

Local Group opposes Capitan Mining

By Patrice Brazie

A group of area residents calling themselves the Friends of Capitan are in the process of organizing an opposition to proposed exploratory drilling in the Capitan Mountain Range a few miles north of the village of Capitan.

Speaking before about 70 people in attendance at an informational meeting in Capitan last week, Ruidoso resident and Friends of Capitan organizer Debbie Higdon said that Marvin Kaiser, an El Capitan Precious Metals,

Incorporated Board of Directors member, is the former Executive Vice President of the Doe Run Company.

Higdon alleged that, during Kaiser's employment with Doe Run, that company was cited with seven violations of illegal toxic waste dumping and water and air pollution violations at its mining operation near Herculaneum, Missouri, and was also cited for 313 violations by the U.S. Department of Labor's Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA).

According to Higdon, former

Doe Run employees blew the whistle on the company, identifying illegal burying of hazardous waste and triggering a Grand Jury investigation into company activities, which Higdon says Doe Run was ordered to cease and desist by the Missouri Department of Natural Resources. Higdon further alleged that 56 percent of the children living within a quarter-mile of the Doe Run facility, 2,200 in number, suffered lead poisoning, which she says was determined with 99.8 percent certainty to have been caused by Doe Run op-

erations. "Caution signs have been placed on the residential streets of this small town to warn citizens of high lead levels and to instruct them not to play in their own city parks and public spaces," Higdon said. "Is this the type of neighbor that you want to share your forest with?" she asked.

Lincoln County resident Paulette Arnone, whose property is adjacent to the mining claims, expressed fears that a large mining op-

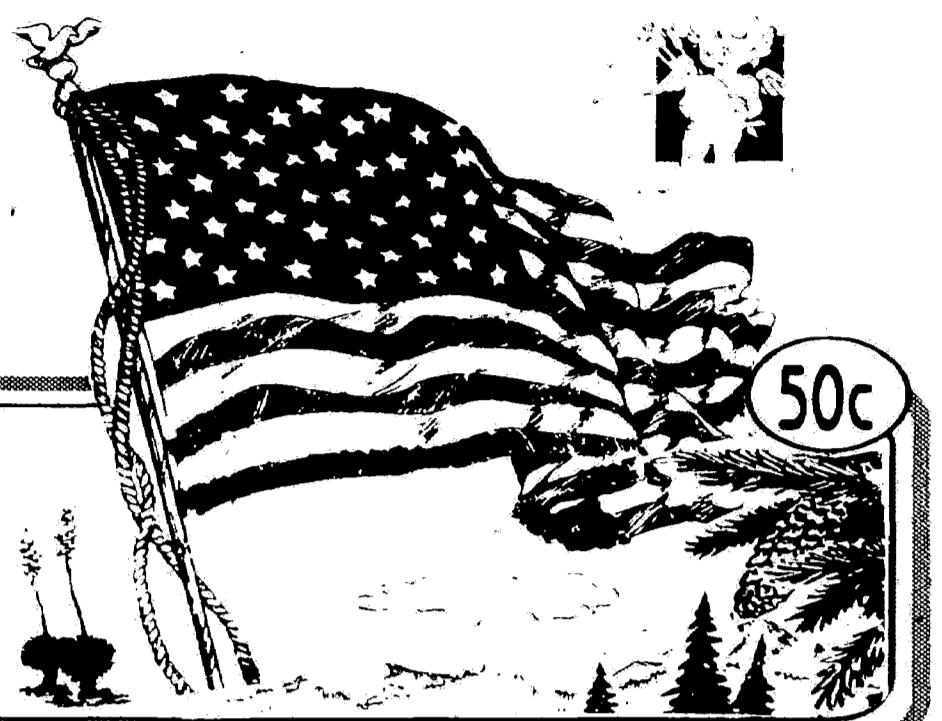
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Drilling Rig

If a permit is issued for exploratory mining in the Capitan mountains, heavy equipment like this track tire drilling rig could be seen regularly on land north of Capitan. (Photo courtesy of El Capitan Precious Metals)



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MINE OPPONENTS

Organizers of a mining opposition group called Friends of Capitan, Debbie Higdon (left) and Paulette Arnone (right), participated in a public meeting last week. (Photo by Patrice Brazie)



SMOKEY BEAR DISTRICT RANGER Buck Sanchez spoke about the role the Forest Service will play in the management and oversight of proposed exploratory drilling in the Capitan mountains during last week's public meeting on the subject. (Photo by Patrice Brazie)

Public Gets the Dirt on Capitan Mine

By Patrice Brazie

About 70 people, most from the Capitan area, attended a meeting last week to learn more about the proposed surface mining of up to 6,700 acres of patented and Forest Service land a few miles north of the small village of Capitan.

An application has been submitted for exploratory drilling on 2,000 acres of other Forest Service land for expansion of existing areas.

Corona resident Bob Berglund, the local representative for El Capitan Precious Metals Incorporated (El Capitan PMI), opened the meeting and introduced company officials.

Buck Sanchez, fore ranger of the Lincoln National Forest Smokey Bear District, gave the first presentation. "Normally we don't require public meetings this early in the process, but I felt it was important and I did represent myself from the mining company that is offered an opportunity to speak," he said. "I think it's important about where we're going at the planning stage of the future." Sanchez said that is very relevant to what would be added.

He told the audience that the Forest Service's role is to be an impartial component of the community, very serious about rules and regulations, and that they are the law enforcement agency, the law enforcement operation, he said.

"We very much value our public service ethic and the need to involve our community and to publicize decisions that we make," Sanchez said.

Sanchez said that he had approached him before the meeting started to see if they wouldn't want to be his shoes, but the Ranger explained that there is a process that must be followed and that process will determine the decision made regarding the mine.

"It's a process, or a system, that we'll follow to get to a decision," he said. "It comes back to the mission of the Forest Service, the greatest good for the greatest number over the longest time, and that changes through time."

Sanchez stated the legal aspect of mining in New Mexico in simple terms.

The mine company does have mineral rights here, and they have a right to explore those rights within the laws and policies that govern min-

ing operations," he said. Sanchez explained that the mining company will have to go through a permitting process with the state after it has completed the application and permitting process with the Forest Service. The National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) dictate much of that process.

The NEPA process for a project like this is a long, hard, drawn-out process," Sanchez said. "It can take up to a year to get a mineral claim at water table or surface right the Forest Service by policy and by law would issue a reasonable lease." That normally means an initial lease of one to three years, then a renewal period, then a decision to decide that to reduce, minimize or avoid an impact," Sanchez said.

He emphasized that the meeting was just the beginning of a process. "As we go, there are several steps along the way. We've been working out the agreement on how that process is going to be conducted, and the Forest Service is going to be involved in that," Sanchez said. He said that he had worked with the mining team, who will be formed consisting of representatives from the Smokey Bear Ranger District, as well as the Lincoln National Forest Smokey Bear Ranger District, the Forest Service National Offices.

With regard to the people involved in the mining operation, Sanchez said, "The company is going to hire contractors to do the work."

At the end of the meeting, PMI was next addressed by the crowd. The president of exploration, Paul Pavlich, and his partner, Jim Thompson, 40 percent interest in the El Capitan deposit. The other 60 percent is held by a private company called Gold and Minerals Inc. "We are in the process of merging with them, so in the first half of 2008 all of the mineral interest will be held by one entity, El Capitan PMI," Pavlich explained.

He made a point to further emphasize that changes in El Capitan PMI's personnel have been made as well, since the company was found to be in violation of laws regarding mining activities and was fined by the Forest Service Law Enforcement division.

"There's been a big change in company management and Board of Directors in the last 12 months," Pavlich said. "The mining industry, like

every other industry, is complex. There's a lot of things that you need to know about. If you don't know about those things, you run the risks of making mistakes and there were quite a few mistakes made," Pavlich admitted. "It's a more a lack of knowledge than an intention to do something wrong," he said, and added that six El Capitan PMI employees were fired after the violations were discovered.

The mistakes, including drilling holes on Forest Service land that were not properly permitted, as well as improperly disposing of waste.

We've worked very closely with the state agencies, and the federal agencies, to work through the problem of cleaning up the area," Pavlich said. "We received penalties, those penalties have been paid. The Board of Directors in April of last year made the decision to make major changes in the organization to make sure that didn't happen again. Their goal was to come up with a Board of Directors and a management team that had the experience to move up to tools for yard in a responsible fashion."

Pavlich offered a brief history of the site's mining activity over the last century. He said there were four claims staked on about 88 acres of land five or six miles north of Capitan in 1902, and those claims were patented in 1911. 140 holes were drilled in the area by the U.S. Bureau of Mines in the 1930s in search of iron ore. The reports from that period of time noted the presence of precious metals," Pavlich said.

