

Preliminary Plat Approved for Heritage Preserve

by Patrice Brazier

After three meetings of the Lincoln County Planning Commission dedicated to the review of a proposed subdivision of 1,365 acres near Nogal, the Heritage Preserve at Ruidoso request for preliminary plat approval came before the Lincoln County Board of Commissioners on September 18th.

County attorney Alan Morel updated the county commissioners on the approval

process. "What's happened to date is the plat has been deemed complete; it's been sent up to all of the state agencies for review. Those agencies have all signed off on the review process," Morel said.

The Lincoln County Planning Commission had reviewed the application for compliance with the county's subdivision ordinance and voted to recommend approval, but also submitted a list of concerns for the county

officials to review and consider.

"They are technically outside the scope of our ordinance," Morel said of the planners' concerns, "but they thought they were important enough to bring to your attention," he said.

County planning director Curt Temple also submitted a list of items that must be met by the developer to be in compliance with current regulations, and Morel suggested that approval of the

preliminary plat should be contingent upon completion of those items.

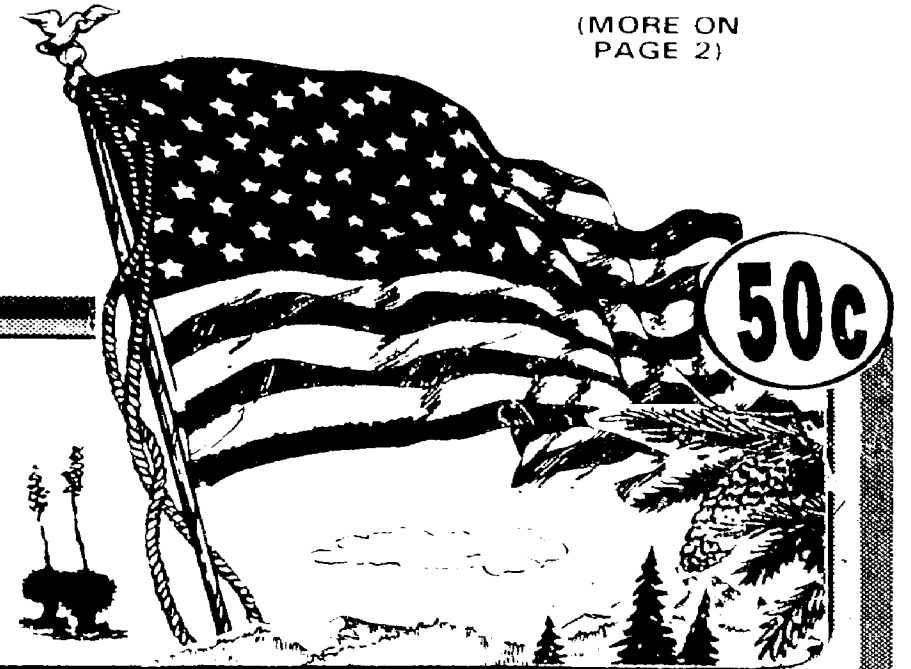
According to Temple, some unresolved issues, which he said the developer is working on, relate to mapping flood zones to address drainage on the property and completion of easement agreements and road improvement plans. "That's an unmapped FEMA (Federal Emergency Management Agency) area, so they're having to provide us with the

BFEs (Base Flood Elevations)," Temple said. "That's being addressed right now."

Destre Shelley, spokesperson for Heritage Preserve

which is now owned by Verde Realty of El Paso, presented the concept of the development and fielded questions from the county

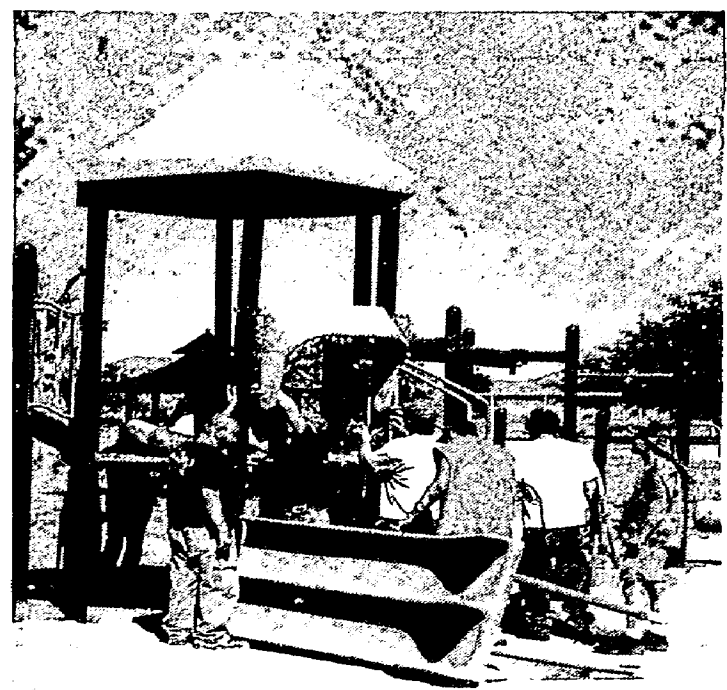
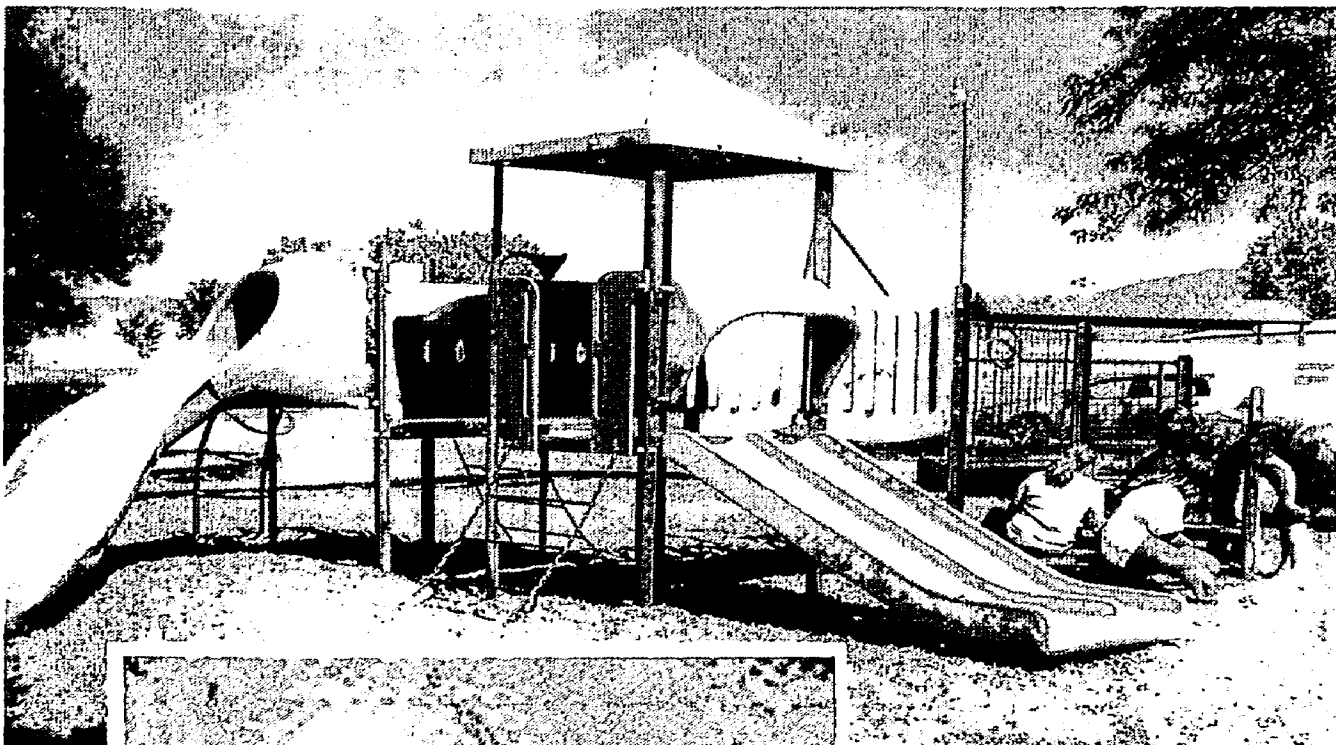
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New Playground

