380 and 70 in Hondo. (Young subject shot himself in the foot accidentally.) Deputy and Med 2 dispatched.  
 12:29 p.m. missing person from 1000 block of C. Street. Carrizozo police dispatched.  
 2:50 p.m. fire at mile marker 301 to 305 on Highway 70 in Tinnie area. Arabella fire dept. responded.  
 3:05 p.m. traffic hazard. request for deputy for traffic control at location on Mechan Drive. Deputy dispatched.  
 4:57 p.m. deputy advised he did warrant service to subject at LCDC.  
 6:54 p.m. accident with injuries at mile marker 179 on

Highway 54. Corona fire dept. and ambulance dispatched.  
 9:26 p.m. fire at location on 100 block of Pfingsten Road. Bonito fire dept. dispatched.  
 10:45 p.m. accident at mile marker 11 on Highway 48. Deputy dispatched.  
 11:57 p.m. suspicious activity, subject. Carrizozo police dispatched.  
 June 18  
 8:43 a.m. motor vehicle theft from location in Gavilan Gates Subdivision. Deputy dispatched.  
 9:07 a.m. civil dispute at business. Capitan police dispatched.  
 10:03 a.m. driving under the

influence at location at Gavilan Canyon Road and Highway 48. Deputy dispatched.  
 11:25 a.m. animal in roadway at mile marker 278 on Highway 70 near Glencoe. Deputy dispatched.  
 1:43 p.m. security alarm at location on 200 Block of Eagle Creek Road. Deputy dispatched.  
 3:28 p.m. medical emergency at gravel pit area on Highway 70. Med 1 dispatched.  
 4:39 p.m. medical emergency at West Lake campground at Bonito Lake. Med 1 dispatched.  
 6:53 p.m. check welfare at location on Bonita Drive.

Deputy dispatched.  
 9:50 p.m. check welfare at location on 200 block of Sierra Blanca drive.  
 10:06 p.m. trespassing at location on 1000 block of Gavilan Canyon Road. Deputy dispatched.  
 10:19 p.m. accident in Hondo.  
 10:39 p.m. subject fell at location on 300 block of County Road C006. Capitan ambulance dispatched.

June 19  
 9:12 a.m. medical call at location on 400 block of High Mesa. Med 3 ALS dispatched.  
 11:20 a.m. disturbance/other at location on 100 block of Aspen Road in Capitan area. Deputy dispatched.  
 11:24 a.m. disturbance/other at location at mile

marker 293 on Highway 70 in Picacho area. Deputy dispatched.  
 2:23 p.m. motor vehicle theft at location on 1000 block of J Avenue. Carrizozo police dispatched.  
 2:35 p.m. medical emergency at location on Ski Run Road. Med 1 dispatched.  
 9:08 p.m. property-lost or found at location on Highway 70 in Hondo area. Deputy dispatched.



The following information was taken from the National Weather Service website. For more up to date weather reports, [www.srh.noaa.gov/abq/](http://www.srh.noaa.gov/abq/) on the internet. Weather reports are updated every four hours.

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

Today, Thursday, June 23  
 Mostly sunny with west winds 5 to 10 miles per hour (mph). High near 95. Tonight mostly clear with southwest winds around 10 becoming north. Low near 61.

Friday, June 24  
 Mostly sunny with north winds around 10 mph. High around 93. Tonight partly cloudy with 10 percent chance for showers and thunderstorms. Low around 60.

Saturday, June 25  
 Mostly sunny with high near 93. Tonight mostly clear with low around 60.

Sunday, June 26  
 Mostly sunny with high around 89. Tonight mostly clear with low near 60.

Monday, June 27  
 Mostly sunny with high near 92. Tonight mostly clear with low around 59.

Tuesday, June 28  
 Mostly sunny with high around 92. Tonight, mostly clear with low around 60.

Forecast for Ruidoso, Capitan and Corona.

Today, Thursday, June 23  
 Mostly sunny with southwest winds 5 to 10 mph in Ruidoso and 10 to 15 mph in Capitan and Corona. Highs around 86 in Ruidoso and Corona and 92 in Capitan. Tonight mostly clear in Ruidoso, Capitan and Corona with south winds around 10 mph becoming northwest. Lows near 55 in Ruidoso, 56 in Capitan and 58 in Corona.

Friday, June 24  
 Mostly sunny with north winds around 10 mph. Highs near 82 in Ruidoso, 89 in Capitan and 83 in Corona. Tonight partly cloudy with 10 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Lows around 53 in Ruidoso, 56 in Capitan and Corona.

Saturday, June 25  
 Mostly sunny with high near 83 in Ruidoso, 86 in Capitan and 82 in Corona. Tonight mostly clear with lows around 54 in Ruidoso, 57 in Capitan and 56 in Corona.

