

# Valley Residents Petition To Stop Water Pollution

by Patrice Brazie

Recent reports of the poor water quality of the rios Ruidoso and Hondo, below the Ruidoso Regional Wastewater Treatment Plant, have inhabitants of those river valleys anxious and concerned. Pushing a deadline for public comment with the New Mexico Environmental Department, a precursor to the Ruidoso plant's permit re-

newal, valley residents drafted a petition to the state's environmental department.

Speaking to the Lincoln County Commission on November 15, Jackie Powell said, "we're very, very concerned. I'm officially representing 212 people that are on the petition," she told county commissioners. She reported that 100 percent of the residents that she was able to

reach in only six days signed the petition. "We sent this in as group comment for the New Mexico Environmental Department to attach to their report," Powell said, "that has to do with the village of Ruidoso getting its permit for the waste plant."

The petition states concerns over the health and safety of those living downstream from the treatment plant, citing nu-

trient and bacteria levels that violate state water quality standards. Fears of worsening conditions due to the addition of Mescalero's Inn of the Mountain Gods, Travel Center and Palmer Loop subdivision to the sewer system were also expressed. "We fear for the health of our children who play near the river and the affects on our livestock and domestic animals," the peti-

tion reads. "We respectfully request that the Village of Ruidoso take immediate action to correct this problem." The petition also asks that the Office of the State Engineer not credit the Village of Ruidoso for released water

that is primarily effluent from the plant. "It is ludicrous for them to receive credit for destroying a stream and (putting) valley residents at risk," the petition states.

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## PLURAAC Requests Broadened Arena

by Patrice Brazie

In 2003, the Lincoln County Commissioners adopted an ordinance combining two existing agencies, the Public Land Use Council and the Agricultural and Rural Affairs Advisory Committee. The result was the creation of the Public Land Use and Rural Affairs Advisory Committee, or PLURAAC.

The stated objectives of the PLURAAC are to include fact-finding of a nature relevant to natural resources, coordinating the development and monitoring of proposed uses of public lands, issues relevant to recreation, hunting, fishing, water, wood and timber harvesting, mining and grazing. PLURAAC may be required to monitor the activities of several state and federal agencies, coordinate with other county committees, and make regular reports and recommendations to the county commission.

The ordinance also assigns to the PLURAAC the protection of private property rights and interest in public lands in accordance with the Lincoln County Comprehensive Land Use Plan.

On October 18, 2005, Lincoln County Commissioners approved an application for a \$50,000 Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) to fund the creation of a county-wide growth management plan, or comprehensive plan.

Members of the Lincoln County Public Land Use and Rural Affairs Advisory Committee (PLURAAC) have requested the Lincoln County Commission to consider changing the name of the Lincoln County Comprehensive Land Use Plan, to the Lincoln County Comprehensive Plan. The PLURAAC has recently been reviewing the county's comprehensive land use plan and recommending changes

to the commission.

County commissioner Maury St. John objected to changing the name of the plan, stating that a title usually indicates the content within, and she saw no need for the change.

Robert Moeller, Nogal resident and newly appointed secretary of the PLURAAC, explained the committee's intended purpose in requesting the change. "The consensus of the committee was that by changing the name, through dropping the land use designation, it would provide an opportunity for the plan to address additional elements other than simply land use or natural resources," Moeller said. "Perhaps the plan would like to address the issue of infrastructure in the county. By changing the name of the plan, thereby getting away from the narrow designation of land use, we're broadening the arena."

PLURAAC member Ken Nosker told county commissioners that people view the PLURAAC as a committee that deals solely with land.

"There's other entities that have been formed, and think that they should be the lead agency. Maybe it's a struggle over turf," Nosker said. "We do talk about other things. We felt like we could do you a better job if the opinion was that we are not just interested in land."

Oscuro resident Jerry Carroll, who is not a committee member but attends most PLURAAC meetings, suggested that a change of the plan's name would somehow simplify matters and quell confusion.

County commissioner Tom Battin responded with his opinion that a name change would not simplify anything, but would make the issue more complex. "As I understand it, the PLURAAC was originally formed to address public land use. If you take the land use out of the title," Battin said, "doesn't that

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**RUIDOSO VALLEY RESIDENT**, Jackie Powell, addressed the Lincoln County Commission with concerns over pollution in the Rio Ruidoso and Rio Hondo.

## C'zozo Changes Meeting Date For December

by Patrice Brazie

In a special town council meeting on November 22, the Town of Carrizozo Board of Trustees voted to change the date of their December meeting from the 13th to the 6th, as town clerk Leann Weibrecht will be out of town on the 13th.

At the meeting, Carrizozo resident Marie Watkins reminded the trustees that she was awaiting answers to questions regarding the possible annexation of a proposed subdivision. Those questions have been sent to the Attorney General who, Watkins stated, understands that Watkins is waiting for a response from the trustees.

Watkins then referred to a previous request for the creation of an ordinance establishing rules for the placement of political campaign signs within Carrizozo. She thanked mayor Manuel Hernandez for removing the sign from her front yard, then asked if the trustees could bring some ideas regarding an ordinance to the board's December meeting. Hernandez explained that the board was very busy, especially with the holidays.

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## Veterans Memorial Dedication Saturday

by Patrice Brazie

A parade and dedication ceremony will mark official recognition of the Lincoln County Veterans Memorial in Carrizozo, on Saturday, December 3. Sanctioned by the Carrizozo Veterans Committee, including Patsy Sanchez, Harold Garcia, Bob Chad, Ernie Gonzalez, Mike Gieb and Floyd Kiser, the inception and installation of the memorial has been a real community project.

The memorial, which graces a portion of the land occupied by the Carrizozo Municipal Building, is simple and refined in design. Flags displayed on eight poles will honor the branches of the U.S. military—Army, Navy, Air Force, Coast Guard, Marines and Medical Corps, as well as prisoners of war (POW) and, on one pole, the flags of the State of New Mexico and the United States of America.

The Lincoln County Veterans Memorial is a labor of

love for Carrizozo resident Floyd Kiser. A former POW in Laos, Kiser has been fundamental in collecting donations for the installation and organizing Saturday's event. One of his tactics was to set-up a booth at local festivals and other events to ask for donations, and about \$3,000 has been raised to support the memorial.

Quick to acknowledge the kindness of others in the community who have joined in to bring the project to fruition, Kiser said George and Mabel Vega have helped a lot. According to Kiser, the flagpoles were donated by Chris Zamora and welded by Mike Gaines. Otero County Electric Cooperative employees painted the poles and dug the holes to set them into Carrizozo Ready-Mix donated the cement to hold the poles in the ground.

George Vega and Danny Narvaez contributed the elbow-grease to secure decorative stones to the site;

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## County Demos Meet Tonight

PRC Commissioner E. Shirley Baca (who represents District 5 which includes parts of Lincoln County) will be the guest speaker at the Lincoln County Democratic Party monthly meeting tonight (Thursday, Dec. 1) at K-Bob's Restaurant on Highway 70 in Ruidoso.

The meeting begins at 5:30 p.m. with dinner off the menu, with business and guest speaker at 6:30 p.m.

All interested persons are invited to attend.

## Domenici Announces Funds For Capitan Fire Department

U.S. Senator Pete Domenici, a member of the Senate Homeland Security Appropriations Subcommittee, today detailed a grant for Capitan Volunteer Fire Department to improve safety precautions and equipment for its firefighters.

The grant was awarded through the federal Assistance to Firefighters Grant Program, which is administered by the Homeland Security Department's Office of Domestic Preparedness. These grants are derived from the \$650 million approved by Congress for 2005 grant awards.

"This program continues to provide necessary funding so that fire stations throughout New Mexico can provide swift service to residents. These firefighters voluntarily choose to be on call to respond to a variety of emergencies, and they should have the tools necessary to be prepared and protected at all times," Domenici said.

The Capitan Volunteer Fire Department in Lincoln County was awarded \$38,475 to improve operations and firefighter safety. Funds may be used for training, equipment, personal protective equipment, wellness and fitness, and modifications to the fire station and its facilities.

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Citizens of Carrizozo

# Valley Residents Petition

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Powell is also a member of the Lincoln County Water Research and Conservation Committee (LCWRCC). Speaking as representative of that committee, she told county commissioners, "We'd like to request the county commission have a meeting, whether it be here or in a better position for the people who are affected by this polluted water. Have the environmental department come, and the Village of Ruidoso come and tell us when, exactly, this is going to be corrected."

Powell told of some valley residents who had to cap their well and drill in a new location across the river and on higher ground because of contamination. "Those were wells

that had to be tested because they had bed-and-breakfasts (or other businesses), so they were already sending their water off to be tested. Those of us that are just individuals, we don't know how many of us are already in a serious situation," she said.

"We're asking for help however we can get help, as soon as we can get it. We've been complaining for 15 years," Powell said.

"The valley is paying an extreme price for the development of this area. Where does it stop?"

County commissioner Tom Battin addressed Powell's request for a meeting between the county, the Village of Ruidoso and the state envi-

ronmental department. "Do you have any indication from the Village of Ruidoso that they would participate in that?"

"I don't," Powell answered. County commissioner Earl Hobbs asked, "What do you perceive as the outcome of a meeting of this nature?"

