Deer Park Valley Petitions for Special Taxation District

by Patrice Brazie

A group of property owners in the Deer Park Valley subdivision have petitioned the Lincoln County Board of Commissioners to establish a special taxation district for road improvements.

State statutes mandate that property owners representing a minimum of two-thirds of the district total assessed property value must be in favor of the special taxation; Signatures must be verified and connected to property and they can decide the navalues through the Lincoln ture of the improvements. County Assessor's office to determine whether or not the requirement has been met.

Petitioners reported that the signatures presented to the county commissioners on March 18th were representative of 72 percent of the subdivision's property values.

The county commissioners have options as to how they may respond to a request for a special district. They can

construction type and materials that will be used. The county officials can also decide to pay for road improvements, all or in part, without additional taxation to the property owners, but budget constraints pretty much rule out that option automatically.

A public hearing must pre-clude the creation of a special assessment district County attorney Alan Morel

Valley subdivision were in- built, cluded in the plat that was filed with the county decades ago, but were never built to county specifications. "They were never approved by the county or brought into the county's maintenance system," Morel said.

Property owners in Deer Park Valley were subjected to a special assessment in approve or deny the request, told the commissioners that Altomore than 20 years ago,

the petition was just the be-but the roads used primarily ginning of a long process to access the Deer Park Valginning of a long process. to access the Deer Park Val-Roads within the Deer Park ley properties were never

"They were roughed-in, at best," Morel said, "There were three levels of assessment, depending on what type of improvement you re-ceived," Morel said of the



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Former County Commissioner Earl Hobbs encouraged the current commissioners last week to use caution in setting-up a Special Assessment District in the Deer Park Valley subdivision in Alto. (Photo by Patrice Brazie)

Jerry Hammond Meets NASCAR Superstars

by Jeff Hammond

NASCAR driver Mark Martin took advantage of the Easter weekend when NASCAR races would not be held and scheduled an Open House and Fan Appreciation Day in his hometown of Batesville, Arkansas on March 21 and 22.

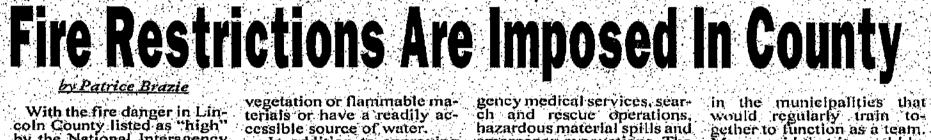
During an impromptu visit with fans, Martin stopped to autograph the back of Jerry Hammond's T-shirt. Jerry lives in Roswell and is the son of Bud and Ruth Hammond of Carrizozo, Escorting Jerry to Arkansas were staff of EsperanZa Developmental Services, LLC of Roswell, executive director Kathy Kautz and program coordinator Helen Domimguez and Helen's granddaughters Clarissa and Lily.

The two day event included During an impromptu visit

The two day event included NASCAR cars on display, Jerry is shown with #20 which is driven by Tony

Racing personalities made appearances, Jerry met Stewart the next day. When Jerry met Tony Stewart Jerry told him he needed a shave and Tony Stewart's response was that he got his days mixed up but when he went to the barber that the barber cut the back instead of the

Also on hand were drivers Kenny Schrader of NASCAR and Busch East Champion Joey Logano and Martin's NASCAR team mate Aric Almirola and Ricky Carmichael, a moto cross champion.



With the fire danger in Lin-coln County listed as "high" by the National Interagency Fire Center in Boise, Idaho, the Lincoln County Board of Commissioners adopted a Resolution on March 18th enacting restrictions on open burning and the use of fire-works in the unincorporated

areas of the county.
Unlike some of the northern parts of the state, the southeastern region of New Mexico has fallen behind again in its annual precipita-tion amounts and remains

Such restrictions are commonly put in place this time of year, and are reconsidered approximately every 30 days as conditions may change.

Under the current restrictions, the county has placed a ban on all open flames including the burning of trash, rubbish or materials of any kind without a permit issued by the county. Campfires are banned except within designated areas.

The sale or use of display fireworks, including missile and stick-type rockets, heli-copters, aerial spinners and ground audible devices are also banned. The use of fire-works not included in the Resolution must be confined to areas that are paved or have been cleared of any

cessible source of water. In addition to approving the fire restrictions. The board of county commissioners has given county manager Tom Stewart the authority to enter into a mutual aid agreement with other fire departments in the county who will join together through a pro-posed Sacramento Mountain Emergency Management Group. The mutual assis-tance agreement, which was still in draft form last week, would bring together available resources from multiple agencies in response to structural fires and to assist with arson investigations, emer-

emergency evacuations. The agreement does not include multi-agency coordination of wildland fires, but most of the county's fire departments already operate under similar agreements in respect to wildfire.

Lincoln County's Emergency Services director James Mason is also working on the development of an all county emergency response. team to assist in the suppression of wildland fire incidents. The plan, according to Mason, is to establish a team of firefighters from departments around the county and

Mason said that it would be advantageous to have a team of specially trained firefighters that could respond quickly to calls for assistance, and said the plan could reduce the need to have one department dispatch all of its resources to a single incident, a

practice which can leave a fire jurisdiction without backup resources.

Both proposals are still in the planning stages, but are expected to become fully active as the fire season approaches.

County Addresses Rights of Way Issues

The complicated and costly process of proving the exis-tence of rights of way through state and federally administered lands may be beyond the capabilities of Lincoln County's budget, but an official recognition of some roads near White Oaks may be helpful to at least one

Lincoln County family.
The Wetzels, who own a

cabin near White Oaks, must cross land administered by the U.S. Forest Service as well as Bureau of Land Management (BLM) lands to access their private property. Because of a recent initiative to close unnecessary roads on Forest Service land, the Wetzels asked the Lincoln County Board of Commissioners to offer assistance in guaranteeing that they will have

continued access to their

property.

Strongly supported by Jerry Carroll, chair of a subcommittee of the Lincoln County Public Land Use and Rural Affairs Advisory Committee (PLURAAC), the Wetzels requested that the county commissioners recognize four roads in the vicinity of their property as RS 2477 roads. Carroll's subcommittee was established to investigate potential or existing RS 2477 roads throughout the county, and Carroll has expressed particular interest in maintaining routes in the ligarilla Mining District also Jicarilla Mining District, also near White Oaks, where he

holds mining claims. The issues surrounding the proving of the existence of an RS 2477 route are complicated, and the burden of proving that a roadway qualifies for the designation falls to the entity making the claim. Cases must be heard in federal court.

