

Radioactive Alpha Particles Found in Well in County

by Patrice Brazie

The preliminary plat application for Ranchos de Caballos, a proposed subdivision of 340 acres of former ranch land north of Capitan, was reviewed by the Lincoln County Planning Commission October 24th.

Clayton Harrison, an engineer representing the subdivider, presented the proposal to the planning commission. The property slated for division is owned

by Ed Tinsley and is located about 2 1/2 miles north of Capitan, 55 lots of less than 10 acres each are planned for the 340 acre spread along with an equestrian center expected to house 35 horses.

Some of the planning commissioners raised concerns over a report on the water quality within the proposed subdivision that found radioactive alpha particles to be slightly above state and federal limits.

According to information

provided by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), daily consumption of alpha particles over a period of many years may adversely affect the human immune system and slightly increase one's risk of some types of cancer. The Maximum Contaminant Level (MCL) established by the EPA for gross alpha particle content in drinking water is 15 units per liter; water from a test well on the subdivision property was found to contain slightly

more than 17 units per liter.

Alpha particles, which occur naturally in the rocks and soil of the earth's crust, cannot penetrate human skin so non-consumptive uses like showering or bathing are believed to pose no threat to human health. Certain methods of water treatment, including reverse osmosis and water softeners, can remove up to 90 percent of the most common alpha particles in drinking water. Alpha particles are colorless, odorless

and tasteless and can be found in varying amounts in ground water around the world.

Members of the planning

commission requested that the subdivision's disclosure statement include more specific language explaining the potential harmful effects of alpha particles and the importance of treating drinking water to reduce the amount

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THIS LITTLE FAIRY princess was seen among the crowd of goblins and witches at the Smokey Bear museum in Capitan last week. (Photo by Patrice Brazie)

Lincoln County Commission Special Meeting Tomorrow

by Patrice Brazie

The Board of Lincoln County Commissioners will hold a special meeting on Friday, November 9th, to canvass the voting results of Tuesday's mill levy election. The county officials are required to meet within three days of the election to examine the rosters and result tapes of each precinct, according to county manager Tom Stewart.

Several other items have been added to the agenda for Friday's meeting. Among those items is the finalization of adjustments to the county's subdivision ordinance, which has been in the development process for several months. In a memorandum to the county commissioners, Stewart suggested that the commissioners might choose to reconsider in December a

moratorium on subdivision applications, although a Visioning Committee established to examine the need for a moratorium never actually delved into the possibility and the chances of the adoption of a moratorium appear to be slim to none.

Stewart also suggested that the final public hearing on adoption of the subdivision ordinance could be scheduled for December or January.

Revision of the county's subdivision ordinance will include a fee rate schedule for review services provided by the Upper Hondo Soil and Water Conservation District personnel and other agencies that might review subdivision proposals. The board of the conservation district adopted a plan to be reimbursed for services several months ago, but without an addition to the county's ordinance establishing those fees, they have been unable to charge for those services.

The county commissioners have extended an invitation to John Longworth, New Mexico's Water Conservation Bureau Chief, to discuss on Friday the methods and procedures of the Office of the State Engineer and its policies regarding subdivision applications, water availability and sustainability and affects of new development on surrounding properties.

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Grizzlies Roll Into Playoffs, Host McCurdy

The Carrizozo Grizzly football team, under first year head-coach Brad Holland, will begin their quest for the Class 1A state championship riding a seven game winning streak.

Carrizozo seeded 2nd in the 8-team field will host McCurdy the 7th seed on Friday night at Laabs Field, 7:00 p.m. McCurdy member of District 1-1A comes in with a 5-4 record, while Carrizozo comes in at 8-1, their only loss to #1 seeded Fort Sumner in the second game of the season.

Other matchups in Class 1A playoffs has #8 seed Jal (2-7) at #1 seed Fort Sumner (9-1); #5 seed Hagerman (4-6) at #4 seed Ramah (7-2); #6 seed Escalante (8-2) at #3 seed Clayton (5-4).

In semifinal action next week the Escalante-Clayton winner will face off against the McCurdy-Carrizozo winner.

In a 2A first round playoff game #9 seed Capitan (4-6) will travel to #8 seed Cloudcroft (5-5). Winner will take on #1 seed Dexter (10-0) the following week.

Hospital Mill Levy Defeated

Tomorrow the Lincoln County Commissioners will canvass the votes from the mill levy election that was held Tuesday, November 6. The mill levy was to be for the county owned Lincoln County Medical Center (LCMC) and the clinics in Lincoln County.

Unofficial results of the election as of press time were: 1,434 votes for the mill levy and 1,687 against the mill levy. There were 3,121 total votes cast, or 25 percent of the registered voters.

The hospital mill levy of 3 mills will end June 2008.

The mill levy has paid for Medicaid, sole community provider payment, capital outlay for the hospital and

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Everywhere In America

by Edgar A. Guest

Not somewhere in America, but everywhere today, Where snow-crowned mountains hold their heads, the vales where children play, Beside the bench and whirring lathe, on every lake and stream And in the depths of earth below, men share a common dream. The dream our brave forefathers had of freedom and of right, And once again in honor's cause, they really and unite. Not somewhere in America is love of country found, But east and west and north and south once more the bugles sound. And once again, as one, men stand to break their brother's chains, And make the world a better place, where only justice reigns. The patriotism that is here, is echoed over there, The hero at a certain post, is on guard everywhere, O'er humble home and mansion rich the stary banner flies, And far and near throughout the land the men of valor rise.

We Thank and Salute Our Veterans!

The flag that flutters o'er your home is fluttering far away O'er homes that you have never seen. The same impulses sway, The souls of men in distant states, The red, the white and blue Means to one hundred million strong, just what it means to you, The self-same courage resolute you feel and understand Is throbbing in the breasts of men throughout this mighty land. Not somewhere in America, but everywhere today For justice and for liberty all free men work and pray.

Veteran's Memorial Decication at White Oaks Sunday, Nov. 11

The public is invited to attend dedication of the White Oaks Veterans Memorial on Sunday, November 11 at 9 a.m. The White Oaks Veterans Memorial is adjacent to the White Oaks Volunteer Fire Station. November 11 is the traditional Veterans Day. Refreshments will be served after the ceremony and flag raising.

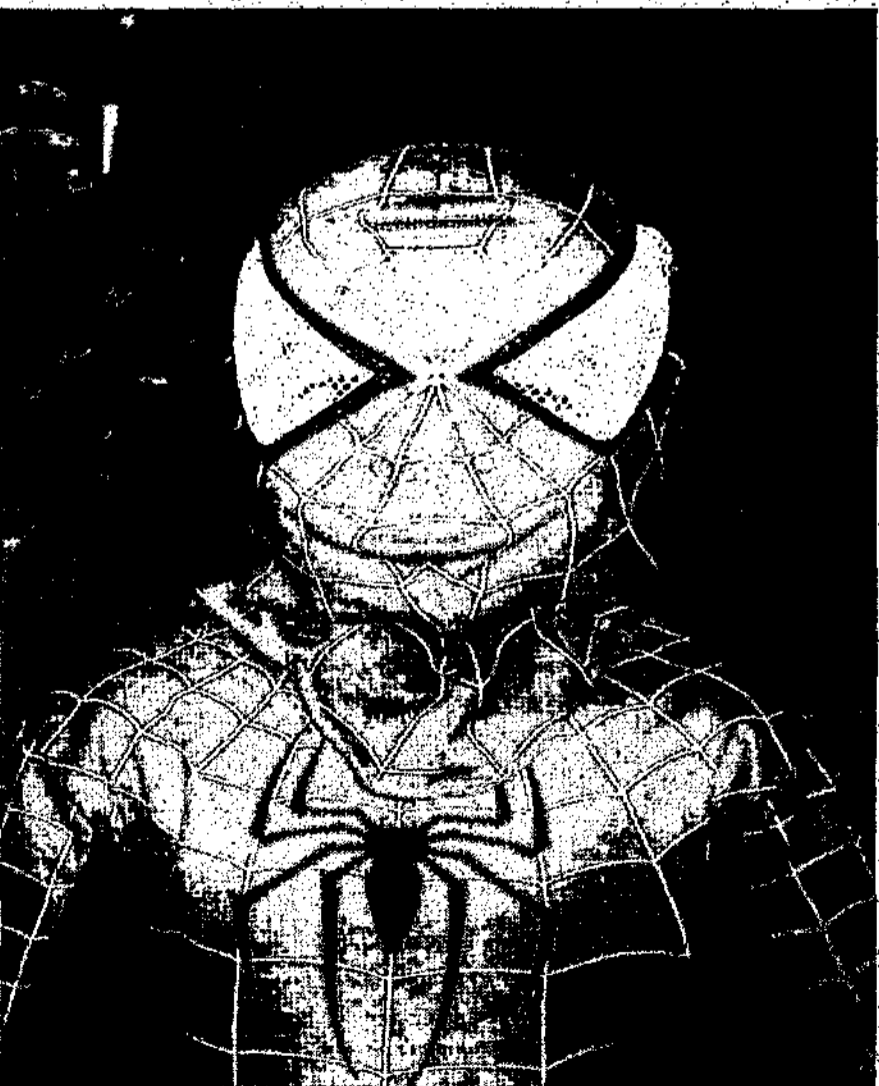
The White Oaks Veteran's Memorial is being built to honor residents of White Oaks and nearby communities who served their country in the military.