Powell suggested that Ruidoso should be planning to improve or replace its wastewater treatment facility in the next two or three years, not in 15 or 20 years. She added, "I'm not sure how the county commission can help."

County commissioner Eileen Lovelace expressed her opinion that the county should become involved. "They've been talking about this for years and nothing's been done. They were fined several years ago and still nothing's been done. We need to get involved however we can," Lovelace said.

"We are involved," County commissioner Maury St. John said. "I sit on the joint-use board for the waste water treatment plant." In defense of the Ruidoso regional plant, she explained, "there are a lot of legalities involved. They have done some stop-gap treatments to try to affect the outcome from the treatment plant. There is a plan in motion to completely redo the treatment plant. It's quite expensive," St. John said, "but they are going forward with trying to get that accomplished. There's a lawsuit that's involved at this point so, as being a party to it, I can't

really go into it, but it's not like they're not paying some attention to it," St. John said.

Lovelace responded, "They've known about this problem for a long time. Carrizo went through the same thing and it came down to you could either fix it, or they were shutting it down. Why is it that Ruidoso has gotten away with being able to add-on people but not fix the system?" Lovelace asked. "That doesn't compute."

"I'm struggling with what we can do, as a county," Battin said.

Stirling Spencer, also a member of the LCWRCC, joined Powell at the podium. "I really feel it's the moral, ethical and, probably legal responsibility of this commission to protect the health, safety and welfare of the citizens within the county. That's the number one thing you do," he said. "I think it's time to say enough is enough and, you know, fish or cut bait. You are hurting the health, safety and welfare of an indigenous people down there that have been trying to live and get along."

Spencer continued, "We understand that this is not going to change in 15 minutes. This has been an ever-increasing ignored problem by the governing entity upstream. We're asking the county to bring in the person with the hammer, the EID or the state. We'd like to ask, what are your plans? Enlighten us so we don't get upset, maybe something's going on and we can fix it. But it's been 15 years and you haven't done anything," Spencer said.

Hobbs directed a question to the county's attorney, Alan Morel. "If we determined that the health and safety of the people downstream of the sewer plant were in danger, could we simply say cease and desist?"

Morel told him, "We could say it, I don't think anybody's going to listen. There is actual federal litigation going on at this time over this issue. I don't think Ruidoso's going to want to come and discuss this issue with us," Morel said, "they'd be hard-pressed to sit down and admit or discuss something that's in litigation."

San Patricio resident Ken Nosker then addressed the county commission. "You people sitting on this commission represent us," he said. "What you should do is come down whenever one of us irrigates, when the water's low; you smell it and get it on your boots and your shovel. Then you'd be more interested in doing something about it. We don't want to sue someone in our own county," Nosker said, "but something needs to be done."

After more discussion regarding potential pollution-based health issues and a willingness to work in cooperation with the villages of Ruidoso and Ruidoso Downs, Battin suggested that, after hearing more from valley residents, the commission might adopt a resolution asking the state environmental department to set some kind of timeline on the treatment plant's requirements to comply with state water quality standards.

The commission voted to schedule a special meeting in the valley to hear the concerns of residents there. Powell suggested the Hondo High School might be an appropriate location for the meeting.



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 articles appeared in the "Lincoln County News".

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Thursday, May 29, 1965

## When A Lincoln County Ghost Town Roared w/life

Reprinted from 'The West', a magazine devoted to true stories of the old west.

Many of the west's great names were once domiciled in the town, and so were the outlaws! And Sheriff Pat Garrett was in White Oaks on business the day Billy the Kid escaped from the Lincoln jail . . .

by Xanthus Carson

(Continued from Last Week)

The largest casino was operated by a canny dealer named Madame Varnish, so-called, and justly entitled, because of her "slick" way of dealing with the miners. Many of the miners, at the end of their work day, became 'varnished' in her lair. History pages have not failed to give her space.

Folly came to White Oaks too, in the form of a jilted lover. Soon after the gold strike Watson Hoyle, back East, bundled up his few belongings and headed West to the mine camps to hurriedly make a fortune so he could marry the Eastern girls he loved.

The scar of the affair still remains in the ghost town today. It is one of great human interest.

Hoyle came to White Oaks along in the 1880s. He pitched in with the Old Abe Mine spread, and soon began to bask in fortune's smiles. Soon, he was ready to claim his loved one back East. But before he went back for her, the man decided to build himself a mansion in White Oaks. Hoyle made up a building contract with the Gumm Brothers, in St. Louis, to come to New Mexico and build exactly the mansion he wanted for his beloved. The contractors agreed to do the work for \$40,000.

The St. Louis contractors arrived in town. They shaped native stones for a solid year before starting the erection of what was to be one of the most marvelous structures to ever dot the New Mexico frontier.

Once building commenced, the dream of "Wat" Hoyle soared skyward two stories high, to amaze the miners and ranchers far and wide. The massive structure was built with an open deck on top, planned as a lounge on which to spend the cool evenings, with a magnificent view of the famous Carrizo Mountains.

Handsome furnishings and decorations were shipped in from Englands, Hoyle's home country, and when the mansion was finished, Watson Hoyle left White Oaks, headed east to claim his young bride-to-be. He found only disappointment at the end of the long journey, however. The faithless girl had married another.

The heart-broken Hoyle returned to White Oaks, to his mansion, to his flourishing mine and fortune, to make the best of the matter. For a long time the brand new mansion remained unoccupied, becoming branded as "Hoyle's Folly". At various times during the later days of the mining period Hoyle's relatives took turns at short periods of living in the big house.

They did not last, however. During the past few years, the magnificent structure has suffered greatly at the hands of vandals and from feverish treasure hunters who believe fortunes were cached in the walls of the mysterious basement of the big building.

The pillage stopped when Lloyd Kirkpatrick, a retired New Mexico rancher, bought the mansion and moved in. The Hoyle House is now owned by Mr. and Mrs. Chuck Wetzel.

Many famous people once lived in White Oaks. The first New Mexico statehood governor loved here, William C. MacDonald. He is buried in the White Oaks cemetery. For years a bunch of wild asparagus grew on the graveside. It has been said that the governor was fond of this food.

The "New Mexico Cattle Queen" Susan McSween, wife of Alexander McSween who was killed during the Lincoln County War turbulence

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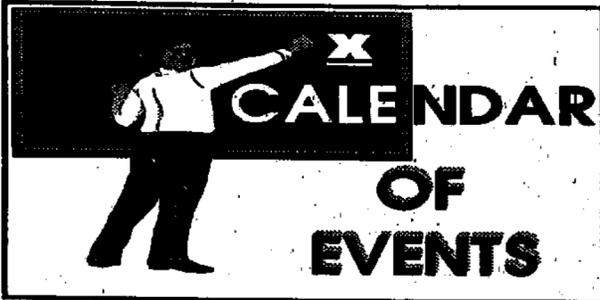
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# St. John Requests Support of ENMU

by Patrice Brazis

Lincoln County Commissioner Maury St. John has requested that the county support an expansion of the Ruidoso branch of Eastern New Mexico University (ENMU). St. John raised discussion at the county commission's, November meeting, asking commissioners to consider the purchase of property adjacent to the existing campus on Mechum Drive.

"That building adjacent to the present facility has been for sale and if someone doesn't step up and make that additional amount of space available for our local college," St. John said, "there is a big possibility of it being

gone. Then there is no place to expand and that opportunity will have been missed."

Dr. Michael Elrod, Provost of the Ruidoso campus, told commissioners that he had a brief conversation with St. John regarding the county's possible acquisition of the property, but was not aware of any real details concerning the idea. "We are working diligently to pursue all avenues in which we can complete the build-out, expansion, renovation of our existing facility," Elrod said, "as well as look to the long-term future of the college in which we would, ideally, like to expand into the adjacent building." He added, "that building has been vacant for at least a decade at this point."

Elrod told commissioners that later that afternoon he would be attending the first official meeting of a new community college board. The elevation of ENMU Ruidoso campus from instructional center status to that of a college branch allows the board a legal position not achievable in the past, Elrod said, because of statute limitations regarding instructional centers. According to Elrod, the new board will have authority to call for elections for local bond issues. "We're not anticipating that will occur at any time in the near future," he said, "however it is something that we are entertaining in the long-term."

"One of the key citing factors in the college becoming a branch, the approval from the Commission of Higher Education," Elrod said, "was that they are asking the community to step up to the plate. They are asking the community to help support the college." He added, "we did not have the legal authority to do that in the past, in which we could not ask the voters to approve tax increases or bond sales for support."

Elrod briefly described some of the board's current funding avenues. "We are pursuing capital outlay through the state, we've gone through the Commission of Higher Education for some renovation on the existing facility that will be considered during the next legislative session," he said.

Elrod said he recognized that the devil is in the details, but that he was fully supportive, and committed on behalf of the college, to assist the commissioners in the exploration of any opportunities that might come forward.

In response to a question from county commissioner Earl Hobbs, Elrod said the building that currently houses the Ruidoso campus covers about 40,000 square feet, and the college now occupies about 8,000 square feet of

that space. The adjacent building, to the north of the college, has an area of about 17,000 square feet.

"We're just at an exploring type situation," St. John said, "That's how I feel. At this

point we should be looking at what can be done, and how can we be a part of this."