Federal laws and Forest Service regulations require that no party be denied legitimate access to private property, and Smokey Bear District Forest Ranger Buck Sanchez has stated that the Wetzels will not be cut off from their property, but the Wetzels would understand-

ably like something on paper. County attorney Alan Mo-rel reported during the regular meeting of the board of county commissioners last week that he participated in a meeting with the Wetzels and Forest Service representatives, including Sanchez, to find an alternative to the costly litigation involved in proving and establishing the access routes as RS 2477 roads. County commissioner

photos by Helen Dominguez

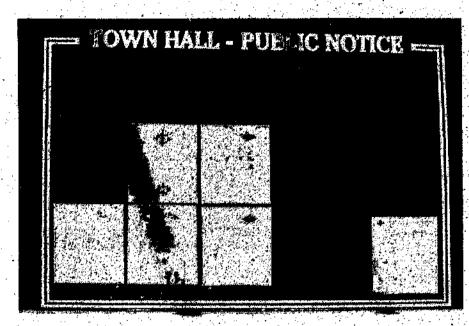
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Deer Park Valley Petitions for Special

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Alto district of about a dozen subdivisions at the time. Some Deer Park Valley

which included the entire residents have complained that they paid for the privilege of seeing somebody else's roads be improved.



C'ZOZO BULLETIN BOARD -- Carrizozo residents can now review information posted at. City Hall at any time of the day or night. A portion of the building's front window has been dedicated to the posting of agendae and other Official notices. (Photo by Patrice Brazie)



trict is approved, it can be funded in a number of ways. Morel noted that funds can also be acquired through a General Obligation Bond or a special mill levy attached to property in the district.

Morel said that the process of creating a special assessment district would also have to include a review of the Deer Park Valley plat, legal descriptions of each of the 243 parcels in the district and a list of every property own-er. The county would have to hire an engineer to assess the cost of the improvements and the construction contract would require a bidding process, Morel said. Depending upon how the road improvements are to be funded, a protest hearing might be held to provide an opportunity for: county officials to hear from those opposed to or questioning the proposal.

Deer Park Valley resident Earl Hobbs told the county commissioners that some of the people who signed the petition did so with the belief that it was a request to explore the options, but not necessarily a request to begin the process of establishing an assessment district. Hobbs also said that, in his opinion, a seven member steering committee set up to represent Deer Park Valley residents did not fairly represent the opinions of the community. He pointed out that, of the 253 lots in the subdivision,

If a special assessment dis- less than 70 lots actually have homes on them. Some lots have been combined and replatted, resulting in larger parcels. Hobbs said that the subdivision now includes parcels ranging from a half-acre to six or seven acres in size.

Hobbs warned the county commissioners to proceed with caution and to work hard to ensure that everyone in the district is treated equitably, and that no one ends up paying for but not benefit-ting from the road improve-

Morel supported one of Hobbs concerns, stating that some of the information that had been distributed regarding the special assessment district contained an incredible number of misstated facts

and opinions.
"There was a letter that said that I did review the petition, which is absolutely incorrect," Morel said.

Charlotta Stewart, one of the organizers of the move to get Deer Park Valley roads paved, said that any misstatements of fact in letters that were sent out were purely accidental and due to the fact that this is a learn as you go process for the residents involved.

The board of county commissioners approved the establishment of a Deer Park Valley Special Improvement District, contingent upon a determination that the petition meets requirements.

County Addresses

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tended the meeting.

We discussed a number of things that needed to be accomplished in order to get guaranteed access to the Wetzel's property." Morel said, He said that Sanchez agreed to provide information out assuming any liability for tion to the Wetzels in regards those roads, and Morel ato applying for a permanent easement from the U.S. Forest Service, as well as providing copies of an easement application and an existing easement agreement for the Wetzels to reference...

"He also agreed to contact the state Public Lands Office and enter into discussions with them, because part of this is going to involve getting an easement across state lands as well as the federal lands," Morel said. The attorney said that meeting was fairly productive and headed in the right direction. "He (Sanchez) is very committed to working out a resolution to this issue. Morel said.

The goal will be to work out something called an express easement, according to Morel, that would guarantee access by the Wetzels, as well as their heirs, successors and assigns for perpetuity. The easement would be permanently attached to the property now owned by the

Eileen Lovelace also at- Wetzels, Morel said, "This is, in my opinion, the best avenue, absent litigation to prove some other right," Morel said.

Lovelace commented that the county could recognize roads as RS 2477 roads with-

Also during last week's meeting of the county com-missioners, Carroll submitted request from the PLURAAC subcommittee on RS 2477 roads for the commissioners to officially recognize a total of 83 roads or access routes in the Jicarilla Mining District as RS 2477

"They're trails and roads that go between various claim sites and other loca-tions." Carroll said. He added that 51 of those routes have been indicated by the Forest Service as being closed. Carroll provided some historical documents as evidence that the mining district was established more than 100 years ago, and that some of the trails and roads there have been in use for a

very long time. Carroll reported as he was submitting the request that, because he is the co-chairman of the Jicarilla Mining District, he has taken no action in the PLURAAC subcommittee regarding the request for the

road designations. "That's my mining claim. It's known as the Silver Eagle Number One," Carroll added. He said his claim covers 20 acres in the Jicarillas, and that his access to the claim will not likely be denied.

He estimated that there are 283 mining claims in the Jicarrilla Mining District. and that the goal of the district members is to maintain the area as it was in the 1800s.

County commission chair Tom Battin suggested that the commissioners might benefit from a consultation with Howard Hutchison, executive director of the Coalition of Arizona/New Mexico Counties, who is considered to be knowledgeable in issues associated with RS 2477 road designations. The com-missioners agreed to include the topic in a workshop to which Hutchison will be in-



As the LINCOLN COUNTY NEWS goes: into its 103rd year of being in existence (1905-2008), we will again be randomly publishing articles from old NEWS files. The following article appeard in the "Lincoln County News".

Friday, March 24, 1916

New Mexico A Maritime Power

And will have a dreadnaught - named for her. The following correspondence shows the trend-of-these-war-times for those of these united pricipalities that have not gone dry. True it is that Kansas and some other arid section, lacking of rivers of water, and of other flows, have had ships and war-goers named for them; and they have gloated over New Mexico's lack of a navy - namesake. But patience and persistence have won at last. Don't again taunt us that you have walked across the Cimarron (in summer) at high tide! We're a maritime power, with a b-a-a-a-d ship to our name -- when we've still got the moisture to float her silver service when she's to be launched!

