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County Extends Fire Ban

by Patrice Brazie

Citing a very high to extreme fire danger in Lincoln County, as confirmed by the Boise Fire Center in Montana, the Lincoln County Board of Commissioners extended the restrictions on outdoor burning and the ignition of display fireworks in the unincorporated portions of the county.

A resolution adopted by the county commissioners during their regular meeting of June 19th spells out the specifics of the ban. All open flames, fires and campfires are banned, excepting campfires in designated areas, as is the burning of any trash, rubbish, shrubbery or material of any kind without a permit issued by the county.

According to Lincoln County's Emergency Services Coordinator, James Mason, those who have been issued a permit to burn must still contact the Lincoln

County Sheriff's Department on the day they intend to burn and receive approval to do so.

The sale or use of display fireworks, missile-type rockets, helicopters, aerial spinners, stick-type rockets and ground audible devices is also banned. The use of fireworks not listed is limited to areas that are paved or without vegetation, or where there is a readily available source of water for use by a homeowner or member of the general public.

Experts in fire control also warn against driving vehicles over areas with dry vegetation or tall grass, as heat from a vehicle's exhaust system or undercarriage could ignite a fire.

The county's burning and fireworks restrictions will remain in effect until July 19th unless rescinded by the county commissioners prior to that date.



LINCOLN COUNTY MANAGER Tom Stewart (left) and the Chairman of the Lincoln County Board of Commissioners, Tom Battin (right) met at the public podium during the June 19th meeting of the county commissioners. Battin told Stewart that, while attending a recent meeting of the NM Association of Counties (NMAC), Battin had accepted an award on behalf of Lincoln County, which he then wanted to pass-on to Stewart. Battin said that Lincoln County was found, among New Mexico counties of similar size, to have the best safety record for county employees. The county had the lowest worker's compensation loss report for 2006, Battin said, as he congratulated the county manager. Stewart said that as a former military commander nothing was more important than the safety of those working for him. "Every time the soldiers saw me it was a mantra," Stewart said. "Do something for safety, do something for maintenance, and do something for training and you'll always be a combat ready outfit." Stewart accepted the award on behalf of the county's employees, and said he hoped to always convey the philosophy that safety is Job One in Lincoln County. (Photo by Patrice Brazie)

White Oaks Fire Station Is Now Curtin Pinson FD

by Patrice Brazie

The Lincoln County Board of Commissioners heard a request during their regular meeting on June 19 to change the name of the White Oaks Fire Station to honor the dedication and efforts of its former chief, Curtis Pinson. The request to rename the fire station the Curtin Pinson Fire Station was explained in a letter from the current White Oaks Fire Chief Robert Cranston.

According to a letter to the county commissioners, Curtin Earl Pinson was born in Aspermont, Texas in 1936. After decades of working the Texas oil fields, Pinson and his wife Peggy moved to White Oaks in 1995. Pinson was credited with a re-organization of the White Oaks Volunteer Fire Department and served as its chief from 1996 to his retirement in 2006.

Among Pinson's accomplishments, Cranston listed the acquisition of donated land to house the fire station and the metal building that is the current station. In a fire district with few sources of water available for a firefighting attack, Pinson was also behind the acquisition and installation of three water storage tanks with a combined storage capacity of 52,000 gallons and fitted for immediate emergency use by firefighters. Cranston wrote that the three aging fire trucks used by the White Oaks department have been kept in operational condition because of Pinson's mechan-

ical abilities.

"To commemorate Curtis' accomplishments, dedication and many hours of volunteer work, I request your approval of the name change," Cranston wrote.

The county's board of commissioners unanimously agreed to the renaming of the fire station.

Members of the White Oaks Volunteer Fire Department are seeking donations to help pay for a sign for the Curtin Pinson Fire Station.



STORM FLOWERS -- Dark clouds recently loomed above the White Mountain Wilderness area, and these wild flowers offered a bright contrast to the dark skies. (Photo by Patrice Brazie)

Fireworks Display Set for July 4 at C'zozo Golf Course

The annual fireworks display will once again be presented at dusk on July 4 at the Carrizozo Golf Course under the supervision of the Carrizozo Volunteer Fire Department.

Fire Department Chief Walter Hill has announced that spectators may be allowed to shoot off certain fireworks in a designated area on July 4.

Hill said the old dirt baseball field, across from the Carrizozo Country Club, has been approved for spectators to use to shoot off personal fireworks. Hill did say bottle

rockets will not be allowed. The entire viewing area, as well as the spectator shooting area, will be patrolled by town police and sheriff's posse as well as by firemen.

Hill listed other stipulations for spectators: NO fireworks or vehicles allowed on golf course area with the exception of the fire department display unit; fireworks may be lit only in the designated area; children must have parental supervision to light fireworks; and everyone is asked to police the area after the display to help keep the park clean.

County Cautious With Lodger's Tax Funding

by Patrice Brazie

With seven applications for Lincoln County Lodger's Tax funding in June and no lodger's tax committee to review and make recommendations regarding those applications, June's funding requests went directly to county officials for approval.

The lodger's tax awards recommended by county manager Tom Stewart and approved by the county's board of commissioners on June 19th reflected increases from last year but, in all but two cases, fell short of the amounts requested.

Stewart reported that the county's lodger's tax revenues are down 10 percent from last year, and that the average number of applications for funding over the past three years is about 32 per year. Lodger's tax awards for funding over the last three years averaged about \$2,100 per request, Stewart said, amounting to more than the \$60,000 he expects to be generated this fiscal year.

The county commissioners had questions about what appeared to be a \$7,000 request from the Carrizozo Chamber of Commerce and a CARZ committee for promotion of The Great Car Race. Carrizozo is an official lunch stop for the event, which will bring the race's classic and custom car drivers to the town for about three hours, Stewart said. He also reported that the application provided no explanation of what the requested funding would be used for.

Stewart recommended a \$750 award for the promotion of the race event, stating that it was only a three hour event and that it already had big national sponsors promoting it. "I looked at other

events we had around the area, and it seemed to be appropriate for a three hour event," Stewart said.

County commissioner Eileen Lovelace said that the town of Carrizozo was asked by the race organizers to host the lunch stop, and the town officials approached the Chamber of Commerce to sign on as a local sponsor. The cost of hosting the lunch stop will be paid for by the town, according to Lovelace, who said she thought the \$750 would most likely be used to pay for the rental of portable toilets. The county commissioners approved the allocation of \$750.

A request from the organizers of the Mountain of Blues Festival, which was held in Ruidoso on June 2nd, was for \$5,000. That event received \$2,500 in 2006 and \$1,500 in 2005 from the county's lodger's tax fund, Stewart said.

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Great American Car Race to Stop In C'zozo July 10th

The Great American Car Race, a cross-country trek of vintage and classic vehicles, will be in Carrizozo for lunch on July 10. This is the 25th anniversary of the event.

More than 90 antique and classic cars started the race in Concord, North Carolina on June 30 and will finish in Anaheim, California July 14.

The cars will begin arriving in Carrizozo about 12:20 p.m. and will continue to arrive every minute. The cars and drivers will be in Carrizozo near McDonald Park for about three hours.

County Cautions With Lodger's Tax

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He questioned whether or not the blues festival is making money. "If so, do we want to add to their profit margin?" Stewart asked.

Because the request for funding was being reviewed after the event had taken place, County commission chair Tom Battin suggested the commissioners table it until a representative of the festival was available to explain the need for additional funding.

When assistant county manager Martha Guevara found an application for funding dated sometime in April, Stewart acknowledged that the request may have been overlooked for a month or two, so the commissioners decided to act on the request instead of tabling it. The Mountain of Blues Festival received an award of \$2,250.