Edmund McWilliams said that more than 120 names of veterans have been obtained

since the proposal for the White Oaks Veterans Memorial was accepted by the Lincoln County Commissioners at their September 18 meeting.

McWilliams told the county commissioners on Sept. 18, "It is my intention to pay for this monument." It is on the grounds of the White Oaks Curtis Pinson Fire Station. McWilliams said he will not be seeking grants to defray the cost.

Please send names, branch of service and years of service to Ed McWilliams, 450 Jicarilla Road, White Oaks, NM 88301 or email to edmcw@msn.com.



SPIDER MAN found his way to Carrizozo last week to attend a costume carnival at the school. This little superhero is really Keegan Harkey. (Photo by Patrice Brazie)



THIS CANDY-CRAVING mini-dinosaur was spotted in Capitan last week as he celebrated Halloween at the Smokey Bear Historical Park and Museum. (Photo by Patrice Brazis)

Radioactive Alpha Found

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of contaminants. Planning commissioner Wayne Stephens asked if any analysis would be performed on domestic wells drilled in the subdivision, and was told that water testing would be the responsibility of the property owners.

Attorney for the subdivider, John Underwood, said that the elevated levels of alpha particles may have been an anomaly in the test well, and that wells drilled in different locations and at different depths may have no alpha particles at all in the water. "It's something that's easily treatable," Underwood said.

Planning commissioner Robert Moeller asked why the documentation available to the planners in the performance of their subdivision review did not include a report from the state's Water Quality Bureau, and was told by planning director Curt Temple that the county currently does not require a water quality study for new subdivisions.

Moeller also questioned the subdivision's restriction against private storage tanks, asking if that restriction might be counter-productive in firefighting efforts.

Underwood agreed to review the section of the restrictive covenants that addresses storage tanks. "The intent in the declarations was to keep people from having individual type storage tanks on their lots but, obviously, we want to be pro fire protection," Underwood said. He said he would review the document to assure that it allowed for water storage for firefighting uses. He added that rainwater harvesting and storage is also permitted in the subdivision.

A member of the public pointed out that the proposed subdivision is in near proximity to what might become a very large mining operation, and suggested that the subdivision's disclosure statement should make that point clear.

"It's going to be a big issue coming down the road," he said. "I think it's very important that people moving into that area be aware of what's across the National Forest line." He said the mining claim covers about 2,000 acres, and that a mining company is currently in the exploratory stage, but blasting and strip mining may be implemented in the future.

Underwood said that, without knowing the potential for approval of the mining plan, disclosure of the mining proposal might be premature.

The subdivider has agreed to allocate one acre of land for firefighting purposes. Tinsley expressed a willingness to cooperate whenever possible in improving fire safety on the subdivision, including attempting to raise money to build a fire station there.

Tinsley also reported that he expects a minimum of 15 and maximum of 20 domestic wells will serve the 55 lots of the subdivision. Shared wells will be located within utility easements, he said. Water use is restricted

to .25 acre feet of water and wells will be metered. The responsibility of reporting water usage to the Office of the State Engineer will fall to the home owners, according to Underwood.

In response to questions from planning commissioner Jennifer Dorgan, Tinsley reported that the asking price for lots in the subdivision will likely range from \$125,000 to \$150,000.

Dorgan made a motion to recommend that the county's board of commissioners approve the subdivision application for Ranchos de Caballos with a list of additional recommendations to be considered by the county commissioners.

"In some way, I would like inserted into the disclosure statement the current information about the mine, whether it be in the form of a handout of whatever," Dorgan said. She also requested that the subdivider drill a well on the one acre allocated for use by firefighters and take steps to build a building to house a fire apparatus. She suggested that water storage tanks with a capacity of at least 20,000 gallons should be installed prior to construction of the fire station.

"I believe the fire station should be dedicated to the county, as well as the well," Dorgan said. Her final recommendation to the county commissioners would be to have the subdivision's disclosure statement add information about the distance to, or response time of, the nearest emergency medical services or ambulance. The statement currently only states the distance to the nearest hospital, she said.

Dorgan's motion died for lack of a second, and a motion to recommend approval of the application as presented failed on a 3-to-2 vote with planning commissioners Jerry Carroll, Stephens and Dorgan voting against. Stephens cited concerns regarding water availability and quality and contamination from individual private septic systems.

Dorgan reminded her fellow planning commissioners that recommendations are simply that, and that there is no requirement for the county officials or the subdivider to comply with those recommendations.

Stephens made a motion to recommend disapproval, and county attorney Alan Morel explained that his motion should include specific reasons for that disapproval.

Stephens restated his concerns and his motion also died for lack of a second.

Carroll repeated the original motion made by Dorgan, and Dorgan explained that the inclusion of recommendations for county officials to consider was also done in the planning commission's recommendation for approval of the Heritage Preserve at Ruidoso application.

The motion then passed on a 4-to-1 vote with Stephens voting no.



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

Thursday, May 18, 1972

Tres Coronas: Kansas, Rainbow, All-American

Ruidoso Downs.—Twenty-five years ago, a leaky-roof racetrack opened 140 miles northeast of El Paso on a "reasonably flat stretch of ground" between the tiny resort towns of Hollywood and Green Tree in the mountains of southern New Mexico.

Management was lucky to yield a daily parimutuel wagering average of about \$32,000 from the meeting which ran 10 straight days.

Saturday, May 20, Ruidoso Downs starts another race meeting. During the 63-day season, turf aficionados will be drawn to Ruidoso from throughout the Southwest and all corners of Texas and Oklahoma and surrounding states, and plunk about \$245,000 through the betting equipment each day. Horsemen will split some \$3 million in purses—nearly one third of it in one staggering hunk.

Instead of a rickety pavilion—a leftover from the days of weekend rodeos and match-face duels to calm heated passions of Sunday horsemen—the new season will be staged in a modern two-level grandstand. Earlier this year, some \$670,000 was invested to face-lift the plant and quadruple the size of the second level. Flush facilities are now offered in the All-American Turf Club and the Jockey Club.

The dizzy stakes includes the track's main talking point—the All American Quarter Horse Futurity. This year the All-American will offer a staggering purse of about \$925,000—double the combined purses of the Kentucky Derby, Preakness and Belmont Stakes.

The All-American isn't simply the world's richest horserace. It's also the richest race in the history of racing. Next year, the All-American is a cinch to hit \$1 million in purse money.

If the All-American weren't enough, Ruidoso Downs also boasts the second richest race in the world. This is the Kansas Quarter Horse Futurity, which carries a purse of about \$300,000. There's also a Texas-size gateful of other races ranging in value from \$225,000 down to \$50,000.

All of which leads to the obvious question: How is all this possible? How could a track, founded in the middle of nowhere, mushroom into the Quarter Horse Capital of the racing world?

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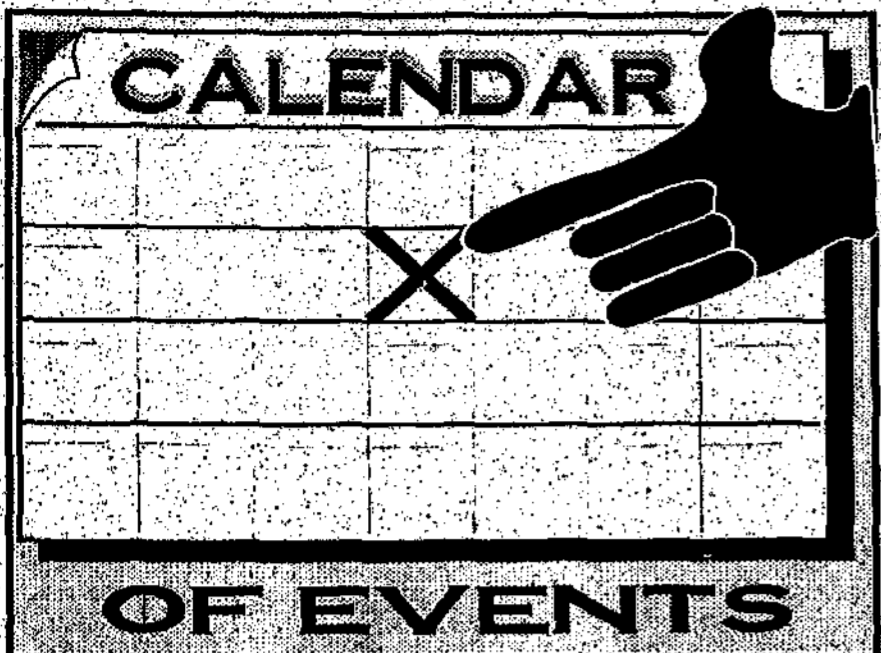
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 -AWANA, for children age 3 through 6th grade, 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. at First Baptist Church of Carrizozo. Non-denominational, activities. Call 648-2107 for information.

