

# Forest Service Guarantees No Intent To Bulldoze Jicarilla

By Doris Cherry

The US Forest Service "guarantees" it does not intend to bulldoze the old buildings at Jicarilla. Instead it is asking a Jicarilla miner to move out and destroy the buildings himself. At their regular meeting January 22 in their chambers in the Lincoln County Courthouse in Carrizozo, Lincoln County Commis-

sioners unanimously adopted an amended resolution that recognizes the Jicarilla Mining District. Lincoln National Forest Smokey Bear Ranger District Ranger Buck Sanchez who attended the meeting suggested county commissioners not act on the reso-

lution that day because it involved a "pending legal matter." He said there are some legal issues and questions concerning Jicarilla. "Because of that I am not allowed to talk about details and there may be some questions I cannot answer," Sanchez added.

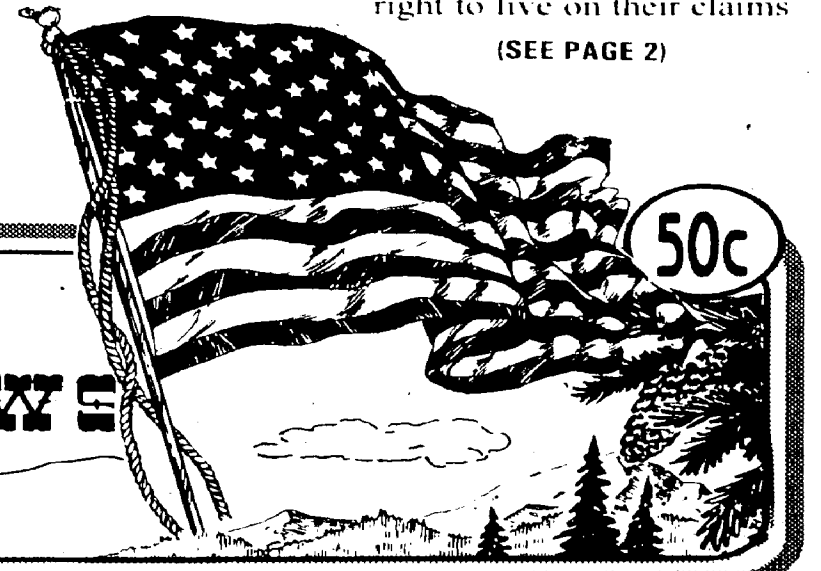
The resolution approved by Lincoln County Commissioners recognizes the structures and buildings of historic nature and existing mining claims in the Jicarilla Mining District which was recorded in 1893 in the official records of Lincoln County. The resolution con-

cludes by recognizing Jicarilla Mining District "for its contributions to the

heritage, culture, and traditions of Lincoln County and New Mexico."

(Editor's note: The US Forest Service claims that Jicarilla is on forest service lands and miners have no right to live on their claims

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### County Urges State To Support Fort Stanton

By Doris Cherry

Lincoln County Commissioners want the state and US Government to help restore Fort Stanton.

At their meeting January 22 in their chambers in the Lincoln County Courthouse in Carrizozo, county commissioners unanimously adopted a resolution that urges the state of New Mexico and US Government to provide financial support to restore Fort Stanton. The resolution states that restoration of Fort Stanton would have a direct positive impact to Lincoln County and a secondary economic impact to the state. "Development costs associated with such restoration having an acceptable return or provide an identified public need."

The resolution refers to concerned and dedicated citizens with Fort Stanton, Inc., Fort Stanton Development Commission appointed by Gov. Bill Richardson and partners including BLM, New Mexico His-

toric Preservation Alliance, Save America's Treasures and the National Trust for Historic Preservation who are seeking to bring financial resources and expertise to restore and rehabilitate Fort Stanton. The restoration would include an enlarged museum.

County commissioner Maury St. John, who is the county's representative on the Fort Stanton Development Commission, said she asked for the resolution. She said when Congressman Steve Pearce recently visited Ruidoso she spoke with him and his staff and asked for any help with funding for Fort Stanton. St. John said Pearce's staff said the congressman had put in for funding for Fort Stanton in the last federal budget, but the request was declined. St. John said Pearce's staff assured they would submit a funding request again in late February.

St. John said the Fort

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Lincoln County Detention Center assistant administrator Jimmie Rollo shows Lincoln County Commissioners Leo Martinez, Earl Hobbs and Maury St. John the booking area for inmates in the center during the county commissioners semi-annual inspection of the jail on January 22.

### Fort Stanton Bill In The Till

By Doris Cherry

State Rep. Dub Williams has introduced House Bill 236 which seeks funding for the Governor's Fort Stanton Development Commission. The measure requests \$75,000 be appropriated from the state "general fund to the Fort Stanton development fund for expenditure in fiscal year 2005 and subsequent fiscal years to carry out the functions of the Fort Stanton development commission."

In addition, the bill re-

quires that "any unexpended or unencumbered balance remaining at the end of a fiscal year shall not revert to the general fund."

House Bill 236 is assigned only to the House Appropriation and Finance Committee. As of Wednesday, January 28, the bill had not been assigned a date for hearing in the committee.

If the bill is successful in committee it will go directly to the house floor for vote. If successful on the house floor the bill will go to senate committee, and if successful there to the senate floor for final vote. If approved by the senate the bill goes to the governor for signing or veto.

Amendments can be added to bills either in committee or on the floor.

The 30 day legislative session, however, is already into its second week, with less than three weeks remaining.

Legislators do take note of calls and letters from citizens in support of a measure. When calling or writing, indicate the number of the bill and its sponsor.

Members of the House Appropriations and Finance Committee are chair Max Coll, deputy chair Kiki Saavedra, vice chair Lucky Varela, members Ray Begaye, Donald Bratton, Mary Helen Garcia, John A. Heaton, Rhonda S. King, Larry Larranaga, Patricia Lundstrom, Perry Marquardt, Brian Moore, Rory Ogle, Pauline Ponce, Nick Salazar, J. Paul Taylor, Sandra Townsend and Jeannette

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### Ruidoso Continues Water Restrictions

By Doris Cherry

Ruidoso continues to be under Phase 3 of its water conservation restrictions, with no outdoor sprinkling allowed.

Despite recent snowfall, Ruidoso area remains well under normal for precipitation. Because of the prolonged drought, water levels in the Ruidoso River are down, and Eagle Creek is dry for another season.

Anticipating an even dryer spring, Ruidoso has decided to keep in effect the restriction on outdoor sprinkling. Ruidoso village manager Lorri McKnight made the announcement about the water restrictions at the regular village council meeting on Tuesday, January 27.

Under phase 3 restrictions, no outdoor sprinkling or spray irrigation is allowed at any time. Watering of container plants, flower beds, trees, etc. is allowed.

Mayor pro tem Ron Hardeman said the water

restriction phase should not be an issue right now because most outdoor faucets in Ruidoso are frozen.

Hardeman also said a citizen had requested that in the future the water department head give a water report on lake levels and other water information at every meeting. McKnight said Larry Grassmick, water department head, was unable to attend that night, but she would have him make a report at the February 10 council meeting.

With drought lingering, the single engine attack transport (SEAT) airplane continues to be parked at Sierra Blanca Regional Airport (SBRA) McKnight also reported. She said when fire season starts, and fire season is expected even earlier this year, the village will enter into an agreement to keep the SEAT ready and available at the airport for immediate response to fires.

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**UNSUNG HEROES.** Lincoln County Volunteer Fire Department chiefs stand for some much needed recognition during the January 22 Lincoln County Commission meeting. Chiefs at the meeting include Curtis Penson of White-Oaks Fire Dept., Carl Bentley of Bonito Fire Dept., Don Smith of Glencoe Palo Verde Fire Dept., Bennie Long of Lincoln Fire Dept., Bernie Mancha of Fort Stanton Fire Dept., and Modesto Chavez of Hondo Fire Dept. (in front are new Lincoln County Detention Center administrator Ron Lytles and assistant administrator Jimmie Rollo.)

*Looking Back...*

*As the Lincoln County News nears the century mark of being in existence (1905-2005), we will be randomly publishing articles that have been published in the NEWS from old files. The following article appeared in the "Carrizozo News" -- on*

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*Friday, June 23, 1916*

## Reclaiming an Empire

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# Forest Service Guarantees

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there. Jicarilla miner Jerry Fennell has disputed this saying there is no documentation to show when the forest service took actual possession of the area, which has been a recorded mining district since 1893.)

Sanchez said he had been involved in a number of internal discussions where staff members carefully considered the Jicarilla resolution. "We believe there are other means to protect the historical integrity of Jicarilla," Sanchez said.

He said the historic value of Jicarilla could be established by presidential executive or congressional delegation order and through a cooperative effort with the State Historic Preservation Office (SHPO) to conduct a historical analysis of the area and how to protect it.

Fennell, who attended the meeting, said he is under the "same gag order" as Sanchez because he was served papers that were filed in Federal District Court on December 19 at 2:25 p.m.

"So I can't say a lot," he added.

What Fennell did say was the forest service has asked him to move out and he de-

stroy the buildings.

Former alternate member of the Public Lands Use and Rural Ag Affairs Committee (PLURAAC) Jerry Carroll said the PLURAAC had asked the county commission to adopt the Jicarilla Mining District resolution many months ago. Carroll said the timing of the adoption of the resolution and the legal action was accidental.

County commission chair Rex Wilson said it was unfortunate the resolution was not acted upon earlier. He then asked Sanchez about the future of the buildings in Jicarilla.

Sanchez said he could not say with certainty. "I don't know what the judge will order," he said.

"I do guarantee we do not intend to bulldoze the buildings,"

Sanchez said. "It is not our intention today or our plan."

"Once the case goes through the judge, the buildings may be bulldozed, but that is not our intent today," Sanchez added.

Fennell questioned Sanchez's comment about guaranteeing. "They want me to

destroy the buildings, so what Sanchez says is true," Fennell said.

County commissioner Leo Martinez made the motion to accept the resolution. He said the county commission was not taking sides and he believed the federal government will probably win. "But I believe we need to come down on the side of the little guy," Martinez added.

County commissioner Earl Hobbs, who said he was "torn," seconded the motion.

Wilson then said because of the timing of the resolution and the legal issues the county commission has to be very careful to not taint the legal proceedings. With that he offered an amendment to the resolution stating it is not the intent of the county commission to take sides and the resolution is strictly a historical preservation issue.

"I want this to be clear," Wilson said to Fennell. "This has nothing to do with the pending case."

"My only concern is to save Jicarilla," Fennell said. "I don't want to see Jicarilla lost. It is a part of Lincoln County history that's why we wanted the resolution."

Martinez said the county should be involved because he does not want Washington or a court finding to destroy the buildings at Jicarilla. "Will the county commission stand by and let part of history be destroyed?" Martinez said. He then said the resolution conveys this concern to the Forest Service.

In speaking about the resolution which took months to draft, Fennell said he presented several documents about Jicarilla to county attorney Alan Morel. "The documents represent 5,000 hours of my research," Fennell said.

"I have been told by the forest service several times that as soon as they get me out they will bulldoze the buildings and there will be no more Jicarilla," Fennell said. "That is why we wanted this resolution."

"If the county commission wants to see Jicarilla destroyed, well, it's your county," Fennell said. "If you don't want to see Jicarilla destroyed, then protect it."

Jicarilla resident Susan White said Jicarilla exits and all the resolution asks is to recognize that Jicarilla has historic value. She said Jicarilla Mining District is still recognized by the Bureau of Mines. Over the years the forest service has destroyed more than 25 antique cabins in Jicarilla, she added.

"Now they are threatening once more to bulldoze," White said.

"They will let the cabins sit and deteriorate, then they will bulldoze. In 10 years no one will even remember Jicarilla."

White said Fennell never asked for the resolution just for him, rather to recognize Jicarilla as a part of New Mexico history. "It is part of Lincoln County history also," White added.

"Jicarilla earned the right to be accepted and recognized to help prevent the federal government from destroying it," White said.

## Capitan Boys Spend Frigid Night Out

Two teenage boys from Capitan got the ultimate in cold shoulder. The two friends spent a very cold and almost fatal night out on their own on Sunday, January 25.

According to Lincoln County Sheriff's Deputy Robert Shepperd, he responded to a report filed at 8 a.m. Monday, January 26 of a burglary/break in at Rustic Roots restaurant on School Road west of Capitan. Someone had broken a window, yet nothing seemed to be missing.

