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New County Commissioner Objects to Water Transfers

by Patrice Brazie

After learning of three new applications for the transfer of water rights from the Rio Ruidoso in the Hondo water basin to the village of Ruidoso, Lincoln County Water Resource and Conservation Committee chair and county commissioner-elect Jackie

Powell addressed the county's board of commissioners on the affects of such transfers.

Speaking to county officials on December 14th, Powell acknowledged that water rights are essentially private property and may be sold or transferred as such. "But water rights are differ-

ent than things like your truck; you get to sell (a truck) to whoever you want to and whenever you want to and nobody gets to say anything about it," she said. "But water, because it's normally community ditches or community water, it affects a whole lot of people. Transfers affect everyone from the

transfer to all the way upstream," Powell said.

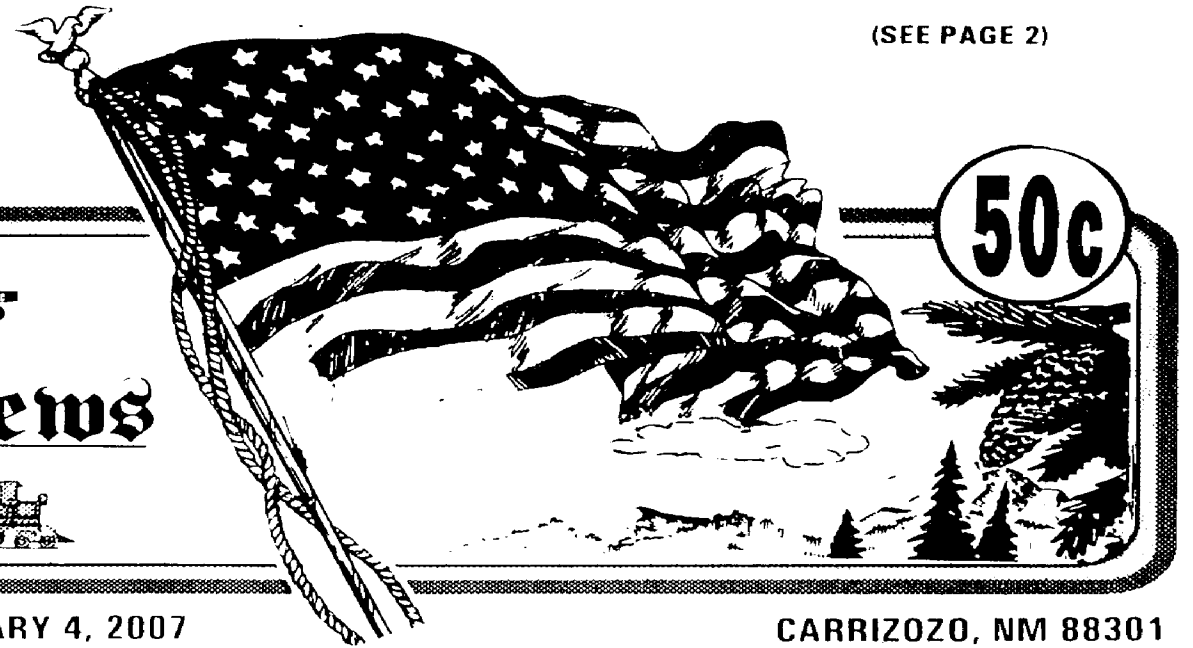
An announcement posted by the Office of the State Engineer, according to Powell,

states a denial of approximately 4,000 acre feet of water rights from the Eagle Creek basin, for which the village of Ruidoso has ap-

plied but has been unable to prove that the water is actually there for the taking.

"Ruidoso is probably going to sue," Powell said, to get

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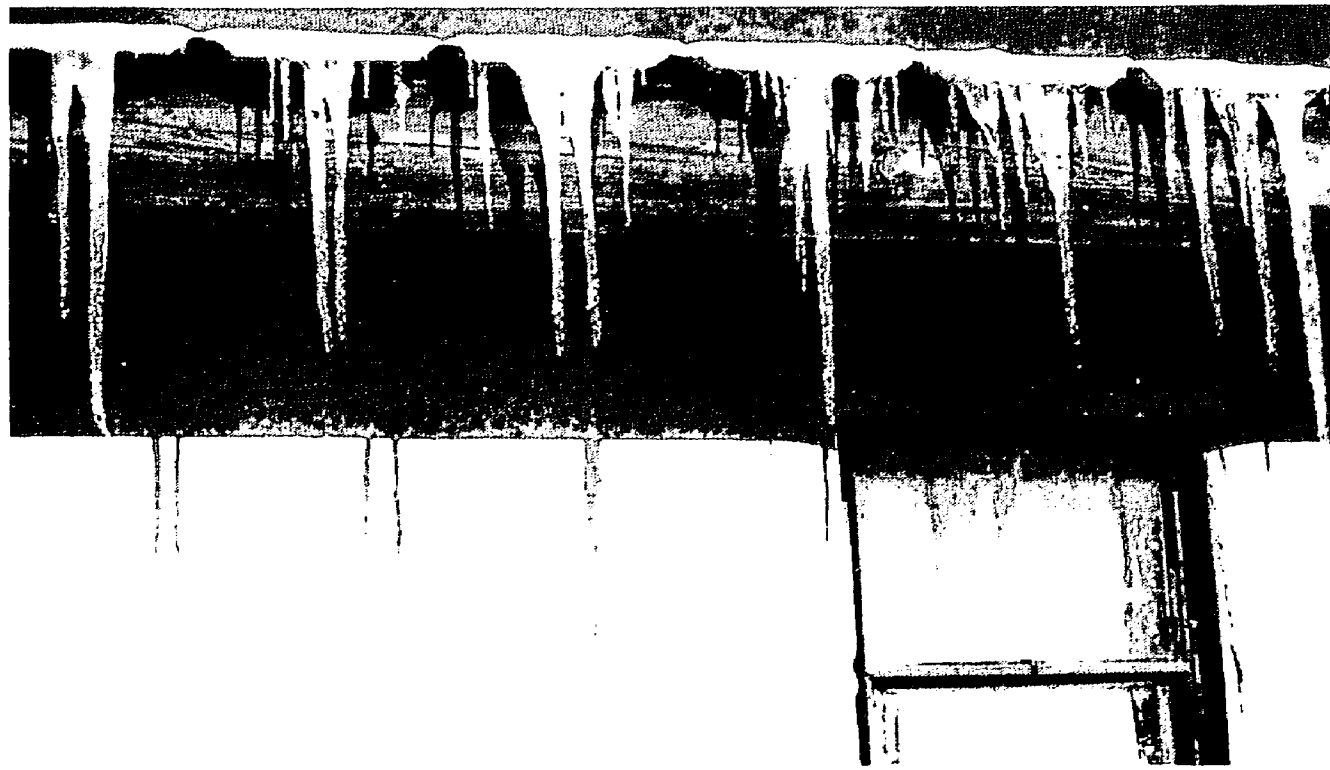
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County Hears Opinions About S.P.I.R.I.T.

by Patrice Brazie

After hearing a presentation during the November meeting of the Lincoln County Board of Commissioners regarding an organization called S.P.I.R.I.T. (Southwest Passage Initiative for Regional and Interstate Transportation), the county commissioners and county manager were asked to consider membership in the group.

Ken Nosker, Lincoln County resident and activist for a four-lane State Highway 54 through New Mexico, brought the S.P.I.R.I.T. organization to the attention of the county officials and advocated for county involvement in the group.

County commissioners voted in November to join the organization if, after further review, the group's budget and activities were found to be effective and beneficial.

Speaking to Nosker and former S.P.I.R.I.T. board member Ron Gargas, Mexico is currently working to build a four-lane super highway to connect the port of Puerto Vallarta with Juarez and El Paso. The improved Mexican highway is expected to be an arterial route for goods brought from China, India and the Middle East that will be transported to central Mexico and the United

States. After the passage of the North American Free Trade Agreement (NAFTA), Highway 54 was granted the designation of an official NAFTA route, and therefore became eligible for additional federal funding for improvement of the highway, Nosker said.

During a meeting in Carrizozo earlier this year, S.P.I.R.I.T. members reported that much of the truck traffic heading to Wichita or Chicago from El Paso takes a longer than necessary route in order to travel only across four-lane highways. Many trucking companies have established policies that discourage or ban the use of two-lane highways because of

safety and liability factors and S.P.I.R.I.T. members allege that additional truck traffic would bring increased economic development to all of the municipalities along Highway 54.

S.P.I.R.I.T. has active members in all of the four states through which Highway 54 runs: New Mexico, Texas, Oklahoma and Kansas, including the towns of Alamogordo and Corona, and works primarily to lobby at the federal level for Highway 54 funding. The organization's goal is to see the highway become four lanes wide through its entirety.

