

# State Coverage Insurance Project

by Patrice Brazie

Providing medical care to those who cannot afford healthcare insurance is an ever-growing problem throughout the United States, and even more so in New Mexico due to an estimated 400,000 uninsured citizens. Financial difficulties faced by the University of New Mexico (UNM) in the operation of its Health Sciences Center (HSC), partly due to

the expense of caring for the uninsured, have prompted some to call for a state-wide increase in gross receipts taxes to help fund the facility. As the state's only teaching facility for future physicians, a state trauma center, and a county hospital, UNM HSC is used by students and patients from throughout the state.

Lincoln County Commissioner Maury St. John has

equated some of Bernallio County's problems with those faced by this county in its sole community provider payments to the Lincoln County Medical Center (LCMC). St. John and Rhonda Burrows, indigent healthcare administrator for Lincoln County, recently attended a UNM Healthcare Sciences summit, which included discussion of possible options or remedies to ease

the financial burdens of caring for the uninsured.

According to Burrows, the funding problems being faced by UNM, and problems that Lincoln County's Medical Center faces in providing charity care, both stem from a large percentage of uninsured or underinsured residents. The low-wage positions offered in the business sector here make owning healthcare insurance a near

impossibility for many, so taxpayers must pick up the costs of healthcare for those with limited income.

Burrows would like to initiate involvement in a state or county-backed insurance plan for minimum wage earners and the self-employ-

ed, both to reduce the indigent care burden on taxpayers and to provide better healthcare for the underinsured. Burrows reported her ideas to the Lincoln County Board of Commissioners at

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STUDENTS, PARENTS and TEACHERS gathered at Carrizozo Middle School as seventh graders were awarded laptop computers last Tuesday night. Left to right in photo are students Troy Niederstadt, Katrina Daugherty and her mother Amy. Troy's mother Janice was also there by not in the photo. (Photo by Patrice Brazie)

## C'zozo 7th Graders Get Personal Computers

by Patrice Brazie

On January 10th, every seventh-grader in Carrizozo Middle School received a personal laptop, or notebook style computer, that they may keep as their own, as long as they remain in the Carrizozo school system. Those who go on to graduate from Carrizozo High School may keep their computers for as long as they choose to own them. Carrizozo Middle School sciences instructor Dr. Glen Hawk, was on-hand to help

walk the seventh-graders through their first use of the new electronic learning tools. According to Hawk, the laptop give-away stems from a joint federal and state program that offers computers to students nation-wide. The computers come equipped with tons of memory, CD-DVD drives and burners, video and audio ports, and regular and high-speed internet ports.

"Just about anything you can do in the world of publishing, they can do on these

things," Hawk said. He requires his students to create a high-quality document covering each chapter of their science course text book. The earth science class has completed nine such reports so far this school year, according to Hawk. "These work out the same as term papers," Hawk said, "but they don't know they're doing term papers." He said that his students learn to incorporate and manipulate text, graphics, clip art and decorative text treatments into the reports and work with charts and tables. Students must cite all references and sources, identify graphics within the text, and essentially dot all of the "i's" and cross all of the "t's" before handing-in their reports. "They're doing all the stuff that would be required in a college term paper," Hawk said.

Hawk said he sees that some of his students are amazed by the quality of work they are able to produce with the computers. "It's the quality that they've always wanted to be able to achieve," Hawk said. Other students, he said, are primarily interested in the entertainment value of the computers. "I'd say 30 or 40 percent of the students in the classroom are going to gain greatly by this, because they're really going to be ready for the job market," Hawk said, "and 100 percent of them will be familiar enough with computers that they won't be afraid of them."

## Meet the Carrizozo Candidates Tuesday, February 7th

The public is invited to participate in a "Meet the Candidates" forum sponsored by the Carrizozo Chamber of Commerce. This important community event will be held Tuesday, February 7, 2006 in the Commissioner's meeting room at the Lincoln County Courthouse in Carrizozo beginning at 7:00 p.m.

All declared Carrizozo municipal candidates for the positions of Mayor and Trustee have been invited to attend and respond to issue related questions. Paper and pens will be provided for the public to write and submit questions to be read by the moderator.

Each candidate will be allowed to respond to all questions directed to the office they seek. Personal questions for a particular candidate should be dealt with at another time.

## USGS Proposes Water Monitoring Study

by Patrice Brazie

Phase I of a project, jointly funded by Lincoln County and the United States Geological Survey (USGS), to learn the actual condition of water resources in the upper Rio Hondo basins, has been completed. The first phase of the project included the compilation of data on record, the identification and inventorying of wells in the region, and the measuring of ground water levels.

The objective of the project's second phase would be to design a monitoring plan for ground and surface water levels, precipitation data and quality analyses. Surface and

ground water interactions would also be included in the study.

According to USGS representatives, the monitoring would have particular emphasis in those areas most likely to see increases in population and development. It is expected that results of the study would provide county planners and those who buy, or plan to develop land in the upper Rio Hondo area with reliable information on the quality and availability of water. The USGS will add the information gained by the study to its national database thereby advancing the broader understanding of regional variations in hydrologic conditions.

Linda Weiss, district chief and New Mexico's state representative in the USGS, Marie Stewart, assistant director of the USGS's New Mexico Water Science Center in Albuquerque, and Douglas M. Ada, hydrologist for the USGS New Mexico district water resource discipline, briefed the Lincoln County Board of Commissioners on the upper Rio Hondo study at its regular meeting of January 12th.

Stewart reported that Phase I of the project began in 2001, with an objective of characterizing the ground water levels in the upper Rio Hondo basin. "That's been completed and a report re-

leased. The next step we're in Phase II, which is designing a monitoring plan with an emphasis on areas that are developed or where development is occurring. Stewart said that the completion of the study will help county planners and those who buy, or plan to develop land in the upper Rio Hondo area with reliable information on the quality and availability of water. The USGS will add the information gained by the study to its national database thereby advancing the broader understanding of regional variations in hydrologic conditions.

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## Free Workshop On Mixed Media Collaging Feb. 18

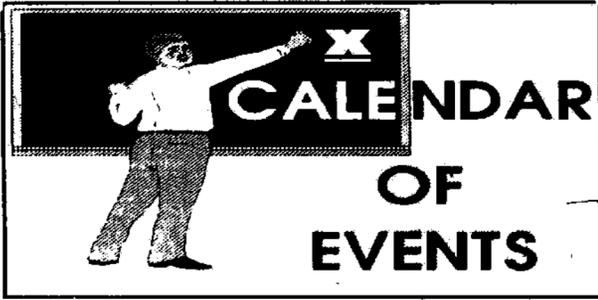
Carrizozo Public Library will present a free workshop on mixed media collaging on Saturday, Feb. 18. No previous artistic experience is required. The workshop will feature a variety of mixed media techniques including paper, fabric, and found objects. Participants will learn how to create unique and personalized collages. A variety of materials will be provided for the workshop.

Space is limited. For more information, call 505-258-8533.

Both the national and local chapters of the Carrizozo Space Agency will be participating in the event.



REPRESENTATIVES from the U.S. Geological Survey have a plan to map the water resources of the Upper Rio Hondo river basin. Left to right are the county commissioners on January 12th are Doug M. Ada, Marie Stewart and Linda Weiss. (Photo by Patrice Brazie)



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

**MONDAYS**  
 Open GED class 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. Otero County Electric Cooperative building on 12<sup>th</sup> Street in Carrizozo. Free.

**TUESDAYS**  
 Capitan Public Library preschool reading hour at 1 p.m.  
 Alcoholics Anonymous, 6:30 p.m. Carrizozo First Baptist Church Fellowship Hall.

**WEDNESDAYS**  
 Open GED classes 6 p.m. to 8 p.m., Otero County Electric Cooperative building on 12<sup>th</sup> Street in Carrizozo. Free.  
 Alcoholics Anonymous, 7 p.m. Capitan Senior Citizens Center.

Trinity Youth Outreach program, 6 p.m. at Trinity United Methodist Church, open to all 7<sup>th</sup> to 12<sup>th</sup> graders. Includes a full meal, fun and interaction. Call 648-2037 for info.

**TODAY, THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 2**  
 Carrizozo Roundtable Meeting, Otero Electric Coop community room, 7 p.m., speaker Warren Malkerson, open to the public, opportunity to discuss issues.

**TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 7**  
 Public Land Use and Rural Affairs Advisory Committee (PLUAX) meets at 9:00 a.m. in commissioner's room of Lincoln County Courthouse in Carrizozo. Public invited. Agenda includes revisions to comprehensive land use plan, update by David Dodson on White Oaks gravel mine tailings controversy, and comments on natural resources section of comprehensive land use plan.

7:00 p.m. Lincoln County Water Research and conservation committee meets in commissioner's room of Lincoln County Courthouse in Carrizozo. Public welcome.

6:30 p.m. Capitan workshop on water system expansions.  
 7:00 p.m. Meet the Carrizozo Candidates forum in the commissioner's room of the Lincoln County Courthouse in Carrizozo, sponsored by Carrizozo Chamber of Commerce. Public invited. Each candidate will be allowed to respond to all questions directed to the office they seek. Personal questions for a particular candidate should be dealt with at another time. All declared Carrizozo municipal candidates have been invited.

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their meeting on January 12th.