County commissioner Torr Battin addressed the important effects of the college or the county's economy, culture and youth opportunities.

**TODAY, THURSDAY, DECEMBER 1**  
-PRC Commissioner E. Shirley Baca will be guest speaker at the Lincoln County Democratic Party monthly meeting. Dinner off menu at 5:30 p.m. business meeting and guest speaker at 6:30 p.m., K-bob's in Ruidoso.  
-Lincoln County Republican Party will not meet because of the holiday schedules.

**SATURDAY, DECEMBER 3**  
-Dedication ceremony at Veteran's Park in Carrizozo. Parade at 9:15 from Four Winds Restaurant, down 12th Street to E Ave, to the Veteran's Park at City Hall. Dedication Ceremony at 10:00 a.m. Guest speakers. Public invited.

**MONDAY, DECEMBER 5**  
-Capitan Chamber of Commerce meets at 8:30 a.m., Visitor Center on Smokey Bear Blvd.

**TUESDAY, DECEMBER 6**  
-PLURAAC meets at 9:00 a.m. in commissioner's room in Lincoln County Courthouse in Carrizozo. Public welcome.  
-Lincoln County Water Research and Conservation Committee meets at 2 p.m., commission chambers in Lincoln County Courthouse in Carrizozo.  
-Lincoln County Solid Waste Authority board meeting at 2:00 p.m. This meeting had been postponed to this date. LCSWA offices in Ruidoso Downs. Public welcome  
-Corona School elementary program 6:00 p.m. in school auditorium. Public welcome.  
-Carrizozo Town Council meets at 6 p.m., rescheduled to this date from December 13 regular meeting date.

**WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 7**  
-Lincoln County Planning Commission meeting has been canceled. Next meeting January 4.

**THURSDAY, DECEMBER 8**  
-Regional Wastewater Treatment Plant Joint Use Board meeting has been canceled.  
-Capitan School Board meets at 6:30 p.m.



Dr. Michael Elrod, Provost of the Ruidoso campus of ENMU spoke to county commissioners about upgrades to and expansion of the college facility.

## Veterans Memorial

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the stones were donated by the Town of Carrizozo, as was the land. James Brazeal is carving a wooden eagle for the memorial, and Jerry Del Bosque has fashioned the Marine Corps emblem in metal as a gift from the Otero and Lincoln County Marine Corps League.

A parade is scheduled for 9:15 on Saturday morning, and will be followed by a dedication ceremony at 10:00 a.m. The parade route begins at the Four Winds Restaurant at the intersection of highways 54 and 380. The parade will travel down 12th Street to E Avenue and wind-up at the memorial site at the town hall, where the ceremony will commence. Lincoln County Manager, Army Colonel Tom Stewart, will be Master of Ceremonies; Marine Corps Colonel Dr. Don Rossi, Carrizozo resident and member of the Marine Corps League, will present a dedication speech.

## PLURAAC Requests

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broaden the scope of the work of that committee rather than simplify it?"

"It more or less complies with what this board is actually trying to do, which is to implement a state approved comprehensive plan," Carroll said.

Tony Davis, also a member of the PLURAAC, told county commissioners that a change in the plan's name might also change the scope of the committee, and that he thought that it was the intention of the commission to expand and modify it to address

the growth of Lincoln County. "We hope you might agree and give us a little direction thereby," Davis said.

County attorney Alan Morel said that the current plan was adopted as a county resolution, and before any change to the plan's name was considered, the committee should submit all proposed changes to the plan for consideration by the commission.

The commissioners agreed to place the issue of changes to the Lincoln County Comprehensive Land Use Plan on the agenda for a later meeting.

### LEGAL NOTICE

#### INVITATION TO BID

Lincoln County Solid Waste Authority  
Steel Building(s), Frame Stucco, and  
Site Improvements for  
The Greentree Solid Waste Transfer  
Station and Recycling Center

Separate sealed BIDS for Steel Building(s), Frame Stucco Admin. Building, and Site Improvements at the Greentree 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 Downs, New Mexico 88346 until 3:00 p.m., prevailing time, December 21, 2005, and then will be publicly opened and read aloud.

The project consists of Steel Building(s), Frame Stucco Admin. Building, Sanitary Sewer Line, Water Line, Concrete Curb & Gutter and Sidewalk, Plant Mix Bituminous Pavement, and Weight Scale for the proposed Greentree Solid Waste Transfer Station and Recycling Center in Lincoln County.

The CONTRACT DOCUMENTS may be examined at the following locations:

\* Lincoln County Solid Waste Authority, 222-2nd Street, Ruidoso Downs, New Mexico 88346, (505) 378-4697.

\* Souder, Miller & Associates, 1201 Parkway Drive, Santa Fe, NM 87507, (505) 473-9211.

\* F.W. Dodge Corp., 1615 University Ave. NE, Albuquerque, NM 87102, (505) 243-2817.

\* Builders News 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 and Associates, 1201 Parkway Drive, Santa Fe, New Mexico 87507 (505-473-9211), upon payment of a deposit of \$50.00 for each set.

Any 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 December 8, 2005, at 1:00 p.m., at the Lincoln County Solid Waste Authority, 222-2nd Street, Ruidoso Downs, New Mexico 88346.

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**THOUGHTS**

FROM THE EDITOR'S DESK

**Windy, Wintry Weather, Brrrr!**

By Ruth Hammond

When the high winds hit Lincoln County last week, it caused things to blow around that weren't supposed to be blowing. You may as well plan on it happening more often now that we are nearing the municipal election season. The winds that will be blowing until municipal elections in early March will be different, but the result will be the same.

Expecting all candidates to be fair in their campaign rhetoric is desired, but probably won't happen. Some may take credit for things that happened somewhere else, and even though it isn't true, it sounds good to the speaker. Some candidates may denounce unreasonable statements made by opponents they assume are false. And hopefully, throughout all this campaign madness there will be one candidate for each position on the ballot who deserves to receive your vote and will be victorious and be elected.

Apparently some people thrive on politics and want to be elected. Others who have served in the past refuse to consider running for office again. But the elections we have here in the United States are the best way for the people to make their choices known. Look at the problems overseas where new regimes are facing many difficulties, probably because free elections are quite new to them and they aren't sure as to how they should proceed to govern.

The election process is interesting. People who want to be candidates must declare on a certain date and meet all election requirements. If you are planning to run for office, you should check with the municipal clerk in your area to find out in advance what you will need. You must first be a registered voter in the area where you plan to run. If you are not a registered voter, you have time to register before candidate filing date. And there is paperwork to complete.

However, desiring to be elected is not enough. It takes dedication to be a good elected official. Much of the time it is a thankless job and some of the constituents complain constantly. Others follow meekly and are easy to please. The main thing for you, the voter, to do is to ask questions about things that concern you, whether you agree with what has been done or not. Even though newly elected officials are not responsible for what happened in the past, they have a duty to understand what transpired and if possible find out why certain things happened and costs involved.

Each candidate will have their own reasons, but it would be to their advantage to research certain things, such as the street paving issue. They may not be aware of the reason some streets were paved narrower than others and why some streets have curbs and gutters and other streets don't.

Reaching a decision as to which candidate receives your vote should be made after careful consideration, not be a willy-nilly affair such as the wind that blew through the county last week, bringing cold wintry weather hereabouts.

**Septic Tank Pollution Discovered In County**

New Mexico Environment Department (NMED) scientists have discovered that septic tank effluent has contaminated groundwater with high levels of nitrate in a Lincoln County subdivision near Ruidoso Downs. The subdivision was built atop fractured and faulted bedrock, which are well-established criteria for aquifer vulnerability to septic tank contamination.

NMED scientists tested 33 wells in the community as part of a statewide assessment of groundwater quality. Five wells contained nitrate at 5 mg/L or above, and 2 wells had nitrate exceeding the health standard of 10mg/L. All well owners were notified of the test results.

Even though the rate of nitrogen discharge from the septic tanks is nearly equal to what is allowed by state regulations, groundwater in this area with fractured bedrock has been contaminated by nitrate. That means the minimum lot size regulation of three-quarters of an acre may not protect ground water in all areas of New Mexico. The study is available on the NMED web site.

Residents in the area with concerns about the water quality of their private wells can have their water tested for free by delivering a sample to NMED's Ruidoso field office. Call 505-258-3272 for more information. Instructions for collecting water samples are available online at [nmenv.state.us/fod/LiquidWaste/welltesting.html](http://nmenv.state.us/fod/LiquidWaste/welltesting.html)

For further technical information contact Dennis McQuillan, field operations manager at 505-476-8607.