When Shepperd arrived he began investigating and found the two boys. The 13 and 14 year old friends had snuck out of their houses at about 11:30 p.m. on Sunday to go see a girl. The two boys were dressed lightly in wind breakers and jeans, and one even had holes in his shoes.

"They were wandering around in the blizzard until about 3 or 4 a.m.," Shepperd told THE NEWS. "They broke into the storage shed just trying to get warm."

The boys had broken into a storage shed at the restaurant and had rolled themselves into a carpet trying to keep warm, Shepperd continued.

"When we found them they were asleep and it took a long time to get them to wake up," Shepperd said. "Just a while longer and it would have been too late."

Temperatures when they found the boys were 18 degrees and wind chill of six degrees, Shepperd added.

When Shepperd found the boys he called the ambulance and Med 1 advanced life support from Ruidoso responded. The boys were awake by the time the ambulance arrived. Med 1 transported them to Lincoln County Medical Center (LCMC) in Ruidoso where they were treated for severe hypothermia and frostbite, Shepperd said.

Shepperd said he waited with the boys at LCMC until their parents arrived. The boys were then released to their parents and were not referred to the juvenile probation office, Shepperd added.

Have A Good Day!!



Friday, June 23, 1916

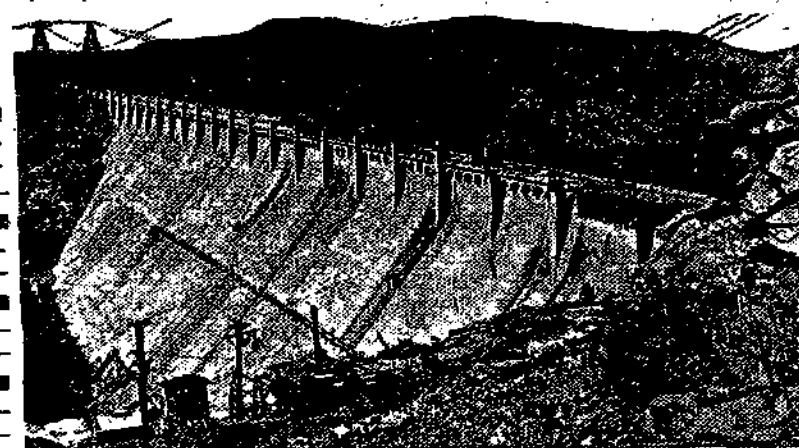
## Reclaiming an Empire

THE SHRILL whistle of the engine at the power plant at Elephant, New Mexico, echoed and re-echoed down the canyon on a recent afternoon at four o'clock. While the same whistle had made similar music innumerable times before during the last five years, its tooting that day had peculiar significance. It gave vociferous and prolonged notice that the last bucket of cement had just been placed in its proper niche in the parapet wall and the greatest storage dam in the world had been finished.

In two important essentials the Elephant Butte dam ranks all other concrete masonry storage dams of the American reclamation service, viz., cubical contents and capacity of reservoir. In the latter particular it ranks every other irrigation dam in the world. When the floods of the Rio Grande begin to drip over the spillways, the Elephant Butte reservoir will contain two-thirds more water than the combined storage of all the reservoirs for Boston and New York. There will be more water by one-third than is impounded by the \$19,000,000 Assuan dam in Egypt. Spread out, the Elephant Butte storage would cover Delaware more than two feet deep. Confined in a pipe four feet in diameter, it would encircle the globe seventy times. Expressed in layman's measure, it would hold 865 billion gallons.

The material in the dam if placed on a city lot 25 by 125 would make a solid block of concrete, lacking only 59 feet of being a mile high. Its weight is more 1,100,000 tons. Transported by rail, it would require 33,906 of the largest freight cars or a train 217 miles long.

In the dam are twelve openings or passages, six for future power development, four for delivery or irrigation water, and two for sluicing purposes.



Elephant Butte Dam

### Reclaiming an Empire.

The Elephant Butte dam, while the largest, is only one of the numerous structures contemplated for the reclamation of the fertile empire, which lies below it in New Mexico and Texas. Ora McDerinith, the irrigation manager, thus tells about it:

"The Rio Grande project lies in the valley of the Rio Grande between San Marcial, New Mexico and Fabens, Tex. The project as proposed is for the irrigation of 160,000 acres of the rich valley lands both in New Mexico and Texas, and, by the convention between the United States and Mexico signed May 21, 1906, about 20,000 acres will be irrigated in the republic of Mexico.

"The source of water supply is the Rio Grande, which is a stream of extreme fluctuations, varying from no flow to a flow of over 30,000 cubic feet per second. It is necessary, therefore, in the efficient development of the project, to provide storage reservoirs and diversion dams for the regulation of the flow. The plans as developed consist of one large storage reservoir and at least four separate diversion and irrigation systems. The four systems are necessary on account of the topograph of the irrigable lands which lie in four distinct valleys, the Palmos, the Rincon, the Mesilla and the El Paso valleys.

Between these valleys the river flows through comparatively narrow gorges. Three of the diversion dams have been built and are now in use. They are the Leasburg diversion dam, the Mesilla diversion dam and the Mexican diversion dam. The Leasburg diversion dam is located at the head of the Mesilla valley in New Mexico one mile north of the site of old Fort Selden, and diverts water for use on the upper part of the Mesilla valley. This dam was the first work constructed by the reclamation service on the Rio Grande project. The Mesilla diversion dam is located near Mesilla Park, New Mexico, about the middle of the Mesilla valley, and furnishes water to lands on both sides of the river in the lower part of the Mesilla valley. This dam has just been completed.

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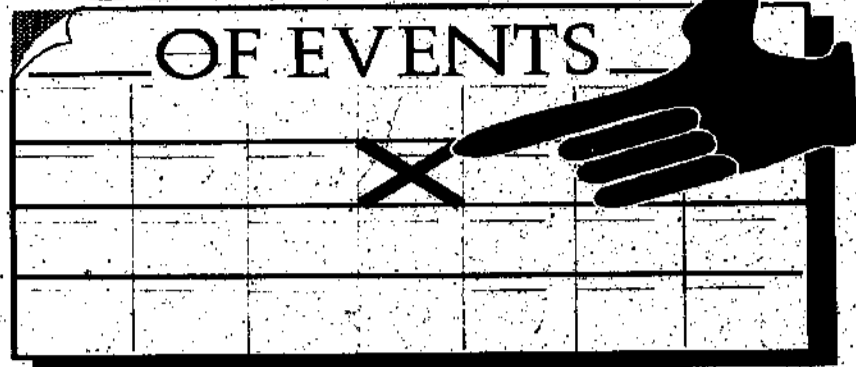
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# CALENDAR OF EVENTS



## FIRST AND THIRD TUESDAYS

--Jalayne Spivey of the District II Office of the State Engineer is at Ruidoso Village Hall, 9 a.m. to 12 noon.  
 --Fibromyalgia Syndrome Support Group meets every third Tuesday, 6 p.m. K-Bob's in Ruidoso. Call 354-3046 for more information.

## TUESDAYS

--Capitan Public Library preschool reading hour, 1 p.m.  
 --Alcoholics Anonymous, 6:30 p.m. Carrizozo First Baptist Church Fellowship Hall.  
 --Crossfire Youth Group, 6:30-8 p.m. Trinity Baptist Church in Capitan. For junior and senior high school age youth.

## WEDNESDAYS

--Alcoholics Anonymous, 7 p.m. Capitan Senior Citizens Center.  
 --AWANA club for kids age 3 to 6th grade meets 6-8 p.m. First Baptist Church of Carrizozo.

## TODAY, THURSDAY, JANUARY 29

--Lincoln County Solid Waste Authority meets at 2 p.m. at the LCSWA offices in Ruidoso Downs. This meeting was moved from January 27. Public invited.

## FRIDAY, JANUARY 30

--Carrizozo Grizzly varsity basketball v. Mountainair, 5 p.m. Grizzly Gym in Carrizozo.

## MONDAY, FEBRUARY 2

--Capitan Chamber of Commerce 8:30 a.m. chamber building on 2nd Street.  
 --Lincoln County Community Center task force meeting 7 p.m. Ruidoso Schools Administration Office. Anyone interested invited to attend.

## TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 3

--Lincoln County Democratic Presidential Caucus voting site open 12 noon to 7 p.m. Ruidoso Convention Center. The only caucus site for the county. For information call 354-2673.  
 --Ruidoso Planning and Zoning Commission 2 p.m. village hall.

--Village of Ruidoso Development Task Force 5:30 p.m. Ruidoso village hall. Anyone interested in development of newly acquired village mid-town property invited to attend.  
 --Lincoln County Republican Party regular meeting 6 p.m. at K-Bob's restaurant. Program at 7 p.m. with guest speaker county manager Tom Stewart.  
 --American Legion Post 57 meets at 7 p.m. at Capitan Senior Center.

## WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 4

--Ruidoso Library Board meeting 12 noon at library.

## FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 6

--Capitan Public Library First Friday Adult Lecture Series, 7 p.m. library. Free.

## TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 10

--Carrizozo Chamber of Commerce 12 noon Four Winds Restaurant.  
 --Carrizozo Town Council 6 p.m.  
 --Ruidoso Village Council 6 p.m.  
 --Corona Village Council 6:30 p.m. This is a change in meeting date. Corona council will meet on the second Tuesday of each month, changed from the previous first Thursday of each month.  
 --Corona School Board 7 p.m.  
 --Capitan Village Trustees 7 p.m.

## WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 11

--Low vision/blind support group, 1:30-3 p.m. The Heritage House at 101 Raines Road (off Sudderth Drive in Ruidoso, next to the hospital.) Call 257-0491 for information. To arrange for transportation call Sally Rue at 257-4565 at least 24 hours prior.  
 --TEAP food commodities delivery from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. at Carrizozo Fire Station. Bring containers for food and documents to show income and residency if not registered.

# Request Made To Change Fort Stanton Street Names

At the January 22 Lincoln County Commission meeting, held in their chambers in the Lincoln County Courthouse in Carrizozo, the county rural addressing officer Connie Stone requested approval to change names of roads and streets in old Fort Stanton. She said the streets proposed for name changes have duplicate streets elsewhere in the county.

The county rural addressing program is attempting to eliminate all duplicate street names in the county in order to make for a more efficient dispatch system, and so the enhanced 911 emergency calling system will be able to immediately locate the correct location from which a 911 call is made.

While the telephone number prefix helps in identifying a location, there are duplicate street names in the 354 calling area, Stone explained.

The names being proposed for change are Sierra Blanca Dr., Lincoln Dr. First St., Second St., Rio Bonito Dr. in old Fort Stanton. The suggested new names, provided by Nick Skogland, facility manager at Fort Stanton, were Gen. Pershing Road for Sierra

Blanca Dr., Kit Carson Trail for Lincoln Dr., Big Corral Trail for First St., Pappy Grayden Way for Second St., and Whiskey Trail for Rio Bonito Dr.

County commissioner Maury St. John asked how long those streets have had those names.

County commissioner Earl Hobbs said he had no problem with the proposed new names but he was curious why the streets have to be changed.

Stone said there are several Sierra Blanca Drives in the county, as well as the numbered streets. When Hobbs said he doubted if anywhere in Lincoln County had street names older than Fort Stanton, Stone agreed. "But the villages are now willing to do away with their duplicate names," Stone added.

Stone said she is "just an employee trying to do her job" and she asked the county commissioners: if they would say something to the village councils of Capitan and Ruidoso.

County manager Tom Stewart said the county ordinance for rural addressing says the county may eliminate duplicate street names. He also said there are not

many good reasons for changing the street names at Fort Stanton, other than in Capitan on First Street there may live 150 people while at Fort Stanton no one may live on First Street.

"We need to work toward avoiding duplicate street names," Stewart said.

THE NEWS asked if the requested streets are located in the main historical area of Fort Stanton, and also if the request to change the names had gone before the Fort Stanton Development Commission. When told

that the request had not been submitted to the Fort Stanton Development Commission and it was unsure if the streets are in the historic area, THE NEWS suggested the renaming of the streets be tabled then sent to the development commission for discussion and possible endorsement.

County commissioners agreed and tabled the renaming of streets in Fort Stanton until the Fort Stanton Development Commission had opportunity to review the request.

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## County Urges State

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Stanton Development Commission is also seeking funding from the state. "I hope between the state and federal help we can get enough money to repair the roofs (at Fort Stanton)," St. John said.

County Commissioner Leo Martinez said he met with Democratic Whip James G. Taylor (D-Albuquerque) about Fort Stanton. "He was receptive, but he has never been here," Martinez said of Taylor. He suggested inviting Taylor and other legislators to visit Fort Stanton after the current legislative session ends in February.