Between 1961 and 1988, there was intermittent operation of that deposit for iron ore.

In 1994, Gold and Minerals Inc. exercised a purchase option on the property and, in 2001, El Capitan PMI bought a 40 percent interest from Gold and Minerals Inc.

Pavlich said that the entire deposit planned for mining is located above the water table. "The deepest hole we drilled is 710 feet, and that's the only hole that hit water," he said. "The average hole is about 283 feet."

The company drilled holes in 37 locations on Forest Service land before beginning the application process, and the current application is to drill another 112 exploratory holes. "Whether or not they will all be drilled depends on

Nuisance Ordinance Discussed

By Ruth Hammond

The proposed nuisance ordinance for Carrizozo was discussed at a special town council meeting February 22.

Mayor Bob Hemphill explained that it was a public hearing and no action would be taken. He said that comments would be taken under consideration and possibly implemented in the ordinance.

When asked why the town attorney was not present, Hemphill said it would save the town money to not have the attorney there, but that after more revisions are made to the ordinance it will be sent to the town attorney

before action would be taken to approve the ordinance.

During the public hearing seven people spoke with many concerned that violations of the nuisance ordinance should be cited into municipal court instead of Magistrate Court. That way the money would stay in the town instead of going to the state. Also as municipal court is not a court of record violators would not have it on permanent record of their violations.

In other business the town council agreed to allow Glen Mochel 60 days to finish the auto body work jobs he had started. Mochel's planned business location is not

zoned commercial.

The town council approved two resolutions concerning the PERA, one for town employees and the other for police department employees. The state required that two separate resolutions be approved instead of the one resolution that had been approved at a prior meeting.

Precinct board members were appointed for the municipal election that will be held March 4.



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CALENDAR**OF EVENTS**

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

WEDNESDAYS

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

FIRST AND THIRD THURSDAYS

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

THIRD SATURDAY OF EACH MONTH

American Legion Post #11, serving the Carrizozo area meets at 9:00 a.m. at Wells Fargo Bank in Carrizozo.

TUESDAYS

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

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 8

Recycle tires from passenger cars, light trucks and SUVs. FREE at School House Park in Ruidoso 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 9

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MONDAY, FEBRUARY 11

Carrizozo Chamber of Commerce 6:30 p.m. at Visitor Center on Smokey Bear Blvd.
Republican Party of Lincoln County monthly meeting at Cree Meadows C.C., dinner at 6:00 p.m., speakers at 7:00 p.m. Call Bill Dement at 913-0541 for dinner reservations.

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 12

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

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 14

Happy Valentine's Day!
Carrizozo School Board meets at 5:00 p.m.
Carrizozo Woman's Club 6:00 p.m.

Area code 505 is now 515 for Lincoln County, Otero County, Chaves County and southern areas.

BOOKMOBILE SCHEDULE

Tuesday, February 12

Corona Post Office 12:30 - 2:00
Carrizozo Otero Electric 3:30 - 6:00

Wednesday, February 13

Carrizozo Otero Electric 7:30 - 8:30
Nogal Post Office 9:00 - 9:45
Carrizozo Smokey Bear Cafe 10:15 - 11:30
Fort Stanton R.I.C. 12:30 - 2:00
Camp Sierra Blanca 2:10 - 3:10
Lincoln Post Office 3:30 - 4:00
Hondo Store 5:00 - 5:30

Health Promotions Event

For Senior Adults Age 50+

New Mexico Senior Olympics and Eastern New Mexico Medical Center will present A Senior Trek to Healthy Fitness Event on Wednesday, February 13. This health promotions event is for senior adults age 50 and older. Activities include: TREK Health Education workshops, FREE Health Screenings, FREE Fitness Activities, The Senior Trek to Healthy Fitness will be held from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. at the Roswell Convention and Civic Center. 9:30 a.m. - 10:00 a.m. General Session "Healthy

Aging Your Spine and Joints" Omar Osman, MD 10:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.

Health Screening 10:15 a.m. - 2:30 p.m. Health Education Workshops

Physical Activity Workshops

Senior Olympic Sport Clinics

DOOR PRIZES

Other Important TREK Information

Will provide education training to Foster Grandparents and Senior Companion Volunteers

No pre-registration is required

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For more information call New Mexico Senior Olympics at (575) 623-5777 or Sara Hall at 575-624-6718.

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what we find," Pavlich said. He also said that El Capitan PMI is not staffed for operation of a full fledged mining endeavor, and will partner with another company to handle operations if the proposal moves out of the exploration stage and into development.

Pavlich turned the podium over to Denise Gallegos of GL Environmental Services, a company hired by El Capitan PMI to assist them through the application and permitting process.

"In order for the project to go forward, we have to obtain two approvals," Gallegos said. "One is from the Smokey Bear Ranger District, the other is from New Mexico Mining and Minerals Division," she said.

Gallegos reported that a Plan of Operations for the exploratory drilling has been submitted to the Forest Service. Once the Forest Service determines whether the Plan of Operations adequately describes the exploration project and its impact, they will begin what we call the NEPA process," she said.

Other agencies, including the Office of the State Engineer, the New Mexico State Forestry Division, the New Mexico Environment Department, the state's Historical Preservation Office and the New Mexico Department of Game and Fish will also review the El Capitan PMI application and plan of operations.

The plan, Gallegos said, must include a project description and maps as well as information about the types of equipment and vehicles that will be used, any structures that will be needed to support the project, assessments of air-quality, water quality, scenic value, fish and wildlife and cultural resources. The plan of operations must also include a reclamation plan to return the land to as close to its original state as possible once the mining is completed.

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Drilling will utilize both track and rubber tire rigs and a 30 foot by 60 foot concrete drilling pad will be constructed for each drilling site.

Gallegos said that existing roads will be used whenever possible and an existing fire break will be used to access some areas, but new roads will also be constructed. The total land that will be disturbed for new 12 foot wide roads is approximately 10 acres.

Gallegos said that the average depth of the exploratory drilling will be about 410 feet, and each phase of drilling will be reclaimed upon completion, with reclamation work being done in the fall months.

In response to a question from the audience, an El Capitan PMI official acknowledged that the operation is estimated to yield one ounce of gold for every 25 tons of rock mined, and that El Capitan PMI expects to spend \$500,000 to get through the NEPA process attached to the exploratory application.

Some in the audience questioned the assertion that the ground water was 700 feet below the surface in the mining area, because homeowners' domestic wells in near proximity are much shallower.

Gallegos said that the ground water depth estimate

was based on well records kept by the Office of the State Engineer.

Ed Tinsley, who is in the process of developing land located about three miles from the proposed mine, said that a well that supplies water to the entire permitted area of forest land on and around the mining location is only 107 feet deep and supplies 15 or 16 water troughs.

"If you're coming at us with data like you just presented, I'd ask you to go back and take another look at it," Tinsley said.

A homeowner who's well is near the boundary of the mining claim voiced concerns about potential effects the mining might have on the ground water, and what can be expected if the mine is eventually approved for full operation and expands beyond the original patented claims area.

El Capitan PMI officials avoided speculation. "You're suggesting that when we drill those holes we might learn something about the ground in that area," Pavlich said, "and that's exactly what we're trying to do."

Someone in the audience wanted assurance that the water she and her children drink will not be contaminated by the drilling, and Pavlich said that the drilling would be done with air and mud, and we could use barite, which is just a heavy mud," he added. Water would have to be hauled to the drilling site because El Capitan PMI has no well permit.

Pavlich said the exploratory holes will be drilled over a period of about three years. He said it would then likely be another five to seven years before the actual mining operation begins.

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GRIZZLY**WEEKLY**

by Carrizozo High School

JOURNALISM CLASS

Sarah Ball, Instructor

Blossom and Beau'

Queen Amber Vigil and King Rory Zamora

On Tuesday, January 22, Student Council held the Blossom and Beau ceremony, which took place during half time of the varsity boys' game against the Capitan Tigers.

Student Council members worked very hard to make this happen. They made a balloon arch for the candidates to stand under, had to gather contestant introductions, and last but not least bought the roses and crowns.

According to the organization, Blossom and Beau is a mid-year festival, and it is a fun event for students to anticipate. The Capitan game is always a big game, and there is a lot of attendance.

The sixth grade horticulture class volunteered to make the boutonnieres and corsages which would be worn by the queen and king candidates. They had to learn how to work with flowers and how to make the arrangement look good. Student Council appreciates the sixth grade class for all their work.