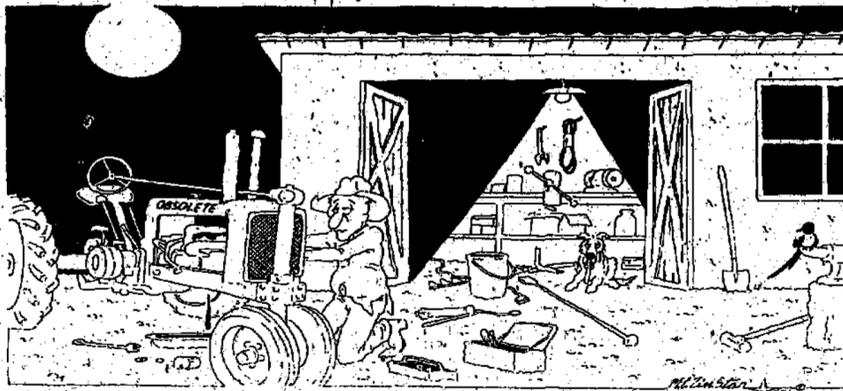
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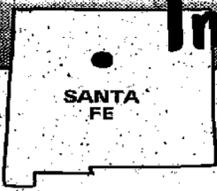


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**Inside the Capitol**



by JAY MILLER

**SANTA FE** -- Here's a quick look at the past year's strange events in the afterlife of New Mexico's most famous personality -- Billy the Kid. Following the September 2004 victory by the Village of Fort Sumner that secured a dismissal of the suit to dig up Billy, the action quieted for awhile.

November elections were in the offing and the Lincoln County sheriff's office was due for a change. Sheriff Tom Sullivan couldn't run again, so a new sheriff would take over. And Deputy Steve Sederwall, who also is mayor of Capitan, tried running for the county commission, but lost.

Sheriff Gary Graves, in DeBaca County, the third sheriff investigating the Kid's demise was safely in the middle of a four-year term, but a year later, he was recalled by voters in the most bizarre election in New Mexico history.

Not only was it the first time a sheriff had been recalled, it was the first time an election had ever been held two days in a row. Graves' Texas attorney, Bill Robins, protested the election to the state Court of Appeals and got it stopped.

But the next day, on advice of the district attorney, the election was held again and this time the court did not issue an injunction. Graves was recalled by a vote of 576 to 150. It may have been the first election in New Mexico to be held on a Wednesday.

It also was discovered that Graves' attorney, Bill Robins, is not licensed to practice in New Mexico. That raises the question of whether he followed the correct procedures to represent Graves in this case.

Robins also represented the three sheriffs in the Fort Sumner gravedigging case and was the one who spoke for dead Billy, requesting that he and his mother be exhumed.

No matter that happens, the court appeals are sure to persist and the Billy the Kid case will continue to get more outlandish.

Meanwhile new Lincoln County Sheriff Rick Virden has deputized both Sullivan and Sederwall who are back on the case. Last May, they obtained permission from the state of Arizona to dig up the remains of Billy the Kid pretender John Miller, from the state-owned Arizona Pioneer Home Cemetery.

That exhumation remained a secret until October when an article in the Ruidoso News revealed the dig had taken place on May 21 and disclosed that Miller had buck teeth and a bullet wound similar to the person Pat Garrett shot. The article featured a picture of Sederwall holding the skull -- minus the buck teeth.

The reason for delay in the release of the information remains a mystery. Miller's bones are at a lab in Texas awaiting DNA comparisons with blood from a carpenter's bench on which Billy's body may have been placed.

Meanwhile rumors circulate that more of Miller's bones were removed from his grave than are necessary for an autopsy. Anyone interested in learning more of the John Miller story can read "Whatever Happened to Billy the Kid," distributed by Sunstone

Press, in Santa Fe.

Somewhere forgotten in all the strange twists of this story is that the three sheriffs agreed to submit a report to Gov. Bill Richardson following their investigation. That report is to include a recommendation as to whether he should issue a pardon to Billy.

Gov. Lew Wallace had promised Billy a pardon in return for his testimony in a murder case during the Lincoln County War. Billy upheld his end but Wallace didn't and would never answer Billy's letters from jail.

Why didn't Wallace answer? Why didn't he uphold his end of the bargain? Many theories have been advanced over the years.

Most likely is that the political corruption that extended through the judicial and law enforcement arms of government were too much for an appointed territorial governor from the outside to overcome.

Also worth a look is the question of what good or harm a pardon might do at this point.

**"Good" NEWS Bulletin**

**Post Thanksgiving Pre-Christmas**

Have had a few irate Carrizozo citizens in the 'NEWS' office complaining about all the political signs around town, which seem to multiply week by week. Seems that their complaints have either gone unheard or have been answered with a few explicit expletives. OUCH!! A word to the wise... Too much exploitation usually ends up doing more damage than good!! -- Whether its too many signs or too much complaining.

With the weather getting down to or near the teens, brings us back to the problem of Capitan-Carrizozo Natural Gas, which is in the process of being sold (sic), because of the whims of a few. Word has it that ALL the employees of CC Natural Gas will be let go after the sale is complete, without any or very little severance pay.

If the new owners of the gas line do not have any intention to rehire any of the present employees, it seems to me that one of the conditions of the sale would have included some kind of protection for these people that have served us (Capitan and Carrizozo) for all these years. Again the people who have been in charge of running this outfit (i.e., the board members of C-C Natural Gas and the combined governments of both Capitan and Carrizozo and their advisors) have failed their employees and all the consumers of C-C Natural Gas.

All they can come up with is -- There's nothing we can do about it now! But have a Merry Christmas and a Prosperous New Year!!!! Yeah, right!!!

peter agullar



Psychic Judy Christopher Ruidoso, NM  
<http://www.ruidoso.net/psychic>  
judychristopher@hotmail.com  
(505) 257-2888

**Sagittarius (Nov 22-Dec 21)** The race is on! Keep it steady on the rail. Watch all sides. You never know who can come up from behind and win. Go for the Gold.

**Capricorn (Dec 22-Jan 19)** Once is never enough when it comes to a good thing. You'll be seeking out good people, places and things to comfort you through this.

**Aquarius (Jan 20-Feb 18)** You're only as good as your word, so make it count. If you say you're going to do something, then do it. If not, then let them know the truth.

**Pisces (Feb 19-March 20)** Start over. Don't ask questions, just do it. But this time do it your way and be happy with the outcome of it all. You're in charge of your life.

**Aries (March 21-April 19)** Take a deep breath because you're just starting something new and exciting and it can make you a lot of money if you'll allow it to. Pace yourself.

**Taurus (April 20-May 20)** Someone is trying to tell you something so you won't get into any more trouble than you already are. You know the right thing to do. Pray about it.

**Gemini (May 21-June 20)** Don't start something you can't handle. There's other people's feeling involved here. You have influence over others that you don't even know. Be nice.

**Cancer (June 21-July 22)** It's all over but the crying. You're going through the ring of fire because you're ready for the next step in your life. This is not to hurt you, but to help.

**Leo (July 23-Aug 22)** What can I say? You're the best of the best when it comes to what you do. You don't have to brag, just smile knowing you have arrived. Be kind to others.

**Virgo (Aug 23-Sept 22)** Is the teacher being taught? Is life throwing you a curve ball? Why? Because you're wanting to change your life for the better so let the games begin.

**Libra (Sept 22-Oct 22)** It was once said that you knew what you wanted out of life. You have a chance to change the road you're on right now, but hurry. Think first.

**Scorpio (Oct-Nov 21)** Get away and take a break. You're going through something that no one else can help you with, but you will be stronger because of it. Relax.

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# Sheriff's Report

The following information was taken from dispatch records in the Lincoln County Sheriff's office in the courthouse in Carrizozo:

November 21  
 2:17 p.m. Illegal littering or dumping reported on mile marker 104 in Hondo, deputy dispatched.  
 2:33 p.m. Medical call from Carrizozo Health Center, Carrizozo ambulance dispatched.  
 4:54 p.m. Breaking and en-

tering reported at location on West Smokey Bear Blvd, Capitan police dispatched.  
 November 22  
 8:16 a.m. Animal call from residence located on Gavilan Canyon Road in Ruidoso, deputy dispatched.  
 10:26 a.m. Warrant service requested in Carrizozo by Magistrate Court Judge M. Proctor, deputy dispatched.  
 10:30 a.m. Trespassing reported at location on FR 72 in White Oaks, deputy dis-

patched.  
 10:30 a.m. Civil dispute at location on Hill Crest in Capitan, deputy dispatched.  
 11:15 a.m. Animal call from residence on Great View Court in Rancho Ruidoso Valley Estates, deputy dispatched.  
 11:30 a.m. Forgery reported at business on Smokey Bear Blvd. in Capitan, deputy dispatched.  
 11:46 a.m. Medical call at location on Hwy 70 in Glencoe, Advanced Life Support Ambulance (ALS) dispatched.  
 11:50 a.m. Medical call from location on East Smokey Bear Blvd in Capitan, ambulance dispatched.  
 2:02 p.m. Welfare check requested by Onstar operator for vehicle/occupants located on North CR 013, deputy dispatched.

3:44 p.m. Suspicious activity by unknown subject on Fort Stanton Road in Alto area, deputy dispatched.  
 4:55 p.m. Medical call from location at mile marker 63, Hwy 380, Carrizozo ambulance dispatched.  
 5:32 p.m. Warrant service requested at business located at Hwy 380 & Hwy 54 crossing, deputy dispatched.  
 7:16 p.m. Medical call from unknown caller at Hwy 48 and Cora Dutton Road in Capitan, ambulance and deputy dispatched.  
 8:46 p.m. Medical call from Carrizozo High School gym, ambulance dispatched.