"We have to extend a hand to them (Democratic legislative leaders)," Martinez said. "They have a very dim view of Lincoln County and our area, so we must convince them to come here and look."

St. John said Fort Stanton Inc. would have an extensive display at the January 28 Culture Day events in the state capitol building in Santa Fe.

"Several Fort Stanton supporters are planning to go meet with the Democratic legislators and get them on our side," St. John added.

As of Monday, January 26, no legislation had been introduced for any funding for Fort Stanton, Tony Hoff-

man, president of Fort Stanton, Inc., told THE NEWS.

Fort Stanton supporters are seeking funding to do emergency roof and window repairs to stabilize some of the historic buildings, and Fort Stanton Development Commission is seeking small funding in order to provide mileage and per diem for its members.

The commission was created by the 2003 legislature, however as a condition for approval all funding for the commission was removed.

## Fort Stanton Bill

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Wallace. Letters should be addressed to a specific legislator at: State Capitol, Attn: Mail Room Department, Santa Fe, NM 87503.

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**THOUGHTS**  
FROM THE EDITOR'S DESK

**The Question Is, What If?**

By Ruth Hammond

It seems some of the most important questions need to be answered. Here are a few: What if there was a war and no one participated? What if everyone made an effort for just one day to be polite and not cause problems? What if there was a national primary voting day to allow voters in the entire nation to be involved in the process of choosing the candidates that will be listed on the ballots in November?

Maybe these don't seem important to you, but stop and think about the results. If no one participated, regardless of the circumstances, there would be no war. If everyone was polite and didn't cause problems for just one day it might become a habit and more people would be happy. And if there was a national primary election day, voters in every state would make their choices on the same day instead of voters in the first few primary and/or caucus states to be the ones to decide which candidates would be on the ballot in November. That would be a more fair way to narrow the sometimes long, long list of candidates for nomination.

And if you didn't know, national election day is not the first Tuesday in November; national election day is the first Tuesday after the first Monday in November. That means that national election day, in even numbered years, can be no earlier than November 2 and no later than November 8. Most people believe it is the first Tuesday in November. It is amazing that anyone would determine the formula of the first Tuesday after the first Monday, but that is the formula.

Getting formulas may be easier than getting answers to questions, and formulas sometimes are logical, but answers are necessary also. The main problem is deciding where to ask the questions. As for a national primary election day, would this decision be made by each individual state, or would Congress make the decision, or should we produce a genie from a bottle to settle the issue? Decisions to be made.

If these questions are bogging, how about the question of what happened to the probe that was sent to Mars. The experts say it might be a computer glitch but our sources believe it is Martian children playing with this new toy that descended on their red planet. Your children play with new things, why wouldn't Martian children play with a new toy?

Next bogging question is why anyone would want to do anything to destroy historic buildings. Bulldozers should be used for excavation and worthwhile things, not destroying historic buildings. And who decided a bulldozer would be used? Former Jicarilla residents told of how years ago most historic buildings were burned, the glow could be seen for miles from those flames. Who wants to destroy history?

Except for the really ridiculous question of why not have a national primary election day, the remaining questions are especially interesting. Maybe all questions will be answered when the probes return to earth with hand-written messages from those Martian children. Then the question will be to ask who can translate the message. Seems there is always something to wonder about and ask more questions about.



"NAW, THERE AINT NUTHIN BROKE... BUT ALL MY HINGES AND BOLTS ARE SURE LOOSENEED UP"  
Big Dry Syndicate

**INSIDE THE CAPITOL**  
by Jay Miller

**SANTA FE** -- Apparently the tiff between Attorney General Patricia Madrid and Gov. Bill Richardson over last year's DWI law getting overturned has settled down. Both sides got their licks in and then settled back to craft a law for this year that will get the job done.

But it was hot and heavy for awhile. After the state Court of Appeals nullified a law imposing tougher DWI penalties on a technicality, Madrid said her office had warned the governor about the potential problem, but he ignored her advice. Madrid also said her office had told the governor to fix the problem during last fall's special session, but he didn't put it on the agenda.

Richardson responded that he was "flabbergasted" by Madrid's comments. He said he wasn't informed of any problem and that he received no formal request to put the item on the special session agenda. In a sharply worded news release, Richardson said Madrid was pointing a finger in the wrong direction.

Then it was Madrid's turn to return fire, but she chose to end the personal conflict and issue a statement saying she and Richardson have different recollection about what occurred. She said she preferred to put the focus on getting stronger DWI laws.

Madrid probably had some more arrows left in her quiver had she chosen to continue the battle. Before bills are signed, state agencies with an interest in the legislation submit bill analyses to the governor.

The Attorney General's Office would have submitted an analysis on the DWI bill in question, and it most surely would have noted that if the bill were signed, a section in it dealing with penalties would negate a bill passed earlier increasing those penalties.

One of the first rules of bill signing is to watch out for bills addressing the same subject, because if they overlap, the last bill signed prevails. Lawmakers try to catch such legislation before it reaches the governor and correct if so as not to create conflicts. But sometimes the conflicts slip by, especially in the last-minute flurry of bills that pass.

The governor and his staff are all new to this game. Possibly they weren't aware of the problem, or they weren't vigilant enough. And maybe they ignored Madrid's warning that signing the second bill would negate a section that was approved in a prior bill.

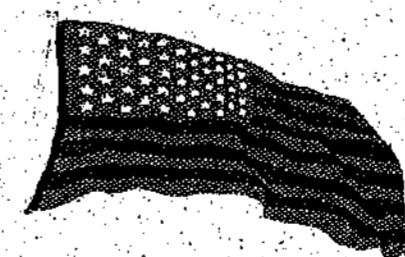
Gov. Richardson is insulated from outside information by many filters between himself and the real world. It is possible Madrid's warning never made it through all the layers to get to the governor. Richardson has good people around him but sometimes they make mistakes and sometimes they don't have the institutional memory that would tip them off to potential problems.

When Richardson put together his staff, he was so anxious to change everything about how the state operates that he declined to place even his best friends and strongest supporters in jobs they had held before. He has suffered some embarrassment in the past year for having a staff new to running a governor's office and this is perhaps another of those embarrassments.

Governors and attorneys general don't often get along, even when they are of the same party. Governors prefer to get advice from their own staff attorneys because the attorney general is separately elected under New Mexico's plural executive system. And Richardson, from the beginning, has had an attitude of wanting to do things his way.

Obviously any agency sending a bill analysis to the governor's office is going to keep a copy for itself. If Madrid wanted to continue the fight, she likely could come up with a copy of the analysis on the DWI bill warning Richardson not to sign it.

This won't be the last time Madrid and Richardson will clash. She already has panned his caucus plan for selecting a presidential nominee. It is no secret that Madrid wants to be governor. She would have run in 2002 had Richardson not. And she is sure to stay visible, maybe as the only Democrat official willing to stand up to the governor.



**PSYCHIC PREDICTIONS FOR THE NEW MILLENNIUM**

Psychic Judith Christopher  
Ruidoso NM  
http: www.ruidoso.net/psychic  
e-mail.....

**Aquarius (Jan 20 - Feb 18)**  
It's time to get down to serious paper business. Don't let someone else be in control of your money. Take charge, and know for sure how much you have, and how much is going out.

**Pisces (Feb 19 - March 20)**  
There's not enough time to straighten out everyone else's business. Do yourself a favor and stay out of anything that can get you in trouble. Look with your eyes, and talk only from the heart.

**Aries (March 21 - April 19)**  
You can make more money, but that will not help the problem at hand. Start cutting back on things you don't need, or you'll find yourself in a big mess. Make more money, then you double it.

**Taurus (April 20 - May 20)**  
Your energy can either help you, when you're in a happy mood, or cost you, when you allow your temper to get the best of you. Your choice. Don't allow others, to control your happiness. Smile.

**Gemini (May 21 - June 20)**  
It's good to have fun when you have already gotten things that need to be done, first. Time is something you can't buy or get back. Use it, or lose it, but make sure you use it wisely or it'll cost.

**Cancer (June 21 - July 22)**  
Not a good time to start something new, either in love, or business, until you get your under control. Start out with a good attitude or lose everything just because you lost your temper.

**Leo (July 23 - Aug 22)**  
A trip could do you good. Make money or just have fun, either way you can be a winner. Just don't leave home fires burning out of control. Take care of paper business, first before going.

**Virgo (Aug 23 - Sept 22)**  
Your heart could be a little saddened by some kind of loss. Remember the good times and realize just how little time you have to show others just how you feel. Give your love freely.

**Libra (Sept 22 - Oct 22)**  
Even tho there are a lot of things going on around you, it doesn't mean you are not in control. You are doing a great job and you should have some fun before it's too late and you're too tired.

**Scorpio (Oct 23 - Nov 21)**  
Money is very strange right now. Don't hold on too tight or you could lose it, hold it too loose, you could lose it too. Share, give, receive, and be blessed; that it'll come around three times fold.

**Sagittarius (Nov 22 - Dec 21)**  
You can start that little dream that has been nagging you for some time. You have put it off for way too long, get out there and show them what you're worth. Which is a lot. Have fun too.

**Capricorn (Dec 22 - Jan 19)**  
Someone needs your help. But sometimes, just listening is better than giving your advice. Your heart and mind know the truth, let them learn on their own how to receive what they need now.


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# Sheriff's Report

from the  
Lincoln County  
Sheriff's Office

by R.E. Virden  
Lincoln County  
Undersheriff



This service is provided to the citizens of our county in an effort to address their concerns and to better assist them in protecting their day to day way of life and an attempt to continually move in a positive direction.

## Protecting Your Home From Wildland Fire

Every year many families unnecessarily lose their homes and possessions to wildland fire. These losses can be minimized if homeowners take the time to become aware of safety measures to help protect their homes.

### Use Fire Resistant Building Material "The Best Thing That You Can Do"

The roof of exterior structure of your dwelling should be constructed of noncombustible or fire resistant materials such as fire resistant roofing materials, tile, slate, sheet iron, aluminum, brick, or stone. Wood siding, cedar shakes, exterior wood paneling, and other highly combustible materials should be treated with fire retardant chemicals.

### Maintain a Survivable Space "Things you can do today"

- Clean roof surfaces and gutters of pine needles, leaves, branches, etc., regularly to avoid accumulation of flammable materials.
- Remove portions of any tree extending within 10 feet of the flue opening of any stove or chimney.
- Maintain a screen constructed of non-flammable material over the flue opening of every chimney or stovepipe. Mesh openings of the screen should not exceed 1/2 inch.
- Landscape vegetation should be spaced so that fire can not be carried to the structure or surrounding vegetation.
- Remove branches from trees to height of 15 feet.
- A fuel break should be maintained around all structures.
- Dispose of stove or fireplace ashes and charcoal briquettes only after soaking them in a metal pail of water.
- Store gasoline in an approved safety can away from occupied buildings.
- Propane tanks should be far enough away from buildings for valves to be shut in case of fire. Keep area clear of flammable vegetation.
- All roads & driveways should be at least 16 feet in width.
- Each home should have at least two different entrance and exit routes.

SOURCE: Nat'l Interagency Fire Center

The following information was taken from dispatch records in the Lincoln County Sheriff's Office in the Lincoln County Courthouse in Carrizozo:

January 19  
8:50 a.m. vandalism at RV park east of Ruidoso Downs. Deputy responded.

9:04 a.m. vandalism at location on Sunrise.

2:32 p.m. Ruidoso Downs Police requested agency assistance, back up for an officer at a domestic situation.

8:44 p.m. accident without injuries, vehicle v. deer at business on Ski Run Road. State police notified.

January 20  
7:36 a.m. missing person from location at mile marker 107 on Highway 380.

7:58 a.m. possible breaking and entering at location in Nogal Canyon.

8:43 a.m. petty larceny at business on Ski Run Road.

12:18 p.m. illegal dumping on Lookout Peak Road. Request for deputy to check where neighbors were dumping limbs by the road. Deputy responded.

1:47 p.m. request to pick up large K-9 on Possum Circle. Deputy responded.

2:29 p.m. fire/smoke on State Road 220. Deputy was dispatched to check out the smoke and at 3:37 p.m. the deputy advised it was a contractor from Durango, CO who was clearing and burning trees. The crew was living in RVs at the site. The contractor advised they would advise the sheriff's office every day they were to burn.

4 p.m. BIA Mesclero Detention requested a deputy to pick up a prisoner in Lincoln County. The responding deputy advised he had the prisoner and he was on his way to Lincoln County Detention Center (LCDC) in Carrizozo, arriving there at 5:23 p.m.