Organizers of the 3rd annual Chamber Music Festival, to be held on August 3rd,

4th and 5th, asked the county commissioners for \$2,000, a \$500 increase over last year's funding. Mary Lea Lane, of Ruidoso, told the commissioners that the budget for the event has grown from \$22,000 last year to \$33,000 this year. She said that \$4,000 of the additional revenue will be used for advertising and \$7,000 will go to pay performers. "This year we are trading ads with the Santa Fe Symphony and the Chamber Music Albuquerque," Lane said. "Our bulk mailing includes the mailing lists of the Lubbock Symphony, the Roswell Symphony, the Southwest Symphony of Hobbs, the El Paso Symphony, the Texas Music Educators Association and to 400 members of Chamber Music of America who live in New Mexico and Texas. Lane said the event is advertised in many national magazines and area newspapers, as well as

on every public radio station in New Mexico and West Texas. The county manager recommended an award of \$1,350, which the county commissioners approved unanimously.

The Ruidoso Concert Association, which received \$500 in 2006 and \$850 in 2005, submitted a request for \$6,000 to promote its 2007-2008 schedule of events. Representatives of the association stated intentions to advertise in an arts tabloid based in Socorro, and two magazines published locally. The Ruidoso Concert Association pays its visiting performers as well as covering the costs of their lodging while in town, a spokesman said, which amounts to about \$4,000 being spent annually at local lodging establishments. Concerts are held at the 340 seat Center for Performing Arts at the Ruidoso High School, he said. County commissioners elected to follow the county manager's recommendation and awarded the Ruidoso Concert Association \$765.

Southwest Advertising II, a company that distributes an array of advertising brochures to display racks in public places and lodging establishments throughout

the region, requested an award of either \$379 or \$505. The lesser amount would support the distribution of local advertising materials throughout Lincoln County; an award of \$505 would support distributions in Otero County as well. The county officials approved the award of \$505.

Organizers of the 26th Annual Chili Cook-Off made a request for \$2,500, an increase of \$500 over last year. Rick Thomas, a member of the Ruidoso Chili Society, told the county commissioners that a portion of the proceeds earned from the cook-off goes to support local charities. He said that advertising for the event will be targeted to attract members of the chili world and barbecue aficionados, who often pay a fee to compete for the title of best chili cook. The 26th annual Chile Cook-Off was awarded \$1,800 in county lodger's tax funds.

A request from the Carrizozo Chamber of Commerce for \$600 to pay for advertising, insurance and the rental of portable toilets during the annual 4th of July fireworks and barbecue in Carrizozo was approved as requested.



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 and Carrizozo Outlook".

Friday, May 12, 1950

Newspaper Editorial Columns

by L. Kinnard, Editor/Publisher
Lincoln County News & Carrizozo Outlook

The editorial columns are newspaper editors' only media for expressing their opinions. All other reporting is done on the basis of facts, and personal opinion has no place in a news story. A news story must be reported on the basis of events in chronological sequence without regard to the personal opinion of the writer.

Another editor has expressed the attributes of a good journalist in more effective language than this writer can ever hope to equal. Stephen Lauzanne, France, has said the most essential in journalism is not a knowledge of history or men; neither is it the ability to catch a point quickly, the art of presenting facts properly, nor the skill to headline news in an appealing manner.

Lauzanne has expressed his belief this essential is the love and worship of truth, and the journalist's only ancestor was Diogenes. Lauzanne compares the journalist to Diogenes who went everywhere with lantern in hand searching for the truth. Sometimes, he points out, the journalist finds the truth and makes it bloom; other times he thinks he has found the truth, but discovers he has been mistaken and must start over again.

Lauzanne expresses the opinion good faith is the most important attribute of a journalist, and that men or women of bad faith are unworthy to be journalists.

The majority of editors, in this writer's opinion, are vitally concerned with the welfare of their communities, and are sincere in their efforts to promote progress in their cities.

The editors of this paper, like Stephen Lauzanne, believe in the policy of keeping faith with their readers. They will endeavor to keep alert to the necessity for and the development of civic projects that will benefit this county. They will attempt to secure all possible facts and, or figures on matters of civic welfare for presentation to their readers.

Two subjects of major importance, in the opinion of your editors, at this time are Highway 54 and the Carrizozo power plant.

The completion of Highway 54 is necessary if Lincoln County is to attain its rightful place in the growth and progress of New Mexico. The residents of this county are very much "Highway 54 conscious," and there is little doubt they are eagerly watching for the green light signal from state officials which will signify construction of that last remaining stretch of road. The prosperity and growth achieved by communities through adequate primary and secondary roads are well known facts.

However, growth of communities can also bring other problems. As the community grows, so also must its facilities grow. Apparently Carrizozo is finding itself confronted with the problem of adequate power in the face of increased use of this utility.

Recent meetings have disclosed both REA and Community Public Service are interested in the local plant. Allen Walker, Alamogordo, attorney for REA in this district appeared before the City Council at their regular meeting last week, details of which were published in the May 5 issue of The News-Outlook.

The inquiry from the Community Public Service Company, Alamogordo, relative to a possible sale of the local power plant was disclosed at the meeting of the council on April 4. The action of the council on this inquiry was stated in the April 7 issue of The News-Outlook.

Walker has expressed his willingness to appear before the people of Carrizozo with facts and figures for their information and

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Ancho Grass Fire Draws 6 Agency Response

A fire that was reported early Tuesday evening on the Hightower Ranch near Ancho drew firefighters from the districts of Corona, Carrizozo, White Oaks and Nogal, as well as members of the State Forestry Division and inspectors from the Union Pacific Railroad Company.

Though the cause of the fire was still undetermined on Wednesday morning, the fire reportedly appeared to have started along the railroad tracks. Union Pacific stopped train traffic along the route during the fire as a precautionary safety measure.

Firefighters worked late into the night putting out the fire, which was fully doused by about midnight. Fire officials had no estimate of the amount of land burned during the fire at the time of this report.



OBITUARY

CURTIS EARL PINSON

Graveside services for Curtis Earl Pinson will be held Saturday, June 30 at the Cedarvale Cemetery in White Oaks at 4:00 p.m. with Rev Hayden Smith officiating. During the service friends and family will share remembrances of Curtis as his ashes are laid to rest.

Curtis, age 70, died May 16 at his home in White Oaks. Curtis was a founding member and fire chief of the White Oaks Volunteer Fire Department for 10 years, retiring in 2005.

He is survived by his wife of 46 years, Peggy; daughters Linda Ann Oliver of Gladewater, TX, and Pamela Pinson of San Lorenzo, NM; and son Wesley Pinson of White Oaks; four grandchildren; two great grandchildren; brothers Bobby Pinson of Aspermont, TX and William Reese of Dallas, TX, and sister Betty Horton of Celeste, TX. Curtis is pre-deceased by a son, Kenneth Earl Pinson and a grandson, Shawn Joseph Pinson.



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Water Committee Needs to Be Reorganized

by Patrice Brazie

Cathie Eisen, local water systems operator and member of the Lincoln County Water Resource and Conservation Committee (LCWRCC), has asked the county's board of commissioners to consider a re-organization of that committee, and a possible redefining of the committee's purposes.

A memorandum from

county manager Tom Stewart to the county commissioners stated that the purpose of adding Eisen's request to the county commissioners' agenda for their June 19th meeting was to discuss her proposal, but no discussion of her concerns occurred during the meeting.

Eisen was granted a few minutes to present her views, but the county commissioners made no comments or

offered any reaction to her proposal.

In Eisen's statement to the county commissioners, she expressed concerns over the committee's performance and what she described as several cancelled meetings. "All during a time when many issues were being reviewed and input needed for future planning related to water issues," Eisen said. She told the county commissioners that, while the committee is comprised of talented and capable individuals, discussion has been continually limited to a very narrow scope of concerns.

"While the county manager and the county commission struggle to identify a means to compile a Water Plan, and as we work toward completion of our Land Use Plan and Comprehensive Plan, as well as subdivision ordinance revisions, there has been a minimal response from this committee," Eisen said. She further encouraged the

county commissioners to identify more specific tasks for the committee to perform.