Sunday, June 26  
 Partly cloudy with high near 78 in Ruidoso, 83 in Capitan and 82 in Corona. Tonight mostly clear with lows near 54 in Ruidoso, 57 in Capitan and 56 in Corona.

Monday, June 27  
 Mostly sunny with high near 81 in Ruidoso, 85 in Capitan and 82 in Corona. Tonight mostly clear with lows around 53 in Ruidoso, 55 in Capitan and Corona.

Tuesday, June 28  
 Mostly sunny with high near 83 in Ruidoso and Corona and 85 in Capitan. Tonight mostly clear with lows around 55 in Ruidoso, 58 in Capitan and 56 in Corona.



## Summer Time

Summer breezes and dry warm temperatures dominate with only chances for showers Friday night.

Tuesday, June 21 was summer solstice, the longest day of the year, followed by full moon.

During the hot summer weather remember to drink more fluids, preferably water, and avoid being out in the sun during the middle of the day. If you must be outside during the day, wear sunscreen and long sleeved light colored shirt and hat. Watch for quickly forming thunderstorms. For information on lightning safety go to [www.lightningsafety.noaa.gov/](http://www.lightningsafety.noaa.gov/)

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# Looking Back . . .

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It is easy to imagine how attentively one delegate to that congress listened to the words of the Mohawk chieftain as he told of the ancient power of the Iroquois confederacy, a power gained so many years before because these "Indians" realized that "in union there is strength" and put that realization into practical effect. That delegate was Benjamin Franklin of Pennsylvania, who had in his pocket a plea for a union of the colonied which he had brought from Philadelphia with him.

His plan provided for the appointment of a president-general for the colonies, appointed by the Crown, and the election by the various colonial assemblies of a legislative body to be called the grand council. The powers which they were to exercise resembled in many ways those conferred upon the President and congress by our federal Constitution. The delegates to the Albany congress unanimously adopted Franklin's plan, but it was defeated when brought to a vote in the colonial assemblies.

So the colonies and the Mother country turned deaf ears to the wisdom that came from the lips of such men as King Hendrick of the Mohawks and Benjamin Franklin of Pennsylvania and went bak to their policy of "blundering through". They blundered seriously several times in the campaign against Crown Point the next year. One of their blunders was in disregarding the advice of King Hendrick who had led his Mohawks to aid his friend, Sir William Johnson, who commanded the expedition.

When it was proposed to send a detachment of 1,000 troops and 300 Indians to the aid of besieged Fort Edward, He Mohawk chief objected. "If they are to fight, they are too few," he said. "If they are to die, they are too many". But the council of war overrose him. Then when it was proposed to send the detachment against the enemy in three parties, Hendrick again preached his message of "In union there is strength". Picking up three sticks from the ground, he said: "Put these together and you cannot break them; take them one by one and you will do it easily."

But again his advice was disregarded and the detachment started against the gallant and able commander, Dieskau. The result was the ambush at Bloody Pond, the defeat of the colonials with the loss of 100 men, including the leader of the detachment, Col. Ephraim Williams, and stout old Hendrick. His horse was shot down at the first volley and before he could extricate himself a French bayonet pierced his heart.

So the great Mohawk died before he could see his English allies blunder through the French and Indian war to a successful conclusion. But his oft-repeated "in union there is strength" was not utterly lost. Another man who had preached the same message at the Albany congress continued to preach it - through his snake cartoon, through his writings and in his speeches in the Continental congress. So Benjamin Franklin lived to see it become an accomplished fact. He helped write a pledge to such a union in the Declaration of Independence and even though during the dark days fo the Revolution the bonds of that union seemed about to be broken, they survived long enough to win American liberty. But before he died he saw that union imperishably preserved in the Constitution of the United States of Amerca.

## "Perchmouth" Stanton Escapes

The local sheriff's office received a message Sunday stating that Ed (Perchmouth) Stanton had escaped from the Lubbock jail last Sunday evening.

He and three others sawed the bars of their cell on the top floor of the jail and regained their freedom, taking with them Walter S. Posey, Lubbock banker, and C. H. Elkins, a justice of the peace. They escaped in Elkins car and told the men that they would be used as shields if they should be overtaken by officers and had to shoot it out.

Almost a year ago on the 17th of last July, Stanton was captured at Ramon in Lincoln county. Texas officers claimed him and he was taken back to Tullia, Texas to be tried for killing of J.R. Mosely, Swisher county sheriff. He was found guilty and was taken to Lubbock to wait his removal to the Huntsville penitentiary where he was to have been electrocuted.