Burrows reported that a representative from the New Mexico Department of Human Services will speak to the county commission in February, and then briefly outlined a state coverage insurance project that was initiated on July 1, 2005. "The way it's set-up," Burrows explained, "is that the employer pays a portion and the employee pays a portion. They use those monies to retrieve matching funds, much as a sole community provider does to, theoretically, create an affordable premium." Burrows said that, under the state project, the maximum monthly premium for an individual would be about \$110 per month, and she suggested that an employer might pay \$75 toward that monthly premium, with employees paying \$35.

Burrows said that she and the human services department have been promoting the project around the county, primarily to those who employ minimum wage earners, and encouraging those employers to take a look at it. Burrows also described the project as a potential opportunity for those employers to battle the shortage of service workers currently available.

"If you've got good employees, but you can only afford to pay minimum wage, you're competing with all these other employers," Burrows said. "As you know, there's a shortage of service workers." She said she has explained to employers that one way to keep their good employees is to pay the \$75 per month premium portion. She said that was a far more reasonable amount than the county pays for its employees' healthcare coverage.

Because many self-employed people may not be able to afford the full premium, Burrows suggested that a pilot program might be established by Lincoln County that would use indigent healthcare funds to cover part of the premium, and thereby help get those people covered under the state insurance project.

According to Burrows, the state project has far greater benefits than indigent assistance. "It extends to the services that we don't cover,"

Burrows said.

County commissioner Tom Battin asked if, in Burrows' opinion, a significant number of applicants seeking care would be able to meet the co-payment requirements of the state project, and if the self-employed would be able to pay their portion of the premiums. Burrows said yes, and added that she has been encouraging the self-employed to apply for coverage under the state project.

"Because Lincoln County has so many self-employed people, we get claims year-in and year-out from people who are hard-working and self-employed, but get injured or, for whatever reason, have medical needs," Burrows said. Burrows also said that the project does have low-income requirements, and that those who can afford to purchase their own healthcare coverage should do that. "If the county could dedicate a certain amount of funds, then we might be able to get a grass-roots initiative started to support this program," Burrows suggested.

Although funding is now available to enroll 10,000 participants in the state insurance project, Burrows reported that only 3,000 had enrolled during the project's first five months. She added that it does take a while to get things rolling, and the screening process takes about 45 days, but that there is a concern of not enrolling people more quickly.

"We don't want the state to drop the ball and say okay, that didn't work, because it does seem like it is a viable program," Burrows said. Although she couldn't say definitely, Burrows suggested that a recent decrease in the number of indigent claims in the county could be partially attributable to the enrollment of several people into the insurance program. "I know of several people that were recurring on the indigent health care rolls that have now been enrolled in the state coverage insurance," Burrows said. A report on the exact number of people in Lincoln County who have enrolled in the program is expected before month's end.

Battin commented that increased enrollment in the state coverage insurance might not only ease the compensated care burden of LCMC, but also reduce the number of patients who use the hospital's emergency room as their primary source of health care.

Burrows agreed and said the project would also help UNM. "If you're an insured patient and you get transferred, you can go pretty much anywhere you want," Burrows said, "but if you're uninsured you have to look to UNM."

Burrows attributed jaded opinions prompted by the high cost of insurance and co-payments, and a failure on the state's behalf to adequately inform the public about the insurance project, to the less than desirable number of participants enrolled to date. She told the county commissioners that if the county provided \$75 per month toward the insurance premiums of those currently being served through indigent health care funds, the cost to taxpayers would be nearly the same, but benefits to patients would be greater. "Services paid to the hospital would actually create more income, and help our physicians a lot, too," Burrows said.

More information on the state coverage insurance project is expected to be presented at the February 21st meeting of the county's board of commissioners.



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**Friday, May 3, 1929**

## Mothers of Men Who Won a Wilderness

By ELMO SCOTT WATSON

She came to rock the cradle of a new empire. Adventure calls to men, but duty summons women. And so, when the time was ripe to breed new stars for the flag, she set forth from Maine and Ohio and Killarney's loveliness and her Swedish village and her fjord home to mother the wilderness.

Only God and she knows the fullness of her giving to the young Northwest.

She lived in sod houses and hey-roofed huts, with the newest neighbor often a day's trudge away.

She had no decencies. She did not even know the luxury of floor or fireplace. Her meal was ground in a hand mill and her baking range was a makeshift oven in the yard.

She helped in the fields -- at the plowing and the sowing, and she helped to scythe the crop and bind the sheaves.

She watered stock and spun and knitted and tailored. She made a garden and preserved the winter food, milked her cows and nursed her children. The sleepy-eyed sun found her already at her tasks, and the midnight heard her croon the baby to rest.

Her "beauty sleep" began at ten and ended at four. Year in and year out she never had an orange, a box of sweets or a gift of remembrance.

She fought drought and dearth and savages and savage loneliness, her "Sunday bests" were calico and linsey woolsey. She grew old at the rate of twenty-four months a year at the grubbing hoe and the washtub and the churn.

She bore her bairns alone and buried them on the frozen prairie.

But she asked no pity for her broken arches, her aching back, her poor, gnarled hands. Or for the wistful memories of a fairer youth in sweeter lands.

She gave America the great Northwest, and was too proud to quibble at the cost of the stalwart sons to whom she willed it.

She mothered MEN!

Such was the tribute which a noted writer, Herbert Kaufman, once paid to "The Prairie Mother," the women pioneers of that great region comprising Minnesota and the Dakotas, the empire known as the new Northwest. But what he said of the prairie mother was true of all pioneer women who were mothers of the frontiersmen who won a wilderness, whether that wilderness was the wooded lands east of the Mississippi or the great plains and mountains of the trans-Mississippi west. For the pioneer mother of America was one of the most heroic types of motherhood the world has ever known. And as Mother's Day approaches each year, it is interesting to note that America has shown its appreciation of that fact and has been busy in many places peptuating her memory.

One of the leaders in this movement have been the Daughters of the American Revolution who began some two years ago to mark the National Old Trails route from the Atlantic to the Pacific with heroic statues of the women who followed that trail across the country. The design of a St. Louis sculptor, A. Leimbach, known as the "Madonna of the Trail," was accepted and twelve of these statues, each eighteen feet tall, are today standing along the trail in the states of Maryland, Pennsylvania, West Virginia, Ohio, Indiana, Illinois, Missouri, Kansas, Colorado, new Mexico, Arizona and California. In nearly every case these statues were unveiled on Mother's day and special interest was attached to the ceremonies in California because of the women who participated in them was Mrs. Caroline Cook, an eighty-three-year-old pioneer mother who crossed the plains in a covered

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



**BLOSSOM & BEAU**  
Natasha Renney and Eric Koroscil

## Blossom and Beau

Last Friday Carrizozo High School held their winter ball, also known as Blossom and Beau. Blossom and Beau is a celebration to welcome winter and the winter sports, just as homecoming is a celebration to welcome fall and the fall sports.

Student council sponsor Carol Wilson said, "The student council puts on Blossom and Beau to give the students an event to look forward to in the winter time. Winter is one of the most depressing seasons of the year, because there are no major holidays to look forward to. The days are still short, and it gives the students a chance to get dressed up and go out to the games and have a dance afterwards."

The Blossom and Beau court consisted of freshmen Kathleen Schlarb and Carl Luras; sophomores Jessica Hansell and Gabriel New; juniors Kayla McC lung and Eric Koroscil; and seniors Natasha Renney and Justus Wilson. The candidates are elected to represent their class.

Blossom and Beau king and queen are voted by the student body the day of the dance. The student council president Whitney Whittaker crowned the king and queen during half time of the boy's basketball game against Mountainair. The 2006 Blossom and Beau king and queen were Eric Koroscil and Natasha Renney.

The dance was held immediately after the game in the old gym.

Stacia Calvert

# USGS Proposes Water Study

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"Thus far, nothing has been looked at in that area, that I'm aware of," she said.

In the proposal for Phase II of the project, Stewart recommended the monitoring of 25 wells for monthly ground water level measurements. "In the past, there were huge data gaps, no measurements at all for many, many years," she said. "The absence of historic data makes it difficult to determine any trends in water levels, according to Stewart, and she proposed that the team would identify and monitor, on a monthly basis, 25 wells in specific areas of concern. "In addition," Stewart said, "we would like to identify 25 wells to be monitored on a six-month basis." She explained that information gathered by monitoring some wells biannually would help in understanding the effects of seasonal population shifts.

Stewart also recommended the installation of two-to-four ground water recorders. "When we install a recorder in a well," she said, "it allows you to get readings every hour, or every 15 minutes. You can actually see direct changes in the water levels." The information gathered by the recorders could, if the county wanted, Stewart said, be made available online in real time. "At any time of the day, you could go online and see what the readings are," she said.

Stating that precipitation in the Rio Hondo basin is different than in other parts of the state, Stewart also suggested implementing four monitored rain gauges. "To really understand how much water is available in Lincoln County," she said, "it's important to know how much precipitation falls, and in what areas." To determine what's being gained and lost from the waterways, Stewart said, the USGS team plans to do a seepage study. "It's critical to understand the relationship between the ground water and the surface water," she said.

Phase II of the study would also include an examination of existing data and an updated assessment of both surface and ground water qual-

ity, according to Stewart, and would require factual information on water use and consumption. The USGS team would design the monitoring plan to collect information that would be crucial to understanding water conditions in the entire Hondo basin, Stewart said, and establish what resources will be available to support future growth. Stewart told the county commissioners that the geographical personality of Lincoln County is quite complex and different from any other part of the state, and varies within the county.

