

Highway 54, Nogal Road Issues Heard

by Patrice Brazie

Two co-chairs of the Alamogordo Chamber of Commerce's Transportation Committee spoke before Lincoln County's board of commissioners in August, to encourage participation in activities of the New Mexico Southeastern Regional Transportation District. Becky Lane and Jerry Johnson, of Alamogordo, were

invited to speak before the county officials, after a suggestion was offered by Kenneth Nosker of San Patricio to facilitate the meeting. Nosker played a role in lobbying the state highway department and governor Richardson in regards to improvements to Highway 70 east of Ruidoso, and is now asking county officials and residents to become involved in the

planning of improvements to Highway 54 from Corona to Tularosa.

Nosker reported that highway improvements already underway in northwestern Mexico will bring increased traffic from that country to El Paso and, with an improved Highway 54, more commerce to Lincoln County. "It's very important to our county," Nosker said, "and I would

like to see the commission get involved." Although Nosker said he was in favor of Highway 54 becoming a four-lane highway, plans published by the New Mexico Department of Transportation (NMDOT) indicate that the road will likely remain a two-lane route for a while longer.

Among the planned improvements to the highway are widened lanes, resurfacing, constructing passing lanes and shoulders and reducing curves and grades.

According to Johnson, the NMDOT is currently attempting to acquire rights-of-way along Highway

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CONSTITUTION WEEK is celebrated September 17-23. Corona Mayor William Hignight signed a proclamation for Constitution Week. With Hignight are Corona village clerk Janet Verna and Lanita Rasak, first vice regent of the New Mexico state organization of the Daughters of the American Revolution (DAR) and Sierra Blanca DAR Chapter Constitution chair.

America Celebrates U.S. Constitution

Sunday, September 17 begins the national celebration of Constitution Week. The week long commemoration of America's most important document is one of our country's least known official observances. Our Constitution stands as a testament to the tenacity of Americans throughout history to maintain their liberties and freedom, and to ensure those unalienable rights to every American.

The tradition of celebrating the Constitution was started many years ago by the Daughters of the American Revolution (DAR). In 1955, the Daughters petitioned Congress to set aside September 17-23 annually to be dedicated to the observance of Constitution Week. The resolution was later adopted by the U.S. Congress and signed into Public Law #915 on August 2, 1956 by President Dwight D. Eisenhower. The aims of the celebration are to (1) emphasize citizens' responsibilities for protecting and defending the Constitution, preserving it for posterity; (2) inform the people that the Constitution is the basis for America's great heritage and the foundation for our way of life; and (3) encourage the study of the historical events which led to the framing of the Constitution in September 1787.

The United States of America functions as a Republic under the Constitution, which is the oldest document still in active use that outlines the self-government of a people. This landmark idea that men had the inalienable right as individuals to be free and live their lives under their own governance was the impetus of the American Revolution.

Today, the Constitution stands as an icon of freedom for people around the world. "Constitution Week is the perfect opportunity to read and study this great document which is the safeguard of our American liberties," states DAR President General Presley Merritt Waggoner. "We encourage all citizens across the country to take time this week to reflect on our heritage of freedom."

DAR has served America for 116 years as its foremost cheerleader. In 1928, the Daughters began work on a building as a memorial to the Constitution. John Russell Pope, architect of the Jefferson Memorial, was commissioned to design the performing arts center, known as DAR Constitution Hall. Today, DAR Constitution Hall is the only structure erected in tribute to the Constitution of the United States of America.

Known as the largest wom-

en's patriotic organization in the world, DAR has more than 168,000 members with approximately 3,000 chapters in all 50 states and 11 foreign countries. The DAR has long promoted patriotism through commemorative celebrations, memorials, scholarships and activities for children, and programs for new immigrants.

Capitan Police Chief Fired

by Patrice Brazie

Some Capitan residents had to listen through the open windows of the Village hall at Tuesday evening's Capitan Village Council meeting as the crowd, packed to standing room only, overflowed onto the front porch. Officers of the Lincoln County Sheriff's Department and New Mexico State Police had been called in and before the meeting was adjourned two angry people were escorted outside.

Rumors began to spread in Capitan last week after Capitan mayor Sam Hammons requested the resignation of police chief Robert Bird, who declined to meet the request.

Discussion regarding Bird and the Capitan Police Department was listed as an executive session item on the village council agenda for the September 12th meeting, and a large number of people showed up in support of Bird.

Upon hearing that the village trustees would discuss the matter of Bird's employment in closed session, some of those attending the meeting became a bit irate. Most seemed already convinced of what might have prompted the action by Hammons. Carolyn Miller, a 10 year resident of Capitan, expressed

sentiments similar to those stated by many in the crowd. "I think (Bird) is being persecuted because he's doing the job he was hired for," Miller said, "getting the drugs and drug dealers off the street." When asked if she thought mayor Hammons was opposed to ridding the streets of illegal drugs, she answered, "If he's getting rid of the chief, then he's opposed to it."

A lot of those present stated similar beliefs that, without chief Bird, Capitan will turn into a drug haven.

While waiting for the open meeting to resume, Capitan citizens speculated on the reasoning behind Bird's firing. Several at the meeting expressed certainty that the

maneuver is intended to open up the position for a former Capitan police chief.

Many others reflected Miller's belief that Bird was fired because "someone" in village government would prefer to allow illegal drug activity to continue in Capitan.

Bird sat quietly throughout the meeting. Sitting next to him was Ruidoso attorney, Gary Mitchell. While waiting out the lengthy closed session Mitchell remarked, "It appears they're having a real struggle trying to make a political move without losing the entire community." Mitchell questioned the idea that Bird's dismissal had

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Indigent Health Benefits Expanded

by Patrice Brazie

Through a resolution adopted on August 15th by the Lincoln County Board of Commissioners, some physicians in the Roswell Clinic Corps will be added to the list of medical service providers who may receive payments through the county's indigent health care funds. Only those members of the

Roswell group who currently practice in Lincoln County are included. Those physicians are Arlene Brown, M.D., Marilyn Nishitani, C.F.N.P., Homero Renteria, M.D., and W. Ray Seidel, M.D.

In another resolution also adopted in August, the Lincoln County Commissioners

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Farewell to Fr. Dave

by Patrice Brazie

Sometime after serving in the Air Force during the Viet Nam war, Dave Bergs decided to dedicate his life to doing God's work. Fr. Dave Bergs was ordained as a Catholic priest in 1976 at St. Francis Cathedral in Santa Fe. He first arrived at Carrizozo's Santa Rita Catholic Church in 1978 and remained there for seven years. He left Carrizozo in 1985 to serve at St. Eleanor Catholic Church in Ruidoso, until he was sent to Roswell in 1990. He returned to Carrizozo in 1992, where he is today. Fr. Dave, as he is known by his parishioners, has been a part of many lives in Lincoln County for more than 25 years, but will be leaving permanently on October 1st. Health problems, worsened by the high altitudes of Lincoln County, are making it necessary for Fr. Dave to move on.

In an interview on Monday,

the priest talked about what he will most miss about his time here in Lincoln County. It is the people, his flock, those with whom he has shared the most personal and memorable moments of their lives. "As a priest, you're always part of the crucial moments of life," Fr. Dave said, "both in celebration and in death and tragedy." The priest has known a lot of the people he ministers to for more than 20 years. "I've baptized them, or their children and their grandchildren," he said. He has celebrated the birth of their children, witnessed their wedding vows and helped them through their final days on earth.

Fr. Dave's parish covers a lot of territory, and includes Santa Rita Church in Carrizozo, Saint Teresa in Corona, Sacred Heart in Capitan and San Juan in Lincoln. "This parish is very

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Fr. Dave Bergs

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54 so that the land will be available for building a four-lane highway sometime in the future. "It's not something that's going to happen in the next couple of years," Johnson said.

Word of the plan to widen Highway 54 has sparked some discussion among Carrizozo residents who see three possible options for managing the heavy truck

traffic that already runs through the center of town. Whether the enhanced highway will bypass the county seat to the east or west, continue to run through the center of town as Central Avenue or divide the route into separate north and south lanes on two Carrizozo streets is still just speculation.

Also in August, the Lincoln County Board of Commissioners approved the issuance of a quit claim deed for a portion of Lincoln Street in Nogal. The street was vacated and abandoned at the request of Terry and Kayla Scarafioti of Nogal in 1999.