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.

TODAY, THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 8

-Capitan School Board 6:30 p.m.

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 9

-All veterans and their spouses invited to a Veteran's Appreciation breakfast sponsored by Carrizozo Junior Rotary, 8 a.m. to 11 a.m. at First Methodist Church across street from Carrizozo High School.
 -Lincoln County Commission meeting 8:30 a.m.
 -Free flu shot clinics, 9 a.m. to 10:30 a.m. at Carrizozo Senior Center; 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. at Capitan School Cummins Gym; 3 p.m. to 4 p.m. at Honda Senior Center.
 -Lincoln County Public Land Use and Rural Affairs Advisory Committee (PLURAAC) sub committee for RS 2477 road inventory 2 p.m. Lincoln County Courthouse in Carrizozo.
 -Brisket dinner at Zia Senior Center in Carrizozo 4 p.m. to 7 p.m. sponsored by Carrizozo Volunteer Fire Department, proceeds will be used to pay for goodies for Santa's visit.

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 11

-Veteran's Day
 -Dedication of the White Oaks Veterans Memorial 9 a.m. at White Oaks Curtis Pinson Fire Station. Ceremony, flag raising and refreshments. Public invited.

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 12

-Veteran's Day observed by many governmental entities.

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 13

-Carrizozo Chamber of Commerce, 12 noon at Four Wounds Restaurant 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, NOVEMBER 15

-Lincoln Historic Preservation Board 7 p.m. at the Community Church in Lincoln.

**Good Luck to the
 Grizzly Football
 and
 Volleyball Teams !!!**

Special Meeting Tomorrow

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The board of county commissioners will also hear a request for final approval of the plat for the Heritage Preserve at Ruidoso subdivision near Nogal. The developer is expected to provide information about the phased construction of the project, as well as the construction plans for changes to Highway 37 and Ranger Road.

Other items to be considered by the county commissioners during Friday's meeting include discussion of a contractual agreement with the Center for Municipal Solutions for the designing and administration of an ordinance regulating communications towers within the county.

Officials are also scheduled

to hear testimony from a representative of the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service regarding a cooperative agreement associated with the wildlife service's examination of the Mexican Gray Wolf Recovery Program.

The county manager has requested that the county commissioners consider reclassification of the assistant county manager's position, as the current assistant county manager, Martha Guevara, has announced plans to retire from that position at the end of the year.

The special meeting of the Lincoln County Board of Commissioners will convene at 8:30 a.m. on Friday morning, at the commissioners' chambers in the county courthouse complex.

Hospital Mill Levy

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clinics, operational subsidy for the clinics and phase 3 of the construction at LCMC in Ruidoso.

Costs for operating the hospital and clinics in the county will be scrutinized by both the hospital boards and the county commissioners.

County manager Tom Stewart told the *News* yesterday that he will be looking at what can be cut at this time.

County commissioners may consider another request for a mill levy in November

2008. The current mill levy which ends in June 2008 has been in effect since the year 2000.

The three phases of construction at LCMC included improvements to the emergency room and its operations, expansion of the facility's cardiac and physical therapy units and expanding the operating and emergency rooms, adding new patient rooms and creating additional space for laboratory and radiology departments.

The county has a contract with Presbyterian Healthcare Systems (PHS) for the operation of the hospital and also includes the administration of the county owned health care clinics and Emergency Medical Services (EMS). Mill levy funding has also been used to support the costs of operating those clinics and the county's ambulance services.

Obituary

CHRIS OSBORNE

Funeral service for Chris Osborne, 18, of Ruidoso will be today, Thursday, Nov. 8, at 4:00 p.m. in the First Baptist Church with the Rev. Doug Ledbetter of Alamogordo officiating. Cremation will follow the services.

Chris died Sunday, Nov. 4, in Otero County from injuries sustained in a motor vehicle accident. He was born February 14, 1989 in Alamogordo. He moved to Ruidoso with his family one year ago from Tucson, Arizona. He graduated from Ruidoso High School in May, 2007 and was attending Eastern New Mexico University in Ruidoso and was working at Border Stop Ski Shop.

He is survived by his parents, Mark and Christine Osborne of Ruidoso; his sister, Danielle Osborne of Ruidoso; grandparents, John and Alma Osborne of Alamogordo, Dolores Avina of Ruidoso, Arturo Sanchez of El Paso, and Sidney Stephens of Tularosa; great grandparents, Mable Janes of Alamogordo and Margarita Sanchez of El Paso and many other family and friends.



A CUDDLY-CUTE dinosaur waited anxiously in line for a hot dog during the carnival at Carrizozo Schools on Halloween evening last week. This particular species has been identified as the James Robert Hemphill dinosaur. (Photo by Patricia Brazis)

Card of Thanks

The family of Paul Ortiz would like to thank all of the friends, family and anyone who shared our recent loss of Paul, a beloved husband and father.

The many gifts of food, flowers, cards and visits helped us cope with the pain of our loss.

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Obituary

CHRISTINE TILCH

Funeral service for Christine O. Tilch, 95, of Alamogordo and formerly of Carrizozo was yesterday, Nov. 7 in the First Baptist Church in Carrizozo with the Rev. Hayden Smith officiating. Burial followed at Evergreen Cemetery in Carrizozo.

Mrs. Tilch died Nov. 3, in Alamogordo. She was born September 18, 1912 at Hatchita, New Mexico. She moved to Carrizozo in 1988 from El Paso, Texas and for the past seven years she had lived in the Casa Arena Nursing Home in Alamogordo. She was a member of the First Baptist Church in Carrizozo where she played the piano and taught Sunday School. She married John Tilch on December 1, 1936 and he preceded her in death in 1987.

She is survived by a daughter, Joan Means of Carrizozo; a niece, Renee Blosskey of Smithville, Texas; and she was preceded in death by John F. Tilch Jr.

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THOUGHTS

FROM THE EDITOR'S DESK

State Promotes Identity Theft!

By Ruth Hammond

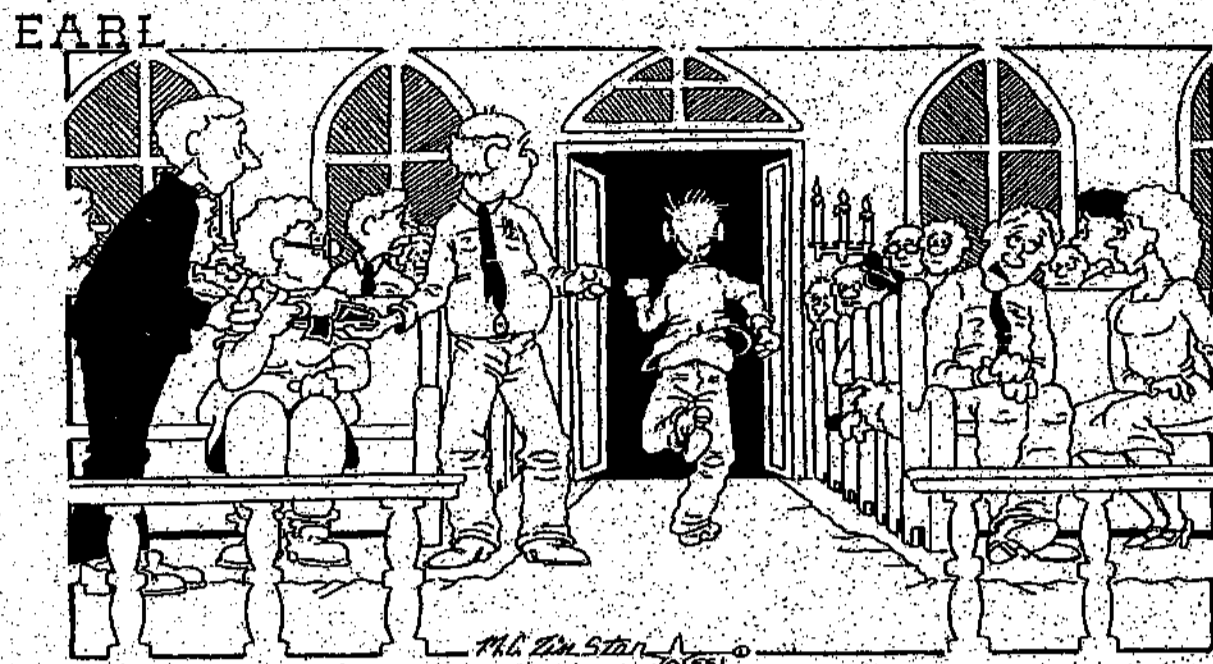
Some county voters were surprised to find that some of the precincts were consolidated for the hospital mill levy election on Tuesday. Actually it saved money by the county not having to have as many precincts open and was a good decision. However there was another situation that was not a good decision and can only be addressed about voting by state, not by local or county officials. The issue here is about the precinct workers requiring all of the prospective voters to provide identification. This may be in the form of a voter identification card that is sent to the voter by the county clerk, or it may be for the voter to verbally state the last four numbers of the voters social security card or verbally state the voters year of birth.