County commissioner Tom Battin asked McAda how the county might incorporate the results of the USGS monitoring plan in its own development plan; McAda said that a monitoring period of up to five years would help the county planners understand the nature of the county's water factors and identify the impacts of future growth in specific areas of the county.

Stewart added that the study would likely produce enough data within a year-and-a-half to begin to be of value to county planners, but that four or five years of study would be needed to get enough data for "a full-blown, conceptual understanding."

Battin, who was appointed to the Interstate Stream Commission in December, 2005, asked Stewart if the USGS collaborated with that commission and/or the Office of the State Engineer, and if she thought such collaboration might open the door to some shared funding opportunities for projects like the monitoring study. Stewart said she works directly with both agencies, and that there probably are funding opportunities in working with those groups. Battin commented that many people are currently looking at water issues from a lot of different directions, and that collaboration could benefit everyone involved.

Stewart reminded Battin that the USGS would fund 50 percent of the project and, in response to questions from the audience, explained that the USGS team performs

quality assurance checks on data made available by other agencies, then adds the proven information to its own database.

Weiss further explained that the USGS collects and analyzes information, but does not offer any kind of advice regarding planning or natural resource regulation.

County commissioners who approved a \$130,000 contribution to the first phase of the study, took no action in January regarding its continuation. Further discussion of the project, and possibilities for funding, will be heard at the county commissioner meeting of February 21.

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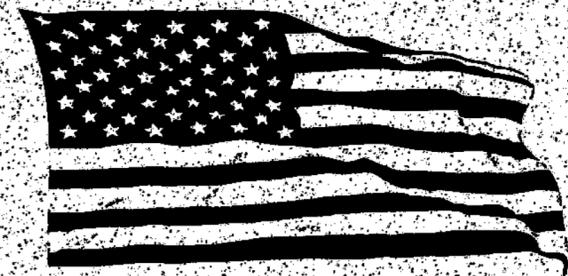
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by Patrice Brazie

In his monthly report to the Lincoln County Board of Commissioners on January 12, county manager Tom Stewart said that New Mexico State Forestry request for a Wildland-Urban Interface Grant of \$300,000, for the continuation of a land-clearing program that began in December of 2002, was recently denied. The clearing program was implemented to reduce the chances of wildland fires beginning near, or moving into, populated urban areas. It offers support to private property owners in efforts to reduce fire hazards due to thick overgrowths of natural fuels, such as overcrowded trees and underbrush.

Previously awarded grant monies have been used to reimburse participating property owners for 71 percent of the expenses incurred in the

process of clearing their land. Most of the properties treated have been in the Ruidoso and Alto areas, where wildland and urban areas meet. Ac-

ording to Stewart, approximately 190 property owners have been assisted through the program, and an estimated 974 acres cleared.

Stewart reports that the program currently has 12 projects on-going, and enough funds still available from a 2004 grant to complete about 20 more.

Stewart said that funding for such projects is made available to only six communities in New Mexico each year, and the request was probably denied because the Ruidoso area project has been granted monies for the past two years. "They probably also took into account that we still have money left-over from 2004," Stewart said. "I don't see it as a significant hindrance to our program."

The county manager indicated that existing funds will support the projects expected this year and that if grant monies are made available next year those funds will fall in line with the contin-

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## Obituary

### MARY ETTA MILLER

Funeral services for Mary Etta Miller, 74, of Nogal, were held February 1 at the Carrizozo Church of Christ with burial following at the Nogal Cemetery.

Mrs. Miller died January 27. She was born April 17, 1931 at Roswell. She married Vernon Miller on September 30, 1949 in Alamogordo. She attended the Carrizozo Church of Christ.

She is survived by her husband Vernon of Nogal; two sons, Vernon Miller Jr. of Corpus Christi, TX and James Luke Miller of Nogal;

two daughters, Glorietta Miller of Carrizozo and Esther Hinson of Lancaster, CA; four brothers, Robert Means Jr. of Mt. Pleasant, TX, Donald Means of Carrizozo, Richard Means of Fruita, CO and Vestal Means of Harrah, OK; three sisters, Sarah Lou Carwile of Carrizozo, Verha Rodman of Loveland, CO, and Joy Means of Alamogordo; seven grandchildren and three great grandchildren.

Arrangements were under the direction of LaGrone Funeral Chapel of Ruidoso.

**THOUGHTS**

FROM THE EDITOR'S DESK

**Are we there yet?**

By Ruth Hammond

Remember being on a trip and having children ask if we are there yet? Or maybe you remember saying that when you were a child. And what answer was given? You may not remember the answer you received and you may not remember the answer you gave your children, but it probably was the same answer people hear from officials when they ask if a project is completed or just underway.

Although many projects are publicized, a few projects are kept secret for much too long, which causes people to distrust officials. Anytime a public body meets in closed session with only a smattering of what the closed session is about, it makes people wonder. If the agenda lists only pending or threatened litigation without stating what the litigation is about, people wonder what is the big secret.

People hear rumors about litigation that is or will be or may be in the coffers. Rumors are not fact but people listen to what they hear. Would you rather have people know you have a bunion on a toe that is causing you to limp or would you rather people heard that you got mad and in a frenzy you kicked a rock wall? Think about it.

Actually, some discussion about litigation should be held behind closed doors, especially if strategy for the case is to be discussed. But listing which litigation is to be discussed should be readily available for the public.

Considering that some litigation has been ongoing for quite some time, and litigants sometimes expound about their case, it is ridiculous to try to keep it secret. There is a long list of litigation against one governmental entity, and the list of litigation is considered public record.

In the event a new litigation is introduced, perhaps the public has information that could be helpful. If the list of litigation is kept secret until after the case is settled, the public is denied the opportunity to help resolve issues.

Officials seem to not realize that they are doing the voting public a disservice by not letting them know what is happening and why. Officials are elected by the public to do the will of the people. And very few people agree that officials have the right to keep public business secret.

Unlike nations in other portions of the world, people here are supposed to have a say about what is happening with government. When secrets are kept, the public often reacts the same as impatient children on a trip who ask if we are there yet. People want to know if we have open government yet, and if not, why isn't government open?

Successful interaction between the public and officials will not only dispel the rumors and cease the questions of why government isn't open, it will make more people know they are part of the solution, not the problem. And working together is supposed to be what it is all about. If officials want success they need to involve the public.



**A Lady Shifts Gears**

by Douglas Malloch

Today the earth trembled, today the world shook. I rushed from my office, half fearful to look. I guessed by the tumult, I thought from the din, The sun had blown up, or the sky fallen in. But still in the heavens the sun was a-shine, The hills were intact, and the buildings in line. And then I beheld what had tortured my ears; I saw that a lady had just shifted gears.

How tender is woman, how gentle, how fair, How lovely her manner, how dainty her air. Her voice is like velvet, each word a caress; How gentle is woman -- that is, more or less. Her speech is like music, and when we have heard The song of a woman we look for a bird. The earth all around us like heaven appears -- Then all of a sudden the lady shifts gears.

The women, I know, are no worse than the men; They ought to be better, I say it again. And, when you've the lever held tight in your palm,

Oh, then for a moment, dear lady, be calm, Your engine must idle a second or two; A twist of the wrist and the business is through. For, if there's a time to be gentle, my dears, It's certainly then -- when a lady shifts gears.

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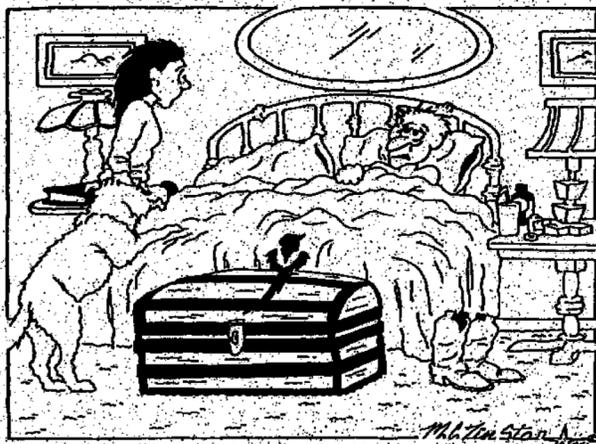
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**Inside the Capitol**



**SANTA FE** -- Many years ago, I wrote a column containing tips for aspiring lobbyists. It wasn't your normal "How a Bill Becomes A Law" piece, extolling the joys of becoming a citizen lobbyist for a day.

It was more an attempt to prepare first-time lobbyists for the realities of what they are likely to face when they come to Santa Fe to present their case to New Mexico lawmakers.

And maybe it served as a vehicle to provide some laughs for those who had been through their first experience and had confronted the harsh reality that things never go quite the same as the instruction sheet told them they would.

OK, so maybe my advice overstated the case a little. That's what one of Santa Fe's top lobbyists, Gary Kilpatrick, thought after he read a reprint of my column in the New Mexico Business Weekly seven years ago.

But he liked the idea of injecting some humor and a moderate dose of reality into the training session he conducts for the state Association of Commerce and Industry every year at the beginning of the Legislature.

So Kilpatrick revised my "Lessons Learned Lobbying in Santa Fe" into a presentation he thought might provide a little more accurate picture of the adventures a citizen might expect upon a first attempt at conquering the New Mexico Legislature.

Kilpatrick emphasizes that most of those who try their hand at lobbying find themselves captivated by the process. He describes lobbying as an exciting and effective way to exercise your first amendment right.