Eisen also asked that the county commissioners make an effort to identify individuals to serve on the committee, individuals with varied knowledge and interests that might broaden the range of concerns addressed by the committee. She suggested a need to include someone from the development industry in the county to begin to round out the interests of the committee members.

Although the county commissioners offered no response to Eisen's concerns, county commission chair Tom Battin has recently acknowledged a difficulty in filling county committees with dedicated and qualified people. He has asked that Lincoln County residents with an interest in serving on any of the county's volunteer committees submit a letter of interest to the county manager's office or contact a county commissioner.

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

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.

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

TUESDAYS
 --Capitan Public Library preschool reading hour at 1 p.m.
 --Free GED class 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. Carrizozo School.
 --Alcoholics Anonymous, 6:30 p.m. Carrizozo First Baptist Church Fellowship Hall.

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

MONDAY, JULY 2
 --All copy for the News due by 5 p.m. today.
 --Capitan Chamber of Commerce 8:30 a.m., visitor center on Smokey Bear Blvd.
 --SNMEDD public meeting 1:00 p.m. to gather input regarding transportation issues, needs and projects in Lincoln and Otero counties. Meeting at Alamo Senior center, 2201 Puerto Rico in Alamogordo. Call Mary Ann Burr at 505-624-6131 for more information.

TUESDAY, JULY 3
 --Lincoln County Public Land Use and Rural Affairs Advisory Committee meets at 9 a.m. in Lincoln County Courthouse in Carrizozo.
 --Carrizozo Chamber of Commerce meets at 12 noon at Four Winds Restaurant in Carrizozo, meeting date changed from normal second Tuesday of the month.
 --Lincoln County Water Research and Conservation Committee meets at 2:00 p.m. in Lincoln County Courthouse in Carrizozo.

WEDNESDAY, JULY 4
 --Legal holiday, all governmental entities closed.
 --Carrizozo Chamber of Commerce hamburger fry at Carrizozo Golf Course 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.
 --Fireworks display at dusk at Carrizozo Municipal Golf Course at dusk, sponsored by Carrizozo Volunteer Fire Department.

County Revises Data Processing Fees

by Patrice Brazie

During the June 19th, Lincoln County Commission meeting commissioners approved an ordinance revising the fees charged for data processing and other related services, and confirming the county's public records policies. With a few exceptions mostly associated with the protection of individual civil rights, any public record must be made available as soon as is reasonably possible after the county manager's office receives a written request for access to the records, and in no more than 15 days. County manager Tom Stewart is the designated records custodian for the county, but assistant county manager Martha Guévara is often helpful in filling requests for copies of county documents.

Not all information services offered by the county have seen a cost increase since fees were last defined in 2001. Standard or legal sized copies still cost 25 cents and audio compact disc versions of recorded meetings remain at \$5.00. Several data processing fees were increased through the new ordinance, recording fees remain generally the same

and copies of plats, replats and surveys have seen a slight increase. A complete run down of all fees charged for county data processing services is available through the county manager's office.

Hide-and-Seek

Two seven-year-old youngsters in Quincey, Massachusetts, reported missing in a vast marshland area, were found several hours later cheerfully helping a searching party looking for "two lost kids".

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SNMEDD Meets To Collect Input for Needs and Projects

The Southeastern New Mexico Economic Development District/Council of Governments (SNMEDD/COG), through its transportation planning organization, the Southeast Regional Planning Organization (SERPO), will hold a public meeting on Monday, July 2 at 1:00 p.m.

The purpose of the meeting is to collect public input regarding transportation issues, needs and projects within Lincoln and Otero Counties for its Long Range Transportation Plan. The meeting will be held at the Alamo Senior Center, 2201 Puerto Rico Ave, Alamogordo.

If you wish to make public comment but are unable to attend the meeting, please contact Mary Ann Burr at (505) 624-6131 or mbsnmedd@plateautel.net.

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THOUGHTS FROM THE EDITOR'S DESK

A Holiday on a Wednesday?

By Ruth Hammond

Don't look now, but someone really made a mistake. The majority of the governmental entities observe legal holidays on Fridays or Monday to allow for a three day weekend. This does, of course, translate into these entities changing official holidays from their previous dates to the new Friday or Monday schedule. Some people complain that the original dates should be the holidays but officials have the last say in the matter. Now here we are with a major holiday in the middle of the week, July 4th no less.

Evidently even officials know it isn't proper to change a date as important as Independence Day, commemorating the adoption of the Declaration of Independence in 1776. It is one of the most important dates in US history and it is pleasing to know officials agree Independence Day is July 4, not the nearest Monday or Friday of the week.

Considering that Independence Day and Christmas are just about the only dates that remain constant on official calendars, regardless of the day of the week, people only have two midweek holidays this year. Christmas will be on a Tuesday, and even then officials usually set aside December 24 as an additional holiday, thereby keeping to the Monday and Friday scheduling of official holidays.

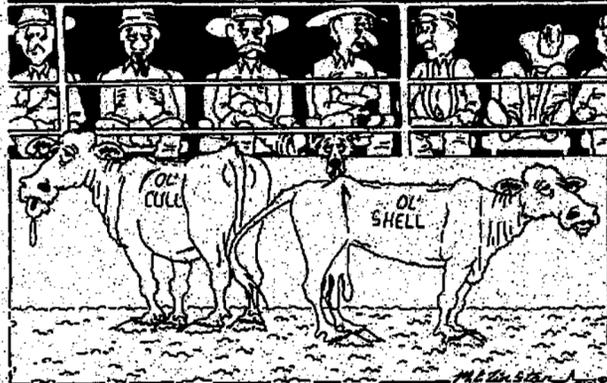
Long ago when the Declaration of Independence was adopted, the main thing was gaining independence, not concern for future holiday planning. The fireworks they had back then were true bombs and rockets, not brightly colored explosive displays such as we have now. They were fighting for freedom, not enjoying a holiday picnic. Their sacrifices weren't just giving up another three day weekend, they wanted our nation to be free from tyranny.

And aren't you glad they fought for freedom? And aren't you even gladder that they won? And aren't you glad that we celebrate Independence Day? It might mean that you won't have a three day weekend for now, you'll have to wait until early September for Labor Day to have another three day weekend, but even with July 4 being on a Wednesday, aren't you glad it is Independence Day?

Remembering that July 4 is not just another day of the month but it is the commemoration of our independence is important. Too many people tend to forget what July 4 is about. Yes picnics are fun, yes the fireworks display at the golf course put on by the Carrizozo Fire Department at dusk is colorful and beautiful, and yes it is a day to relax. But more important, it is the 231st anniversary of the Independence Day for the United States of America.

Every day is special in one way or another. It might be your birthday, wedding anniversary, a child's birthday, the day you graduated, or the day you met a new friend. Whatever the reason, each day is special, but Wednesday of next week is Independence Day, not just July 4. Take time to realize what it means and show respect for it.

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Inside the Capitol

by JAY MILLER

UFO FESTIVAL WILL BE BEST EVER

SANTA FE -- If ever you have thought of going to the Roswell UFO Festival, this is the year to do it. You won't believe the schedule of events for the 60th anniversary celebration.

I should say schedules of events. The City of Roswell and the UFO Museum both will have fully-packed schedules of events from Thursday, July 5 -- Sunday, July 8. And nearly all of them will be on Roswell's main street.

An often-heard complaint at previous UFO festivals was that there wasn't enough to do. No one can make that criticism this year. There is full-time action for everyone, whether you want lectures on UFO conspiracies or to participate in family fun.

It just won't ever get any better. For a look at the two schedules, go to www.roswellufofestival.com and www.roswellufomuseum.com.

I'm a longtime fan of Roswell UFO festivals. My wife and I attended the first one in 1995, when the UFO Museum began its buildup toward the big 50th anniversary of the 1947 Roswell crash.