On the 16th of last July Sheriff A.S. McCamant, Deputy Sheriffs Tom Jones, Jack McCamant and Hubert Reynolds engaged in a gun battle with Stanton and Glenn Hunsucker near Ramon in which Deputy Sheriff Jones and Hunsucker both lost their lives. When the untimely death of Mr. Jones became known, hundreds of men volunteered for service, and spent the entire night and day searching for Stanton. He gave himself up about 3:30 on the afternoon of the 17th, and was lodged in the Carrizozo jail until Texas officers came for him.

A very special commissioning service was held for Terry Aiello Sunday afternoon at the Presbyterian Church in corona. Friends, family and church members from Roswell, Ruidoso, Ancho and Corona were in attendance, as were Mrs. Aiello and her daughter, Julie, Joe and Susan Smith, Boulder, CO and Terry's sister, Cheri Joblonowski, St. Louis, MO.

Participants in the service were Janell Kane and Jeanene Gibbs, Corona, Vernelle Hightower, Ancho and Anne Gravel, Roswell. The Reverend J. Shannonn Webster, Executive Presbyter of Sierra Blanca Presbytery gave the sermon. The Reverend Cathy Anderson of Ruidoso, gave the call to discipleship and the charge to the congregations. Other ministers present were Bill Sebring from the Nogal Presbyterian Church and Cal West, First Baptist Church of Corona. Special music was provided by an ecumenical choir with Beth Hightower and Sherrill Bradford at the keyboards.

A reception followed the service.

Terry and Linda will

## Old Lincoln Town

by Rosalie Dunlap

Whee!! Has it been hot this week. It has been in the high nineties at our house.

Dylan McArthur has been visiting his grandparents, the Herman McArthur's. He has attended the tempera painting class in Carrizozo and then the young photography group in Lincoln Monday.

I'm glad that Herman McArthur has a good sense of humor over my error. One of his grandsons wasn't too pleased with the error. My apologies.

Several of the Lincoln State Monument employees participated in the Bosque Redondo celebration at Ft. Summer recently.

It has been nice seeing the Whately home again. Cythnia had been in Albuquerque for medical care since September. She was determined she was going to make it home in time for her birthday the first of June and she did.

Ralph and Rosalie Dunlap spent several days in Albuquerque getting Ralph's heart checked up and I received my macugen shot in my eye.

We left on Sunday and I got a suitcase out of the attic. I had just gotten down the pull-down ladder when one of the old stadium seats lit me in my forehead. So I have had the blackest eyes and nose and taken a lot of ribbing - (Raccoon Eyes).

The last of the trees have been planted in the new park behind the Lincoln courthouse.

Special - Ted Allen from Sierra Blanca Corps had a meeting with the youth and parents (15 to 10) from the Lincoln County Community Collaborative Citation Pro-

gram. This program is part of the Lincoln County Justice Board.

The agenda included healthy communication, decision making and a service project on the park behind the Lincoln courthouse.

Keep your eyes open. SBSC will be hiring older youth for a Capitan Working Trail project in mid summer.

Enrollment for the first day of the Community Vacation Bible School was 38. The church had saddles and ropes everywhere in keeping with the Circle G Ranch theme.

There is more and more interest in the mega yard sale planned for June 25 to benefit individuals and the Corona Lending Library. The Library has recently received more than fifty videos to add to their collection. Ninety new children's books have been processed which includes the Lemony Senkett series.

The Summer Reading Program will start Tuesday, June 28 and continue each Tuesday through August 2 from 9:00 to 11:00.

At the regular Board Meeting of the Corona Lending Library held June 13 at the El Corral Cafe, it was announced that the Library has received their 501c3 rating so that all donations are fully deductible for

income tax purposes. Plans were also made for the "Meet the Author" reception featuring Steve Brewer on Friday, July 29, following the hamburger fry at the Senior Center and the burrit breakfast on July 30 during the Corona Festival.

# Corona News

**ATTENTION**  
**ALL BARGAIN HUNTERS**

**First Annual**  
**Corona Lending Library**  
**Community Yard Sale**  
**June 25th - 8:00 am to 4:00 pm**

Sale will be located on Main Street at the El Corral Court Yard and various places throughout the Village. Maps to all sale locations will be available.

Exhibitor Space Available - \$15.00  
 Register at the Corona Library or call 505-849-3277 or 505-849-7888

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**LEGAL NOTICE**

**TWELFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT  
COUNTY OF LINCOLN  
STATE OF NEW MEXICO**  
No. CV 05-184  
Division III

**JODY DESJARDINS,**  
Plaintiff,

vs.