Washington, March 13, 1916. Hon. Josephus Daniels, Secretary of the Navy, Washington, D.C.

My dear Mr. Sech tary -- 1 understand that you expect to begin in a short time the construction of a new ship of the dreadnaught class. I respectfully suggest that the name "New Mexico" will be appropriate, and I therefore urge that that name be adopted.

The State of New Mexico, by reason of its area, natural resources and recent advancement, properly takes her rank among the great states of the Union. In area it is larger than the whole of New England plus the states of New York and New Jersey. The ascertained deposits of coal are greater by 55 per cent than the total tonage which

the State of Pennsylvania originally contained.

Last year more than 69,000,000 pounds of copper were mined in New Mexico, and the output of that and other base metals, as well as gold and silver, is increasing at an enormous ratio.

During the last fiscal year more than 6,000 original entries were made upon the public lands of the state. This is about 10 per cent of the total number made in 25 public land states. New Mexico is the third largest producer of wool and ranks high in the production of cattle. Since the census of 1910 the value of her annual farm crops has increased 76 per cent. The greatest irrigation reservoir in the world is just being completed. This reservoir will impound water sufficient to cover the State of Rhode Island with a sheet of water more than three feet deep. The census bureau estimates that since the 1910 census the population has increased more than 23 percent. In 1914, as compared with the census of 1910, the school population has increased 30 per cent. the actual attendance 55 per cent, the value of school property 61 per cent and total expenditures for school purposes 80 per cent.

New Mexico varies in altitude from 3,500 feet to nearly 14,000. Her climate and scenery are unsurpassed. There the federal government has established its greatest sanatorium. Invigorated by breathing the ozone of that clime, the individual is always "ready for action."

I submit, therefore, that the name "New

Mexico," representing, as it does, size, soundness, vigor and progress, will exactly fit this propose building. Should you accede to this request, we shall expect with confidence that both the strip and the state will add luster to the flag of our country.

Cordially and sincerely yours, Andrieus A. Jones.

Washington, March 15, 1916. Hon. Andrieus A. Jones, Washington, D.C.

My dear Mr. Secretary -- You will be gratified, I feel sure, by the announcement I made today of our having designated Battleship No. 40 the "New Mexico," in honor of that state.

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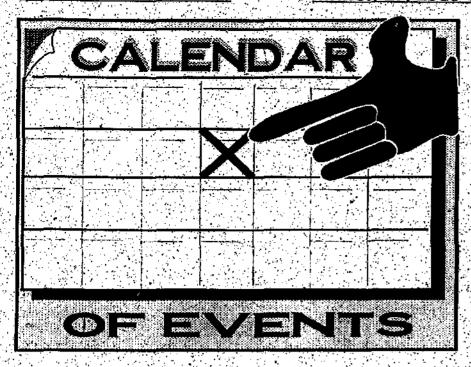
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-Tic-Tac 6 p.m., light meal served, nondenominational instruction for teenagers. Methodist Church in Carrizozo.

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

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

TUESDAYS.

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

TODAY, THURSDAY, MARCH 27

-All LCSWA (Lincoln County Solid Waste Authority)
operations closed for day for employee mandatory training.

SATURDAY, MARCH 29

Electronic waste recycling in Carrizozo at city hall 9 a.m.

MONDAY, MARCH 31 -Kindergarten registration and preschool screening. Ruldoso Convention Center 9:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. and Lincoln County Head Start 11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m., doors open to general public.

TUESDAY, APRIL 1
-Lincoln County Public Land Use and Rural Affairs Advisory Committee 9:00 a.m. in Lincoln County Courthouse.

WEDNESDAY, APRIL2 -Lincoln County Planning Commission 1:00 p.m. in Lincoln County Courthouse in Carrizozo.

-Ruidoso Village Council special meeting 4:30 p.m. for public hearing on ordinance authorizing sale of village owned property.

Kindergarten Registration and Pre-school Screening

by Dahn Freed Child Find Coordinator Region IX Education Cooperative

Child Find Developmental

Child Find Developmental Screening is a national program designed to identify children birth to age 21 who may have special needs.

Child Find teams partner with school districts, health care providers, service organizations, childcare centers, and individuals to conduct free developmental screenings in the community for all children under the age of

Child Find screenings are coordinated through Region IX Education Cooperative, an educational service agency supporting families, schools, and communities.

Region IX service areas include Capitan, Carrizozo, Cloudcroft, Corona, Hondo, Ruidoso and Tularosa.

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their child in communication,
gross motor, fine motor, gross motor, fine motor, problem solving, and per-

sonal/social skills. Based on the survey and parent interview, recommendations can be given to families to sup-port the child through com-munity programs and home-based interventions provided by the family and other care-

Children suspected as having a delay or disability in a developmental area can be referred for a full and individual evaluation completed by trained professionals. De-velopmental needs for children can range from a mild speech delay to intensive cognitive and physical dis-abilities. If a developmental disability is determined, a child may be referred for early intervention services. A team of individuals, includ-

team of individuals, including the parents, design a program plan for the child identified as having a disability.

Each spring, Region IX coordinates developmental screenings with member school districts in conjunction with the schools kindergarten registration. In addition to developmental screening, vision, hearing, nutrition, and dental screens will be available. Public health will be on-site, to provide immunizations for those preimmunizations for those pre-senting a vaccination record.

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The upcoming screening dates are Ruidoso, March 31st; Tularosa, April 3rd; Corona, April 15th; Cloudcroft, April 16th; Capitan, April 17th; Carrizozo, April 22rd; and Hondo, April 25th. If you have a concern for a child, an individual screening can be set up at any time. For more information about developmental screening contact, mental screening contact.
Dahn Freed, at (505) 2572368 or in the Child Find office at Region IX, 1400 Sudderth Drive, Ruidoso.

C'zozo Fire Department Looking for New Equipment

by Patrice Brazie

Carrizozo Fire Chief Walter Hill presented a quarterly report on the activities of the Carrizozo Fire Department to the town council on March 11th. Hill said that the department has had electric doors installed at the first main station a feature that main station, a feature that will allow firefighters to lock the station as they leave to respond to an event, without having to exit the fire truck.