In 1996-1998, we brought groups of 25-30 people from Santa Fe with parts and costumes to assemble for parade floats. We won the parade those three years, along with \$1,000 prizes, which we enjoyed spending before we left town. Part of the prize was always donated back to the festival committee as a nest egg for the following year.

But the 1998 festival didn't amount to much. The 50th anniversary was over and the national and international visitors began to lose interest. Locals never showed as much interest in the event as UFO enthusiasts from out of town.

In 1996, I stopped at a table in a Roswell restaurant to talk with some prominent local businessmen and politicians. One of them asked what I was doing in town and I told him a group of us were there for the UFO Festival. His answer was a disinterested "I guess we've heard of that."

For the past eight years, the UFO Festival has been experimenting with different formats, sponsors and locations. Roswell may not have hit on the perfect formula yet, but this year's 60th anniversary extravaganza promises to live up to its billing as the best UFO Festival ever.

The festival will have an exciting aerial component this year with a Spectacular Airshow and rides in hot air balloons, helicopters and airplanes. There will be numer-

ous kiddie events and team sports for all the family.

I'm not going to get too specific in mentioning about program events here because all events haven't been finalized. If you have computer access, please check the Web sites above.

One hint as to how big this celebration will be is the City of Roswell's \$150,000 budget for its events. And it may even go over that amount.

Roswell is the undisputed capital of the UFO world. And it is somewhat by accident. Few sightings, abductions or close encounters of the third kind have ever been reported in the area.

But one day in early July 1947, the Roswell Army Air Field issued a news release announcing it had captured a flying saucer on a nearby ranch. No government has ever announced such a thing.

before or since.

The following day a clarification was issued that it was a weather balloon. But suspicions lingered and almost 50 years later, the Air Force issued another clarification saying it was a spy balloon.

That's probably correct, but the fact it took almost 50 years and pressure from New Mexico U.S. Reps. Joe Skeen and Steve Schiff to pry a third explanation from our government gave fuel to a host of conspiracy theories that will never end.

The state of New Mexico has even gotten into the act by indicating the UFO crash site on its official aeronautical chart.

Roswell now is looking at a UFO-themed amusement park with a \$100 million indoor roller coaster that would take passengers on a simulated alien abduction.

New County Committee Members Are Appointed

Lincoln County Commissioners met in regular session June 19 and in the process of rebuilding the Lincoln County Lodger's Tax Committee, county commission vice-chair Eileen Lovelace recommended Gail Major, who reportedly lives just outside of Carrizozo, for the member of the public seat on that committee. Lovelace said that Major's work for the Carrizozo Chamber of Commerce has led her to become knowledgeable and involved in what's going on in Lincoln County. Major submitted a letter of interest to the county manager and the county commissioners expressing her willingness to serve on the committee.

County commission chair Tom Battin nominated David Vigil, of Lincoln, to hold a seat on the lodger's tax committee that is designated for the owner or operator of a lodging establishment in an unincorporated area of the county. Battin said that Vigil had also expressed a desire to serve on the committee.

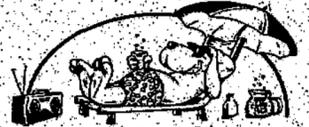
The county commissioners approved the appointments of Major and Vigil to the Lincoln County Lodger's Tax Committee, leaving three vacancies yet to be filled.

Lovelace also recommended county resident Bill Hightower to fill a vacancy in the District I position on the Lincoln County Water Resource and Conservation Committee (LCWRCC).

County Commissioner Dave Parks nominated Mike Brynes, of Ruidoso, to fill a spot as an alternate member on that committee, and county commissioner Jackie Powell nominated Lincoln resident Ralph Dunlap to fill a second alternate member position.

The board of commissioners approved all three of the nominated candidates, filling all of the vacancies on the LCWRCC.

A vacancy on the Lincoln County Planning Commission was left unfilled for the time being.



WEATHER REPORT

by JEFF HAMMOND

The complete forecast for the upcoming week for Lincoln County is partly cloudy at all elevations, making for lower than normal temperatures and a slight chance for light rains at all elevations on a daily basis.

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

Today, Thursday, June 28
Good chance for scattered showers and thunderstorms. Partly cloudy, with a high near 88. East wind between 5 and 15 mph. night: Good chance for scattered showers and thunderstorms. Partly cloudy, with a low around 62. Southeast wind around 5 mph.

Friday, June 29
A slight chance of showers and thunderstorms. Partly cloudy, with a high near 91. night: A slight chance of showers and thunderstorms. Partly cloudy, with a low around 59.

Saturday, June 30
Mostly sunny, with a high near 92. night: A slight chance of showers and thunderstorms. Partly cloudy, with a low around 60.

Sunday, July 1
Partly cloudy, with a high near 94. night: A slight chance of showers and thunderstorms. Partly cloudy, with a low around 60.

Monday, July 2
Partly cloudy, with a high near 94. night: A slight chance of showers and thunderstorms. Partly cloudy, with a low around 60.

Tuesday, July 3
Mostly sunny, with a high near 90. night: A slight chance of showers and thunderstorms. Partly cloudy, with a low around 60.

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

Today, Thursday, June 28
Slight chance for scattered showers and thunderstorms. Partly cloudy, with a high near 81. South wind between 5 and 10 mph. night: slight chance for scattered showers and thunderstorms. Partly cloudy, with a low around 58. Southeast wind between 5 and 10 mph.

Friday, June 29
A fair chance for showers and thunderstorms. Partly cloudy, with a high near 83. night: A slight chance of showers and thunderstorms. Partly cloudy, with a low around 55.

Saturday, June 30
A slight chance of showers and thunderstorms. Partly cloudy, with a high near 86. night: A slight chance of showers and thunderstorms. Partly cloudy, with a low around 55.

Sunday, July 1
A slight chance of showers and thunderstorms. Partly cloudy, with a high near 85. night: A slight chance of showers and thunderstorms. Partly cloudy, with a low around 55.

Monday, July 2
A slight chance of showers and thunderstorms. Partly cloudy, with a high near 85. night: A slight chance of showers and thunderstorms. Partly cloudy, with a low around 54.

Tuesday, July 3
Mostly sunny, with a high near 84. night: A slight chance of showers and thunderstorms. Partly cloudy, with a low around 54.

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.

NOTICE

The Lincoln County News will go into production on Tuesday, July 3rd for next Thursday's publication.

All Copy must be in the News office by 5:00 p.m.

on Monday, July 2nd.



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Old Lincoln Town

by Rosalie Dunlap

Some days are really fraught with problems. We had business in Carrizozo and had luncheon at the Four Winds, then we were going to Ruidoso. The Bravada decided it wasn't going to start. Jerry Carroll saw Ralph working on the car and stopped to help. Then Lucky came by and he stopped. He will have to order a part.

Barbara Culler took us to a restaurant to keep our luncheon date.

Barbara VanGorder took us to her house after we had lunch to wait for Lucky to come back.

Linda Valentine then came to our rescue and brought us home. Our appreciation to all of you for your willing to help.

Inez Marrs recently contacted the Corriente Cow-Belles. A member of her family had surgery and she was in AZ, helping the family. Her brother Steve passed away June 8 at Springer. She was missing making burritos for the team roping held at Capitan.

Lincoln State Monuments will have three new rangers soon. I know all the present employees will be so glad to have more help. The Visitors Center has some exciting exhibits - the boot display, paintings, history and many other interesting artifacts.

Jon Amastae, El Paso, made a quick visit to Lincoln over the weekend.

The Lincoln Preservation report they had a good meeting last week. There were several approvals for new business signs.

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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.

June 8
5:07 a.m. Alarm reported by alarm company at business location on Ski Run Road in Alto, deputy dispatched.

9:50 p.m. Warrant service at business location on Hwy 70 in Ruidoso Downs, deputy dispatched.