9:46 p.m. fight at location on Pine Hill Loop. Two deputies responded.

January 21  
8:20 a.m. LCDC requested an officer. Deputy responded.

4:55 p.m. cars in the neighbors roadway on Lance Lane in Fawn Ridge. The responding deputy met with the neighbors and advised that the cars were broken down but they would move them.

5:59 p.m. purse missing at business in Tinnie. Deputy responded at 6:09 p.m.

January 22  
9 a.m. lost 70 goats in Os-curo. The reporting party called later and advised they found the hungry goats.

10:27 a.m. deputy advised he was doing warrant service in Ruidoso.

1:33 p.m. caller from a nightclub in Ruidoso reported a lost or stolen cell phone at the ski area. A deputy responded to speak with the caller but when he arrived at the club he made no contact with the caller. The deputy left his card.

5:57 p.m. deputy advised of shotgun fire at Hale Lake cemetery area. Ruidoso Downs Police were requested to assist but the call was cancelled when no shooters were found.

January 23  
8:32 a.m. request for ambulance at Carrizozo clinic. Med 1 advanced life support (ALS) responded from Ruidoso arriving at the clinic at 9:12 a.m. and at 9:19 a.m. left for Lincoln County Medical Center (LCMC) in Ruidoso arriving there at 10:08 a.m.

12 noon, Ruidoso magistrate court reported larceny.

2:17 p.m. 911 request for ambulance at Toas St. in Sun Valley for 81 year old female who fell. Med 1 arrived at the location at 2:35 p.m. but was refused.

6:44 p.m. 14 year old girl down, possible neck injury at Capitan Mid School gym. Capitan ambulance had no response so Med 1 responded arriving at 7:12

p.m. and at 7:26 p.m. left for LCMC with the patient and a parent, arriving at LCMC at 7:54 p.m.

7:22 p.m. son talking of hurting self at location on Sunrise. Deputy responded and at 7:38 p.m. advised things were okay.

January 24  
11:11 a.m. request for ambulance at ski area for patient with compound fracture of the wrist. Med 1 arrived at 11:41 a.m. and at 11:51 a.m. left for LCMC arriving there at 12:30 p.m.

12:22 p.m. request for ambulance at ski area. Med 3 arrived at the ski area at 12:57 p.m. and at 1:02 p.m. left for LCMC arriving there at 1:53 p.m.

12:43 p.m. gas skip on Ski Run Road.

3:21 p.m. request for ambulance at ski area. Med 1 arrived at 3:52 p.m. and at 4:03 p.m. left for LCMC arriving there at 4:41 p.m.

8:12 p.m. request for deputy for verbal domestic at location at mile marker 15 on State Road 48. The caller and his wife were arguing and she threw an item at the window and left the house for Ruidoso or Capitan in a red dually pick up, with an open container of alcohol and had been drinking. A be on the look out (BOLO) was sent to Ruidoso and Capitan

police and deputy responded.

January 25  
8 a.m. accident without injuries, roll over, at mile marker 149 on Highway 54. A tow vehicle with a car hauler had rolled. Deputy responded.

1:28 p.m. fight on side of road by Fox Cave on Highway 70. Deputy responded but did not locate the subjects.

3:16 p.m. deputy advised he came upon an accident at mile marker 9 on State Road 48, and he requested an ambulance. State police were also notified. Med 1 arrived at 3:34 p.m. but was refused.

January 26  
6:32 a.m. accident with injuries somewhere between mile marker 41 and 45 on Highway 380.

8:01 a.m. breaking and entering on School Road.

window was broken out but nothing appeared missing. Two boys were found in a shed. Med 1 requested and arrived at the location at 9:13 a.m. and transported to LCMC arriving at 10:09 a.m.

11:30 a.m. request for welfare check of person on Marjorie Road. Deputy responded at 11:42 a.m. and advised all was okay.

1:27 p.m. stolen license plate in Nogal.

1:33 p.m. credit card theft in Alto.

7:01 p.m. phone harassment at location off mile marker 81 on Highway 380. The caller had a message on her answering machine she wanted to report.

11:07 p.m. crying heard at location on Pine Hill Loop.



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### MOUNTAIN MINISTRY PARISH, SIERRA BLANCA PRESBYTERY

Nogal Presbyterian Church:  
BILL SEBRING, Pastor.  
Sunday School ..... 10:00 a.m.  
Worship ..... 11:00 a.m.

### Ancio Community Presbyterian Church:

TERRY AIELLO, Pastor / 648-2024  
Worship ..... 9:00 a.m.  
Sunday School ..... 10:00 a.m.

### Corona Presbyterian Church:

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

### First Baptist Church

HAYDEN SMITH, Pastor  
314 10th Ave., Carrizozo, NM  
648-2968 (Church) or 648-2107  
Sunday School ..... 9:45 a.m.  
Worship Service ..... 10:55 a.m.  
Sun. Evening ..... Training at 6:15 p.m.  
Evening Worship ..... 7:15 p.m.  
Wednesday Bible Study ..... 7:00 p.m.

### Carrizozo Community Church (A/G)

JOHNIE L. JOHNSON, Pastor  
Corner of C Ave. and Thirteenth, 648-2186  
Children's Church ..... 10:30 a.m.  
Worship Service ..... 10:30 a.m.  
Wednesday Bible Study ..... 7:30 p.m.

### Santa Rita Catholic Community

FR. DAVE BERGS, Pastor  
213 Birch, Carrizozo, NM, 648-2853

### SATURDAY:

Capitan Sacred Heart ..... 5:00 p.m.  
Carrizozo Santa Rita ..... 6:30 p.m.

### SUNDAY:

Capitan Sacred Heart ..... 9:00 a.m.  
Carrizozo Santa Rita ..... 10:30 a.m.  
Corona St. Theresa ..... 1:00 p.m.

### 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 ..... 1:15 p.m.  
Wednesday Bible Study ..... 7:00 p.m.

### St. Matthias Episcopal Church

REV. RON THOMSON, Rector  
Corner of E Ave. and Sixth, Carrizozo, NM  
1-505-258-1242  
Holy Eucharist ..... Sunday 9:30 a.m.

LaGrone Funeral Chapel

Jerry & Lanita Rasak

### Claunch Community Church

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

### United Methodist Churches

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

### CAPITAN:

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

### Christ Community Fellowship

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

### Capitan Church of Christ

LESLIE EARWOOD, Minister  
5th & Lincoln / 336-4627  
Sunday Bible Study ..... 7:00 a.m.  
Worship Service ..... 11:00 a.m.  
Evening Worship ..... 6:00 p.m.  
Wednesday Bible Study ..... 7:00 p.m.

### Trinity Southern Baptist Church

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

### First Baptist Church of Corona

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

### Angus Church of the Nazarene

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RICK HUTCHISON, Pastor / 336-8032  
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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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## DISTRICT COURT CALENDAR

The Calendar for  
District Judge Karen Parsons

The calendar for District Judge Karen L. Parsons.  
Monday, January 26  
8:15 a.m. teleconference Slusher v. Dubai; DM-2003-118 (Schneider/Beauvais) DNA results.

8:30 a.m. jury trial  
Jerry Chavez; CR-2003-142 (Dobbs/Mitchell)  
Filbert Herrera; CR-2003-34 (Dobbs/Holmes)  
1:30 p.m., JQ-2004-01, 10 day hearing.

Tuesday, January 27  
Judge Parsons to attend the budget finance committee hearing in at the state capitol in Santa Fe.  
1 p.m. Camp Sierra Blanca graduation.

Wednesday, January 28  
8:30 a.m. jury trial (Six person jury) John Langley; CR-2003-170 (Dobbs/Mitchell) Appeal from magistrate court.  
Darrell Brantley domestic mediator holds court at 10 a.m. and 1 p.m. on Wednesday:  
10 a.m.

Scarborough v. Scarborough; DV-2004-07  
Keller v. Figueroa; DV-2003-109 motions  
Martinez v. Martinez; DV-2004  
1 p.m. Gochenour v. Gochenour; DM-2002-111 & DV-2003-47 (Martwick/Jordon) motions.

Thursday, January 29  
8:30 a.m. jury trial, Leonard Gallegos; CR-2003-167 (Kinsella/Rafkin)

Friday, January 30  
8:15 a.m. teleconference, Martin v. Martin; DM-1999-125 (Prelo/C.Hawthorne) Judicial inquiry.  
8:30 a.m. First Appearances.

Jose Marquez; CR-2003-145  
Michael Mattiace; CR-2004-03  
David Dalton; CR-2004-04  
Rudolph Stermer; CR-2004-05  
Sentencing:

Terri Dover; CR-2002-28  
Armando Salazar; CR-2003-27 & 186  
Tonia Tolle; CR-2003-72  
Ritchie Sanchez; CR-2002-201  
Carlos Anchando; CR-2003-97  
Jimmy McEuen; CR-2003-164  
Brian Jaramillo; CR-2003-176  
Christopher Harris; CR-2003-103  
Adam Rodgers; CR-2002-21 & 2003-83 & 2003-140  
Motion for plea/sentencing.  
Angela Steele; CR-2003-168  
Natalie Aguirre; CR-2002-177

Other:

Angela Steele; CR-203-194 Pretrial hearing.  
Pete Salas; CR-2002-157 Motions.  
Jonathan Bremer; CR-2002-176 Motions.  
Freddy Baca; CR-2002-145 Judgement and sentencing.  
Justin Zinn; CR-2002-172 Release probation.  
Kelly Trapp; CR-2003-24 Pretrial hearing.

# Ruidoso Continues Restrictions

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Last year the village cooperated with New Mexico State Forestry to pay to keep the SEAT at the airport throughout the fire season. This year, McKnight said, she is working to get the

Mescalero Apache Tribe to join in the agreement and help pay for the SEAT. "We are looking at fire season starting sooner than last year, and it is not inexpensive to keep the SEAT

here," McKnight added. Even though snow pack is much lower than normal, skiing is good, reported councilor Ron Anderson. He said some people in Ruidoso are discouraging visitors and others from going to the ski area saying there is too little snow. "I encourage anyone wanting to ski to go up and look, they will be surprised," Anderson said.

Lauri Doth, owner of Grindstone Graphics who contracts with the village to provide public information, said she is putting information and pictures of the ski area on the village website daily. She said she sent out a full press release about the 19 inches of new snow on the ski area.

"We are expecting an announcement that the whole mountain will be open for skiing soon," Doth added. She said as soon as that decision is made, her company will begin running advertising spots about the skiing.

Despite the dry winter, Ruidoso is not lacking in visitors. Doth reported that Ruidoso has moved into third place in the state in front of Las Cruces for Lodgers Tax revenues. She said her company has been busy with "fam" (familiarization) trips with tour operators from Mexico, and she is expecting a media group from Austria, interested in the ski area and Billy the Kid to visit soon.

As for the ski area, Doth said a Midland media outlet reported on conditions at Ski Apache, and reported conditions as great even with the limited snow. "Because of the limited snow we revised our Ruidoso advertising spot to include golfing," Doth said.

"We also got a lot of national exposure from President Bush during his visit to Roswell," Doth said. "President Bush said (in his speech in Roswell) the last time he was in Roswell he was on his way to Ruidoso." Ruidoso also was featured in the November and January issues of Sunset magazine, and Ruidoso was featured in a six page feature in a retirement publication out of Houston.

Doth said lodgers tax revenues will probably be down for January because of limited snow. Ruidoso Valley Chamber of Commerce director Brad

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## LEGAL NOTICES

### NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETINGS

NOTICE is hereby given that the Lincoln County Water Research and Conservation Committee will hold its regularly scheduled meetings at the Lincoln County Courthouse (Commission Chambers) in Carrizozo, New Mexico, at 2:00 P.M. on the following dates:

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|--------------------------|---------------------------|
| Friday, January 9, 2004  | Friday, July 27, 2004     |
| Friday, February 6, 2004 | Friday, August 6, 2004    |
| Friday, March 5, 2004    | Friday, September 3, 2004 |
| Friday, April 2, 2004    | Friday, October 1, 2004   |
| Friday, May 7, 2004      | Friday, November 5, 2004  |
| Friday, June 4, 2004     | Friday, December 3, 2004  |

A proposed Agenda will be available at least twenty-four (24) hours before the meeting from the Lincoln County Manager's Office located in the Lincoln County Administration Building, Carrizozo, New Mexico.

Changes affecting the date and/or location of a regular scheduled meeting will be mailed to newspapers of general circulation in Lincoln County and notices will be posted on the official bulletin board in the Lincoln County Administration Building, 300 Central Avenue, Carrizozo.