The Carrizozo Fire Depart-ment is also in the final stages of purchasing its new pumper truck for the new station, Hill said.

During the past three months, the Carrizozo volunteers have responded to three. auto versus semi accidents on the highways, three fire calls including one structure fire, and two gas spills. Hill reported that the department continues to be called upon to assist Emergency Medical

Services personnel as well.
Plans for additional up-

grades at the department include the purchase of new bunker gear for approxi-mately 20 firefighters, at a cost of \$1,200 to \$1,500 each, Hill said new regulations require the gear to be equipped with harnesses that can be used to drag a firefighter out of a bad situation. "That'll be a big expenditure," Hill said.

"Down the road we're looking at a fill station for air tanks," Hill told the Carrizozo Trustees. "If we're at a structure fire and we run out

structure fire and we run out of air, that's it. We have to take our (air tanks) to Ruidoso," he said. The air canisters used by firefighters are part of a Self-Contained Breathing Apparatus (SCBA) required to be used inside a burning structure. Area fire departments can have the canisters refilled for free at a

fee by a private company, but either way it can be inconvenient and time consuming. The ability to refill their own air tanks would also allow for more training with the SCBA equipment, Hill said, because the tanks could be emotied during training and emptied during training and could immediately be refilled and made ready for emer-

gency use.

Hill said that the department could also arrange to fill tanks for other departments and assist them with their SCBA training. Hill said that all of the Carrizozo firefighters are trained in the use of an SCBA, but they could train with the equipment more often if they had a refill station.

Due to the addition of a second fire station in Carrizozo, and to having the inventory of trained volun-teers and equipment needed to operate two stations, the Ruidoso fire station or for a department has improved its

state ranking enough to dou-ble the amount of funding it receives, so the planned upgrades suggested by Hill will likely not pose too many funding issues.





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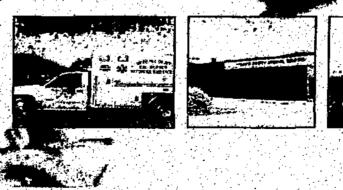
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THOUGHTS

FROM THE EDITOR'S DESK

A Dream Come True

By Ruth Hammond

I wo of the photos on page one today may be of little interest to you, especially if you are not a fan of race cars. But it might help if you knew the why of the entire story.

Each person has something that is important to them and several people knew that Jerry's interest in NASCAR racing was important to him. Jerry's favorite NASCAR driver is Lony Stewart in #20. It just happens that Tony's car is orange, the same color as Jerry's brother's car. But the color probably had little to do with Jerry's liking #20,

I ots of times people don't have a reason for their likes and dislikes. But the fact was that Tony Stewart is Jerry's favorite NASCAR driver. And the people who work with terry daily knew this and they wanted to make it possible for Jerry to get to meet Jony Stewart, When they heard that Tony Stewart was scheduled to be in Arkansas for Mark Martin's Open House and Fan Appreciation Day, they began making arrangements to take Jerry to see him.

I uckily they had a safe trip, traveling through areas that were flooded. They arrived in Batesville, Arkansas Thursday morning and got in line to meet Tony Stewart, They had been told that it was first come first served and only the first 500 in line would get to meet Tony Stewart. Jeny and group stayed in line all day and at one time got to meet Mark Martin when he made a visit outside his car dealership where the Open House event would be held.

And when it was nighttime, two of the group stayed in line all night to make certain that Jerry would have the opportunity to meet the driver on Friday. They all had the chance to see actual NASCARs as they entered the area in large haulers that were of course painted the same as the cars inside. Photos were taken of people standing by the MASCAR vehicles, probably the only chance many people will ever have to be near an actual NASCAR.

But the main thing was for Jerry to get to meet Tony Stewart, and he did. It was a dream come true for Jerry and one that he will never forget. Photos will be shared with everyone wanting to see them, and naturally Jerry will continue to wear his Tony Stewart orange shirts and treasure his other Tony Stewart cups and memorabilia.

I est we forget, it was the effort and time of two very special people who gave up their Easter holiday with their family and friends to take Jerry to Arkansas. They had help from a great organization, EsperanZa Developmental Services, I.f.C. of Roswell. It is refreshing to know that a group of people are dedicated to their profession and are willing to take the time and expense to provide for others.

I speranza Developmental Services, LLC of Roswell has helped parents and guardians of former residents of Fort Stanton make the transition to their new lives. When Fort Stanton closed it was sad, now there is a brighter future for these people. They make dreams come true.

County Dissolves Water Committee

by Patrice Brazie

With the resignation of Cathie Lisen, chair of the Lincoln County Water Resion statements," county search and Conservation commission chair Tom Bat-Committee (LCWRCC), and the resignation of county commissioner lackie Powell from that committee, the board of county commissioners on March 18th rescinded. the Resolution that created the committee.

County officials cited a need to restructure the LCWRCC

Lisen has resigned from the committee because she has accepted employment outside of the area and is relocating to Tucumeari.

Often in the past, the I CWRCC has had difficulty in keeping members or recruiting new ones and committee members have at times expressed that they were unclear of the purpose of the committee itself.

"This is part of our overall goal to take another look at our committees, to define tin explained.

Powell suggested that this would be a good time to assess the nature of the water committee, while the county awaits completion of a water model being prepared by Sandia Laboratories.

No specific timeline was adopted for the restructuring of the committee.

The county commissioners voted unanimously to rescind the Resolution and dissolve the water committee for the time being.



Humility lodged in a worthy mind is always attended with a certain homage, which no haughty woul, with all the arts imaginable, can purchase: -- Huelies

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by Jay Miller, Syndicated Columnist

elections and caucuses have you a little confused? They're coming hard and fast and even the pros have difficulty keeping up. Wouldn't it be nice if

all elections, from water board to president, could be held at the same time? We could have a national pri-mary election for all partisan offices, followed by a general election for all offices, parti-

san and non partisan.
That would produce some very long ballots but with mail balloting and on-line balloting, it might be-come a possibility. And think of the turnout if people only had to vote twice every two years instead of practically

every month.

Recently I received an e-mail from a national political consultant who has been in the business since the early 1970s. He told of attending a Santa Fe County Democratic convention earlier this month that bore little resemblance to what even he had anticipated.

At present we are in the middle of a 10-day period that includes state party preprimary nominating con-ventions, a filing day for local and district elected officials, and a supplemental filing day for congressional candidates.