With the help of a lot of volunteers, the Carrizozo Woman's Club's Happy World Playground project came to fruition in Spencer Park last weekend. Volunteers worked for several days last week to prepare the grounds, pour footings and assemble the equipment. An unanticipated addition to the new playground are the gazebos that will provide some shady spots. (Photo by Patrice Brazier)

County to Consider Tower Ordinance

by Patrice Brazier

County commission vice-chair Eileen Lovelace told her fellow commissioners in September that it might be time to consider a county ordinance to regulate cell phone towers. A new tower has been recently erected along Highway 380 just east of Carrizozo, and Lovelace suggested that, with the rapid advancement of technology and increased use of cell phones, more and more towers might begin to invade the landscape of Lincoln County.

"I don't know how many more will come in, but I'm sure it's going to be an issue," Lovelace said.

With an ordinance in place the county might be able to place restrictions on the location of the towers and how

close to the highways they could be, Lovelace said. She added that in some parts of the country cell towers are required to be disguised in ways that make them more attractive.

County commissioner Dave Parks said that, after discussing the matter with the county's attorney, he believed that the communications companies could be required to share towers. "I don't see any sense of every cell phone company having their own tower when they could be shared," Parks said. "In some cases they may have to build a stronger tower, but make it required that they share it whether they want to or not," Parks said. He also suggested charging communication companies a

permitting fee for the erection of a tower.

Members of the Sierra Blanca Amateur Radio Club have expressed some concerns that an ordinance might inhibit their ability to set up temporary towers during emergencies, according to county commission chair Tom Battin, who said he had received an email from the club. Battin said the ham radio operators are not opposed to an ordinance regulating towers, but wanted assurance that their operations could continue as usual. They'll probably come to our next meeting," he said.

Jerry Carroll, of Oscuro, told the county commissioners that a tower near Highway 54 and Oscuro could be hazardous to low flying aircraft. "It's 196 feet tall. It's four feet below the level that they require lights on," Carroll said. "It's unlighted at night, and you have to appreciate that it's guyed, guy wires going out 120 degrees on the three sides. That makes it more hazardous to aircraft," he added.

County commissioner Jackie Powell said that she

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New Playground In Spencer Park

by Patrice Brazier

Thanks to the efforts of the Carrizozo Woman's Club and lots of local volunteers, Carrizozo kids now have a new place to play.

The Happy World Playground project, envisioned by the women of Carrizozo a few years ago, has been

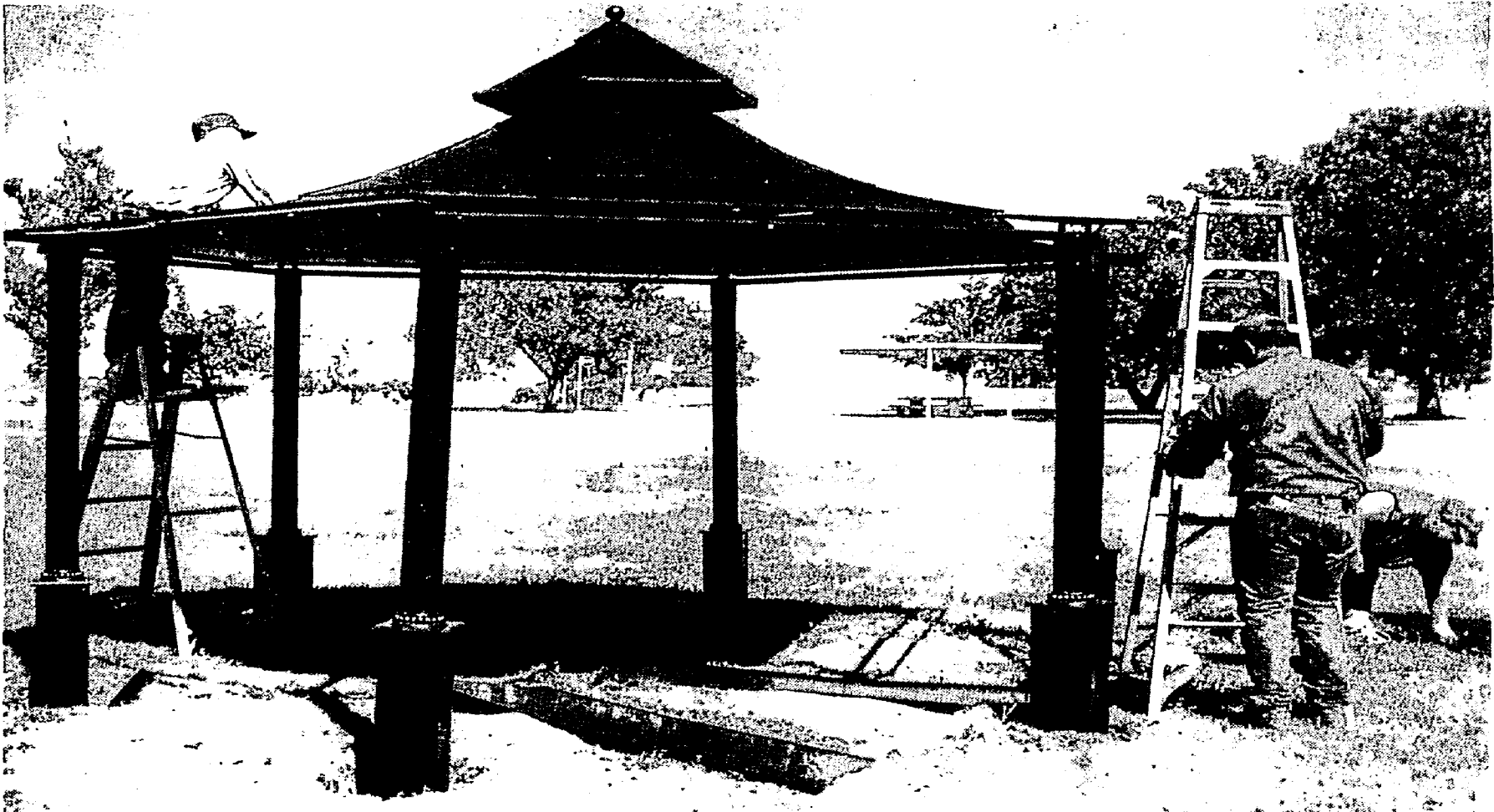
spearheaded by Peggy Sajar, Barbara Culler and Elaine Zamora, all woman's club members.