June 9
8:46 a.m. Trespassing reported at location on Hwy 380 in Lincoln, deputy dispatched.

12:07 p.m. Accident reported on Hwy 48 in Alto, deputy dispatched.

12:49 p.m. Temporary Restraining Order (TRO) service at location on CR C006 in Capitan, deputy dispatched.

1:11 p.m. Civil dispute reported at location on Las Chosias Lane in Lincoln, deputy dispatched.

1:13 p.m. larceny/theft reported at location on Gavilan Canyon Road in Ruidoso, deputy dispatched.

1:16 p.m. Medical call at Smokey Bear Boulevard and White in Capitan, ambulance dispatched.

4:19 p.m. Accident reported at business location on Hwy 54 in Carrizozo, deputy dispatched.

4:55 p.m. Disturbance/disorderly conduct reported near intersection on Ruth Road and Hwy 37 in Nogal, deputy dispatched.

7:41 p.m. Welfare check requested at residence on Arrowhead in Ruidoso Downs, deputy dispatched.

9:10 p.m. Traffic offenses reported on Hwy 48 in Alto, deputy dispatched.

10:18 p.m. Warrant service requested at business location on Hwy 70 in Ruidoso Downs, deputy dispatched.

11:27 p.m. Accident reported at Major Gate to Bonito Lake, deputy dispatched.

June 10
3:27 a.m. Domestic battery reported at residence on Fifth Street in Carrizozo, deputy dispatched.

4:07 a.m. Shots fired reported west of D Avenue in Carrizozo, deputy dispatched.

9:56 a.m. Unknown trouble call from location on Enchanted Forrest Loop in En-

chanted Forrest, deputy dispatched.

10:17 a.m. Larceny/theft reported at location on Aspen in Capitan, police dispatched.

10:52 a.m. Dog reported running loose on Antelope Trail in Nogal, deputy dispatched.

12:05 p.m. Dog reported running loose near Hwy 8 and Ski Run Road in Alto, deputy dispatched.

1:31 p.m. Agency assistance requested at mile marker 103 on Hwy 380 in Lincoln, deputy dispatched.

2:07 p.m. Alarm reported by alarm company at location on High Mesa Drive in Alto, deputy dispatched.

5:30 p.m. Possession of stolen property reported at business located near Hwy 380 and Hwy 54 intersection in Carrizozo, deputy dispatched.

9:51 p.m. Welfare check requested at residence on Hall Road in Capitan, deputy dispatched.

June 11
3:48 a.m. Disturbance/other reported at location on Buckboard Trail in Alto, deputy dispatched.

6:59 a.m. Welfare check requested at residence on Gavilan Canyon Road in Ruidoso, deputy dispatched.

7:48 a.m. Vandalism reported at location on Hall Road in Capitan, deputy dispatched.

7:54 a.m. Fraud reported at business located in Hondo on Hwy 70, deputy dispatched.

8:45 a.m. Dog reported running loose on Gavilan Canyon Road in Ruidoso, deputy dispatched.

11:27 a.m. Domestic battery reported at location on Big Bear Road in Alpine, deputy dispatched.

12:16 p.m. Suspicious activity by person(s) in vehicle reported on Gavilan Canyon Road in Ruidoso, deputy dispatched.

1:29 p.m. Medical call at location on White Oaks Hwy in White Oaks, ambulance dispatched.

1:33 p.m. Medical call at residence on D Avenue in Carrizozo, ambulance dispatched.

2:25 p.m. Disturbance/other reported at Bonito Park, deputy dispatched.

2:31 p.m. Dog reported running loose at business location on Hwy 70 in Ruidoso Downs, deputy dispatched.

3:36 p.m. Agency assistance requested by US Forestry Service (USFS) agent at location on Bonito Lake, deputy dispatched.

3:39 p.m. Traffic hazard

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MOUNTAIN MINISTRY PARISH, SIERRA BLANCA PRESBYTERY

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

Ancho Community Presbyterian Church:

TERRY AIELLO, Pastor / 849-0105
Worship 9:00 a.m.
Sunday School 10:00 a.m.

Corona United Presbyterian Church:

Sunday School 10:00 a.m.
Worship 11:00 a.m.

First Baptist Church

HAYDEN SMITH, Pastor
314 10th Ave., Carrizozo, NM
648-2868 (Church) or 648-2107
Sunday School 9:45 a.m.
Worship Service 10:55 a.m.
Sun. Evening 6:00 p.m.
Wednesday, Sept. - April
AWANAS 6:00 p.m.

Carrizozo Community Church (AFC)

Barbara Bradley, Pastor
Corner of C Ave. and Thirteenth
Children's Church 10:30 a.m.
Worship Service 10:30 a.m.
Thursday Bible Study 8:30 p.m.

Santa Rita Catholic Community

FR. FRANKLIN, Pastor
213 Birch, Carrizozo, NM, 648-2853
DAILY MASS / Santa Rita 8:30 a.m.
SATURDAY:
Capitan Sacred Heart 5:00 p.m.
Carrizozo Santa Rita 7:00 p.m.
SUNDAY:
Capitan Sacred Heart 8:30 a.m.
Carrizozo Santa Rita 10:30 a.m.
Corona St. Theresa 1:30 p.m.

Angus Church of the Nazarene

"Serving All of Lincoln County"
RICK HUTCHINSON, Pastor / 338-8032
Southwest Corner of Hwy. 48 & 37 Junction
Between Ruidoso and Capitan, NM
Sunday:
Sunday School for all ages 9:30 a.m.
Morning Worship and
Children's Church 10:30 a.m.
Family Worship 6:00 p.m.
Wednesday:
Community dinner 6:00 p.m.
Adult classes, Youth games and study,
Kids Klub 7:30 p.m.

Church of Christ

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

White Oaks Community Church

Non-denominational
Sunday Worship Service 11:00 a.m.

St. Matthias Episcopal Church

REV. JOHN HUFFMAN, RECTOR
Corner of E. Ave. and Sixth, Carrizozo, NM
Ph. 608-257-2385
Holy Eucharist Sunday 9:30 a.m.

Claunch Community Church

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

United Methodist Churches

JOHANNA ANDERSON, Pastor:
1000 E. Ave 648-2853 / 648-2845
Carrizozo, NM 88201
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 8:15 a.m.
Children's Sunday School 9:30 a.m.
Fellowship Time 10:15 a.m.
Adult Sunday School 11:00 a.m.
Choir Practice (Tuesday) 7:00 p.m.
Fellowship Dinner Every Third Sunday
Handmaidens (Ecumenical Women's Group)
1st and 3rd Tuesday 9:30 a.m.

Christ Community Fellowship

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

Capitan Church of Christ

LESLIE EARWOOD, Minister
5th & Lincoln / 336-4827
Sunday Bible Study 10:00 a.m.
Worship Service 11:00 a.m.
Evening Worship 6:00 p.m.
Wednesday Bible Study 8:00 p.m.

Trinity Southern Baptist Church

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

First Baptist Church of Corona

CAL WEST, Pastor / 849-7975
Sunday School 10:00 a.m.
Worship Service 11:00 a.m.
Wednesday Bible Study 7:00 p.m.
Fellowship Dinner 1st Sunday of Month

Sunday:

Sunday School for all ages 9:30 a.m.
Morning Worship 10:30 a.m.
Children's Church 10:45 a.m.
Evening Worship 6:00 p.m.
Wednesday:
Teen dinner and games 6:00 p.m.
Teen Bible Study 7:00 p.m.
Prayer Meeting 6:00 p.m.