Also in March, we have had county party nominating conventions and most municipalities have had elections. So far, we're only talking about political events in March. The process began in January and ends next November. March is the busiest month but every month has some action.

There are different election procedures for nearly every type of public office. School board elections are in February. Most city elections are in March, although some are in October. Community college elections are at a separate time. Special elections and bond elections can be at anytime.

The presidential nominating procedure is separate from the process for all other offices and, as we know so well, every state has

a different procedure.

And lest you think state party conventions are over, delegates to the Demo-cratic and Republican national conventions still must be selected. Democrats will do that in April. Republicans will meet in June.

And we all realize that last February Democrats selected the number of delegates for each candidate they will send. Republicans will do it during the June 3 primary elections.

Besides the presiden-

SANTA FE -- Do tial nominating procedures, conventions, filing days, there are two other classes of partisan offices, each with a different election timetable. Candidates for federal and statewide offices had to file

in February.
They recently went through a preprimary nominating convention to determine ballot placement for those receiving 20 percent or more of the delegate vote. Those candidates not receiving 20 percent have the choice of gathering additional nominating petition signatures and submitting them on March 25.

Candidates for county offices and district offices didn't have to file until March 18 and don't have to go through a preprimary nominating convention. Candidates from all three classes will run in the June 3 preprimary election, except the Democratic presidential candidates, who already have

party caucus.

So is everything clear now? Of course not, it isn't even clear to the experts. I certainly don't understand it all but I catch state and na-tional experts in mistakes fairly often.

If you ever get a fancy to run for office, let's hope you have either been recruited by someone who can guide you through the system or you can find someone to help. Because even figuring out where to start the process can be difficult.

The secretary of state's Web site at www.sos.state.nm.us is probably the best place to start. It has all the laws, forms and calendars to help you get started.

If you are a New Mexican just wanting to understand how the system all fits together, heaven help you. I am not aware of any

Information on Diabetes

People with diabetes can turn to New Mexico State University through their county Cooperative Extension office or NMSU's Web site to learn about the disease and how to live healthy with it through a series of publications entitled Control your diabetes for Life put out by the College of Agriculture and Home Economics.

Authors Karen Halderson. Extension diabetes education coordinator, and Martha Archuleta, Extension food and nutrition specialist and chair of the Family and Consumer Sciences department, have recently completed up-dating the series of 15 circulars discussing various aspects of living with diabetes, including a newly designed nutrition series.

"As diabetes has increased. in our society, our Extension offices began receiving requests for information," said Archuleta, "As we developed our Extension education program we realized there are a lot of sources for information on diabetes, but not all are written for the lay person. We felt there was a need for a series of articles that people recognize as credible since it comes from NMSU's Extension service."

Halderson said the two-page articles contain basic information that will help someone newly diagnosed with diabetes to understand how the disease will impact their life.

The Control your diabetes for life series include: *What is diabetes?

*Who gets diabetes? *Healthy living with diabe-

*Navigating the health care system.

*Know your numbers.

*Diabetes medications. *Coping with diabetes. *Exercise for people with diabetes.

*Preventing complications.

*Healthy feet. *Choosing foods at meals and snacks.

*How to read a nutrition facts label.

*What about sweets? *Keeping heart healthy. *Diabetes food guide pyra-

"The nutrition series is information we teach in our Kitchen Creations classes where we teach people how to plan meals and cook for diabetes, Some Kitchen Creatlons teachers hand out the Control your diabetes for life circulars during their classes," said Halderson, who coordinates the classes that are taught by home economists in 26 of the 33 counties in New Mexico.

The publications may also be obtained from the NMSU Website at http://www.cahe.hmsu.edu/ pubs/_e/ under the diabetes series category, circulars 569-A through 569-J and 631-A through 631-B. The publications are also available in Spanish. You can also contact your local county Extension office for more information.



by Jeff Hammond

Spring is truly here in the high desert, high plains and mountain regions of Lincoln County. The west winds are bringing warmer temperatures, and as they go up and over the Northern Sacramento Mountains and come back down on the eastern side the temperatures will continue to increase, bringing eyen warmer temperatures to the eastern portion of

Lincoln County.

The winds out of the west will be a daily event, starting off in the early morning hours barely blowing, then blowing harder in the after-noons, and tapering off slightly in the late evening hours. The winds will start out today at about 10 miles an hour during the morning, increasing in speed until in the afternoon the speed will be about 20 miles an hour.

Friday the winds will start at 10 to 15 miles an hour, and increase in speed in the afternoon hours. Over the weekend the winds will continue, and hopefully by Mon-day of next week will quiet down to normal.

Ski Apache is scheduled to close down operations on March 30. This will be the last ski report for this years skiing season. Current snow conditions are considered as primary, spring melt condi-tions at all elevations. Artifi-cial snow making machines are being used at the upper elevations. A 7 inch base at lower and middle elevations, and 18 inches at the higher elevations, 48 of 55 trails are currently open and 8 of 11 rent conditions log onto: http://www.onthesnow.com/ NM/367/skireport.html on the internet.

Forecast for Carrizozo, the high plains of Lincoln County and the Hondo Valley:

Today, Thursday, March 27 Sunny, with a high near 74, breezy, with a west wind 5 to 10 mph increasing to be-tween 20 and 25 mph in the afternoon, winds could gust as high as 35 mph, night: Mostly clear, with a low around 41, north wind be-tween 10 and 20 mph. Friday, March 28

Mostly sunny, with a high near 68, night: Partly cloudy, with a low around 38.

Saturday, March 29 Sunny, with a high near 75, night: Mostly clear, with a low around 39,

Sunday, March 30 Sunny, with a high near 76, night: Partly cloudy, with a low around 38.

Monday, March 31 Mostly sunny, with a high near 73, night: Mostly clear, with a low around 36. Tuesday, April 1,

April Fools Day Sunny, with a high near 70, night: Mostly clear, with a low around 35. Forecast for Ruidoso, Capi-

tan and Corona and most of the Hondo Valley: Today, Thursday, March 27

Sunny, with a high near 64, breezy, with a west wind be-tween 20 and 25 mph, with gusts as high as 35 mph, night: Mostly clear, with a low around 39, breezy, with a west wind 20 to 25 mph decreasing to between 10 and 15 mph. Winds could gust as high as 30 mph.

Friday, March 28 Mostly sunny, with a high

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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.