The process to bring new playground equipment to Carrizozo's Spencer Park, located next to the municipal swimming pool and the defunct Carrizozo Recreation Center, began with requests for donations from local citizens and organizations.

About a year ago, according to Zamora, a \$5,000 grant was received from a company called Kaboom!. In July of this year, the woman's club was granted \$90,000 from the New Mexico state legislature, enough to purchase the playground equipment and prepare the grounds for installation.

Over the past weekend more than 30 volunteers gathered at Spencer Park to dig the holes and pour concrete footings, assemble and erect the new state of the art playground equipment.

According to Culler, the woman's organization will continue to seek funding to purchase additional equipment for the park. "We'd like to add new equipment every year," Culler said on Sunday. "We're hoping to get some things for the older kids to play on."



CARRIZOZO GRIZZLY HOMECOMING SCHEDULE FOR FRIDAY, OCT. 5th:

Assembly 10:00
 Assembly includes presentation of Homecoming Court, pep rally and Senior Auction. Public is invited to attend.

Parade 12:30
 Parade will leave 4 Winds parking lot, go south on Central, and then back north on 12th Street.

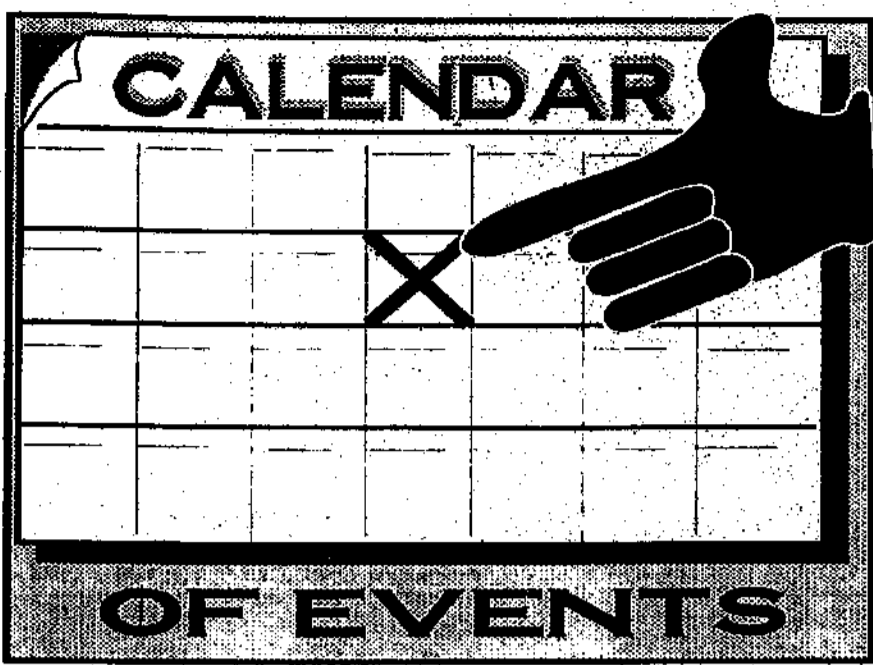
Volleyball game vs. Quemado 2:00 p.m.

Presentation of Court will be at 6:30 p.m., before FB game.

Homecoming FB game vs. Loving Falcons 7:00 p.m.

Homecoming Dance following game until midnight.

Next Carrizozo Town Council Meeting
Tuesday, October 9th



MONDAYS AND WEDNESDAYS

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

WEDNESDAYS

-Corona Lending Library story hour 4 p.m.
-AWANA, for children age 3 through 6th grade, 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. at First Baptist Church of Carrizozo. Non-denominational, activities. Call 648-2107 for information.

FIRST AND THIRD THURSDAYS

-Representative from State Engineer's Office at Ruidoso Village Hall from 9 a.m. to 12 noon.

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.
-Alcohol Anonymous 6:30 p.m. Carrizozo First Baptist Church Fellowship Hall.

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 6

-Trinity Site, where first atomic bomb was detonated July 16, 1945, open to the public. Stallion gate, 5.4 miles west of Carrizozo on US Hwy 380 open from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. Visitors enter and leave at any time. Photo ID required. Caravan tour with escorts to and from Trinity Site leaves Tularosa High School at 8 a.m.

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 7

-Area code 505 is now 575 for Lincoln County, Otero County, Chaves County and southern counties.

MONDAY, OCTOBER 8

-Columbus Day, many governmental entities closed.

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 9

-Carrizozo Chamber of Commerce 12 noon at Four Winds Restaurant in Carrizozo.
--Lincoln County Commissioners special meeting 1:00 p.m. in Lincoln County Courthouse in Carrizozo.
-Ruidoso Village Council 4:30 p.m.
-Carrizozo Town Council 6 p.m.
-Capitan Village Council 6:30 p.m.
-Corona Village Council 7 p.m.
-Corona School Board 7 p.m.

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 11

-Capitan School Board 6:30 p.m.

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 12

-Southeastern New Mexico Economic Development District (SNMEDD) board of directors quarterly meeting 10:00 a.m. at ENMU-Roswell.
-Staff members of US Senator Pete Domenici will be at Corona Village Hall from 1:30 p.m. to 2:30 p.m. Anyone who is having difficulty with a federal agency who would like Sen. Domenici's assistance is welcome. Messages and opinions may also be sent to the Senator at this time.

**Next Carrizozo Town Council Meeting
Tuesday, October 9th**

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County Adopts MH Ordinance

by Patrice Brazie

The problem of manufacturing homes with outstanding property taxes being removed from Lincoln County was brought to light in August by county treasurer Beverly Calaway and county assessor Rick Silva. While Calaway acknowledged that the problem of owners of manufactured homes skipping out on their property taxes isn't a large issue in this county, she said she thought it would be wise to create a means to know where such homes are and when they are moved.

During the September 18th meeting of the Lincoln County Board of Commissioners, county attorney Alan Morel reported that he had met with several county representatives to fine tune a draft county ordinance regulating the movement and registration of manufactured homes. Employees from the county assessor's office, treasurer's

office, the 911 rural addressing office and Morel's office, as well as county manager Tom Stewart discussed their concerns regarding the ordinance, Morel said. "I think we revised the amount of the permit fee. We went from \$25 to \$10," Morel said. He told the county commissioners that, because current laws already require the registration and permitting of new trailers, and because no back taxes are owed on new trailers, it was recommended that the ordinance only be applied

to the relocation of used or established manufactured homes.