In a memorandum to the Lincoln County Board of

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Public Comment Heard On Roads and Health At County Meeting

by Patrice Brazie

During the public comment period of the December 14th meeting of the Lincoln County Board of Commissioners, county commissioner Tom Battin provided an update on his attempts to have the state consider taking jurisdiction of Gavilan Canyon Road. Battin has proposed that Gavilan Canyon Road might some-

day serve as a bypass of the Ruidoso midtown business district to alleviate truck traffic through the area.

"I've talked further with representatives of the New Mexico transportation department, and they are not adverse to that," Battin reported. He said that he has also discussed the idea with Ruidoso Mayor E. Ray Sum-

lex, because the road is jointly administered by the village of Ruidoso and Lincoln County. He expressed great interest in that and expressed that we should resolve to work together. Battin said, and added that he anticipates that both the county commissioners and the village council

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Grant Resolutions Revisited by County

by Patrice Brazie

In November, the Lincoln County Board of Commissioners was asked to review a set of four resolutions that are required by the state in association with a \$50,000 grant. The Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) was awarded to Lincoln County by the New

Mexico State Legislature to support the development of a Lincoln County Comprehensive Plan. The county has contracted a consulting firm, Sites Southwest, to facilitate the plan's development. Some county commissioners expressed concern over the resolutions as presented in November and asked the county's attorney to come back this month with revised or amended versions.

Speaking to the county commissioners during the county regular meeting of December 14th, county attorney Alan Morel explained that over-modification of the resolutions could result in a denial of the \$50,000 award, but said he had deleted those items within the resolutions that he believed the commissioners would be unwilling to accept under any terms.

In a lengthy memorandum to the board of commissioners dated December 8, Morel also explained that much of the language within the resolutions applies to conditions that do not and will not apply to Lincoln County and its use of the CDBG money. "A lot of these had to do with, if you were to take a CDBG grant, and then utilize that money to actually do away with low income housing. Then you would have an obligation to relocate people

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MEMBERS of the Leadership Lincoln class of 2006 dropped in to attend a portion of the December meeting of the Lincoln County Board of Commissioners. (Photo by Patrice Brazie)

New County Commissioners Objects

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an extension on the time to prove water availability. "But the fact of the matter is that (the water) doesn't exist or (the application) wouldn't have been denied," she said. She told the county commissioners that the transfer of 1,000 acre feet from the Hondo valley to make up for 4,000 acre feet that cannot be drawn from Eagle Creek is tantamount to trying to cover a king sized bed with a twin sized sheet. "These transfers go on and on, yet they impair people more and more," she said.

Powell, who said she regularly monitors stream flow levels through the United States Geological Survey's website, reported that most of the area's streams are currently flowing at substantial levels due to heavy rains in August and recent snowfall. "Except for the Rio Ruidoso, which is disappearing," she said. Powell reported that the Rio Ruidoso was flowing at only 2.5 cubic feet per second. "That's at the reservation line," Powell said. "Before anybody uses it, before the city gets it, long before any of us in the valley get it." She pointed out that no matter how many water rights are transferred from the Hondo valley to the village of Ruidoso, the amount of available water does not increase.

"Taking a piece of paper upstream does not divert water to where you need it," Powell said.

Citing unbridled development all along the basin as the major cause for what Powell sees as inadequate water availability, Powell suggested the implementation of impact fees for new development. "Development needs to carry the burden in impact fees, instead of the people who have been here for five or six generations trying to protect and preserve the water for their community," she said. "We're under siege down there in the valley. It's a serious, serious problem."

County commissioner at that time Maury St. John questioned Powell's assessment of the water situation. "I keep hearing serious, serious, serious," St. John said, "but what is your solution?" Powell suggested a temporary moratorium on new subdivisions until more studies on water availability can be performed, and St. John argued that, if there is already a water shortage, a moratorium on growth will not solve the problem.

Powell said that taking no action at all is negligent. "We have to pull our heads out of the sand, realize what we really have, and try to work with what we have instead of what we want," Powell said.

County commissioner at the time Earl Hobbs asked if Powell would also like to see the village of Ruidoso put a hold on development, and she said yes. "You have to look at what water you actually have to give to the people," Powell said. "There's no doubt about it, we have been over appropriated for a very long time. We've had limited acquiescence since 1907." Powell said that for about nine months of each year, there is not enough water flowing through the valley to measure with water meters. Hobbs stated his agreement that, at some point, county and municipal officials need to take control of the situation. "We can't let expansion continue willy-nilly," Hobbs said.

Ken Nosker, also a member of the Lincoln County Water Resource and Conservation Committee, said that the Office of the State Engineer (OSE) is in complete charge of the water. "They check every one of these applications to move water," Nosker suggested that a fear of running out of water is based purely on emotion and not factual information. "The state engineer has the authority," Nosker said. He urged the county commissioners to leave decisions on water use and water availability for

new development to the OSE.

Hobbs said that a county requirement to meter the water used in new developments would at least provide an opportunity to establish how much water is actually being drawn from the underground aquifers by those developments.

Nosker argued against the county making any rules or regulations regarding water use. "I don't think that this

commission should recommend any changes to the state engineer to change what the OSE has complete authority to administer," Nosker said. He reminded the county commissioners that measurements taken regularly by the OSE show no reduction in the static water level of the wells tested by that agency. "If there's no depletion of the static water levels, then we're not doing any damage," Nosker said.

Public Comment

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cil of Ruidoso will pass resolutions stating their commitment to work together on the proposal.

Much of the public comment came from regular county meeting participants who expressed their appreciation for the work done by the county commission, especially the three commissioners who are leaving office.

County road superintendent Albert Hernandez spoke on the need for increased cooperation between his department and the village of Ruidoso's road department. Hernandez also admitted that those county residents who complain the most about the condition of the roads are usually the ones who receive maintenance services most quickly. "There's a lot of people that appreciate us," Hernandez said. "We've probably got more people that appreciate us than those

than don't," he added.

Outgoing county commissioner Maury St. John reported on her involvement in the former Lincoln County Health and Wellness Council, which has changed its name to Lincoln County Community Health Council. "It's not a clinic or a services provider," St. John said, "It's a coordination council under the state department of health." St. John said that the council is very important to the county and has been active off and on over a period of many years. The community health council is currently performing a needs assessment for 2007, and has identified substance abuse and domestic violence as issues that need to be addressed. St. John encouraged those in attendance at the meeting to fill out a survey to assist the health council with its needs assessment.

Grant Resolutions

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who were displaced as a result of your actions," Morel said. The county not only has no low income housing outside of the municipalities, but the preparation of a comprehensive plan would also have no affect on such facilities if they did exist.

"We deleted those parts of the resolutions that conflicted with our existing ordinance on personnel policy," Morel said. In the December 8th memorandum, Morel wrote that the changes in the resolution relating to hiring practices may cause the county to lose its CDBG funding, but without the revisions he would have to amend the county's personnel policy to comply with the resolution.

Among the resolution items found to be objectionable by the county commissioners and county manager Tom Stewart was one that would require any contractor performing work for the county to notify all labor organizations with which the contractor has a collective bargaining agreement of its award of the contract. "The

likelihood of contractors living in this area having collective bargaining agreements with labor organizations is very remote," Morel wrote in the memorandum.

Another item spelled out requirements to be met by a county compliance officer, which Lincoln County does not have. The section containing the compliance officer requirements was deleted from the resolution, as was an item requiring the county to build and maintain a mailing list of low income and moderate income persons to receive county notices, announcements and press releases. Morel wrote that if such a list were prepared in Lincoln County, it might well include half of the county's residents.

The county's board of commissioners agreed to adopt four CDBG related ordinances, with amendments as prepared by the attorney, and with the understanding that such amendments may disqualify the county's award of \$50,000 for a comprehensive plan.



As the LINCOLN COUNTY NEWS goes into its 103rd year of being in existence (1905-2007), we will again be randomly publishing articles that have been published in the NEWS from old files. The following articles appeared in the "Lincoln County News".

Friday, December 26, 1930

Two Dead In Gun Battle

Two women are dead as a result of a gun battle near Ancho Monday night. L.L.E. Cobb, formerly operating a service station at Ancho, and Ramon Farmer, a deputy sheriff are the dead.

An inquest was held by Justice Harvey, at which District Attorney Newell was present. The testimony was to the effect that two cars were found out in the timber north of Ancho, and all indications were that they had been stolen.

Deputies Pete Johnson and Ramon and Juan Farmer visited the car hideout Sunday, disabled the cars so they could not be readily driven away, and remained in waiting to see and apprehend whoever came after the cars.