According to county attorney Alan Morel, quit claim deeds are not normally issued as a part of the vacation and abandonment process. "The commission has done it once or twice in the past 10 (or more) years," Morel said. He explained that the county could not offer a warranty

deed for the property that had been abandoned. "You can, however, offer a quit claim deed that says 'if I own anything you can have it,'" Morel said.

The county commissioners agreed to provide the quit claim deed to allow the Scarafiotis and their adjoining neighbors to each claim half of the abandoned roadway property.

Final approval of the vacation of Moore Avenue in Nogal was also passed by the county commissioners in August. County commissioner Earl Hobbs remarked on how pleased he was to see the issue of Morel to an end.

Fr. Dave

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Regarding specific plans for the future, Fr. Dave would only say that where he will go from Wisconsin is still pretty much up in the air. He is also still waiting for word on his successor. "This attitude thing has been progressing," Fr. Dave said. "I really have to pace myself; it's become a priority. I originally planned on leaving the first of January, so they're really scrambling to find a replacement," he said. According to Fr. Dave, the final decision on who the new priest will be is up to Bishop Ricardo Ramirez in Las Cruces, who heads the diocese, special and unique," he said. "We have people with no education and people with Ph.D's. We have people who, for all practical purposes, have never been out of the county and people who have traveled the world."

It is the diversity of the people and their customs, education and economic status that makes his congregation different from any other, Fr. Dave said, and suggested that people here don't always realize how special that is. "We can have a former treasurer of the United States sitting next to somebody that thinks going to Roswell is a big deal, and they're all in the same community equally. The contrast is mind-blowing," he said.

Fr. Dave said he plans to leave the area on October 1st, after serving mass that day in Capitan and Carrizozo and attending a fiesta in Corona. After a brief visit with friends in Albuquerque, he plans to work his way back to his native Wisconsin to visit some family there. "But, first snowflake and I'm out of there," he said. He admitted that he's not just in need of a lower altitude, he'd also like to be in a warm place, as well.

Obituary



HELEN G. STREID-PYNE

Helen G. Streid-Pyne, 82, of Capitan, died August 16 at her home.

A memorial service was held September 9 at Christ Community Church in Capitan, where she attended.

She was born January 20, 1924 in Cisne, Illinois. She married Paul E. Streid of Chenoa, Illinois and Jack Pyne of Lexington, Illinois, both preceding her in death.

She is survived by a son, Gary P. Streid of Brinson, WA; two daughters, Cindy J. Foglesong of Capitan, and Holly J. Stone of Flagstaff AZ, and five grandchildren.



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Friday, September 9, 1927

Famous Mining Strikes

(by Thomas Steward)
The Chino Copper Mines

Earlier stories have told of two great copper districts within the United States, that which centers around Butte, Mont., and that in the upper peninsula of Michigan. Each in its heyday was the world's outstanding source of the famous red metal.

The third great American group of copper mines, though by no means the only other copper center in this country, is the Arizona-New Mexico group, and among its many mines, including the Miami, Inspiration and Green-Cananes, the one with the most picturesque history is the Chino.

"Chino" is the Spanish word for Chinaman. This famous old mine was in use in the old days when Spain dominated the American Southwest, and copper from the diggings a hundred or more years old was carried in muleback to the City of Mexico.

Haggin and Hearst, two great names in the history of American mining, the latter being the father of William Randolph Hearst, added to their fortunes in the Chino mine district and it is said that Thomas F. Lawson, the speculator and sensational advertiser of stocks, drew from the Chino district the material for one of his most extravagant prose poems in praise of mining securities.

Near to the present-day mine may be seen the old adobe fort which was built to protect laborers in the early days from the frequent raids of Apache Indians, for it is known that the Apaches did not easily yield to the idea that the paleface was to dominate his section of the world.

Chino, with the Utah Copper company's property, holds the distinction of being a mine in which the ore is so accessible to the surface that more than 70 per cent of its deposits may be extracted with a steam shovel and without the sinking of underground shafts. In this it is comparable to the vast iron-ore district of northern Minnesota, which has attracted the attention of the world due to the ease and cheapness with which the steam shovels raise its great wealth of ore.

When work on a large scale was renewed at Chino toward the end of the first decade of this century it was estimated that more than 45,000,000 tons of ore were available in the property controlled by the company. This has been reduced considerably by fifteen years of mining that have included the prodigal period of the World war, but its resources still leave it one of the considerable copper mines on the North American continent.

"I'm going to marry a pretty girl and a good cook."

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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, Ruidoso. 354-3046 for info.

TUESDAYS

--Capitan Public Library preschool reading hour at 1 p.m.
 --Free GED class 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. Carrizozo School.
 --Alcoholics Anonymous, 6:30 p.m. Carrizozo First Baptist Church Fellowship Hall.

WEDNESDAYS

--Free GED classes 6 p.m. to 8 p.m., Carrizozo School.
 --AWANA club for children ages 3 through 6t grade at First Baptist Church of Carrizozo from 6:00 to 8:00 p.m. Non-denominational program. For information contact Hayden Smith 648-2107.
 --Tic Tac for 7th through 12th grade at Trinity United Methodist Church in Carrizozo 6 p.m.
 --Alcoholics Anonymous, 7 p.m. Capitan Senior Citizens Center.

TODAY, THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 14

--Special meeting of Ruidoso Village Council 4:30 p.m. at Convention Center.
 --Capitan School Board 6:30 p.m.

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 18

--The Alto Lakes Special Zoning District Commission will hold a special meeting at 8:00 am at the Bonito Fire Station. Tentative agenda includes - appoint commissioners to fill post-election vacancies, election of officers and approve annual open meetings act resolution.

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 19

--Lincoln County Commissioners meet at 8:30 a.m. in Lincoln County Courthouse in Carrizozo.
 --Carrizozo School Board meets at 6:00 p.m.

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 21

--The Alto Lakes Special Zoning District Commission regular meeting at 8:30am at the Alto Lakes Golf and Country Club. Tentative agenda includes hearing on amendments to comprehensive zoning and land use ordinance.
 --Lincoln Historic Preservation Board meets at 7 p.m. at Community Church in Lincoln.
 --Free consumer debt/bankruptcy workshop at Branigan Memorial Library in Las Cruces at 5:30 p.m. For info call 1-800-876-6227.

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 26

--Federated Republican Women of Lincoln County meet at 12 noon at Alto Country Club. Guest speaker will be Lorenzo Garcia.



Cadet Cameron M. Sandoval

Cadet Sandoval Reaches First Milestone at NMMI

August 26 ended the 21-day period for Recruits at Training (RATs), an important milestone for cadets attending New Mexico Military Institute. The end of the 21-day period marks the day RATs are recognized for their hard work and receive their first privileges. However, before they are given privileges, they must complete the obstacle course, demonstrating their improved physical readiness,

confidence, team work and high motivation.
 Cadet Cameron Michael Sandoval is very proud to have accomplished so much in just 21 days. Sandoval has set her expectations high on academics to help her achieve her goals.
 Cameron is the 14-year old granddaughter of Sabino and Petra Sandoval of Carrizozo and is attending NMMI in Roswell as a freshman.

Capitan Police Chief Fired

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anything to do with budget considerations, as recently reported. "It's interesting that they hired two people to-night. I don't think so," Mitchell said. Earlier in the meeting, the Capitan trustees voted to hire a new street department employee to replace Jonathan LaMay who resigned after finding other employment and a part-time temporary laborer to cut weeds.

Speaking before the camera of an Albuquerque network television affiliate, former Lincoln County Sheriff Tom Sullivan suggested that Bird was fired because some parents had complained about their sons being repeatedly arrested. "It's selective enforcement and it stinks," Sullivan said. In response to a question about the rumor that there is a do not arrest list in Capitan that places certain individuals outside of the law, Sullivan said, "I'm sure that it exists, but I'm not going to mention any names." The former sheriff said that he had never seen such a list, but that he had

heard about it and knows whose names are on it.

After the closed session and prior to the vote to dismiss Bird, Hammons responded briefly to questions from those in attendance regarding the nature of the closed session and public meeting procedures. Some began to shout "recall!" One man shouted to Hammons, "Are you getting mad? Do

you not like your job serving me?" Hammons had a law enforcement officer remove the man from the meeting and chants of "recall the mayor" followed. Another person asked Hammons, "what about the oath you took in office?" and the Mayor had him removed as well.

