

LCMC Audit Report Presented to County

by Patrice Brazie

Jim Gibson, Lincoln County Medical Center (LCMC) administrator, appeared before the Board of Lincoln County Commissioners during their regular meeting on July 17th to discuss the audit of the hospital's finances.

Changes in the contract with Presbyterian Healthcare Systems (PHS) for operation of the county's health care facilities were reflected in the audit results, Gibson said.

The value of assets, property and equipment showed significant change in the LCMC balance sheet, with the disappearance of \$3,189,000 in assets and a reduction of property and equipment values from \$5,800,000 to \$2,600,000.

"Those are reflections of the change in the contract," Gibson said. Lincoln County's contract with PHS was changed last November. Gibson reminded the county commissioners.

Because the new contract changed the cost of leasing the county-owned hospital in Ruidoso from one dollar per year to \$800,000 per year, the methods of reporting in the LCMC balance sheets and statements has changed as well, Gibson said. "In the past, we carried all of the property and equipment and the mill levy proceeds that were in the county's coffers on our books," Gibson explained. "Since it was a dollar a year lease, the deprecia-

tion was a viable expense and had to be reflected. Since there's an \$800,000 lease, neither one of those issues are appropriate, according to Medicare standards, for us to have on our books anymore."

In the area of income and services, the audit showed an increase in net patient revenue from \$26 million to \$29.4 million, a 12 percent increase. "We had no price increase in 2006," Gibson said. "That's pure volume." The 12 percent increase in

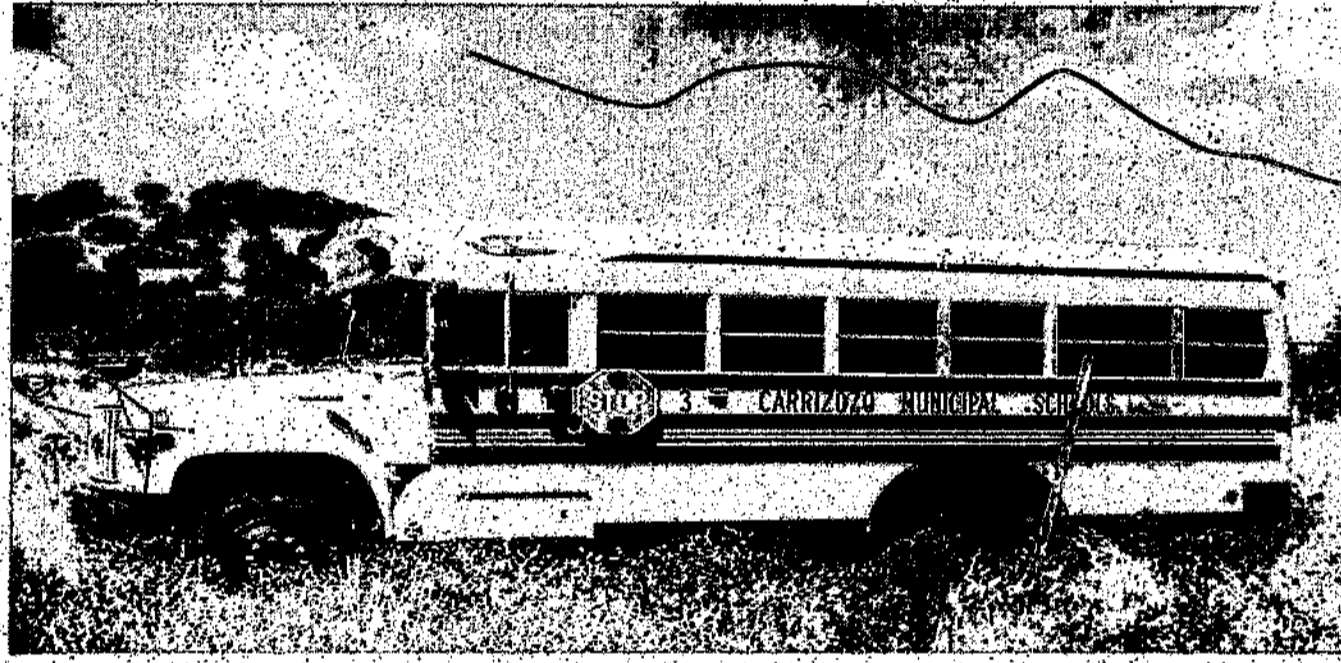
monies received from patient care and services illustrates the trend toward double digit growth in the demands for those services, Gibson added.

The bottom line shows profits of \$1,314,000 in 2006, Gibson said. \$719,000 of those profits came from hospital operations; \$172,000

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SCHOOL BUSES will soon be back on the highways and side roads throughout the county. Be sure to stop, watch for the little ones, and give them plenty of time to board and unboard. (Photo by Pat Brazie)

New Principal at Carrizozo Schools

by Patrice Brazie

Carrizozo Municipal School students will have a new principal this year. The new principal, Robert Cobos, brings years of experience in educational leadership, having served as a principal in the Roswell Independent School District for 16 years. Cobos' background in education also includes three years as director of After School Programs in the Roswell district and about 10 years as a mathematics teacher.

Cobos began working at his new post last week, and has met with the Carrizozo School Board and members of the faculty of the school district, he said on Monday. As the only principal in the

Carrizozo school system, Cobos' responsibilities involve every grade level, kindergarten through 12th. The new principal said he liked the fact that the Carrizozo School Board members were "pretty much all home grown" people. "They have some nice visions for the district," Cobos said.

Having grown up in a small town, Cobos said he is looking forward to getting to know the area better. "I'm from a small town, so I like a small town community; getting to know everybody," Cobos said. His home has been in Dexter, but Cobos said he also now has a home in Ruidoso. Cobos said that he has considered living in

Ruidoso after retirement, and the job in Carrizozo will give him a chance to test that idea.

With the youngest of his five children now a senior in the Roswell school district, Cobos said his family is doing a lot of commuting. He said his former commute from Dexter to Roswell was about the same distance as the drive from Ruidoso to Carrizozo, but the new route is nicer because of the scenery along the way.

"It's a real friendly town," Cobos said of Carrizozo. "What's interesting here is that they tell me discipline is not a big problem, so I'm looking forward to spending more time as an instructional leader," he said.

Cobos will have a chance to make some new acquaintances as he puts in some time at the Lincoln County Fair today. Although unfamiliar with the fair and not exactly sure what to expect, Cobos said that he and Carrizozo Schools Superintendent Sergio Castanon are going to be there in support of the Carrizozo students who are exhibiting livestock or other items. "I don't know exactly what we're going to

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Crawford Takes Helm of Capitan Schools

by Patrice Brazie

Capitan resident Shirley Crawford is the new superintendent of the Capitan Municipal School District.

Crawford was the principal at Ruidoso High School last year, and for three years prior to that principal at Cloudcroft High School.

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Maintenance of the school facilities in Capitan is on Crawford's priority list, and that most likely includes another request to the voters in the school district to pass a bond issue to fund maintenance and improvements. "We want to make certain that we have good communication, and really look at what happened there," she said of the community's failure to approve the last bonding request issued by the schools. "It takes commitment with dollars to maintain quality schools," Crawford said.

The responsibilities as a superintendent in a small school district are, basically, whatever needs to be done,

Crawford said. "We look at staffing issues, curriculum issues, and planning for the future." She said the anticipated enrollment in all of the Capitan schools is about 565 students.

Crawford said she expects to really enjoy working in Capitan where she and her husband can get out and meet with their neighbors in their free time. "I am so impressed with the staff that I've met and, of course, I've always enjoyed the people here," she said. "It's just home."

Capitan high school and middle school students will resume classes on Monday, August 20th. Elementary school begins again on the 22nd.



BRIGHT GOLDEN sunflowers line the roadways and fence rows in Lincoln County during late summer and early fall. (Photo by Patrice Brazie)

Applications Being Accepted Now for Weatherization Program

The Community Action Agency of Southern New Mexico is accepting applications for the weatherization program which is for low income, elderly and disabled people.

The weatherization program is for minor repairs to help conserve energy, for example: window repairs and glass replacement, repair or replacement of exterior doors, insulation, and check all gas-fired appliances for safety.

Several people in Lincoln County have been helped by this worthwhile program.

To get an application write to Community Action Agency, Attn: Housing Program, 320 E. Wyatt Dr., Las Cruces, NM 88001 or call toll free 1-800-657-8967.