About 6:00 o'clock Monday evening the officers heard a care drive up, saw a man get out of the car and heard him attempt to start one of the cars the officers were watching. Failing to start the car, the new arrival moved in the direction of the car from which he had alighted. At this time the officers ordered the man to throw up his hands. A shout of defiance rang out, followed by a shot, at which the officers began firing. The man, who turned out to be Cobb, fell, and apparently, died immediately.

About that time a woman's voice came from the car, telling the officers to shoot no more, as she had her baby with her in the car. The woman was then told to approach and surrender and upon doing so it developed that it was Mrs. Perry Melton, Jr., who had left Ancho in company with Cobb, to go to Corona, it was brought out in the inquest. Then it developed that Ramon Farmer, one of the deputies had been seriously wounded, a bullet having struck him in the leg, shattering the hip. The wounded deputy was brought to the Johnson hospital, but his condition grew worse and he finally succumbed at noon Christmas Day.

The foregoing is, in substance, the testimony brought out at the inquest concerning this double tragedy. The stolen cars, and history connected therewith, is another story, and the officers believe they are near a solution of what appears to have been a wholesale traffic in stolen autos.

The Only Real Rich
Are the Poor
We count ev'ry penny (we haven't so many).

We figure our dollars and dimes; So much for the table, as much as we're able.

And something for holiday times. Warm clothing, good reading, just things we are needing.

The doctor, the church, and the rest -- the some maybe it'll seem almighty little, but the little we buy is the best.

Of course, here are sometimes, there always will come times, we wish this or that we could get, but, if we can't buy it, of course we don't try it.

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An Invitation

Friends of SNOOKS McDANIEL are invited to a Pot Luck Dinner in celebration of his 90th Birthday

- * Carrizozo Country Club
- * January 13th, 2007
- * Beginning at 2:00 p.m.

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A FINE GIFT FOR SOME ONE





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.

MONDAYS
 --Free GED class 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. Carrizozo School.

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
 --Corona Lending Library story hour 4 p.m.
 --AWANA club for children ages 3 through 6th 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, JANUARY 4
 --Democratic Party of Lincoln County meets at Western Grill, formerly K-bobs in Ruidoso, dinner off menu at 5:30 p.m., business meeting at 6:30 p.m.

TUESDAY, JANUARY 9
 --Carrizozo Chamber of Commerce noon at Four Winds Restaurant.
 --Ruidoso Village Council 4:30 p.m.
 --Carrizozo Town Council 6 p.m.
 --Capitan Village Council 6:30 p.m.
 --Corona Village Trustees 7 p.m.
 --Corona School Board 7 p.m.

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 --Capitan School Board 6:30 p.m.

Bookmobile Schedule

Tuesday, January 9	
Corona Post Office	12:30 - 2:00
Carrizozo/Otero Electric	3:30 - 6:00
Wednesday, January 10	
Carrizozo/Otero Electric	7:30 - 8:30
Nogal Post Office	9:00 - 9:45
Capitan Smokey Bear Cafe	10:15 - 11:30
Fort Stanton RTC	12:30 - 2:00
Camp Sierra Blanca	2:10 - 3:10
Lincoln Post Office	3:30 - 4:00
Hondo Store	5:00 - 6:00



CHARLEY GALLEGOS

Charley Gallegos, 45, resident of Deming and Columbus Elementary School teacher died at his home December 23.
 The funeral mass was celebrated December 29 at Santa Rita Catholic Church. Concluding services and interment followed at Guadalupe Cemetery. Fr. Franklin Eichhorst, OFM, officiated.
 He was born March 30, 1961 in Carrizozo to Carlos Gallegos and Nellie Padilla. Charley graduated from Carrizozo High School and received Bachelor of Arts and Masters Degrees in bilingual education at New Mexico State University. He taught in the Hatch School District before joining Deming Public Schools four years ago to teach at Columbus Elementary. He was a com-

municant of the Catholic Church.
 Survivors include two brothers, Johnny Gallegos, Roswell and Ruben Gallegos, Albuquerque; two sisters, his twin, Charlotte Rowin, Las Cruces and Berline Gallegos, Carrizozo; special friend, Roberta Holguin, Silver City and eight nieces and nephews.
 He was preceded in death by his mother Nellie in 2001 and father Carlos in 2003 and brother Andrew Gallegos in 1993.
 Serving as pallbearers will be Albert, Willie and Frank Gallegos Jr., Ernest Melendez, Fernando Padilla and Paul Morales.
 Entrusted to the care of Baca's Funeral Chapels, Deming.

Stories for County Book Are Now Due

If you are planning to turn in a story for the Lincoln County-Mescalero Reservation Family History book, you need to get your story turned in real soon.
 The book, which is sponsored by the Lincoln County Historical Society, has a deadline of December 31, 2006. However, Christmas is such a busy time for most families, and it will take some time to start getting the book ready to publish, the group will still readily accept the stories until the end of February, 2007. But don't delay much past that or you will be too late to have your story in the book, and that will be a loss for the whole county.

Lincoln County and the Mescalero Apache Reservation have such an interesting history, not just because of Billy the Kid or the Lincoln County War, but because of all of the people who lived here before, during, and after those times. Most of their stories have never been heard before, and so many of the communities are no longer in existence any more. It is up to us, of the present generation, to preserve those stories before they are gone.
 Stories about the present generation as well as those of years ago should be saved. Some day, we too, will be gone, and if we don't write down our own stories, how will people in the future know about us?
 Because of this, the Lincoln County Historical Society wants to collect as many stories of the individual people, schools, churches, communities, and etc. as possible. That is why they are collecting as many of these stories as possible to include in the book that hopefully will begin publishing sometime in 2007.
 There will be two sections to the book. One section will include stories about the different communities, ranches, schools, churches, clubs, historical places, and etc. of Lincoln County or the Mescalero Apache Reservation. You are very welcome to send in your stories and/or photos about these places, and there is no word limit on these stories as they cover a broad subject.
 The second section will be the family stories and photos that you send in to the Lincoln County Historical Society. You can send in just one family story, or if you have several ancestral families who lived in Lincoln County, you can send in separate stories on each of those families, too. The Historical Society wants to have a whole page on each family that is

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We don't want to worry of debt. We've plenty of pleasure, but cut it to measure. Our purse, first of all, it must fit; and, if we can't do it, we seem to live through it. In fact we don't mind it a bit.
 Of course we have cravings, but folks must have savings. Must save for some rainier day. The children are learning how dollars keep earning. The dollars at work, not at play.
 So poor now the rich are, it's hard to tell which are. Yes, who are the wealthy for sure, their debts are so many, while we haven't any.
 The only real rich are the poor.
 --Douglas Malloch

Two Minus Sermon

by Rev. George Henry
 Lip Service

The story is told of Walter Scott who was an associate of Cambell in the early day; that he visited the Brush Run church upon one occasion.
 The meeting began in the early evening and continued well into the night. Nearly every male member had a lengthy speech to make. Scott was becoming weary. At last the elder presiding asked Scott if he would say a few words. Solemnly he spoke, "The Bible tells me that the church is the body of Christ, and that, like the human body, it has a great variety of members, but this church seems to be all mouth." I am afraid some of our churches are like that today. "Lip service" will never get you anywhere. The church needs hands, feet, eyes, ears. Hands to help lift the burden from drooping shoulders; feet to speed on errands of mercy; eyes to see the distress and sorrow in the world; ears to hear the cry for help in time of need. The mouth is more apt to go wrong than any other member of the body.

New Year Happiness

Everybody wants to be happy. Happiness and the go-to-church habit go together. Happiness is a tonic. It's one of the very best medicines for either body, mind or soul.
 Physicians know this and so include cheerful surroundings, relief of mind, and spiritual comfort in the elements of a cure. Nurses know this and so bring smiles and bright faces and buoyant tones to the side of sick-beds.
 In fact, the world is prepared to say today that it is a severer strain, and a worse drain, on the vitality of people to be unhappy constantly than to work hard week in and week out.
 And for this reason, although the world knows it not, myriads of persons throw themselves into the sea of pleasure, into the maelstrom of business, into the drifting currents of leisure, into the endless pursuit of learning, into the dangers and hardships of exploration. People everywhere want happiness, but they do not know that happiness comes from within instead of from without.
 If you go to church during this new year it will help you to find and keep this happiness. It will rest your mind; it will cure the "dumps"; it will help you bear your burdens; it will contribute to your happiness, because everything about the church service is calculated to inspire happiness; we worship out in the name of a dead Christ, but a living one; we claim the blessings of Jehovah in the name of a Saviour who conquered every difficulty and outrode every storm; we are promised that in Him we shall have "the abundant life."
 Get the go-to-church habit and be happier in 1930.
 F.C. Rowland, Pastor
 Baptist Church.