Without any further discus-

sion other than a few more remarks shouted from the crowd, the Capitan council voted 4 to 1 in favor of removing chief Bird from office. Trustee Bill Martin cast the only vote in opposition and drew a round of applause. Hammons and Bird both refused comment pending a possible legal action against the village.

Hammons Responds to No Arrest Allegations

by Patrice Brazie

In a brief interview on Wednesday morning, Capitan Mayor Sam Hammons responded to allegations that a do-not-arrest list exists within the Capitan police department. Although he stated his belief that the idea of a hands-off policy in regards to certain illegal activities in Capitan is ridiculous, Hammons said that he has sent a request to former police chief Robert Bird to produce the list if it does, in fact, exist. Hammons said that he has spoken with other Capitan police officers who denied knowing anything about a do-not-arrest list or policy.

Regarding some complaints from Capitan residents on the nature of closed sessions within public meetings, Hammons said that the

discussion of terminating the employment of Bird was held in accordance with the Open Meetings Act. Any discussion regarding the hiring, firing, promotion or dismissal of a public employee, or charges against that em-

ployee, are generally held in closed session to protect the rights of the employee. Any action taken in regards to the employee in question must be made during the open portion of a public meeting.

Indigent Health

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approved an increase in the funding afforded to indigent health care patients receiving general medical treatment or acute services care, including cancer treatment, from the Lincoln County Medical Center. Formerly set at \$7,500, the county will now reimburse up to \$10,000 for such treatment. Although some county officials expressed concern over the county's ability to meet its funding needs for indigent care last year, Lincoln County Indigent Health Care administrator Rhonda Burrows reported that, this year, things look a little better.

The maximum household income requirements for those who receive indigent health care services were also increased. "I researched the HUD (U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development) section eight requirements," Burrows told the county commissioners. "Every year they post an increase, but we don't have to adopt that," she said. Burrows said that the county's maximum income requirement hasn't been raised in three years, but raising the increase to that suggested by HUD for 2006 would have meant an increase of about 33 percent.

After considerable review and much discussion with the county manager, Burrows said, the county's increase was set at just under 12 percent. For a family of four, that means an allowable increase in family income from \$30,760 to \$34,700. "It's a real volatile fund, and if you make a small adjustment here it might have a large impact," Burrows said. "Last year we were worried that weren't going to have enough money; now we're doing pretty well. The state statute says that when you have a remainder, you will review those (income) requirements," Burrows explained. "We wanted to adjust without creating a financial impact." Burrows said that she hopes to further expand indigent care services in the future, when funding allows.

Obituary



JOYCE MAURINE MAY

Joyce Maurine May, a long time resident of Carrizozo, died September 1. She was born August 28, 1922 in Lockney, Texas. Joyce graduated from high school in Lubbock, Texas and then graduated from Texas Tech and began her home economics teaching career in House, New Mexico. Her next position was in another small New Mexico town, Carrizozo, where she met the love of her life C.D. (Duff) May. They celebrated their 59th wedding anniversary July 13, 2006.

Recently Joyce and Duff moved to Farmington to be closer to their only child, Donda Jo (May) Sawyer, her husband Clay, granddaughter Marsha (Sawyer) Peter and husband Arriold, grandson William Sawyer and wife Jennifer and great-grandchildren Iliana, Zeely and Blaze Sawyer, and McKenzie Peter.

Arrangements are being handled by Alternative Choice and there has been a private celebration of her life for the family.

'Have A Great Weekend !!'

Card of Thanks!

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THOUGHTS FROM THE EDITOR'S DESK

Flooding could be costly

By Ruth Hammond

Rains have caused many problems with flooding, even at the higher altitude of Ruidoso. Last week the county road grader went for an unexpected swim and stayed in the water overnight. That happened not out here on the flats, where flooding is expected, but in the Ruidoso area.

Other than that, it was quite a surprise to learn that US Highway 54 was closed from mile marker 81 to Carrizozo on Tuesday. State Police reported that it could be closed for 24 to 48 hours, because of danger of washouts. Several people said that water was running across the highway in areas where they had never seen water before.

And the most distressing thing was that the highway hotline recording didn't mention Hwy 54 being closed. Travelers understood but were not pleased that they had to get to Alamogordo by a different route. We're not sure how long Hwy 54 was closed but it was open yesterday.

Deciding to close the road was a safety factor. Mud across the highway a couple of weeks ago caused delays while crews cleared the mud and made it safe to travel.

Considering that Hwy 54 is seldom closed south of Carrizozo except during severe winter storms, it was unusual. While it was an inconvenience, it was much better than it could have been. Some southern states have regular flooding during those hurricanes and himicanes.

Lincoln County road crews have been kept busy with trying to get roads open and clearing out culverts that are filled with debris such as tree limbs and gravel. Several larger culverts have been installed in some areas, in hopes that they will carry the water away from the clogged area.

Often people don't understand that priorities set by emergency workers may not jibe with their own personal concerns. Hopefully people will be patient and realize that crews are doing the best they can. Equipment has to be moved from place to place. The county doesn't have a magic genie to move road graders with a twitch of the nose, which means that transports must be used. Gravel and/or road base has to be hauled, there isn't a pile of that needed commodity waiting at the unexpected flood area.

Safety while doing the work is extremely important. Sometimes it takes a while for crews to determine not only the quickest way to do the work but also to be able to do it quickly and safely for the workers and spectators.

Estimates of the costs involved in the flood clean-up may be available at the county commission meeting next Tuesday. No doubt there will have to be adjustments to the county road budget because this emergency work will be expensive. Extra fuel, overtime hours worked and the damage to equipment will all have to be figured in costs. Don't put your umbrella away yet, it could rain again.

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ED. NOTE - Knowing full well that I will probably be accused of spreading hate and discontent, questioning my morals, and being a hate monger of the Islamic religion . . . I have decided to run this anyway. -- p.a.

"TOWEL HEADS"

Recently I received a warning about the use of this politically incorrect term, so please note:

We all need to be more sensitive in our choice of words. I have been informed that the Islamic terrorists, who hate our guts and want to destroy our way of life and do great bodily harm to each and everyone of us, do not like to be called "Towel Heads", since the item they wear on their heads is not actually a towel, but in fact, a small folded sheet.

Therefore, from this point forward, please refer to them as "Little Sheet Heads."

Thank you for your support and compliance on this delicate matter.

Have A Good Day.

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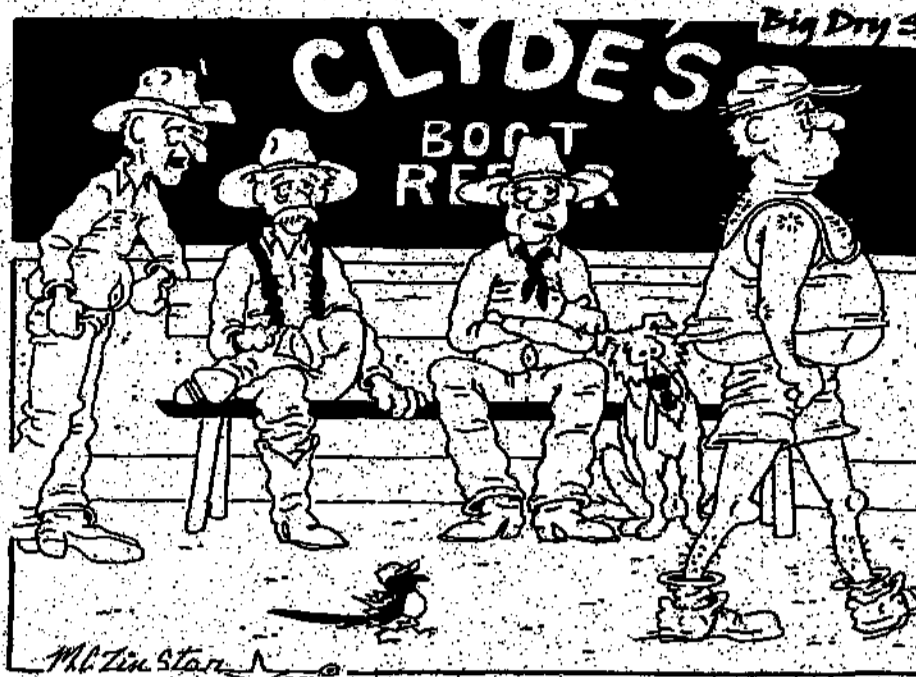
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"YA KNOW, WHENEVER YOU SEE A GUY LIKE THAT WEARIN' SHORTS IT PROVES THAT NOT ONE SHRED OF LIFE CAN BE TAKEN SERIOUSLY."