Whether you agree or not, consider the scenario of if your mother was the precinct worker. She would demand that you provide identification because it is required for all precinct workers to ask for identification before you would be allowed to vote. Ridiculous? Yes! Is there any solution to this non-humorous situation? There should be but it will be the responsibility of the state to correct it. The state put these laws into effect and only the state can change it. When we complained that precinct workers not only knew us by name and were able to locate us on the register of voters, someone suggested that maybe the law should be changed to not require identification for voters known to precinct workers for a period of ten years.

Evidently there is a more serious problem here. If your social security number is in plain view of everyone it is an opportunity for someone, anyone to steal your identity. It is for this reason that we believe that the procedure for identification for voting should be safer. Yes, we agree that the precinct workers are not going to steal identities, but what about someone who votes after you do. It takes only a few seconds for some people to memorize those supposedly non-public numbers. And zap they are now you! Your identity is in the hands of successful crooks.

Except for the identity theft possibility, it is ridiculous to have to prove to someone you have known for 25 years that you are you. If it was downtown New York where you don't know the precinct workers are and want to ask for their identification, it might be different. But here in Lincoln County the majority of the precinct workers at least know some of the voters by name or by their face.

Politicians should be more aware of the dangers of identity theft, unless they want to win elections by bogus voters. Politicians are the only ones who can clear up this fiasco that is sully elections. It may not bother you but it galls some of us to have to prove that we really are who we have been saying we are for 25 or more years, even to our relatives. Did precinct workers ask their spouses for identification before allowing them to vote? Interesting!



EARL HAS A VERY REGULAR DIGESTIVE SYSTEM... HE ALWAYS HAS TO GO TO THE BATHROOM JUST WHEN THEY START PASSING THE OFFERING PLATE.

Big Dry Syndicate

★ Inside the Capitol

by Jay Miller, Syndicated Columnist

Veteran's Day is Celebrated on Nov. 11, not 12th

SANTA FE -- Veterans Day is a very special day for many reasons. First, it recognizes the end of "the war to end all wars." This year we celebrate the 89th anniversary of that treaty.

Second, it recognizes our living veterans who served in the defense of our country. And finally, it falls into the very special category of not being on a movable Monday.

It once was. In 1971, Congress came up with a great idea for three-day weekends. It applied to all federal holidays but Christmas, Thanksgiving, New Year's Day and Independence Day. But our veterans had something to say about that. How could a treaty signed on the 11th hour of the 11th day of the 11th month be rescheduled to any other date?

It made sense. But why should that matter? What brought the change was the outrage of millions of veterans. In 1978, Congress retreated and restored Veterans Day to its proper place on the calendar.

Oh sure, if the day falls on a weekend, those who don't work on federal holidays get off on the closest work day. But the official observance is held on November 11.

As with most other federal holidays, Veterans Day doesn't get celebrated much anymore. For some, it produces a three-day weekend, this year. But there isn't much one can do with three-day weekends in November. Many people trade it for the Friday after Thanksgiving.

We're all thankful to our veterans for having given us a safer world, but most of that is forgotten history. The most memorable Veterans Day I'm sure I will ever have occurred four years ago. Faithful readers of this column have heard me tell before of that experience.

We were in Brussels, Belgium. We'd never been there before and were anxious to see the sights. But we were told it was a very important holiday and we were unlikely to find anything open.

Fortunately we were at a downtown hotel so we decided to just walk around to see the sights we could. We weren't disappointed. Following our walking tour map, we found the famous manken pis fountain, a brass sculpture of a little boy doing what little boys do.

It represents something from ancient history of the area, but now it is dressed in many different costumes appropriate to the time of year. On Nov. 11, it was clad in an American Legion uniform

and holding an American flag.

We expressed our surprise, loudly enough that a local overheard. She had figured out that we were Americans. We're easy to pick out of a crowd, anywhere, for many reasons.

She proceeded to tell us how much the Belgians appreciate Americans for what we did for them in both the first and second world wars. She said she hoped we would stay for the parade and ceremonies down the street.

We did. I haven't seen that many American flags in the United States on Armistice Day. We didn't stay long because the ceremony was conducted in Dutch and French, the country's two official languages. But people on the street also spoke English, effortlessly. It was nice to feel appreciated.

As I think back on my readings and thoughts about

World War II, I remember that the average age of our brave troops who stormed the beaches of Normandy, Anzio and Iwo Jima was 19.

When I look at today's 19-year-olds, I wonder how they would cope with being the front lines defending our country. I realize that a few of them are in Iraq and Afghanistan. And I realize that many others would make us very proud.

But when I think of all those I see slouching down the street with sloppy clothes and body piercings, sullen because life isn't giving them enough, I wonder if could they rise to the occasion if they were drafted to go defend us against the world?

Let's be very thankful that when we needed that generation, it came through, not like gangs, but like gangbusters.

Rising Periodicals Rates Have Hit Community Newspapers Hard, Expert Says

National Newspaper Association witness Max Heath, vice president for Circulation/Postal/Acquisitions for Landmark Community Newspapers, Inc. told the House Subcommittee on Federal Workforce, Postal Service and the District of Columbia recently that the 2007 postal rates hit community newspapers very hard. The increased postal costs will cut into newsroom budgets and cause higher subscription prices for readers at a time when newspapers are trying to retain readers.

Health told Subcommittee Chairman Danny Davis, D-IL, and members of the subcommittee that NNA's surveys of members indicated that most are trying to absorb the increase. But he provided the story of a Missouri husband-and-wife publishing team, owners of the Vandalia Leader, who sold their paper this year, citing poor postal service and rising costs as one reason they were giving up.

Postal rates to readers within a newspaper's publication county rose 20-25 percent, Heath said, and were based upon Postal Service costing data that NNA considered flawed.

But Heath's most vigorous criticism was reserved for the new periodicals rate schemes originally proposed by large magazine publishers that now require newspapers to pay a separate price for each bundle and container of mail that they send, in addition to a price based upon weight, distance and percentage of editorial matter. The purpose, he said, was to force smaller mailers to bear a higher percentage of postal costs by "de-averaging" the class, whereas larger

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Weather Report

by JEFF HAMMOND

If you regularly watch TV weather they are always talking during the forecast about "Bust Potential." Bust Potential is simply the unforeseen chance for the weather to take a turn for the worse, and the forecast for the upcoming week has opportunity for this Bust Potential.

Right now there is a high pressure system sitting almost directly over Lincoln County, the direct cause of the high speed winds we have been experiencing all over Lincoln County the last couple of weeks.

Along the Pacific coast there are two separate low pressure systems, one from the Pacific Northwest, originating out of the Arctic regions, the other coming in from the southwest, off the Pacific Ocean close to the equator where the lower than normal oceans temperatures are causing the La Nina winds. La Nina winds are usually a pretty good indicator of a colder and harder than normal winter.

If and when these two low pressure systems converge, it should be over northern New Mexico, and the Bust Potential will become evident for residents of Lincoln County.

The forecast for the upcoming weekend is clear skies both day and night, warmer than normal daytime temperatures, cooler than normal nighttime temperatures.

If both low pressure systems arrive at the same time, Lincoln County could get some slight moisture at the higher elevations, and very cold high speed winds out of the west and northwest.

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

Today, Thursday, Nov. 8 Sunny, with a high near 72, west wind around 5 mph, night: Mostly clear, with a low around 37, northwest wind around 5 mph becoming calm.

Friday, November 9 Sunny, with a high near 73, night: Mostly clear, with a low around 38.

Saturday, November 10 Sunny, with a high near 72, night: Mostly clear, with a low around 35.

Sunday, November 11, Veterans Day Mostly sunny, with a high near 70, night: Mostly clear, with a low around 35.

Monday, November 12 Sunny, with a high near 68, night: Mostly clear, with a low around 34.

Tuesday, November 13 Sunny, with a high near 69, night: Mostly clear, with a low around 34.