**THE FOLLOWING NAMED  
LIVING PERSONS:**

**MICHAEL WHITE, ERICA WHITE AND  
CHRISTINA SWIFT, THE UNKNOWN  
HEIRS OF THE FOLLOWING NAMED  
DECEASED PERSON: DIANE WHITE,  
AND ALL UNKNOWN CLAIMANTS OF  
INTEREST IN THE PREMISES ADVERSE  
TO THE PLAINTIFF.**

Defendants,

**SUMMONS AND NOTICE OF  
PENDENCY OF ACTION**

THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO TO THE  
FOLLOWING NAMED DEFENDANTS:

THE UNKNOWN HEIRS OF THE FOLLOW-  
ING NAMED DECEASED PERSON: DIANE  
WHITE, AND ALL UNKNOWN CLAIM-  
ANTS OF INTEREST IN THE PREMISES  
ADVERSE TO THE PLAINTIFF.,

GREETINGS: You are hereby notified that  
Jody Desjardins, Plaintiff, has filed an action in  
the District Court of Lincoln County, New  
Mexico, Civil Docket No. CV-05-184 Div. III,  
wherein you are named as Defendants and  
wherein said Plaintiff seeks to obtain construc-  
tive service upon you.

The general subject matter of said action is  
to quiet title to certain real estate, which is  
the subject matter of the above-captioned and  
numbered cause of action and is described as  
follows:

Lots 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, and 21, Block 2, and  
the East 100 feet of Lots 31 and 32, Block 3,  
McDONALD'S ADDITION to the TOWN OF  
CARRIZOZO, Lincoln County, New Mexico  
as shown by the plat thereof filed in the office  
of the County Clerk and Ex-officio Recorder of  
Lincoln County, New Mexico; TOGETHER  
WITH all improvements thereon; SUBJECT  
TO reservations, restrictions and easements of  
record.

You are further notified that unless you  
enter your appearance, plead or otherwise  
respond in said cause on or before August 1,  
2005, judgment will be rendered against you by  
default and the relief prayed for in the Com-  
plaint will be granted to Plaintiff in conformity  
with all allegations of the Plaintiff's Complaint.

The name and address of the attorney for  
the Plaintiff is: Archie A. Withan, (505) 354-  
7104, P.O. Box 83, Nogal, New Mexico  
88341.

WITNESS my hand and seal of the District  
Court of Lincoln County, New Mexico, on this  
the 13th day of June, 2005.

**JAN PERRY**  
Clerk of the District Court  
By: Gloria LaMay  
Deputy

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**LEGAL NOTICE**

**12th Judicial  
District Court  
County of Lincoln  
State of New Mexico**  
No. CV05-180

IN RE: The Petition for  
Name Change of  
Carol Ann Morgan

**AMENDED NOTICE**

TAKE NOTICE that in  
accordance with the provi-  
sions of Sections 40-8-1  
through 40-8-3, N.M.S.A.,  
1978, Carol Ann Morgan  
will apply to the Honorable  
Karen Parsons, District  
Judge of the 12th Judicial  
District, at the 12th Judicial  
District Courthouse at  
Carrizozo, New Mexico, at  
8:15 o'clock a.m., on the  
15th day of July, 2005,  
during a regular term of the  
Court, or as soon thereafter  
as the matter may be heard  
for an Order for a change  
of name for Carol Ann  
Morgan to Carol Ann  
Manzanares.

**JAN PERRY**  
District Court Clerk

By: Jolene Biggs  
Deputy Court Clerk

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and 23, 2005.



**JOB WELL DONE.** Lincoln County Emergency Medical Technicians (from left) Kim Roper (with Carrizozo EMS), Mickey Howard (Carrizozo and Capitan EMS) and Laura Christianson (Capitan EMS) and Lincoln County EMS Services director Jim Stover are congratulated by Lincoln County Manager Tom Stewart (far left) during the June 21 county commission meeting in Carrizozo. Lincoln County EMS services recently received a "Job Well Done" commendation from the New Mexico Public Regulation Commission Inspector. (See related article).

**County Commends EMS  
For Job Well Done**

by Doris Cherry

Lincoln County Commis-  
sioners approved very much  
of the proclamation for the  
Lincoln County EMS System.

Lincoln County EMS direc-  
tor Jim Stover and EMTs  
Kim Roper with Carrizozo  
EMS, Mickey Howard with  
Capitan and Carrizozo EMS  
and Laura Christianson with  
Capitan EMS were at the June  
21 county commission meet-  
ing in Carrizozo to accept the  
proclamation read by county  
manager Tom Stewart.

"The Lincoln County Emer-  
gency Medical Services sys-  
tem has operated nearly 28  
years in its current configu-  
ration," the proclamation reads.

"The system is managed and  
manned by eight full time and  
27 part time volunteer emer-  
gency medical personnel in  
five different locations (in the  
county)."

"The system mans nine am-  
bulances covering an area of  
some 4,859 square miles, an  
area the size of Connecticut,  
and its responds to an average  
of 2,280 emergency calls for  
assistance and 2,037 calls for  
transport each year.