Inside the Capitol

BY JAY MILLER

SANTA FE - In a surprise move, NASA has picked Lockheed Martin Corp. to build Orion, the successor to the space shuttle. That isn't good news for New Mexico.

Lockheed is the largest of the defense contractors but Northrop Grumman Corp. and Boeing have been the major contractors for manned space vehicles. Lockheed has specialized in robotic space flight, but now will also be the major contractor for human space flight.

Lockheed's first proposal for the Orion crew exploration vehicle looked more like the shuttle and was designed to land as the current shuttle does. But NASA decided it wants to go back to the tried and true capsule that Carried Mercury, Gemini and Apollo astronauts.

The shuttle program's two space disasters took place on liftoff and reentry. Those problems wouldn't have occurred with the capsule model.

Fifteen years ago, when New Mexico first attempted to host the successor to the current space shuttle, the trend was toward development of reusable single-stage-to-orbit vehicles.

They were thought to be much more practical than the first and second stages that were dropped into the ocean and the crew capsule that plunked into the Pacific and no longer was usable.

But there were no fatalities on those missions, which led NASA to instruct Lockheed to go back to the old design:

That leaves out New Mexico, since liftoff requires a nearby ocean. So, once again, liftoff will require plowing through several thousand feet of atmosphere that wouldn't be necessary in New Mexico.

The award to Lockheed will be a big plus for Colorado where there was much celebrating at Lockheed Martin Space System's Denver headquarters.

The choice of the name Orion also was a throwback. That was the name for the moon lander

for the next to last moon mission and also the name for the promising nuclear rocket project, begun in the 1950s but cancelled in the early '60s amid reactions to anything nuclear.

NASA is proudly calling Orion "Apollo on steroids." It has led some to ask why they didn't just call it "Apollo-II."

New Mexico had high hopes of hosting the second-generation shuttle program back in the single stage to orbit days. McDonnell Douglas was testing a craft at White Sands Missile Range.

The Delta Clipper would take off like a

rocket, maneuver in the air, and touch back down on its base, just as rockets have done in the movies for years.

Technically known as the DC-X, the rocket was flown successfully eight times as WSMR, under a \$3 million test program administered by Phillips Lab at Kirtland Air Force Base in Albuquerque. It was then scheduled to be torn down and be rebuilt as the DC-XA under a \$43 million NASA contract.

Much money had been spent on its development, which began as part of

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You Know You're from New Mexico if . . .

- * Your swamp cooler got knocked off your roof by a dust devil.
- * You have been on TV more than three times telling about how your neighbor was shot or about your alien abduction.
- * All your out-of-state friends and relatives visit in October.
- * You know Vegas is a town in the north-eastern part of the state.
- * You are afraid to drive through Los Lunas, Mora and Espanola.
- * Iron your jeans to "dress up".
- * You don't see anything wrong with drive-up window liquor sales.
- * Your other vehicle is also a pick-up truck.
- * Two of your cousins are in Santa Fe, one in the legislature and the other in the state pen.
- * Your car is missing a fender or bumper, or both.
- * You have driven to an Indian Casino at 3:00 a.m. because you were hungry.
- * You think the Lobos fight song is "Louie, Louie".
- * You know whether you want "red or green".
- * You're relieved when the pavement ends because the dirt road has fewer pot-holes.
- * You have been told by at least one out-of-state vendor that they are going to charge you extra for "international" shipping.
- * You can order your Big Mac with green chile.
- * Tumbleweeds and various cacti in your yard are not weeds. They are your lawn.
- * A tarantula on your porch is ordinary.
- * A scorpion in your tub is ordinary.
- * A poisonous centipede on your ceiling? Ordinary.
- * A black widow crawling across your bed is terribly, terribly common.
- * A rattlesnake is an occasional hiking hazard. No need to freak out.
- * You know you will run into at least 3 neighbors and/or relatives whenever you shop at Wal-Mart.



WEATHER REPORT

by Jeff Hammond

It looks like the monsoon season might be winding down a little or no noticeable showers or thunderstorms are forecast starting Saturday. The change will be greatly appreciated by many due to the recent roadways being washed out in the Ruidoso area, and following the closure of Hwy 54 from mile marker 81 north into Carrizozo. Apparently the roadway is in peril of being washed away in numerous locations where the culverts became clogged and water was washing over roadways and undermining the foundations of the highway itself.

With the end of the monsoon season approaching it will signal the return of the winds from west and southwest. So far no high winds are forecast, but here in the high desert areas of Lincoln County high winds are always a possibility.

There will be numerous road repair locations, state highways, county roads, town roads and forest roads, so be prepared for the occasional delay in travel across some of the hardest hit areas.

Forecast for Carrizozo, Hondo and the High Desert:

Today, Thursday, Sept. 14
A slight chance for showers and thunderstorms. Partly cloudy, with a high near 81. Southwest wind between 5 and 15 mph. night: A continued slight chance for showers and thunderstorms. Partly cloudy, with a low around 54. Southwest wind between 5 and 10 mph.

Friday, September 15
A very slight chance of showers and thunderstorms. Partly cloudy, with a high near 84. night: A very slight chance of showers and thunderstorms. Partly cloudy, with a low around 52.

Saturday, September 16
Mostly sunny, with a high near 84. night: Mostly clear, with a low around 51.

Sunday, September 17
Mostly sunny, with a high near 81. night: Mostly clear, with a low around 48.

Monday, September 18
Mostly sunny, with a high near 80. night: Mostly clear, with a low around 49.

Tuesday, September 19
Mostly sunny, with a high near 81. night: Mostly clear, with a low around 49.

Forecast for Ruidoso, Capitán and Corona:

Today, Thursday, Sept. 14
A slight chance for showers and thunderstorms. Partly cloudy, with a high near 71. Southwest wind between 5 and 15 mph. night: A slight chance for showers and thunderstorms. Partly cloudy, with a low around 51. Southwest wind around 10 mph.

Friday, September 15
A very slight chance of showers and thunderstorms. Partly cloudy, with a high near 75. night: A very slight chance of showers and thunderstorms. Partly cloudy, with a low around 51.

Saturday, September 16
Mostly sunny, with a high near 77. night: Mostly clear, with a low around 46.

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Sheriff's Report

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

September 5
 6:33 a.m. Medical call at residence on DeBord in Ruidoso, Advanced Life Support (ALS) ambulance dispatched.
 10:42 a.m. Larceny/theft reported at business on Hwy 70 in Ruidoso Downs, deputy dispatched.
 10:50 a.m. Traffic hazard reported at mile marker 267 on Hwy 70 in Glencoe, Glencoe fire units and deputy dispatched.
 11:18 a.m. Medical call at location on Hwy 246 in Capitan, ambulance dispatched.
 12:01 p.m. Domestic bat-

tery reported at residence on Edward Avenue in Ruidoso, deputy dispatched.
 1:44 p.m. Dog reported running loose on Hwy 380 in Lincoln, deputy dispatched.
 1:45 p.m. Trespassing reported at location on Indian Divide in Capitan, deputy dispatched.
 5:00 p.m. Agency assistance requested by Ruidoso police at location on Mechom Drive in Ruidoso, deputy dispatched.
 5:28 p.m. Medical call at Hondo School gymnasium, ambulance dispatched.
 5:44 p.m. Death reported at Lincoln County Medical Center (LCMC) in Ruidoso, deputy dispatched.
 6:59 p.m. Suspicious activity by person reported on White Angel in Glencoe, deputy dispatched.