County Democrats To Register Voters at the County Fair

Official voter registrars are at the Lincoln County Democratic Party booth at the Lincoln County Fair in Capitan this week to register new residents, or help people update information on their current registrations. The booth also has information on how to obtain an official voter registration form from the Secretary of State website.

Mini Vacation Bible School in the Park In Carrizozo Aug. 18

Angus Church of the Nazarene invites everyone to a day at the park for exciting Bible adventures, awesome crafts, tasty treats, cool songs and amazing games and a Free chuck wagon luncheon.

The event will be held in McDonald Park in Carrizozo on Saturday, August 18 from 9 a.m. to 12 noon. The first 50 children to arrive will receive Free school supplies.

Contact Angus Church of the Nazarene at 336-8032 for more information.

County Fair This Week in Capitan

by Patrice Brazie

It's fair time again in Lincoln County. Activities at the Lincoln County Fair in Capitan began on Tuesday, with registration and inspection of livestock, judging of hand made and crafted items entered for competition in the Fletcher Hall building, and the showing of horses, poultry and rabbits.

Wednesday's County Fair highlights included a dairy show and milking contest and pygmy goats and swine shows.

The Lincoln County Fair

continues through Saturday, with members of local 4-H Clubs and Future Farmers of America showing off their prized pets and livestock.

Fletcher Hall will be open from 8:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. today and Friday, and from 8:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. on Saturday. The hall is the venue for the fair's indoor exhibits, including fabric and fiber arts, gardening exhibits, home made jams and jellies and the traditional crafts associated with rural life in Lincoln County. The fair also hosts an art show featuring the talents of local artists of

all ages working in a variety of styles.

On today's schedule are a cabrito show at 9:00 a.m., (that's young goats in English) and a lamb show at 5:00 p.m. that will be followed by a Poppa Pig and Momma Lamb Showmanship event. Friday's events include a dairy heifer show at 9:00 a.m. and a beef breeding show at 12:30 p.m. that will be followed by the market steer show. At 4:00 p.m. on Friday, 4-H Club members will demonstrate their skills

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good education for students at Capitan Schools is paramount in Crawford's eyes. "I think that if we take good care of the students, all of the AYP (Average Yearly Progress) scores will take care of themselves," Crawford said in an interview on Tuesday. Reports on the AYP scores for all of New Mexico's public elementary, middle and high schools show that the Capitan schools all met their

AYP goals for the 2006-2007 school year.

Crawford said that she'd have to get used to the four day school week that was implemented in Capitan a year ago. "It seems to be working very well for the students and the staff here," she said, "but I've never worked with a four day week before, so that'll be something new for me."

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was generated from donations through the hospital auxiliary thrift shop and other fund raisers and some private donations for the purchase of x-ray equipment: \$423,000 came from interest earned on reserves.

Gibson pointed out changes in the LCMC cash flow statement. "The significance there is that we spent \$897,000 of Presbyterian money, that's not county money, on equipment, most notably \$650,000 for a new C.T. Scan," Gibson said.

Mil levy revenues of \$337,000 were spent on the county's health care clinics in Carrizozo and Corona.

"Those clinics combined lost \$166,000 last year," Gibson said. "The year before, it was \$240,000 that they lost."

Further changes will be reflected in next year's audit, Gibson said, as the new contract between Lincoln County and PHS was only in effect for two months of the 2006 fiscal year. PHS will be able

to offset some of the \$800,000 it now pays annually to lease the hospital, clinics and Emergency Medical Services, by not carrying the depreciation of equipment and through increased Medicare payments, Gibson said.



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County Honors Retirees Billy Hall and B. Luna

Former Lincoln County Road Department employee Billy Hall and Capitan District Forester Barbara Luna were honored for their many years of service during a July 17th meeting of the Lincoln County Board of Commissioners.

County road superintendent Albert Hernandez presented a commemorative plaque to Hall, who has retired after 17 years with the road department.

"Billy Hall has been an operator III; he's been our number one blade man in the Capitan area," Hernandez said. "This man has run every piece of equipment that we've had."

Hernandez expressed appreciation for Hall's dedication to his job and cooperative nature. "There was a couple of years that he'd take a vacation during winter and I'd have to call him back to help remove snow," Hernandez said. "He never griped about anything or said anything bad about anybody. He got along well with every employee that we've had."

Hall's familiarity with all of the road districts in the county will make him very difficult to replace, Hernandez said. "We miss him already."

The county commissioners approved a proclamation in recognition of Barbara Luna's 25 years of service with the New Mexico State Forestry Division. After achieving a Bachelor's Degree in Horticulture and a Master's in Agriculture from New Mexico State University, Luna served as a horticulturist for Dona Ana County and a soil scientist for the U.S. Department of Agriculture. She worked on the fire staff of the state Forestry Division and the timber staff of the Las Vegas Forestry District before being promoted to District Forester of the Capitan District in 1985. The 11 million acre Capitan District is comprised of seven southeastern New Mexico counties.

Through proclamation, the county commissioners recognized Luna's valuable efforts in implementing fire protection, natural resource management and forest restoration programs in Lincoln County.

Luna thanked the county commissioners and county manager Tom Stewart for taking a proactive stance in wildfire protection, and recognized the efficiency and dedication of the county's volunteer firefighting forces.

It Will Appear There Are Two Moons Aug. 27

The whole world is waiting for August 27.

The planet Mars will be the brightest in the night sky starting in August. It will look as large as the full moon to the naked eye. This will culminate on Aug. 27 when Mars comes within 34.65M miles of earth.

Be sure to watch the sky on Aug. 27 at 12:30 a.m., if you can stay up that late. It will look like the earth has two moons.

The next time Mars may come this close is in 2287.

OBITUARIES

IDA OTERO BELTRAN

A prayer service for Ida Otero Beltran, 63, of Carrizozo was Aug. 7 in Santa Rita Catholic Church at Carrizozo where the funeral mass was on Aug. 8.

Ms. Beltran died Aug. 1, in Carrizozo. She was born February 22, 1944 in Corona and had lived in Lincoln County all of her life; she was a homemaker and a member of Santa Rita Catholic Church.

Survivors include her children, Clarence Beltran and his wife December of Ruidoso, Elizabeth "Liz" Beltran and her partner Chris Tivis of Carrizozo, and Leonard Beltran and his wife Renee of Las Cruces; grandchildren, Clarence Beltran Jr., Corina Beltran, Mark Anthony Davila, Feona Beltran, Grady Beltran, Anslie Beltran, Dallton King, Hunter King and Colton King; sisters, Virginia Samora of Alamogordo and Mary Aragon of Tularosa. She was preceded in death by her parents, Elias and Benita Otero, a brother, Santiago A. Otero and sisters, Mabel O. Aragon and Josie O. Vega.

Condolences may be sent to www.lagroneruidoso.com.

SUSAN E. PENN

A memorial service for Susan E. Penn, 64, of Ruidoso was today, Thursday, August 9 in the Episcopal Church of the Holy Mount in Ruidoso.

Mrs. Penn died Aug. 1, in Ruidoso. She was born February 2, 1943 in Chicago, Illinois. She moved to Ruidoso in October, 1988 from LaUnion, NM. She recently retired as a paralegal from Alan Morel Law Office, she was a member of the New Mexico Bar Association and was a member of the Episcopal Church of Lincoln County. She married Rev. Canon John W. Penn on January 20, 1978 in Albuquerque.

She is survived by her husband, Rev. Canon John W. Penn; six grown children, David, Michael, Lisa Jane, Joel, Alan, and Lisa Marie; 7 grandchildren, and one great grandchild; her parents, Betty and George "Hank" Johnson and a brother, Bruce Johnson.

Condolences may be sent to www.lagroneruidoso.com.



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 "Carrizozo News".

Friday, November 26, 1920

What Is The Use Of Courts?

(El Paso Herald)

Why not abolish the criminal courts in New Mexico and leave the administration of justice in the hands of governor Larazolo? I would save a lot of money, and citizens would not have to waste their time serving on grand juries and trial juries.

The mere fact that men have pleaded guilty of having taken human life wantonly does not seem to make any difference; or the fact that they were regularly indicted by a grand jury constituted with every regard for insuring to the accused their constitutional rights.

The governor excused his action by saying that the Columbus raiders were action under Villa's orders and therefore are not criminally liable.