The freshman candidates were Kylie Gaines and Roper Webb, sophomores were Erika Culley and Daniel Hernandez, juniors were Amber Vigil and Rory Zamora, and the seniors were Victoria Hernandez and Robert Morales.

The Queen was Amber Vigil and King was Rory Zamora. Queen Amber Vigil received a flower bouquet and a crown. King Rory Zamora received a vase filled with a variety of candy, topped with assorted bright lollipops.

When King Rory Zamora was asked about his nomination, he responded, "I decided to go with the flow and go on with walking. I really wanted to walk with Amber. I believed that Roper and Erika were going to win." Rory, a basketball player who helped the Grizzlies go into the half in the lead also commented about walking down the court. "I really wanted to get a drink of water. I was very happy that I won, but I was ready to continue with the game."

Queen Amber Vigil also had some thoughts on the nominations, "I decided to go with the flow and I thought that seniors Victoria and Robert were going to win." She said that all she was doing while walking down the court was laughing because she was nervous. "I was very excited when they called me out as queen. I honestly didn't believe that had it."

Everyone at our school was grateful that Carrizozo voters voted in favor of the bond issue which means much needed improvements can get done. The money will be used for the following: HVAC system upgrade at the high school, new gym locker room updates, new student parking/bus drop off. Elementary play-ground equipment and safety covering. Technology upgrades, ADA improvements and miscellaneous district-wide improvements.

Corina Beltran

State FFA Career Development Clinic

The first FFA Career Development Event Clinic will be held February 9 from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. and is held to help FFA students improve their career skills and get them ready for their own careers.

The event will be held in Roswell at Goddard High School, Roswell High School, RISD Education Service Center, and the Eastern New Mexico State Fairgrounds.

Carrizozo will be sending 25 to 30 students, seventh through twelfth, to participate in workshops. At the workshops there are presenters who are experts in each category of FFA judging. These experts show students how the judging process works. Our students will be studying only a few particular categories: horse, crops, wildlife, wool, and homesite. According to Christopher Scott, the FFA Advisor, they picked these categories because they have more local help in these areas.

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Editorials / Opinions & Other Stuff

THOUGHTS

FROM THE EDITOR'S DESK

Super Soups Are Split

By Ruth Hammond

This was the Super week, with all kinds of activities, such as New Mexico being the only state to not have a declared winner by noon the next day. Of course Super Bowl Sunday brought the usual thrills, with some fans happy and others sad. And did you see the \$2.7 million per 30 second commercials? If not, don't worry, many others didn't see them either because they were going to the kitchen for food or drink or going to the bathroom.

One thing to remember is that audio commercials last for a short time while in contrast print ads, such as in *The News* this week, will be seen time and again. The ads in *The News* will be seen each time the newspaper is picked up, which is often as people may refer to the Calendar of Events or choose to re-read a certain article or editorial. The best thing in addition to ads in *The News* being seen more than once, is the cost is far less and more effective.

Right on the heels of Super Bowl Sunday was the big political do, but New Mexico fell down with the caucus results not declaring a winner by noon Wednesday, even though the big day was Tuesday. Who was responsible for the shortage of ballots? Who counted the votes? And was this Democratic caucus thing legal? We heard that Gov. Richardson was the one who encouraged the state to go to the caucus format because it would put our state up there with other front runners. Actually early yesterday morning the only thing we heard was about the goofs.

Suppose there was an election and no one attended? That happened Tuesday when some people got tired of waiting and went home after a couple of hours. Others complained that there was only one place to vote. What we were asked is who chose the balloting place. And the answer is somewhere but we don't know where. We also don't know who did the counting or if it was conducted according to the way regular election results are tallied.

It might help if some of this information was made public to allow people to know how it worked. During the primary election in June we know the Secretary of State and the County Clerks conduct the election according to state statutes. Was the caucus conducted according to any state statutes and if so what state statutes were they?

Of course the answers are moot now because the day has passed, just as Super Bowl Sunday has passed. We know who won the Super Bowl and hopefully by the time *The News* is printed we will know who won the caucus in New Mexico. Then again, maybe not. The tallies might be stuck in with those ballots that were cast on scraps of paper waiting to be verified if the votes were legal or not.

Now that these two Super days are only memories we will have opportunity to concentrate on more important matters such as bracing for another six weeks of winter now that the groundhog saw his shadow on February 2.

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FFA Career Development Events are based on the philosophy that "Students are important customers of agriculture education and the FFA who recognize quality and value in products and activities."

The State FFA Association does assume the role of leader and develops and improves FFA development events. These events should also "reflect relevant and emerging technology."

Students need to be able to recognize the quality and the value in products and activities since students are important customers of agricultural education.

The actual judging competition begins February 23 in T or C, March 1 in Carrizozo, March 8 in Moriarity, and March 15 in Las Cruces. A team consists of four members, the team's top three scores are counted up and that's the team's final score. Once a team places in the top five, in any one of these events, they automatically earn to go to state judging April 1-4 in Las Cruces.

Crystal Rose Manjarrez



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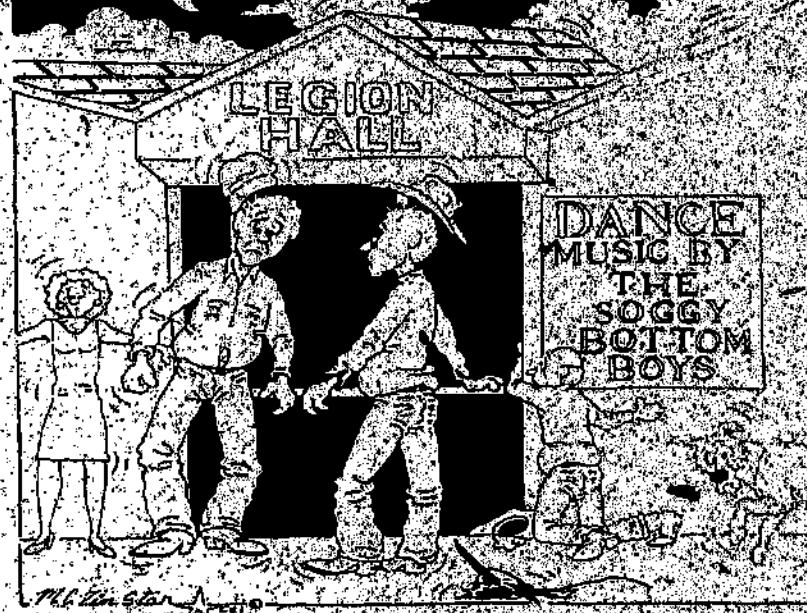
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Inside the Capitol

by Jay Miller, Syndicated Columnist

SANTA FE — Eek. We're halfway through the legislative session and nothing's happened.

Legislatures, like lives go through stages. The first week is a laid-back time to get reacquainted, go to receptions and introduce some bills. Friday begins a long weekend.

In the old days Hugh Bishop flew all the bills that had been introduced to his printing company in Portales and used the three days to make all the copies necessary for Monday morning at the Capitol. Technology has sped up the world, but the holiday continues.

Committees start working on bills during the second week but little action is taken.

And then comes the mid-point of a 30-day session. It's the deadline for bill introductions. At this point lawmakers know what issues they are dealing with -- and not dealing with. Technically bills should have passed through the chamber in which they were introduced and be on their way to the other house.

But that hasn't happened. Many important bills haven't even had their first hearing. This is when lawmakers begin paying attention. And that is when Gov. Bill Richardson stepped in with a news conference to let lawmakers know he'd like to see more action.

Something the governor failed to note, however, was that there is only one bill that has to pass before the session ends. That's the big budget bill to finance state government for the next fiscal year. And that bill is exactly on schedule. It passed the House at the session's midpoint and is now in the Senate.

House leaders did not let that accomplishment go unnoticed, scoffing at Richardson's charge that this is a do-nothing Legislature. The governor may come to regret that comment. He's given lawmakers a battle cry they may use as they take actions contrary to the governor's wishes.

Another example of needing to be careful of what you wish for is lawmakers' request of the governor that he not allow so many extra subjects to be addressed by this year's session. During short sessions, the governor controls what is on the legislative agenda other than financial items.

Richardson agreed to limit the items he put on the legislative plate this year. But now many lawmakers are saying they didn't mean

for the governor not to allow the special items in which they are interested.

Next week lawmakers will reach the panic stage as they see conflicts with the governor and other legislators bringing the session to a halt before work is completed.

We'll hear much about train wrecks, meltdowns and special sessions. And maybe there will be a few silent wishes they could add in that Friday from the first week.

But almost always it works out. Amazingly New Mexico gets its business attended to in 30 or 60 days while bigger states take a year to accomplish no more.