7:43 p.m. Disturbance/other reported at historical site located on Hwy 380 in Lincoln, deputy dispatched.
 8:11 p.m. Disturbance/family dispute reported at residence on Edwards Avenue in Ruidoso, deputy dispatched.
 11:18 p.m. Domestic battery reported at residence on Pinehurst in Ruidoso, ALS and deputy dispatched.
September 6
 12:00 a.m. Agency assistance requested by Federal Bureau of Investigations at location in Capitan, deputy dispatched.
 9:36 a.m. Medical call at residence on I Avenue in Carrizozo, ambulance dispatched.
 9:53 a.m. Information report at location on Hwy 48 in

Ruidoso, deputy dispatched.
 10:34 a.m. Trespassing reported at business on Hwy 48 in Alto, deputy dispatched.
 11:50 a.m. Assault reported at location on Hwy 380 in Lincoln, deputy dispatched.
 5:59 p.m. Trespassing reported at location on CR B006 in Capitan, deputy dispatched.
 8:06 p.m. Agency assistance requested by Ruidoso police at location on Sudderth Drive in Ruidoso, deputy dispatched.
 8:20 p.m. Driving Under Influence (DUI) reported on Mount Capitan in Capitan, deputy dispatched.
 8:30 p.m. Shots fired reported near mile marker 281 in Hondo, deputy dispatched.
September 7
 7:04 a.m. Accident reported at Hwy 48 and Airport Road intersection, ambulance and deputy dispatched.
 7:42 a.m. Traffic hazard reported on Cowboy Court in Rancho Ruidoso Valley Estates, deputy dispatched.
 7:47 a.m. Suspicious activity by person reported at location on Ceder Creek Road in Ruidoso, deputy dispatched.
 7:51 a.m. Suspicious activity by person reported at location on Shanna Lane in Alto, deputy dispatched.
 9:22 a.m. Motor vehicle theft reported at mile marker 304 on Hwy 70 in Hondo, deputy dispatched.
 9:50 a.m. Motor vehicle theft reported at location on 12th Street in Carrizozo, police dispatched.
 10:39 a.m. Missing or lost person reported from location on Bewely in Ruidoso, deputy dispatched.
 11:13 a.m. Larceny/theft reported at location on Salude Drive in Capitan, deputy dispatched.
 2:13 p.m. Accident reported at 300 Central Avenue in Carrizozo, police dispatched.
 4:34 p.m. Medical call at residence on Fifth Street in Carrizozo, ambulance dispatched.
 7:25 p.m. Medical call at residence on Raindance Trail in Ruidoso, ALS dispatched.
 8:15 p.m. Fire reported at residence in White Oaks, White Oaks volunteer units and deputy dispatched.



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"You can't. That's bigamy."

"Doctor," said a woman to her neighbor at the table, "can you tell me who that horrible-looking man is over there?"

"Why, yet, I can. That's my brother."

"Oh, pardon," stammered the embarrassed woman, all flustered; "I ought to have know it by the resemblance"

Short Interviews

Treating on Matters Pertaining to the Town and Otherwise

by M. Dorring

"Carrizozo should hold out every inducement to catch the tourist trade," said a prominent businessman. "They come in, select quickly and have the cash in hand. Every line of business is patronized, directly or indirectly. It is easier to observe the benefits of tourist patronage in a small town than in one of 50,000 or more."

"The streets of Carrizozo are cleaner and in better condition than they have been for a long time," remarked Henry Lutz, Sr., who was the first mayor of the town. "A little work on their every now and then will keep them in fine shape."

"Quite a few families in Carrizozo are looking forward to cold weather next winter by laying in their coal now," remarked a Carrizozo man. "And most of them are patronizing the mines in the vicinity. The money paid out for wages in the operation of these mines is spent with the home mercantiles."

"Fifteen persons, two of them women, have disappeared during the long distance airplane flights this year," said a home man. "I'm not taking any chances riding in airplanes. Motor cars and railroads are fast enough for me."

"I see the Carrizozo Eating House is 'sporting' a new fence on each side the concrete walk leading to the entrance to the hotel," said a local man to the writer. "It is a little rustic-looking -- or rather 'rusty' looking -- and was built from material on hand, pieces of boxes, crates, etc. In the absence of a more ornate one, however, it will keep persons from walking across the lawn, which his year is in too nice a condition to be ruined by walking over it."

"There is an unexplored cave the other side of the mal pais, near Carrizozo, that should be investigated by the people of Carrizozo," said E.H. Sweet, of the Carrizozo Eating House. "Who knows but what might prove a good find? At any rate, it will not cost much to make the investigation and ascertain what we have at our door."

Newark, N.J., Sept. 5 -- August Frey, 47, was crossing Market Street when an automobile struck him, knocking him down.

The motorist halted his car and walked over to where Frey was awkwardly sprawled out on the street.

"It's all right, old man; I'm not hurt," smiled Frey as he picked himself up and brushed his clothes.

"Oh, it's all right, is it," said the motorist, as he hauled off and punched Frey on the nose. "Maybe that will teach you to keep out of my way."

The motorist left feeling better after administering the rebuke to the confused pedestrian.

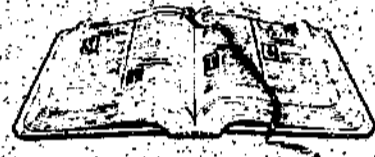
"Do you stand back of every statement you make in your newspaper?" asked the timid man.

"Why-er-yes," answered the county editor.

"Then," said the little man, holding up a notice of his death, "I wish you would help me collect my life insurance."

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Church Directory



Mountain Ministry Parish, Sierra Blanca Presbytery

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

Ancho Community Presbyterian Church:
 TERRY AIELLO, Pastor / 849-9105
 Worship 9:00 a.m.
 Sunday School 10:00 a.m.

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

First Baptist Church

HAYDEN SMITH, Pastor
 314 10th Ave., Carrizozo, NM
 848-2868 (Church) or 648-2107
 Sunday School 9:45 a.m.
 Worship Service 10:55 a.m.
 Sun. Evening 6:00 p.m.
 Wednesday, Sept. - April
 AWANAS 6:00 p.m.

Carrizozo Community Church (AIG)

Corner of C Ave. and Thirteenth
 Children's Church 10:30 a.m.
 Worship Service 10:30 a.m.
 Thursday 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.

Angus Church of the Nazarene

"Serving All of Lincoln County"
 RICK HUTCHINSON, Pastor / 336-8032
 Southwest Corner of Hwy. 48 & 37 Junction
 Between Ruidoso and Capitan, NM
 Sunday:
 Sunday School for all ages 9:30 a.m.
 Morning Worship and
 Children's Church 10:30 a.m.
 Family Worship 6:00 p.m.
 Wednesday:
 Community dinner 6:00 p.m.
 Adult classes, Youth games and study,
 Kids Klub 7:30 p.m.

Church of Christ

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

White Oaks Community Church

Non-Denominational
 Sunday Worship Service 11:00 a.m.

St. Matthias Episcopal Church

REV. JOHN HUFFMAN, RECTOR
 Corner of E. Ave. and Sixth, Carrizozo, NM
 Ph. 505-257-2356
 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 89301
 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

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

GAL 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

Sunday:

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

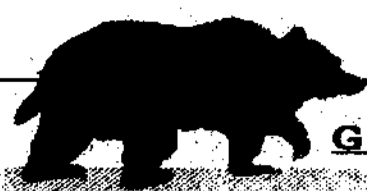
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LaGrone Funeral Chapel



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

Fort Stanton . . . facts and fiction

by BETTY JOINER

Mr. Jarrard Comes Back

Mr. Castanon has hired former Carrizozo teacher Doug Jarrard to come back and teach the Spanish II class in Carrizozo. He taught previously here from 1975 to 1997, where he taught history, Spanish I, Spanish II, and middle school music. He also taught for a short time in 2002.

When asked if he enjoyed teaching Spanish II in Carrizozo, he replied, "I wouldn't have come back if I didn't, and the kids are great."

He has a major in Spanish and in secondary education as well as a bachelors in social studies, and they were received at the University of Maryland and at Highlands University. He speaks German, which he learned in Germany while attending college for two years; Vietnamese, which he learned at the El Paso Language School while in the Air Force and while serving in Vietnam; and Spanish which he learned at home, because he thought it was a cool language.

Though he only teaches one class, he brings with him a wealth of knowledge.