November 23  
 10:02 a.m. Warrant service requested by Magistrate Court Judge M. Proctor for location in Hondo Valley, deputy dispatched.  
 10:06 a.m. Warrant service requested by Magistrate Court Judge M. Proctor, deputy dispatched.  
 10:46 a.m. Medical call from Carrizozo Health Clinic, ambulance dispatched.  
 12:11 p.m. Unknown trouble call from location on B Avenue, Carrizozo police dispatched.  
 12:16 p.m. Motorist assistance requested at location on Hwy 70 in Ruidoso, deputy dispatched.

1:06 p.m. Vandalism reported at business located in Tinnie, deputy dispatched.  
 3:03 p.m. Agency assistance requested at location on Hwy 246 in Capitan, deputy dispatched.  
 4:11 p.m. Harassment reported at Lincoln County Detention Center (LCDC) located on Airport Road in Carrizozo, deputy dispatched.  
 5:20 p.m. Medical call for person located at residence on Sierra Vista in Alto, ALS dispatched.  
 5:37 p.m. Warrant service requested at LCDC in Carrizozo, deputy dispatched.  
 9:30 p.m. Agency assistance requested by Ruidoso police at location in Ruidoso, deputy dispatched.  
 10:04 p.m. Welfare check requested for person at residence located on Linda Vista in Alto, deputy dispatched.  
 November 24  
 7:50 a.m. Animal call from residence located on Cottage Grove in Alto, deputy dispatched.



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— was a prominent figure at one time in White Oaks.  
 New Mexico's first United States Marshal, Judge Andrew Hudspeth, claimed the mine town as his home. Also H.B. Ferguson, the pioneer Democratic leader and legislator who sponsored the law that ceded millions of acres of public domain to the state, maintained an adobe business in the midst of White Oaks' mining activities.

Ferguson's daughter, Erna, attained fame as a writer of Southwest subjects, and a library has been founded in Albuquerque in honor of the politician-statesman.  
 Outlaws, too, stalked the bustling, dusty streets of White Oaks, claiming the booming camp as an area for their infamous activities. Billy the Kid was one of them. The day that the Kid made his historic escape from the Lincoln jail, Pat Garrett was in White Oaks, on business — perhaps out of the way of the Kid's break! Quien sabe!  
 Lincoln County Sheriff Pat Garrett attempted to hold a political rally in White Oaks, old-timer David L. Jackson told the writer. At the time the mountains were literally covered with burros, progeny of the faithful animals used by the prospectors, who, when they struck it rich, turned the mules back to the range.

For some unexplained reason, when Garrett took the rostrum, these donkeys commenced to bray, and the disturbing echoes all over the mountains drowned out every word the high sheriff had to say. He soon gave up the meeting, mounted his horse, and rode over the mountains to Lincoln.

Tippy Johnson and Jim Greathouse were other characters who were said to have plodded the streets of White Oaks. Dave Rudabaugh and Joe Fowler were around there too.

That White Oaks eventually became a ghost town is another point of folly. By 1890, people knew that the mining center should have a railroad. Morris Lock and Company commenced to push rails from El Paso to White Oaks, spending \$170,000 on the deal.

Jay Gould, the railroad magnet, came along and bought out this venture for \$50,000, just after ten miles of track had been laid. Gould soon abandoned the undertaking as a bad deal, and White Oaks was bypassed in the track-laying.

A revival of interest again appeared nine years later when Charles B. Eddy, purchased the project and pushed a line to within a mile of White Oaks. At this time the veins showed signs of petering out, and the line was diverted to include the Salado coal fields near Capitan, where the builder had extensive holdings. And the consensus was: "When the railroads by-passed White Oaks, the town began to die."

Today the once roaring gold mine camp is as dead as a door nail. Only such monuments as the Hoyle House, an old school building, one of the bank buildings, and deep scars in the mountain side, remain to identify the spot.

Some placer mining is still carried on in the hills, but his is not very profitable, it is said.

A few curious travelers, and people with mineral detectors, come into the ghost town area to find the old mine town almost completely deserted. Only a few people linger. It is even difficult to find someone around to talk about the old times, but the ghost of the people of yesteryear seem to be all over the place, and signs indicate that people once prospered on the spot.

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 From "Way of the West" column by former publisher Paul Payton of the "News" . . . A sign on a garbage-pickup truck in Jupiter, Florida reads: Satisfaction guaranteed or double your garbage back.

A motorist has just crashed into a telephone pole. Wires, pole, everything came down around his ears. As rescuers untangled him from the wreckage, he reached out feebly, fingered the wires and murmured, "Thank heavens I lived clean. They've given me a harp."  
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## Band Booster Club Draws Large Crowd

The Band Booster Club met Monday evening. There was a large crowd, plenty of good food and everyone had a good time.

Mr. Ray Wells gave the invocation, Mr. Vernon Petty introduced the speaker, Mr. Ben Pritchett gave a talk on "Music in our Schools Today."

Mr. Glen Ellison's remarks concerned "Music Values in Life." Miss Grace Romero had a special music number, Mr. Johnson Stearns spoke on "What Music means to Carrizozo."

Mr. Floyd Siegrist and Mr. Boyce presented Richard Coca, Burdette Means, Pat Sandoval and  
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## Church Directory



### MOUNTAIN MINISTRY PARISH, SIERRA BLANCA PRESBYTERY

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

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

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

### First Baptist Church

HAYDEN SMITH, Pastor  
 314 10th Ave., Carrizozo, NM  
 648-2868 (Church) or 648-2107  
 Sunday School . . . . . 9:45 a.m.  
 Worship Service . . . . . 10:55 a.m.  
 Sun. Evening . . . . . 8:00 p.m.  
 Wednesday, Sept. - April  
 AWANAS . . . . . 8:00 p.m.

### Carrizozo Community Church (A/G)

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

### Santa Rita Catholic Community

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

### Church of Christ

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

### St. Matthias Episcopal Church

REV. JOHN HUFFMAN, RECTOR  
 Corner of E Ave. and Sixth, Carrizozo, NM  
 505-267-2358  
 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 a.m.  
 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 / 849-7975  
 Sunday School . . . . . 10:00 a.m.  
 Worship Service . . . . . 11:00 a.m.  
 Wednesday Bible Study . . . . . 7:00 p.m.  
 Fellowship Dinner . . . . . 1st Sunday of Month

### Angue Church of the Nazarene

"Serving All of Lincoln County"  
 RICK HUTCHINSON, Pastor / 338-8032  
 Southwest Corner of Hwy. 48 & 37 Junction  
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 Sunday:  
 Morning Worship . . . . . 8:00 a.m.  
 Sunday School for all ages . . . . . 9:30 a.m.  
 Children's Church . . . . . 10:30 a.m.  
 Evening Worship . . . . . 8:00 p.m.  
 Wednesday:  
 Children & Youth dinner and games . . . . . 6:00 p.m.  
 Kids Club & Youth Bible Study . . . . . 7:00 p.m.  
 Prayer Meeting . . . . . 7:00 p.m.

## OBITUARY

### WILLIAM HENRY WRYE

William Henry Wrye, 87, a lifetime resident of Bingham, NM, died Sunday November 27 in Truth or Consequences, NM. He was born February 26, 1918, in San Angelo, TX. He married Helen Louise Brown, on March 10, 1940, in San Angelo, TX, she preceded him in death on December 9, 1997.

William H. Wrye is survived by two sons, William H. Wrye, Jr., and his wife Joy of Estancia, and Jody F. Wrye and his wife LaNee of T or C; one brother Paul H. Wrye of Searcy, AR; seven grandchildren and eight great grandchildren.

A graveside funeral was held Wednesday November 30 at the Fairmont Cemetery in San Angelo, TX, with pastor Albert Hagan officiating. Pallbearers were Brad Wrye, Wesley Wrye, Dustin Wrye, Levi Wrye, Jon Cullison, and Steven Akers.

Funeral arrangements were entrusted to the Harris-Hanlon Mortuary in Mountainair.