And even with year-long sessions, the phases mentioned here still occur. The final week is just as frantic with late-night and weekend sessions.

The truth is that New Mexico has a system that works and which costs it a lot less than a full-time Leg-

islature. Our unpaid lawmakers put in a punishing one or two months to keep our state running and then return to their lives as citizens.

At this point, no more bills can be introduced. That ends at the midpoint of the session. House and Senate party leaders do introduce a number of blank bills, called dummies, just in case an important, but unexpected situation arises.

Few of these dummy bills ever are used, however. They are guarded closely by the leadership in order to prevent misuse.

As we begin the downhill slope, some controversial bills on the governor's call already have made it through one house. Stem cell research has passed the Senate and domestic partnerships passed the House.

The big problem is ethics legislation recommended by a task force that has worked for two years. It is going nowhere.

Commercial Waste Tire Amnesty Event Set for February 8 and 9

A discarded commercial tire amnesty/recycling event will be held Friday February 8 and Saturday February 9 at School House Park in Ruidoso for Lincoln County commercial businesses, schools, and government agencies.

Residents may drop off used passenger, light truck and SUV tires at School House Park near the recycling containers between 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. on Friday, and between 8:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. on Saturday.

The opportunity is an "amnesty" recycling event where the customary \$2.00 per tire recycling fee is waived for any business that drops off discarded tires. A similar fee is collected by local tire vendors when new tires are purchased.

The used tires collected will be recycled into retaining wall construction at the new Lincoln County

Solid Waste Authority Green Tree Operations and Recycling Center in Ruidoso Downs.

The event is being sponsored by Keep Ruidoso Beautiful, the Ruidoso Chamber of Commerce and the Lincoln County Solid Waste Authority. 524 discarded tires or 60 cubic yards of residential tires were collected in a similar September 21 and 22 recycling event at Schoolhouse Park in Ruidoso from 43 county residents mainly from Ruidoso and Ruidoso Downs.

Large vehicle or heavy equipment commercial tires will not be accepted at this event.

For more information about the Commercial Tire Recycling event, contact Debra Ingle at 278-4697 or via e-mail at eswadvalor.net.com, or Ellen Bizzell of Keep Ruidoso Beautiful at 257-5040.



WEATHER REPORT

By Jeff Hammond

The weather forecast for Lincoln County for the upcoming week is continuous sunny clear days with temperatures ranging from mid 40s to mid 50s. Nights will be mostly clear skies, which means for colder temperatures from the high teens to the mid 20s at ALL elevations.

There is a VERY slight chance for snow showers at all elevations starting late Monday evening continuing into Tuesday morning.

One nice thing is the winds are supposed to slow down in intensity, which is a good thing for the high desert communities where several nights the temperatures due to wind chill make it colder there than at the higher elevations.

Ski Apache is open and doing VERY limited business. Current snow conditions are considered primary packed powder, secondary machine groomed. An 18 inch base at all elevations.

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

Tuesday, February 5: Sunny, with a high near 54, west wind between 10 and 15 mph. Night: Mostly clear, with a low around 29, west wind between 10 and 15 mph.

Wednesday, February 6: Sunny, with a high near 60, night: Mostly clear, with a low around 27.

Thursday, February 7: Sunny, with a high near 54, night: Mostly clear, with a low around 27.

Friday, February 8: Sunny, with a high near 60, night: Partly cloudy, with a low around 27.

Saturday, February 9: Sunny, with a high near 61, night: Partly cloudy, with a low around 29.

Sunday, February 10: Sunny, with a high near 61, night: Partly cloudy, with a low around 29.

Monday, February 11: Mostly sunny, with a high near 59, night: A slight chance of snow showers, partly cloudy, with a low around 29.

Tuesday, February 12: A slight chance of showers, partly cloudy, with a high near 56, night: A very slight chance of snow showers, partly cloudy, with a low around 27.

Wednesday, February 13: Forecast for Ruidoso, Capitan and Corona and most of the Hondo Valley.

Today, Thursday, Feb. 7: Sunny, with a high near 48, west wind between 15 and 20 mph. Night: Mostly clear, with a low around 24, west wind between 10 and 15 mph.

Friday, February 8: Sunny, with a high near 54, night: Mostly clear, with a low around 26.

Saturday, February 9: Sunny, with a high near 54, night: Mostly clear, with a low around 25.

Sunday, February 10: Mostly sunny, with a high near 53, night: Partly cloudy, with a low around 27.

Monday, February 11: Mostly sunny, with a high near 54, night: A slight chance of snow showers, partly cloudy, with a low around 22.

Tuesday, February 12: The above information was taken from the National Weather Service Website. For more up-to-date weather info go to www.srh.noaa.gov/wabq/ on the internet. This website is updated every four hours.

The New Mexico Highways Department has developed a new format for the toll-free number. Now you don't have to listen to all the road closures just to hear about your area of the state or chosen route. You can call for hourly updates about road closures and driving conditions: the number is 1-800-432-4269.

PRIMARY ELECTION PROCLAMATION

Pursuant to the Primary Election Law, NMSA 1978 §§ 1-8-10 to -52 (2005), and the Presidential Primary Act, NMSA 1978 §§ 1-8-53 to -54, and 1-8-55 to -63 (2003), I, Bill Richardson, Governor of the State of New Mexico, by virtue of the authority vested in me, do hereby issue the following proclamation:

That a primary election is called to be held throughout the State of New Mexico and in each county and precinct thereof on June 3, 2008;

That the primary election shall be applicable to the following political parties: the Democratic Party and the Republican Party; and

That the primary election shall be for the purpose of permitting the Democratic Party and the Republican Party to nominate candidates for the following offices:

PROCLAMACION PARA LA ELECCION PRIMARIA

Según la Ley de Elección Primaria, NMSA 1978 §§ 1-8-10 to -52 (2005), y el Acta Presidencial Primaria, NMSA 1978 §§ 1-8-53 to -54, and 1-8-55 to -63 (2003), yo, Bill Richardson, Gobernador del Estado de Nuevo México, por virtud de la autoridad otorgada a mí, por la presente emito la siguiente proclamación:

Que una elección primaria es, y se llevará a cabo en el Estado de Nuevo México y en cada condado y recinto del mismo el tercer día de Junio de 2008;

Que la elección primaria será aplicada a los siguientes partidos políticos: el Partido Demócrata y el Partido Republicano; y

Que la elección primaria deberá hacerse con el propósito de permitir al Partido Demócrata y al Partido Republicano nominar candidatos para los siguientes cargos:

FEDERAL OFFICES

ONE UNITED STATES SENATOR
TERM

SIX-YEAR

ONE UNITED STATES REPRESENTATIVE

TWO-YEAR TERM

District 2: Catron, Cibola, Chaves, De Baca, Doña Ana, Eddy, Grant, Guadalupe, Hidalgo, Lea, Lincoln, Luna, Otero, Sierra, and Socorro Counties and certain precincts of Bernalillo, McKinley and Valencia Counties as defined in the Final Judgment and Order in the matter of Jespen v. Vigil-Giron, First Judicial District Court, cause no. D-0101-CV-2001-02177.

CARGOS FEDERALES

UN SENADOR DE LOS ESTADOS UNIDOS
SEIS AÑOS

TERMINO DE

UN REPRESENTANTE DE LOS ESTADOS UNIDOS

TERMINO DE

District 2: Los Condados de Catron, Cibola, Chaves, DeBaca, Doña Ana, Eddy, Grant, Guadalupe, Hidalgo, Leá, Lincoln, Luna, Otero, Sierra, y Sochorro y ciertos recintos de Bernalillo, McKinley y Valencia como se define en La Sentencia Final y Orden en lo que respecta a Jespen v. Vigil-Giron, Primer Distrito de la Corte Judicial, causa Número D-0101-CV-2001-02177.

STATE AND DISTRICT OFFICES

ONE JUSTICE OF THE SUPREME COURT TO FILL UNEXPIRED TERM

TWO MEMBERS OF THE STATE SENATE

Districts 32 & 33, as defined in the "2002 Senate Redistricting Act" (being laws of 2002, Chapter 98).

TERMINO
DE DOS
AÑOS

FOUR-YEAR TERM

THREE MEMBERS OF THE STATE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

TWO-YEAR TERM

Districts 56, 57 & 58, as defined in the Final Judgment and Order adopting New Mexico State House of Representatives Redistricting Plan issued by the court in the matter of Jespen, et. al. v. Vigil-Giron, et. al., First Judicial District Court cause no. D-0101-CV-2001-02177 (consolidated).