Jordan Grider

Carrizozo Grizzly Varsity Football Schedule 2006

Date	Opponent	Place	Time
Aug. 25	Ramah 0		Carrizozo 40
Sept. 1	Ft. Sumner 38		Carrizozo 26
Sept. 8	Tularosa 6		Carrizozo 22
Sept. 14	Alamo JV	Here	6:00 pm
Sept. 22	NMMI	There	7:00 pm
Sept. 29	Loving	There	7:00 pm
*Oct. 6	Clayton	Here	7:00 pm
Oct. 13	Jal	Here	7:00 pm
Oct. 20	Hagerman	Here	7:00 pm
Oct. 27	Mescalero	There	7:00 pm

* October 6 -- Homecoming

Jr. High Football

Sept. 7	Mescalero	There	4:00 pm
Sept. 21	Capitan	Here	4:00 pm
Sept. 28	Mescalero	Here	4:00 pm
Oct. 12	Capitan	There	5:00 pm

Girls Volleyball

Sept. 14 --	Capitan at Carrizozo JV/V	4:00 pm
Sept. 19 --	Carrizozo at Capitan JH	4:00 pm
	Dexter at Carrizozo JV/V	4:00 pm
Sept. 21 --	Carrizozo at Mescalero JV/V	5:00 pm

YAFL Freshmen

Rio Rancho South 34 Eldorado 12

NFL Schedule

Buffalo at *Miami
Detroit at *Chicago
Houston at *Indianapolis
Carolina at *Minnesota
Oakland at *Baltimore
Tampa Bay at *Atlanta
*New Orleans at Green Bay
Cleveland at *Cincinnati
*NY Giants at Philadelphia
Arizona at *Seattle
*St. Louis at San Francisco
*New England at NY Jets
Tennessee at *San Diego
Kansas City at *Denver
Washington at *Dallas
Pittsburgh at *Jacksonville (Monday)

"The Loving Husband"

A man and his ever-nagging wife went on vacation to Jerusalem. While they were there, the wife passed away. The undertaker told the husband, "You can have her shipped home for \$5,000, or you can bury her here, in the Holy Land, for \$150." The man thought about it and told the undertaker he would just have her shipped home.

The puzzled undertaker asked, "Why would you spend \$5,000 to ship your wife home, when it would be wonderful to be buried here in the Holy Land, and you would spend only \$150?"

The husband replied, "Sir, long ago a man died here, was buried here, and three days later he rose from the dead. I just don't believe I want to take that chance".

"ABBI" is found at the crash site! Can anyone imagine after nine long days of hoping, praying, wishing, and just being so hopeful that a dream would come true?

Two weeks ago a pickup rolled just outside of Lincoln and it took the life of a woman. In the car riding with her were two little dogs. One was her sister's dog and the other was one she had recently acquired. The lady was flown by helicopter to El Paso where she passed away a week later. Her sister was so sad to lose her, and hoped she wouldn't be told that she had lost her dog also. This was when the people of Lincoln County began their search for a little dog that would help her owner deal with such a tragedy.

So many rumors were spread after the crash that no one knew what the exact truth was. One of the dogs was found at a home in Lincoln a couple of days after the crash, but the other dog was not found until nine days later. A little scratched and a few loose teeth, but it was in great shape to be 11 years old, have arthritis and to be scared and alone for nine days. The flyers put out, the friends that helped, the state policemen that kept checking the crash site, the EMTs, the newspapers, and especially Becky Washburn Brown were all looking, hoping and praying for the return of ABBI and when I got the word Friday night, it confirmed my belief that God always answers our prayers in such unusual ways.

This incident was so close to my heart as the day before the crash happened, I was playing ball with one of my dogs that so many of you have seen perform at different places. When she went to jump in the air for the ball she twisted on her way down and fell flat on her back. I saw the jump, and I saw her fall. She never

moved her back legs again.

I picked her up, took her in the house and called a good friend who came immediately. She called Dr. Willard's office and his new assistant was on call. She diagnosed the injury as a disc problem. The time was late at night and so the vet said to take her first thing in the morning to have her checked. I called Becky at 7:00 and she was waiting when I took Chia over to her office. She x-rayed her to make sure nothing was broken and then started her on steroids and other medications.

I went to check on Chia on Tuesday afternoon. With no control of her bladder, not able to move either leg, I was torn as to what to do. Put her down or try to nurse her back to good health. The next two days I will never forget, I put her in a wagon and here we went, anywhere the other dogs went. The washing machine was never idle washing the blankets. The one good thing, and bad thing was she was never in any pain. All we can figure is it severed a nerve that controlled the pain. Evelyn Sidwell and Agatha Long came by and what a bunch of tears we shed over this very special pet.

On Thursday I decided to get a second opinion and took the dog to Warren Franklin. He diagnosed the same problem and both vets had told me I was looking at two weeks to six months of care for the dog with no guarantee of her ever getting better. I chose to put her down, and little things still make me cry when I think of this once healthy, vital friend that never left my side, stayed on a barrel for three hours one day when I said "stay". Never having lost a dog, I wasn't prepared for closure. I did everything wrong, but I have learned alot.

I only lost a dog and

the girl who lost her sister found hers. I have so much comfort in this. Another chapter in my many books that I hope one day to write, about the dogs, the pony express, post offices, White Oaks and Fort Stanton.

PONY EXPRESS TRAIL RIDE

This brings us to the Pony Express Trail Ride this year. I am amazed at the job that Tom Sullivan did in being the trail boss. Jim Tharpe and Rick Virden helped him, but his packets he made, his organization of the ride, and care of all the responsibility, was one of the best.

I still have such bad feelings with the three members who shoved us old timers out and divided such a great organization, but as with all things your find that no one is indispensable. They took away my special feeling for the ride; the ride with the mail and going to cancel the letters was some consolation, but it will never be the same.

Thirty paid riders were so lucky not to get caught in a downpour of rain and they crossed the arroyo at the crossing to the third campsite about 20 minutes before the rain came down big time. Wally, the cook, fixed some of the best meals we have ever had. Good job Wally.

The girl who was chosen for this year's poster did a great job and was such a nice person. The posse says it will not continue the posters. Not sure about the envelopes. Just hope this is not an end to such a great event, from White Oaks to Lincoln. The future will decide.

FORT STANTON LIVE

Many said there were more people that came to see Fort Stanton this year than every before. They said because some came and went, the parking lot was always full. A down-

pour just over the Fort area had people running for cover, but it ended as soon as it began.

The stables were shown by our Outriders group and many are excited about the renovation of this exciting part of the Fort.

Barbara Heiser, Roland Caster, Dave Spencer, Dave Scott, Clarence Leslie, Verla Caster, and the two Joes all worked on the clean up and the little house that had some interesting artifacts in it. The little house is remembered by me as the place where Eddy and Faye Womack lived back in the 60s. We came out to the fort and borrowed one of Eddie's Appaloosa studs to breed a mare.

The next person I knew of was Sarah Ewoldt who was an avid stamp collector and who lived there while serving at the Fort. Know this was only 20 or so years ago but it is already history to me.

The Flying J Wranglers performed right after the rain, the square dancers from Ruidoso were a big hit, and many toured the church which I am interested in finding more history about.

David Cargo has been appointed by Rick Simpson for the board of restoring the Fort and hopefully he will get the ball rolling to use the money appropriated from grants, etc. and begin getting the museum ready, and the stables in order, so tourists can visit.

I have talked to people from Iowa, Texas, Oklahoma and all over. I had my quilts around the post office and only got a few people to sign one this year.

CAPITAN WOMAN'S CLUB

Laura McGinnis and Mary Anne represented the Capitan Woman's Club by taking dictionaries to the third grade classes. This project was begun last year. Betsy Peralta and Susan Owings were very glad to have the members come and make the presentations. Hopefully the kids will enjoy the dictionaries and use them throughout the year.

I had hoped to be back at the school with my stamp program, but something call time has not allowed me to make it.

I hear that the four day school week is good and bad. Several talk like it is hard to get all the things that need to be taught worked into the few hours in the four days. I am sure the trial run will show what is best.

The woman's club is planning to have their Halloween games at the state park this year. Prizes were ordered and the Lion's Club hops to have a haunted house outside too. Two of the members were very under the weather with the crud and all were so happy to welcome the secretary Pearl Tippen back from a trip to England where she visited her family.