"This ordinance does a number of things," Morel said. "It requires a permit for moving (a manufactured home) within the county, so

that we know where it's being moved to, so we can locate it for taxation purposes and we can give it a property address." The attorney said that the ordinance will make

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County to Consider

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had been asked by some people interested in wind generators if a tower ordinance would also affect those generators.

County attorney Alan Morel said that a tower ordinance generally regulates many forms of towers. "Cell towers are just one of the towers you're addressing," he said. "Ordinances I've seen actually address all different types of towers, including ham radio operators, antennas, it's really a height issue and a visual issue," Morel said. "They can address as little or as much as you want."

The county commissioners will further consider an ordinance to regulate towers at their meeting of October 16th.

OBITUARIES



GREGORIO PINO

Gregorio Pino of Arlington, VA, died September 16 at Virginia Hospital Center. He was born May 9, 1939 in Carrizozo to Presiliano and Esther Pino.

He was raised on the family cattle ranch and graduated from Carrizozo High School in 1957. He graduated from the University of New Mexico with a degree in geology. After two years working for the New Mexico State Highway Department he moved to Washington, D.C. area and worked as an imagery analyst and intelligence officer for the Central Intelligence Agency for more than 35 years. While working for the CIA he attended George Washington University at night and earned a Master's Degree in public administration. After his retirement from federal service he worked as an analyst for three years with GCI in Reston, VA.

Greg was the husband of Christy Marie Pino, father of Michael Gregorio Pino and Cynthia Marie Pino and brother of Paul Pino and Margaret Hobby of Albuquerque and Carmen Chavez Anaya and Nora Pino of Alamogordo and Presiliano Pino of Arlington, VA.

A mass will be held Saturday, October 6 at St. Agnes Catholic Church in Arlington, VA. A service and burial will be scheduled for a later date in Carrizozo.



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Weather Report

BY JEFF HAMMOND

There is a slight to fair chance for showers and thunderstorms at all elevations of Lincoln County all day today and into the evening hours. Friday will be the beginning of mostly sunny and clear conditions that will last through the upcoming three day weekend, ending with Columbus Day on Monday. The rest of the week will be continued sunny clear skies, and of course the constant winds out of the west and southwest.

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

Today, Thursday, October 4
A slight chance of showers, with thunderstorms also possible after noon, partly cloudy, with a high near 83, southwest wind between 5 and 15 mph; night: A slight chance of showers and thunderstorms, partly cloudy, with a low around 59, southwest wind between 10 and 15 mph.

Friday, October 5
Partly cloudy, with a high near 82, night: Mostly clear, with a low around 52.

Saturday, October 6
Mostly sunny, with a high near 81, night: Mostly clear, with a low around 45.

Sunday, October 7
Sunny, with a high near 77, night: Clear, with a low around 43.

Columbus Day, Monday, October 8
Mostly sunny, with a high near 78, night: Mostly clear, with a low around 46.

Tuesday, October 9
Mostly sunny, with a high near 80, night: Mostly clear, with a low around 46.

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

Today, Thursday, October 4
A slight chance of showers, with thunderstorms also possible after noon, partly cloudy, with a high near 80, west wind between 5 and 15 mph; night: A slight chance of showers and thunderstorms, partly cloudy, with a low around 53, west wind between 10 and 15 mph.

Friday, October 5
Partly cloudy, with a high near 78, night: Mostly clear, with a low around 48.

Saturday, October 6
Mostly sunny, with a high near 78, night: Mostly clear, with a low around 43.

Sunday, October 7
Sunny, with a high near 72, night: Clear, with a low around 40.

Columbus Day, Monday, October 8
Mostly sunny, with a high near 75, night: Mostly clear, with a low around 43.

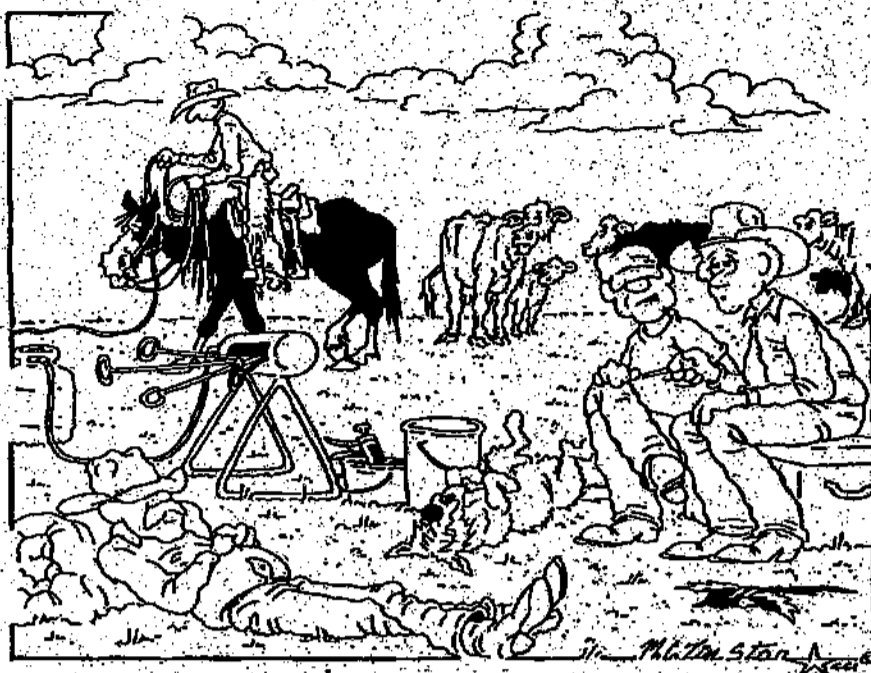
Tuesday, October 9
Mostly sunny, with a high near 78, night: Mostly clear, with a low around 43.

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.



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"ONE THING FOR SURE, THE BRANDIN' CREW GETS PLENTY OF REST WHEN EARL'S DOIN' THE 'ROPIN'..."
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★ Inside the Capitol

by Jay Miller, Syndicated Columnist

SANTA FE -- Wouldn't it be nice to have the power to make rules for everyone else, but not have to follow them yourself? It happens constantly, in both the public and private sectors, but it's more noticeable in the public sector.

The New Mexico Legislature, for instance, made a rule that public meetings have to be open to the public but then exempted its own conference committees between House and Senate representatives.

Then there is our president, who warned us for five years not to compare Iraq with Vietnam because "there is no comparison." But now that he has a convenient analogy, he is doing just that.

Now we have the New Mexico Department of Transportation proclaiming that the state Procurement Code does not apply to its unusual method of financing a new headquarters building and transportation hub for the RailRunner train. But when questions are asked about some of its actions, the department spokesman has repeatedly cited the Procurement Code in refusing to answer.