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

Today, Thursday, Nov. 8 Sunny, with a high near 69, west wind between 5 and 10 mph, night: Mostly clear, with a low around 36, west wind around 5 mph becoming calm.

Friday, November 9 Sunny, with a high near 71, night: Mostly clear, with a low around 39.

Saturday, November 10 Sunny, with a high near 71, night: Mostly clear, with a low around 38.

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NMSU Woman's Rodeo Team Places First

The New Mexico State University women's rodeo team placed first overall with a lead of 690 points at the Dine College National Intercollegiate Rodeo Association (NIRA) Rodeo held in Isaie, Ariz., Oct. 26-27.

"Overall, the team did well this weekend. The girls dominated the competition in all three of their events and even had a complete shut out in the goat tying event," said NMSU coach Jim Dewey Brown.

In the barrel racing event, Bailey Gow, of Roseburg, Ore., placed first, followed by teammates Staci Stanbrough, of Capitan and Kelsi Elkins, of Aztec, who placed second and third overall, respectively.

Brittany Striegel, of Aztec, won first, with Megan Corey, of Bremerton, Wash., placing second and Gow placing third in the goat tying event.

Gow placed third overall in the breakaway roping event. She was named the women's all-around champion for the rodeo.

The men's team won second overall, coming in with 300 points.

In the bareback riding, Clay Geronimo, of Mesquite won first overall. Daniel Orris, of Durango, Colo., received first in the saddle-brone riding event, while Dean Daly, of Belen, placed third.

Rylan Edgmon, of Black Canyon City, Ariz., and Kevin Lozares, of Palo Alto, Calif., placed first and second, respectively, in the tie-down roping. The team of Aaron Moyers, of Moriarty, and Matt Garza, of Mesquite, placed third in the team roping.



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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.

October 29

9:02 a.m. Medical call at residence on Nogal Canyon Road in Nogal, ambulance dispatched.

10:45 a.m. Alarm reported at location on Sandesto Drive in Ranches of Sontero, deputy dispatched.

1:01 p.m. Dog reported running loose on Hwy 37 in Nogal, deputy dispatched.

4:14 p.m. Disturbance reported at business location on Hwy 70 in Ruidoso, deputy dispatched.

5:04 p.m. Disturbance reported at business location on Hwy 70 in Hondo, deputy dispatched.

6:43 p.m. Suspicious activity reported at location on Coyote Ridge Trail in Capitan, deputy dispatched.

7:17 p.m. Medical call at mile marker 115 on Hwy 54 south of Carrizozo, ambulance dispatched.

8:09 p.m. Alarm reported at location on Sun Valley Road in Lincoln, deputy dispatched.

11:41 p.m. Domestic battery reported at residence on West Cedar in Capitan, resulting in agency assistance request by Capitan police, deputy dispatched.

October 30

9:29 a.m. Accident reported on Hwy 54 north of Carrizozo, Carrizozo emergency units, ambulance and deputy dispatched.

11:19 a.m. Trespassing reported at location on High Mesa in Alto, deputy dispatched.

2:27 p.m. Traffic hazard reported at Hwy 54 and Hwy 380 intersection, police dispatched.

4:21 p.m. Unknown trouble call from residence on White

Angel Court in Ruidoso Downs, deputy dispatched.

5:00 p.m. Agency assistance requested by New Mexico Department of Corrections Adult Probation and Parole Officer (APO) at location on Ruidoso Drive in Ruidoso Downs, deputy dispatched.

6:33 p.m. Medical call at Lincoln County Sheriff Office (LCSO) located in the Lincoln County Courthouse on Central Avenue in Carrizozo, ambulance and deputy dispatched.

October 31

3:07 a.m. Medical call at residence on Antelope Trail in Nogal, ambulance dispatched.

9:34 a.m. Medical call at intersection of Hwy 48 and Air Port Road in Alto, Advanced Life Support (ALS) ambulance and deputy dispatched.

10:57 a.m. Information report at location on SR 368 in Arabella, deputy dispatched.

10:59 a.m. Police/peacekeeping presence requested at location on CR C0006 in Capitan, deputy dispatched.

1:51 p.m. Alarm reported at location on French Drive in Alto, deputy dispatched.

1:55 p.m. Warrant service at location in Ruidoso, deputy dispatched.

4:16 p.m. Breaking & Entering (B & E) reported at

location on Mesa Loop in Palo Verde, deputy dispatched.

5:13 p.m. Police/peacekeeping presence requested at Capitan police headquarters in Capitan, police dispatched.

7:45 p.m. Welfare check requested at residence in Carrizozo, deputy dispatched.

11:12 p.m. Agency assistance requested by Ruidoso police at residence on Camelot in Ruidoso, deputy dispatched.

November 1

8:01 a.m. Medical call at location on Nogal Canyon Road in Nogal, ambulance dispatched.

10:19 a.m. Police/peacekeeping presence requested at business location on Hwy 70 in Ruidoso Downs, deputy dispatched.

1:20 p.m. Public relations at location on Eagle Creek Drive in Alto, deputy dispatched.

1:44 p.m. Dog reported running loose on Laughing Horse in Capitan, deputy dispatched.

3:41 p.m. B & E reported at location on Gavilan Canyon Road in Ruidoso, deputy dispatched.

4:04 p.m. Fraud reported at business location on Hwy 70 in Ruidoso Downs, deputy dispatched.

4:19 p.m. Traffic hazard reported on Hwy 380 in Capitan, police dispatched.

4:55 p.m. Temporary Restraining Order (TRO) service at location in Capitan, deputy dispatched.

7:04 p.m. Warrant service at location on Sudderth in Ruidoso, deputy dispatched.

November 2

8:09 a.m. Police/peacekeeping presence requested at location in Capitan, deputy dispatched.

8:19 a.m. Driving test at LCSO in the Lincoln County Courthouse on Central Avenue in Carrizozo, deputy dispatched.

9:02 a.m. Medical call at residence on Fifth Street in Carrizozo, ambulance dispatched.



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Thompson recalled.

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The birthplace of the All-American Futurity was an event called the Ruidoso Quarter Horse Futurity. This had reached a purse of about

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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
848-2868 (Church) or 848-2107
Sunday School 9:45 a.m.
Worship Service 10:55 a.m.
Sun. Evening 6:00 p.m.
Wednesday, Sept. - April
AWANAS 8:00 p.m.

Carrizozo Assembly of God
Corner 13 & C Ave.
Barbara Bradley, Pastor
Corner of C Ave. and Thirteenth
Children's Church 10:30 a.m.
Worship Service 10:30 a.m.
Tuesday Bible Study 6:30 p.m.

Santa Rita Catholic Community
FR. FRANKLIN, Pastor
219 Birch, Carrizozo, NM, 848-2853
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"
BUCK HUTCHINSON, Pastor / 338-8032
Southwest Conv. 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
TDM POINDEXTER, Minister, 354-3135
Ave. G at 12th, Carrizozo, NM
Sunday School 10:00 a.m.
Worship Service 11:00 a.m.
Evening Service 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. Matthew Episcopal Church

REV. JOHN HUFFMAN, RECTOR
Corner of E. Ave. and Sixth, Carrizozo, NM
Ph. 505-257-2356
Holy Eucharist Sunday 9:30 a.m.

Claunch Community Church

TONY SCAGGIA, Minister
848-1402
Second Sunday of Each Month 8:00 a.m.

United Methodist Churches

JOHANNA ANDERSON, Pastor
1000 D. Ave., 848-2893 / 848-2846
Carrizozo, NM 88301
Sunday School (All Ages) 10:00 a.m.
Worship Service 11:00 a.m.
Choir Practice (Tuesday) 6:30 p.m.
United Methodist Women
Every 3rd Wednesday 2:00 p.m.
Fellowship Dinner on
4th Sunday of Month 12:30 p.m.

CAPITAN:

Adult Sunday School 8:30 a.m.
Worship Service 9:15 a.m.
Children's Sunday School 9:30 a.m.
Fellowship Time 10:15 a.m.
Adult Sunday School 11:00 a.m.
Choir Practice (Tuesday) 7:00 p.m.
Fellowship Dinner Every Third Sunday
Handmaidens (Ecumenical Women's Group)
1st and 3rd Tuesday 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 / 338-4627
Sunday Bible Study 10:00 a.m.
Worship Service 11:00 a.m.
Evening Worship 8:00 p.m.
Wednesday Bible Study 6:00 p.m.

Trinity Southern Baptist Church

MEL GNATKOWSKI, Pastor / 848-2530
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 WESY, Pastor / 848-7975
Sunday School 10:00 a.m.
Worship Service 11:00 a.m.
Wednesday Bible Study 7:00 a.m.
Fellowship Dinner 1st Sunday of Month

Sunday:
Sunday School for all ages 8:30 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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"Looking Back"

THROUGH OLD 'NEWS' FILES

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In town, there were dice and roulette, while out to the east, in the area folks called "the old Miller cornfield," ranchers matched their fastest horses. It wasn't rare for \$50,000 or more to hinge of the outcome of a two-horse race over a bumpy up-and-down course cut through a meadow.