So, applying the governor's argument logically, it follows that every murderer who has acted under Villa's orders in committing crime is not criminally liable.

Since Villa has been pardoned by the president of Mexico, and Villa's agents have been pardoned by the governor of New Mexico -- why, one can only come to the conclusion that no wrong was ever committed, there was never any Columbus raid, there was never any Pershing punitive expedition.

The only folks who seem to have got the worst of it are the people Villa and his agents murdered, and the six Villistas who were hanged in New Mexico before governor Larrazolo was in position to prevent it.

The calm order, law respecting conduct of the people of Columbus and Luna county toward the men identified as members of Villa's band of assassins was every way admirable. A splendid example to other states was set by the New Mexicans in the way in which, a few weeks after the raid, still in passionate recollection of the outrage, they refrained from a single disorderly act but quietly set about trying the cases through the regular courts by the normal processes of law.

Their evidence was practically a confession, evidence given by themselves that they were present and engaged in the raid, but claimed immunity on the ground that they were in the military service of Francisco Villa and acted under military orders.

No single executive should possess the power of his own initiative and uncontrolled impulse to undo the work of the regularly constituted courts and set convicts at liberty. There are cases in which "executive clemency" should be exercised, but at least there should be a competent board of review which should conduct hearings, make open recommendations, publish its reasons, and share responsibility.

In a case like this in New Mexico, the action is final, he governor is within his legal rights, and there is no redress. But it is a long way from finally convincing the great body of citizens that the act of wholesale pardon is wise or timely, or even just.

Raiders Pardoned

Declaring he does not believe the men were responsible for their action at the time they invaded New Mexico with Pancho Villa's bandit army early in 1916, and shot up Columbus and its citizens, Gov. O.A. Larrazolo today pardoned 16 men serving life terms in the state prison for complicity in the outrage.

Fifteen were serving terms of 70 to 80 years. The other was sentenced to be hanged but had his sentence commuted to life imprisonment.

All but one had pleaded guilty to second degree murder, the other getting a sentence for first degree.

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Tips to Help Prevent Telemarketing Fraud

Many legitimate companies and charities solicit consumers by phone. Unfortunately con artists use the phone also. They rob people every day with phones as their weapons.

Fraudulent telemarketers understand human nature. We all want to believe that its our lucky day, that we can get a great deal or that we can solve our problems.

Older people are disproportionately targeted by fraudulent telemarketers. That's because they're home to get the calls, they have money saved that can be robbed and they're too polite to hang up. It's important to know who you're dealing with. If a company or charity is unfamiliar, check it out with your state or local consumer agency and the Better Business Bureau.

Be prepared when you answer the phone. Think about the advice you'd give someone else about how to detect fraud, then follow that advice yourself.

Don't hesitate to hang up on suspicious calls.

Congressman Recognizes Local Carrizozo Graduate



Grizzly coach, Brad Holland, congratulates Carrizozo athletes after All Star game.

Congressman Steve Pearce has recognized local athlete, Johnny Beltran Jr. for his hard work and dedication in athletics, which has led him to be selected to play in the North/ South All Star basketball game for Class 1A and 2A schools. In his letter, Pearce commended Beltran on his commitment to his community, his team, and himself. This year's game took place at UNM's Pit in Albuquerque on August 2nd at 6:00 p.m. When the final buzzer rang, a victorious South team celebrated and knelt in prayer at center court.

Beltran was also selected to play in the North/ South All Star football game, which was held in June. Beltran, along with two other Grizzlies, Robert Dutchover and Eric Korocil, spent a week in Silver City preparing for the big game.

MONDAYS AND WEDNESDAYS
-Free GED classes 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. Carrizozo School Library.

FIRST AND THIRD TUESDAYS
-Representative from State Engineer's Office is in Ruidoso Village Hall from 9 a.m. to 12 noon.
-Fibromyalgia Syndrome support group meets every third Tuesday in Ruidoso. Call 354-3026 for information.

THIRD SATURDAY OF EACH MONTH
-American Legion Post #11, serving the Carrizozo area, meets at 9:00 a.m. at Wells Fargo Bank in Carrizozo.

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

WEDNESDAYS
-Corona Lending Library story hour 4:00 p.m.
-Alcoholics Anonymous 7:00 p.m. Capitan Senior Citizens Center.

TODAY, THURSDAY, AUGUST 9
-Free scrapbooking workshop 6 p.m. to 9 p.m. at REA building in Carrizozo. Call 6482126 for information.
-Capitan School Board 6:30 p.m.

TUESDAY, AUGUST 14
-Carrizozo Chamber of Commerce 12 noon at Four Winds Restaurant
-Ruidoso Village Council 4:30 p.m.
-Carrizozo Town Council 6:00 p.m.
-Capitan Village Council 6:30 p.m.
-Corona Village Council 7:00 p.m.
-Corona School Board 7:00 p.m.

THURSDAY, AUGUST 16
-Carrizozo Labor Day Street Fair committee meets at 6:00 p.m. at Otero County Electric building in Carrizozo.
-Lincoln Historic Preservation Board 7:00 p.m. at Community Church in Lincoln, postponed from July 19.

SATURDAY, AUGUST 18
-Mini Vacation Bible School at McDonald Park in Carrizozo 9 a.m. to 12 noon, sponsored by Angus Church of the Nazarene. Activities include crafts, treats, songs, games, and bible adventures. First 50 children to arrive will receive free school supplies. Free lunch.

OBITUARIES

ROXYE A. SHEETS
A memorial service for Roxye A. Sheets, 68, of Glencoe was today, Thursday, Aug. 9, at the Simpson residence in Glencoe.

Mrs. Sheets died Aug. 3, in Ruidoso. She was born April 12, 1939 in El Paso, Texas. She was a graduate of Burgess High School. On April 2, 1969 she married Thomas J. Sheets. She is retired from the Santa Fe public schools as a handicapped aide.

Roxye is preceded in death by her parents, Dave and Glennis Waide; grandson, Justin Ortega. She is survived by her husband, Tom Sheets; her twin sister, Sue Weber; sister, Jo Ruth Patterson and her husband Mike; children, April Simpson and her husband Rick, Chris Shoppach, Randy, James, and Mark Sheets; grandchildren, Clifford, Diego, Trevor, Cameron, Chris, Nicky, and Orion.

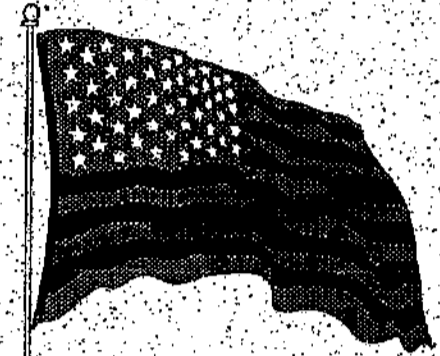
Condolences may be sent to the family at www.lagroneruidoso.com.

DODI SURRATT

Funeral mass for Dodi Surratt, 49, of San Patricio was held Aug. 2, in St. Jude's Catholic Church in San Patricio with burial following at St. Jude's Catholic Cemetery.

Ms. Surratt died Aug. 1, at her home. She was born March 10, 1958 at Jacksonville, NC and moved to Lincoln County 20 years ago. She is survived by her children, Nicolette Robinson and Carlos Onticeros; her mother, Mary Lee Surratt; father, Ray E. Surratt; brothers, Ray Surratt, Billy Surratt, and Matt Soto; sisters, Leann Soto and Laurie Martinez and companion of 15 years, Luis Hernandez.

Condolences may be sent to the family at www.lagroneruidoso.com.



IN THE SERVICE

Jennifer A. Sayers has been commissioned as a second lieutenant in the U.S. Air Force after completing the Air Force ROTC (Reserve Officer Training Corps) program and graduating with a bachelor's degree from the University of Notre Dame, Ind.

She is the daughter of Richard M. Sayers Jr. of Hampton, Va., and Gloria A. Sayers of Ruidoso. Sayers is a 2003 graduate of Hampton High School.

New Principal at Carrizozo

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be doing, but (Castanon) said he's going to be flipping burgers. Cobos said "Mr. Castanon apparently wears quite a few hats and does a little bit of everything, so I'll join him and two of us can do a little bit of everything." Cobos said, adding that he considered the day spent at

the fair as part of his initiation into the new job and new community.

The 2007-2008 school year begins on Monday, August 20th, for Carrizozo High School and Middle School students. The elementary grades resume classes on Monday, August 27th.