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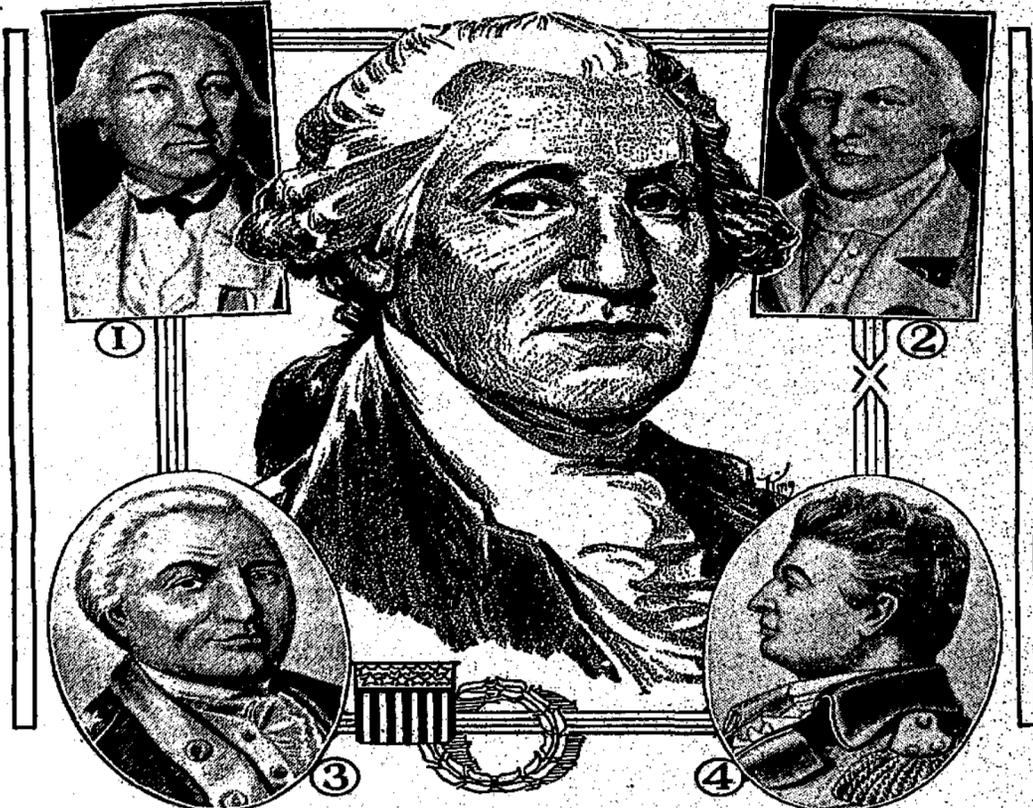
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"Lord, hold our troops in your loving hands. Protect them as they protect us. Bless them and their families for the selfless acts they perform for us in our time of need. Amen"

Leaders in Freedom's Cause



(1)—FRIEDRICH WILHELM VON STEUBEN, Prussian general who fought for independence. His training efforts converted the almost disheartened American handful of patriots into a disciplined and effective army.
 (2)—NATHANIEL GREENE, The Scipio Africanus of the Revolution. He saved the South by the brilliant strategy that ruined Cornwallis.
 (3)—JOHANN DE KALB, Prominent military figure in the War for Independence. He died of eleven wounds at the Battle of Camden.
 (4)—ETHAN ALLEN, Hero of Ticonderoga. Described in Revolutionary annals as "A real bucko, of almost gigantic stature and strength, with a florid idea of freedom as the fortune of the brave, and no pale idea of himself."

That Glorious Day at King's Mountain



The battle on the summit of King's Mountain, rising above the border of the two Carolinas, was unlike any other in the Revolution; it was as decisive a victory as ever was won anywhere, and was a real turning point in the War of Independence. Even George Washington had not known that there was an army in that part of the country to oppose the insolent and triumphant British until he heard about the battle, which in a general order he called "a proof of the spirit and resources of the country." Col. Patrick Ferguson had been killed; his army destroyed or captured, and his commander, Cornwallis, forced to halt his hitherto unimpeded march.

The Carolinians were not recognized by Great Britain as being at war. Those opposing the British were treated as rebels, traitors and outlaws. The British went through the country hanging, shooting, pillaging and burning. The Tories—Americans on the side of the British—were the worst of the lot.

Planters fleeing from these men and these conditions crossed the mountains and warned the settlers in what are now the states of Tennessee and Kentucky. It was there the battle of King's Mountain started. Col. John Sevier of Tennessee and Col. Isaac Shelby in Kentucky, noted Indian fighters, got together, rallied their followers and came across the mountains to get Ferguson—the British leader sweeping farthest west. The call was sent to other Virginians and Carolinians, and at the great rendezvous at Sycamore Shoals on the Holston they were joined by William Campbell, McDowell, Cleveland, Hill, Hambricht and others leading their parties of mountaineers with very little order or discipline.

The battle lasted just one hour and

five minutes. Colonel Ferguson and 206 of his men had been killed; 128 had been wounded and 800 were surrendered by De Peyster. The Americans had lost 28 killed and 62 wounded. The British army was not merely defeated; it was destroyed. The American soldiers recognizing some notorious Tories among the captives proceeded to hang about ten of them, but the officers made them stop. The number of men on both sides has been variously given. The 1829 edition of the Encyclopedia Britannica gives the British 1,000 loyalist militia (colonists) and 100 Provincial Rangers; the American "backwoodsmen" were placed at 900.

After this fight the American loyalists were afraid to show their heads, while the patriots came out more boldly. The North Carolina and Virginia legislatures became braver and more energetic, while the British under Cornwallis became discouraged and began to retreat. Things cleared up for the struggling Colonists. There followed the battles of Cowpens, Guilford Court-house, Eutaw Springs and Yorktown—and Independence.

Honor and Fame to Brave 'Mad Anthony'



A very tipsy Continental soldier ran afoul of that rigorous disciplinarian, Brig. Gen. Anthony Wayne, one night. He gave the man a verbal dressing down. It is related. The discussion aroused admiration in all present. General Wayne being able with his language, and he then threw the fellow into the guardhouse. "My, the general's mad at me," the intoxicated patriot commented, even proudly, "Jus' ole Mad Anthony, that's what he is—Mad Anthony Wayne!" That, it is reported, is the origin of the nickname given one of the greatest fighters of the American Revolution, though it is more likely that this able and beloved leader of men, who forged the Scotch-Irish and Pennsylvania Dutch farmers of the "Pennsylvania Line" into the toughest fighting outfit of the war, earned his designation by his reckless, dashing, eager courage. If he couldn't go through, Wayne

would go around, but he preferred to go through. He was the Stonewall Jackson of the Revolution.

Stony Point, Monmouth, Brandywine, Germantown—scores of great and lesser fields of the Revolution—saw Wayne's valor and his military ability. He loved to fight and he could fight. With serene contempt of danger and death he went into many a battle certain that he didn't have a chance to come back alive, but that only made him, apparently, hurry on. When a bullet bit him in the head during the gallant onslaught at Stony Point, he was sure he was going to die and insisted on being carried up through the battle so he could breathe his last within the captured fort. He lived, and this capture, which at that time saved the Revolutionary cause, was hailed as one of the brilliant military exploits of the war.

After the war, when British agents stirred up Indian warfare in the North west territory, Generals Hiram and St. Clair suffered notable defeats from the red warriors. President Washington, troubled by his fears that Wayne was brave and nothing else, nevertheless sent him on to handle the situation—a feather in Wayne's cap, because he and St. Clair had long been bitter enemies. Wayne's army was pretty much riffraff, and he spent months drilling, drilling, drilling, turning his men into

soldiers who decisively smashed the Indian power at Fallen Timbers. The Indians called him "Black Snake" because he worked so fast.

General Wayne returned to his command to receive from British garrisons the northern forts they held so long after the Revolution. Moving eastward again, he was stricken with gout, complicated by an old wound in his leg. Not quite fifty-two years old, he died December 14, 1796, at Presque Isle—Erie, Pa.—Philadelphia Ledger.

TICONDEROGA



"In the Name of the Great Jehovah and the Continental Congress!"