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# Football Roundup

## High School Football AREA SCORES

<b>Class 1A Championship:</b>	
Ft. Sumner 14	Texico 7
<b>Class 2A Championship:</b>	
Hatch 54	Tucumcari 7
<b>Class 3A Semifinals:</b>	
Lovington 27	St. Michael's 13
Robertson 41	Hot Springs 8
<b>Class 4A Semifinals:</b>	
Aztec 35	Goddard 30
Silver 27	Artesia 7
<b>Class 5A Semifinals:</b>	
Mayfield 21	LaCueva 7
Cluvis 28	Onate 14

### NFL

Denver 24	Dallas 21 (OT)
Chicago 13	Tampa Bay 10
Kansas City 26	New England 16
San Diego 23	Washington 17 (OT)
Minnesota 24	Cleveland 12
Jacksonville 24	Arizona 17
Seattle 24	NY Giants 21 (OT)
Miami 33	Oakland 21
Philadelphia 19	Green Bay 14
St. Louis 33	Houston 27 (OT)
Cincinnati 42	Baltimore 29
Carolina 13	Buffalo 9
Indianapolis 26	Pittsburgh 7
Atlanta 27	Detroit 7

### Tough Picks of the Week

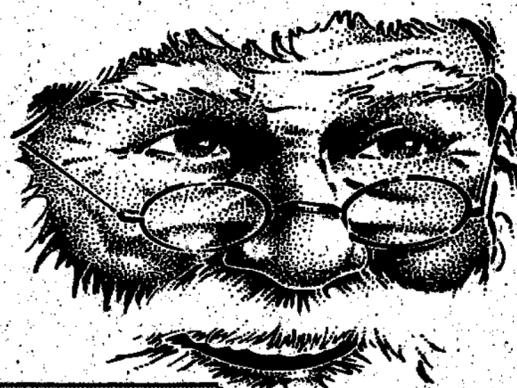
Dallas @ NY Giants  
 Denver @ Kansas City  
 Atlanta @ Carolina  
 Arizona @ San Francisco

### Upsets of the Week

Detroit over Minnesota  
 Philadelphia over Seattle  
 Kansas City over Denver

### College Hoops

UNM (men) 76 UTEP 72  
 UNM (women) 56 Oklahoma State 52



## LEGALS

### LEGAL NOTICE

TWELFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT  
 STATE OF NEW MEXICO  
 COUNTY OF LINCOLN

CV-05-222  
 Div. III

THE CHAMPION'S RUN CONDOMINIUM ASSOCIATION, a New Mexico non-profit corporation,  
 Plaintiff,

vs.  
**CARLOS ARTURO RIVERA ABAID and UNKNOWN SPOUSE, LUZ ESTER MARQUEZ PADILLA AND UNKNOWN SPOUSE, WILMA W. ALLEN and UNKNOWN SPOUSE, BENJAMIN J. BACA, TRUSTEE OF THE BENJAMIN J. BACA REVOCABLE TRUST, CYZ INTERNATIONAL COMPANY, a Texas corporation, JOE DOMINGUEZ and UNKNOWN SPOUSE, JOSE G. GONZALES and LANA M. GONZALES, FRANCISCO J. MARTINEZ PELAYO and MARCELA SANCHEZ de MARTINEZ, DONALD NOZILO and UNKNOWN SPOUSE, OSCAR SALVADOR TAPIA RASCON and UNKNOWN SPOUSE, and GRACIELA JACOBO ORTIZ and UNKNOWN SPOUSE, GENE L. RUDOLPH and UNKNOWN SPOUSE, PATSIE SPRINGWATER and UNKNOWN SPOUSE, ROGER WHITE and KATHY WHITE, and CHAD ROGERS and LEANNE ROGERS,**  
 Defendants.

### NOTICE OF SPECIAL MASTER'S SALE

NOTICE IS GIVEN that on December 14, 2005, at 10:00 A.M., at the front entrance to the Village of Ruidoso Municipal Complex located at 313 Cree Meadows Drive in Ruidoso, New Mexico, the undersigned Special Master will sell and convey to the highest bidders for cash, all right, title and interest of the following named Defendants in certain properties of the Champion's Run Condominiums, formerly known as Triple Crown Condominiums, located at 819 West Highway 70, in Ruidoso Downs, New Mexico.

The sale will be held pursuant to the following judgment liens against the following unit weeks of real property:

- a) Carlos Arturo Rivera Abaid and his unknown spouse, if any, and Luz Ester Marquez Padilla and her unknown spouse, if any, and CYZ International Company, a revoked Texas corporation, jointly and severally Week 41, Unit No. 402 of the Champion's Run Condominiums
 

Maintenance fees	\$1,543.72
Costs and attorney fees	402.64
	<u>\$1,946.36</u>
- b) Wilma W. Allen and her unknown spouse, if any, jointly and severally Week 19, Unit No. 502 of the Champion's Run Condominiums
 

Maintenance fees	\$1,755.99
Costs and attorney fees	402.64
	<u>\$2,158.63</u>
- c) Benjamin J. Baca, Trustee of the Benjamin J. Baca Revocable Trust Week 5, Unit No. 504 of the Champion's Run Condominiums
 

Maintenance fees	\$ 875.00
Costs and attorney fees	402.64
	<u>\$1,277.64</u>
- d) Joe A. Dominguez and his unknown spouse, if any, jointly and severally Week 12, Unit No. 502
 

Maintenance Fees	\$1,907.30
Costs and attorney fees	402.64
	<u>\$2,309.94</u>
- e) Jose G. Gonzales and Lana M. Gonzales, husband and wife, jointly and severally Week 41, Unit No. 505 of the Champion's Run Condominiums
 

Maintenance fees	\$1,755.99
Costs and attorney fees	402.64
	<u>\$2,158.63</u>
- f) Donald Nozilo and his unknown spouse, if any, jointly and severally Weeks 22, 38, and 39, Unit No. 504; and Week 39, Unit No. 3093 of the Champion's Run Condominiums
 

Maintenance fees	\$3,500.00
Costs and attorney fees	1,610.56
	<u>\$5,110.56</u>
- g) Francisco J. Martinez Pelayo and Marcela Sanchez de Martinez, husband and wife, and CYZ International Company, a revoked Texas corporation, jointly and severally Week 1, Unit No. 510 of the Champion's Run Condominiums
 

Maintenance fees	\$ 875.00
Costs and attorney fees	402.64
	<u>\$1,277.64</u>
- h) Oscar Salvador Tapia Rascon and his unknown spouse, if any, Graciela Jacobo Ortiz and her unknown spouse, if any, and CYZ International Company, a revoked Texas corporation, jointly and severally Week 5, Unit No. 510 of the Champion's Run Condominiums
 

Maintenance fees	\$ 875.00
Costs and attorney fees	402.64
	<u>\$1,277.64</u>
- i) Gene L. Rudolph and his unknown spouse, if any, jointly and severally Week 28, Unit No. 507; and Week 32, Unit No. 303 of the Champion's Run Condominiums
 

Maintenance fees	\$1,741.00
Costs and attorney fees	805.28
	<u>\$2,546.28</u>

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## LEGALS

### LEGAL NOTICE

TWELFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT  
 COUNTY OF LINCOLN  
 STATE OF NEW MEXICO

No. PB-05-34

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF HELEN JANICE MARSHALL, Deceased.

### NOTICE OF HEARING BY PUBLICATION

THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO:

TO: ALL UNKNOWN PERSONS WHO HAVE OR CLAIM ANY INTEREST IN THE ESTATE OF HELEN JANICE MARSHALL, DECEASED, OR IN THE MATTER BEING LITIGATED IN THE HEREINAFTER MENTIONED HEARING.

Hearing on the Petition for Adjudication of Intestacy and Determination of Heirship (the "Petition"), filed by the undersigned Petitioner will be held at the Lincoln County Courthouse, in Carrizozo, New Mexico, on the 13th day of December, 2005, at 8:30 o'clock A.M., before the Honorable Karen L. Parsons, District Judge. You are hereby notified that at the hearing the Court will consider the request by the petitioner that:

- 1.) The Court adjudicate the intestacy of the Decedent; and
- 2.) The Court determine the heirs of the Decedent.

A copy of the Petition is on file with the Court in the above-captioned cause and is available for your review.

Pursuant to NMSA 1978 §45-1-401, notice of the time and place of hearing on the Petition is hereby given you by publication, once each week, for two consecutive weeks.

DATED: 10/18, 2005.

/s/  
**TED J. MARSHALL,**  
 Petitioner  
 919 Foch  
 T or C, NM 87901

Attorney for Petitioner

/s/  
 Archie A. Witham  
 P.O. Box 83  
 Nogal, NM 88341  
 (505) 354-2698

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j) **Patsie Springwater and her unknown spouse, if any, and CYZ International Company, a revoked Texas corporation, jointly and severally**  
 Week 38, Unit No. 507 of the Champion's Run Condominiums  
 Maintenance fees ----- \$ 875.00  
 Costs and attorney fees ----- 402.64  
**\$1,277.64**

k) **Roger White and Kathy White, husband and wife, and Chad Rogers and Leanne Rogers, husband and wife, jointly and severally**  
 Week 48, Unit No. 303 of the Champion's Run Condominiums  
 Maintenance fees ----- \$ 875.00  
 Costs and attorney fees ----- 402.64  
**\$1,277.64**

The sale is made pursuant to the Default Judgment, Decree of Foreclosure, Order of Sale and Appointment of Special Master entered by the Court on October 25, 2005, in a suit brought to foreclose Plaintiff's lien for maintenance fees and assessments owed by the respective Defendants.

The Special Master will sell the unit weeks to the highest bidders for cash or certified funds, and Plaintiff may bid its judgment amounts at the sale in whole or in part without the requirement of bidding cash.

The Special Master may continue the Special Master's sale by appearing at the time designated for the sale and announcing the postponement of sale to another specific date.

Sarah Prothro, Special Master

Lee Griffin  
**LEE GRIFFIN & ASSOCIATES, P.C.**  
 1096 Mechem Drive, Suite 102  
 Ruidoso, New Mexico 88345  
 Attorney for Plaintiff

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## Corona FFA Attends Chapter Officer Leadership Training

November 10, Corona FFA officers traveled to Carrizozo for C.O.L.T. (Chapter Officer Leadership Training). The officers are president Luke Proctor, vice-president J.R. Shafer, secretary Markie Sherwood, treasurer Jared Arnold, sentinel Randa Hutcheson, reporter Tysa Davidson, and historian Adam Bailey.