Special meetings of the Lincoln County Water Research and Conservation Committee may be called by the Chairman or a majority of the members upon three (3) days notice. For the purposes of special meetings, notice requirements will be met by posting notices on the official bulletin board in the Lincoln County Administration Building and notifying the news media.

Auxiliary aides are available upon request; please contact Martha Guevara at 648-2385 at least 48 hours in advance of the meeting to make any necessary arrangements.

MARTHA GUEVARA  
Assistant County Manager

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### NOTICE OF MEETING

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# Clean Air Permits Not Needed for Burning

by Doris Cherry

Beginning February 22, county residents who conduct controlled burns will no longer need Clean Air Permits from the New Mexico Environment Department.

Lincoln County Commissioners at their meeting Jan-

uary 22 in their chambers in the Lincoln County Courthouse in Carrizozo adopted changes to the county fire and open burning ordinance that remove all reference to the clean air permit. The 2003 state legislature had passed a measure that removed the New Mexico Environment Dept.

(NMED) Clean Air Permit provision from the open burning requirements.

When the changes in the county fire and open burn ordinance go into effect on February 22, residents who wish to conduct controlled burns need only advise the Lincoln County Sheriff's Office of when and where the burn will happen. They are also advised to contact their local fire department with the same information.

Glencoe Palo Verde Fire Department volunteer Larry Mulligan said he would like to see some kind of permit in the ordinance, whether from the sheriff's office or the county emergency management office. "Now is the time to be proactive," Mulligan said. "If someone does

burn we send a truck out and this year is going to be a very bad fire season."

County manager Tom Stewart said the ordinance has a provision that when the county comes under an emergency fire situation, there is a permitting process for open burns. "If there is fire danger we will require a permit," Stewart said.

County commissioner Leo Martinez asked if that happens once a fire danger declaration is made.

County commission chair Rex Wilson said a special meeting can be called to declare the fire danger if necessary.

Martinez said he just wants to make people aware of fire danger by requiring a permit.

County emergency coordinator Bill Martin said he appreciates the need for a permit process, which he thought would be difficult to enforce.

County commissioner Earl Hobbs asked under-sheriff Rick Virden if the sheriff's office checks on controlled burns.

Virden said the sheriff's office keeps a list of controlled burns, and sends someone to check if anyone sees visible smoke.

County commissioners voted unanimously to approve the changes.

County commissioners also received a lengthy "County Fire Protection Assessment" report on the county fire departments drafted and presented by Martin.

Martin said the county volunteer fire department volunteers are on duty 24/7 without enumeration or sometimes even recognition. "These people are what make our fire protection in this county," Martin said.

Martin said there are efforts on the state level to bring back more of the fire protection funds derived from fire insurance payments made on properties within the county. Currently only a portion of these funds are being returned to the local fire departments, which are in dire need of more funding.

Because of restraints by state law, volunteer fire departments may not directly solicit outside funds, Martin added. A way around this is to form a non profit organization to raise money to purchase equipment, etc., which has been done for the Bonito Fire Department.

Martin said another problem with the county fire departments is a lack of community support and a shortage of younger new volunteers.

"The departments are doing very much with very little money," Martin added.

Fire risks continue to grow in the county as 5,000 to 10,000 square foot houses are being built, many in the urban wildland forest interfaces, Martin continued.

Martin said he is working with the fire departments to get more training for volunteers.

Carrizozo town trustee Eileen Lovelace said her town works with the fire department and has taken money from its general fund to help the department. "We

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**US 70 Activities Underway In February 2004**

Shoulder and lane closures will continue along the 38-mile project corridor through the month of February. Finish grading will continue in Sections B, C, D & E. Excavation, drainage, wall and bridgework will continue in sections B & C. Grading, and wall work will continue in sections E & F. Various lane shifts, detours and roadway re-striping will occur as the work progresses.

Please allow an extra 20-30 minutes in your travel schedule to accommodate general construction activities.

Blasting will continue to be more frequent on weekdays (Mon-Fri), in Section B and F at the following locations: MP 272-275 located West of Glencoe/East of Fox Cave; MP 267-270, located East of the Rio Ruidoso Bridge and MP 295-297, located at Tin Top area. Please call the hotline or visit the website for details. Lane closures will begin at 12 pm lasting up to one hour.

**Toll Free Hotline: 1-866-653-4069 Website: www.us70hondovalley.com**

February Calendar of Events  
 US 70 Hondo Valley  
 Citizens Task Force Meeting  
 Date: February 19, 2004 (Thursday)  
 Place: Hondo Valley Schools  
 Time: 7:00 pm

For information call Mary Ann Wootton,  
 SBC Community Relations Liaison  
 toll free at 1-866-653-4069  
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**LEGAL NOTICE**  
 STATE OF NEW MEXICO  
 COUNTY OF LINCOLN  
 TWELFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT  
 No. CV-2003-275  
 Division III

CAROLYN M. DAVIDSON,  
 Plaintiff,

vs.

**GROUP I**  
 MAURICE C. DAVIDSON, M.D., Deceased;  
 JOHN HALL, a.k.a. John V. Hall, Deceased,  
 joined by his wife, if married; J. BRUEMMER, a.k.a.  
 James E. Bruemmer, joined by his wife, if married;  
 ED SANDERS, a.k.a. Edward M. Sanders, joined  
 by his wife, if married; BRUEMMER, HALL, AND  
 SANDERS, a partnership; BRUEMMER &  
 SANDERS, a partnership; THE JACQUELINE T. ELY  
 IRREVOCABLE TRUST, a Texas irrevocable living  
 trust; and KENNETH M. KEEGAN, a single man.

**GROUP II**  
 JOHN DOES, 1 through 100, and all  
 of their lawful heirs, devisees  
 or assigns; and

**GROUP III**  
 ANY AND ALL UNKNOWN CLAIMANTS  
 OF INTEREST IN THE PREMISES  
 ADVERSE TO THE PLAINTIFF.

Defendants.

**SUMMONS AND NOTICE OF  
 PENDENCY OF ACTION**

THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO TO THE FOLLOWING  
 NAMED DEFENDANTS:

Maurice C. Davidson, M.D.; John Hall, joined by his  
 wife, if married; J. Bruemmer, joined by his wife, if  
 married; Ed Sanders, joined by his wife, if married;  
 Bruemmer, Hall and Sanders, a partnership; Bruemmer &  
 Sanders, a partnership; and those Defendants in Group II  
 and Group III.

**GREETINGS:** You are hereby notified that Carolyn  
 M. Davidson, Plaintiff, has filed an action in the Dis-  
 trict Court of Lincoln County, New Mexico, Civil  
 Docket No. CV-2003-275 (III), wherein you are named  
 as Defendants and wherein said Plaintiff seeks to obtain  
 constructive service upon you.

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

**TRACT 6:**  
 A TRACT OF LAND IN THE SE1/4 OF SECTION 4,  
 T.11S., R.13E., N.M.P.M., LINCOLN COUNTY NEW  
 MEXICO, MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED BY  
 METES AND BOUNDS AS FOLLOWS:  
 BEGINNING AT THE NORTHWEST CORNER OF  
 THE HEREIN DESCRIBED TRACT, FROM WHICH  
 THE SOUTH 1/4 CORNER OF SAID SECTION 4, AN  
 ALUMINUM U.S.F.S. CAP FOUND IN PLACE,  
 BEARS S.42° 03' 37" E., 886.11 FEET;  
 THENCE N.87° 43' 51" E., 636.32 FEET;  
 THENCE S.03° 10' 17" E., 313.59 FEET;  
 THENCE S.87° 34' 43" W., 634.51 FEET;  
 THENCE N.03° 29' 45" W., 315.32 FEET TO THE  
 POINT OF BEGINNING AND CONTAINING 4.5863  
 ACRES OF LAND.

**TRACT 7:**  
 A TRACT OF LAND IN THE SE1/4 OF SECTION 4,  
 T.11S., R.13E., N.M.P.M., LINCOLN COUNTY, NEW  
 MEXICO, MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED BY  
 METES AND BOUNDS AS FOLLOWS:  
 BEGINNING AT THE SOUTHWEST CORNER OF  
 THE HEREIN DESCRIBED TRACT FROM WHICH  
 THE SOUTH 1/4 CORNER OF SAID SECTION 4, AN  
 ALUMINUM U.S.F.S. CAP FOUND IN PLACE,  
 BEARS S.42° 03' 37" E., 886.11 FEET;  
 THENCE N.03° 29' 45" W., 315.32 FEET;  
 THENCE N.87° 52' 57" E., 638.13 FEET;  
 THENCE S.03° 10' 17" E., 313.59 FEET;  
 THENCE S.87° 43' 51" W., 636.32 FEET TO THE  
 POINT OF BEGINNING AND CONTAINING 4.5991  
 ACRES OF LAND.

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 THE FOLLOWING DESCRIBED CENTER LINE,  
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 ALPINE VILLAGE ROAD, FROM WHICH THE  
 SOUTH 1/4 CORNER OF SECTION 4, T.11S., R.13E.,  
 N.M.P.M., A U.S.F.S. ALUMINUM CAP FOUND IN  
 PLACE, BEARS N.26° 35' 37" E., 16.11 FEET; THENCE  
 N.72° 11' 32" E., 40.43 FEET; THENCE N.82° 12' 35" E.,  
 34.43 FEET; THENCE ON A CURVE TO THE LEFT  
 HAVING A RADIUS OF 40.22 FEET AND A CHORD  
 OF N.34° 00' 01" E., 59.98 FEET; THENCE N.14°  
 12' 34" W., 49.49 FEET; THENCE ON A CURVE TO  
 THE RIGHT HAVING A RADIUS OF 37.94 FEET AND  
 A CHORD OF N.42° 49' 35" E., 63.67 FEET; THENCE  
 S.80° 08' 16" E., 42.22 FEET; THENCE ON A CURVE  
 TO THE LEFT HAVING A RADIUS OF 262.59 FEET  
 AND A CHORD OF S.88° 34' 10" E., 77.01 FEET;  
 THENCE N.82° 59' 55" E., 94.79 FEET; THENCE ON A  
 CURVE TO THE LEFT HAVING A RADIUS OF 102.75  
 FEET AND A CHORD OF N.61° 30' 23" E., 75.29 FEET;  
 THENCE N.40° 00' 51" E., 94.11 FEET; THENCE ON A  
 CURVE TO THE RIGHT HAVING A RADIUS OF  
 194.32 FEET AND A CHORD OF N.48° 12' 48" E., 55.43  
 FEET; THENCE N.56° 24' 46" E., 97.87 FEET; THENCE  
 ON A CURVE TO THE LEFT HAVING A RADIUS OF  
 61.58 FEET AND A CHORD OF N.21° 24' 02" E., 70.67  
 FEET; THENCE ON A CURVE TO THE RIGHT  
 HAVING A RADIUS OF 325.06 FEET AND A CHORD  
 OF N.08° 20' 20" W., 59.75 FEET; THENCE N.03°  
 03' 58" W., 137.69 FEET; THENCE N.02° 32' 03" W.,  
 188.18 FEET; THENCE N.05° 31' 52" E., 84.84 FEET;  
 THENCE N.03° 42' 42" W., 90.27 FEET TO THE END  
 OF THIS EASEMENT.

You are further notified that unless you enter your  
 appearance, plead or otherwise respond in said cause on or  
 before the 12th day of March, 2004, judgment will be  
 rendered against you by default and the relief prayed for in  
 the Complaint will be granted to Plaintiff in conformity  
 with the allegations of the Plaintiff's Complaint.

The Name and address of the attorney for the Plaintiff  
 are as follows: Alan P. Morel, Alan P. Morel, P.A., Post  
 Office Box 1030, Ruidoso, New Mexico, 88355-1030.

WITNESS my hand and seal of the Twelfth Judicial  
 District Court of Lincoln County, New Mexico, on this the  
 12th day of January, 2004.

(SEAL)

**JAN PERRY**  
 Court Administrator,  
 District Court Clerk,  
 By: Elizabeth Ysasi  
 Deputy

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# Looking Back...

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The Mexican dam is located at the upper end of the El Paso valley just above the city of El Paso, Tex. This dam was constructed a number of years ago by the Mexicans and serves to divert water both to the lands on the American side in the El Paso valley and to lands under the Acequia Madre on the Mexican side. From these diversion dams several canal systems are built.