"There are two main factors which shed light on the birth of Ruidoso Downs and its remarkable growth," said Richard Thompson, general manager.

"In the first place, the Ruidoso area had long been a summer resort where Texans gathered. These Texans tended to be the free-wheeling high-rolling type. They weren't afraid to make a bet. In fact, the risking of money was part of their nature. The character of these Texans gave racing its first spark of life in this area."

When organized racing came to Ruidoso Downs in 1947--it was called Hollywood Park then--no one ever dreamed there was enough sporting spirit in these early horsemen to foster such racing landmarks as the All-American and Kansas futurities.

But the spirit was always there--it was simply waiting to be tapped, waiting to be diverted from match-race duels on the Miller cornfield and the other home-made strips in the bush-track circuit of Texas and Oklahoma.

As one old-time horseman put it:

"There was hardly a week during those summers at Ruidoso when somebody wouldn't pull into town from Carlsbad or Midland, get boasting over corn mash about the speed of his horse and end up broke in Mr. Miller's meadow."

One Oklahoma stockman recalled: "I remember once matching horses for just two sacks of oats and another time drawing so much money out of the bank they told us to go down the road to the next town and get the rest. There was \$75,000 on that race."

A B. Green, an Oklahoma oilman, told of racing his filly in the Texas bush circuit in a \$10,000 match race. Then when he heard about the possibility of getting some action across the state line in the rocky race strip on the Miller site, he hitched his trailer to his Cadillac and drove to Ruidoso. When he arrived, "there was a horse under every blackjack tree."

This simmering urge for action hasn't diminished since racing came of age in the Sacramento mountains of New Mexico. At a cocktail party in Ruidoso, a Texas oilman once announced he was willing to match his horse against any two-year-old in the world for \$100,000. No one took him up on it, and the horse was beaten in an ordinary race the following day.

The sporting blood of the Texas oilman and the Oklahoma rancher and those old-timers who "look on all comers and didn't care about the odds"--this was the dynamo which generated the plasma and life fluid of the All-American Futurity and revolutionized the racing industry in less than 25 years.

But who could have guessed where it all was leading back during those early days? Richard Thompson, who was witness to some of those landmark events, admits it's been pretty much of a surprise. "I guess you'd have to say the astounding success of the All-American and the quarter horse program at Ruidoso Downs has been a seismic shock to the industry."

The All-American and the world's first \$1 million horserace probably got its birth, accidental as it was, in a bar in the Hilton Hotel in Albuquerque. That was back in the fall of 1953, when Thompson was employed by the New Mexico Racing Commission.

Thompson happened to be in the company of some horsemen who had stopped by the Hilton Bar for a drink or two. Naturally, the topic was horses. "I can't remember everyone in the group--but there was J. B. Ferguson, Elmer Helper, Jim Derrick--and two or three others."

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GRIZZLY

WEEKLY

by Carrizozo High School JOURNALISM CLASS

Sarah Ball, Instructor

Grizzly Pride Unleashed

Carrizozo Schools has unleashed our school spirit. Although many people continuously show support for our school, this year has been particularly strong. Community members have given generously of time and money. Clothing and other Grizzly products are seen everywhere.

Part of this surge is due to the creation of a Booster Club. The Club's main mission is to raise money for students to have meals provided on trips and to pay for athletes to go to camp in the summer. The Boosters are in charge of the concession stand. Parents, teachers, and students have all been helping out, providing refreshments and food for games. In addition, they are selling supportive clothing that shows Grizzly pride. There are hoodies and polo shirts which anyone can get, short or long sleeved. There are t-shirts and hats also. The money made from the concession stand and the clothing ultimately benefit the whole school. These products all represent pride and honor of our school.

Remember if you're a Carrizozo student and you wear red to the games you get in for free just for showing Grizzly pride.

Another reason for our Grizzly pride is the attendance at games. Watching and cheering for our team, even when it is freezing cold, helps our school. Fans help us get pumped and receive the confidence to play our best.

Parents talk to the players and students and tell them that we can make it. If it is football or volleyball or even academics, our community is helping us out and behind us all the way. They know that we can make it, and they want to help us become the best in the state.

As a member of the yearbook staff I am very aware of our community's generous contributions. They are buying ads for the yearbook, some who have bought them every year. This generosity helps our students pay less for the books and shows that they care.

The Carrizozo Student Council is also promoting Grizzly pride by selling numerous items to support our school. The council is selling buttons with a player's name and number on them. They distinctively say, "It's Great to be a Grizzly." The button has a realistic picture of a grizzly bear. There are also signs for sale that say "Grizzly Crossing." They are heavy duty metal, and are good for indoors and outdoors. They too have a very realistic grizzly.

Student Council is also going to be selling stickers that go on cars. The stickers for football players can either be a helmet or a paw print and volleyball ball players will have a paw print. Player's names will also be on this sticker with their number.

Student Council's goal is for every business and home to display a Grizzly sign, a Grizzly flag, or some other

form of Grizzly identification, so when people come into town they will know that they are in Grizzly Country.

FFA is also supported by this community. Students are learning life long skills and in turn, they become our representatives all over the state. The cost of representation is not cheap. Members have to earn money to attend conventions, competitions, and leadership seminars and to pay dues, as well as to purchase FFA jackets. The community once again always shows its generosity by buying fruit, meat, and anything else FFA sells.

I realize that our community is helping us a lot, more than I know, and this makes me proud to be a part of Carrizozo.

Scott Barela

People for Kids

Schools always appreciate help, whether it's volunteer help, academic tutoring, fundraising, or presentations. PFK, or People for Kids, is one such organization that helps.

Their most recent activity was the Halloween Carnival, held in the old gym on Wednesday, October 31, which was a big success. The carnival gives school organizations and clubs an opportunity to earn money as well as provide a safe environment for Halloween night.

PFK is one of the associations that helps our school do more activities. To raise money, PFK uses a fundraising organization, QSP Reader's Digest, that helps schools raise money. Headed by Kelly Gallacher, the kindergarten teacher, PFK conducts two fundraisers a year, one in the fall and one in the spring. In the fall students sell candy, nuts, Christmas wrap, and an assortment of gifts.

Students are given packets that display each item. In the spring students sell all kinds of cookie dough. Depending on how much a student sells, that student can earn prizes that range from a fiber optic pen to a \$200 American Express gift card. Last year, during the fund raisers students, with the tremendous support of the community, made up to \$3,000 dollars. Those funds pay for class trips or any other needs.

Teachers in the elementary used a percentage of that money to purchase books for the annual Christmas gift book for all students in grades K-5.

PFK also offers a scholarship to seniors. All seniors can apply. PFK then determines who can receive the scholarship based on need, grades, and leadership activities.

Thanks to organizations like PFK, the school runs a little better.

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STATE OF NEW MEXICO
COUNTY OF LINCOLN
TWELFTH JUDICIAL
DISTRICT COURT
NO. CV 07-276**

GREEN TREE SERVICING, LLC,
a foreign Limited Liability Company,
Plaintiff,

vs.
**MONICA PRIETO and
ANDRES J. PRIETO**
Defendants.

**AMENDED AND CORRECTED
NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE**

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE the above-entitled Court, having duly appointed a Special Master in this matter with the power to sell, has ordered me to sell the Real Estate situated in Lincoln County, New Mexico commonly known as 238 N. Parnell Drive, Ruidoso Downs, NM and more fully described as:

Lot 50, Block 3 of RIVER PARK ADDITION, UNIT 2, Ruidoso Downs, Lincoln County, New Mexico, as shown by the amended plat thereof filed in the office of the County Clerk and Ex-officio Recorder of Lincoln County, New Mexico, November 4, 1971, in Tube No. 428 ("Real Estate").

And a 1998 Masterpiece (Palm Harbor)-Make, 4164 Model, 28' X 64' Manufactured Home, serial number MP155203AB upon such Real Estate.

A Default Judgment, Decree of Foreclosure and Appointment of Special Master was entered in the above, captioned and numbered cause against the Defendant October 11, 2007.

The sale is to begin at 8:50 a.m. on November 28, 2007, at the main entrance of the Lincoln County Courthouse, 300 Central Avenue, Carrizozo, New Mexico, at which time I will sell to the highest bidder for cash in the lawful currency of the United States of America, the above-described Real Estate and all improvements thereon and the above-described Manufactured Home to pay the expenses of such Default Judgment, Decree of Foreclosure and Appointment of Special Master referred to above, and to satisfy the Judgment in favor of Plaintiff in the total amount of \$58,417.26, including interest to the date of the Foreclosure Sale. At such sale, the Plaintiff may become the purchaser of the property being sold, or part thereof, and may apply all or part of the Judgment to the bid, should it be the highest bidder.