BOOKMOBILE SCHEDULE

Tuesday, August 14	
Corona Post Office	12:30 - 2:00
Carrizozo/Otero Electric	3:30 - 6:00
Wednesday, August 15	
Carrizozo/Otero Electric	8:30 - 11:45
Nogal Post Office	10:15 - 11:30
Capitan Smokey Bear Cafe	12:30 - 2:00
Fort Stanton RTC	2:10 - 3:10
Camp Sierra Blanca	3:30 - 4:00
Lincoln Post Office	5:00 - 5:30
Hondo Store	

14TH ANNUAL **2007** **SEPT. 3 LABOR DAY**

Carrizozo Street Fair

10:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. at McDonald Park
10:00 a.m. PARADE ON 12th Street
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THOUGHTS FROM THE EDITOR'S DESK

Tornados in Lincoln County?

By Ruth Hammond

The weather is unpredictable at this time of year. The monsoon season, while not officially called a monsoon, brought rain and at least one tornado sighting in Lincoln County. That is extremely unusual. Several years ago two or more tornados were spotted north of Capitan, but did little if any damage. The tornado sighting near Ruidoso is said to have not caused any damage either. That is good.

One tornado sighting in Lincoln County is too many as far as we are concerned, but apparently we have no say in the matter. It makes a person wonder why the weather is doing such crazy things. Is it global warming? Or is it that there is so much pollution from vehicle traffic that the upper atmosphere doesn't know what to do? Of course it could be that this is a normal weather pattern that evolves every few hundred years or so. Weather records weren't kept written down a few hundred years ago, so they say.

Rationale is that there must be a reason. Maybe it is the numerous satellites that are now circling the globe. The number of satellites put into orbit by one company is surprising and it is a wonder they don't completely cover the earth. Maybe they do and what we believe is the sun is actually a reflection off those orbiting satellites. Maybe that is why the weather is changing drastically; the sun is blocked, the clouds have no leader to indicate when to do what and the entire planet is in a limbo state of confusion.

Numerous other reasons could be responsible for the erratic weather. Maybe the ice age, or whatever it was that brought an abrupt end to the dinosaurs and a few of those other gigantic creatures that roamed around, had more to do with it than has been suggested. Maybe what we need is another ice age to bring an end to the hot air that emanates from public meetings and cool things off.

Another possibility is that ravaging the earth for fossil fuels is upsetting the normal balance of things. It could be that those fossils are more important to the underground and are supposed to be there, just as your baby teeth are important to get your mouth ready for permanent teeth. It might be that those fossils are actually the glue that holds the earth together. But we will never know. Until science completes their DNA testing on prehistoric creatures we won't know, and probably not then unless they tell us.

Discovering the why and wherefore of things is what science is supposed to be about, but there hasn't been a logical reason for tornadoes to be in Lincoln County just as there hasn't been a logical reason for changing weather patterns across the globe. We do have an idea about why politicians spout hot air, some of them just like to talk.

Of course we can't change the weather, but people do talk about the weather, whether or not they can change it. And this week many may attend the Lincoln County Fair in Capitan, while watching for unusual weather patterns.

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"YA KNOW, THERE ARE FOOLS... AND THEN THERE ARE THOSE THAT WILL GET RIGHT BACK ON AFTER GETTING BUCKED OFF..."

Big Dry Syndicate

Inside the Capitol

by JAY MILLER

SANTA FE -- New Mexico's college-bound students will get about a \$5 million boost in scholarship funds from the state lottery.

Considering we're talking about state government, the achievement came about quickly. Last fall a group of opinion leaders from throughout the state, called Think New Mexico, issued a stinging report detailing how the New Mexico lottery needed to cut its costs to provide more money for scholarships.

Soon the money available from lottery proceeds would not be sufficient to cover a rising number of students eligible for the scholarships. Rising tuition rates also added to the problem.

Think New Mexico's solution was to raise the amount of the lottery dollar going to scholarships from 24 cents to 30 cents. This would put New Mexico in line with most other states.

To raise that money, Think New Mexico proposed rebidding the contract with the online vendor, which currently was receiving 8.52 cents of every lottery dollar, and seek a rate more like 2.5 percent.

Some of the newer contracts being bid around the country were coming in that low because of improvements in the systems and increased competition.

Shortly after Think New Mexico's report, the lottery's director said the contract would be rebid, but that the extra money would be used to hire more staff, increase already inflated salaries and do more promotion.

That's when Gov. Bill Richardson got into the act with his plan, which looked much like Think New Mexico's proposal. Together they went to the Legislature in January. The result was a law requiring lottery revenues for scholarships be increased immediately to 27 percent and on to 30 percent in 2009.

At that point, the lottery administration and board finally distinguished themselves. They negotiated a rate of 1.5 percent with a Greek company called INTRALOT. The former vendor, GTECH bid 1.78 percent, which wasn't too shabby either.

More than 43,000 students have received lottery scholarships since the lottery's inception in 1996.

"This is wonderful news for New Mexico's high school students who are working hard, staying in school and earning good grades in the hope of one day qualifying for full-tuition college scholarships," said Fred Nathan, executive director of Think New Mexico.

Initial response has been heavy to a recent column about newly-released studies revealing that many New Mexicans were exposed to significant amounts of radiation from the Trinity atomic test.

Respondents are telling me about cancer running throughout their families, especially thyroid cancer. I'm also learning of studies done decades ago that were not released because the government did not want to assume any liability for resulting health problems.

We are going to stay on this story and keep you informed about what we learn and what you may be able to do if you think you might have been harmed.

A respondent to a recent column on the Billy the Kid exhibit at the Albuquerque Museum said that he and his family have been looking many years for gold that

Billy buried north of Espanola.

I had to tell him not to waste any more time. The only things Billy ever robbed were cattle and horses and probably people to whom he dealt cards.

Billy wasn't in the outlaw business to get rich. He had scores to settle. In the process, he killed six or seven men, not 21. He was deputized during most of his killings. But then, both sides in the Lincoln County War controlled officials with the authority to deputize.

The Kid didn't rob banks, trains or stagecoaches. He wasn't a "highwayman" as many pulp novel writers fantasized. He seldom ever had a dime to his name.

There are reports of Billy having a descendant in the Espanola area, however. But the great, great grandson, or whatever he'd be, is reputed to be just as tough as Billy and quite a bit meaner.

County Fair This Week

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in dog handling. Kids who want to show off their own animal companions in the pet show at 5:00 p.m. should sign up at 4:30 on Friday afternoon.

Awards will be announced at 10:30 a.m. on Saturday, the final day of the fair. There will be a livestock buyers' luncheon at 11:30 and a junior livestock sale at 1:00 p.m.

The Lincoln County Fair,

now in its 54th year, is administered by the volunteer Lincoln County Fair Board. The board receives about \$20,000 each year from county funds for operations, maintenance and upkeep of the facilities, including the exhibit halls and outdoor arena. Other necessary funding comes primarily from proceeds of events held at the fairgrounds over the Fourth of July holiday.

Letters TO THE EDITOR

EDITOR: With due respect for another's opinion here is a different one regarding the lighting at the Valle Del Sol, Carrizozo's newest subdivision. We thought it was a very nice addition to the town, and to us, it represents a "light" of hope for Carrizozo, and we appreciate all that Mr. Datola has done here, including the wonderful improvements to the golf course. We first noticed the lights a few nights ago while driving in on 380 from Capitan, and were very impressed.

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Old Lincoln Days Parade Results

- Best Mounted Law Group - 1st Lincoln County Sheriff's Posse
- Best Mounted Group - 1st Jacob Sanchez, 2nd - Texas 4th Cavalry
- Best Female Rider - 1st Lincoln County Fair Queen-Randa Hutchinson
- Best Frontier Group - Friends of Ftr. Seldon
- Best Frontier Man - 1st - Abselin Lucero
- Best Couple 1st - Lanny and Tammy Maddox also Grand Marshall
- Best Children's Entry - 1st. Camp Sierra Blanca Color Guard
- Best Wagon 1st. Diamond Halfingers; 2nd. Lincoln County Sheriff's Department, Rick Virden
- Best Float - 1st. Pageant Cast - Frontier Adventure Trolley; 2nd - Billy the Out-

- law Gang
- Best Antique Car - 1st. - Prospero Felix Gonzales - 1934 Ford; 2nd. Ramon Prudencio - Excaltibur Car
- Best Fire Engine - 1st Ruidoso Downs Fire Department - 1953 GMC; 2nd. Lincoln Volunteer Fire Department
- Best Antique Equipment - 1st. Lincoln Volunteer Fire Department - 1942 Power Wagon; 2nd. Pecos Valley Classic Antique Tractors



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WEATHER REPORT

by JEFF HAMMOND

There was a report of a tornado in Ruidoso this last week, and most of the same conditions continue to exist as for the week; slight chance of rain at all elevations, day and night throughout the next week.