### Aborigines Used Irrigation.

"Before the middle of the sixteenth century the Spanish explorers entered the valley of the Rio Grande and found in these valley Pueblo Indians cultivating the land and irrigating it by means of acequias from the river, some of which are still in use. How long these Indians had been on the ground is unknown, but even at that time they were considered old inhabitants and raised not only grain and fruits but even flowers. The descendants of these Indians and the Spaniards have continued to cultivate portions of these valleys up to the present without much change in methods.

"While the Spaniards first entered the valley from Sonora and the Gulf of California, the first attempts at colonization were made from El Paso as its base, the Spanish conquest of Mexico having extended by that time to the Rio Grande. In 1600, Paso del Norte (now called Juarez) was an important town, and records are in existence nearly three hundred years old which refer to the Acequia Madre, of Paso del Norte as being then in use.

"The present acequias in the Mesilla valley have been in use for about sixty years, but there are evidences of older canals that have been abandoned.

### Is an Extinct Volcano.

"The reclamation service began investigation on the Rio Grande March 1, 1903, considering especially the dam site at Elephant Butte. Elephant Butte is an extinct volcano arising from the east bank of the Rio Grande to a height of five hundred feet above the river and is so named on account of the remarkable resemblance to an elephant's head. From this butte the dam takes its name.

"In August, 1903, a topographic survey was begun at Selden and extended down the river, covering the irrigable area in the Mesilla valley to El Paso. In 1904 these surveys were extended to cover the El Paso valley to a distance of forty miles below El Paso. Borings were also made at the same time on the site of the Leasburg dam to determine the character of the material.

"As a result of the surveys and investigations in 1903 and 1904 at the Elephant Butte site, it was decided upon as being superior to any other site on the river for the storage of water for both the Mesilla and the El Paso valleys.

"Under the reclamation act, the cost of the project is to be repaid to the United States by the water users benefited, but in this case it was evident that the American water users should not be required to pay for that portion of the project constructed to satisfy the obligations of the United States in supplying water to Mexico. Accordingly, in 1907 congress appropriated \$1,000,000 to be expended under the direction of the Secretary of the Interior toward the construction of the Elephant Butte dam".

### After the Accident.

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 "Ah, I remember -- it struck me as a fine car!"  
 Florida Times-Union.

Things you can't understand are generally none of your business.

### Doesn't Always Show It.

Every man is supposed to know his own business, but it is often difficult to make his friends believe it.

### The San Antonio Road

The state highway from Carrizozo to San Antonio, Socorro county, is to be built in the near future. Local authorities at the San Antonio end, of which Powell Stackhouse, a coal operator at that point, was the chief, have made the building of the road possible.

A check of \$800 has been forwarded to State Engineer James A. French. This amount will be supplemented by an appropriation by the State Highway Commission.

It is estimated that the road will cost \$6,000. The Carrizozo-San Antonio road is known officially as highway No. 13, and will connect all the southeastern tier of counties with the Camino Real and the Ocean to Ocean Highway. The

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do appreciate our fire department," she said.

Mulligan then spoke as a citizen and said he begged the county commission when it was revising the county subdivision ordinance to require developers to provide enough water for fire protection. "But you didn't do that," Mulligan said.

Martinez said the commission decided not put in the subdivision ordinance a requirement that developers provide fire protection water availability. Instead they chose to look at each individual development.

Mulligan also suggested the county consider providing insurance to fire department volunteers, in order to attract more volunteers. And he suggested an appreciation day for county fire department volunteers.

"We need an appreciation day for firefighters," Martinez agreed. "And the fire departments need more respect, and autonomy of each

station is needed."

"You have to regulate volunteerism with kid gloves," Martinez added.

Martin said the departments are not autonomous. Instead the county commission is responsible for the departments. "You hold their liability, we need uniform policies to operate in emergencies," Martin said.

Wilson commended Martin for providing the report, which was the first time

such a report had been given to the county commission. Wilson said he saw the report as being very positive.

Wilson said the county is trying to improve emergency communications in Hondo Valley with a tower, and the county commission should look at the insurance coverage when it considers its next budget.

"As for volunteers, we should recognize that the

most successful recruiting to have volunteers recruit others," Wilson said.

Martin said he would present a more detailed report at the next county commission meeting.

Fire chiefs and volunteers from White Oaks, Hondo, Lincoln and Glencoe Park Verde Volunteer Fire Departments who were present at the meeting were recognized by the county commission.

## LEGALS

### LEGAL NOTICE

#### NOTICE OF SPECIAL PUBLIC SCHOOL CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS TAX ELECTION

On the 3<sup>rd</sup> day of February, 2004, there will be held in the Capitan Municipal School District No. 28, Lincoln County, New Mexico, a special school district election for the purpose of submitting to the qualified electors of the District the question of whether or not a property tax should be imposed for the purpose of capital improvements in the District.

The Voting Districts and the Precinct Board Members for this Election shall be as follows:

Election Precinct	Polling Place	Precinct Poll Workers
1, 2A, 2B, 3A, 3B, 4, 5, 6, 7A, 10, 12A, 12B and 12C within the District	Lincoln County Fair Building, Capitan, New Mexico	Presiding Judge - Edith F. Dobson Election Judge - Ellen Fay Womack Election Clerk - Phoebe M. Taylor Election Clerk - Joyce A. Hansen Election Clerk - Janice M. Cox
Absentee in Person	Office of the Lincoln County Clerk, Lincoln County Courthouse, Carrizozo, New Mexico	Presiding Judge - Edith F. Dobson Election Judge - Ellen Fay Womack Election Clerk - Phoebe M. Taylor Election Clerk - Joyce A. Hansen Election Clerk - Janice M. Cox

The polls for said Election will be open between the hours of 7:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m. on the day of the Election.

Absentee voting will be permitted in the manner authorized by 1-6-1 et seq., NMSA 1978; provided, however, that pursuant to Section 1-22-19, NMSA 1978, qualified electors may also vote absentee in person at the office of the County Clerk of the County, during the regular hours and days of business from 8:00 a.m. January 9, 2004, being the twenty-fifth day preceding the Election, until 5:00 p.m., January 30, 2004, being the Friday immediately prior to the Election. Absentee ballots shall be mailed or, if requested, electronically transmitted to each such applicant or registered voter who is a federal qualified elector and overseas voter, not later than January 29, 2004 being the Thursday immediately prior to the date of the election as provided in Section 1-6-5 NMSA 1978.

At such Election, the following question shall also be submitted to such qualified, registered electors of the District:

#### PUBLIC SCHOOL CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS TAX QUESTION

"Shall the Board of Education of the Capitan Municipal School District No. 28, County of Lincoln, State of New Mexico, be authorized to impose a property tax of \$2.00 per each \$1,000.00 of net taxable value of the property allocated to such District under the Property Tax Code for the property tax years of 2004, 2005, 2006, 2007 and 2008 for the purpose of the following capital improvements in the District, i.e., erecting, remodeling, making additions to, providing equipment for and furnishing school buildings, purchasing or improving school grounds and purchasing computer software and hardware for student use in public school classrooms; maintenance of public school buildings and public school grounds exclusive of salary expenses of employees of the District; and purchasing activity vehicles for transporting students to extracurricular school activities?"

This notice is published in my capacity as Principal Filing Officer for this election.  
 LINCOLN COUNTY CLERK  
 By: /s/ Tammie J. Maddox

[SEAL OF THE COUNTY CLERK]

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### LEGAL NOTICE

#### AVISO DE ELECCION ESPECIAL UNA ELECCION CON EL FIN DE APROBAR IMPUESTOS PARA MEJORAS MATERIALES

El 3 de febrero de 2004 se efectuara una eleccion especial en el Distrito Escolar Municipio Numero 28 de Capitan, Condado de Lincoln, Estado de Nuevo Mexico con el fin de presentarle a todos los votantes habilitados del Distrito la cuestion si se debe imponer un impuesto de propiedad con el fin de hacer las mejoras materiales en el Distrito.

Los Distritos Electorales y Los Miembros del Consejo del Precinct por esta eleccion son los siguientes:

Eleccion Num. del Precinct	Sitios De Votacion	Los Miembros del Consejo del Precinct
1, 2A, 2B, 3A, 3B, 4, 5, 6, 7A, 10, 12A, 12B y 12C dentro del distrito.	Lincoln County Fair Building, Capitan, Nyevo Mexico	Juez Principal - Edith F. Dobson Juez - Ellen Fay Womack Escribana - Phoebe M. Taylor Escribana - Joyce A. Hansen Escribana - Janice M. Cox
En Ausencia en Persona	Oficina del (de la) Escribano(a) del Condado de Lincoln, Corte del Condado de Lincoln, Carrizozo, Nueve Mexico	Juez - Edith F. Dobson Juez - Ellen Fay Womack Escribana - Phoebe M. Taylor Escribana - Phoebe M. Taylor Escribana - Joyce A. Hansen Escribana - Janice M. Cox

Los Centros para Votar en dicha Eleccion permaneceran abiertos entre las horas de las 7:00 a.m. y las 7:00 p.m. el dia de la Eleccion.

La votacion en ausencia se permitira conforme a las Secciones 1-6-1 et seq., NMSA 1978; siempre que conforme a la Seccion 1-22-19, NMSA 1978, los electores habilitados podran votar tambien presentandose personalmente en la oficina de la Escribana del Condado de Lincoln, durante las horas y en los dias habiles entre las 8:00 a.m., el 9 de enero 2004, fecha que cae 25 dias antes de la fecha de la Eleccion, y las 5:00 p.m., el 30 de enero 2004, que es el dia viernes que antecede a la fecha de la Eleccion. Se los mandan boletines en ausencia por correo aereo o, si se lo pide, por transmision electronica a cada tal solicitante o votante registrado quien es un votante habilitado federal y votante del extranjero, no mas tarde del 29 de enero de 2004, siendo el dia jueves que antecede inmediatamente a la eleccion siempre que conforme a la Seccion 1-6-5, NMSA 1978.

En dicha Eleccion, la siguiente cuestion sera sometida a la consideracion de dichos votantes del Distrito que se hayan inscrito y esten habilitados:

#### QUESTION SOBRE IMPUESTOS PARA MEJORAS MATERIALES DE LAS ESCUELAS PUBLICAS

"Se le debera otorgar la autorizacion a la Junta Escolar del Distrito Escolar Municipio Num. 28 de Capitan, Condado de Lincoln Estado de Nuevo Mexico para que imponga un impuesto de propiedad de \$2.00 por cada \$1,000.00 de valor neto tributable de la propiedad asignada a dicho Distrito conforme al Código de Impuestos Sobre la Propiedad para los años tributables 2004, 2005, 2006, 2007 y 2008 con el fin de hacer las mejoras materiales siguientes en el Distrito, es decir, construir, remodelar, añadir a, proveer equipo para y amueblar los edificios escolares, comprar o mejorar los terrenos escolares y comprar programas y equipo de computadora para el uso estudiantil en las aulas escolares publicas, el mantenimiento de los edificios publicos y de los terrenos escolares excluyendo las sumas de los salarios de los empleados del Distrito, y la compra de vehiculos para las actividades escolares con el fin de transportar a los estudiantes a las actividades extracurriculares?"

Este aviso se publica conforme a la autorizacion que la ley me otorga como funcionario principal de archivos para esta eleccion.

Escribana del Condado de Lincoln  
 Por: /s/ Tammie J. Maddox

[Sello de la Escribana del Condado]

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## L. C. County Democratic Convention Feb. 21st

The Lincoln County Democratic Party Pre-Primary Convention will be held on Saturday, February 21.

The convention, which is open to all Democrats registered in Lincoln County, begins at 9:30 a.m. at the Cherokee Mobile Village Community Room on Highway 70 west of Ruidoso (across from Hollywood post office).

Information on the date of the pre-primary convention was incorrectly provided for the ad published in the January 22 issue of Lincoln County News. Another notice is in today's (Jan. 29) issue with the correct information.

The date for the pre-primary convention is Saturday, February 21.

For more information about the pre-primary convention call Lincoln County Democratic party chair Doris Cherry at 354-2673.

The Democratic Presidential Caucus election will be held from 12 noon to 7 p.m. on Tuesday, February 3, at Ruidoso Convention Center. This is the only official caucus site for Lincoln County. All Democrats registered to vote by December 30 are eligible to select their favorite presidential candidate.



Have A  
 Good  
 Day!!