But then that's not one of the bigger problems faced by the Transportation Department right now. The Bernalillo County Metro Court money fraud scandal is spreading up to Santa Fe as some of people indicted in the Albuquerque charges are showing up as being involved with the Transportation Department project.

And now we learn that the department has decided the 300,000 square-foot headquarters building it wants constructed in return for the contractor getting to develop the rest of the property near downtown Santa Fe only needs to be 170,000 square-feet.

That's a big break for winning bidder Jerry Peters, who is a major contributor to Gov. Bill Richardson's campaigns.

Further work on final negotiations on the contract has been suspended until investigation of that matter has been completed.

That may sink my prediction that the state's RailRunner hub will be finished long before the city of Santa Fe's 10-year-old Railway Project is off the ground. No public body can dither around longer than the Santa Fe City Council.

A favorite joke around town these days is that the question of whether Santa Fe was founded in 1607 or 1610 has been settled. It was 1607. The confusion was created because Santa Fe officials

took three years to issue a building permit for the Palace of the Governors.

When it came to trying to pry the door open on the Legislature's conference committees, the late Bob Johnson led the charge. He headed the New Mexico Foundation for Open Government, which is dedicated to opening public meetings and records.

Bob had a long career with the Associated Press and ended it as a top executive with the organization. He

retired to New Mexico, taught some college classes in journalism and became the first director of the Foundation for Open Government, assisting attorneys general with training local public officials about open government.

We worked together on the effort to learn why private money was paying for an official criminal investigation of whether Sheriff Pat Garrett shot Billy the Kid or

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What Split?

The longer we get into the problems at Carrizozo City Hall the more directions things seem to be taking. The one thing I keep hearing now is that the town's people need someone that can bring them together -- as like uniting the community to work as one. I don't see the need for any such person. I have not been aware of any split between any factions in the community and I didn't get any sense or feeling of any split between the many people that attended the last town council meeting. Fact is, unity seemed to be the only impression anyone could come away with. Everyone there was in attendance for the same reason, to get some answers -- which they didn't get; some accountability to the abuse of town ordinances -- which we haven't gotten; and reprimands which should have been handed out for not following our town ordinances; and the total disregard and neglect of our town trustees in the performance of their duties by not being remotely aware of what they are approving or signing off on. And if they did... why all the "I didn't know's".

No, I don't think we need to pull this town together, all we need is someone on our governing body that understands that the first step in knowing what is going on around you is a monthly financial statement and finding out how much money you have to spend and how that money is being spent and then taking care of the priorities for the town.

There may be many questions that can't be answered depending on the confidentiality of the matter in question, but simple explanations to those questions might suffice, surely someone in our governing body can come up with that. A brief discussion between our trustees during town meetings on different matters brought up will probably go a long way toward gaining back some trust, but simply attending a meeting and answering "here" when roll call is made and then waiting for adjournment isn't going to cut it.

Seems to me that our former mayor who recently resigned was left out to hang. Don't think that all the mess at city hall was of his doing... it's been festering for some time. He mentioned in his letter that he didn't get very much help from the community, but the help that he was seeking should have come from the people that were sitting to his right and to his left at town council meetings. He didn't get it. Maybe he should have gone to his critics for the advice/help he needed, sometimes they are the only ones you can trust.

peter aguilar

THOUGHTS FROM THE EDITOR'S DESK

Questions are being asked

By Ruth Hammond

Are you happy? That question is seldom asked, even though it should be asked more frequently than it is. If more people would smile there would be less reason to ask if a person is happy. The smile would be contagious and reflect the innards of the person. However, there are a few grouches, even a few here in Lincoln County, that refuse to smile, and prefer scowling instead of smiling.

Smiling should be mandatory because it would help bring happiness to places where there is gloom. But if everyone were to smile at once it probably would shock everyone to the point it would cause a shift in the earth and cause tides and global patterns to change drastically.

Such drastic changes might not be unlike what could happen Tuesday when the county commission special meeting is held at 1 p.m. and later that evening the Carrizozo Town Council will be in session. Both events could provide much information and more questions. And both events are just two days after the new phone area code for much of the southern portion of the state go into effect. Actually the 505 area code will work for another year, but it's better to start to use 575 as soon as possible.

Up to ten public hearings were held, all worthless and a waste of money because we all knew that Albuquerque would win the 505 battle, which they did. Public input was accepted, not that it meant anything. Actually the entire situation was a farce and provided only lip service.

Maybe accepting the way things are works for some people but most of the people around Lincoln County have differing views. Most have accepted the 575 area code but it is doubtful if many will sit quietly when the county's not quite legal visioning committee comes up with recommendations far from what was envisioned for them to do when the committee met for the first time.

Perhaps another group will also not be complacent when the Carrizozo Town Council meets later that day. Many questions remain unanswered. Yes, we are aware that it will take time to clarify the majority of things that have been asked, but some answers could be simple.

The gist of both meetings should be to include people in the governmental process, not exclude them. And the main thing should be to not make anything seem to be as if it was a big dark secret for only a few to know about.

It would help if there were more explanations about why certain things are done the way they are. The county should explain why the letters sent to members of the visioning committee differed from the agenda listings.

On the town side the financial records should be out there for the people, not surreptitiously mentioned. If it sounds secret, maybe it is secret, and why is it secret?

Now the best way to disarm both possible explosive situations is to attend the meetings smiling. It could work!

Letters TO THE EDITOR

EDITOR'S NOTE: The letter below was sent to Gov. Bill Richardson by Mr. Edward J. Slechta, Jr. regarding a recent incident, and shared with the NEWS.

Mr. Edward J. Slechta, Jr.
7621 North Dido Place
Tucson, AZ 85741

September 20, 2007

Honorable Governor Bill Richardson
State Capitol
300 Dan Gaspar Ave.
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Honorable Governor Richardson:

In life there are many times when our citizens go above and beyond their duties in caring for us or loved ones. The case I am about to relate to is one of these situations where many of your New Mexico citizens went above and beyond their call of duty.

The situation began on Wednesday, September 12, 2007 when my uncle, Mr. Raymond Haffely was traveling back to Tucson, AZ from his summer place in Hinkley, Minnesota. Just north of Carrizozo, New Mexico he suffered from what was believed to be a serious case of pneumonia

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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, September 23.

8:30 a.m. Burglary reported at Lincoln State Monument on Hwy 380 in Lincoln, deputy dispatched.

10:00 a.m. Information report at location on Steele in Corona, deputy dispatched.

10:41 a.m. Motorist assistance requested at mile marker 120 on Hwy 54 south of Carrizozo, deputy dispatched.

12:40 p.m. Medical call at location on Hwy 54 in Corona, ambulance dispatched.

12:55 p.m. Death reported at location on Wild Rose Circle in Bonito, ALS ambulance, Bonito emergency units and deputy dispatched.

1:21 p.m. Information report at business location in Carrizozo, deputy dispatched.

2:53 p.m. Disturbance reported at Piñe Hill Lodge in Alto, deputy dispatched.