ONE DISTRICT ATTORNEY

FOUR-YEAR TERM

District 12

ONE MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC EDUCATION COMMISSION

FOUR-YEAR TERM

District 8: De Baca, Lincoln, Sierra, and Torrance Counties and those precincts of Chaves, Guadalupe, Otero, and Santa Fe Counties as copied from House Bill 10, 45th Legislature, 1st Special Session which was adopted by reference in the Final Judgment and Order in Sanchez v. Vigil-Giron, D-0101-CV-2001-0225D.

OFICINAS DEL ESTADO Y DISTRITO

UN JUEZ DE LA CORTE SUPREMA

PARA LLENAR EL TERMINO
NO VENCIDO

DOS MIEMBROS DEL SENADO DEL ESTADO

Districts 32 & 33, como se define en el

TERMINO DE CUATRO AÑOS

"2002 Ley Senado para la Modificación de Distritos Electorales" (siendo leyes 2002, Capítulo 98).

TRES MIEMBROS DE LA CAMARA DE REPRESENTANTES DEL ESTADO

Districts 56, 57 & 58 como Sentencia Final y Orden adoptando el Plan de Modificar Distritos del Estado de Nuevo México emitido por la corte el asunto de Jespen y otros v. Vigil-Giron, Primer Distrito de la Corte Judicial, causa número D-0101-CV-2001-02177 (consolidado).

TERMINO DE DOS AÑOS

UN FISCAL DE DISTRITO

Distrito 12

TERMINO DE CUATRO AÑOS

ONE MIEMBRO DE LA COMISION DE EDUCACION PUBLICA

Distrito 8: Los Condados de De Baca, Lincoln, Sierra y Torrance y esos recintos de los Condados de Chaves, Guadalupe, Otero, y Santa Fe según se copiaron del susodicho del Proyecto de Ley 10 de la Cámara de Representantes respecto a Votantes y Elecciones 45to Legislatura, 1ra Sesión Especial, proyecto que fue adoptado por referencia en la Sentencia Final y Orden en Sanchez v. Vigil-Giron, D-0101-CV-2001-0225D.

TERMINO DE CUATRO AÑOS

COUNTY OFFICES TWO COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

District 1

FOUR-YEAR TERM

District 3

FOUR-YEAR TERM

ONE COUNTY ASSESSOR

FOUR-YEAR TERM

ONE COUNTY SHERIFF

FOUR-YEAR TERM

ONE PROBATE JUDGE

FOUR-YEAR TERM

OFICINAS DEL CONDADO

CONDADO DE LINCOLN
DOS COMISIONADOS DE
CONDADO

District 1

TERMINO DE CUATRO

District 3

TERMINO DE CUATRO

ANOS

ANOS

UN ASESOR DEL CONDADO

TERMINO DE CUATRO

ANOS

ANOS

UN ALGUACIL DE CONDADO

TERMINO DE CUATRO

ANOS

ANOS

UN JUEZ DE SUCESIONES Y

TESTAMENTOS

Declarations of candidacy by pre-primary convention, designation and nominating petitions for the office of United States senator, United States representative, Justice of the supreme court and judge of the court of appeals shall be filed with the Secretary of State on Tuesday, February 12, 2008, between the hours of 9:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m.

Declaraciones de candidatura por designación de convención pre-primaria y peticiones de nominación para elegir el cargo de senador de los Estados Unidos, representante de los Estados Unidos, juez de la corte suprema, y juez de la corte de apelaciones deben ser presentadas con la Secretaría del Estado el Martes, 12 de Febrero, 2008, entre las horas de 9:00 a.m. y 5:00 p.m.

Declarations of retention for one justice of the supreme court and three judges of the court of appeals for the general election shall be filed with the Secretary of State on Tuesday, February 12, 2008, between the hours of 9:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m.

Declaraciones de retención de un juez de la corte suprema y tres jueces de la corte de apelaciones deben ser presentadas con la Secretaría del Estado el Martes, 12 de Febrero, 2008, entre las horas de 9:00 a.m. y 5:00 p.m.

Declarations of retention for judicial district judges for the general election shall be filed with the Secretary of State on Tuesday, March 18, 2008, between the hours of 9:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m.

Declaraciones de retención de jueces del distrito para el elección general deben ser presentadas con la Secretaría del Estado el Martes, 18 de Marzo, 2008 entre las horas de 9:00a.m. y 5:00 p.m.

Declarations of candidacy and nominating petitions for multi-county legislative districts, district judges, district attorneys, public education commission, and public regulation commission shall be filed with the Secretary of State on Tuesday, March 18, 2008, between the hours of 9:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m.

Declaraciones de candidatura y peticiones de postulación para

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SHERIFF'S REPORT

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

January 21:

8:07 a.m. Dog reported

running loose on Spur Street in Capitan, police dispatched.

8:12 a.m. Assault reported at mile marker 163 on Hwy 54 in Corona, deputy dispatched.

8:20 a.m. Dog reported

running loose on High Mesa Drive in Alto, deputy dispatched.

10:27 a.m. Medical call in Residence on Cedar in Carrizozo, Carrizozo emergency units, police and ambulance dispatched.

11:12 a.m. Medical call at Ski Apache, ALS Ambulance dispatched.

11:52 a.m. Dog reported running loose on Wapati Way in Alto, deputy dispatched.

12:12 p.m. Information report at location on Eagle Creek Road in Alto, deputy dispatched.

12:18 p.m. Suspicious activity by person(s) in vehicle reported at location on Brentwood in Alto, deputy dispatched.

3:59 p.m. Information report at location on Maverick Court in Rancho Ruidoso Valley Estates, deputy dispatched.

4:12 p.m. Information report at Capitan High School parking lot in Capitan, police and deputy dispatched.

5:52 p.m. Accident reported at Hwy 380 and Hwy 57 intersection, deputy dispatched.

7:44 p.m. Medical call at residence on G Avenue in Carrizozo, ambulance dispatched.

9:14 p.m. Suspicious activity by person(s) in vehicle reported at location on Hwy 48 in Alto, deputy dispatched.

January 22:

12:00 a.m. Warrant service at Lincoln County Sheriff's Office (LCSO) located in the Lincoln County Courthouse in Carrizozo, deputy dispatched.

3:42 a.m. Suspicious activity by person reported by Un-

ion Pacific railroad employee at the E Avenue intersection, police dispatched.

7:02 a.m. Suspicious activity by person(s) in vehicle reported at location on Alto Mesa Drive in Alto, deputy dispatched.

12:28 p.m. Criminal damage to property at location on Sudderth Drive in Ruidoso, deputy dispatched.

1:14 p.m. Dog reported running loose on Apple Blossom in Glencoe, deputy dispatched.

1:39 p.m. 911 Hang up from location on Sierra Blanca Trail in Alpine, deputy dispatched.

1:31 p.m. Suspicious activity by person(s) in vehicle reported at location on Brentwood in Alto, deputy dispatched.

3:48 p.m. Suspicious activity at business located near Hwy 54 and Hwy 380 intersection in Carrizozo, police dispatched.

4:10 p.m. Sex offenses reported at LCSO located in the Lincoln County Courthouse in Carrizozo, deputy dispatched.

5:36 p.m. Dog reported running loose on East Cedar Street in Capitan, police dispatched.

8:08 p.m. Medical call at residence on Pine Tree Hill in Alto, Bonito emergency units and ambulance dispatched.

10:51 p.m. Dog reported running loose at mile marker 266 on Hwy 70 in Glencoe, deputy dispatched.

11:26 a.m. Alarm reported at Deer Park Drive in Alto, Bonito emergency units and deputy dispatched.

12:29 p.m. Disturbance family dispute reported at mile marker 11 on Hwy 48 in Alto, deputy dispatched.

1:40 p.m. Dog reported running loose on Apple Blossom in Glencoe, deputy dispatched.

2:36 p.m. Dog reported running loose on Elk Trail in Nogal, deputy dispatched.

2:59 p.m. Dog reported running loose on Belie Court in Capitan, police dispatched.

3:39 p.m. Dog reported running loose on Elk Trail in Nogal, deputy dispatched.

10:51 p.m. Dog reported running loose at mile marker 266 on Hwy 70 in Glencoe, deputy dispatched.

8:08 a.m. Alarm reported at location on Deer Park Drive in Alto, Bonito fire units dispatched.

9:30 a.m. Criminal damage to property reported at location in Lincoln County Courthouse located on Central Avenue in Carrizozo, deputy dispatched.

10:17 a.m. Disturbance family dispute reported at location on Brazil Ranch Road in Capitan, deputy dispatched.

11:03 a.m. Alarm reported at location on Fox Hollow Court in Alto, deputy dispatched.