# LEGALS

TWELFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT  
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No. CV-02-260  
Div. III

**HIGH SIERRA CONDOMINIUM OWNERS' ASSOCIATION, INC.,** a New Mexico non-profit corporation,  
Plaintiff,

**AUDEN J. ACOSTA and JOSEFINA B. de ACOSTA, JEFFREY R. BATTON and KIM M. BATTON, DIANE R. ASCH and UNKNOWN SPOUSE, ENRIQUE J. BACA and UNKNOWN SPOUSE, ESTELA FLORES CRUZ and UNKNOWN SPOUSE, VICTORIA CRUZ and UNKNOWN SPOUSE, GEORGE A. de la FUENTE and UNKNOWN SPOUSE, ROYCE L. WILLIAMS and J. SUE WILLIAMS, JOHN CRUZ and SHARON D. CRUZ, JOHN DAVIDSON and UNKNOWN SPOUSE, GAIL A. GANTER and UNKNOWN SPOUSE, JACK L. LANDENBERGER and CATHERINE M. LANDENBERGER, GERARDO DURAN LOPEZ and UNKNOWN SPOUSE, MAURICIO DURAN LOPEZ and UNKNOWN SPOUSE, MARIA ENRIQUETA DURAN LOPEZ and UNKNOWN SPOUSE, MARIA TERESA DURAN LOPEZ and UNKNOWN SPOUSE, JOHN G. MALOOF and GLORIA P. MALOOF, SYLVIA ALICIA DELGADO McCARTHY and UNKNOWN SPOUSE, ARMANDO DIAZ MEDINA and CITLALI MENDOZA de DIAZ, JOHN C. MICKELSON and JUDITH M. MICKELSON, EDWARD E. NIBLETT and KATHY J. NIBLETT, MICHAEL W. PECKUM and LINDA PECKUM, FRED REAM and CONNIE REAM, IRIS GUIDER ROWE and UNKNOWN SPOUSE, GENEVA GUIDER and UNKNOWN SPOUSE, LARRY L. SCHERER and ESTHER M. SCHERER, and CARLOS M. SIERRA and GUADALUPE G. SIERRA,**  
Defendants.

**AMENDED**

**NOTICE OF SPECIAL MASTER'S SALE**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on February 18, 2004, at 10:00 A.M., at the front entrance to the Village of Ruidoso Municipal Complex located at 313 Cree Meadows Drive in Ruidoso, New Mexico, the undersigned Special Master will sell and convey to the highest bidder for cash, all right, title and interest of the following named Defendants in and to the following described properties of the High Sierra Condominium Owners' Association, Inc., a New Mexico non-profit corporation, located at 504 Excalibur Road in Ruidoso, New Mexico.

The Special Master's sale will be conducted pursuant to the following described judgment liens:

a) Auden J. Acosta and Josefina B. de Acosta, husband and wife, jointly and severally, and Jeffrey R. Batton and Kim M. Batton, husband and wife, jointly and severally Building 1, Unit 1, Unit Week 17 Maintenance Fees ----- Attorney's Fees and Costs -----	\$1,033.79 323.16 \$1,356.95
b) Enrique J. Baca and unknown spouse, if any, jointly and severally Building 12, Unit 1, Unit Week 17 Maintenance Fees ----- Attorney's Fees and Costs -----	\$1,277.47 323.16 \$1,600.63
c) John Cruz and Sharon D. Cruz, husband and wife, jointly and severally Building 4, Unit 1, Unit Week 18 Maintenance Fees ----- Attorney's Fees and Costs -----	\$1,573.66 323.16 \$1,896.82
d) The Estate of John Davidson and his unknown heirs, devisees and assigns, jointly and severally Building 10, Unit 2, Unit Week 39 Maintenance Fees ----- Attorney's Fees and Costs -----	\$1,598.21 323.16 \$1,921.37
e) Jack L. Landenberger and Catherine M. Landenberger, husband and wife, jointly and severally Building 9, Unit 1, Unit Week 48 Maintenance Fees ----- Attorney's Fees and Costs -----	\$ 867.10 323.16 \$1,190.26
f) Gerardo Duran Lopez, Mauricio Duran Lopez, Enriqueta Duran Lopez, and Maria Teresa Duran Lopez, and their respective unknown spouses, if any, jointly and severally Building 10, Unit 1, Unit Week 14 Maintenance Fees ----- Attorney's Fees and Costs -----	\$1,198.72 323.16 \$1,521.88
g) John G. Maloof and Gloria P. Maloof, husband and wife, jointly and severally Building 5, Unit 2, Unit Week 43 Maintenance Fees ----- Attorney's Fees and Costs -----	\$1,154.12 323.16 \$1,477.28
h) Armando Diaz Medina and Citlali Mendoza de Diaz, husband and wife, jointly and severally Building 8, Unit 1, Unit Week 50 Maintenance Fees ----- Attorney's Fees and Costs -----	\$1,734.06 323.16 \$2,057.22
i) John C. Mickelson and Judith M. Mickelson, husband and wife, jointly and severally Building 6, Unit 2, Unit Week 47 Maintenance Fees ----- Attorney's Fees and Costs -----	\$ 803.71 323.16 \$1,126.87
j) Edward E. Niblett and Kathy J. Niblett, husband and wife, jointly and severally Building 14, Unit 1, Unit Week 7 Maintenance Fees ----- Attorney's Fees and Costs -----	\$1,400.32 323.16 \$1,723.48
k) Fred Ream and Connie Ream, husband and wife, jointly and severally Building 2, Unit 1, Unit Week 25 Maintenance Fees ----- Attorney's Fees and Costs -----	\$ 924.25 323.16 \$1,247.41
l) Iris Guider Rowe and unknown spouse, if any, and Geneva Guider and unknown spouse, if any, jointly and severally Building 11, Unit 2, Unit Week 47 Maintenance Fees ----- Attorney's Fees and Costs -----	\$1,598.18 323.16 \$1,921.34
m) Larry L. Scherer and Esther M. Scherer, husband and wife, jointly and severally Building 12, Unit 1, Unit Week 38 Maintenance Fees -----	\$1,249.48

Attorney's Fees and Costs -----	323.16
n) Carlos M. Sierra and Guadalupe G. Sierra, husband and wife, jointly and severally Building 11, Unit 1, Unit Week 22 Maintenance Fees ----- Attorney's Fees and Costs -----	\$1,277.47 323.16 \$1,600.63

In addition to the Judgment liens referred to above, additional costs will accrue, including costs of publication of this Notice.  
The Special Master may continue the Special Master's sale scheduled February 18, 2004, by appearing at the time designated for the sale and announcing the postponement of sale to another specific date.

Sarah Prothro  
Special Master

Lee Griffin  
LEE GRIFFIN & ASSOCIATES, P.C.  
1096 Mechem Drive, Suite 102  
Ruidoso, New Mexico 88345  
Attorney for Plaintiff

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**LEGAL NOTICE  
AVISO DE ELECCION  
ESPECIAL DE BONOS ESCOLARES**

El 3 de febrero de 2004 se efectuará una elección especial en el Distrito Escolar Número 13, del Corono, Condado de Lincoln, Estado de Nuevo México con el fin de presentarle a todos los votantes habilitados del Distrito la cuestión si se puede crear una deuda con la emisión de bonos de obligaciones generales.

Los Distritos Electorales y Los Miembros del Consejo del Precincto por esta elección son los siguientes:

Elección	Sitios	Los Miembros del Consejo del Precincto
Núm. del Precincto (Consolidado)	Centro de Mayores de Corona	El Juez presidente-Nelva June Tyree
1, 2A, 3 (Condado de Lincoln)		Juez - Sandra J. Alford
9D (Condado de Socorro)	Corona, Nuevo México	Escribana - Loretta Sanchez
8, 11, 12 (Condado de Torrance)		Escribana - Sue Hughes
En Ausencia en Persona	Oficina de la Escribana del Condado de Lincoln Cartizozo, Nuevo México	El Juez presidente-Nelva June Tyree Juez - Sandra J. Alford Escribana - Loretta Sanchez Escribana - Sue Hughes

Los Centros para Votar en dicha Elección permanecerán abiertos entre las horas de las 7:00 a.m. y las 7:00 p.m. el día de la Elección.

La votación en ausencia se permitirá conforme a las Secciones 1-6-1 et seq., NMSA, 1978; siempre que conforme a la Sección 1-22-19, NMSA, 1978, los electores habilitados podrán votar también presentándose personalmente en la oficina de la Escribana del Condado de Sandoval, durante las horas y en los días hábiles entre las 8:00 a.m. el 9 de enero 2004, fecha que cae 25 días antes de la fecha de la Elección, y las 5:00 p.m. el 30 de enero 2004 que es el día viernes que antecede la fecha de la Elección. Se los mandan boletos en ausencia por correo aéreo o, si se lo pide, por transmisión electrónica a cada tal solicitante o votante registrado quien es un votante habilitado federal y votante del extranjero, no más tarde del 29 de enero de 2004, siendo el día jueves que antecede inmediatamente la elección siempre que conforme a la Sección 1-6-5, NMSA 1978.

En dicha Elección, la siguiente cuestión será sometida a la consideración de dichos votantes del Distrito que se hayan inscrito y estén habilitados:

**CUESTION DE BONOS DE OBLIGACION GENERAL**

Se le concederá la autorización a la Junta de Educación del Distrito Escolar Municipio Núm. 13 de Corona, Condados de Lincoln, Socorro y Torrance, Estado de Nuevo México a fin de que emita Bonos de una serie o más de obligación general del Distrito, en la suma agregada principal que no exceda de los \$350,000, con el fin de construir, remodelar, agregar anexos y amueblar a los edificios escolares y comprar o mejorar terrenos escolares y comprar programas y equipo de computadora para el uso estudiantil en las aulas escolares públicas o una combinación de estos propósitos, los dichos bonos se pagarán con los fondos derivados de los impuestos generales (ad valorem) y se emitirán y se venderán en tal fecha o en tales fechas y conforme a los términos y condiciones que la Junta determine.

Este aviso se publica conforme a la autorización que la ley me otorga como funcionario principal de archivos para esta elección.

Escribana del Condado de Lincoln  
Por: /s/  
Tammie J. Maddox

(Sello de la Escribana del Condado)

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**LEGAL NOTICE  
TWELFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT  
COUNTY OF LINCOLN  
STATE OF NEW MEXICO  
CV-03-153**

**MARGARET M. HAMILTON, a married woman, BANK OF AMERICAN, a New Mexico Banking corporation, formerly SUNWEST BANK OF ROSWELL, and GLENN G. STIFF and JUANITA S. STIFF, Trustees, of the GLENN G. AND JUANITA S. STIFF REVOCABLE TRUST,**

Plaintiffs,

**CHARLES M. RUCKER and CINDY K. RUCKER, husband and wife,**  
Defendants.

**AMENDED NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on February 24, 2004, at 10:00 a.m. at the Village of Ruidoso Municipal Building located at 313 Cree Meadows Drive in Ruidoso, New Mexico, the undersigned Special Master will offer at public sale and sell to the highest bidder for cash the following described real property:

Lot 16 of CEDAR CREEK RANCHETTES, 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, April 26, 1985, in Cabinet D., Slide No. 361.

The physical location of the property is Palabra Circle, Lincoln County, New Mexico. The Special Master's sale will be conducted pursuant to the Default Judgment, Decree of Foreclosure, Order of Sale and Appointment of Special Master entered by the Court on December 4, 2003, an action for foreclosure of Real Estate Contract.

Plaintiff's Judgment directed foreclosure of the real property to satisfy the following Judgment liens:

Principal	\$11,120.11
Accrued Interest through 1/22/03	\$209.95
Costs of suit	191.00
Attorney fees	910.43
Special Master's fee	200.00
	<b>\$12,631.49</b>

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

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

WITNESS my hand on January 23, 2004.

Bobble Shearer, Special Master

Adam D. Raskin  
P. O. Box 1912  
Ruidoso, New Mexico 88355  
(505) 257-0129 / 257-0113 fax  
Attorney for Plaintiffs

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# WEATHER REPORT



High winds blasted a yard into Lincoln County Sunday night, plunging temperatures into the single digits. Winds caused minor damage with broken branches, while falling temperatures turned and sleet into icy snow late evening.

Snow drifts and icy roads on Monday morning caused school delays in Capitan and Ruidoso. Temperatures on Monday did not rise above the freezing point county-wide.

About a foot of snow in protected higher elevations of Sierra Blanca, with even lower areas getting a light snow showers are possible on Super Bowl day, February 1.

The following information was taken from the National Weather Service website.

Forecast for Carrizozo, Lincoln, Hondo and Plains of Lincoln County:

Today, Thursday, Jan 29: Partly cloudy and warm. Northwest winds 10 to 15 miles per hour by afternoon. No chance for precipitation. High of 53 in Carrizozo. Tonight partly cloudy with northwest winds 10 to 15 miles per hour. Low of 30.