Motor Accident

A very serious auto accident occurred
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Happiness in the New Year To All !!

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Editorials / Opinions & Other Stuff

AG Says No Violation By Capitan Council

by Patrice Brazie

In a letter dated December 18th and written to Zachary Cook, attorney for the village of Capitan, assistant state attorney general (AG) Sonny Swazo presented his decision regarding charges that the Capitan Village Council and Mayor Sam Hammons had violated the Open Meetings Act.

A complaint filed on September 26th by Capitan resident Mary Brothers alleged that Hammons and some village trustees must have violated the Open Meetings Act because, during the council meeting in which the decision was made to dismiss former police chief Robert Bird, the trustees appeared to

be already firm in their decision.

According to Swazo, Brothers concluded that some discussion among the mayor and trustees must have occurred prior to the council meeting, as she was told by another Capitan resident that no public comment would be heard on the matter and that a replacement for Bird had already been selected.

Also indicated in Swazo's letter to Cook was an acknowledgment that Hammons had, on separate occasions, told Capitan trustees Curtis Payne and Diane Riska that he felt his relationship with Bird was weak, and that he may have to discharge the police chief. The

letter further indicates that testimony from Cook confirmed that the decision to dismiss Bird was Hammons' decision alone and was made pursuant to New Mexico state statutes.

In summary Swazo wrote, "We do not find that Mayor Hammons' one-on-one conversations with Trustee Riska and Trustee Payne violated the Open Meetings Act. We are unable to conclude that Police Chief Bird's position was discussed among a quorum of Village Trustees in violation of the Open Meetings Act."

Swazo did, however, issue a caution to the Capitan Village Trustees to refrain from discussing

village governmental business outside of a public meeting.



by Jeff Hammond

Last week the one day delay in the storm arriving produced the heaviest snowfall ever recorded in parts of the New Mexico.

Hwy 54 was shut down from Carrizozo north bound. Carrizozo got the heaviest snowfall in many years, and just a few miles east, over the top of the Sacramento Mountains into Ruidoso and Capitan very little snowfall. More snow landed in Carrizozo in one eight hour period than has landed in Capitan since the beginning of winter.

The forecast for the upcoming week is that temperatures will continue to be lower than normal for this time of year, and there is another snow storm headed our way Friday and Saturday. With the storm expect brisk to high winds out of the west, with occasional gusts up to 30-35 miles an hour.

The rest of the week will be mostly clear days with temperatures in the high 40's and low 50's. The nights will be mostly clear with temperatures in the mid to high 20's.

As a courtesy, the Lincoln County News is including a snow conditions report for Ski Apache. Currently 15 runs are open, 4 of 11 lifts are operating, about 35 acres of skiing area is open, all elevations are showing a 39 inch packed base, and since there has been no snowfall for more than three days there is basically no powder. Ski Apache Snow reports can be accessed at <http://www.onthesnow.com/NM367/skiereport.html>

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

Today, Thursday, January 4
Mostly sunny, with a high near 42. West wind between 5 and 10 mph., night: Mostly clear, with a low around 25. West wind between 5 and 10 mph.

Friday, January 5
Partly cloudy, with a high near 45, night: A fair chance for snow showers. Partly cloudy, with low around 24.

Saturday, January 6
A very good chance of snow or rain showers. Partly cloudy, with a high near 44, night: A slight chance of snow showers. Partly cloudy, with a low around 26.

Sunday, January 7
Mostly sunny, with a high near 50, night: Mostly clear, with a low around 22.

Monday, January 8
Mostly sunny, with a high near 54, night: Mostly clear, with a low around 24.

Tuesday, January 9
Mostly sunny, with a high near 48, night: Mostly clear, with a low around 23.

Forecast for Ruidoso, Capitan and Corona and most of the Hondo Valley:
Today, Thursday, January 4
Mostly sunny, with a high near 43. West wind between 10 and 15 mph, night: Mostly

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THOUGHTS FROM THE EDITOR'S DESK

Terminology Must Be Explained

By Ruth Hammond

There were some strange things said during the bowl games Monday. At one time the announcer said a player was buried, which probably meant he was under a pile of football players. Another time the announcer said there was a sack, but we never did see a sack of any kind on the football field. Do you suppose he meant a gunny sack?

Evidently viewers should become familiar with what is really meant when things are said. Here at the News office we sometimes have to explain to people that when we shoot a page, it is with a camera, not with a shotgun. They are familiar with photographers shooting pictures but they can't imagine shooting a whole newspaper page.

Much of the terminology used in sports has become regular language, but that could change as quickly as it was put into effect. Stealing, which is against the law in everyday life, is often touted in baseball. Slam dunks are basketball didos, not doughnuts dipped in coffee cups.

People have a tendency to accept lingo that is used in certain contexts, even if it is weird. Instead of using every day language, announcers come up with crazy idioms. It isn't that the announcers are incorrect, it is just that they want to spice up their coverage with supposedly new and colorful words. These new idioms are called catchwords or something like that. They may catch your attention.

Other sports also have unique descriptions. Golfers drive the ball, even though there is no engine attached. Tennis players have aces and not a deck of cards in sight. Icing is understandable in hockey because they are on ice, but the ice was there before the team entered the arena.

Racing also has unique language. Drivers go to the pits but it is above ground. Apparently years ago the pits were lower than the race track. Drivers wear fire suits, not to start fires but to protect the drivers in the event of a fire.

And what about the bowl games? They didn't say if it was a cereal bowl or a salad bowl or a soup bowl but the bowl games did get a lot of attention. The main problem there is that during the Orange Bowl we didn't see any of the oranges. Same for the Sugar Bowl and Cotton Bowl. Maybe it depends on how involved you are with watching the bowl games and if you are really interested or not.

Reason tells us that the action should be on the field or court or course or track or rink or whatever, not from the announcers. It does cause interest when an announcer gets excited about a certain play or actions taking place.

Yes, it depends on which sport, if any, you prefer. Not everyone wants to watch the bowl games or a golf game or tennis match or drivers zooming around a track. But it helps if you understand what the announcers mean when they used their sometimes garbled language. Maybe they should take time to explain their terminology to novices.

Inside the Capitol

by JAY MILLER

SANTA FE -- Has the state GOP lost one of its rising stars? That could be part of the fallout from the announcement that U.S. Attorney David Iglesias has been asked by the Federal Department of Justice to resign his post.

Such an action by the Justice Department is somewhat unusual, but New Mexico's U.S. attorney has had to wrestle with some unusual situations.

Early in his tenure, which began soon after the election of President George W. Bush in 2000, Iglesias had to prosecute a case involving David Hudak, who was accused of weapons and explosives violations at his counterterrorism training center near Roswell.

Hudak subsequently was acquitted of all charges. During the prosecution, it became increasingly evident that the FBI had significantly overreached into effort to get tough on terrorism and that Iglesias had been given a nearly impossible case to bring.

In 2004, Iglesias formed a task force to investigate voter fraud, which the state GOP had been insisting is rampant in New Mexico. Iglesias got no indictments out of that. Either Iglesias botched the investigation or Republicans were wrong about the "open-and-shut" case.

Then came the corruption trial of former state Treasurer Robert Vigil. The first trial ended in a hung jury. The second trial resulted in conviction on only one of 24 counts.

Then the FBI took Iglesias a case involving corruption by high ranking state officials in the construction of state and federal courthouses in Albuquerque. Indictments have been expected for some time in that case, but there still are none in sight.

Iglesias says his office has been overwhelmed with immigration and narcotics cases because of the state's southern border with Mexico. It's a matter of priorities and immigration has gotten tied in with terrorism,

which now is the governor's top priority.

The Justice Department isn't commenting on why it is ousting Iglesias. It may be any or all of the above. But who decided those reasons reached the level of unsatisfactory work performance? Was it the FBI, which is the chief investigative arm of the Justice Department?

Or were the dissatisfactions more political in nature? Had Iglesias been able to nail the state treasurer to the wall and had he secured indictments against state officials in the courthouse scandal, Rep. Heather Wilson might not have reached the scare of her life in holding on to her congressional seat.

The near miss for Wilson may have hurt her political future. Wilson has long been thought to be Sen. Pete Domenici's handpicked successor. Is Pete disappointed in Iglesias too?

Might this have changed his plans about whether he will run for another six-year term in 2008? Domenici has said he plans to run again, but might he have been considering stepping aside at the last minute if Wilson looked well positioned to succeed him?