The District 3 officers put on workshops for each office held in FFA. One of our very own Corona members, Randa Hutcheson, is the District Sentinel and she put on a workshop. We learned everything from teamwork, to communication, to leadership. All of these are what makes a good officer.

The point of C.O.L.T. is for the chapter officers to go and bring back what they have learned to the whole chapter. In all, there were 11 chapters from our district.

Corona FFA is also selling fruit and cookie dough. If you are interested, you can call the Corona Ag Room at 849-4949. We would really appreciate your support and the cookies are awesome!

November 19 Corona FFA cleaned up the Central New Mexico Coop area in Corona. Those helping with this project were Mr. Johnson, Dylan Johnson, Dulcie Sultermeier, Randa Hutcheson, and Tysa Davidson.

Tysa Davidson  
 Corona FFA Reporter

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### LEGAL NOTICE

TWELFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT  
 STATE OF NEW MEXICO  
 COUNTY OF LINCOLN

CV-05-224  
 Div. III

**THE INNSBROOK VILLAGE TIMESHARE ASSOCIATION, a New Mexico non-profit corporation,**

Plaintiff,

-v-  
**JAMES R. COOK and his UNKNOWN SPOUSE, if any,**  
**JOHN MAC HUNLEY and his UNKNOWN SPOUSE, if any,**  
**TYRONE M. KLEIN and his UNKNOWN SPOUSE, if any,**  
**JAMES M. PARKER and LINDA H. PARKER, TRUSTEES OF THE JAMES M. PARKER AND LINDA H PARKER REVOCABLE TRUST, SWEETWATER FINANCE, INC., a Utah corporation,**

Defendants.  
**NOTICE OF SPECIAL MASTER'S SALE**

NOTICE IS GIVEN that on December 14, 2005, at 10:30 A.M., at the front entrance to the Village of Ruidoso Municipal Complex located at 313 Cree Meadows Drive in Ruidoso, New Mexico, the undersigned Special Master will sell and convey to the highest bidders for cash, all right, title and interest of the following named Defendants in certain properties of Innsbrook Village, located at 146 Geneva in Ruidoso, New Mexico.

The sale will be held pursuant to the following judgment liens against the following unit weeks of real property:

- a) **James R. Cook and his unknown spouse, if any, jointly and severally**  
 Week 41, Lot 117 of Innsbrook Village  
 Maintenance fees ----- \$2,231.16  
 Costs and attorney fees ----- 714.81  
**\$2,945.97**
- b) **John Mac Hunley and his unknown spouse, if any, jointly and severally**  
 Week 41, Lot 117, Innsbrook Village  
 Maintenance fees ----- \$ 9,731.16  
 Costs and attorney fees ----- 714.81  
**\$10,445.97**
- c) **Tyrone M. Klein and his unknown spouse, if any, jointly and severally**  
**J. Baca Revocable Trust**  
 Week 37, Lot 117, Innsbrook Village  
 Maintenance fees ----- \$ 551.27  
 Costs and attorney fees ----- 714.81  
**\$1,266.08**
- d) **James M. Parker and Linda H. Parker, Trustees of the James M. Parker and Linda H. Parker Revocable Trust, jointly and severally**  
 Weeks 4 and 5, Lot 119, Innsbrook Village  
 Maintenance Fees ----- \$1,709.04  
 Costs and attorney fees ----- 1,429.62  
**\$3,138.66**
- e) **Sweetwater Finance, Inc., a Utah corporation**  
 Week 46, Lot 115, Innsbrook Village  
 Maintenance fees ----- \$3,047.80  
 Costs and attorney fees ----- 714.81  
**\$3,762.61**

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The Special Master will sell the unit weeks to the highest bidders for cash or certified funds, and Plaintiff may bid its judgment amounts at the sale in whole or in part without the requirement of bidding cash.

The Special Master may continue the Special Master's sale by appearing at the time designated for the sale and announcing the postponement of sale to another specific date.

Sarah Prothro, Special Master

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 1096 Mechem Drive, Suite 102  
 Ruidoso, New Mexico 88345  
 Attorney for Plaintiff

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## LEGALS

LEGAL NOTICE  
 STATE OF NEW MEXICO  
 COUNTY OF LINCOLN  
 TWELFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT  
 No. CV-05-192

**JAPHET MARITAL TRUST, LTD.**  
 Plaintiff,

vs.  
**GROUP I:  
 FIRST WESTERN FEDERAL  
 SAVINGS BANK;**  
 et al.

Defendants.  
**NOTICE OF PENDENCY  
 OF ACTION**

STATE OF NEW MEXICO TO THE FOLLOWING NAMED DEFENDANT:

The following-named Defendant, Charles R. Lawrence, if living; if deceased, his unknown heirs.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that in the above-styled cause, Plaintiff has filed an action to quiet title to the real property more particularly described as follows:

An undivided 50/51st interest of Apartment 406, Building 4, WHISPERING BLUFF CONDOMINIUM, together with its undivided 1.8867% of the common elements of the Whispering Bluff Condominium, Ruidoso, Lincoln County, New Mexico, as the same is shown by the plat thereof filed in the Office of the Lincoln County Clerk dated March 5, 1982, in Cabinet D, Slide No. 62, and subject to the Declaration of Covenants and By-laws recorded in the Office of the County Clerk and Ex-officio Recorder of Lincoln County, New Mexico, in Book 78 of the Miscellaneous Records, pages 1063-1098, inclusive, and further subject to that certain Affidavit dated October 13, 1983, recorded October 14, 1983, in Book 88 of the Miscellaneous Records, Page 862.

commonly called Apartment 406, Whispering Bluff Condominiums.

UNLESS YOU ENTER YOUR APPEARANCE on or before the 28th day of December, 2005, judgment will be rendered against you by default. Mel B. O'Reilly, 7125 Prospect Place, NE, Albuquerque, NM 87110-4313, is the attorney for Plaintiff.

WITNESS the hand and seal of the District Court this 1st day of November, 2005.

JAN PERRY  
 District Court Clerk

(SEAL)

Gloria LaMay  
 Deputy Clerk

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# LINCOLN COUNTY!

## The Place to Be and See,

# YEAR 'ROUND!!

### Spring \* Summer \* Autumn \* Winter



Last weeks forecast sure didn't say anything about the lightning and thunderstorm Carrizozo experienced around midnight last Saturday night. The first crash of thunder brought on a howl from dogs across the neighborhood that continued for about half an hour.

And the forecast didn't mention the high winds experienced all across Lincoln County, with gusts recorded up to 65 miles an hour in some places.

Sunday was colder than normal. The winds out of the east bringing temperatures down with the wind chill factor to much lower temperatures than normal.

This coming week we can expect mild winter temperatures. Wind direction will mostly be out of the west or south west, with temperatures dropping to below freezing early in the evenings.

Forecast for Carrizozo, Hondo Valley and the High Desert:  
Today, Thursday, December 1

Mostly sunny, with a high near 57. West wind between 5 and 15 mph. Night: Mostly clear, with a low near 32. Southwest wind around 10 mph.

Friday, December 2  
Mostly sunny, with a high around 65. West wind between 15 and 20 mph. Night: Partly cloudy, with a low around 35.

Saturday, December 3  
A 10 percent chance of showers. Partly cloudy, with a high near 61. Night: A 10 percent chance of showers. Partly cloudy, with a low around 29.

Sunday, December 4  
Partly cloudy, with a high around 55. Night: Partly cloudy, with a low near 24.

Monday, December 5  
Mostly sunny, with a high around 52. Night: Mostly clear, with a low around 25.

Tuesday, December 6  
Mostly sunny, with a high near 55.

Forecast for Capitan, Ruidoso and Corona areas:

Thursday, December 1  
Mostly sunny, with a high around 57. West wind between 5 and 10 mph. Night: Mostly clear, with a low near 33. West wind around 10 mph.

Friday, December 2  
Mostly sunny, with a high around 65. West wind between 15 and 20 mph, with gusts as high as 30 mph. Night: Partly cloudy, with a low around 34.

Saturday, December 3  
A slight chance of rain showers. Partly cloudy, with a high around 60. Chance of precipitation is 10 percent. Night: A 10 percent chance of snow showers. Partly cloudy, with a low around 30.

Sunday, December 4  
Partly cloudy, with a high near 51. Night: Partly cloudy, with a low near 24.

Monday, December 5  
Mostly sunny, with a high around 49. Night: Mostly clear, with a low around 26.

Tuesday, December 6  
Mostly sunny, with a high around 52.

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



**LEGAL NOTICE  
TWELFTH JUDICIAL  
DISTRICT COURT  
COUNTY OF LINCOLN  
STATE OF NEW MEXICO**

No. CV 2005-217

**STATE NATIONAL BANK,  
Ruidoso-Sudderth,**  
Plaintiff,

v.  
**GARY J. DOBBS, and  
ZANNA G. DOBBS,**  
Defendants.