After all, Kilpatrick says, it can't be so hard to buy a few lunches, schmooze in the halls, rub elbows with power brokers in the Bull Ring and then presenting a couple of minutes of razor-sharp testimony in committee.

But not so fast, he says. That's the fantasy league of lobbying. Let's look at what might be a "bad" day of lobbying.

**Adventure #1.** The very day you head to Santa Fe the Pineapple Express covers the state with a foot of snow, making your early arrival to get your bearings a forgotten dream.

**Adventure #2.** If you find a parking place within three blocks of the Capitol, it will have someone's name on it, along with a sign describing the atrocities visited on those who dare to park there. You end up parking closer to Espanola than to the Round House.

**Adventure #3.** When you arrive at the Capitol, there is not a legislator in sight. The ones you want to see are in caucus. Then you learn that all the legislators are in caucus and everyone you see standing around is another lobbyist.

**Adventure #4.** As you walk around, you find there are many places you can't go. There are signs all over saying "No mad dogs or

lobbyists beyond this point." And there are burly sergeants at arms everywhere who never heard of a Dale Carnegie course in public relations.

**Adventure #5.** The caucuses finally end and immediately all lawmakers go into a joint session for an endless floor debate on whether the state question should be "red or green" and you wonder "What am I doing here?" The debate continues so long that lawmakers stroll over to their snack bar at the edge of the chamber. And there goes your chance to take one to lunch.

**Adventure #6.** The session finally ends and you catch a legislator in the hallway before his committee hearing starts. You tell him why your bill is wonderful and ask him to vote for it. He asks who is lobbying on the other side and when you tell him, he explains that the guy was best man at his wedding and his first-born is named after him. Then he asks you to get together with the guy and reach a compromise. You do, and he says, "Sorry, buddy, try again next year."

Next time we'll explain what happens once the committee hearing begins.



**"Good" NEWS Bulletin**

Visit Any Live Town...

Reprint from Lincoln County News Fri., Feb. 1, 1929

And you will find that the merchants of the town are good advertisers. Not one or two of them, but every merchant of consequence in the town is an advertiser.

As a result of the combined advertising, the many good, well written advertisements, filled with prices and good sales argument, there is attracted to the town a regular host of buyers who spend their money for the merchandise the merchants of the community have to sell.

A survey of the town will show that the advertising is not left to one or two merchants to bear the burden of the sales proposition, while a large number of free riders sit back and attempt to reap the reward of their fellow's enterprise.

"Meet the Candidates" forum sponsored by C'zoza CofC is next Tuesday, Feb. 7. Here's the opportunity for voters to ask questions of the candidates and get some sort of response like... where do you stand on the elimination of audience participation at town meetings?

peter aguiar



Psychic  
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**Aquarius (Jan 20-Feb 18)**  
Not a good time to be scared of what you're about to accomplish. You're a winner and you know what a winner wants and has to do. Just do it.

**Pisces (Feb 19-March 20)**  
Your money is getting to the point that you're better friends with it than your own family and friends. Money can leave you cold. Think more love.

**Aries (March 21-April 19)**  
That time a year again where you're under paperwork. This year, be happy and carefree thinking and you'll finish your work in half the time. Have fun.

**Taurus (April 20-May 20)**  
Are you a grouch? You should be with all you have to put up with. Call a truce and let others know that you love them but won't put up with their problems.

**Gemini (May 21-June 20)**  
It's all going to come out alright. Tell the truth and you'll not have to answer to anyone but your higher power. Reach out to the ones that love you.

**Cancer (June 21-July 22)**  
And you didn't think someone was listening? Talk to your angels. They're standing by just waiting for you. Make up your mind one way or another.

**Leo (July 23-Aug 22)**  
The stars are in your favor as long as you're doing the right thing. Don't say or do anything to hurt someone else. Karma will come back 3 times fold.

**Virgo (Aug 23-Sept 22)**  
It's not what you're doing it's what you haven't done yet that is upsetting the apple cart. Not saying what you want or need is going to hurt you in the long run.

**Libra (Sept 22-Oct 22)**  
You've come a long way baby! And before long it's your time to shine. Happiness is the best medicine that you can take and give away. Be happy- Be Healthy.

**Scorpio (Oct 23-Nov 21)**  
Wave bye-bye to the old you! you may be starting out late this year but you could finish first if you get your Mind, Body and Soul caught up to par.

**Sagittarius (Nov 22-Dec 21)**  
Turn out the lights, the party is over. A new party is waiting just around the corner. You cannot serve Faith and Fear at the same time. Chose or lose.

**Capricorn (Dec 22-Jan 19)**  
So you're going to just sit there and say nothing? "Bad bug... Ugly bug." Stand up and be counted and tell it like it is. Love needs to know it's loved.

Psychic Predictions...  
www.Ruidoso.Net/Psychic

# Sheriff's Report

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

January 23

10:09 a.m. fire reported in High Mesa/Kokapelli area in Alto. Fire units and deputy dispatched.

1:38 p.m. warrant service requested at Magistrate Court in Carrizozo, deputy dispatched.

1:56 p.m. 911 hangup from Alto Mesa, deputy dispatched.

1:58 p.m. burglary reported on Jarrett Drive in Ruidoso, deputy dispatched.

2:54 p.m. embezzlement reported on hwy 70 in Ruidoso Downs, deputy dispatched.

3:11 p.m. warrant service requested in Ruidoso Downs, deputy dispatched.

3:35 p.m. accident reported on hwy 37 between mile markers 4 and 5 in Nogal area, deputy dispatched.

January 24

2:20 a.m. medical call on 14th Street in Carrizozo, ambulance and deputy dispatched.

9:06 a.m. larceny/theft reported past Kokapelli in Alto area, deputy dispatched.

11:04 a.m. structure fire with residents reported in Bonito Pari, fire units and deputy dispatched.

3:04 p.m. alarm company reported alarm sounding on hwy 37 in Bonito area near Nogal, deputy dispatched.

4:04 p.m. warrant service requested at Lincoln County

Detention Center in Carrizozo, deputy dispatched.

6:44 p.m. assistance requested by New Mexico Game and Fish Department on High Mesa in Alto area, deputy dispatched.

7:33 p.m. motorist assist requested at mile marker 62 on hwy 380, deputy dispatched.

January 25

7:39 a.m. burglary reported at business in Alto, deputy dispatched.

7:46 a.m. report of alarm sounding on Gavilan Canyon in Ruidoso area, deputy dispatched.

8:28 a.m. stand-by requested on hwy 70 in Ruidoso area, deputy dispatched.

3:01 p.m. warrant service requested in Ruidoso, deputy dispatched.

6:30 p.m. missing/lost person reported in Capitan area, Capitan police and deputy dispatched.

7:50 p.m. medical call at business in Carrizozo, ambulance dispatched.

11:13 p.m. warrant service requested on Sudderth Drive in Ruidoso, deputy dispatched.

January 26

8:16 a.m. report of alarm sounding on hwy 70 in Ruidoso Downs area.

8:45 a.m. medical call on 14th Street in Carrizozo, ambulance dispatched.

1:53 p.m. animal call on High Mesa in Alto area, deputy dispatched.

2:40 p.m. medical call at Carrizozo Health Clinic on E Ave. in Carrizozo, ambulance dispatched.

3:15 p.m. medical call at Carrizozo Health Clinic on E Ave. in Carrizozo, ambulance dispatched.

8:20 p.m. disturbance/other on High Mesa Road in Alto, deputy dispatched.

8:59 p.m. accident reported in Carrizozo, Carrizozo police dispatched.

January 27

2:48 a.m. accident reported at mile marker 269 on hwy 70 in Glencoe area, ambulance dispatched.

2:48 p.m. call received to void previous call of accident at mile marker 269 on hwy 70.

8:18 a.m. warrant service requested at mile marker 80 on hwy 380 in Capitan, deputy dispatched.

9:50 a.m. fire reported at the bottom of Angus hill in Alto.

12:05 p.m. stand-by requested on hwy 70 in Honda area, deputy dispatched.

12:59 p.m. medical call on Main in Corona, ambulance dispatched.

8:10 p.m. civil dispute reported in Ruidoso, deputy dispatched.

January 28

6:43 a.m. alarm reported sounding on West Smokekey Bear Blvd. in Capitan.

9:42 a.m. burglary reported on hwy 220 in Alto area, deputy dispatched.

11:23 a.m. burglary reported in Ruidoso, deputy dispatched.

11:33 a.m. accident reported at hwy 48 and Main in Capitan, Carrizozo police, ambulance dispatched.

11:33 a.m. agency assist requested at accident at hwy 48 and Main in Capitan, deputy dispatched.

2:04 p.m. warrant service requested on Sudderth in Ruidoso, deputy dispatched.

2:23 p.m. breaking and entering reported at mile marker 115 on hwy 54, deputy dispatched.

2:59 p.m. report of alarm sounding on Deer Park Drive in Alto, deputy dispatched.

4:30 p.m. animal call on Sun Mountain Road in Alto, deputy dispatched.

4:38 p.m. trespassing reported on Ski Run road, deputy dispatched.

7:53 p.m. suspicious activity - vehicle reported on forest road to Monjeau in Alto area, deputy dispatched.

January 29

12:12 a.m. medical call on Antelope Drive in Nogal, ambulance dispatched.

9:06 a.m. medical call at mile marker 3 on hwy 37 in Bonito area, ambulance and deputy dispatched.

10:14 a.m. abandoned vehicle reported at mile marker 136.5 in Carrizozo area.