Friday, January 30: Mostly sunny with northwest winds 10 to 15 per hour, shifting to west 10 to 20 miles per hour in the afternoon. High Friday night mostly cloudy with low of 29.

Saturday, January 31: Partly cloudy, breeze colder with highs in the 40s. Saturday night partly cloudy with lows of 23 to 25.

Super Bowl Sunday, February 1: Mostly cloudy with chance for snow showers. Highs in the upper 30s to mid 40s. Sunday mostly cloudy with chance for snow showers. Lows 17 to 23.

Monday, February 2: Partly cloudy with in the 40s. Monday mostly clear with lows in the 20s.

Tuesday, February 3: Sunny with highs in the 40s to low 50s, lows in the 20s.

Forecast for Ruidoso, Capitan and higher elevations of the northern Sacramento mountains.

Today, Thursday, Jan 29: Partly cloudy with west winds 10 to 20 per hour in the afternoon. No chance for precipitation. High of 52 in Ruidoso, 53 in Capitan. Tonight mostly cloudy with northwest winds 10 to 15 miles per hour. Low of 23 in Ruidoso and 24 in Capitan.

Friday, January 30: Mostly sunny with west winds 10 to 15 miles per hour. High of 51 in Ruidoso and 53 in Capitan. Saturday night mostly clear with lows in the 20s.

Saturday, January 31: Partly cloudy and breezy. Highs 39 to 44. Saturday night partly cloudy with lows in the low 20s.

Super Bowl Sunday, February 1: Mostly cloudy with in the upper 30s to low 40s. Sunday night mostly clear with slight chance for showers. Lows 15 to 20.

Monday, February 2: Partly cloudy with in the low to mid 40s. Monday night mostly clear with lows 15 to 20.

Tuesday, February 3: Sunny with highs in the 40s, lows in the teen 20s.



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**LEGAL NOTICE**

**NOTICE OF MEETING**  
 NOTICE is hereby given that the Lincoln Historic Preservation Board will hold a special meeting on Friday, January 30, 2004, at 6:00 P.M., to be held at the Community Church in Lincoln, New Mexico. The item on the agenda to be considered is "Landscaping." Copies of the agenda for the January 30, 2004 meeting will be available at the office of the County Manager prior to said meeting.  
 Auxiliary aides are available upon request; please contact Martha Guevara at 648-2385 at least 48 hours in advance of the meeting to make any necessary arrangements.  
**MARTHA GUEVARA**  
 Assistant County Manager  
 Published in the Lincoln County News on Thursday, January 29, 2004.

**Looking Back...**

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Pecos valley will have a direct connection to the Rio Grande and on west.

**Worth Remembering**  
 (Albuquerque Morning Journal)

A man who is old enough to know better asks the Journal what Wilson has done with all of the money collected during the past two years as a war tax. He thinks the administration has displayed great weakness and carelessness in not having more of an army and a navy to show for it. The queer part of it all is that the man making the inquiry is in dead earnest. Also, he pays a considerable amount of war tax himself, because he is a business man of standing.

The "war tax" was not imposed for the purpose of preparing for war, but because the European war cut off the imports, thus depriving this nation of a large part of its revenues from import duties. Hence the origin of the term "war tax."

Of course, the president could do nothing toward preparedness except through authorization by congress, and congress was induced to give such authorization only a few weeks ago. What had not been done by McKinley and the republican congress, or by Roosevelt in seven years with a republican congress, or by Taft and a republican congress half of his term, was done by Wilson and a democratic congress in three years.

Some people not only are hard of understanding; but when they do understand, they are hard to please when they wish to be displeased.

**War Imminent**

The above title may be a little misleading, inasmuch as a column of American troops has come in contact with a body of Carranza troops and a sharp skirmish has taken place, a number having been killed and wounded on both sides. Therefore, it may be said that war is on us, for it is almost inconceivable that it can be averted after this bloody clash.

Many of the details of the skirmish are lacking, especially from the American standpoint, as General Pershing's report has not been made public; but the Mexican report has been given out and the Carranza officials claim a victory.

The action occurred Wednesday at Carrizal, in the state of Chihuahua, between a detachment of the Tenth cavalry and Carranza soldiers, the latter commanded by General Gomez. It is claimed by the Mexican authorities that seventeen Americans were killed, a number wounded and several captured, while the report is indefinite as to the Mexican loss.

Prior to the fight President Wilson had called out the national guard, owing to the threatening attitude of the Mexican defacto government and the continuous raids by Mexican bandits into United States territory. Today's dispatches will probably bring news of further fighting.

Will T. Crabtree was down Saturday from Tecolote. Mr. Crabtree and Mr. Jenkins are shipping iron ore from Tecolote station, consigning the shipments to the smelter at Pueblo.

It is the easiest thing in the world to criticize. There are often matters where an honest difference exists and, of course criticism follows; but when even that is lacking criticism follows just the same -- for critics sometimes attempt to build an issue upon a very insecure foundation. The structure, therefore, is of a flimsy nature and endureth not.

**Ruidoso Continues**

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Treptow gave a report about the chamber visitor center. There were 17,262 visits in the last three months. The chamber website has had 193,968 sessions, each averaging 3.5 minutes. "We've not found any other chamber website in New Mexico doing this well," Treptow said.

Treptow also showed councilors and the audience the water conservation flyers and tent cards that will be available for lodgings and restaurants to put at their businesses. The lodging information advises visitors of the drought and need to conserve water and requests visitors staying more than one day to not request towels and linens to be changed. The restaurant information shows how much water is needed when a customer asks for a glass of water. The flyers and tent cards will be distributed beginning February 2, Treptow added.

Councilor Deborah Byars said she applauds the chamber for the water conservation information which has been needed for a long while.

During the audience participation portion of the meeting, audience member Jacky Graham asked the village to appoint a representative to attend and/or become a member of the South Central Mountain Resource and Conservation District Council (RC&D). He said he attended the RC&D meeting held that day at which time the RC&D council agreed to act as facilitator for the Regional Water Plan. Graham said the RC&D council also voted to hire a professional facilitator and they plan to host four or five meetings to take input on the water plan. Then Graham asked about the Ruidoso village 40 year water plan and said he hopes the village will put the draft plan on the village website so the public will have a chance to review it before hearings are held.

Hardeman agreed the village should participate in the RC&D and he said the village does plan to make the draft of its 40 year water plan available to the public.

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**NOT A DIME WORTH OF DIFFERENCE**  
 60 Minutes correspondent Ed Bradley reported this past Sunday that John Kerry attended Yale University, and was a member, same as George W. Bush, of Skull and Bones, an elite private Club. Hmmm!!  
<http://www.genetics.com/CapitolHill/8425/BONES.HTM>  
 1tp/1/29

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**THE MENAGERIE**, 105 W. Smokey Bear, Capitan will be CLOSED until January 30. We appreciate your patronage!  
 4tc/1/8-15-22-29

**YARD SALE**  
 40 years Accumulation! Cash only 10:00-3:00 p.m. Feb. 7, 2004 and Feb. 8. Autos, trailers, engines, parts, military axles, 195 tractor and implements, barn contents, weathered wood and metal stuff galore! Tur Carrizozo Golf course .4 miles, turn left. Follow signs to blue gate at 2600 Water Can. In event of rain or snow sale will be Feb. 2 and Feb. 22. Phone 491-6777.  
 2tc/1

**VILLAGE OF CAPITAN DEPUTY CLERK FULL TIME**  
 Applications accepted until 4:00 p.m. Tuesday 3, 2004. Benefit package included (vsick, retirement and insurance). Application Village of Capitan, 114 Lincoln Ave., Capitan, Mexico 88316 or Phone 505-354-2247 or Fax 505-354-2713. "Drug free Work place" EEOE.

**VILLAGE OF CAPITAN COURT CLERK PART TIME**  
 Applications accepted until 4:00 p.m. Tuesday 3, 2004. Applications at the Village of Capitan, 114 Lincoln Ave., Capitan, New Mexico 88316 or Phone 505-354-2247 or Fax 505-354-2713. "Drug free Work place" EEOE.

**VILLAGE OF CAPITAN MVD CLERK PART TIME**  
 Applications accepted until 4:00 p.m. Tuesday 3, 2004. Applications at the Village of Capitan, 114 Lincoln Ave., Capitan, New Mexico 88316 or Phone 505-354-2247 or Fax 505-354-2713. "Drug free Work place" EEOE.

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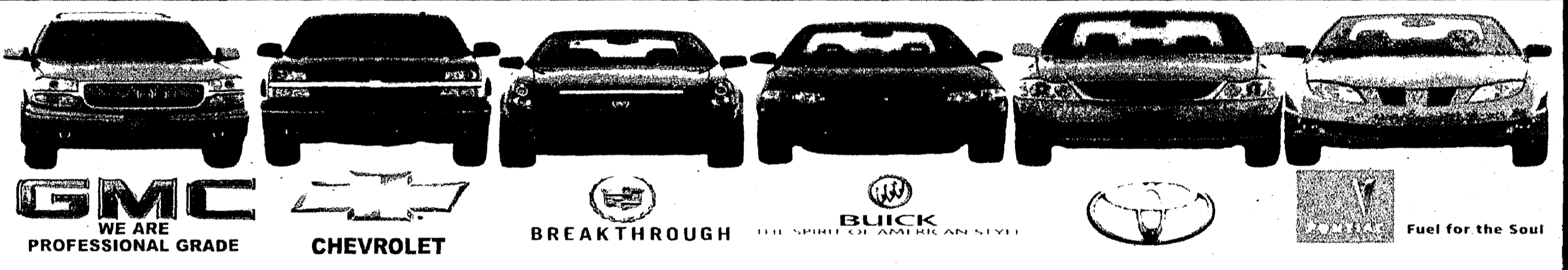
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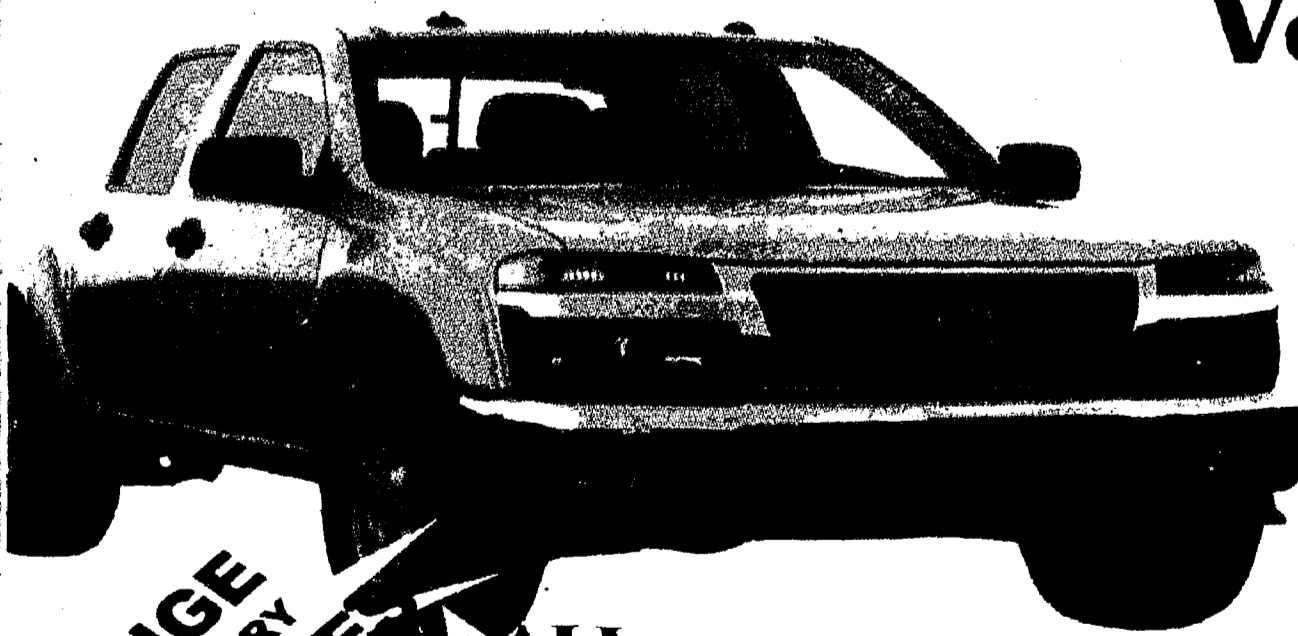
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