**NOTICE OF SALE**

Notice is hereby given that on December 14, 2005, at the hour of 8:30 a.m., the undersigned Special Master, or his designee, will, at the front entrance of the Lincoln County Courthouse, at 300 Central, Carrizozo, New Mexico 88301, sell all of the rights, title and interest of the above named Defendants, in and to the hereinafter described real estate to the highest bidder for cash. The property to be sold is located at 315 North Central, Ruidoso Downs, New Mexico 88346 and is more particularly described as follows:

Lot 8, Block 6 of Riverpark Addition Unit II, Ruidoso Downs, Lincoln County, New Mexico, as shown by the amended plat thereof filed in the Office of the County Clerk of Lincoln County, New Mexico, November 4, 1971 in Tube No. 428.

including any improvements, fixtures, and attachments, such as, but not limited to, mobile homes. Subject to all taxes, utility liens and other restrictions and encumbrances of record, and subject to a one (1) month right of redemption by the Defendants, the foregoing sale will be made to satisfy the foreclosure judgment rendered by this Court in the above-entitled and numbered cause, being an action to foreclose a mortgage on the above-described property. The Plaintiff's judgment is \$53,817.53 as of June 13, 2005, plus interest thereafter at the rate of 10% per year, with the Court reserving entry of final judgment against the Defendants for the amount due after foreclosure sale, for costs and attorney's fees, plus interest as may be assessed by the Court. The Plaintiff has the right to bid at such sale of its judgement amount and submit its bid verbally or in writing. The Plaintiff may apply all or any part of its judgment to the purchase price in lieu of cash. The sale may be postponed and rescheduled at the discretion of the Special Master.

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

NOW, THEREFORE, notice is hereby

given that in the event that said property is not sooner redeemed, the undersigned will set forth above, offer for sale and sell to the highest bidder for cash or equivalent, the lands and improvements described above for the purpose of satisfying, in the adjudged order of priorities, the judgment described herein and decreed or foreclosure together with any additional costs and attorneys' fees, costs of advertisement and publication, a reasonable receiver and Special Master's fee to be fixed by the Court. The total amount of the judgment is due \$53,817.53 as of June 13, 2005, plus interest thereafter at the rate of 10% per year to and including date of sale for a total judgment plus interest of \$56,433.82. Sale is subject to the entry of an order of the Court approving the terms and conditions of this sale.

WITNESS my hand this 7th day of November, 2005.

**PETER BACA  
Special Master  
Box 215  
Carrizozo, NM 88301  
(505) 648-9925**

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**LEGAL NOTICE  
STATE OF NEW MEXICO  
COUNTY OF LINCOLN  
TWELFTH JUDICIAL  
DISTRICT COURT  
CV2005-147**

**UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,  
acting through RURAL HOUSING  
SERVICE,**

Plaintiff,

v.  
**ESTRELLITA LUCERO,  
a single woman,**  
Defendant(s).

**NOTICE OF SALE  
ON FORECLOSURE**

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the above-entitled Court, having appointed me Special Master in this matter with the power to sell, has ordered me to sell the real property situated in Lincoln County, New Mexico, commonly known 107 Clover, Ruidoso, New Mexico, and more particularly described as follows:

**LOT 13, BLOCK 4, GREEN  
MEADOWS ADDITION, LINCOLN  
COUNTY, NEW MEXICO, AS  
SHOWN BY THE PLAT THEREOF  
FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE  
COUNTY CLERK AND EX-OFFICIO  
RECORDER OF LINCOLN  
COUNTY, NEW MEXICO, ON  
09/29/58, IN TUBE #68.**

SUBJECT, TO all outstanding easements, rights-of-way, mineral leases, mineral reservations and mineral conveyances of record.

The sale is to begin at 1:00 p.m. on **December 29, 2005**, outside the east entrance of the Lincoln County Courthouse, City of Carrizozo, County of Lincoln, State of New Mexico, at which time I will sell to the highest and best bidder for cash in lawful currency of the United States of America, the Property to pay expenses of sale, and to satisfy the Judgment in favor of Plaintiff, United States of America, acting through Rural Housing Service.

United States of America acting through Rural Housing Service, was awarded Judgment on November 3, 2005, in the principal sum of \$67,786.42, plus outstanding interest through October 21, 2005, in the amount of \$5,296.77 and accruing daily thereafter at a rate of \$13.4644 per day, plus subsidy recapture in the amount of \$6,371.00, plus an escrow deficit of \$7,803.74, plus appraisal fees in the amount of \$395.00, plus attorney fees in the sum of \$750.00 and costs through October 31, 2005, in the sum of \$779.21, with interest thereon at the rate of 7.250% per annum until paid.

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

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

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**LEGAL NOTICE**

NOTICE is hereby given that on November 2, 2005, Alto Lakes Golf and Country Club, P.O. Drawer 750, Alto, New Mexico 88312, filed application No. H-719 et al, with the STATE ENGINEER for permit to change place and purpose of use of 56.87 acre-feet per annum, consumptive use, of groundwater diverted from the following described wells:

WELL NO.	SUBDIVISION	SECTION	TOWNSHIP	RANGE
H-719	NW¼SW¼SE¼	34	10 S.	13 E.
H-719-S	NW¼NW¼SW¼	34	10 S.	13 E.
H-719-S-2	NW¼NW¼SE¼	26	10 S.	13 E.
H-719-S-3	NE¼SW¼NE¼	34	10 S.	13 E.
H-719-S-4	NE¼SW¼NE¼	34	10 S.	13 E.
H-719-S-5	SE¼SE¼NE¼	34	10 S.	13 E.
H-719-S-6	SE¼SE¼NW¼	34	10 S.	13 E.
H-719-S-7	NW¼SE¼NW¼	34	10 S.	13 E.
H-719-S-8	SE¼NE¼NW¼	34	10 S.	13 E.
H-719-S-9	SE¼NW¼NE¼	34	10 S.	13 E.
H-719-S-11	NW¼NW¼SE¼	26	10 S.	13 E.
H-719-S-13	NW¼NE¼NE¼	25	10 S.	13 E.
H-719-S-14	NE¼NE¼NE¼	25	10 S.	13 E.
H-719-S-16	SW¼SE¼SW¼	35	10 S.	13 E.
H-719-S-17	SE¼SW¼SE¼	35	10 S.	13 E.
H-719-S-18	SW¼SW¼SE¼	35	10 S.	13 E.
H-719-S-19	SE¼SE¼SE¼	35	10 S.	13 E.
H-719-S-20	SW¼SE¼SE¼	35	10 S.	13 E.

presently authorized for subdivision purposes on the following lands:

SUBDIVISION	SECTION	TOWNSHIP	RANGE
Part of SE¼SE¼	24	10 S.	13 E.
Part of	25	10 S.	13 E.
Part of	26	10 S.	13 E.
Part of S½	27	10 S.	13 E.
Part of E½	33	10 S.	13 E.
Part of	34	10 S.	13 E.
All of	35	10 S.	13 E.
Part of N½	36	10 S.	13 E.
Part of SW¼SW¼	19	10 S.	14 E.
Part of NW¼	30	10 S.	14 E.
Part of NW¼	31	10 S.	14 E.

The applicant proposes to commence the diversion of 113.75 acre-feet per annum of groundwater for the irrigation of 35.00 acres of land described as follows:

SUBDIVISION	SECTION	TOWNSHIP	RANGE	ACRES
Pt. S½	27	10 S.	13 E.)	
Pt. E½	33	10 S.	13 E.)	
Pt. N½	34	10 S.	13 E.)	
Pt. NW¼	35	10 S.	13 E.)	35.00

The above described points of diversion, place and purpose of use are located in Alto, 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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**Corona  
News**

Corona and the surrounding area definitely received its first hard freeze this last week.

Corona Elementary students recently participated in science/history projects which were on special display for the Corona School Board and the public. Students chose to do either a science project, as for a science fair or a history project, reporting on a place or person. All of the students did a good job on their presentations but Ben Tidwell's project on leverage and Ethan Johnson's project on crystals merited special recognition in science. The history project chosen for special recognition was Meriah Holleyman's work on Cherokee Indians.

Elementary students are working on a holiday program to be presented December 6 in the Corona Public Schools auditorium. The program is entitled, I Need a Little Christmas Vacation.

The First Baptist Church of Corona will host its annual Christmas dinner, Sunday, December 4.

The Presbyterian Church will be the setting for a Carol-Fest at 3:00 p.m. that same day with dessert and coffee to follow.

Co-workers of Janice Bond surprised her with a cake to celebrate the completion of her Associates Degree in Liberal Arts from Clovis Community College.

Staff of Corona Public Schools continually seeks to support the school by continuing their own education.

Allen Kelly is out of the hospital following a motorcycle/car accident that resulted in multiple injuries for Allen. He will be in a care facility for approximately three months before he can start his therapy. Allen is a graduate of Corona High School and lives in Belen.

The arts and crafts show held Saturday, November 26 in the school auditorium had a nice variety of crafters. Several people got at least part of their Christmas shopping done.

The elementary school program is planned for 6:00 p.m., Tuesday, December 6, at the Corona Public Schools auditorium.



**Cold Weather  
Pet Tips**

by Jeff Hammond

If you have outdoor pets you might occasionally check your animal's water dish to make sure it isn't iced over.

Domesticated animals don't have the same free-range movement as wild animals who are able to find running water during freezing temperatures. Your pet's water dishes will freeze faster than running water, and melt slower once temperatures rise. A quick check of the water dish, breaking up the ice on the surface in the morning before you are off on your daily duties will be greatly appreciated by your pets.