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Two years ago an Oklahoma oil millionaire, E. W. Marland, announced his intention of honoring the pioneer women who settled on the famous Cherokee strip, the last American frontier, by erecting a monument to them. He asked the leading American sculptors to submit models for such a monument and twelve of them responded. The design submitted by Bryant Baker was chosen and it is from this model that the statue more than forty feet in height, will be cast and stand on a knoll near Ponca City, Okla. It will be one of the most colossal that has been made in recent years and will be second only to the statue of Liberty in New York harbor in size and majesty.

The state of Kansas is also planning to honor its pioneer women and has accepted another design by the same sculptor for that purpose. In January of this year one of the features of the celebration of the sixty-eighth birthday of Kansas was the dedication of the site on the state house grounds in Topeka where this statue is to stand. The Pioneer Women's Memorial Association of Kansas, which is sponsoring the movement, is raising a fund of \$25,000 for this memorial. In both the Kansas and Oklahoma pioneer mother statues, the sculptor has emphasized the qualities of teacher and worker as well as mother in the women who first came to those states and helped make them the abode of civilization.

When the town of Elmwood, Ill., commissioned its most famous son, Lorado Taft, to model a statue which would typify the pioneer spirit, the sculptor did portray that idea with the figure of a pioneer man. Today the statue which stands in the park square of Elmwood and which was unveiled last year shows a stalwart frontiersman standing, gun in hand, defiantly braving the dangers which beset a wilderness breaker. Close behind him stands a woman, a typical pioneer mother shielding in her strong young arms, her baby, and facing with her husband the dangers of the new land.

How worthy the pioneer mother is of having her memory perpetuated in enduring stone or bronze is forcibly impressed upon anyone who reads the history of the American frontier. Volumes could be written about the pioneer woman alone, how she did her share in making a home for her mate, how when it was necessary she could handle the rifle and the ax to defend that home, how she braved all the terrors of flooded rivers, prairie fires, snow-filled mountains, hunger, thirst and sickness as she marched by his side in carrying the star of empire westward. One instance of the westward faring pioneer is typical. It is the story of the settling of Nashville, Tenn., of which a recent writer had said "It is an Odyssey without parallel in the annals of Tennessee. If indeed it can be matched anywhere. "Here is that story as Emerson Hough tells it in his book "The way to the West."

"In 1779, one James Robertson of the Watauga settlements of North Carolina, a steadfast man, heard certain voices that called him to the West. James Robertson, the steadfast, forming his company for this uncertain, perilous enterprise, said: "We are the advance guard of a civilization, and our way is across the continent." Simple words -- yet that was in 1779!

Now, for the building of this one town, the town that is now the city of Nashville, and the capital of Tennessee, this leader had gathered three hundred and eighty persons, men, women, and children. All the women and children, one hundred and thirty in number, in charge of a few men, went by boat, scow, pirogue, and canoe. In the winter time, down the bold waters of the Holston and Tennessee rivers, The rest traveled as best they might over the five hundred miles of "Trace" across Kentucky. Of this whole party two hundred and twenty-six got through alive.

The boat party had many hundreds of miles of unknown and dangerous waters to travel, and the journey took them three months, a time longer than it now requires to travel around the world. They ran thirty miles of rapids on the shoals of the Tennessee, pursued and fired upon by Cherokees. Of this division of the party only ninety seven got through alive, and nine of these were wounded. One was drowned, one died of natural causes and was buried, and the rest were killed by the Indians. Their voyage was indeed "without a parallel in modern history." Among those who survived the hardships of the journey was Rachel Donelson, later the wife of Andrew Jackson.

The path of empire in America, the path of corn and venison, was a highway that never ran backward. These men would never leave their country now that they had taken it. But what a tax was this that the barbaric land demanded of them! In November of 1789, less than a year after the party was first organized, there were only one hundred and thirty-four persons left alive out of the original three hundred and

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## Church Directory



### MOUNTAIN MINISTRY PARISH, SIERRA BLANCA PRESBYTERY

#### Nogal Presbyterian Church

RILL SEBRING, Pastor  
Sunday School ..... 10:00 a.m.  
Worship ..... 11:00 a.m.

#### Ancient Community Presbyterian Church

TERRY AIELLO, Pastor / 649-0105  
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  
648-2968 (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 (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 ..... 6:30 p.m.  
SUNDAY:  
Capitan Sacred Heart ..... 9:00 a.m.  
Carrizozo Santa Rita ..... 10:30 a.m.  
Corona St. Theresa ..... 1:00 p.m.

#### Church of Christ

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

#### St. Matthias Episcopal Church

REV. JOHN HUFFMAN, RECTOR  
Corner of E Ave. and Sixth, Carrizozo, NM  
505-287-2398  
Holy Eucharist ..... Sunday 9:30 a.m.

#### Clayton Community Church

TONY SCACCIA, Minister  
849-1402  
Second Sunday of Each Month ..... 8:00 a.m.

#### United Methodist Churches

JOHANNA ANDERSON, Pastor  
1000 D. Ave, 648-2893 / 648-2848  
Carrizozo, NM 88301  
Sunday School (All Ages) ..... 10:00 a.m.  
Worship Service ..... 11:00 am  
Choir Practice (Tuesday) ..... 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 ..... 8:30 a.m.

#### Christ Community Fellowship

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

#### Capitan Church of Christ

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

#### Trinity Southern Baptist Church

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

#### First Baptist Church of Corona

CAL WEST, Pastor / 649-7875  
Sunday School ..... 10:00 a.m.  
Worship Service ..... 11:00 a.m.  
Wednesday Bible Study ..... 7:00 p.m.  
Fellowship Dinner ..... 1st Sunday of Month

#### Angus Church of the Nazarene

"Serving All of Lincoln County"  
RICK 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.

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**BILL WINKLER**

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# Corona News

A big bull snake, with head held high, fully five feet in length and not skinny, was going down the road Friday. He may be only slightly confused and just looking for a drink of water.

Mr. and Mrs. Derrell Lovelace, Terrence and Bradley, of Deming, were weekend visitors of Mr. and Mrs. Rand Perkins. The boys, 10 and nine, loved the horses and the 4-wheeler.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Harrison went to Muleshoe Thursday, to attend services for Roy Harper. He succumbed to cancer Tuesday, January 24 after a long illness. Survivors include his wife, the former Anita Keelin. Dual memorial services will be scheduled for early May for Mr. Harper and Mrs. Harper's niece, Rosemary Owen Bly, here in Corona.

Mrs. Jerry Rasak, New Mexico CowBelle president, is attending the national convention in Denver this week.

Tiffany Ramey came from Signal Mountain, TN, to attend the funeral of her grandfather Earl Moore and to spend a few days with her grandmother Lavella. Mrs. Moore's daughter, Mrs. Lola Kanady was to arrive Tuesday from Weiser, Idaho, to spend two weeks.

Brandon Biebel split a 6th in the 2nd go at Denver with 126 saddle bronc riders entered. He placed 2nd in the last go at the Turquoise Circuit Finals in Lake Havasu. After being rear-ended on the freeway coming home from Lake Havasu, the radio was still playing, the engine was still running and the lights were still on, but the car was pretty much totaled. Brandon and Shay, though bruised, are both okay.



# Lincoln Town

by ROSALIE DUNLAP

Family and friends from near and far paid their last respects to Dee Proctor last Wednesday. Dee passed away after suffering a massive heart failure.

Dee was very active in the Lincoln County Fair, working with the youngsters, especially with the rodeo. He was a good neighbor. When he returned from Tunisia he was right there with his well equipment and installed a new pump for us. This among many other deeds he did for his friends and family. He will be sadly missed.

The Lincoln Pageant members met Sunday evening. Plans for the coming Old Lincoln Days were discussed. Plans are being made to have another concert to be held on Saturday, the second night of the performance of *The Last Escape of Billy the Kid*. All the present officers were re-elected.

The Lincoln Water System held their annual meeting Saturday. Cleis Jordan was elected to the board.

There will be a ranch horse exhibition and instruction at the Socorro County Fairgrounds February 25. Interested persons can contact Dr. Jason Turner at the NMSU in Las Cruces.

I imagine there are a lot of

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**LEGALS**

**LEGAL NOTICE  
NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING**

**NOTICE** is hereby given that the Lincoln County Board of Commissioners will hold a Public Hearing beginning at 9:00 a.m., on Tuesday, February 21, 2006, to be held at the Lincoln County Courthouse (Commission Chambers) in Carrizozo, New Mexico, to consider revisions to the Lincoln County Subdivision Ordinance No. 2002-06.

All parties and interested citizens will have the opportunity to be heard. Copies of the proposed changes may be obtained from the County Manager's office at the Lincoln County Courthouse in Carrizozo, twenty-four (24) hours prior to the meeting. If you are an individual with a disability who is in need of an auxiliary aid or service, please contact 505/648-2385 at least 48 hours in advance of the meeting.

**MARTHA GUEVARA**  
Assistant County Manager

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**PUBLIC NOTICE**

Tularosa Basin Telephone Company Telephone Assistance Program

Tularosa Basin Telephone Company gives notice to its existing and potential customers that effective February 13, 2006, it intends to revise its tariffs to expand the list of eligibility programs for Low Income Telephone Assistance Program (LITAP) and Lifeline participation. Eligible programs will include:

- a.) Medicaid program,
- b.) Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP),
- c.) Food Stamp program,
- d.) Supplemental Security Income program,
- e.) Federal Public Housing Assistance program,
- f.) Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF),
- g.) National School Lunch free lunch program, and
- h.) Consumers whose household income is at or below 135% of the federal poverty guidelines.