PRC Commissioner King Appointed Chair of NARUC

New Mexico Public Regulation Commissioner David King, Dist. 2, Alamogordo, was recently appointed chair of the National Association of Regulatory Utility Commissioners (NARUC) Water Committee.

King, who was serving as vice chair of the NARUC water committee, was appointed as chair of the committee by the new NARUC president, after the previous water committee chair was elected as 2nd vice president of NARUC.

King's appointment as chair of the NARUC Water Committee is subject to confirmation by the NARUC Water committee.

The New Mexico Public

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NARUC member agencies regulate the activities of telecommunications, energy, and water utilities.



Stories for County Book

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submitted, and that can be accomplished several ways.

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story.
For more information, or to submit the stories, you can either mail them, or email them to one of the Lincoln County Historical Society members below: Marilyn Burchett, PO Box 156, Hondo, NM 88336, or phone at 1-505-653-4360, or email marilyn@pvtnetworks.net, or Karen Mills, Historical Records Clerk, PO Box 338, Carrizozo, NM 88301, 1-800-2705, ext. 137



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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:

December 18
12:50 a.m. Medical call at mile marker 157 on Hwy 54 in Corona, ambulance dispatched.
10:40 a.m. Threats reported at residence at mile marker 75 on Hwy 380 in Nogal, deputy dispatched.
11:40 a.m. Medical call at residence on Comanche in Rancho Ruidoso Valley Estates, Advanced Life Support (ALS) ambulance dispatched.
11:57 a.m. Dog reported running loose on Oscura Range Road in Oscura, deputy dispatched.

1:14 p.m. Suspicious activity by person(s) in vehicle reported at West end of Cedar in Capitan, deputy dispatched.
2:30 p.m. Dog reported running loose at business location on Hwy 48 in Alto, deputy dispatched.
4:29 p.m. Dog reported running loose on Avalancho in Alto, deputy dispatched.
4:30 p.m. Trespassing reported at location on Sonic in Nogal, deputy dispatched.
5:58 p.m. Disturbance/family dispute reported at location on Second Street in Capitan, resulting in agency assistance requested; police and deputy dispatched.
6:03 p.m. Medical call at business location at Intersec-

tion of Hwy 54 and Hwy 380 in Carrizozo, ambulance dispatched.
7:26 p.m. Civil dispute reported at residence on Sixth Street in Carrizozo, police dispatched.
9:40 p.m. Fire reported at location on Smokey Bear Boulevard in Capitan, police and fire units dispatched.
December 19
6:01 a.m. Welfare check requested at residence on Boneyard in Rancho Ruidoso Valley Estates, deputy dispatched.
7:06 a.m. Vandalism reported at location on Buena Vista in Alto, deputy dispatched.
8:09 a.m. Accident reported at mile marker 171 on Hwy 70, deputy dispatched.
8:35 a.m. Agency assis-

tance requested at location on Hwy 48 in Ruidoso by police, deputy dispatched.
9:50 a.m. Accident reported on Little Creek Road in Rancho Ruidoso Valley Estates, deputy dispatched.
5:15 p.m. Accident reported at mile marker 57 on Hwy 380 west of Carrizozo, ambulance and deputy dispatched.
9:25 p.m. Traffic hazard reported, deer struck by vehicle on side of Hwy 54 mile marker 147, deputy dispatched.
December 20
7:02 a.m. Welfare check requested for person at location on Central Avenue in Carrizozo, police and deputy dispatched.
9:54 a.m. Motorist assistance requested at intersection of Crown and Camelot in Ruidoso, deputy dispatched.
11:15 a.m. Welfare check requested for person sitting in vehicle on Ski Run Road in Alto, deputy dispatched.
1:00 p.m. Larceny/theft reported at location on Reynolds Circle in Ruidoso Downs, deputy dispatched.
3:22 p.m. Medical call at business location on Smokey Bear Boulevard in Capitan, ambulance dispatched.
3:58 p.m. Medical call at location on West Second Street in Capitan, ambulance dispatched.
6:55 p.m. Assault reported at location on East Last Road in Capitan, police dispatched.
December 21
7:16 a.m. Burglary reported at location on Hwy 70 in San Patricio, deputy dispatched.
7:49 a.m. Abandoned vehicle reported at location on Ski Run Road in Alto, deputy dispatched.
9:54 a.m. Dog reported running loose on Sitting Bull Court in Rancho Ruidoso Valley Estates, deputy dispatched.
10:10 a.m. Accident reported at business location on Hwy 70 in Ruidoso, deputy dispatched.
10:48 a.m. Death reported at location on Hwy 380 in Capitan, police dispatched.
12:33 p.m. Larceny/theft reported at business location on Smokey Bear Boulevard in Capitan, deputy dispatched.
2:43 p.m. Dog reported running loose at business location on Eagle Creek Road in Alto, deputy dispatched.
4:03 p.m. Vandalism reported at Lincoln County Fairgrounds in Capitan, deputy dispatched.
4:50 p.m. Medical call at location on Chisolm Trail in Rancho Ruidoso Valley Estates, deputy dispatched.
4:53 p.m. Disturbance/disorderly conduct reported at First Baptist Church in Carrizozo, deputy dispatched.
8:47 p.m. Agency assistance requested by Ruidoso police at Ruidoso police building on Mechem Drive in Ruidoso, deputy dispatched.
9:58 p.m. Medical call at residence on Fifth Street in Capitan, ambulance dispatched.
December 22
9:05 a.m. Medical call at residence on Hale Lake Road in Glencoe, ALS ambulance dispatched.
11:07 a.m. Medical call at Carrizozo Health Center on E Avenue, ambulance dispatched.
1:10 p.m. Civil paper service requested at location on University in Ruidoso, deputy dispatched.



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Last Sunday morning, about 35 miles out of Lordsburg, Mrs. John Wells and Mrs. Hortense Wells Stearns, a sister of John's, were driving from Los Angeles to this point, when the car turned turtle and Mrs. Wells was quite badly bruised and crushed, but Mrs. Stearns escaped injury.

Upon receipt of this information Mr. Wells and Clinton Branum left immediately by auto for the scene. Branum and Mrs. Stearns drove to Carrizozo and Wednesday Mrs. Wells arrived by train. Mrs. Wells is now resting comfortably at the Carrizozo Eating House.

*"Why is Mabel so angry? The papers gave a full account of her wedding."
"Yes, but they put in that Miss Blackfield was married to the well-known collector of antiques."

*"I see one senator has challenged another senator to settle their differences with rifles. They shoot at targets, however, not at each other."
"Still, its a start."

The Fortunes of Another Year

by Wm. L. Gaston

The New Year has arrived and the most of us will soon be making the mistakes of last year over again. Of course we will paint the first few days with the bright red of New Year's resolutions. But these resolutions will shape only the beginning of the year and will have small connection with the destiny to which the last days of December will lead us.

The disappointments of the year are not apparent until the chill winds of November shake the leaves from the trees and leave facts and figures hanging stark and bare. Last year began well -- all years begin well. They come tripping in fantastic colors over the snows of January, and are hailed with the hope and hilarity of youth. They come with banners and promise wealth. Rainbows always bend above the triumphal march of years.

But each year will bring its rain and storms, the days must be intermittent with sunshine and clouds. There will be harvest and dearths. Laid and plenty will go trooping side by side. Even life and death march with equal pomp in the passing column.

It is these varied conditions; these contrasts of good and evil; these successes of failures that make strong men of weaklings. These are the things that make brave hearts and keen minds; these are the things that keep the masses of humanity bravely marching to meet the fortunes of the oncoming years?

Nineteen Hundred and Thirty-one may far outstrip all other years. It may bring more of wealth and knowledge, it may be more lavish with its opportunities and deal kinder with the children of men. But, even so the golden prizes of life ring out a challenge to the noblest traits and proudest aspirations of mankind. The coward and the slacker will fail.

Expecting better years will bring better years. With better years better men will continually wage a better fight for a better world. To a better world better years will hasten their coming.



Stay Healthy in 2007. Follow this Italian Pasta Diet!!

- 1.) You walka pasta de bakery.
- 2.) You walka pasta da candy store.
- 3.) You walka pasta da Ice Cream shop.
- 4.) You walka pasta da table and fridge.

You willa losea da weight!

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Church Directory



MOUNTAIN MINISTRY PARISH, SIERRA BLANCA PRESBYTERY

Nogal Presbyterian Church:
E.W. "Bo" LEWIS, Pastor
Sunday School 10:00 a.m.
Worship 11:00 a.m.

Ancho Community Presbyterian Church:

TERRY AIELLO, Pastor / 849-0105
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 849-2107
Sunday School 9:45 a.m.
Worship Service 10:55 a.m.
Sun. Evening 8:00 p.m.
Wednesday, Sept. - April
AWANAS 6:00 p.m.