Expect afternoon winds out of the southwest, accompanied by the occasional cloud-bursts.

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

Today, Thursday, August 9: A fair chance of showers and thunderstorms after noon. Partly cloudy, with a high near 93. Southwest wind around 5 mph.; night: A fair chance of showers and thunderstorms. Partly cloudy, with a low around 62. South wind around 5 mph becoming calm.

Friday, August 10: A slight chance of showers and thunderstorms. Partly cloudy, with a high near 92, night: A fair chance of showers and thunderstorms. Partly cloudy, with low around 60.

Saturday, August 11: A slight chance of showers and thunderstorms. Partly cloudy, with a high near 91, night: A slight chance of showers and thunderstorms. Partly cloudy, with a low around 60.

Sunday, August 12: A slight chance of showers and thunderstorms. Partly cloudy, with a high near 92, night: A fair chance of showers and thunderstorms. Partly cloudy, with low around 60.

Monday, August 13: Partly cloudy, with a high near 91, night: A slight chance of showers and thunderstorms. Partly cloudy, with a low around 59.

Tuesday, August 14: Mostly sunny, with a high near 88, night: A slight chance of showers and thunderstorms. Partly cloudy, with a low around 59.

Forecast for Ruidoso, Capitan and Corona and most of the Hondo Valley:

Today, Thursday, August 9: A fair chance of showers and thunderstorms after noon. Partly cloudy, with a high near 87. West wind around 5 mph becoming south, night: A fair chance of showers and thunderstorms. Partly cloudy, with a low around 58. South wind around 5 mph becoming calm.

Friday, August 10: A slight chance of showers and thunderstorms. Partly cloudy, with a high near 85, night: A fair chance of showers and thunderstorms. Partly cloudy, with low around 55.

Saturday, August 11: A slight chance of showers and thunderstorms. Partly cloudy, with a high near 85, night: A slight chance of

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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.

July 30
12:16 a.m. Disturbance/loud party reported at location on White Angel in Glencoe, deputy dispatched.
5:45 a.m. Welfare check requested for person sitting in car on Hwy 54 south of Carrizozo, deputy dispatched.
6:49 a.m. Alarm reported at business location on Smokey Bear Boulevard in Capitan, deputy dispatched.
6:57 a.m. Larceny/theft reported at location on Hwy

Forest Supervisors to Hold Open Public Meeting in Alamogordo

Lincoln National Forest supervisor Lou Woltering and acting deputy Forest supervisor Joe Norrell will hold an open meeting in Alamogordo on August 13 from 9:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. at the Sergeant Willie Estrada Memorial Civic Center. The Forest Service would like to reach out, provide information, meet and dialogue with the public on various issues happening on forest. These meetings are a collaborative method designed to listen to public thoughts or concerns and provide an opportunity to learn more about the Lincoln National Forest and future programs and projects affecting our natural resources. The public is invited to attend and may also review the website at: www.fs.fed.us/r3/lincoln to learn more about the local forest.

380 in Lincoln, deputy dispatched.

8:58 a.m. Dog reported running loose on Hwy 48 in Alto, deputy dispatched.

10:33 a.m. Agency assistance requested by Ruidoso police at Allison and Reservoir Road intersection in Ruidoso, deputy dispatched.

10:47 a.m. Medical call at residence on Miron in Alto, Advanced Life Support (ALS) ambulance deputy dispatched.

11:03 a.m. Medical call at residence on B Avenue in Carrizozo, ambulance dispatched.

12:09 p.m. Agency assistance requested by Ruidoso Downs police department at business located on Hwy 70 in Ruidoso Downs, deputy dispatched.

1:16 p.m. Domestic battery reported at location on Mechem Drive in Ruidoso, deputy dispatched.

1:38 p.m. Unknown trouble call from business location on Central Avenue in Carrizozo, police dispatched.

1:44 p.m. Dog reported running loose on Hunters Lane in Alto, deputy dispatched.

3:54 p.m. Dog reported running loose on North Doc Holiday in Alto, deputy dispatched.

5:27 p.m. Found property reported on Buffalo Bill Court in Alto, deputy dispatched.

10:58 p.m. Open windows reported at Alto Country Club in Alto, deputy dispatched.

July 31
12:35 a.m. Disturbance/family dispute reported at residence on Second Street in Capitan, police dispatched.

7:12 a.m. Missing or lost person reported at mile marker 4 on FR 120 in Alto, deputy dispatched.

9:17 a.m. Fire reported on De Borg Drive in Ruidoso,

Bonito fire units and deputy dispatched.

10:33 a.m. Information report at location on Gavilan Canyon Road in Alto, deputy dispatched.

2:10 p.m. Medical call at Lincoln County Detention Center (LCDC) on Airport Road in Carrizozo, ambulance dispatched.

2:39 p.m. Dog reported running loose on Hwy 48 in Capitan, deputy dispatched.

2:43 p.m. Disturbance reported at location on Telle-Quay in Nogal, deputy dispatched.

4:33 p.m. Medical call at location on Martin-Torrez Road in Hondo, ambulance dispatched.

5:58 p.m. Accident reported on Sudderth Drive in Ruidoso, deputy dispatched.

7:00 p.m. Agency assistance requested by Capitan police at residence on Second Street in Capitan, deputy dispatched.

11:08 p.m. Welfare check requested for person sitting in car on Central Avenue in

Weather Report

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showers and thunderstorms. Partly cloudy, with a low around 55.

Sunday, August 12
A slight chance of showers and thunderstorms. Partly cloudy, with a high near 83, night: A slight chance of showers and thunderstorms. Partly cloudy, with a low around 54.

Monday, August 13
Partly cloudy, with a high near 84, night: A slight chance of showers and thunderstorms. Partly cloudy, with a low around 53.

Tuesday, August 14
Mostly sunny, with a high near 84, night: A slight chance of showers and thunderstorms. Partly cloudy, with a low around 53.

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

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

Carrizozo, deputy dispatched.

August 1
5:40 a.m. Information report at location on Gavilan Canyon Road in Ruidoso, deputy dispatched.

8:27 a.m. Domestic battery reported at residence on Second Street in Capitan, police dispatched.

8:46 a.m. Message delivery to Rose Clinic on Hwy 380 in Capitan, deputy dispatched.

10:00 a.m. Trespassing reported on Bonito Park Road in Bonito, deputy dispatched.

11:05 a.m. Telephone offenses reported from residence on East Second Street in Capitan, deputy dispatched.

12:01 p.m. Warrant service at location on Musketball Court in Ruidoso, deputy dispatched.

3:27 p.m. Larceny/theft reported at location on Silver Fox Lane in Enchanted Forest, deputy dispatched.

4:40 p.m. Agency assistance requested by Carrizozo police at intersection of Aspen and Third Street in Carrizozo, deputy dispatched.

7:45 p.m. Family dispute reported at location on Hwy 220 in Alto, deputy dispatched.

9:04 p.m. Disturbance reported at location on Hwy 48 in Alto, deputy dispatched.

10:27 p.m. Suspicious ac-

tivity by person(s) in vehicle reported on Hwy 70 in Ruidoso Downs, deputy dispatched.

10:44 p.m. Medical call at location on Hwy 70 in Ruidoso Downs, ALS ambulance dispatched.

August 2

8:12 a.m. Accident reported at Hwy 70 and Hwy 380 intersection in Hondo, Hondo emergency units, ambulance and deputy dispatched.

10:22 a.m. Suspicious activity by person reported on Flute Player in Alto, deputy dispatched.

10:23 a.m. Abandoned vehicle reported on Smokey Bear Boulevard in Capitan, police dispatched.

1:06 p.m. Identity theft reported at location on Hwy

380 in Capitan, deputy dispatched.

2:30 p.m. Trespassing reported at residential property located on Hwy 37 in Nogal, deputy dispatched.