**CHANGE IN DISCOUNT AMOUNT**

Also effective February 13, 2006, the LITAP (lifeline) discount amounts for new program participants will be revised to match those prescribed by FCC rules. The new monthly discount amounts will be \$13.50. Existing LITAP recipients will continue to receive the former discount amounts assuming uninterrupted participation in the program.

Customers are encouraged to contact the TBTC Customer Service Department for proper agency contacts to obtain proper paperwork documenting your participation in a qualifying program.

**TBTC Customer Service**  
Contact Information  
503 St. Francis Drive,  
Tularosa, NM 88352  
585-2700 or 648-2700

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**LEGAL NOTICE  
and**

**Preliminary Determination for an Air Quality Permit for White Oaks Resources LLC**

White Oaks Resources LLC, 8214 Westchester Drive, Suite 740, Dallas, TX has submitted an air quality permit application to the New Mexico Environment Department (NMED) for an air quality permit to construct White Oaks Resources LLC - White Oaks. The application file has been assigned Permit No. 3237 and TEMPO Agency Interest ID No. 24205. The facility will be located in the town of White Oaks, New Mexico, in Lincoln County.

The proposed 100 tpy crushing facility construction will consist of 4 crushers, three screens, 12 conveyors, a 500-kw generator, and other miscellaneous equipment.

Total air pollutant emissions to the atmosphere are estimated to be approximately 19 tons per year of TSP, 6 tons per year of PM10, 10 tons per year of NOx, 2 tons per year of CO, 0.2 tons per year of VOCs, and 0.7 tons per year of SO2. These emission estimates could change slightly during the course of the Department's review of the application.

The NMED has conducted a preliminary review of the information submitted with the permit application. The preliminary review and dispersion modeling analysis indicates that the facility's air emissions will meet the ambient air quality standards for NOx, CO, TSP, and PM10. A full review will evaluate the estimated emission rates and the air quality dispersion modeling analysis to determine compliance with ambient air standards.

Based on the applicant's analysis, a preliminary determination is that this facility will comply with the requirements of Title 20, New Mexico Administrative Code (NMAC), Chapter 2, Parts 3, 61, 72, 73, 75, and NSPS Subpart A & OOO and the New Mexico Air Quality Control Act. Therefore, the preliminary intent of NMED is to issue the air quality permit on or before April 17, 2006. This source is a minor source according to 20 NMAC 2.74, PSD.

To ensure compliance with state and federal air regulations, the permit is expected to include conditions that limit the emissions, hours of operation (8 hour per day and 2000 hours per year), and production rate (100 tons per hour); and conditions that will require record keeping and reporting to the Department.

The permit application is currently available for review at the Air Quality Bureau Office, 2048 Galisteo Rd., Santa Fe, New Mexico. The Department contact in Santa Fe is Samuel Speaker. A copy of the permit application was mailed to the NMED Ruidoso Office, located at 1216 Mechem Dr., Ste. 2, Ruidoso, NM 88345 for public review.

All interested persons have until February 20<sup>th</sup>, 2006 to notify the Department in writing of their interest in the permit application. The written comments should refer to the company name, site name and Permit No. (or send a copy of this notice along with your comments). The written comments shall state the nature of the issues raised and how it relates to the requirements of applicable state and federal air quality regulations and the Clean Air Act. The written comments should be mailed to Sam Speaker, New Mexico Environment Dept., Air Quality Bureau, Permit Section, 2048 Galisteo, Santa Fe, New Mexico 87505.

The Department will notify all persons, who have provided written comments, as to when and where the Department's analysis may be reviewed. Although all written comments will be made part of the public record, any person who does not express interest in writing prior to the end of this first thirty (30) day period will not receive such notification.

The Department's analysis will be made available for review for thirty (30) days at the NMED district or field office nearest to the source before the permit will be issued. Written comments on the analysis or permit application may be submitted to the Department during this second thirty (30) day period or at any time before the permit is issued or denied.

Questions or comments not intended to be part of the public record can be directed to the Department Sam Speaker at 505-955-8098. General information about air quality and the permitting process can be found at the Air Quality Bureau's web site. The regulation dealing with public participation in the permit review process is 20.2.72 NMAC, Section 206. This regulation can be found in the "Permits" section of this web site.

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**Old Lincoln**

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Lincoln County folks watching the trial of Cody Posey on Court TV. We haven't got to watch much as we have been gone - as usual.

Lincoln County gymnasts traveled to Lubbock, TX Saturday, January 28th. They competed in the TEGA Winter Classic Compton.

In level 6 John Hobbs had an all around score of 47.30 which earned him the second place. His scores were: 2nd floor 7.7; 2nd pommel 7.6; 3rd steel rings 7.0; 3rd on vaults 9.4; 3rd parallel bars 6.9; 2nd high bars 8.7.

Level 5 (age 8 and 9) Daniel Hobbs had an all around score of 45.70, earning him the fifth place. His scores were: 5th floor 7.0; 5th pommel 4.0; 3rd rings 8.0; 3rd vault 9.3; 3rd parallel bars 8.0; usr. High bars 8.5.

Quade Hall, Alto, brought home 7 medals.

Drey Smith, Ruidoso, brought home 7 medals.

Gabriel Newsom, Ruidoso Downs, brought home 7 medals.

Mathew, Ruidoso brought home 7 medals.

Nathan Bryant, Ruidoso, brought home 7 medals.

**Obituary**

**FANNIE LEE ROGERS SHUMATE**

Fannie Lee Shumate died January 23. She was born May 15, 1917, in McCauley, TX. She was the first of three children born to Beatrice Sue Jackson and James Lee Porterfield Rogers. Her parents homesteaded in Buchanan, NM in 1918, then moved to Corona, NM, where she was raised. Fannie Lee always considered Corona her true home.

She was a longtime member of the Berrendo Baptist Church and a past Grand Manager of the Pythian Sisters.

Fannie Lee was preceded in death by her parents, husband, Harold Shumate, sister Zytel Brooks, son, Roger Gray, granddaughter, Dorothy Ann Smoot and great grandson Kish Rae Berryhill. She is survived by her brother Ray Rogers, T or C; daughter Sue Berryhill, Alamogordo; son James Ed McKibben, Roswell; six grandchildren; 19 great-grandchildren; seven great-great-grandchildren and numerous nieces, nephews and friends.

Services were held at the Berrendo Baptist Church in Roswell January 28 with graveside services and interment at the Corona Cemetery in Corona.

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# C'zozo Trustees Fret Over Valentine's Dance

by Patrice Brazie  
Carrizozo officials invited Carrizozo Texaco manager Tomas Marrufo to publicly present his ideas on utilization of the town's recreation center at the council's regular meeting of January 10th. In introducing Marrufo at that meeting, the public was told by officials that Marrufo had very good ideas, and trustees agreed to set up a committee to explore his suggestions, including that of a St. Valen-

line's dance. Also on January 10th, mayor Manny Hernandez stated his opinion to the public and to Marrufo that the council needed someone to "get off their butt and be a promoter" for the recreation center. Even so, at a special meeting of the Carrizozo Town Council on January 24th, trustees shared concerns over Marrufo's early promotion of the Valentine's event.

Trustee Van Shamblin, the sole member of the committee approved on the 10th, reported on the 24th that she had spoken extensively with Marrufo on January 12th regarding the dance. She said that a date of Saturday, February 11th had been chosen for the event, so as not to conflict with the Carrizozo High School's Valentine's dance on Friday, February 10th.

Shamblin said that, after some discussion over particulars, she told Marrufo that she would have to "run this by city hall". Shamblin told the town council that on Tuesday, January 17th she discovered a poster announcing a Valentine's dance at the recreation center on February 18th. "The date was changed, the admission fee was changed," Shamblin said, "but what bothered me was that he was going around publicizing the event."

According to Shamblin, after getting confirmation from town clerk Leann Weibrecht that no action had been taken to authorize the dance, she again spoke with Marrufo. "He then told me that he had a band coming, not a DJ, which was going to cost more," Shamblin said. "When we first talked," she said, "we were going to have to sell 200 tickets to make \$2,000 to cover expenses. Now he's dropped the price for couples." Shamblin said she asked Marrufo, "who's going to pay for the snacks and the sodas and all the other stuff that you want?" She told the council that Marrufo shared his vision of what the town-owned recreation center could be. "As talk went on," Shamblin said, "he's telling me he wants to have free-rein; that he doesn't want his hands tied or he can't operate." Shamblin said that she explained to Marrufo that he is dealing with government agency, and that rules and regulations must be followed. "I went in... board of directors and protocol, and this, and that and the other thing," Shamblin said, "and then he kind-of thought that we didn't trust him."

of marketing. "Nobody's questioning that," Shamblin said, "but there are rules to follow. I almost dropped over when I saw that poster." Carrizozo's attorney, David Stevens, said that the issue of liability insurance would have to be addressed. "I haven't seen a policy, so I don't know what it says," Stevens told the council. "Using it for events, I think that's great," Stevens said, "but we need to make sure that we have a policy, and we have to have an agreement that says you're going to get it for the night for a dollar and all of the expenses are your responsibility." Stevens added that the town will have the continued responsibility of covering the cost of utilities at the center.

Shamblin said that Marrufo had planned to hire a security guard for the event, but that she had told him that the Carrizozo police department could provide that service for free.