"On April 26, 2005, the  
system underwent an audit  
and inspection by the NM  
PRC and received the com-  
ment that this system was not  
only compliant, but also was  
rated a Very Impressive Ser-  
vice."

"Now therefore be it pro-  
claimed that on behalf of the  
grateful citizens of Lincoln  
County, that the Board of  
County Commissioners con-  
gratulates and commends all  
personnel associated with the  
Emergency Medical Services  
system of Lincoln County for  
a job well done."

Stover said the Lincoln

County EMS has an excellent  
staff with EMTs and interme-  
diate EMTs in all areas now.  
LCEMS operates its paid  
staffed advanced life support  
ambulances from Lincoln  
County Medical Center  
(LCMC) in Ruidoso and vol-  
unteer staffed ambulances in  
Capitan, Carrizozo, Corona  
and Hondo.

**Good Progress  
On Ruidoso ETZ**

by Doris Cherry

Progress on a new Ruidoso-  
Lincoln County Extraterrito-  
rial Zoning ordinance has got-  
ten off to a very good start,  
reported Lincoln County  
Commissioner Maury St.  
John at the Tuesday, June 21  
county commission meeting  
in Carrizozo. St. John, county  
commissioner Tom Battin and  
county attorney Alan Morel  
were appointed to serve on an  
ETZ task force to find solu-  
tions to the ETZ issues.

"I am proud of the progress  
we made," said St. John. "We  
had a very good meeting with  
the Ruidoso Village Council  
ETZ task force."

Ruidoso councilors Ray  
Nunley and Don Williams and  
village attorney John Under-  
wood were appointed to the

Ruidoso Village ETZ Task  
Force and met with the county  
ETZ task force.

St. John said she learned  
that complaints about how  
Ruidoso administers the ETZ  
are also ongoing within  
Ruidoso. She also said a form  
drafted by the county task  
force that outlines all specific  
requirements for requests for  
variances within the ETZ was  
circulated among the Ruidoso  
task force members. St. John  
said the Ruidoso task force  
members agreed with the  
form which is concise and  
leaves nothing to subjectivity.

The same draft form made it  
to the ETZ Commission  
members who held their regu-  
lar meeting Monday, June 20  
in Ruidoso.

County planning officer  
Curt Temple told county  
commissioners that he attended  
the ETZ Commission meeting  
where Councilor Nunley dis-  
tributed copies of the draft  
ETZ form with a memo. Tem-  
ple said the only question the  
ETZ commission members  
had was whether the ETZ task  
force meetings were open to  
the public or private.

St. John said the draft form  
would have eventually gotten  
to the ETZ Commission and  
ETZ Authority which would  
then hold public hearings on  
the proposed ordinance and  
form. "I didn't think we would  
pass the draft forms out now,"  
St. John said.

Temple said the ETZ Com-  
mission members were con-  
fused and had no direction on  
what to do with the forms.

"I think the forms are pre-  
liminary," St. John added.

Morel said the draft form  
was for the ETZ task force  
members to go over. "The  
form is not confidential," Mo-  
rel said. "It's just a draft."

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**LEGAL NOTICE**

NOTICE is hereby given that on June 2, 2005, Dunagan Farms, LLC, 5098 Emerald Street, Las Cruces, New Mexico 88201-3156, filed application No. H-967 into H-272 (T) with the STATE ENGINEER for permit to temporarily change location of well, place and purpose of use 41.6 acre-feet per annum shallow groundwater by temporarily ceasing the diversion of said waters from well H-967 located in the SE¼SW¼SE¼ of Section 35, Township 11 South, Range 13 East, N.M.P.M., by ceasing the irrigation of 13.0 acres of land described as Pt. S¼SE¼ of Section 35, Township 11 South, Range 13 East, N.M.P.M.

The applicant proposes to temporarily commence the diversion of said 41.6 acre-feet per annum of the shallow groundwater from well No. H-272 located in the NW¼NE¼SW¼ of Section 36, Township 11 South, Range 13 East, N.M.P.M. for municipal purposes within the Village of Ruidoso.

This is a temporary application to transfer leased rights to the Village of Ruidoso for a ten (10) year period starting upon the approval of this application and extending 10 years into the future. This application may be withdrawn at any time during the 10 year period by written request of the applicant.

Emergency authorization is requested.

The move-from points of diversion and places of use are located slightly north of the Mescalero Indian Reservation along US Highway 70, Lincoln County, New Mexico. The proposed move-to points of diversion and place of use are located within the Village of Ruidoso, Lincoln County, New Mexico.

Any person or other entity shall have standing to file an objection or protest if they object that the granting of the application will:

- (1) Be detrimental to the objector's water right; or
- (2) Be contrary to the conservation of water within the state or detrimental to the public welfare of the state, provided that the objector shows how they will be substantially and specifically affected by the granting of the application.