2:56 p.m. Breaking and Entering (B & E) reported near 11th and B Avenue in Carrizozo, police dispatched.

4:48 p.m. B & E reported at location on Denver City Drive in Alto, deputy dispatched.

9:15 p.m. Accident reported on Gavilan Canyon Road in Ruidoso, deputy dispatched.

11:31 p.m. Disturbance/loud party reported at location on Pinos Altos Road in Alto, deputy dispatched.

11:46 p.m. Distur-

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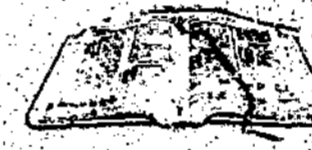
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Negal Presbyterian Church:
E.W. "Bo" LEWIS, Pastor
Sunday School 10:00 a.m.
Worship 11:00 a.m.

Ancho Community Presbyterian Church:
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
648-2988 (Church) or 648-2107
Sunday School 9:45 a.m.
Worship Service 10:55 a.m.
Sun. Evening 8:00 p.m.
Wednesday, Sept. - April
AWANAS 6:00 p.m.

Carrizozo Community Church (AIC)
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
FR. FRANKLIN, Pastor
213 Birch, Carrizozo, NM, 648-2853
DAILY MASS / Santa Rita 8:30 a.m.
SATURDAY:
Capitan Sacred Heart 5:00 p.m.
Carrizozo Santa Rita 7:00 p.m.
SUNDAY:
Capitan Sacred Heart 8:30 a.m.
Carrizozo Santa Rita 10:30 a.m.
Corona St. Theresa 1:30 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 8:00 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 PONDREXTER, Minister 364-3195
Ave. C at 12th, Carrizozo, NM
Sunday School 10:00 a.m.
Worship Service 11:00 a.m.
Evening Worship 1:15 p.m.
Wednesday Bible Study 7:00 p.m.

White Oaks Community Church
Non-denominational
Sunday Worship Service 11:00 a.m.

St. Matthias Episcopal Church
REV. JOHN HUFFMAN, RECTOR
Corner of E. Ave. and Sixth, Carrizozo, NM
Ph. 605-277-2356
Holy Eucharist Sunday 9:30 a.m.

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

United Methodist Churches
JOHANNA ANDERSON, Pastor
1000 D. Ave. 648-2893 / 648-2848
Carrizozo, NM 88301
Sunday School (All Ages) 10:00 a.m.
Worship Service 11:00 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.
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 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 8:00 p.m.
Wednesday Bible Study 8:00 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 WESS, Pastor / 649-7975
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

Church of Christ
Sunday School for all ages 9:30 a.m.
Morning Worship 10:30 a.m.
Children's Church 10:45 a.m.
Evening Worship 8:00 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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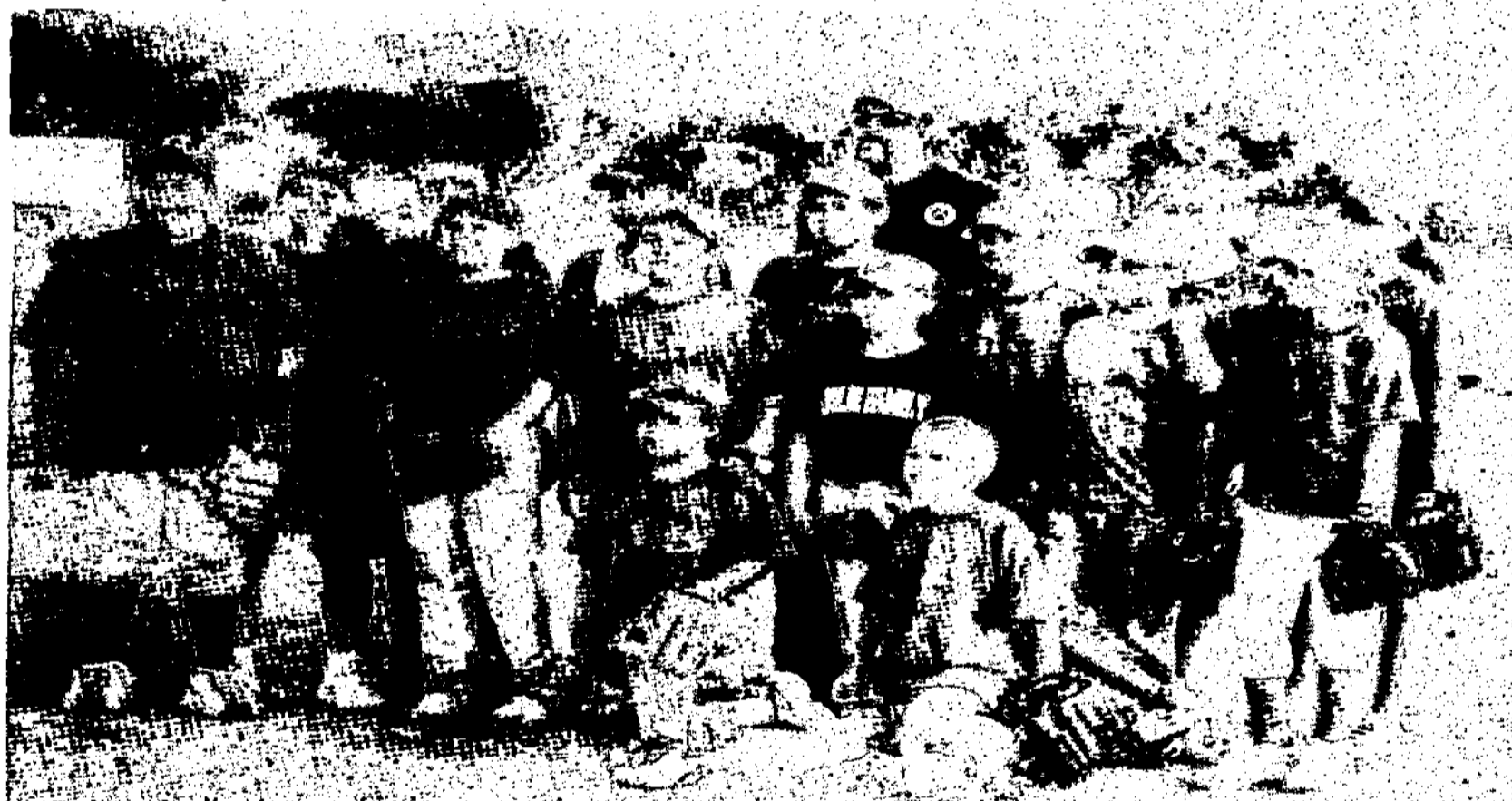
BE STRONG IN THE LORD, AND IN HIS MIGHTY POWER.
EPHESIANS 6:10

"Lord, hold our troops in your loving hands.
Protect them as they protect us.
Bless them and their families for the selfless acts they perform for us in our time of need. Amen"

Diamondbacks Are Little League Champs



CARRIZOZO LITTLE LEAGUE CHAMPS -- The 'Diamondbacks' coached by Chris Barela and Robert Guevara, and sponsored by Miguel Garcia on behalf of John R. Hakanson, P.C., ran the table in the playoff tournament (3-0) and won the Carrizozo Little League championship for 2007. The team was 4-4 during the regular season. Pictured above are: Front row (left to right) -- Cody Carter, Lexi Zamora, Zhane Vega. 2nd row -- Sean Medina, Danny Roper, Janae Willingham, Mikhail Barela, Gene Gore and Erick Culley. Back row -- Coach Chris Barela, Zachary Zamora, Shania Zamora, Jade Roper, Andrea Vigil, and Coach Robert Guevara.



2nd Place: The 'Cubs', coached by Annette Vega and David Arteche, and sponsored by the Leslie Family (Rick and Charlotte Emmons). The team finished with a 2-6 regular season record, but played well in the playoffs (2-2) and finished as the 2nd place team. Pictured above are: Front row (left to right) -- Deline Arteche and Justice Kassel. 2nd row -- Josh Vallejos, Devon Arteche, Dalton Vega, Tyrell Barela, Lawrence Hill, Fantasia Dennis. 3rd row -- Coach Annette Vega, Austin Myers, Don Myers (batboy), Tavis Nash, Erica Vega, Tricia Greenlaw (batgirl), Anna-Leah Hill. Back row -- Coach David Arteche. (Not in picture: Maria Tate, scorebook keeper).