Carrizozo Community Church (A/G)

Barbara Bradley, Pastor
Corner of C Ave. and Thirteenth
Children's Church 10:30 a.m.
Worship Service 10:30 a.m.
Thursday Bible Study 6:30 p.m.

Santa Rita Catholic Community

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. G 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. 505-257-2358
Holy Eucharist Sunday 9:30 a.m.

Claunch Community Church

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

United Methodist Churches

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

CAPITAN:

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

Christ Community Fellowship

ED WINSON, 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 WES, 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 6:00 p.m.
Teen Bible Study 7:00 p.m.
Prayer Meeting 8:00 p.m.

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In Memory of
BILL WINKLER

Insurance Exchange
Carrizozo Branch

Jerry & Lanita Rasak

LaGrone Funeral Chapel

Sheriff's Report

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2:30 p.m. Peacekeeping presence requested at River Run Ranch in Hondo, deputy dispatched.

2:49 p.m. Medical call at Ski Apache Resort, ambulance dispatched.

3:45 p.m. Welfare check requested at Momma Bear RV Park in Capitan, police dispatched.

11:14 p.m. Traffic offenses reported at location on High Mesa, deputy dispatched.

December 23

3:37 a.m. Shots fired reported near mile marker 284 on Hwy 70 in Hondo, ambulance and deputy dispatched.

7:21 a.m. Trespassing reported at location on Billy the Kid Court in Rancho Ruidoso Valley Estates, deputy dispatched.

7:40 a.m. Medical call at residence on Brentwood in Alto, ALS ambulance dispatched.

8:14 a.m. Stand-by requested at location on Hwy 70 in Hondo, ambulance dispatched.

12:38 p.m. Medical call at Ski Apache in Alto, ALS ambulance dispatched.

12:47 p.m. Larceny/theft reported at location on Gaviilan Canyon Road in Ruidoso, deputy dispatched.

2:10 p.m. Accident reported on Hwy 70 in Tinnie by New Mexico State Police, Hondo emergency units and deputy dispatched.

5:17 p.m. Littering or illegal dumping reported at location on Schlarb Road in Carrizozo, deputy dispatched.

7:59 p.m. Alarm reported by alarm company at location on High Mesa Road in Alto, deputy dispatched.

10:11 p.m. Suspicious activity by person reported on Gomez Loop in Glencoe, deputy dispatched.

11:20 p.m. Domestic battery reported at location on Hitching Post in Ruidoso Downs, deputy dispatched.

December 24, Christmas Eve

12:12 a.m. Alarm reported by alarm company at Alto Country Club, deputy dispatched.

3:46 a.m. Medical call at mile marker 281 on Hwy 70 in San Patricio, ambulance dispatched.

9:38 a.m. Dog reported running loose on 11th Street in Carrizozo, police dispatched.

9:57 a.m. Dog reported running loose at Safe Haven RV park in Ruidoso, deputy dispatched.

3:26 p.m. Medical call at Ski Apache in Alto, ALS ambulance dispatched.

4:31 p.m. Fire reported at residence on Country Lane in Rancho Ruidoso Valley Estates, Borito fire units and deputy dispatched.

5:15 p.m. Suspicious activity by person(s) in vehicle reported at mile marker 53 on Hwy 380 west of Carrizozo, deputy dispatched.

5:44 p.m. Alarm reported by alarm company at business location in Tinnie, deputy dispatched.

6:03 p.m. Suspicious activity by person at location on Second Street in Capitan, police dispatched.

10:21 p.m. Alarm reported at business located near mile marker 286 on Hwy 70 in Hondo, deputy dispatched.

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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: The South one-half of the Southwest quarter of the Southwest quarter (S1/2SW1/4SW1/4) of Section 30, Township 9 South, Range 14 East, N.M.-P.M., Lincoln County, New Mexico; together with all improvements thereon; subject to easements, restrictions and reservations of record.

You are further notified that unless you enter your appearance, plead or otherwise respond in said cause on or before February 13, 2007, judgment will be rendered against you by default and the relief prayed for in the Complaint will be granted to Plaintiff in conformity with the allegations of the Plaintiff's Complaint.

The name and address of the attorney for the Plaintiff is: Archie A. Witham (505) 354-2698, 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 21st day of November, 2006.

JAN PERRY
Clerk of the District Court

(SEAL)

By: **Gloria LaMay**
Deputy

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LEGAL NOTICE

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

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF
No. PB-2006-59
JULIUS ALBERT JUNGE, JR., 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 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: December 21, 2006.

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LEGAL NOTICE

**IN THE PROBATE COURT
STATE OF NEW MEXICO
COUNTY OF LINCOLN**

In the Matter of the Estate of
No. 2194

SHEILA R. BOYCE, 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, at the following address: Post Office Box 338, Carrizozo, New Mexico, 88301-0338.

DATED: December 21, 2006.

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"In God We Trust"

**THE UNKNOWN HEIRS OF THE
FOLLOWING NAMED DECEASED
PERSONS: RAUL LOPEZ, AND
AURORA LOPEZ;**

**ALL UNKNOWN CLAIMANTS OF
INTEREST IN THE PREMISES
ADVERSE TO THE PLAINTIFF.**

Defendants.

**SUMMONS AND NOTICE OF
PENDENCY OF ACTION**

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

GREETINGS: You are hereby notified that Ramiro Lopez, Jr., Plaintiff, has filed an action in the District Court of Lincoln County, New Mexico, Civil Docket No. CV-06-374 Division III, wherein you are named as Defendants and wherein said Plaintiff seeks to obtain constructive service upon you.

The general subject matter of said

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE is hereby given that on December 6, 2006, Forest Niccum, Oak Brook Club - Building 6, Apartment K-207, 16th and Spring Road, Oak Brook, Illinois 50521, filed Application No. H-50 into H-974 et al (T) with the STATE ENGINEER for permit to temporarily change location of well, place and purpose of use of groundwater in the Hondo Underground Water Basin in the State of New Mexico.

The applicant proposes to discontinue the diversion of 26.88 acre-feet per annum of groundwater diverted from well No. H-50 which is located in the NE 1/4 NE 1/4 NW 1/4 of Section 10, Township 11 South, Range 17 East, N.M.P.M. by severing said water right from the irrigation of 8.4 acres of land described as follows:

SUBDIVISION	SECTION	TOWNSHIP	RANGE	ACRES
Pt. E 1/2 E 1/2 NW 1/4	10	11 S.	17 E.	8.4

The applicant proposes to commence the diversion of 26.88 acre-feet per annum of groundwater, from the following described points of diversion:

WELLS:	SUBDIVISION	SECTION	TOWNSHIP	RANGE
H-974	SE 1/4 NE 1/4 NE 1/4	29	11 S.	14E.
H-974-S	SE 1/4 NE 1/4 NE 1/4	29	11 S.	14E.
H-974-S-2	SE 1/4 NE 1/4 NE 1/4	29	11 S.	14E.
H-3852	SW 1/4 SW 1/4 SE 1/4	20	11 S.	14E.

for municipal purposes within the City of Ruidoso Downs.

Applicant requests a minimum diversion for municipal purposes of 26.88 acre feet per annum to balance the move from consumptive irrigation requirement, recognizing 45% (of diversion) as consumptive use for municipal use. This is a temporary application to expire October 31, 2016.

The move-from point of diversion and place of use are located within Hondo New Mexico. The proposed move-to points of diversion and place of use are located within the City of Ruidoso Downs. All 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 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 December 6, 2006, Forest Niccum, Oak Brook Club - Building 6, Apartment K-207, 16th and Spring Road, Oak Brook, Illinois 50521, filed Application No. 01407 with the STATE ENGINEER for permit to change point of diversion of surface waters in the Hondo Water Basin in the State of New Mexico.

The applicant proposes to discontinue the diversion of 203.125 acre-feet per annum of surface water from the Kirkland Ditch, which diverts from the Rio Bonito, in the SE 1/4 NE 1/4 SE 1/4 Section 32, Township 10 South, Range 17 East, N.M.P.M.

The applicant proposes to commence the diversion of 203.125 acre-feet per annum of surface waters from the Rio Bonito, from a river pump located in the:

SURFACE:	SUBDIVISION	SECTION	TOWNSHIP	RANGE
River Pump	SW 1/4 NW 1/4 SE 1/4	4	11 S.	17 E.

for irrigation purposes.

The water right under the Kirkland Ditch is supplemented by Well No. H-207, located within the NW 1/4 SW 1/4 NE 1/4 Section 4, Township 11 S., Range 17 E., N.M.P.M.