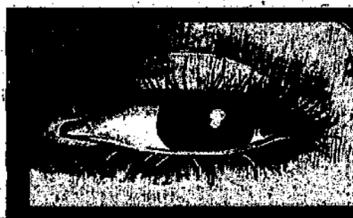
A valid objection or protest shall set forth the grounds for asserting standing and shall be legible, signed, and include the complete mailing address of the objector. An objection or protest must be filed with the state engineer not later than 10 calendar days after the date of the last publication of this notice. An objection or protest may be mailed to the Office of the State Engineer, 1900 West Second, Roswell, New Mexico 88201, or faxed to 505-623-8559 provided the original is hand-delivered or postmarked within 24 hours after transmission of the fax. The State Engineer will take the application up for consideration in the most appropriate and timely manner practical.

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DISTRICT COURT CALENDAR

Monday, June 20
8:15 a.m. Bejar v. Bejar; DV-2004-34; Motion-violations.
9 a.m. Sanchez v. Ruidoso Schools; CV-2003-23 (Romero/Bell); Pretrial and motion.
1:05 p.m. Alto Lakes v. Springer; CV-2004-324 R.Hawthorne/Beauvais; Motion to show judgement.
1:30 p.m. Tipps v. Morgan; CV-2004-59 (Beauvais/ProSe); Merits.

Tuesday, June 21
Judge in Ruidoso.
8 a.m.
Autem Judd; JR-2004-10; Check-in.
Cory Welborn; JR-2003-77; Judicial inquiry.
Jerylynn Lovelace; JR-2005-28; First appearance.
Shawnee Walker; JR-2004-09; Disposition.
Tanner Daniel; JR-2005-13; Disposition.
Eric Vaughn; JR-2005-12 (C.Hawthorne)
Nancy Gutierrez; JR-2005-23; Plea/pretrial hearing.
9:30 a.m. McCoy v. McCoy; DM-2003-83 (Beauvais/Denson); Present order/motion.

11 a.m.
JQ-2005-02 (LJR)
JQ-2005-01
12 noon, Drug Court Advisory Board meeting.
2 p.m. Lincoln County Juvenile Justice Board.
3:30 p.m. Drug Court screening.
4:30 p.m. Drug Court.
Darrell Brantley domestic mediator hears cases on Tuesday:
10 a.m.

Krystal Vance v. Luis Phillips; DV-2004-152; Terminate.
Luis Jimenez v. Susan Jimenez; DV-2002-115; Motion/violation.

10:30 a.m.
Renee Miranda v. Gary Silva; DV-2005-41; New.
Sheri Rodgers v. Chris Watts; DV-2005-42; New.

Wednesday, June 22
8:15 a.m. Teleconference. PRAIII, v. Harrison; CV-04-136 (Harrison/Fitzpatrick); Motion to show judgement.

8:15 a.m. Criminal Docket Call:
Ellery Yahmahki; CR-2005-08
Bradley Turner; CR-2005-02
Kristine Essex; CR-2005-09
Francisco Gandarillo; CR-2005-17
Cheryl Mills; CR-2005-15
Robert Wynn; CR-2005-16
Floyd Ryan; CR-2004-164 & 191
Heather McMillian; CR-2004-205
Jesus Navarrette; CR-2004-177
Creighton Westerfield; CR-2004-40
Manuel Montano; LR-2005-01
Gabriel Samora; CR-2004-225
Melissa Zamora; CR-2004-227
Gary Parker; CR-2004-233
Juan Gonzalez; CR-2004-228
Jesus Ybarra; CR-2004-166

8:30 a.m.
April Stamm; CR-2004-189; Motion.
Oscar Sameniego; CR-2003-162; Pretrial hearing.
First Appearances:
Yvon Vega; CR-2005-96
Janielle Dembowski; CR-2005-98
Tyra Creswell; CR-2005-99
Stephen Vazquez; CR-2005-100
Gonzales Gonzales; CR-2005-101; Motion.
Elizabeth Shirley; CR-2005-102
Cody Bomer; CR-2005-103
Maurice Miller; CR-2005-105
Aloy Garcia; CR-2002-144
David Saenz; CR-2003-84
Andrew Megarity; CR-2004-206
Kelly Trapp; CR-2003-24; USD and motion.
Dewayne Brooks; CR-2005-50
Jennifer Silva; CR-2005-93
Alejandro Garcia; CR-2002-73
Nora Hill; CR-2003-165
Pedro Rodriguez; CR-2005-78
Steve Messmore; CR-2003-41