CARRIZOZO LITTLE LEAGUE would like to thank the following sponsors and those individuals who donated to the league this season:

- * Jack Ward
- * Town of Carrizozo
- * Wal-Mart (Ruidoso)
- * Wells Fargo Bank
- * City Bank
- * Leslie Family
- * Carrizozo Fire Department
- * Patsy Serna
- * Eileen Lovelace
- * Harold & Faye Garcia
- * Miguel Garcia, on behalf of John R. Hakanson, P.C.

A big thanks goes to the people who helped with the concession and burritos, coaches and umpires, and Theresa Vega -- without all of your help this would have been impossible.

We look forward to your support next season.

Carrizozo Little League

Photos Courtesy of
Charlotte Emmons
Cathy Barela



3rd Place: The 'Rockies', coached by Chris J. Barela and Lee Najar and sponsored by Wells Fargo Bank, pose with their 3rd place trophies and medals. The team finished the regular season with a sparkling 6-2 record, but were 0-2 in the double elimination tournament. Pictured above are: Front row (left to right) -- Clrsten Barela, Lindsay Chavez, Dillon Najar, Miccah Hamilton and Christian Najar. 2nd row -- Nicholas Chavez, Jace Hill, Tiffany Vega and Casey Vega. Back row -- Coach Chris Barela, James Guevara (Wells Fargo representative), and Coach Lee Najar. Team manager was Tristen Barela. (Not pictured: Hannah Ventura, Caleb Ventura, and Josh Ventura).



LEGALS

**LEGAL NOTICE
CALL FOR BIDS**

The Lincoln County Solid Waste Authority will open Sealed Bids at 10:00 a.m. on August 15, 2007 at the Authority's Office, 222 2nd Street, Ruidoso Downs, New Mexico, 88346, on the following:

4 Work Trucks

Bid Forms and Specifications may be obtained from the Lincoln County Solid Waste Authority's Office, 222 2nd Street, Ruidoso Downs, New Mexico, 88346. Mailed Bids should be addressed to the Lincoln County Solid Waste Authority, P.O. Box 2405, Ruidoso Downs, New Mexico, 88346; with the envelope clearly marked: 4 Work Trucks on the lower left hand corner of the submitted envelope. It shall be the responsibility of the bidder to see that its Bid is delivered to the Authority's Office by the date and time set for opening. If the mailed or delivery of said Bid is delayed beyond the opening date and time, Bid thus delayed will not be considered. A public opening will be held on August 15, 2007 at 10:00 a.m., any bidder or their authorized representatives are invited to attend.

The Lincoln County Solid Waste Authority reserves the right to reject any/or all Bids submitted.

**LINCOLN COUNTY
SOLID WASTE AUTHORITY**

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**LEGAL NOTICE
STATE OF NEW MEXICO
COUNTY OF LINCOLN
TWELFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT
No. D1226CV200700255**

COUNTRYWIDE HOME LOANS, INC.,
Plaintiff,

vs.
JOVIAN B. SMITH AKA JOVIAN SMITH; UNKNOWN OCCUPANTS, WHOSE TRUE NAMES ARE UNKNOWN; THE UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF JOVIAN B. SMITH AKA JOVIAN SMITH, IF ANY.
Defendant(s).

NOTICE OF SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned Special Master will on September 4, 2007, at 8:45 A.M., Lincoln County Courthouse, 300 Central, Carrizozo, NM 88301, sell and convey to the highest bidder for cash all the right, title, and interest of the above-named defendants in and to the following described real estate located in said County and State:

UNIT NO. 303, OF EAGLE CREEK WEST CONDOMINIUMS, PHASE 2A, LINCOLN COUNTY, NEW MEXICO, AS THE SAME IS ESTABLISHED AND IDENTIFIED IN THE DECLARATION RECORDED SEPTEMBER 19, 1983 IN MISCELLANEOUS BOOK 88, PAGES 318-327, BOTH INCLUSIVE; AND AS SHOWN ON THE PLAT FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY CLERK OF LINCOLN COUNTY, NEW MEXICO ON AUGUST 30, 1983, IN CABINET D,

SLIDE NO. 140, TOGETHER WITH SAID UNITS UNDIVIDED INTEREST IN AND TO THE COMMON AREA AND FACILITIES OF THE EAGLE CREEK WEST CONDOMINIUM PROJECT ATTRIBUTABLE TO SAID UNIT. The address of the real property is 303 Ski Run Road Unit 303, Alto, NM 88312.

Said sale will be made pursuant to the Decree of Foreclosure entered on July 16, 2007, in the above entitled and numbered cause, which was a suit to foreclose a mortgage held by the above Plaintiff and wherein Plaintiff was adjudged to have a lien against the above-described real estate in the sum of \$111,823.25, plus interest from July 9, 2007 to the date of sale at the rate of 6.875% per annum, the costs of sale, including the Special Master's fee, publication costs, and Plaintiff's costs expended for taxes, insurance, and keeping the property in good repair.

Plaintiff has the right to bid at such sale and submit its bid verbally or in writing. The Plaintiff may apply all or any part of its judgment to the purchase price in lieu of cash.

At the date and time stated above, the Special Master may postpone the sale to such later date and time as the Special Master may specify.

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

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

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

Dated: July 27, 2007.

Peter Baca, Special Master
c/o Castle Meinhold & Stawiariski
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**LEGAL NOTICE
STATE OF NEW MEXICO
COUNTY OF LINCOLN
TWELFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT
No. CV-2007-249
Div. III**

**BONNIE O'LEARY, as Trustee of THE
RON BOSTIC CHILDREN'S TRUST,
Plaintiff,**

vs.
**A.D. POWERS AND A. BETH
POWERS, husband and wife, UNITED
STATES OF AMERICA (IRS),
TAXATION AND REVENUE
DEPARTMENT OF THE STATE
OF NEW MEXICO, and JOHN DOE
AND JANE DOE,
Defendants.**

**AMENDED NOTICE OF
FORECLOSURE SALE**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on Monday, August 20, 2007, at 10:00 a.m. at the Lincoln County Courthouse, located at 300 Central Avenue, Carrizozo, New Mexico, the undersigned Special Master will offer at public sale and sell to the highest bidder for cash the following described real property:

Lot T29A of DEER PARK WOODS SUBDIVISION, UNIT 3, Lincoln County, New Mexico, as shown by the plat thereof filed in the Office of the County Clerk and Ex-officio Recorder of Lincoln County, New Mexico, October 28, 1977, in Tube No. 599.

The Special Master's sale will be conducted pursuant to the Amended Judgment, Decree of Foreclosure, Order of Sale and Appointment of Special Master entered by the Court on July 17, 2007, an action for foreclosure of that certain third mortgage dated August 31, 2005. As set forth in the Amended Judgment, said sale is subject to prior liens not foreclosed in this action.

Plaintiff's Judgment directed foreclosure of the real property to satisfy the fol-

lowing amounts:

Principal	\$ 65,650.00
Prejudgment Accrued Interest	\$ 11,880.93
Post Judgment interest to date of sale	\$ 629.65
Costs of Suit	\$ 185.98
Attorney's fees	\$ 1,603.10
Special Master's fee	\$ 200.00
	\$ 80,149.66

In addition to the Judgment liens noted above, there will be accruing interest and costs, including costs of publication of this notice.

The Special Master may continue the date of sale by appearing at the time designated in this notice and announcing the postponement to another specific date.

WITNESS my hand on July 23, 2007.

Peter Baca, Special Master

ALAN P. MOREL, P.A.

Alan P. Morel
P.O. Box 1030
Ruidoso, New Mexico 88355
Attorney for Plaintiff

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**Think rain!
CORONA NEWS**

Tysa Davidson and Randa Hutcheson with their sponsor Trish Cox represented New Mexico at the National 4-H Leadership Conference in Washington D.C. this summer. Along with their conference responsibilities, they saw the highlights of the nation's capital and visited with New Mexico congressmen. Both young women, seniors at Corona High School, will be available for presentations on the conference.

Tarren Washburn, age 6, won the saddle for all around high point man in the Little Britches division of the Lincoln County Rodeo Club, Saturday, July 28. The series

started May 26 in Capitan. Tarren competed in barrels, flag race, pole bending, and goat ribbon pull. He received a buckle for pole bending and the goat ribbon pull.