March 8 I:05 p.m. Medical call at Ski Apache, ALS ambulance dis-

6:39 p.m. Accident reported at mile marker 3 on Hwy 37 in Bonito, Bonito emergency units, ambulance and deputy dispatched

6:48 p.m. Medical call at residence on Calle El Ojito in Hondo, ALS ambulance dispatched.

8:12 p.m. Agency assistance requested by Ruidoso police at location on Junction Road in Ruidoso, deputy dispatched. fire units, ambul 11:44 p.m. Medical call at uty dispatched.

1:32 a.m. Welfare check requested at residence on Val-

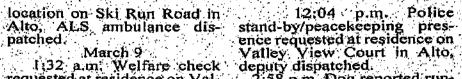
ley Court in Alto, deputy dispatched.

8:46 a.m. Fire reported by Union Pacific worker at mile marker 117 on Hwy 54 south of Carrizozo, Carrizozo fire units dispatched.

9:41 a.m. Message delivery to residence on 10th Street in Carrizozo, resulting in agency assistance request, ambulance and deputy dispatched.

10:11 a.m. Accident reported at mile marker 297 on Hwy 70 near intersection of Hwy 380 in Hondo, Hondo fire units, ambulance and dep-

We Salute



2:58 p.m. Dog reported running loose at business located on Hwy 48 in Alto, deputy dispatched.

5:46 p.m. Agency assistance requested by Ruidoso police at location on Bonanza in Ruido-

so, deputy dispatched.
11:34 p.m. Medical call at residence on Nogal Road in Nogal, ALS ambulance and deputy dispatched.

March 10

12:09 a.m. Dog reported running loose near mile marker 279 on Hwy 70 in Glencoe, deputy dispatched.

8:07 a.m. Dog reported run-ning loose on Arrowhead Road in Ruidoso, deputy dispatched.

9:40 a.m. Welfare check at residence on B Avenue in Carrizozo, police dispatched. 9:59 a.m. Dog reported run-ning loose on 18th Street in Carrizozo, police dispatched. 10:04 a.m. Stolen or lost credit card reported at location

on Altamira in Alto, deputy.

1:49 p.m. Disturbance re-ported at Hondo School Gym in Hondo, deputy dispatched. 2:16 Fire reported at location on Cedar Creek in Ruidoso, Bonito fire units and dep-

4:02 p.m. Welfare check requested at residence on Ra-vens Wing in Enchanted For-

Hwy 70 in San Patricio, dep-

uty dispatched.
9:49 p.m. Accident reported at mile marker 101 on Hwy 380 in Hondo, Hondo emergency units, ambulance and deputy dispatched.

9:39 p.m. Suspicious activity by person(s) in vehicle re-ported at mile marker 282 on

est, deputy dispatched.

11:04 p.m. Disturbance reported at location on White Angel in Glencoe, deputy dispatched.

March 11
12:00 a.m. Warrant service at Lincoln County Detention Center (LCDC) on Airport Road in Carrizozo, deputy dispatched.

7:47 a.m. Possession of illegal narcotics reported at residence on D Avenue in Carrizozo, police dispatched.

11439 a.m. Medical call at Carrizozo Health Center located on E Avenue in Carrizozo, ambulance dispatched.

1:44 p.m. Medical call at location on Ski Run Road in Alto, Advanced Life Support (ALS) ambulance dispatched. 5:09 p.m. Suspicious activity by person(s) in vehicle re-ported at business location on Hwy 380 in Carrizozo, police dispatched.

5:25 p.m. Warrant service at LCDC on Airport Road in Carrizozo, deputy dispatched. 9:21 p.m. Deer struck by

vehicle reported on Eagle Creek Canyon Road in Eagle, New Mexico Fish and Game officer and deputy dispatched. March 12

7:48 a.m. Fire reported at location on Hwy 220 in Alto, Bonito fire units dispatched.

3:17 p.m. Larceny/theft re-ported at business on Ski Run Road in Alto, deputy dis-

8:30 p.m. Dog reported running loose on Hwy 37 in Nogal, deputy dispatched.

9:10 p.m. Agency assistance requested by Ruidoso police at location on Jack Little in Ruidoso, deputy dispatched.

March 13

11:04 a.m. Agency assistance requested by New Mexico State Police at location on

ico State Police at location on Hwy 37 in Nogal, deputy dispatched.

12:00 p.m. Warrant service ordered by Magistrate Court at location on Hwy 70 in Ruidoso, deputy dispatched.

1:38 p.m. Medical call at location on Escalante Parkway in Ruidoso Downs, ALS ambulance and deputy dispatched.

2:13 p.m. Stand-by police presence requested at Carrizo-zo Health Clinic on E Avenue in Carrizozo, police and dep-tity dispatched.

4:30 p.m. Unknown trouble call from residence on Gavilan anvon Road in Ruidoso, deputy dispatched.

5:04 p.m. Information report at mile marker 286 on Hwy 70 in Hondo, deputy dispatched.
6:06 p.m. Suspicious activity by person(s) in vehicle reported on Hwy 380 in Hondo, deputy dispatched.
7:36 p.m. Suspicious activity

by person(s) in vehicle reported on Hwy 48 northbound out of Alto, deputy dispatched. 7:51 p.m. Suspicious activity by person(s) in vehicle re-

ported on Indian Divide in Capitan, deputy dispatched. 9:30p.m. Agency assistance requested at intersection of Laconda and Parkway in Ruidoso Downs, deputy dis-

patched. March 14 12:36 a.m. Suspicious activity by person(s) in vehicle reported on Cedar Creek in Ruidoso, deputy dispatched. 1:05 p.m. Public relations at

Ruidoso Convention Center, deputy dispatched. 1:10 p.m. Suspicious activity by person reported on Ancho Road in Ancho, deputy dis-

patched. 3:34 p.m. Information report at location on Junction Road in Ruidoso, deputy dispatched. 4:59 p.m. Fire reported at

location on Santa Rita Canyon (MORE ON PAGE 8)





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New Mexico, quite singularly, is the only state in the Union for which neither a battleship nor armored cruiser had up to today been named. Your letter of the 13th, received yesterday afternoon, impressed me with the splendid progress the State of New Mexico is making, showing that Dreadnaught No. 40 will bear the name of a progressive and growing commonwealth. That the "New Mexico" will be a credit to the state, every citizen may rest assured. She is a sister ship of the "Idaho" and the "Mississippi," the two other dreadnaughts which were authorized in June, 1914, by the 63rd Congress. These vessels will be of 32,000 tons in displacement, the largest war vessels either completed or projected by any nation in the world.