11:26 a.m. Criminal damage to property reported at LCDC on Airport Road in Carrizozo, deputy dispatched.

11:47 a.m. Alarm reported at Deer Park Drive in Alto, Bonito emergency units and deputy dispatched.

12:29 p.m. Disturbance family dispute reported at mile marker 11 on Hwy 48 in Alto, deputy dispatched.

1:40 p.m. Dog reported running loose on Apple Blossom in Glencoe, deputy dispatched.

2:36 p.m. Dog reported running loose on Belie Court in Capitan, police dispatched.

3:39 p.m. Dog reported running loose on Elk Trail in Nogal, deputy dispatched.

10:51 p.m. Dog reported running loose at mile marker 266 on Hwy 70 in Glencoe, deputy dispatched.

January 24:

9:56 a.m. Alarm reported at location on Hwy 70 in Glencoe, deputy dispatched.

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PRIMARY ELECTION PROCLAMATION

PROCLAMACION PARA LA ELECCION PRIMARIA

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distritos legislativos de condados multiples, jueces del distrito fiscal del distrito, comisión de educación pública y comisión de regulación pública deben ser presentadas con la Secretaría del Estado el Martes, 18 de Marzo, 2008, entre las horas de 9:00 a.m. y 5:00 p.m.

Declarations of candidacy and filing fees or, in lieu thereof, pauper statements for all other elective county offices shall be filed with the county clerk on Tuesday, March 18, 2008, between the hours of 9:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m.

Declaraciones de candidatura y cuotas de registro o, en su lugar, declaraciones de indigencia para todas las cargos electivos deben ser llenadas con el funcionario del condado el Martes, 18 de Marzo, 2008, entre las horas de 9:00 a.m. y 5:00 p.m.

No state convention for designating candidates shall be held later than Sunday, March 16, 2008.

Ninguna convención del estado para designar candidatos se hará después del Domingo 16 de Marzo, 2008.

Certificates of designation of primary election candidates shall be filed by political parties with the Secretary of State no later than 5:00 p.m. on the first Tuesday succeeding the state convention.

Certificados de designación de candidatos de la elección primaria deben ser llenados por los partidos políticos con la Secretaría del Estado a más tardar a las 5:00 p.m. del primer Martes posterior a la convención.

The presidential primary election shall be held on the same date as the primary election in the State of New Mexico, June 3, 2008, unless a major political party chooses a different procedure to select presidential candidates of each voter's party.

La elección presidencial primaria se llevará a cabo en la misma fecha que la elección primaria del Estado de Nuevo México; el día 3 de junio de 2008, a menos que un partido político mayor escoga un proceso distinto para elegir al candidato presidencial del partido en cuestión.

The presidential primary election shall be conducted and canvassed along with and in the manner provided by law for the conduct and canvassing of the primary election.

Que la elección primaria deberá ser conducida y convocada al igual que y de la misma manera prevista por la ley para conducir y convocar la elección primaria.

DONE AT THE EXECUTIVE OFFICE THIS 28th DAY OF JANUARY, 2008

WITNESS MY HAND AND THE GREAT SEAL OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO.

BILL RICHARDSON GOVERNOR

[SEAL]

ATTEST:

MARY HERRERA
SECRETARY OF STATE

[SELLO]

DOY FE:

MARY HERRERA
SECRETARIA DEL ESTADO

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NOTICE OF NAMES OF CANDIDATES FOR OFFICE, DESIGNATION OF POLLING PLACES, PRECINCT BOARD MEMBERS, AND NOTICE OF ELECTION SCHOOL FOR THE PRECINCT BOARDS

Village of Corona

In connection with the regular municipal election to be held on March 4, 2008 and pursuant to 3:8-30 NMSA 1978:

A. Notice is hereby given that the following qualified electors are candidates for public office of the Village of Corona.

The candidates' names are listed in the order that they will appear on the ballot as determined by the drawing by lot:

1. Two Councilors for a four-year term

Kimberlee Smith

Sherrill Perkins Bradford

B. Notice is hereby given that the following polling place shall be used for the conduct of the regular municipal election to be held on March 4, 2008:

1. Voters in Precinct #1 within the municipal boundary shall vote at Corona Village Hall, 461 Corona Main Street/Hwy. 54.

C. The following Precinct Board members have been appointed:

Judge in Precinct #1 and Absent Voter Precinct:

1. Clerks in Precinct #1 and Absent Voter Precinct:

Cathy Yancey

Tessie Montano

2. Alternates in Precinct #1 and Absent Voter Precinct:

Patsy Mulkey

Leroy Pacheco

D. Notice is hereby given that a Precinct Board Election School will be held on the 7th day of February, 2008 at the Torrance County Clerks Office in Estancia, New Mexico. The school will begin at 2:00 p.m. The school is open to the public.

Dated this 29th day of January, 2008.

Signed: Janet L. Verna - Municipal Clerk

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LEGAL NOTICE

AVISO DE NOMBRES DE CANDIDATOS PARA CARGOS PUBLICOS, DESIGNACION DE LOCALES PARA VOTAR, MIEMBROS DE LA JUNTA DIRECTIVA DE RECINTO, Y AVISO SOBRE LA ESCUELA DE ELECCIONES PARA LA JUNTA DIRECTIVA DEL RECINTO

Pueblo de Corona

Con respecto a la elección municipal regular que se llevará a cabo el 4 de marzo de 2008 y de acuerdo con 3:8-30 NMSA 1978:

A. Por medio de la presente se da noticia que los siguientes electores calificado

Los nombres de los candidatos aparecen en la orden que figuraran en la balota según determinado por sorteo:

1. Para el puesto de Consejero por un término de cuatro años:

Kimberlee Smith

Sherrill Perkins Bradford

B. Por medio de la presente se da noticia que los siguientes locales para votar se usarán para la elección municipal regular que se llevará a cabo el 4 marzo de 2008:

1. Votantes en el Recinto #1 dentro del límite municipal votarán en Corona Village Hall, 451 Main Street/Hwy. 54.

C. Los siguientes miembros del Cuerpo Directivo del Recinto han sido nombrados:

1. Juez en el Recinto #1 y en el Recinto de Votante Ausente:

Jeanene Gibbs

2. Escribanas en el Recinto #1 y en el Recinto de Votante Ausente:

Cathy Yancey

Tessie Montano

3. Suplentes en el Recinto #1 y en el Recinto de Votante Ausente:

Patsy Mulkey

Leroy Pacheco

D. Por medio de la presente se da noticia que se ofrecerá una "Escuela" sobre la Elección del Cuerpo Directivo del Recinto el día 7 de febrero del 2008 en el Torrance County Clerks Office in Estancia, New Mexico. La "Escuela" comenzará a las 2:00 P.M. La "Escuela" está abierta al público. Fue establecida este día 29 de Enero del 2008.

Firma: Janet Verna - Escribana Municipal

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LEGALS

LEGAL NOTICE

RESOLUTION AND PROCLAMATION OF
HOSPITAL MILL LEVY SPECIAL ELECTION
RESOLUTION NO. 2007-22

WHEREAS, the Lincoln County Medical Center, the Emergency Medical Services (EMS), and all Lincoln County health and medical clinics are integral to the health care and economic development of Lincoln County; and

WHEREAS, the New Mexico Hospital Funding Act provides a mechanism whereby a mill levy can be approved by the public for the continued maintenance and operation of the hospital and clinics; and

WHEREAS, there expires on June 30, 2008, the existing mill levy, which was approved to operate and maintain the Lincoln County hospital and clinics... with the Lincoln County Medical Center receiving two and one-tenth (2.1) mills and the Carrizozo Health Center, Corona Health Center, and the Hondo Clinic, in the aggregate, receiving nine-tenths (.9) of a mill, for seven (7) years; and

WHEREAS, it is necessary to continue the imposition of a mill levy and place into effect a new mill levy amount to make funds available for purposes in addition to those approved by the 2000 levy, as follows: "to operate and maintain the Lincoln County Medical Center, Emergency Medical Services (EMS), and all Lincoln County health and medical clinics, with the Lincoln County Medical Center and Emergency Medical Services (EMS) receiving two (2.0) mills and all Lincoln County Health and Medical Clinics receiving one (1.0) mill, for eight (8) years"; and

WHEREAS, the County of Lincoln has received petitions containing 10% or more than the number of signatures required according to N.M.S.A. § 4-48B-6 (1978) to call for an election by mail.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Board of Commissioners of Lincoln County, New Mexico as follows:

SECTION 1. On the 8th day of April, 2008, there will be held in the County of Lincoln a special election for the purpose of submitting to the qualified electors of the County of Lincoln the question of whether or not a property tax should be imposed for the purpose of operating and maintaining the Lincoln County Medical Center, the Emergency Medical Services (EMS), and all Lincoln County clinics.