The Cedarvale Reunion was held this last weekend with former residents attending from all over New Mexico, Arizona and a few from Texas. There was lots of good food and visiting. Plans were made to hold the next reunion the first weekend in August, 2009, for two days.

Winner of the Cedarvale Quilting Club's quilt was Ann Mundis from Mountainair.



Activities at the recently held Corona Festival included this 'stampede' of riders

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Looking Back

THROUGH OLD NEWS FILES

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The governor stated he believed the men were ignorant and not criminally responsible and emphatically denied the report that the pardons were "to further friendly relations with Mexico."

The raid on Columbus took place shortly after midnight on the night of March 9, 1916.

Villa and his force of men slipped into the little town of Columbus in the darkness, surrounded the city and began shooting and killing its citizens. Men, women and children were shot down in cold blood by the Mexican bandits. No mercy was shown. The town was set on fire.

United States troops of the 12th cavalry finally drove them out of the town, after they had looted and killed and burned, and chased them over the border into Mexico. However the bandits were in Columbus for over an hour before the troops were able to disperse them. It was charged that the American forces had not taken proper precaution to guard the place and an official inquiry was held by the war department.

The invasion of Mexico by the Pershing expedition followed this raid by Villa and his bandits, coming about 10 days earlier. Gen. Pershing was ordered to go in and capture Villa, but was ordered out of Mexico before he succeeded.

What the Teacher Thought

"The world is full of fault finders," remarked Professor Pritchard at a dinner recently, "and one of the most common targets is the modern education system. No more common expression than, 'Well, they used to really teach us something when I went to school.'"

"I have a friend like that, but the other day he told me he was through. I came about to this way. He used to help his little son with his home studies. One evening, as they were about to begin, he asked the little chap what his teacher said regarding his home work.

"She says I'm getting stupider every day," replied the lad.

Something Similar

An English tourist was on a visit to Arran and decided to have a day's fishing. He made inquiries of local experts, and being told that the cleg, or horsefly, would suit his purpose for lure, he sought the highland servant girl at his inn.

"I say, my girl, can you get me some horseflies?" he asked.

The girl looked at him stupidly.

He repeated his question and added:

"Why, girl, did you never see a horsefly?"

"No sir," replied the girl, shaking her head,

"but wance I saw a cow jump over a cliff". — Chicago Daily News

It Was Potent

"How about the bootleg goods in this town?" asked the stranger.

"In what particular?" said the old inhabitant.

"Is it potent?"

"Potent" is the word. A gentleman of my acquaintance stepped out of a theater one night during an intermission and purchased a few drinks in a near-by alley. Then he returned to the theater.

"Well, what is so remarkable about that?"

"He didn't know, until the doorkeeper kindly told him, that it was the next night."

H.J. Little Returns

Harry Little returned Sunday from a two weeks visit in Chicago, it was his first visit east in many years. He located a brother whom he had not seen since leaving there. He also rounded up an old friend, Charley Neeley, whom he prospected with 14 or 15 years ago in the Capitan mountains.

Charley will be remembered by many of the old timers as a landscape painter, who did a little prospecting as a side line. When funds got low, he would paint a local scene on canvass. Harry would make a frame, the picture would be sold, and the proceeds used for a grub stake.

Both would then start into the hills in quest of a vein of the yellow stuff. Several of the pictures are yet in Capitan and some are in Carrizozo. Wm. Reiley owns one that he values highly.

Harry and Charley had a pleasant time raking up old reminiscences, but he was glad when he got back to old Lincoln county, where "the sun shines for all, all the time," as he only got one peek at old sol, during his two weeks in Illinois.

Sheriff's Report

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banche/loud party reported at residence on Mogul Drive in Alto, deputy dispatched.

August 3
3:00 a.m. Fire reported at location on Mount Capitan in Capitan, Capitan fire units dispatched.

7:02 a.m. Medical call at mile marker 278 on Hwy 70 in Hondo, ambulance dispatched.

7:59 a.m. Accident reported on Hwy 54 south of Carrizozo, Carrizozo police, emergency units, ambulance and deputy dispatched.

11:30 a.m. Flooding reported on Lot 197 or Lot 199 in Alto, deputy dispatched.

12:29 p.m. Medical call at White Oaks School in White Oaks, ambulance dispatched.

2:19 p.m. Dog reported running loose on Hwy 70 in Ruidoso, deputy dispatched.

2:39 p.m. Civil dispute reported at location on Hwy 37 in Bonito, deputy dispatched.

2:44 p.m. Larceny/theft reported at location on White Oaks Hwy in White Oaks, deputy dispatched.

8:09 p.m. Fire reported at location on Cimarron in Alto, Bonito fire units and deputy dispatched.

August 4
2:20 a.m. Disturbance/loud party reported at Bonito Lake, deputy dispatched.

8:44 a.m. Dog reported running loose on Smokey Bear Boulevard in Capitan, police dispatched.

9:09 a.m. Suspicious activity by person(s) in vehicle reported on Hwy 48 northbound from Alto, deputy dispatched.

9:56 a.m. Alarm reported at location on Cora Dutton Road in Capitan, deputy dispatched.

12:56 a.m. Alarm reported at location on E Avenue in Carrizozo, deputy dispatched.

4:12 p.m. Larceny/theft reported from location on Fort Stanton Road in Alto, deputy dispatched.

6:39 p.m. Dog reported running loose on Mogul in Alto, deputy dispatched.

7:38 p.m. 911 Hang-up from location on Hwy 48 in Alto, deputy dispatched.

August 5
1:06 a.m. Medical call at mile marker 278 on Hwy 70 in Glencoe, ambulance dispatched.

9:18 a.m. Medical call at residence on C Avenue in Carrizozo, ambulance dispatched.

9:40 p.m. Dog reported running loose on Smokey Bear Boulevard in Capitan, police dispatched.

9:52 p.m. medical call at mile marker 2 on FR 593 where it intersects FR 593A in Fort Stanton, Glencoe emergency units, and deputy dispatched.

10:55 a.m. Accident reported at location on Hwy 380 in Lincoln, ambulance and deputy dispatched.

11:49 a.m. Alarm reported at location on Goldenrod in Alto, deputy dispatched.

12:27 p.m. Accident reported on Hwy 380 in Lincoln, ambulance and deputy dispatched.

12:50 p.m. Larceny/theft of cell phone reported at location on Hwy 380 in Lincoln, deputy dispatched.

1:01 p.m. Dog reported running loose near Hwy 380 and Hwy 54 intersection, deputy dispatched.

2:06 p.m. Suspicious activity by person(s) in vehicle reported at mile marker 283 on Hwy 70 in Hondo, deputy dispatched.

2:16 p.m. Fire reported at location on Snell Road in Carrizozo, Nogal fire units dispatched.

4:54 p.m. Medical call at residence on Crestview in Capitan, ambulance dispatched.

7:09 p.m. Traffic hazard reported on Hwy 70 between Tinnie and Riverside, deputy dispatched.

9:38 p.m. Welfare check requested for person sitting in car on Hwy 380 in Carrizozo, deputy dispatched.

August 6
12:32 a.m. Agency assistance requested at Ruidoso Airport, deputy dispatched.

FAST ACTION

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CASA MANANA APARTMENTS is now taking applications for a one bedroom apartment. Rental Assistance available for elderly, disabled or age 62 or older. For application, call 648-2514. TDD: 1-800-659-8331 or write to Casa Manana Apts., P.O. Box 872, Carrizozo, NM 88301.



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NOTICE OF EMPLOYMENT

The Town of Carrizozo is now accepting applications for a Part Time Position maintaining the Animal Shelter weekends only. Applicants must have a valid Drivers License. Duties include cleaning kennels, walking and grooming dogs. Applications are available at Town of Carrizozo City Hall, P.O. Box 247, Carrizozo, New Mexico 88301. Deadline for Applications is August 17, 2007 at 4:00 p.m.

Leann Wehbrecht, CMC
Clerk/Treasurer
Town of Carrizozo

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NOTICE OF EMPLOYMENT

The Town of Carrizozo is now accepting applications for Police Officer. Applications accepted from New Mexico Certified or individuals who are eligible for Certification by Waiver. Pay is \$16.50 per hour with Health Insurance, and Retirement. Job description and applications are available at Town of Carrizozo City Hall, P.O. Box 247, Carrizozo, New Mexico 88301. Deadline for Applications is August 31, 2007 at 4:00 p.m.

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