3:54 p.m. Medical call at location in Nogal, Benito emergency units dispatched.

4:05 p.m. Medical call for

unresponsive patient at location on Wild Rose Circle in Bonito, ALS ambulance, Bonito emergency units and deputy dispatched.

4:19 p.m. Agency assistance requested by Capitan police at location on Hwy 48 in Capitan, deputy dispatched.

4:46 p.m. Agency assistance requested by Ruidoso police at location on Hwy 70 in Ruidoso, deputy dispatched.

6:46 p.m. Accident reported on Hwy 37 in Nogal, Nogal fire units, Bonito emergency units, ALS ambulance, and deputy dispatched.

10:40 p.m. Information report at location on Hwy 37 in Nogal, deputy dispatched.

Trail in Rancho Ruidoso Valley Estates, deputy dispatched.

9:27 p.m. Suspicious activity reported on Littleton Canyon Road in Bonito, deputy dispatched.

10:42 p.m. Fight reported at business location in Ruidoso, deputy dispatched.

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12:00 a.m. Information report at location on Mira Monte in Alto, deputy dispatched.

7:39 a.m. Alarm reported at business location on Rivers Edge Road in Ruidoso, deputy dispatched.

7:49 a.m. Shots fired reported from location near De Börd in Ruidoso, deputy dispatched.

9:33 a.m. Trespassing reported at residence on E Avenue in Carrizozo, deputy dispatched.

10:36 a.m. Vandalism reported at school location in Ruidoso, deputy dispatched.

11:56 a.m. Larceny/theft reported at business located at Hwy 48 and Ski Run Road in Alto, deputy dispatched.

1:50 p.m. Trespassing reported at business location on Hwy 380 in Carrizozo, deputy dispatched.

4:40 p.m. Agency assistance requested at location

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Letters

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which he apparently had contracted during a period of rainy and cold weather in Minnesota. He had no idea that he had this illness, other than he was feeling a little bit under the weather. On the morning of September 12, 2007, I received a telephone call from Chief Carrie Spencer of the Carrizozo Police Department relating to me that she had stopped my uncle for weaving southbound on U.S. 54 north of Carrizozo. She related he had a medical emergency and was being transported by ambulance to the Ruidoso Lincoln County Regional Medical Center. She provided me with the contact person at the hospital and advised she was having my uncle's car secured. The chief said she had arranged for a police reserve Officer Don Rossi drive the car to the storage facility in Carrizozo. Chief Spencer arranged with the Lincoln County Sheriff's Department to have Deputy Forest Perera, relay some important papers from my uncle's car to him at the hospital in Ruidoso. I was able later to recover the car from Carrizozo Auto Salvage & Storage and was treated with a high degree of professionalism from Mr. Lucky Meyers, the owner. His attention to detail made the recovery very easy for me.

I spoke with Ms. Becky Bell-Durham, the emergency room nurse at the Lincoln County Regional Medical Center. She listened to me about the fact that my uncle had no negative medical history for the past eight-three years, which he had been in good health until this incident. I spoke with Medical Technician Shawna Myers, the ambulance medic who treated and cared for my uncle from the scene to the hospital. She later briefed me on the entire medical situation which gave me good insight into what had occurred. Ms. Myers also indicated that the initial emergency treatment by Dr. Al Wittey was important in stabilizing my uncle and his follow up with Dr. Martinez was the key in the early release of my uncle. The care provided by Ms. Myers and Ms. Durham was outstanding. The attending physician, Dr. Mary Martinez called and advised me of a serious case of pneumonia which she treated him for. Ms. Durham called on Thursday evening and informed me that my uncle would be released from the hospital on Friday, September 14, 2007.

The fact that I was more than five hundred miles away and worried about what was happening to my uncle and trying to figure out what was going to have to be done for my uncle's return to Arizona was made easy by all of help provided by the aforementioned persons from your state. These citizens reflect the small community aspects which are often missing in our fast pace society. I retired in July 2006 from the Arizona Department of Public Safety Highway as a sergeant with more than 40 years of service and it was refreshing to meet citizens of this quality. They reflect well on the citizens of New Mexico and you should be very proud of them and the professional manner in which they serve the general public. In my years of service I have extended the highest degree of service to other motorists in similar situations and when it happens to my family I feel that these citizens and professionals represent the State of New Mexico at the highest level of service to the public.

Our society is quick to find faults, but are slow to commend persons who go above and beyond the call of duty.

It would be appreciated if your office could make their supervisors aware of the professionalism they demonstrated in this incident.

Sincerely,
Edward J. Slechta, Jr.

Inside the Capitol

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someone else.

Johnson tried to convince Attorney General Patricia Madrid that anonymously funded criminal investigations could lead to all sorts of mischief and that the source of funds had to become a public record. Unfortunately, he ran into the same stone-wall as I did.

Another former newsman passed away recently. Bob Huber wrote for United Press International and later wrote this column for a few years in the mid-1970s. At that time he also had a legislative bill tracking and analysis service.

He left Santa Fe and moved to Portales, where he wrote a humor column for the Portales and Clovis papers. Obituaries in the two papers were very sketchy. News accounts of his death were all written by people who obviously did not know him.

I have been unsuccessful in fleshing out the rest of his career. If anyone can help so I can pass it on to readers, I would appreciate it.

SPORTS

Carrizozo



Grizzly

FOOTBALL SCHEDULE Varsity

Date	Opponent	Place	Time
Aug. 31	Carrizozo 53	Ramah 13	
Sept. 7	Ft. Sumner 38	Carrizozo 0	
Sept. 14			
Sept. 21	Carrizozo 21	Alamo JV 6	
Sept. 28	Carrizozo 48	Escatante 0	
Oct. 5	Loving	Home	7:00 pm
Oct. 12	Clayton	Away	7:00 pm
Oct. 19	Jal	Away	7:00 pm
Oct. 26	Hagerman	Away	7:00 pm
Nov. 2	Mescalero	Home	7:00 pm

Jr. High

Sept. 6	Mescalero	Home	4:00 pm
Sept. 27	Mescalero	Away	4:00 pm
Oct. 11	Capitan	Home	4:00 pm
Oct. 25	Capitan	Away	5:00 pm

Area High School FOOTBALL GAMES This Weekend

Friday, October 5th

Loving at Carrizozo 7:00 pm (Homecoming)
Hondo at Roy 6:00 pm
Estancia at Clayton 7:00 pm
Santa Rosa at Dexter 7:00 pm
Mescalero at Ft. Sumner 7:00 pm
Capitan at Hagerman 7:00 pm
Alamogordo at Hobbs 7:00 pm
Tularosa at Jal 7:00 pm
Deming at Ruidoso 7:00 pm

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Carrizozo Grizzly GIRLS VOLLEYBALL SCHEDULE