Each will mount twelve 14-inch 50-caliber guns, the type which our ordnance experts consider the most satisfactory in any country. The "New Mexico," however, which is under construction at the Brooklyn navy yard, differs from her sister ships in that, while they will be driven by turbine engines, she will be the first battleship in the world to be propelled by electricity, a type of motive power which our engineering experts

consider superior to all others.

The vessel is already in an advanced state of completion. The officials of the New York nave yard wepect that she will be launched early in the fall. And it is probable that by the fall of 1917 the State of New Mexico will be represented in the United States navy affoat by the most powerful dreadnaught yet constructed.

> Sincerely yours, Josephus Daniels. Secretary of the Navy

Sawmill to Reopen

The big sawmill will run again in Alamogordo, after having been idel for more than eight years. All doubt about opening up the industry has been cleared away by the signing ofthe papers.

The National Lumber & Creosoting company took charge of the property Wednesday, under authority of a telegram sent by Walter Douglas from New York. W.L. Spence, who will be mill superintendent, began Wednesday morning the work of rebuilding and remodeling the mill plant

The work of getting ready to operate probably will require about three months. The mill plant here will have to be completely overhauled; in the timber district in the mountains, old lines of logging road will have to be rebuilt and new lines laid; old track facilities around the plant in Alamogordo will have to be restored: -- Alamogordo News

Would Know Why He So Promises

Tucumcari, N.M., March 15, 1916. Hon. T.B. Catron, U.S. Senator, Washington, D.C.

Dear Sir - Your letter of February 1. addressed "To The Republican Voters to the State of New Mexico," asks for my support for your re-election to the U.S. Senate.

You say that you have been unable to do very much on account of the democrats being in power, but you will be able to do more if you can be re-elected. These may be facts in you favor for re-election, but at the same time these facts did not hamper you in voting for measures that were for the best interests of the people of not only New Mexico, but the United States as well. You voted against the Burnett Imigration bill, and yet you say that you stand for good wages. I suppose that you are aware of the fact that this kind of voting is what defeated Mr. H.B. Ferguson. You are opposed to woman's suffrage and prohibition, yet you ask for clean politics. Who passed the famous Hawkins bill in 1903? You will remember that it was so obnoxious that it was repealed by congress.

You say that you are an unwavering and unfaultering republican in politics, and that yu are for the best interests of the state and her people. This is a true and loyal sentiment. But, at the same time, have you shown it in the past? You, being such a staunch republican and the state of New Mexico in the hands of the republican party, I should think that you would give us Ralph C. Ely for governor; but it may be that he

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dispatched. uty dispatched. Church Directory St. Matthias Episcopal Church REV. JOHN HUFFMAN, RECTOR orner of E. Ave. and Sixth, Carrizozo, NM Ph. 505 257 2356 Holy Euchanst . Sunday 9:30 a.m. MOUNTAIN MINISTRY PARISH, SIERRA BLANCA PRESBYTERY Claunch Community Church TONY SCACCIA, Minister . . . 10:00 a m. Second Sunday of Each Month 9:00 a.m.

Nogal Presbyterian Church: E.W., "80" LEWIS, Pastor Sunday School Worship Ancho Community Presbyterian Church: Sunday School . . 10:00 a.m. Corona United Presbyterian Church: Súnday School 10:00 a.m. Worship 11:00 am First Baptist Church HAYDEN SMITH, Pastor 314 10th Ave., Carrizozo, NM 848-2968 (Church) or 648-2107 9:45 a.m. Worship Service 10:55 a.m Sun. Evening Wednesday, Sept. - April AWANAS 6.00 n.m. . . . 6.00 p.m Carrizozo Assembly of God Corner 13th & C Ave. arbara Bradley, Pastor Children's Ministry and Nursery Available Worship Service 10:00 a.m. Youth Service 6:00 p.m. Santa Rita Catholia Community FR. FRANKLIN, Pastor 213 Birch, Carrizozo, NM, 648-2853 DAILY MASS / Santa Rita 8:30 a.m. Capitan Sacred Heart 5:00 p.m. Capitan Sacred Heart 8:30 a.m Carrizozo Santa Rita......10:30 a.m. Corona St. Theresa 1:30 p.m.

Angus Church of the Nezarane Serving All of Lincoln County's RICK HUTCHINSO's, Pastor / 338-8032 Southwest Corne, of Hwy. 48 & 37 Junction Between Ruido o and Capitan, NM Sunday: Sunday School for all ages 9:30 a.m. Morning Worship and Children's Church 10:30 a.m.

Wednesday: Community dinner. 6:00 p.m. Adult classes, Youth games and study. 7:30 p.m. Kids Klub Church of Christ TOM POINDEXTER, Minister 354-3135 Ave. C.at 12th, Carrizozo, NM Sunday School

10:00 a.m. White Daks Community Church Non-denominational

United Methodist Churches JOHANNA ANDERSON, Pastor 1900 D. Ave. 648-2893 / 648-2848 Carrizozo, NM 88301 Sunday School (All Ages) 10:00 a.m. Worship Service Chair Practice (Tuesday) .11:00 am .6: 30 p.m. United Methodist Women Every 3rd Wednesday . . Fellowship Dinner on . 2:00 p.m. 4th Sunday of Month. 12:30 p.m. CAPITAN: 9:30 a.m. Adult Sunday School Worship Service . . 9:15 a.m. Children's Sunday School . 9:3D a.m. Fellowship Time .: Adult Sunday School Chee Practice (Tuesday) 11:00 a.m. Fellowship Dinner Every Third Sunday. Handmaidens (Ecumenical Women's Group) Christ Community Followship EO VINSON, Pastor (Inter denominational) 514 Smokey Bear Blvd , Capitan, NM Sunday School Sunday Morning Wership 9:30 a m 10:30 a.m. Capitan Church of Christ LESLIE EARWOOD, Minister 5th & Lincoln / 336-4627 Evening Worship, 6:00 p.m. Wednesday Bible Study 6:00 p.m. 6:00 p.m. Trinity Southern Baptist Church MEL GNATKOWSKI, Pastor / 648-2530 Phone 354-2044 Capitan (South on Hwy. 48) First Baptist Church of Corona CAL WES., Pastor / 849-7975 Sunday School
Worship Service 10:00 a.m. 1.1:00 a.m. Morning Worship 10:30 a.m. Children's Church 10:45 a.m. Evening Worship Wadnesday:
Teen dinner and games 6:00 p.m.
Teen Bible Study 7:00 p.m.
Prayer Meeting 6:00 p.m.