Weibrecht said that she didn't want Marrufo to become discouraged, but that the town needed to get all of their ducks in a row, "even if it means closing the rec center down until we do."

"I don't see how we can do this," trustee Wesley Lindsay said, and trustee David LaFave said he agreed. Weibrecht pointed out that Marrufo had already hired a band for the event. Stevens said that he thought the dance would be a great event for the community, and that lowering the age of admittance to 15 would give the kids something to do.

"I'm just concerned from a liability perspective," Stevens said, "and, if the dance occurs, that it gets paid for and, if somebody gets hurt, we don't get sued." He told the council that he believed the liability issue could be resolved, but added that the event should be treated as a private function held in a city facility.

Hernandez said that the council should give Marrufo a chance and get behind the event, "even if we have to donate some of our monthly paychecks to help pay for a band".

Weibrecht said that Marrufo would have to provide the up-front money for refreshments to be sold during the dance, and Lindsay said that Marrufo should pay for everything. The council agreed that whether or not Marrufo would recover his expenses was a risk he would have to accept.

Stevens agreed to handle the town's liability issues, and the council approved the drafting of a user's agreement that would remove any liability to the town and allow Marrufo to go ahead with his plans for a St. Valentine's dance.

As it currently stands, the dance will take place on Saturday, February 18th, from 9:00 pm to 1:00 am. Individual tickets are \$10 or \$15 for couples. The eight-man band, that will perform country, rock-and-roll and Tejano style music, is Buen Estilo (Good Style). According to the band's drummer, Andy Sanchez, Jr., the Tejano style of music is everything Texas. For ticket information, or to offer Marrufo a hand, stop by the Carrizozo Texaco at the intersection of highways 380 and 54.

## LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE is hereby given that on December 23, 2005, Alto Lakes Corporation, 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 558.815 acre-feet per annum, consumptive use, of groundwater diverted from the following described wells:

WELL NO.	SUBDIVISION	SECTION	TOWNSHIP	RANGE
H-719	NW1/4SW1/4SE1/4	34	10S.	13E.
H-719-S	NW1/4NW1/4SW1/4	34	10S.	13E.
H-719-S-2	NW1/4NW1/4SE1/4	26	10S.	13E.
H-719-S-3	NE1/4SW1/4NE1/4	34	10S.	13E.
H-719-S-4	NE1/4SW1/4NE1/4	34	10S.	13E.
H-719-S-5	SE1/4SE1/4NE1/4	34	10S.	13E.
H-719-S-6	SE1/4SE1/4NW1/4	34	10S.	13E.
H-719-S-7	NW1/4SE1/4NW1/4	34	10S.	13E.
H-719-S-8	SE1/4NE1/4NW1/4	34	10S.	13E.
H-719-S-9	SE1/4NW1/4NE1/4	34	10S.	13E.
H-719-S-11	NW1/4NW1/4SE1/4	26	10S.	13E.
H-719-S-13	NW1/4NE1/4NE1/4	25	10S.	13E.
H-719-S-14	NE1/4NE1/4NE1/4	25	10S.	13E.
H-719-S-16	SW1/4SE1/4SW1/4	35	10S.	13E.
H-719-S-17	SE1/4SW1/4SE1/4	35	10S.	13E.
H-719-S-18	SW1/4SW1/4SE1/4	35	10S.	13E.
H-719-S-19	SE1/4SE1/4SE1/4	35	10S.	13E.
H-719-S-20	SW1/4SE1/4SE1/4	35	10S.	13E.
H-719-S-21	SW1/4NW1/4NW1/4	30	10S.	14E.

presently authorized for subdivision purposes on the following lands:

SUBDIVISION	SECTION	TOWNSHIP	RANGE
Part of SE1/4SE1/4	24	10S.	13E.
Part of	25	10S.	13E.
Part of	26	10S.	13E.
Part of S1/2	27	10S.	13E.
Part of E1/3	33	10S.	13E.
Part of	34	10S.	13E.
All of	35	10S.	13E.
Part of N1/2	36	10S.	13E.
Part of SW1/4SW1/4	19	10S.	13E.
Part of NW1/4	30	10S.	13E.
Part of NW1/4	31	10S.	13E.

The applicant proposes to commence the diversion of 558.815 acre-feet per annum of groundwater for an RV park located on 23.135 acres of land described as Pt. N1/2NW1/4 of Section 35, Township 10 South, Range 14 East, N.M.P.M.

This application is made to correctly describe and expand the service area of Alto Lakes Water Corporation to include service to Dos Hombres, LLC dba High Mesa RV Ranch. Actual diversion from Alto Lakes Water Corporation existing wells to the RV Park is estimated at approximately three acre-feet per annum.

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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## LEGAL NOTICE

Notice is hereby given pursuant to 20.6.2.3.G NMAC, the following Ground Water Discharge Permit applications have been proposed for approval. To request additional information or to obtain a copy of a draft permit, contact the Ground Water Quality Bureau in Santa Fe at (505) 827 2900. Draft permits may also be viewed on-line at [www.nmenv.state.nm.us/gwb/New%20Pages/public\\_notice.htm](http://www.nmenv.state.nm.us/gwb/New%20Pages/public_notice.htm).

NOTE - If viewing by WEB - Click on facility name to review a copy of the draft permit.

DP #	Facility/Applicant	Closest City	County	Notice	NMED Permit Contact
244	Hondo Valley Public School District  John MacCallum-Superintendent Hondo Valley Public Schools PO Box 55 Hondo, NM 88336	Hondo	Lincoln	Hondo Valley Public School District, John MacCallum, Superintendent, proposes to renew and modify the Discharge Permit for the discharge of up to 6,000 gallons per day of domestic wastewater from the Hondo Valley Public Schools through a package treatment plant to a leachfield for final disposal. Potential contaminants associated with this type of discharge include nitrogen compounds. The facility is located at Hwy 70/380 at Mile Marker 286, in Hondo in Section 3, T10S, R17E, Lincoln County. Ground water beneath the site is at a depth of approximately 39 feet and has a total dissolved solids concentration of approximately 1,144 milligrams per liter.	Melanie Sanchez

Prior to ruling on any proposed Discharge Permit or its modification, the New Mexico Environment Department (NMED) will allow thirty days after the date of publication of this notice to receive written comments and during which a public hearing may be requested by any interested person, including the applicant. Requests for public hearing shall be in writing and shall set forth the reasons why the hearing should be held. A hearing will be held if NMED determines that there is substantial public interest. Comments or requests for hearing should be submitted to the Ground Water Quality Bureau at P.O. Box 26110, Santa Fe, NM 87502.

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**LEGAL**

**LEGAL NOTICE  
TWELFTH JUDICIAL  
DISTRICT COURT  
STATE OF NEW MEXICO  
COUNTY OF LINCOLN  
No. CV-05-356  
Div. III**

**GARY R. BAILY,**  
Plaintiff,

**GROUP I:  
RAYMOND C. HANNAH and  
VONNIE BELL HANNAH, husband  
and wife, ELMO RHOTON and  
MAURINE RHOTON, husband and  
wife, and the DISTRICT DIRECTOR,  
ALBUQUERQUE DISTRICT,  
INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE,**

**GROUP II:  
JOHN DOES 1 THROUGH 100 AND  
THEIR UNKNOWN HEIRS,  
DEVISEES AND ASSIGNS;  
and**

**GROUP III:  
ALL UNKNOWN CLAIMANTS OF  
INTEREST IN THE PREMISES  
ADVERSE TO PLAINTIFF,  
Defendants.**

**NOTICE OF PENDENCY OF SUIT  
THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO TO:**

Raymond C. Hannah and Vonnie Bell  
Hannah, Elmo Rhoton and Maurine  
Rhoton,

John Does 1 through 100 and their  
Unknown Heirs, Devisees and Assigns;  
and

All Unknown Claimants of Interest in  
the Premises Adverse to Plaintiff.

**YOU ARE NOTIFIED** that the above  
styled and numbered cause of action has  
commenced and is now pending in the  
Twelfth Judicial District Court of Lincoln  
County, New Mexico.

The general object of this action is to  
quiet title to the real property more particu-  
larly described in the Complaint on file.

**YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED** that  
unless you file an answer or responsive  
pleading to the Complaint on or before Feb-  
ruary 22, 2006, being 20 days from the last  
publication of this Notice, Judgment will be  
entered against you by default and the  
Plaintiff will apply to the Court for the  
relief demanded in the Complaint.

Plaintiff's Attorney:  
Zach Cook  
H. JOHN UNDERWOOD, LTD.  
1221 Mechem Drive, Suite 5  
Ruidoso, New Mexico 88345

WITNESS my hand and seal this 5th  
day of January, 2006.

**JAN PERRY**  
Clerk of the District Court  
By: /s/ Elizabeth Ysasi  
Deputy Clerk

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2006.

**LEGAL NOTICE  
TWELFTH JUDICIAL  
DISTRICT COURT  
COUNTY OF LINCOLN  
STATE OF NEW MEXICO  
No. CV-06-08  
Division III**

**DAVID S. HAWLEY and MARY E.  
HAWLEY, TRUSTEES OF THE  
HAWLEY FAMILY TRUST,**  
utad February 24, 1997,  
Plaintiffs;

vs.  
**THE UNKNOWN HEIRS OF THE  
FOLLOWING NAMED DECEASED  
PERSON: ROBERT H. CURREY,  
AND ALL UNKNOWN CLAIMANTS OF  
INTEREST IN THE PREMISES  
ADVERSE TO THE PLAINTIFFS,**  
Defendants.