SECTION 2. The election will be conducted by all-mailed ballot in accordance with the Mail Ballot Election Act (N.M.S.A. § 1-23-1 et seq., (1978); therefore, there will be no polling places for this election.

SECTION 3. The County Clerk shall accept completed ballots until 7:00 PM on April 8th, 2008.

SECTION 4. The polling place for the receipt, counting, and tallying of the ballots in this election shall be in the County Commission Chambers in the Lincoln County Courthouse, 300 Central Avenue, Carrizozo, New Mexico, through the Office of the County Clerk.

SECTION 5. At such election, the following question shall be submitted to such qualified registered electors of the District:

LINCOLN COUNTY MEDICAL CENTER, EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES (EMS), AND ALL LINCOLN COUNTY HEALTH AND MEDICAL CLINICS MILL LEVY QUESTION

SHALL THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF LINCOLN COUNTY BE AUTHORIZED TO IMPOSE A LEVY OF THREE HUNDREDTHS (3.00) MILLS AS PROVIDED IN THE HOSPITAL FUNDING ACT TO OPERATE AND MAINTAIN THE LINCOLN COUNTY HOSPITAL, EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES (EMS), AND ALL LINCOLN COUNTY HEALTH AND MEDICAL CLINICS? THE FUNDS FROM SAID LEVY WILL BE DIVIDED WITH THE LINCOLN COUNTY MEDICAL CENTER AND EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES (EMS) RECEIVING TWO (2.00) MILLS AND ALL LINCOLN COUNTY HEALTH AND MEDICAL CLINICS, RECEIVING ONE (1.0) MILL, FOR EIGHT (8) YEARS.

SECTION 6. The tax contemplated by the hospital mill levy question is authorized by the Hospital Funding Act, N.M.S.A. § 4-48B et seq., (1978) as amended and supplemented.

SECTION 7. The County's qualified electors are eligible to vote on the Election Questions. No judge or clerk of the election shall allow a person to vote unless he or she is duly registered as a voter with the County Clerk.

SECTION 8. Persons desiring to vote at the Election must be registered to vote. Any person who is otherwise qualified to vote and who is not currently registered may register at the office of the Lincoln County Clerk on or before 5:00 PM on March 11, 2008.

SECTION 9. This proclamation shall be filed with the Lincoln County Clerk after adoption by the Board of County Commissioners of Lincoln County. Thereafter, but not less than fifty (50) days before the date of the election, the Lincoln County Clerk shall publish the proclamation once each week for three (3) consecutive weeks in a newspaper of general circulation within the boundaries of Lincoln County. The proclamation shall conform to the requirements of the Federal Voting Rights Act of 1965, (42 U.S.C. § 1973 - 1973aa-6) as amended, Hospital Funding Act (Section 4-48B-1 et seq., NMSA 1978), and the Mail Ballot Election Act (Section 1-23-1 et seq., NMSA 1978).

PASSED, APPROVED AND ADOPTED, this, the 4th day of January, 2008.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
OF LINCOLN COUNTY, NEW MEXICO

TOM BATTIN, CHAIR

EILEEN M. LOVELACE, VICE CHAIR

DONALD WILLIAMS, Member

DAVE PARKS, Member

JACKIE POWELL, Member

ATTEST:

TAMMIE MADDOX
Lincoln County Clerk

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LEGAL NOTICE
RESOLUCIÓN Y PROCLAMACIÓN
DE LA ELECCIÓN ESPECIAL
DE LEVA MIL PARA EL HOSPITAL NO. 2007-22

VISTO QUE, el Centro Médico del Condado de Lincoln, los Servicios Médicos de Emergencia (EMS), y cada clínica de salud y medicina en el condado de Lincoln son integrales para el cuidado de salud y al desarrollo económico del condado de Lincoln; y

VISTO QUE, en Acto de Fondos para Hospitales de Nuevo México provee un mecanismo por el cual una leva mill puede ser aprovechado por el público con el fin de continuar la mantenencia y operación del Hospital y los clínicos; y

VISTO QUE, en el día 30 de Junio, 2008 se terminará la leva presente, la cual era aprovechada con el fin de "operar y mantener el Hospital y los clínicos del Condado de Lincoln... con el Centro Médico recibiendo dos y un décimo (2.1) miles y los centros de salud de Carrizozo y Corona y el clínico de Hondo, colectivamente, recibiendo nueve décimos (.9) de un mil, por siete (7) años; y

VISTO QUE, es preciso continuar la imposición de una leva mil y poner en efecto un sumo mil levy nuevo para propósitos adicionales aprovechados en la leva de 2001, como sigue: "para operar y mantener el Centro Médico del Condado de Lincoln, los servicios Médicos de Emergencia (EMS) recibiendo dos (2.00) miles y todos los clínicos de Salud y Medicina del Condado de Lincoln recibiendo un (1.0) mil, por ocho (8) años," y

VISTO QUE, el Condado de Lincoln ha recibido peticiones incluyendo 10% o más del número de firmas necesarios, según N.M.S.A. § 4-48B-6 (1978) para pedir una elección por correo.

Y AHORA, SEA ORDENADA by la Junta de Comisarios del Condado de Lincoln, Nuevo México, lo siguiente:

SECCIÓN 1st

En el día 8 de Abril, 2008, en el Condado de Lincoln, tomará lugar una elección especial con fin de someter a los electores cualificados en el Condado de Lincoln el asunto de si, o no, se debe imponer un impuesto de propiedad para operar y mantener el centro Médico del Condado de Lincoln, los servicios Médicos de Emergencia (EMS) y todos los clínicos del Condado de Lincoln.

SECCIÓN 2nd La Elección será por una boleta todo por correo, según el Acto de Elección por Correo (N.M.S.A. § 1-23-1 et seq., (1978); así que no habrán sitios de votación para esta elección.

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SECCIÓN 3rd

El Clerigo del Condado aceptará boletas completadas hasta las 7:00 de la tarde el día 8 de Abril, 2008.

SECCIÓN 4th El lugar para recibir, contar y sumar los boletas en esta elección será la sala de Comisarios del Condado, en el Edificio Judicial, 300 Avenida Central, Carrizozo, Nuevo México, por la oficina del Clerigo del Condado.

SECCIÓN 5th

En tal elección, se someterá la siguiente pregunta a los electores cualificados del Distrito: CENTRO MÉDICO DEL CONDADO DE LINCOLN, SERVICIOS MÉDICOS DE EMERGENCIA (EMS) Y TODOS LOS CLÍNICOS DE SALUD Y MEDICINA

PREGUNTA DE LEVA MIL:

DEBE SER AUTORIZADO LA JUNTA DE COMISARES IMPONER UNA LEVA DE TRES CENTIMOS (3.00) MILES COMO MENCIONADA EN EL ACTO DE FUNDAR EL HOSPITAL PARA OPERAR Y MANTENER EL HOSPITAL DEL CONDADO DE LINCOLN, SERVICIOS MÉDICOS DE EMERGENCIA (EMS) Y TODOS LOS CLÍNICOS DE SALUD Y MEDICINA? LOS FONDOS DE LA Dicha LEVA SE DEVIDARÁN CON EL CENTRO MÉDICO DEL CONDADO DE LINCOLN Y LOS SERVICIOS MÉDICOS DE EMERGENCIA (EMS) RECIBIENDO DOS (2.00) MILES Y TODOS LOS CLÍNICOS DE SALUD Y MEDICINA RECIBIENDO UN (1.0) MIL, POR OCHO (8) AÑOS.

SECCIÓN 6th El impuesto contemplado por la pregunta leva mil ha sido autorizado por el Acto para

Fundar al Hospital, N.M.S.A. § 4-48B et seq., (1978) emendada y suplementado.

SECCIÓN 7th

Los votantes calificados pueden echar la boleta sobre las preguntas electorales. Ningún juez ni clérigo de elección pueda dejar votar a una persona sin que él o ella sea matriculado con el clérigo del condado.

SECCIÓN 8th

Quien deseas votar tiene que haber sido matriculado otra persona todavía no matriculada pueden hacerlo en la oficina del clérigo del condado o en el día, o, antes de las 5:00 de la tarde el día 11 Marzo, 2008.