Change of Plea:
John Ward; CR-2004-137
Daniel Urban; CR-2004-174
Dianna Jacks; CR-2005-53
William Hall; CR-2005-07
Cason Word; CR-2004-83
Elizabeth Hubbard; CR-2004-194
Jacob Rocha; CR-2005-54
Friday Bodine; CR-2005-37
Patrick Means; CR-2005-72
Heather McMillian; CR-2004-205
Edgar Magana; CR-2004-219
Guilio Pagliuca; CR-2000-158

Pre-trial hearings:
Dean Zucco; CR-2005-24; MR CR
Filbert Herrera; CR-2005-21
Abel Avila; CR-2005-22
Reginald Turner; CR-2004-126 & CR-2005-19
Chris Candelaria; CR-2005-18
Christian Steward; CR-2004-181
Rana Evans; CR-2004-180
April Stamm; CR-2004-187
Joseph Uptergrove; CR-2004-197
Donald Stevens; CR-2005-26
Ellery Yahmahki; CR-2005-08; Motion.
Creighton Westerfield; CR-2005-40; Motion.

Other:
Chad Crouse; CR-2005-05; Sentencing.
Ebony Cummings; CR-2004-125; Pretrial.
Luis Triste; CR-2004-06; Judicial inquiry-judgement and sentencing.
Naomi Fleck; CR-2004-171; Motion.
Richard Waterfield; CR-2005-73; Motion.

1 p.m. Plea Conferences:
Dianna Jacks; CR-2005-53
Glenn Reinsberg; CR-2005-38
1:30 p.m.

Cheryl Mills; CR-2005-15; Merits.
Floyd Ryan; CR-2004-164; Motion.
Bryan Commanche; CR-2004-204; Order to show cause-Manuel Tegoda.
Allen Smith; CR-2001-158; Merits.
Ross Beaver; CR-2004-158; First appearance/ sentencing.
Kristine Essex; CR-2005-09; Motion.

Thursday, June 23
8:05 a.m. Smith v. Smith; DM-04-122 (R.Hawthorne/Jordon) Order to show cause.

8:30 a.m. LeBlanc v. LeBlanc; DM-2004-168 (McSwane/C.Hawthorne) Merits.

3 p.m. Jury Orientation; Ruidoso Civic Center.
6 p.m. Crimestoppers meeting at Kokopelli's.

Friday, June 24
8:15 a.m. Lightsey v. Marshall; CV-96-95 (Rafkin/ProSe); Writ of Execution.

8:45 a.m. All Spas v. Brazel; CV-2004-231 (Rafkin/ProSe); Damages.

9 a.m. Hancock v. Hancock; DM-2004-130 (Rafkin/R.Hawthorne); Merits.

11 a.m. Dietz v. West Coast Log Homes; CV-2003-146; (Rafkin/Overstreet); Motion.
2 p.m. Jury Orientation in Alamogordo.

County Continues

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compactors located in various areas in the county that have curbed illegal dumping. She said she has finally been in contact with the forest service to start the process to put a compactor at Cedar Creek.

Earlier in the discussion about the rfp, the county manager said they could discuss the specifics of the rfp later in executive session. THE NEWS asked how the county commission can discuss the rfp in executive session, since it did not seem to be an exception allowed by the Open Meetings Act. County attorney Alan Morel said the rfp was to be discussed under the Open Meetings Act section for discussion of purchase, acquisition and/or disposal of property. However after thought Morel said the solid waste services are not real property and in addition the Open Meetings Act section deals with sole source providers.

"This is not appropriate for executive session and you will have to pull this item," Morel advised.

San Patricio resident Ken Nosker supported LCSWA for its residential services and the periodic free roll off service for large non-household trash.

Oscuro resident Jerry Carroll supported LCSWA and the common sense approaches provided in Lewandowski's report.

The Ranches of Sonterra Homeowners Association vice president complimented LCSWA which has worked with the association to purchase and set up a roll-off/compactor for the subdivision residents.



Sober Thought

Reveller - Excuse me, is this house number 9?
Passer-by - No, that is number 99.
Reveller - Hurray! Then I'm shober after all.

Correction

In the June 16 issue of THE NEWS, in the article about the Ed Tinsley development wanting water from Capitan, THE NEWS incorrectly reported that Kimberly Stowe represented Tinsley.

Kimberly's last name is Stone. Also she told THE NEWS she did not comment that Tinsley had water rights to offer the village, rather village trustee Bobbi Shearer made that comment. THE NEWS apologizes for the mistake.

Ingle said a similar compactor set up in Sun Valley is also working very well. She said White Oaks, Arabela and other areas are inquiring into setting up compactor/convenience sites.