Phyllis McCaw was the guest speaker telling the women about the train depot. The club had thought about trying to renovate the depot and ideas will be given to a committee to see if this

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COUNTY OF LINCOLN
TWELFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT
No. D1226CV200600099**

**NATIONAL CITY MORTGAGE CO.
DBA ACCUBANC MORTGAGE,
Plaintiff,**

**vs.
KELLY JUNGE SMITH; UNKNOWN
MANUFACTURED HOME LIEN-
HOLDERS, IF ANY; UNKNOWN
MANUFACTURED HOME OWNERS,
IF ANY; THE UNKNOWN SPOUSE
OF KELLY JUNGE SMITH, IF ANY,
Defendant(s).**

NOTICE OF SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned Special Master will on

October 10, 2006, at 8:30 A.M., Lincoln County Courthouse, 300 Central, Carrizozo, NM 88301, sell and convey to the highest bidder for cash all the right, title, and interest of the above-named defendants in and to the following described real estate located in said County and State:

Lot 3, Block 6 of BIG COUNTRY SUBDIVISION, Lincoln County, New Mexico, as shown by the plat thereof, filed in the office of the County Clerk of Lincoln County, February 8, 1973, in Tube No. 478; and further shown by Plat of Survey filed November 17, 1995, in Cabinet F. Slide 326.

And all improvements, including, but not limited to, the manufactured home attached thereto and more particularly described as: 1997, Masterpiece, 28 x 60, Double Wide, Serial No. MP1544717AB, HUD Tag No. PFS438563 and PFS438564. The address of

the real property is: 136 Skyview Road, Capitan, NM 88316.

Said sale will be made pursuant to the Decree of Foreclosure entered on August 21, 2006, in the above entitled and numbered cause, which was a suit to foreclose a mortgage held by the above Plaintiff and wherein Plaintiff was adjudged to have a lien against the above-described real estate in the sum of \$86,076.00, plus interest from September 1, 2006 to the date of sale at the rate of 7.75% per annum, the costs of sale, including the Special Master's fee, publication costs, and Plaintiff's costs expended for taxes, insurance, and keeping the property in good repair.

Plaintiff has the right to bid at such sale and submit its bid verbally or in writing. The Plaintiff may apply all or any part of its judgment to the purchase price in lieu of cash. At the date and time stated above, the Special Master may postpone the sale to such later date and time as the Special Master may specify.

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

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that the real property and mobile home and improvements concerned with herein will be sold subject to any and all patent reservations, easements, all recorded and unrecorded liens not foreclosed herein, and all recorded and unrecorded special assessments and taxes that may be due.

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

Dated: August 30, 2006

Special Master
c/o Castle Meinhold & Stawarski
13725 Struthers Road, Suite 201
Colorado Springs, CO 80921
(800) 286-0013 / (719) 634-4868
06-2113/Smith, Kelly Junge; PZ56166

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LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE is hereby given that on August 18, 2006, Rui, Inc., 1096 Mechem Dr. Suite 312, Ruidoso, New Mexico 88345 filed application No. H-2501 with the STATE ENGINEER for permit to change location of well be ceasing the diversion of 147.64 acre-feet per annum of groundwater from well No. H-2501-2 located in the SE1/4NE1/4SE1/4 of Section 35, Township 10 South, Range 13 East, N.M.P.M.

The applicant proposes to drill a replacement well approximately 1250 feet in depth and 10 3/4 inches in diameter at a point in the SE1/4NE1/4SE1/4 of Section 35, Township 10 South, Range 13 East, N.M.P.M., for the continued irrigation of 42.68 acres of land at the Kokopelli Club Golf Course located in Section 35, Township 10 South, Range 13 East, N.M.P.M.

The replacement well will be located 20 feet east the existing well. The above described move from and move to well locations and place of use are located in Alto, Lincoln County, NM.

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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LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE is hereby given that on June 26, 2006, Forest Niccum, JEH Stallion Station NM, P.O. Box 128, Hondo, New Mexico 88336, filed application No. 01266 & H-49, H-50 into 0275-A & H-272 et al (T) with the STATE ENGINEER for permit to temporarily change point of diversion, place and purpose of use of surface and supplemental groundwater in the Hondo Underground Water Basin in the State of New Mexico.

The applicant proposes to discontinue the diversion of 244.8 acre-feet per annum of the surface waters of the Rio Ruidoso, a tributary of the Rio Hondo, via the Pablo Chavez Ditch, which diverts from the Ambrocio Chavez Ditch at a point in the NW1/4SW1/4SW1/4 of Section 3, Township 11 South, Range 17 East, and said Ambrocio Chavez Ditch diverts from the Rio Ruidoso at a point in the SE1/4SE1/4NE1/4 of Section 5, Township 11 South, Range 17 East, and supplemental shallow groundwater diverted from shallow well No. H-49 located in the SE1/4SW1/4SW1/4 of Section 3, Township 11 South, Range 17 East, and well H-50 is located in the NE1/4NE1/4NW1/4 of Section 10, both in Township 11 South, Range 17 East, N.M.P.M. by severing said water right from the irrigation of 76.5 acres of land described as follows:

SUBDIVISION	SECTION	TOWNSHIP	RANGE	ACRES
Pt. S1/2SW1/4	3	11 S.	17 E.	11.10
Pt. N1/4NW1/4	10	11 S.	17 E.	37.5
Pt. W3/4	10	11 S.	17 E.	27.9

The applicant proposes to commence the diversion of 110.16 acre-feet per annum (consumptive irrigation requirement) of the surface waters of the Rio Ruidoso, and supplemental shallow groundwater, from the following described points of diversion:

SUBDIVISION	SECTION	TOWNSHIP	RANGE	
SURFACE: Rio Ruidoso	SW1/4NE1/4SW1/4	19	11 S.	13 E.
WELLS:				
H-272	NW1/4NE1/4SW1/4	36	11 S.	13 E.
H-272-S	SE1/4SW1/4NE1/4	25	11 S.	13 E.
H-272-S-2	SW1/4SW1/4NE1/4	2	11 S.	13 E.
H-272-S-3	NE1/4SW1/4SE1/4	2	11 S.	13 E.
H-272-S-4	SE1/4NW1/4NE1/4	11	11 S.	13 E.
H-272-S-5	NE1/4NW1/4SW1/4	14	11 S.	13 E.
H-272-S-6	SW1/4NE1/4NE1/4	15	11 S.	13 E.
H-272-S-7	SW1/4NE1/4SE1/4	10	11 S.	13 E.
H-272-S-8	SE1/4NW1/4SW1/4	14	11 S.	13 E.
H-272-S-9	NW1/4NE1/4NE1/4	23	11 S.	13 E.
H-272-S-11	NW1/4NE1/4SE1/4	25	11 S.	13 E.

for municipal purposes within the Village of Ruidoso.

It is requested that this water right be approved for diversion by the Village of Ruidoso at times of substantial flow of the Rio Ruidoso as follows: May 1 through October 31 greater than 6.0 cfs at Hollywood Gage; November 1 through April 31 greater than 4.0 cfs. This flow condition would apply for the Rio Ruidoso surface diversion and Hollywood well No. H-272-S, only. Applicant requests a minimum diversion for municipal purposes of 244.8 acre-feet per annum to balance the move-from consumptive irrigation requirement recognizing 45% (of diversion) as consumptive use for municipal use.

It is the intent of this application to transfer this present years duty of water, and additionally the previous two years duty of water, since the move-from land has been fallow during this five-year accounting period. This is a temporary application with all rights to revert back to the original points of diversion and place and purpose of use on October 31, 2006. A total of 330.48 acre-feet of consumptive use will be transferred and return flow credit will be applied as described above.

Emergency authorization is requested.

The move-from point of diversion is located 1.0 mile west of Hondo, and the place of use is located at Hondo. The proposed move-to points of diversion and place of use are located within the Village of Ruidoso. All are in Lincoln County, New Mexico.

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- (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.

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Sheriff's Report

(Con't. from P. 5)

9:01 a.m. Fire reported at residence on High Mesa Drive in Alto by alarm company, Bonito fire units and deputy dispatched.

10:02 a.m. Vandalism reported at location on Carole Drive in Capitan, police dispatched.

1:06 p.m. Dog reported running loose on Nogal Canyon Road in Nogal, deputy dispatched.

1:47 p.m. Welfare check requested by Children, Youth and Family Department (CYFD) at location in Corona, deputy dispatched.

2:06 p.m. Domestic battery reported at location on Talla-Quaw Trail in Alto, deputy dispatched.

3:56 p.m. Suspicious activity by person reported at location on 17th Street in Carrizozo, deputy dispatched.

6:43 p.m. Suspicious activity by person reported at location on Stevenson Road in Carrizozo, deputy dispatched.