Any purchaser at such sale must pay, in cash or an unconditional, irrevocable letter of credit issued upon a financial institution and in a form acceptable to me.

PETER BACA
Special Master
PO Box 215
Carrizozo, NM 88301
Phone: 575-648-9925

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**STATE OF NEW MEXICO
COUNTY OF LINCOLN
TWELFTH JUDICIAL
DISTRICT COURT
No. D-1226-CV-2007-00238**

**LASALLE BANK NATIONAL
ASSOCIATION,**
Plaintiff,

**STEVEN G. SPANDE, KATHRYN A.
SPANDE, AND MORTGAGE
ELECTRONIC REGISTRATION
SYSTEMS, INC., AS NOMINEE
FOR HOMEAMERICAN CREDIT
INC., D/B/A UPLAND MTG.**
Defendants.

NOTICE OF SALE

Notice is hereby given that on November 16, 2007, at the hour of 10:00 am the undersigned Special Master, or his designee, will, at the front entrance of the Lincoln County Courthouse, at 300 Central, Carrizozo, NM 88301, sell all the right, title and interest of the above-named Defendants, in and to the hereinafter described real estate to the highest bidder for cash. The property to be sold is located at 106 Birch Drive, Ruidoso, New Mexico 88345, (if there is a conflict between the legal description and the street address, the legal description shall control) and is more particularly described as follows:

LOT 17, 18, AND 19, BLOCK 1 OF PONDEROSA HEIGHTS SUBDIVISION, RUIDOSO, LINCOLN COUNTY, NEW MEXICO, AS SHOWN BY THE PLAT THEREOF FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY CLERK OF LINCOLN COUNTY, NEW MEXICO, JULY 30, 1956, IN TUBE NO. 148.

including any improvements, fixtures, and attachments, such as, but not limited to, mobile homes. Subject to all taxes, utility liens and other restrictions and easements of record, and subject to a one (1) month right of redemption by the Defendants from entry of an order approving sale, the foregoing sale will be made to satisfy a foreclosure judgment rendered by this Court in the above-entitled and numbered cause on October 18, 2007, being an action to foreclose a mortgage on the above-described property. The Plaintiff's judgment is \$164,689.37, and the same bears interest at the current variable rate of 12.3750%, which accrues at the rate of \$55.84 per diem, commencing on August 2, judgement against said Defendants Steven G. Spande and Kathryn A. Spande for the amount due after foreclosure sale, for costs and attorney's fees, plus interest as may be assessed by the Court. The Plaintiff has the right to bid at such sale all of its judgment amount 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. The sale may be postponed and rescheduled at the discretion of the Special Master.

The Court's decree, having duly appointed Edward Little, as its Special Master to advertise and immediately offer for sale the subject real estate and to apply the proceeds of sale, first to the costs of sale and the Special Master's fees, then to pay the above-described judgment, interest, and costs of sale, and to pay unto the registry of the Court any balance remaining to satisfy future adjudication of priority mortgage holders.

NOW THEREFORE, notice is hereby given that in the event that said property is not sooner redeemed, the undersigned will as set forth above, offer for sale and sell to the highest bidder for cash or equivalent, the lands and improvements described above for the purpose of satisfying, in the adjudged order of priorities, the judgment described herein and decree of foreclosure together with any additional costs and attorney's fees, costs of advertisement and publication, a reasonable receiver and Special Master's fee to be fixed by the Court. The total amount of judgment due is \$164,689.37, plus interest to and including date of sale of \$5,974.88 for a total judgment plus interest of \$170,664.25. Sale is subject to the entry of order of the Court approving the terms and conditions of this sale.

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LEGAL NOTICE

**STATE OF NEW MEXICO
COUNTY OF LINCOLN
TWELFTH JUDICIAL
DISTRICT COURT
No. CV07-345**

WASHINGTON MUTUAL BANK,
Plaintiff,

vs.
**TERESA HERRERA AND
CITY BANK NEW MEXICO.**
Defendants.

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Notice is hereby given that on November 16, 2007, at the hour of 10:00 am the undersigned Special Master, or his designee, will, at the front entrance of Lincoln County Courthouse, at 300 Central, Carrizozo, NM 88301, sell all of the rights, title and interest of the above-named Defendants, in and to the hereinafter described real estate to the highest bidder for cash. The property to be sold is located at 129 Skyview, Capitan, New Mexico 88316, (if there is a conflict between the legal description and the street address, the legal description shall control) and is more particularly described as follows:

LOT 16, BLOCK 5, OF BIG COUNTRY SUBDIVISION, 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, ON FEBRUARY 8, 1972, IN TUBE NO. 478.

including a 1994 Redman Manufactured Home, VIN number 12521218, and any and all improvements, fixtures, and attachments. Subject to all taxes, utility liens and other restrictions and easements of record, and subject to a one (1) month right of redemption by the Defendants from entry of an order approving sale, the foregoing sale will be made to satisfy a foreclosure judgment rendered by this Court in the above-entitled and numbered cause on October 11, 2007, being an action to foreclose a mortgage on the above-described property. The Plaintiff's judgment is \$64,717.17, and the same

bears interest at the rate of 7.5000%, which accrues at the rate of \$13.30 per diem, commencing on October 1, 2007, with the Court reserving entry of final judgment against said Defendant Teresa Herrera for the amount due after foreclosure sale for costs and attorney's fees, plus interest as may be assessed by the Court. The Plaintiff has the right to bid at such sale all of its judgment amount 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. The sale may be postponed and rescheduled at the discretion of the Special Master.

The Court's decree, having duly appointed Edward Little, as its Special Master to advertise and immediately offer for sale the subject real estate and to apply the proceeds of sale, first to the costs of sale and the Special Master's fees, then to pay the above-described judgment, interest, and costs of sale, and to pay unto the registry of the Court any balance remaining to satisfy future adjudication of priority mortgage holders.

NOW THEREFORE, notice is hereby given that in the event that said property is not sooner redeemed, the undersigned will as set forth above, offer for sale and sell to the highest bidder for cash or equivalent, the lands and improvements described above for the purpose of satisfying, in the adjudged order of priorities, the judgment described herein and decree of foreclosure together with any individual costs and attorney's fees, costs of advertisement and publication, a reasonable receiver and Special Master's fee to be fixed by the Court. The total amount of the judgment due is \$64,717.17, plus interest to and including date of sale of \$625.10 for a total judgment plus interest of \$65,342.27. Sale is subject to the entry of order of the Court approving the terms and conditions of this sale.

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Governing Body of the Village of Capitan, New Mexico will hold a public hearing in conjunction with the regularly scheduled meeting on Tuesday, November 13, 2007, beginning at 6:30 PM at the Village Hall Meeting Room of the Village of Capitan, New Mexico. The public hearings is concerning the following:

1. Adopting Ordinance 2007-... An Ordinance Consenting to Landowners Petitions for Annexation into the Village of Capitan, New Mexico certain contiguous lands as shown by maps thereof, attached to the Ordinance and referred to as Exhibit "A". Property he annexed hereinafter more particularly described:

Joe and Glenneth Staifer - Mt. Vue Subdivision, Block 3, Lot 11

The public is invited to attend the Public Meeting.

Comments or inquires should be directed to Village Hall, 114 Lincoln Avenue, Capitan, New Mexico 88316; 575-354-2247 between the hours of 7:00 AM and 5:30 PM Monday through Friday.

ATTEST:
Kay Strickland, Village Clerk

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CORONA NEWS

Brad and Kasi Holland are the parents of Jordan Neil, 7 lbs. 14 oz. born October 19th in Ruidoso. Maternal grandparents are Dwayne and Karen Kibbe, Portales. Paternal grandparents are Mel and Pat Holland, Ruidoso. Great grandparents are John D and Eve Mae Holleman, Corona.

Lance and Debbie Kuenning, Paxton, Nebraska, are the parents of 7 lb. 2 oz. Carter Bond Kuenning, born October 22, Carter is the first grandchild of Lerry and Martha Bond.

Quirt McDaniel won the bronc riding in Farmington last weekend.

The Lady Cardinals won their first volleyball game in district play in hard fought games against Hondo. They were defeated by Mountainair in the second round of play.

Hunting season seems to be going well with few deer killed and lots of visiting by friends who accompanied the hunters.

Response from the Corona area for the E-cycling conducted by Lincoln County Solid Waste Authority (LCSWA) this last weekend was very good. At least one pickup load and a trailer load were taken from Corona. Preliminary estimates put the collection at 55 - 60 thousand pounds county wide.

An Appreciation Day was held for Janetta Stewart, Sunday, October 28. Friends and relatives gathered for a covered dish dinner and lots of visiting. Janetta served as financial officer at Corona Public Schools until she had to take an early medical retirement. Superintendent Travis Lightfoot's remarks of appreciation preceded the presentation of a plaque.