Lovelace then said she would support a motion to rescind the rfp because the rfp is an expensive way to get answers, which she believed they did get from LCSWA. Hobbs then made his motion to rescind, Lovelace seconded it, and Hobbs, Lovelace and Battin voted yes, Simpson and St. John said nothing, and Simpson announced the vote was 3-2 with St. John and Simpson abstaining.

Ingle said when LCSWA picks up slash and yard waste in Cedar Creek or other areas, it will try to pick up all piles of such waste in the area before it goes to another.

Commissioners later in the meeting directed the county attorney to draft changes to the county solid waste ordinance to give authority for setting trash rates back to the county commission.

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# Capitan Wetlands Project Bid Awarded

by Doris Cherry

Improvements to the Capitan village wetlands will soon begin as village trustees awarded the bid for the work to Ruidoso contractor Carl Kelly.

During their meeting June 14 Capitan trustees approved hiring sole bidder Carl Kelly Construction for \$804,000. Kelly bid \$1.4 million for all options of the improvement project, but the village has only \$804,000. As a result several options for additional work on the project were removed. Work will involve enlarging the existing cells, construction of a new cell and installation of aerators. Steve Osborn of the village water department said with the improvements the wetlands will be able to treat the waste water produced by future growth in the core area of the village.

Village clerk Anna Gail Grassie said Southeastern New Mexico Economic Development District (SNMEDD) will work closely with the village on the project, because there have been problems with the contractor in the past.

Village trustees also held a public hearing to learn what village residents think are the most pressing infrastructure needs that should be listed on the official village Infrastructure Capital Improvements Plan (ICIP). Although the state Department of Finance and Administration (DFA) deadline for the ICIP was June 30, the deadline had been extended to August 15, Grassie said.

State legislators always inquire about the ICIP projects when the village seeks state funding.

ICIP creates a plan for needed projects over the next 10 years.

The ICIP for Capitan for last year lists chip sealing streets as first priority, sewer improvements second, community center third, health clinic fourth, drainage in the subdivisions fifth and water lines sixth.

Trustee George Tippin suggested the priority list be moved around, since the chip seal project was completed this spring.

Trustee Bobbi Shearer said the water line improvements should be first priority and road improvements second.

Trustee Bill Martin thought drainage should be a priority, and Jonathan LaMay with the village street department said drainage should be fixed before any more chip sealing or road improvements.

Martin said the village needs to be more sophisticated in seeking grants and state appropriations to pay for the infrastructure needs. He said village representatives need to make themselves known to the state legislature and make more personal visits to the governor.

As for funding for a community center, the village has a \$50,000 appropriation which might pay for engineering design. Shearer said Capitan needs its own community center mostly because of the unresolved transportation issues with having a centralized center in the Ruidoso area.

"We need to spend the \$50,000 before we have to send it back to the legislature," Shearer added.

Later in the meeting Main Road resident Nick Pacheco pleaded with trustees to continue the chip seal pavement on Main Road. He said the chip seal ends just at his house and the dust from the road is causing health problems with he and his family. He also asked that the village put up speed limit and "children at play" signs and then enforce them.

Village staff assured that once the village is into its new fiscal year budget beginning July 1 there will be funds for chemical dust abatement treatment on the road.

Trustees made no final decision on the priority projects for the ICIP. Instead, they agreed to hold at least one more public hearing to take additional input.

Anyone with ideas for infrastructure projects to be added to the ICIP, can submit these ideas to the village clerk or can submit them at the next public hearing to be held prior to the July 12 regular meeting.

Trustees rejected all bids for the annual gravel supply, based on advice from village attorney Marc Prelo. Bids came in from Pat Huey at \$13 a ton and from WWC/Ruidoso Paving at \$9.50 a ton. Grassie said there were questions about the special conditions in the bid specs which Huey had submitted and WWC had not. Grassie said WWC called after the bid opening to find out who sub-

mitted the best bid. Grassie said she told the company representative that there was a problem with his bid because it did not include the bid spec sheet.

Grassie said there was some redundant language in the bid requiring a test result from the winner of the bid.

Prelo said the language of the bid was very confusing and to make sure no one felt shorted, he recommended trustees reject both bids, improve the language in the bid specifications and re-bid.

Shearer agreed the bid specification was badly worded. Martin said it was too open to interpretation.

Huey said for Grassie to provide the bid information to WWC/Ruidoso Paving before the bid was awarded was against the law. Martin said there is nothing he had read to prohibit disclosure of the bid prices once the bids are officially opened.

Martin made the motion to reject all bids and to re-bid the gravel with the improved language. Tippin seconded the motion which got all eyes.

Trustees also: --Approved the recommendation from the village loggers tax committee to provide \$600 of loggers tax funds to the Lincoln County Fair Board for posters and advertising of the July 4 Stampede rodeo and \$600 to the Capitan Public Library for advertising the annual July 4 Smokey Bear Fun Run.



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