WEATHER

(Con't. from P. 4)

Sunday, September 17: Mostly sunny, with a high near 72, night: Mostly clear, with a low around 43.

Monday, September 18: Mostly sunny, with a high near 72, night: Mostly clear, with a low around 56.

Tuesday, September 19: Mostly sunny, with a high near 70, night: Mostly clear, with a low around 55.

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/ on the internet.

For up to the minute road conditions, the New Mexico Highways Department has a toll-free number you can call for road closures and driving conditions; the number is 1-800-432-4269.

Ft. Stanton Facts &

(Con't. from P. 6)

will happen. Stop in at the old Capitan-Carrizozo Natural Gas office and check out all the thrift shop items the library has for sale. This has already been doing very well and will keep on growing.

Raylene Greer is head of this project, along with helpers, had done a magnificent job. The \$17,000 dollars raised by the library at the auction will come in handy to build on to the existing library.

Pat Garrett is to be commended for all of her hard work and long hours go get all the items to auction. Tom Brown did a great job as auctioneer. I stop in and use the computers often. This is one of the best things the library offers.

Be sure and check out the quilt stamps. They are an interesting bit of history. Till I find another chapter to write about, enjoy all of this rain and thank God for answers to prayers, like the dog story, Betty Boop.

Old Lincoln Town

by ROSALIE DUNLAP

There have been several friends pass away recently. Verna Ruth Petty Gerk passed away recently in Las Cruces. She was the daughter of Verna Ruth and Vernon Petty, formerly of Carrizozo and longtime business owners.

John McGrath passed away suddenly at Albuquerque.

John was a familiar figure in Lincoln. He was a retired nurse and was married to Ida Baca. John would sit on our front porch of the shop and visit for hours. He always had twinkle in his eye and you knew he was getting ready to tell a story or "pull your leg". The funeral services were at the San Juan

Church.

Family and friends of John McGrath met at the San Juan Church to say goodbye. Following the services he was laid to rest at the Baca Cemetery west of Lincoln. The procession to the cemetery was led by five Lincoln County area fire trucks. John was not only a nurse, he was an EMT, firefighter and a member of Search and Rescue teams. He was also a veteran and was honored with a 21 gun salute at the cemetery. The family hosted a reception on the porch of the museum.

Among his survivors were his four daughters, a son-in-law and a fiancé, two brothers and one sister.

Ida is making a memory book for the girls and would like any stories, experiences that he had with others. The information can be sent to idamdgrath@yahoo.com or you can give them to me and I will see that she gets them. She would like to have it for them by Christmas.

Ernesto Palaco passed away last week. She was a member of one of the old families in the Ruidoso and Hondo Valley. She will be sadly missed by her family.

Joyce May of Carrizozo passed away in Farmington. She and her husband, Duff, had moved there recently to be near their daughter, Donna. Joyce loved playing bridge and being with her friends. I never saw her without that lovely smile and cheerful outlook on life. She and Duff had the Texaco sta-

tion west of Carrizozo for years. Her bridge partners and friends will miss her.

Our condolences to all the families and friends.

The Bonito is still running. It has really caused a lot of delays crossing the river at Salazar Canyon. In our travels throughout the county there are so many bridges, roads, fields covered with silt, and other damage done by all the heavy rains and runoff. The countryside is beautiful, though, with the green grass and the profuse yellow sunflowers.

Coming home from Carrizozo last week, I couldn't help but notice that there weren't the flowers on Carrizozo Mountain.

I remember one fall when Ralph was taking me home from a stay in the Carrizozo Hospital that the mountain was a field of gold with all the blooming flowers.

Another successful weekend of the Art in the Orchard. Due to the wet conditions in the planned orchard it was held at the Museum in Lincoln. Most of the vendors were under the porch or inside the museum. There were around 15 vendors and demonstrations.

The total attendance hadn't been added up but there were approximately 300. It did shower in the afternoon, but that didn't discourage either the vendors or crowd.

In the junior pie contest the winners were Afton Sullivan, first, Lincoln and Julianne Lamb, Alto with their apple pies. In the fruit of the orchard first place went to Felicia Chavez, Hondo, and Selena Chavez, Hondo, placed second. The winners in the senior division were Jean Gremillion, Ruidoso, first in the apple pie. Amelia Trujillo, San Patricio placed second. Jean Gramillomn also won the fruit of the orchard division.

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(next to Carrizozo Orchard)

Friday, Sept. 15 -- 9:00 to 1:00

Saturday, Sept. 16 -- 8:00 til noon

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FOR SALE in Carrizozo. Fenced lot, nearly 3/4 acre with garage/shop building, water and power. \$16,500 o.b.o. 648-2323 4tc/9/14-10/5

A FINE GIFT FOR SOME ONE

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GARAGE SALE -- at Virgie's house, 510 F Ave., Carrizozo. Dishes, clothes, odds and ends. Saturday, Sept. 16 and Sunday, Sept. 17. Start 8:00 a.m. 1tp/9/14

HELP WANTED Carrizozo Texaco is seeking CASHIERS for afternoon and evenings. Must be able to work weekends and holidays. Apply at store. 2tc/9/14-21

LEGALS

LEGAL NOTICE STATE OF NEW MEXICO IN THE PROBATE COURT LINCOLN COUNTY No. 2175

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF FRANK S. GONZALES, DECEASED.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned has been appointed personal representative of this estate. All persons having claims against this estate are required to present their claims within two (2) months after the date of the first publication of this notice, or the claims will be forever barred. Claims must be presented either to the undersigned personal representative at the address listed below, or filed with the Probate Court of Lincoln County, New Mexico, located at the following address: P.O. Box 338, Carrizozo, New Mexico 88301.

Dated: September 1, 2006.

MILDRED R. GONZALES
Personal Representative
Box 212
Ruidoso Downs, NM 88346
505-378-8446

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LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE is hereby given that on August 11, 2006, Flying W Diamond Ranch, Inc., P.O. Box 708, Capitan, New Mexico 88316, filed application No. H-682 with the STATE ENGINEER for permit to change location of well, place and purpose of use of 10.725 acre-foot per annum of shallow groundwater by ceasing the diversion of said water from well H-682 located in the NW1/4NW1/4 of Section 9, Township 9 South, Range 14 East, N.M.P.M. and severing said water right from the irrigation of 3.3 acres of land described at the NW1/4NW1/4 of Section 9, Township 9 South, Range 14 East, N.M.P.M.

The applicant proposes to commence the diversion of 5.3625 acre-feet per annum, consumptive irrigation requirement, of groundwater from well H-3895 located at a point in the SW1/4NW1/4SE1/4 of Section 18, Township 8 South, Range 14 East, N.M.P.M., to be used for domestic and commercial purposes in the S1/2NE1/4, N1/2SE1/4 of Section 28, Township 8 South, Range 14 East, N.M.P.M.

The above described move-from point of diversion and place of use are located 1/2 mile west of Capitan. The above described move to point of diversion and place of use are located 3 1/2 miles northwest of Capitan. Both are in Lincoln County, New Mexico.

Any person or other entity shall have standing to file an objection or protest if they object that the granting to 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.

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Inside the Capitol

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the Star Wars program, under the Pentagon. A shift in focus to earth-bound defenses after the Ronald Reagan administration moved development of a new launch vehicle away from the Pentagon and into NASA's realm.

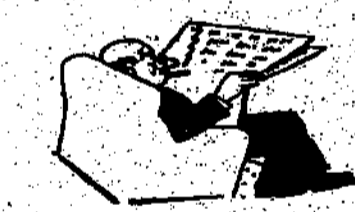
It appeared McDonnell Douglas might be in line for the \$840 million X-33 program to demonstrate reusable rocket technology, which also could be developed for widespread commercial use.

At the same time, New Mexico Tech at Socorro was helping develop an even lower cost rocket from the Delta Clipper. The revolutionary technology relied on explosives research long conducted at Tech.

In September 1995, U.S. Rep. Joe Skeen flipped the switch for the new Scorpion engine and the first test of the unbelievably simple and inexpensive engine was pronounced a success. The engine had only 38 movable parts, compared to over 15,000 in conventional chemical fuel rockets.

But the bid for the X-33 went to Lockheed Martin, which encountered problem after problem for several years before the effort was pronounced impossible in 2001.

That's likely why NASA decided to go back to its old technology. Guess we'll have to hope Lockheed does a better job this time.



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