Paine's Pen Factor in British Defeat



ward won only contempt and curses! Truly a stark reminder of the grati-

All America bows reverently to the memory of George Washington. But what of the memory of another who, with only his pen, helped as much as any in achieving Washington's triumph?

Tom Paine, who arose to aid America in its darkest hour, and for a reward won only contempt and curses!

tude of republics, comments a writer in the Milwaukee Journal.

The Colonists five months after declaring their independence were well-nigh beaten. Across New Jersey's frozen marshes Washington's ragged remnant of an army fled desperately.

Two days before Christmas, 1776, General Washington resolved, as a last desperate measure, to make a surprise attack upon the Hessians at Trenton.

But the chances of victory were so small. The Americans, frozen, starved and discouraged, were losers almost before they started. As the American commander sat gloomily figuring his chances a pamphlet was brought in, fresh from Philadelphia.

"The Crisis" was the title and "Common Sense" was the writer. Washington read, then shouted in joy. The drums were sounded, the sol-

diers were gathered into groups and the officers, by torchlight, read to them the words of the pamphlet:

"These are the times that try men's souls. The summer soldier and the sunshine patriot will, in this crisis, shrink from the service of his country, but he that stands it now deserves the love and thanks of man and woman. Tyranny, like hell, is not easily conquered; yet we have this consolation with us, that the harder the conflict the more glorious the triumph; what we obtain too cheap, we esteem too lightly; 'tis dearer only that gives everything its value. Heaven knows how to put a proper price upon its goods, and it will be strange indeed, if an celestial article as freedom should not be highly rated."

"These are the times that try men's souls" was the battle cry at Trenton.

2007 SPRING MUSIC CONCERT

A group of young musicians (and some not so young) gathered at Carrizozo's Gallery 408 recently and performed in front of parents, grandparents, friends and guests. The group is made up of individuals from Capitan and Carrizozo and are under the instruction of Cindy Foglesong.

The 'Spring Music Concert' concludes the instruction for the group for this year, which began in September, and includes students of all ages presented their Spring Concert in both Capitan and Carrizozo.

Included in the group were; Deline Arteché, Olivia Bertrand, Beth Bolin, Sophie Dirks, Christian Newell, Gage Barnett, Bo Dauster, Polly E. Chavez, Erin Hightower, Jacob Hummer, Dennis Klinger, Richard Montoya, Jessie Saunders, Carmen Tate, and Maria Tate.



Erin Hightower accompanied by instructor Cindy Foglesong performing Bernard the Butterfly.



Emily, Sophie, Olivia and Beth performed Twinkle Twinkle with Variations, and Go Tell Aunt Rhody.



Christian Newell (left) performed Old McDonald and Deline Arteché (center) performed Skip to My Lou, then teamed up to do Three Blind Mice, with music instructor Cindy Foglesong.



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LEGALS

LEGAL NOTICE

STATE OF NEW MEXICO
COUNTY OF LINCOLN
TWELFTH JUDICIAL
DISTRICT COURT
NO. CV-07-22

BOMBARDIER CAPITAL MS, INC.,
a/k/a BOMBARDIER CAPITAL, INC.,
Plaintiff,

vs.
TINA C. BARNES and CATTLE PLACE
PARTNERS, a Texas General Partnership,
Defendants.

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 and more fully described as:

Lot 8A, Block 5 of LAS LOMAS SUBDIVISION, UNIT 2, Ruidoso Downs, Lincoln County, New Mexico, as shown by the replat of Lots 8 and 9, Block 5, Las Lomas Subdivision, filed in the office of the County Clerk of Lincoln County, November 17, 1999, in Cabinet G, Slide 533 ("Real Estate").

And a 1999 Crestridge - make, 56'x32' Manufactured Home, serial number CRHITX09493AB situated 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 Tina C. Barnes on May 25, 2007.

The sale is to begin at 8:45 a.m. on July 3, 2007, on the front steps of the Lincoln County Courthouse, 300 Central Ave., 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 Bombardier Capital MS, Inc., a/k/a Bombardier Capital, Inc., in the total amount of \$99,123.37, including interest to the date of the Foreclosure Sale. At such sale, the Plaintiff, Bombardier Capital, MS, Inc., a/k/a Bombardier Capital, Inc., 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
P.O. Box 215
Carrizozo, NM 88301
Phone: 505-648-9925

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LEGAL NOTICE

STATE OF NEW MEXICO
COUNTY OF LINCOLN
TWELFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT
COURT
No. CV-07-238

LASALLE BANK NATIONAL ASSOCIATION,
Plaintiff,

vs.

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 SUIT

TO: Steven G. Spande

You are hereby notified that a civil action has been filed against you in the District Court of Lincoln County, New Mexico, by Plaintiff, LASALLE BANK NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, in which LaSalle Bank National Association prays for foreclosure on its Note and Mortgage on real property located in Lincoln County, New Mexico, and the property described in the claim in said cause against Defendants named above, that the said real property be sold according to law and practice of this Court to pay the lien of the Plaintiff, and that the interest of the Defendants, and each of them, and all persons claiming under or through them and all other persons bound by these proceedings be barred and foreclosed of all rights, interest of claims to said real property, and for such other

and further relief as the Court may deem just and proper.

The property involved is the real estate and improvements located at 106 Birch Drive, Ruidoso, New Mexico 88345, and more particularly described as:

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. If there is a conflict between the legal description and the street address, the legal description shall control.

You are further notified that unless you enter or cause to be entered your appearance or file responsive pleadings or motions in said cause within twenty (20) days of the third consecutive publication of this Notice of Suit, judgment will be rendered in said cause against you and each of you by default, and the relief prayed for will be granted.

The name of the attorneys for LaSalle Bank National Association is Little & Drantel, P.C., 7430 Washington Street, NE, Albuquerque, New Mexico 87109, Telephone: (505) 833-3036.

BY ORDER OF the Honorable Karen L. Parsons, District Judge of the Twelfth Judicial District Court of the State of New Mexico, and the Seal of the District Court of Lincoln County, entered on June 22, 2007.

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

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All parties and interested citizens will have the opportunity to be heard. Copies of

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

MARTHA GUEVARA
Assistant County Manager

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Final Budget Hearing,
Fiscal Year 2007-2008

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Enjoy Your
4th of July
Holiday!



Black Bears Sighted In Mountainair Campground

The Mountainair Ranger District has been experiencing a high occurrence of black bear sightings. As recent as Sunday, a bear sow and her cubs visited the New Canyon Campground in the Manzano Mountains.

Some guidelines to avoid bear encounters in the Forest: Avoid Confrontation.

Don't surprise bears, make noise while in the woods (talk, sing, wear bells, etc.)

Hike during daylight hours, in groups when possible.

Keep children nearby.

Odors Attract Bears: Keep a clean camp or picnic area. Store all food and odiferous items such as toothpaste in vehicles or high in a tree, away from sleeping areas. Don't leave food unattended.

Dogs Antagonize Bears: Leash your dog at all times in the Forest.

If you encounter a bear: Never run from a bear.

Remain calm, give the bear a chance to leave the area. Slowly back away; do not turn your back on the bear.

If the bear approaches, make lots of noise. Stand your ground; make yourself look bigger using a pack, jacket, etc. Act aggressively toward an attacking bear. Let the bear know you will fight if attacked.

SHOUT! Make yourself look as big as possible. Threaten the bear with whatever is at hand. A bear that is initially curious or testing you may become predatory if you do not stand up to it. The more the bear persists, the more aggressive your response should be.

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"Looking Back"

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consideration. We have no doubt Public Service is willing to do the same.

The City Council made it clear at their last regular meeting they preferred any decision regarding a possible sale of the power plant be made by the citizens of Carrizozo.

Such decision is not lightly made. Facts and figures must be carefully weighed.

In the event a sale of the local power plant is negotiated, we cannot emphasize too strongly the importance of securing a plant that will enable Carrizozo to keep pace with future growth and expansion of business.