Date	Opponent	Place	Time	Teams
Aug. 24	Magdalena Invit.	Away	TBA	V
Sept. 4	Dexter	Away	4pm	JV/C
Sept. 6	Capitan	Away	4pm	JV/V
Sept. 10	Mescalero	Away	4pm	JH
Sept. 11	Mescalero	Away	5pm	JV/V
Sept. 13	Hondo	Away	5pm	JH/V
Sept. 14	Capitan	Home	4pm	JV/V
Sept. 18	Tularosa	Away	5pm	JV/V
Sept. 21-22	M'tn Top Tourn.	Away	TBA	V
Sept. 25	Capitan	Away	4pm	JH
Sept. 27	Mescalero	Home	5pm	JV/V
Sept. 28	Capitan Classic	TBA	V	
Oct. 2	Mtn'Air	Away	4pm	JH/JV/V
Oct. 4	Dexter	Home	4pm	JV/C
Oct. 9	Vaughn	Home	5pm	JH/V
Oct. 11	Capitan	Home	4pm	JH
Oct. 15	Corona	Away	5pm	JH/V
Oct. 18	Vaughn	Away	5pm	JH/V
Oct. 23	Corona	Home	5pm	JH/V
Oct. 25	Mtn'Air	Home	4pm	JH/JV/V

September 25

12:23 a.m. Motorist assistance requested at mile marker 158 on Hwy 54 north of Carrizozo near the Ancho turnoff, deputy dispatched.

7:52 a.m. Medical call at residence on Crown Ridge Road in Alto, Bonito emergency units and ambulance dispatched.

9:07 a.m. Suspicious activity by person reported on Saddle Ridge Road in Carrizozo, deputy dispatched.

9:40 a.m. Information report at mile marker 4 on Hwy 220 in Alto, deputy dispatched.

10:09 a.m. Agency assistance requested at residence on 12th Street in Carrizozo, deputy dispatched.

10:28 a.m. Suspicious activity by person(s) in vehicle reported on Alto Mesa, deputy dispatched.

10:56 p.m. Warrant service at LCDC on Airport Road in Carrizozo, deputy dispatched.

2:45 p.m. Warrant service at LCDC on Airport Road in Carrizozo, deputy dispatched.

7:11 p.m. Dog reported running loose on Chisolm

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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"

Sheriff's Report

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on Ruidoso Road in Capitan, deputy dispatched.
 6:40 p.m. Suspicious activity by person(s) in vehicle reported at Lincoln County Fairgrounds in Capitan, police dispatched.
 9:16 p.m. Welfare check requested for person at residence on Goodnight Loving Trail in Rancho Ruidoso Valley Estates, deputy dispatched.

11:23 p.m. Dog reported running loose at mile marker 75 on Hwy 380 near the Hwy 37 turnoff, deputy dispatched.
 September 27
 12:00 a.m. Information report at residence on 18th Street in Carrizozo, deputy dispatched.
 12:00 a.m. Drivers test requested for 8:00 a.m. at Corona City Hall, deputy dispatched.

11:07 a.m. Littering or illegal dumping reported on Hwy 37 in Nogal, deputy dispatched.
 11:25 a.m. Alarm reported at location on Pinehurst in Alto, deputy dispatched.
 3:45 p.m. Alarm reported at business location on Hwy 48 and Ski Run Road intersection in Alto, deputy dispatched.
 8:39 p.m. Medical call at residence on B Avenue in Carrizozo, ambulance dispatched.
 9:09 p.m. Shots fired reported near 12th Street in Carrizozo, deputy dispatched.

September 28
 Medical call at residence on 12th Street in Carrizozo, ambulance dispatched.
 4:01 a.m. Accident reported at mile marker 156 on Hwy 54 near Corona, Corona emergency units, ambulance and deputy dispatched.
 4:50 a.m. Larceny/theft reported from location on De Bord in Ruidoso, deputy dispatched.
 6:51 a.m. Medical call from residence on Cedar Street in Carrizozo, Carrizozo emergency units and ambulance dispatched.
 8:57 a.m. Traffic hazard reported, (deer struck by automobile) on Old Fort Stanton Road in Alto, New Mexico Fish and Game officer (NM F&G) and deputy dispatched.
 10:00 a.m. Welfare check requested at residence on D Avenue in Carrizozo, police dispatched.
 10:34 a.m. Traffic hazard reported at mile marker 101 on Hwy 54 south of Carrizozo, deputy dispatched.

10:51 a.m. Civil dispute reported at residence on D Avenue in Carrizozo resulting in agency assistance requested by Carrizozo police at residence on D Avenue in Carrizozo, deputy dispatched.

11:41 a.m. Alarm reported at mile marker 286 on Hwy 70 in Hondo, deputy dispatched.

12:20 p.m. Civil dispute resulting in Carrizozo police requesting agency assistance, deputy dispatched.

12:51 p.m. Police stand-by presence requested at location near top of Indian Divide on Hwy 380 in Capitan, deputy dispatched.

12:56 p.m. Alarm reported from Lincoln County Magistrate Court located in Carrizozo, deputy dispatched.

2:01 p.m. Trespassing reported at mile marker 15 on the Arabella Hwy in Arabella, deputy dispatched.

3:00 p.m. Larceny/theft reported at location on Bonito in Bonito, deputy dispatched.

3:12 p.m. Lost or stolen credit card reported from location on Post Oak Lane in Capitan, deputy dispatched.

3:36 p.m. Agency assistance requested by Carrizozo police at location on E Avenue in Carrizozo, deputy dispatched.

4:25 p.m. Disturbance/family dispute reported at residence on 17th Street in Carrizozo, police dispatched.

5:41 p.m. Disturbance reported at location on Alamo Canyon in Hondo, deputy dispatched.

7:02 p.m. Agency assistance requested by Ruidoso Downs police at business location on Hwy 70 in Ruidoso Downs, deputy dispatched.

7:58 p.m. Trespassing reported at location on Nogal Canyon Road in Nogal, deputy dispatched.

11:14 p.m. Disturbance/loud party reported at residence on Tanglewood in Alto, deputy dispatched.

September 29
 7:12 a.m. Criminal damage to property reported at residence, deputy dispatched.

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LEGAL NOTICE STATE OF NEW MEXICO IN THE PROBATE COURT LINCOLN COUNTY

No. 2134
 IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF
 Esquipula A. Padilla, Jr., DECEASED
 LETTERS OF ADMINISTRATION
 (NO WILL)

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

Notice is now given that Maryann A. Amaya and Jane Padilla Amaya, has been appointed to serve as the personal representative of the estate of Esquipula A. Padilla Jr., and has qualified as the decedent's personal representative by filing with the court a statement of acceptance of the duties of that office.

The personal representative has all of the powers and authorities provided by law and specifically, by Section 45-3-715 NMSA 1978.

Issued this 1st day of October, 2007.

TAMMIE J. MADDOX
 Clerk of the Probate Court

(Seal) By: Charlotte Emmons
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LEGAL NOTICE TWELFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT COUNTY OF LINCOLN STATE OF NEW MEXICO

No. CV-07-382
 Division III

MANNY DOMINGUEZ,
 Plaintiff,

vs.