SECCIÓN 9th

Esta proclamación estará archivada con el clérigo del condado después de haber sido adoptado por la Junta de Comisarios del Condado de Lincoln. Por lo menos dentro de cincuenta (50) días antes del día de elección, el clérigo del Condado de Lincoln publicará la proclamación una vez cada semana por tres (3) semanas consecutivas en un periódico de circulación general dentro de los límites del Condado de Lincoln. Esta proclamación confirma con los requisitos del Acto Federal, Derechos de Votar, (42 U.S.C. § 1973-1973aa-6) emendada, Acto para Fundar al Hospital (Sección 4-48B-1 et seq., NMSA 1978) y el Acto Boletas de Correo (Sección 1-23-1 et seq., NMSA 1978).

PRONUNCIADO APROVECHADO Y ADOPTADO, éste, el 4th día de January, 2008.

JUNTA DE COMISARES DEL CONDADO DE LINCOLN, NUEVO MÉXICO

TOM BATTIN, PRESIDENCIA
EILEEN M LOVELACE, VICEPRESIDENTE
DONALD WILLIAMS, MIEMBRO
DAVE PARKS, MIEMBRO
JACKIE POWELL, MIEMBROATTEST:
TAMMIE MADDOX
Clergo de Condado de Lincoln

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LEGAL NOTICE

Results for the
Capitan Special School Bond
Election held on January 29, 2008

Total Registered Voters: 3701
Total Voters: 690

VOTES

General Obligation Bond Question	VOTES
For	284
Against	316

Publish made this 7th day of February, 2008 in accordance with Section 1-22-15, NMSA 1978.

Tammie J. Maddox, Lincoln County Clerk

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LEGAL NOTICE

Results for the
Carrizozo Special School Bond
Election held on January 29, 2008

Total Registered Voters: 1269
Total Voters: 215

VOTES

General Obligation Bond Question	VOTES
For	193
Against	22

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AVISO LEGAL

Resulta para la elección especial
del bonos de las escuela de
Capitan celebrado de
Enero el 29 de 2008

Votos Totales Registrado: 3701
Votos Totales Recibidos: 690

VOTOS

Cuestión de bonos de obligación general	VOTOS
A Favor	284
En Contra	316

Esta publicación hecha según la Sección 1-22-15, NMSA 1978, 7 de Febrero, de 2008.

Tammie J. Maddox,
Escríbana del Condado de Lincoln

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Men are always

whining about

how we're

suffocating

them.

Personally, I

think if you can

hear them

whining you're

not pressing

hard enough on

the pillow!



LEGALS

LEGAL NOTICE
**IN THE DISTRICT COURT
 OF LINCOLN COUNTY
 TWELFTH JUDICIAL
 DISTRICT COURT
 STATE OF NEW MEXICO
 CAUSE NO: PB-07-43**

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE
 OF LAURA ISABEL ALLARD,
 also known at: ISABEL SULLIVAN,
 deceased.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

Sue Ann Stearns has been appointed Personal Representative of the Estate of Laura Isabel Allard, also known as Isabel Sullivan, Deceased. All persons having claims against this Estate are required to present their claims within two (2) months after the date of the first publication of this Notice or the claims will be forever barred. Claims must be presented to the Personal Representative, c/o Gibson and Leonard, P.C., Attorneys at Law, 1221 Mechem Drive #1, Ruidoso, New Mexico 88345, or filed with the District Court of Lincoln County, New Mexico.

Sue Ann Stearns

Lori Lee Gibson
 Attorney for Representative
 1221 Mechem Drive #1
 Ruidoso, NM 88345

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LEGAL NOTICE

**STATE OF NEW MEXICO
 COUNTY OF LINCOLN
 TWELFTH JUDICIAL
 DISTRICT COURT**

No. CV07-354

U.S. BANK NATIONAL ASSOCIATION,
 Plaintiff,
 vs.

SHANE JAMES KING A/K/A SHANE J.
 KING; REBECCA SUE KING A/K/A
 REBECCA SUE VOLLEILER A/K/A
 REBECCA SUE BROWN AND MORT-
 GAGE ELECTRONIC REGISTRATION
 SYSTEMS, INC. AS NOMINEE FOR
 WMC MORTGAGE CORP.,
 Defendants.

NOTICE OF SALE

Notice is hereby given that on February 15, 2008, at the hour of 10:00 am the undersigned Special Master, or his designee, will, at the front entrance of the Lincoln County Courthouse, at 300 Central, Carrizozo, NM 88301, sell all the rights, title and interest of the above-named Defendants, in and to the hereinafter described real estate to the highest bidder for cash. The property to be sold is located at 126 West Creek Road, Capitan, New Mexico 88316, (if there is a conflict between the legal description and the street address, the legal description shall control) and is more particularly described as follows:

A tract of land in the Northeast Quarter (NE/4) of Section 9, Township 9 South, Range 14 East, N.M.P.M., Lincoln County, New Mexico, more particularly described by metes and bounds as follows:

Beginning at the Northeast corner of this tract from which the Northeast corner of said Section 9, a 2 1/2" New Mexico State Highway Department brass cap dated 1985, bear N 30°23'25" E, 708.44 feet; thence S 00°27'24" E, 254.59 feet to the SE corner, thence N 86°10'23" W, 119.58 feet to the SW corner; thence N 00°22'11" W, 195.00 feet to the NW corner; thence N 66°28'56" E, 129.29 feet, to the place of beginning.

including any improvements, fixtures, and attachments, such as, but not limited to, mobile homes. Subject to all taxes, utility liens and other restrictions and easements of record, and subject to a one (1) month right of redemption by the Defendants from entry of an order approving sale, the foregoing sale will be made to satisfy a foreclosure judgment rendered by this Court in the above-entitled and numbered cause on January 8, 2008, being an action to foreclose a mortgage on the above-described property. The Plaintiff's judgment is \$77,822.17, and the same bears interest at the variable rate of 7.4450%, which accrues at the rate of \$15.87 per diem, commencing on October 3, 2007, with the Court reserving entry of final judgment against said Defendant Shane James King a/k/a Shane J. King for the amount due after foreclosure sale, for costs and attorney's fees, plus interest as may be assessed by the Court. The Plaintiff has the right to bid at such sale all of its judgment amount and submit its bid verbally or in writing. The Plaintiff may apply all or any part of its judgment to the purchase price in lieu of cash. The sale may be postponed and rescheduled at the discretion of the Special Master.

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

NOW, THEREFORE, notice is hereby given that in the event that said property is not sooner redeemed, the undersigned will as set forth above, offer for sale and sell to

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EDWARD LITTLE, Special Master
 1509 37th St. SE
 Rio Rancho, NM 87124
 Telephone: (505) 344-3266
 E-mail: sale@littledrantel.com

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LEGAL NOTICE

**STATE OF NEW MEXICO
 COUNTY OF LINCOLN
 TWELFTH JUDICIAL
 DISTRICT COURT**

No. CV 07-424

HSBC MORTGAGE SERVICES, INC.,
 Plaintiff,
 vs.

DARRELL E. LOVELACE AND
 JUDY L. HICKS-LOVELACE,
 Defendants.

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Sheriff's Report

(Con't. from P. 5)

10:09 a.m. Dog reported running loose near mile marker 4 on Hwy 37 in Bonito, deputy dispatched.

11:30 a.m. Warrant service at LCDC on Airport Road in Carrizozo, deputy dispatched.

1:20 p.m. Information report at mile marker 13 on Hwy 368 in Arabella, deputy dispatched.

3:16 p.m. Fire reported at Cedar Creek compactolet, Bonito fire units dispatched.

3:49 p.m. Suspicious activity by person reported at Capitan High School, police dispatched.

4:13 p.m. Disturbance/family dispute reported at residence on Aspen in Carrizozo, police dispatched.

6:10 p.m. Civil dispute reported at LCDC on Airport Road in Carrizozo, deputy dispatched.

8:08 p.m. Medical call at location on Franklin in Corona, ambulance and deputy dispatched.

8:20 p.m. Warrant service at LCSO in the Lincoln County Courthouse in Carrizozo, deputy dispatched.

10:30 p.m. Agency assistance requested by Ruidoso police at location on Big Bear in Ruidoso, deputy dispatched.

January 25

12:05 a.m. Public relations at business location on Hwy 54 in Carrizozo, police dispatched.

2:19 a.m. Medical call at residence on Third Street in Capitan, ambulance dispatched.

10:37 a.m. Disturbance/family dispute reported at LCDC on Airport Road in Carrizozo, deputy dispatched.

12:17 p.m. Message delivery to LCDC on Airport Road in Carrizozo, deputy dispatched.

3:06 p.m. Found property reported at business location on West Smokey Bear Boulevard in Capitan, police dispatched.

3:18 p.m. Alarm reported at location on Enchanted Forrest in Alto, deputy dispatched.

4:24 p.m. Police pres-

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