Any contract negotiated by the city should include provision for future expansion and permit its citizens to enjoy adequate service at reasonable rates.

Your editors do not claim to be qualified power experts. Neither do they presume to attempt to influence you in any way in this matter. They hold no brief for either REA or Community Public Service. Neither group has as yet given the citizens of Carrizozo concrete facts upon which to base a decision.

It might even be possible there are other means for securing the type of power Carrizozo should have.

Our sole interest in this matter is "keeping faith" with our readers, and informing them of any action taken or contemplated regarding a sale of this power plant.

We are of the opinion something will eventually have to be done about the power system if Carrizozo is to progress, as it fully expects to do after completion of Highway 54.

Even now it does not appear to be adequate for present needs. We have listened to numerous complaints, and have ourselves experienced inconvenience through the local power system. Last week we were delayed approximately one-half hour in our final press run. As this article is being written, we cannot be sure whether or not we will be able to make the press runs for our May 12 issue. As we limped off the press last week with the remaining pages, during the period of the power going of and on, we were told the "big motor" was out again.

At the time this editorial is being written, we do not know whether we will be able to make our press runs this week.

As citizens of Carrizozo, we know you want to see your community progress. That many of you are dissatisfied with the present power system is evident from the complaints to which we have listened. It occurs to us, however, your City Council should also hear such complaints. These men were elected by you, as citizens of Carrizozo, and are entitled to know your views regarding local civic problems so they may make the best possible decisions for all concerned.

We suggest those of you who have complaints about the local power system or any other questions or suggestions pertaining to city government appear at any City Council meeting and inform the members of your views. From past meetings, it would appear the council believes the local plant is in good condition, and doing well. The complaints we have heard, and our personal experience lead us to believe there may be a difference in opinion.

In conclusion, we should like to see our not only is it your privilege to attend these council meetings, but it is also your duty as good citizens interested in the welfare of Carrizozo.

Assignment New Mexico

by G. Ward Finley

That petticoat city government down at Hope, NM, has caused a lot of case-hardened male politicians to raise their eyebrows.

It is a nationally known fact that American women control 90 per cent of the purse strings in this country and if they turn their interests to politics -- may the Lord pity poor man.

But as far as this columnist is concerned, it is our candid opinion that women should be given a try especially in light of what a mess the men have got this old world into.

Women Could Stop Wars

Man has done a heck of a poor job in stopping wars and rumors of wars. It's old stuff now but the women in one of Aristophanes' comedies stopped wars -- and over night at that. The spunky females refused to have anything to do with males as long as the war continued.

It is history that war stopped immediately.

Petticoat Ways

Getting back to the ambitious Hope women. It seems that their first job in office was to give a coffee-and-doughnut feast in honor of the outgoing men.

The men thought they had the last laugh by turning over an empty treasury to the Hope rulers.

This Saturday night Hope's mayor, Mrs. Ethel Altman, and her lady cohorts are giving a tremendous barn dance and on May 26 they will present a four-act mystery comedy -- to replenish the treasury.

The men in such a situation would have thought only of raising taxes.

Bless the ladies' hearts -- maybe we need one for President.

Sheriff's Report

(Con't. from P. 5)

June 13

7:29 a.m. Aggressive dog reported running loose on F Avenue in Carrizozo, police dispatched.

10:32 a.m. Vandalism reported at location on Hall Street in Capitan, deputy dispatched.

11:09 a.m. Dog reported running loose on South 18th Street in Carrizozo, deputy dispatched.

11:15 a.m. Medical call at location on Hwy 7 in Ruidoso, ALS ambulance dispatched.

11:58 a.m. Illegal dumping or littering reported at location on Homestead Loop in Ruidoso, deputy dispatched.

12:57 p.m. Dog reported running loose on Lakeshore Drive in Alto, deputy dispatched.

1:33 p.m. Civil dispute reported at location on Gavilan Canyon Road in Ruidoso, deputy dispatched.

1:40 p.m. Welfare check requested at residence on Hwy 70 in Ruidoso, deputy dispatched.

3:17 p.m. Fire in vehicle on Hwy 54 near Corona reported by Onstar, Corona fire units dispatched.

5:20 p.m. Criminal damage to property reported at residence on D Avenue in Carrizozo, deputy dispatched.

5:55 p.m. Criminal damage to property reported at location on Buck Mountain in Ski Apache, deputy dispatched.

6:57 p.m. Medical call at residence on Indian Divide Road near Capitan, ambulance dispatched.

10:11 p.m. Dog reported running loose near mile marker 284 on Hwy 70 in Hondo, deputy dispatched.

10:21 p.m. Missing or lost person reported from residence on West Fourth Street in Capitan, police dispatched.

11:28 p.m. Shots fired reported near Pinehurst Road in Alto, deputy dispatched.

June 14

2:00 a.m. Accident reported at mile marker 143 on Hwy 54 north of Carrizozo, ambulance and deputy dispatched.

2:24 a.m. Unknown trouble call from location on Tanglewood Lane in Alto, deputy dispatched.

8:14 a.m. Larceny/theft reported at location on Rancher in Palo Verde, deputy dispatched.

9:37 a.m. Medical call at residence on West Deer Trail in Capitan, ambulance dispatched.

9:41 a.m. Dog reported running loose on Lake Shore Drive in Alto, deputy dispatched.

10:05 a.m. Welfare check requested at residence on Air Port Road in Alto, deputy dispatched.

10:15 a.m. Peace keeping presence requested at Lincoln County Courthouse Complex located on Central Avenue in Carrizozo, deputy dispatched.

4:15 p.m. Accident reported at mile marker 155 on Hwy 54 near Corona, ambulance and deputy dispatched.

4:26 p.m. Prisoner transport requested by APO from New Mexico Department of Corrections Facility located at Fort Stanton to Lincoln County Detention Center (LCDC) on Air Port Road in Carrizozo, deputy dispatched.

June 15

8:14 a.m. Traffic hazard reported on High Mesa and Tanglewood in Alto, deputy dispatched.

8:40 p.m. Trespassing reported on a mining claim in White Oaks, deputy dispatched.

3:28 p.m. Information report at location on Air Port Road in Alto, deputy dispatched.

4:19 p.m. Burglary reported at location on Stable Road in Alto, deputy dispatched.

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



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OPERATOR III -- Lincoln County Road Department. The applicant must have five years of heavy duty equipment experience; a clean driving record; no felony convictions; and must possess a valid New Mexico Class A CDL with endorsements N or X. Primary work location will be the Capitan area. Obtain application and job description from Martha Guevara at 505/648-2385 ext. 100. Applications accepted until 5:00 P.M., July 9, 2007. Equal Opportunity Employer.

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The applicant proposes to commence the combined diversion of 1498.49 acre feet per annum of ground water and supplemental ground water from exploratory well No. H-1497-Expl, located at a point in the SW¼NW¼SE¼, Section 31, Township 10 South, Range 13 East, N.M.P.M.

The move from and move to locations are located approximately two and half miles west of the intersection of State Highway 532 and State Highway 48. All are in Lincoln County, New Mexico.

Any person or other entity shall have standing to file an objection or protest if they object that the granting of the application will:

- (1) Be detrimental to the objector's water right; or
- (2) Be contrary to the conservation of water within the state or detrimental to the public welfare of the state, provided that the objector shows how they will be substantially and specifically affected by the granting of the application.

A valid objection or protest shall set forth the grounds for asserting standing and shall be legible, signed, and include the complete mailing address of the objector. An objection or protest must be filed with the State Engineer not later than 10 calendar days after the date of the last publication of this notice. An objection or protest may be mailed to the Office of the State Engineer, 1900 West Second, Roswell, New Mexico 88201, or faxed to 505-623-8559 provided the original is hand-delivered or postmarked within 24 hours after transmission of the fax. The State Engineer will take the application up for consideration in the most appropriate and timely manner practical.

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