The move-from point of diversion is located approximately 2.0 mile west of Hondo, New Mexico. The proposed move-to point of diversion is located approximately 1.0 mile west of Hondo, New Mexico. All are in Lincoln County, New Mexico.

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LEGALS

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NOTICE is hereby given that on December 11, 2006, Hunter's Draw LLC, 17950 Preston Road, Suite 200, Dallas, Texas 75034, filed application No. H-694-POD4 with the STATE ENGINEER for permit to supplement the diversion of 193.2 acre-feet per annum of groundwater by drilling a well approximately 16 inches in diameter and approximately 1600 feet in depth at a point in the SE1/4NW1/4SW1/4 of Section 29, Township 10 South, Range 14 East, N.M.P.M.

The applicant proposes to supplement the following wells:

WELL NO.	SUBDIVISION	SECTION	TOWNSHIP	RANGE
H-694	NE1/4SW1/4NW1/4	30	10 South	14 East
H-694-S	NE1/4NE1/4SW1/4	30	10 South	14 East
H-694-S-2	S1/2SE1/4	25	10 South	14 East

for continued subdivision, domestic, and gold course irrigation purposes on 680.0 acres of land described as follows:

SUBDIVISION	SECTION	TOWNSHIP	RANGE	ACRES
Pt. S1/2SE1/4	25	10 South	13 East	80.0
Pt. W1/2	29	10 South	14 East	120.0
Pt. S1/2S1/2NE1/4	30	10 South	14 East	480.0

The above described wells and places 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 that on December 6, 2006, Ruidoso Downs Racing, P. O. Box 449, Ruidoso Downs, New Mexico 88346, filed application No. H-381 et al into H-272 et al (T), with the STATE ENGINEER for permit to temporarily change locations of wells and place and purpose of use of underground waters.

The applicant seeks to use additional points of diversion, expand the place of use, and expand the purposes of use to include the Village of Ruidoso Service Area. Applicant is presently authorized to divert 43.056 acre-feet per annum, consumptive use for domestic, irrigation, and commercial purposes from the following wells and place of use:

PLACE USE:	Subdivision	Section	Township	Range	Acres
Subdivision		20	11S	14E)	
Part of		29	11S	14E)	Ruidoso Downs Race Track and Facilities

POINTS OF DIVERSION:	Well No.	Subdivision	Section	Township	Range
	H-381	SW1/4SW1/4SE1/4	20	11S	14E
	H-381-S	NW1/4NE1/4NW1/4	29	11S	14E
	H-381-S-2	NW1/4NE1/4NW1/4	29	11S	14E
	H-53	SW1/4SW1/4	20	11S	14E
	H-53-S	SW1/4NE1/4NW1/4	29	11S	14E
	H-54	NE1/4SE1/4NE1/4	30	11S	14E
	H-55	SE1/4NW1/4NW1/4	29	11S	14E
	H-56	NE1/4NW1/4NW1/4	29	11S	14E

The applicant proposes to commence the diversion of 43.056 acre-feet per annum, consumptive use, of groundwater for municipal, recreational and irrigation purposes from the following wells and places of use:

PLACE USE:	Subdivision	Section	Township	Range	Acres
Subdivision		20	11S	14E)	
Part of		29	11S	14E)	Ruidoso Downs Race Track and Facilities

Additional:		11S	13E	Village of Ruidoso Service Area
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POINTS OF DIVERSION:	Well No.	Subdivision	Section	Township	Range
	H-381	SW1/4SW1/4SE1/4	20	11S	14E
	H-381-S	NW1/4NE1/4NW1/4	29	11S	14E
	H-381-S-2	NW1/4NE1/4NW1/4	29	11S	14E
	H-53	SW1/4SW1/4	20	11S	14E
	H-53-S	SW1/4NE1/4NW1/4	29	11S	14E
	H-54	NE1/4SE1/4NE1/4	30	11S	14E
	H-55	SE1/4NW1/4NW1/4	29	11S	14E
	H-56	NE1/4NW1/4NW1/4	29	11S	14E
Additional:	H-272	NW1/4NE1/4SW1/4	36	11S	13E
	H-272-S	SE1/4SW1/4NE1/4	25	11S	13E
	H-272-S-2	SW1/4SW1/4NE1/4	2	11S	13E
	H-272-S-3	NE1/4SW1/4SE1/4	2	11S	13E
	H-272-S-4	SE1/4NW1/4NE1/4	11	11S	13E
	H-272-S-5	NE1/4NW1/4SW1/4	14	11S	13E
	H-272-S-6	SW1/4NE1/4NE1/4	15	11S	13E
	H-272-S-7	SW1/4NE1/4SE1/4	10	11S	13E
	H-272-S-8	SE1/4NW1/4SW1/4	14	11S	13E
	H-272-S-9	NW1/4NE1/4NE1/4	23	11S	13E
	H-272-S-11	NW1/4NE1/4SE1/4	25	11S	13E

The subject application seeks to add points of diversion to valid, existing water rights. The additional points of diversion are in the same stream, channel, or underground source as the points of diversion being supplemented. The application seeks to use valid existing water rights that have been approved under OSE File No. H-381 et al for domestic, irrigation and commercial uses at Ruidoso Downs Race Track and add eleven new points of diversion from the existing wells No. H-272 through H-272-S-9 and H-272-S-11 permits belonging to the Village of Ruidoso.

This application also seeks to change the place of use to include the Village of Ruidoso service area.

Furthermore, the application seeks to include municipal, recreational and irrigation purposes when the water is used in the Village of Ruidoso service area.

This is a temporary application with all rights to revert back to the original points of diversion, place and purpose of use on October 31, 2016.

The above described wells and place of use are located within the Village of Ruidoso Service Area and at Ruidoso Downs Race Track, Lincoln County, New Mexico.

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LEGAL NOTICE
STATE OF NEW MEXICO
TWELFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT
COUNTY OF LINCOLN
Case No. DM06-138

CECELIA MARIA HARRISON
Petitioner,

vs.

CHARLES T. HARRISON
Respondent.

AMENDED NOTICE OF PENDENCY OF SUIT

STATE OF NEW MEXICO TO CHARLES T. HARRISON, GREETINGS:

You are hereby notified that CECILIA MARIA HARRISON, the above-named Petitioner, has filed a civil action against you in the above-entitled court and cause the general object thereof being to dissolve the marriage between Petitioner and yourself. Unless you enter your appearance in this cause within thirty (30) days of the date of the first publication of this Notice, judgment by default will be entered against you. The first date of publication is January 4, 2007.

CECELIA MARIA HARRISON
Petitioner

CECELIA MARIA HARRISON
P.O. BOX 1056
RUIDOSO, NM 88345
Telephone No. 505-808-3443

WITNESS the Honorable KAREN L. PARSONS, District Judge of the 12th Judicial District Court of New Mexico, and the Seal of the District Court of LINCOLN County, this 27th day of December 20, 2006.

(SEAL)

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

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More Sheriff's Report

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December 25, Christmas Day
 12:40 a.m. Medical call at residence on Valley Court in Alto, ALS ambulance dispatched.
 9:35 a.m. Unknown trouble call at location on White Angel Lane in Palo Verde, deputy dispatched.
 11:01 a.m. Threats reported at residence on Antelope Trail in Nogal, deputy dispatched.
 11:45 a.m. Stabbing reported by Lincoln County Medical Center emergency room on Sudderth Drive in Ruidoso, deputy dispatched.
 3:23 p.m. Larceny/theft reported at mile marker 3 on Ski Run Road in Alto, deputy dispatched.
 6:45 p.m. Public relations at location on Tombstone in Rancho Ruidoso Valley Es-

tates, deputy dispatched.
 9:14 p.m. Accident reported at FR 120 and Dry Eagle Lake Road in Alto, deputy dispatched.
 December 26
 12:00 a.m. Agency assistance requested by Ruidoso Downs police at mile marker 266 on Hwy 70 in Ruidoso Downs, deputy dispatched.
 6:56 a.m. Vandalism reported at residence on Second Street in Capitan, police dispatched.
 9:05 a.m. Suspicious activity by person(s) in vehicle at mile marker 277 on Hwy 70 in Glencoe, deputy dispatched.
 9:28 p.m. Property found reported at location on Smokey Bear Boulevard in Capitan, police dispatched.
 11:10 a.m. 911 Hang-up at residence on Aspen Drive in

Capitan, police dispatched resulting in agency assistance request, deputy dispatched.
 11:36 a.m. Telephone offenses reported at location on Butch Cassidy Road in Rancho Ruidoso Valley Estates, deputy dispatched.
 11:47 a.m. Fight reported at business on Hwy 48 and Ski Run Road intersection, deputy dispatched.
 12:06 p.m. Medical call at business location on Ski Run Road in Alto, ALS ambulance dispatched.
 12:18 p.m. Medical call at location on Mira Monte Road in Alto, ambulance dispatched.
 2:13 p.m. Threats reported at business location on Hwy 70 in Ruidoso, deputy dispatched.
 5:19 p.m. Traffic offenses reported at location on Little Creek Road in Rancho Ruidoso Valley Estates, deputy dispatched.
 5:45 p.m. Larceny/theft reported at location on Pine Point Trail in Alto, deputy dispatched.
 10:45 p.m. Suspicious activity by person(s) in vehicle reported on Mechem/Hwy 48 in Alto, deputy dispatched.