**SUMMONS AND NOTICE OF  
PENDENCY OF ACTION**

**GREETINGS:** You are hereby notified that  
David S. Hawley and Mary E. Hawley,  
Trustee of the Hawley Family Trust, utad  
February 24, 1997, Plaintiffs, have filed an  
action in the District Court of Lincoln  
County, New Mexico, Civil Docket No.  
CV-06-08 Div. III, wherein you are named  
as Defendants and wherein said Plaintiffs  
seek to obtain constructive service upon  
you.

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

Lot 29, Block 15, PARADISE CANYON  
SUBDIVISION, Ruidoso, Lincoln County,  
New Mexico, as shown by the plat of the  
2nd Supplement to Paradise Canyon

Subdivision, thereof filed in the office of  
the County Clerk and Ex-officio Recorder  
of Lincoln County, New Mexico, April 26,  
1956.

You are further notified that unless you  
enter your appearance, plead or otherwise  
respond in said cause on or before March 3,  
2006, judgment will be rendered against  
you by default and the relief prayed for in  
the Complaint will be granted to Plaintiffs  
in conformity with the allegations of the  
Plaintiffs' Complaint.

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

WITNESS my hand and seal of the  
District Court of Lincoln County, New  
Mexico, on this the 17th day of January,  
2006.

**PERRY**  
Clerk of the District Court  
(SEAL) By: Elizabeth Ysasi  
Deputy

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**LEGAL NOTICE**

NOTICE is hereby given that on  
December 22, 2005, Patricia J. Reynolds,  
P.O. Box 53, Glencoe, New Mexico,  
88324, filed application No. 0865, with the  
STATE ENGINEER for permit to change  
point of diversion from surface water to  
groundwater by ceasing the diversion of  
15.36 acre-feet per annum, of the surface  
waters of the Rio Ruidoso, a tributary of the  
Rio Hondo, diverted via the P. Gonzales  
Ditch at a point in the SE1/4NE1/4NE1/4  
of Section 33, Township 10 South, Range 15  
East, N.M.P.M., and drilling a shallow  
well approximately 200 feet in depth and 12  
inches in diameter at a point in the  
S1/2SW1/4 of Section 27 or the  
N1/2NW1/4 of Section 34, Township 10  
South, Range 15 East, N.M.P.M., for the  
continued irrigation of 4.8 acres of land  
described as Pt. S1/2SW1/4 of Section 27,  
Township 10 South, Range 15 East,  
N.M.P.M.

The above described points of diversion  
are located one mile west of Glencoe,  
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 applica-  
tion up for consideration in the most  
appropriate and timely manner practical.

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2, 2006.

**LEGAL NOTICE  
TWELFTH JUDICIAL  
DISTRICT COURT  
COUNTY OF LINCOLN  
STATE OF NEW MEXICO  
No. CV-06-09  
Division III**

**SUSANNE WEINER BRASHER  
AMISTEAD, GERALD W. BODZY,  
GLEN A. BODZY, DIANE K. WEINER,  
DILLARD, CHARLES WEINER,  
GWENDOLYN WEINER, MARY DON  
WEINER, PATRICIA ANN WEINER,  
STANLEY T. WEINER, JR.,  
GWENDOLYN WEINER, TRUSTEE OF  
THE TED WEINER OIL PROPERTIES  
TRUST, AND ALTO LAKES GOLF &  
COUNTRY CLUB, INC.,**

Plaintiffs,  
vs.  
**GROUP I: THE UNKNOWN  
SUCCESSORS, HEIRS, AND ASSIGNS  
OF THE FOLLOWING NAMED  
DECEASED PERSONS: LUCILLE  
WEINER, TED WEINER AND SAMUEL  
F. WEINER,**

**GROUP II: THE UNKNOWN  
BENEFICIARIES OF AND SUCCESSORS  
IN INTEREST TO THE FOLLOWING  
NAMED ENTITIES: TEXAS CRUDE**

**COMPANY, A DEFUNCT TEXAS  
PARTNERSHIP, AND TEXAS CRUDE  
COMPANY, A DEFUNCT TEXAS  
CORPORATION,**

**GROUP III: ALL UNKNOWN  
CLAIMANTS OF INTEREST IN THE  
PREMISES ADVERSE TO THE  
PLAINTIFFS,**

Defendants.

**SUMMONS AND NOTICE OF  
PENDENCY OF ACTION**

**THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO TO THE  
ABOVE NAMED DEFENDANTS:**

**GREETINGS:** You are hereby notified that  
the above-named Plaintiffs have filed an  
action in the District Court of Lincoln  
County, New Mexico, Civil Docket No.  
CV-06-09 Div. III, wherein you are named  
as Defendant and wherein said Plaintiffs  
seek to obtain constructive service upon  
you.

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

Lots 2, 3 and 4, Block 2, Unit 1, of  
SIERRA BLANCA SUBDIVISION, Ruidoso,  
Lincoln County, New Mexico, as  
shown by the plat thereof filed in the office  
of the County Clerk of Lincoln County,  
New Mexico, on December 5, 1967;  
TOGETHER WITH all improvements  
thereon; SUBJECT TO reservations,  
restrictions and easements of record;

You are further notified that unless you  
enter your appearance, plead or otherwise  
respond in said cause on or before March 3,  
2006, judgment will be rendered against  
you by default and the relief prayed for in  
the Complaint will be granted to Plaintiffs  
in conformity with the allegations of the  
Plaintiffs' Complaint.

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

WITNESS my hand and seal of the  
District Court of Lincoln County, New  
Mexico, on this the 17th day of January,  
2006.

**JAN PERRY**  
Clerk of the District Court  
(Seal) By: Elizabeth Ysasi  
Deputy

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**LEGAL NOTICE  
STATE OF NEW MEXICO  
COUNTY OF LINCOLN  
TWELFTH JUDICIAL  
DISTRICT COURT  
No. PB-2006-05  
Division III**

**IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF  
DORA S. HEWITT, 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 publi-  
cation of this notice, or the claims will be  
forever barred. Claims must be presented  
either to the undersigned Personal Repre-  
sentative at the address listed below, or  
filed with the Twelfth Judicial District  
Court within and for the County of Lincoln  
at the following address: Post Office Box  
725, Carrizozo, New Mexico, 88301-0725.

DATED: January 20, 2006.

**DEBORAH JEAN HEWITT**  
Post Office Box 2871  
Ruidoso Downs, New Mexico  
88346-2871  
(505) 257-7505

Alan P. Morel  
ALAN P. MOREL, P.A.  
Post Office Box 1030  
Ruidoso, New Mexico 88345-1030  
(505) 257-3556  
Attorney for Personal Representative

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For the past couple of  
weeks the forecast has been  
for wind. Well nothing new  
on the horizon, except for  
wind. Wind, morning, noon  
and night for the next several  
days. The unusually warm  
temperatures in connection  
with the winds have basically  
pulled what little moisture  
we have had in the ground  
out, making for severe fire  
conditions across all of east-  
ern New Mexico.

Forecast for the next week,  
abnormally high tempera-  
tures during the day, and the  
night winds will continue to  
bring lower lows for the high  
plains, while the mountains  
will protect the higher eleva-  
tion communities from the  
wind chill factor. Did I men-  
tion the wind is going to con-  
tinue blowing?

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

Today, Thursday, Feb. 2  
Partly cloudy, with a high  
near 63. West wind 5 to 10  
mph increasing to between  
15 and 20 mph. Winds could  
gust as high as 30 mph.,  
night: Mostly clear, with a  
low near 32. West wind be-  
tween 10 and 15 mph.

Friday, February 3  
Mostly sunny, with a high  
near 57. North wind between  
10 and 20 mph., night: Clear,  
with a low around 22.

Saturday, February 4  
Mostly sunny, with a high  
around 58., night: Mostly  
clear, with a low around 27.

Sunday, February 5  
Partly cloudy, with a high  
around 65., night: Partly clou-  
dy, with a low near 26.

Monday, February 6  
Partly cloudy, with a high  
around 61., night: Partly clou-  
dy, with a low around 24.

Tuesday, February 7  
A slight chance of snow  
showers. Partly cloudy, with  
a high near 57., night: contin-  
ued slight chance for snow  
showers at higher elevations,  
with a low around 23.

Forecast for Ruidoso, Capi-  
tan and Corona:

Today, Thursday, Feb. 2  
Partly cloudy, with a high  
around 62. Breezy, with a  
northwest wind between 15  
and 25 mph, with gusts as  
high as 30 mph., night: Most-  
ly clear, with a low near 30.  
Northwest wind between 15  
and 20 mph.

Friday, February 3  
Mostly sunny, with a high  
near 56. North wind between  
15 and 20 mph., night: Clear,  
with a low around 21.

Saturday, February 4  
Mostly sunny, with a high  
around 59., night: Mostly  
clear, with a low around 29.

Sunday, February 5  
Partly cloudy, with a high  
near 68., night: Partly cloudy,  
with a low near 30.

Monday, February 6  
Partly cloudy, with a high  
near 57., night: Partly cloudy,  
with a low around 22.

Tuesday, February 7  
A slight chance of snow  
showers. Partly cloudy, with  
a high around 56., night: con-  
tinued slight chance for snow  
showers at higher elevations,  
with a low around 22.

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