Friends have been notified of the death of Maryann Brown Dame, 83, of Farmington on October 13. Mrs. Dame was born in Marlow, OK. She graduated from East Central State University in 1952 with a degree in education and later received her master's degree in education from Highlands University.

Maryann and Everett Dame, also a teacher, were married in 1943 in Oklahoma. They moved to Folsom in 1953 to teach school and to Corona in 1954 where they taught until 1962. From Corona, they moved to Farmington where they taught until retirement.

Maryann is survived by her husband Everett W. Dame; sons, "Woody" and Harriet Dame, Farmington, David and Lori Dame, Pueblo, CO, and Glen Dame, Farmington; parents, Alvin and Jessie Kilgore Brown, Lincoln, AR; sister, Earline Spear, Lincoln, AR; seven grandchildren and five great-grandchildren.

Corona residents are looking forward to the annual Christmas Arts and Crafts Fair to be held in the Corona Auditorium, Saturday, November 10.

Hondo Valley Angus Joins Membership Of American Angus Assn.

Hondo Valley Angus of Hondo is a new member of the American Angus Association, reports John Crouch, executive vice president of the national breed registry organization in Saint Joseph, Missouri.

The association records ancestral information and keeps production records on individual animals for its members. These permanent records help members select and mate the best animals in their herds to produce high quality, efficient breeding cattle which are then recorded with the American Angus Association.

"Looking Back"

THROUGH OLD 'NEWS' FILES

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\$20,000—a healthy amount in those founding years—under the format of initial nomination payments coming due a few months or so before the running of the race.

When the Ruidoso Quarter Horse Futurity was re-modeled into the All-American Futurity, the format included the long-range nominating payments dreamed up for the winner-take-all futurity won by Segura Miguel. (A futurity, incidentally, is a race exclusively for two-year-olds, the rookies of horse racing.)

Now, instead of making the nominating payment a few months before the race, horsemen started shelling out about 20 months in advance. In order to stay eligible, payments had to be made regularly.

The first running of the All-American was staged in 1959, and the first purse reached a giddy \$129,686. The success of the race "surpassed the wildest dreams."

That first All-American was won by Galobar, owned by Hugh Huntley of Madera, Calif. The winner's share amounted to a cool \$62,843. In 1960, the gross purse inched forward to \$130,244, then sunk into the marrow of the quarter horse industry. The race has been spreading since like grassfire. The third edition in 1961 lunged up to \$202,423. Like clockwork, the purse money climbed. Last year, the All-American put a fat purse of \$753,910 on the line. Over \$200,000 went to Will Whitehead of Del Rio, Texas, whose colt, Mr. Kid Charge, got home first by a neck in record-setting time of 19.65 seconds.

This year, the All-American will escalate to about \$925,000, and next year, when it tops the \$1 million mark, the winning owner will take home a paycheck of about \$333,000.

That's only part of the bonanza. In cash value, in fact, it's a relatively "small" part. A colt who wins the All-American, according to Thompson, can accrue a stud value of about \$1 million.

"This figure of a \$1 million isn't just guesswork," Thompson pointed out. "A winner of the All-American can bring at least a stud fee of \$1,000—much more if he proves himself as a sire. A stallion can usually serve about 100 mares a year."

With so much money hanging in the balance, with such heated instincts of Texas and Oklahoma horsemen channeled into the electric currents of the All-American—how does it feel to be general manager of Ruidoso Downs on Labor Day when some 15,000 fans jam the mountain track of the "old Miller cornfield?"

"It's an exciting day a special day in one's life—I imagine it's the same feeling of jitters and anxiety one gets in connection with the Kentucky Derby. The All-American is quarter horse racing's Kentucky Derby. On All-American day, you've got plenty of worries. You hope everything goes right—you hope the weather is right, and you hope every horse in the race gets a clean shot."

What's good for Ruidoso Downs is apparently good for the quarter horse industry, judging by the healthful effects the All-American has left in its wake. "The beneficial values have been deep and widespread. Mainly, it's caused a tremendous amount of national publicity—all of which has brought attention to the quarter horse breed. There's no doubt the All-American has spurred tremendous growth in the industry."

When it comes to publicity, the All-American goes first class. The wire services carry the All-American throughout the nation, and the race is viewed on national TV. Currently, plans are underfoot to beam the All-American live throughout this part of the country. Full-length articles in Playboy Magazine and Sports Illustrated last year described in depth the background and character of the All-American and the people enmeshed in its magic.

Although the quarter horse had to climb out of the bush track circuit of Texas to get top-billing at Ruidoso that's not to suggest the thoroughbreds have been ignored. Thoroughbred racing has also boomed at the mountain course. In fact, one thoroughbred event—the Ruidoso Futurity—will offer a healthy prize of about \$50,000. This is a far cry from the All-American, but it's a purse worthy of any racetrack in the nation.

As Thompson noted, though: "There'll never be another race like the All-American."

Perhaps it's the sheer size of the All-American purse that gets a Texan's heart to pounding.

Sheriff's Report

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9:53 a.m. Warrant service at Lincoln County Detention Center (LCDC) on Airport Road in Carrizozo, deputy dispatched.

12:12 p.m. Children Youth and Family Department (CYFD) referral at location on Indian Divide in Capitan, deputy dispatched.

12:31 p.m. Alarm reported at location on High Mesa Road in Alto, deputy dispatched.

1:08 p.m. Alarm reported at location on Little Creek Hills in Alto, deputy dispatched.

3:44 p.m. Dog reported running loose on Lovelace in Carrizozo, police dispatched.

7:19 p.m. Trespassing reported at location on Laughing Horse Trail in Alto, deputy dispatched.

November 3

12:47 a.m. Alarm reported at location on Fawn Drive in Alto, deputy dispatched.

3:24 a.m. Disturbance reported at location on Cattle Drive in Ruidoso, deputy dispatched.

11:39 a.m. Shots fired reported at location on Deer Park Road in Alto, deputy dispatched.

12:39 p.m. Medical call at mile marker 5 on Hwy 55 west of Hwy 54 north of Carrizozo, Corona emergency units and ambulance dispatched.

12:49 p.m. Medical call on Kerr Avenue in Corona, ambulance and deputy dispatched.

5:13 p.m. Suspicious activity by person(s) in vehicle reported on Smokey Bear Boulevard in Capitan, police and deputy dispatched.

5:50 p.m. Trespassing reported at Saddle Ridge in Carrizozo, deputy dispatched.

7:19 p.m. Missing or lost person reported from location on Hwy 37 in Bonito, deputy dispatched.

8:16 p.m. Medical call from residence on D Avenue in Carrizozo, police, ambulance, Carrizozo emergency units and deputy dispatched.

11:21 p.m. Alarm reported at business location on West Smokey Bear Boulevard in Capitan, police dispatched.

November 4

12:23 a.m. Medical call at residence on White Oaks Road in White Oaks, ambulance and deputy dispatched.

5:51 a.m. Suspicious activity by person at business location on Hwy 48 in Alto, deputy dispatched.

5:57 a.m. Alarm reported at location on Bobcat Trail in Alto, deputy dispatched.

10:57 a.m. Criminal damage to property reported at business location on Hwy 70 in Hondo, deputy dispatched.

11:58 a.m. Medical call at business located at Hwy 54

and Hwy 380 intersection in Carrizozo, ambulance dispatched.

12:30 p.m. Larceny/theft reported at business location on Hwy 380 in Capitan, police and deputy dispatched.

2:46 p.m. Threats reported at business location on Hwy 70 in Hondo, deputy dispatched.

3:03 p.m. Alarm reported at location on Eagle Ridge Road in Alto, deputy dispatched.

3:15 p.m. Agency assistance requested by Capitan police at mile marker 6 on Hwy 46 in Capitan, deputy dispatched.

4:01 p.m. Disturbance reported at intersection on Hwy 70 and Don Jose in Hondo, deputy dispatched.

11:05 p.m. Antelope struck by vehicle near mile marker 59 on Hwy 380 west of Carrizozo, deputy dispatched.

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Equal Housing Opportunity

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EMPLOYMENT NOTICE

COOK — Zia Senior Citizens Center in Ruidoso Downs. The applicant is responsible for the entire kitchen operation and food preparation and service. Obtain application and job description from Martha Guevara at 505/648-2385 ext. 100. Applications accepted until 5:00 pm, November 19, 2007. Equal Opportunity Employer.

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Weather Report

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near 66, night: Mostly clear, with a low around 35.

Monday, November 12
Sunny, with a high near 63, night: Mostly clear, with a low around 32.

Tuesday, November 13
Sunny, with a high near 65, night: Mostly clear, with a low around 32.

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

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



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