December 27
 12:08 a.m. Suspicious activity by person(s) in vehicle on Mount Pass in Capitan, police dispatched.

2:18 a.m. Medical call at residence on 17th Street in Carrizozo, ambulance dispatched.
 6:54 a.m. Dog reported running loose on Hwy 380 in Lincoln, deputy dispatched.
 9:04 a.m. Medical call at residence on 17th Street in Carrizozo, ambulance dispatched.
 10:19 a.m. Burglary reported at Gavilan Canyon Estates on Gavilan Canyon Road in Ruidoso, deputy dispatched.
 11:33 a.m. Criminal damage to property reported at Capitan Elementary school, police and dispatched.

County Hears Opinions About

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sioners dated December 5th, county manager Tom Stewart reported having reviewed the S.P.I.R.I.T. budget and the cost to the county if it were to join. After investigating the organization, Stewart said he had learned that membership dues, which are based on a per capita cost, had doubled since the county last considered membership in 2002. At the current membership rate, dues to Lincoln County would cost \$1,941.10 for 2007. Stewart also reported that 66 percent of the \$77,000 annual S.P.I.R.I.T. budget is spent on consultant fees and travel expenses and an annual conference in Washington, D.C.

"The accomplishments listed appear minimal," Stewart wrote in the memorandum. Based on the increased membership costs, limited achievements and the fact that the New Mexico Department of Transportation (NMDOT) is in the midst of a major improvement project along most of Highway 54 within the state, the county manager recommended not

joining S.P.I.R.I.T. Nosker suggested that the S.P.I.R.I.T. membership costs, which would amount to less than the county spends on a single cattle guard, was a small amount to pay if it could result in bringing a four lane highway to the county seat of Carrizozo, and reminded the commissioners that it took 20 years to get U.S. Highway 70 improved and expanded to four lanes.

County commissioner Earl Hobbs acknowledged the importance of an improved

Highway 54, but objected to the use of S.P.I.R.I.T. funding primarily for consultant fees and conference attendance.

A motion to decline joining the S.P.I.R.I.T. organization failed passage by the county commissioners, as did a motion to table a decision until further investigation of the organization could be accomplished. Whether or not the county will become a S.P.I.R.I.T. member could be addressed again at a future meeting of the county's board of commissioners.

FAST ACTION

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505-648-2333

EMPLOYMENT NOTICE
ADDRESSING TECHNICIAN -- Lincoln County Rural Addressing Office. The applicant must have knowledge of basic computer programs, posting, filing and record maintenance. Obtain application and job description from Martha Guevara at 505/648-2385 ext. 100. Closing date for applications is 5:00 P.M., Monday, January 16, 2007. Lincoln County, Equal Opportunity Employer and in Compliance with ADA Requirements, Title II-A.
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NOTICE -- Light house-keeping and elderly home care and house sitting available in Carrizozo.
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Weather

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clear, with a low around 28. West wind between 10 and 15 mph.
Friday, January 5
 Partly cloudy, with a high near 42, night: A fair chance for snow showers. Mostly cloudy, with low around 23.
Saturday, January 6
 A very good chance for snow showers. Partly cloudy, with a high near 38, night: A fair chance for snow showers. Partly cloudy, with a low around 26.
Sunday, January 7
 Mostly sunny, with a high near 48, night: Mostly clear, with a low around 28.
Monday, January 8
 Mostly sunny, with a high near 52, night: Mostly clear, with a low around 29.
Tuesday, January 9
 Mostly sunny, with a high near 52, night: Mostly clear, with a low around 28.
 The above information was taken from the National Weather Service Website. For more up to date weather reports, which are updated every four hours.
 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.



Old Lincoln Town
 by Rosalie Dunlap

Christmas Eve Day turned out to be cold and windy. The luminaries couldn't be lit due to the heavy wind.
 San Juan Church was well attended. Cleis Jordan was the organist. The organ is the old pump style and I am always "tired" watching whoever plays it.
 Following the services everyone enjoyed fellowship at the Jordan home.
 Several Linconites spent Christmas Eve and day with their families or had family members home.
 The new home going up west of Lincoln is going up fast. What a beautiful view they are going to have of the valley.
 We have been lucky not to have so much snow in Lincoln. We received maybes two inches. We got caught in the first snow storm between San Antonio and Carrizozo. At Red Hill there were three semi's stopped. One had gone across both lanes. We finally made it around them but didn't see anyone else trying.

LEGAL NOTICE

PROBATE COURT
COUNTY OF LINCOLN
STATE OF NEW MEXICO
 No. PB 2193

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF HELEN G. PYNE, Deceased.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

CYNTHIA J. FOGLESONG has been appointed Personal Representative of the Estate of HELEN G. PYNE, deceased. All persons having claims against this estate are required to present their claims within two 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 Personal Representative c/o Archie A. Witham, Attorney at Law, P.O. Box 83, Nogal, NM 88341, or filed with the Probate Court of Lincoln County, Carrizozo, New Mexico 88301.

Archie A. Witham, Attorney for Cynhia J. Foglesong, Personal Representative of the Estate of Helen G. Pyne, deceased P.O. Box 83, Nogal, NM 88341, 505-354-2698

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LEGAL NOTICE

STATE OF NEW MEXICO
COUNTY OF LINCOLN
TWELFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT

WELLS FARGO BANK, N.A., Plaintiff,
 v. W. GLENN DENNIS and KATHLEEN DENNIS, Defendants.
 No. CV-06-229

NOTICE OF PENDENCY OF ACTION

FROM THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO TO THE ABOVE NAMED DEFENDANTS: W. Glenn Dennis and Kathleen Dennis and, if appropriate, the unknown heirs, devisees, and legatees of said Defendant(s).
 You are hereby notified that Plaintiff, Wells Fargo Bank, N.A., has filed its Complaint for Foreclosure in the above-entitled and numbered cause in the Office of the Clerk of the Twelfth Judicial District Court of Lincoln County, New Mexico seeking to recover a certain indebtedness incurred by Defendants pursuant to a Combined Consumer Note and Security Agreement dated April 2, 1999, in the original principal amount of \$79,066.76, which debt is secured by a Mortgage dated June 15, 1995, was recorded in the real estate records of Lincoln County on June 21, 1995, and which mortgage is to be foreclosed.

You are hereby notified that unless you file a responsive pleading or motion or enter or cause to be entered your appearance in this cause on or before the 15th day of February, 2007, judgment or other appropriate relief will be rendered against you by default.

Plaintiff's attorneys are Modrall, Sperling, Roehl, Harris & Sisk, P.A. (Douglas R. Vadnais), whose mailing address is Post Office Box 2168, Bank of America Centre, Suite 1000, Albuquerque, New Mexico 87103-2168.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and Seal of said Court, this 26th day of December, 2006.

/s/ Jan Perry
 Clerk of the Twelfth Judicial District Court

By: /signed/
 Deputy

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RESCHEDULED FORECLOSURE SALE
100 COMANCHE COURT
ALTO, NM
3 BR, 2 BATH, 1467 SF

Sale Location: Main entrance of the Ruidoso Village Hall or Cree Meadows, Ruidoso, New Mexico.
DATE: JANUARY 4, 2007 **TIME:** 9:00 AM
GOVERNMENT BID: \$57,218.50
AS-IS APPRAISED VALUE: \$85,000.00
LEGAL: Lot 14, Block 1, Rancho Ruidoso Valley Estates, Alto area, New Mexico. Property is not available for normal inspection as they are still owned by private individuals. However, if the property is abandoned, interested parties can contact the local Rural Development office to see if an inspection of the property can be made. Foreclosure is still pending in the NM District Court. Under some circumstances the sale may be canceled. Rural Development will not pay brokers or finders commission for successful bidders.

Terms of Sale: Bid amount to be paid by the end of the day of sale payable to the Public Trustee. Payment must be made in U.S. Currency by cashiers check or certified check. All taxes plus interest due are the responsibility of the Buyer.

FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION: Call: USDA Rural Development 505-835-1710 / EXT. 4, or visit www.resales.usda.gov.
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