GROUP I: THE FOLLOWING NAMED PERSONS, IF LIVING, IF DECEASED THEIR UNKNOWN HEIRS, AND THE UNKNOWN SPOUSES OF THE FOLLOWING NAMED PERSONS, IF LIVING, IF DECEASED THEIR UNKNOWN HEIRS: HOWARD E. STEWART, ALSO KNOWN AS HOWARD STEWART, AND BARBARA STEWART,

GROUP II: THE UNKNOWN SUCCESSORS IN INTEREST TO THE FOLLOWING NAMED DEFUNCT CORPORATION: LAKESIDE CORPORATION,

GROUP III: WELLS FARGO BANK, N.A., SUCCESSOR IN INTEREST TO UNITED NEW MEXICO BANK AT ALBUQUERQUE; AND

GROUP IV: 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 DEFENDANTS NAMED OR DESIGNATED IN GROUPS I, II AND IV.

GREETINGS: You are hereby notified that Manny Dominguez, Plaintiff, has filed an action in the District Court of Lincoln County, New Mexico, Civil Docket No. CV-07-382 Div. III, wherein you are named as Defendants and wherein said Plaintiff seeks to obtain constructive service upon you.

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

Lot 252 of DEER PARK VALLEY SUBDIVISION, UNIT 9, Lincoln County, New Mexico, as shown by the plat thereof filed in the office of the County Clerk of Lincoln County, New Mexico, on April 17, 1981 in Cabinet D, Slides 7 to 10, inclusive.

You are further notified that unless you enter your appearance, plead or otherwise respond in said cause on or before November 5, 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 17th day of September, 2007.

JAN PERRY
 Clerk of the District Court


(SEAL) By: Elizabeth Ysasi
 Deputy

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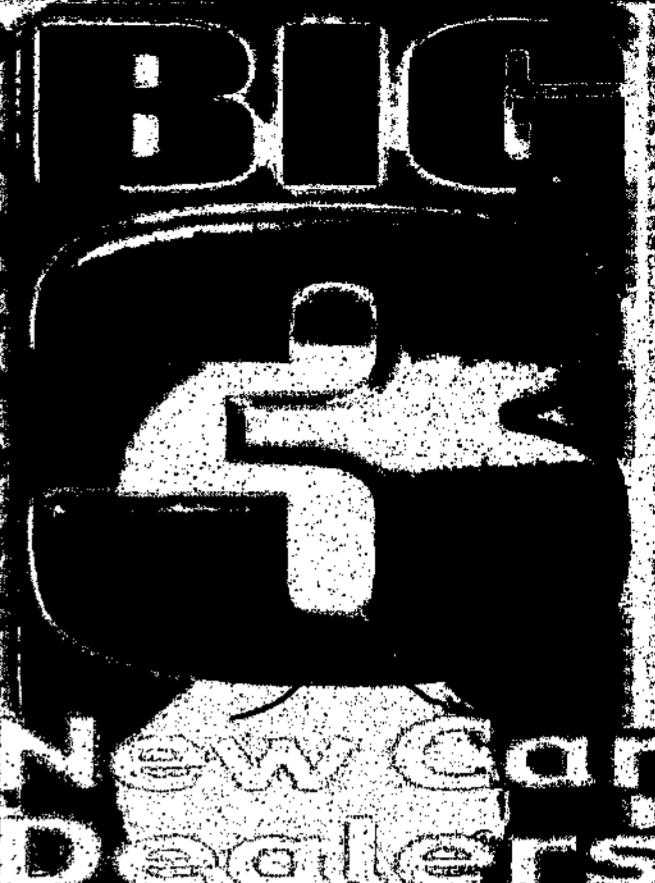


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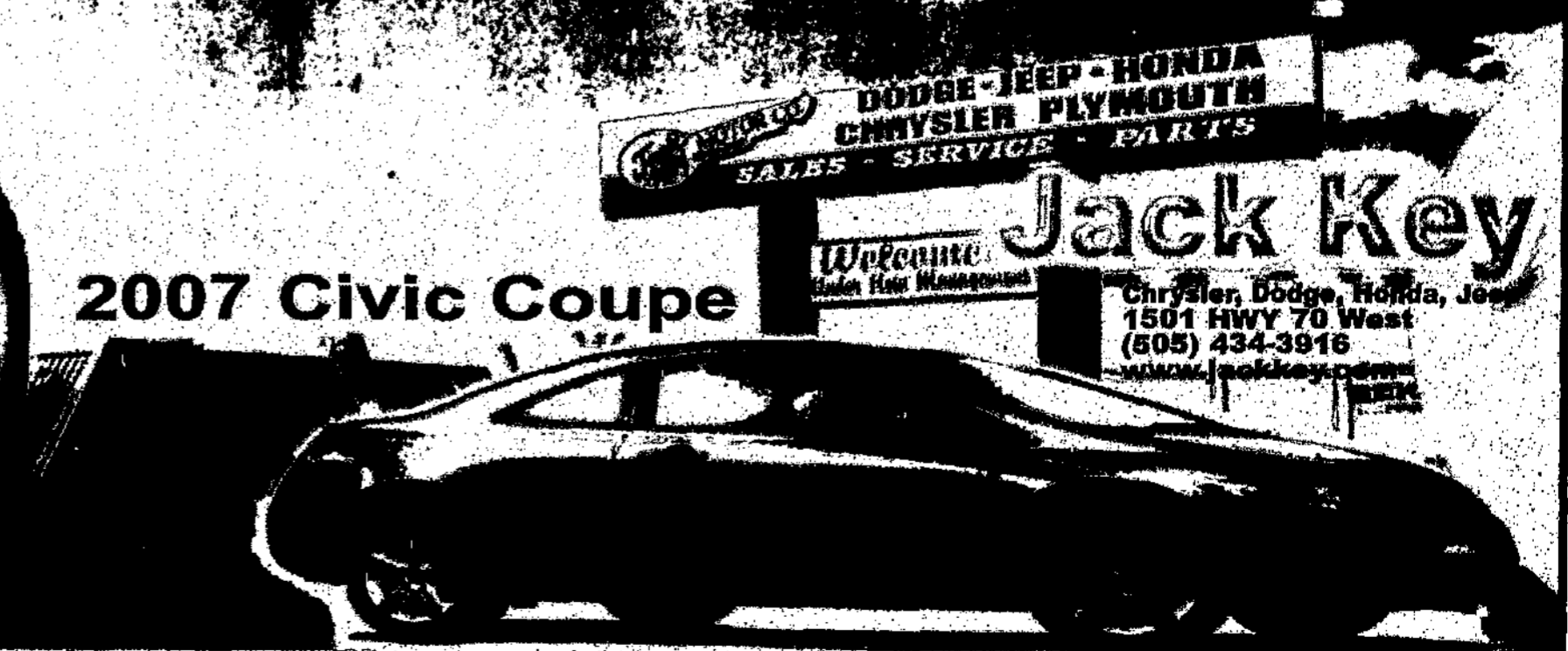
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