Grace Fellowship Church TERRY AIELLO, Pastor 7 849 0105 2.00 pm.

In Memory of WINKLER

Insurance Exchange Carrizozo Branch



LADY GRIZZLY tracksters Kylie Gaines, Jenna Schartz, Lauren Smith, Melissia Autrey and Kathleen Schlarb do their running in preparation for their first track meet of the season. (Photo by Journalism Class)



GRIZZLY sprinter Marc LeBlanc shows some speed around curve in preparation for upcoming track season, other Grizzly team members in photo are Erik Koroscil, Jeremy Zamora, David Graham and Cody Ventura, tehoto by Jour-



GRIZZLY

WEEKLY by Carrizozo High School
JOURNALISM CLASS

Sarah Ball, Instructor

lt's Track Season Again

Carrizozo's track season has officially begun! They are burning hot and running red.

The first junior high track meet was held here on Thursday, March 20. The varsity team's first track meet was Friday, March 21. They had only been practicing two weeks before their first meet.

The varsity team is not as abundant as it has been in

The varsity team is not as abundant as it has been in the past. There are approximately 35 students, boys and girls, on varsity. Although the teams are small, Coach Brad Holland says that "they have as good as shot as any (team) going to state."

Junior Mark LaBlanc, who said he's been running since he was a baby, stated that he is prepared for the track meet "mentally (but) not physically."

Kathleen Schlarb, also a junior, has been running track for four consecutive years and plans to continue. She enjoys the meets but the practices are tough. With so little practice time, Kathleen commented, "Mental is to the physical as four is to one." to the physical as four is to one."

Overall, the track team is a very dedicated group of

Erika Culley

Criteria Reference Test

Carrizozo students have just finished taking the annual Criteria Reference Test (CRT). The CRT is a yearly test that is mandatory for grades third through eighth and Ith grade. Usually ninth grade is also tested, but our state is developing a brand new test for them and is using the money for this year to re-make this test. The testing window is brief and Carrizozo began theirs on March 4 and ended March 13.

Mr. Danny Watkins, the high school counselor, is in charge of this testing. He stated, "It's an endurance contest," because the test takes so long it seems like an academic marathon. Students have to work hard, stay focused, and it takes some time. The ACT, the SAT, and other college placement tests last around four hours. The CRT testing took around 14 hours for the junior

Testing is mandated by federal law, and Carrizozo schools have chosen to use the CRT. This law is part of

the No Child Left Behind Act.

The No Child Left Behind law was issued by President George Bush. It began in 2001 and was signed in as

a federal law on January 8, 2002.

The CRT test is national and many people are glad to be taking it or that our students are taking it. This test helps student, teachers, and parents know where their students stand academically in relation to the rest of the country. This test should reveal growth in a student. When a student takes this test our school, our state, and our country is looking for proficiency in every student and in every subject.

There are four different steps of mastery: beginning, nearing proficiency, proficiency, and advanced. If a student is at the beginning step, he or she needs to work particularly hard to achieve "proficient." If students are at proficiency, they are exactly where they should be, and that is the goal that our country is working so hard to reach. They would rather students be "advanced" but some students can't make it to that point yet.

This test focuses on what students know in the areas of writing, reading, math and science. This also helps teachers know where students stand and if students need help in one particular area. Parents also get a good picture of where their child stands and it lets them know where he/she needs help the most.

This test may be time consuming, but in the end hopefully it may benefit us all. Almost all teachers and staff were involved helping distribute and give this test. In the next years to come, this test should evolve and become more useful and give us more growth, showing

Scott Barela

Web Hostina & Design

Will make house calls in greater Carrizozo area.

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LEGALS

LEGAL NOTICE

HOSPITAL MILL LEVY SPECIAL ELECTION

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 elimios.

The Election will be conducted by all-mailed ballot in accordance with the Mail Ballot Blection Act (Section 1-23-1 et seq., NMSA 1978); therefore, there will be no polling places for this election.

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

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

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.

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.

The Poll Officials are as follows:

Presiding Judge Edith F Dobbins

Judges
Carmen C Burch
Joyce M Cox
Nancie L Ferguson
Joyce A Hansen
Janet E Harcrow
Laura A McInnes

Clerks

Margaret Baca
Janice M Cox
Frances M Cummins
Sherry Lynn Evans
Paula R Lamay
Bonnie Jean Neudauer

This notice is published in my capacity as Principal Filing officer for the Election,

LINCOLN COUNTY CLERK

By:

Tammie J. Maddox Lincoln County Clerk

[SEAL OF THE COUNTY CLERK]

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ADVISO LEGAL

AVISO DEL ELECCIÓN ESPECIAL PARA UNA LEYA PARA EL HOSPITAL

En el dia 8 de Abril, 2008, en el Condad de Lincoln, tomará lugar una elección especial con fin de someter a los electors cualificados en el Condad de Lincoln el asunto de si, o no, se debe imponer un impuesto de propiedad para operar y mantener el centro Médico del Condad de Lincoln, los servicios Médicales de Emergencia (EMS) y todos los clinicos del Condad de Lincoln

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

El Clerigo del Condad aceptara boletas completados hasta las 7:00 de la tarde el día 8 de Abril, 2008.

CENTRO MÉDICO DEL CONDAD DE LINCOLN, SERVICIOS MEDICALES DE EMERGÊNCIA (EMS) Y TODOS LOS CLÍNICOS DE SALUD Y MEDICINA PREGUNTA DE LEVA MIL:

¿DEBE SER AUTORIZADO LA JUNTA DE COUISARES 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 CONDAD DE LINCOLN, SERVICIOS MEDICALES DE EMERGENCIA (EMS), Y TODOS LOS CLÍNICOS DE SALUD Y MEDICINA? LOS FONDOS DE LA DICHA LEVA SE DEVIDARÁN CON EL CENTRO MÉDICO DEL CONDAD DE LINCOLN Y LOS SERVICIOS MEDICOS DE EMERGENCIA (EMS) RECIBIENDO DOS (2.00) MILES Y TODOS LOS CLÍNICOS DE SALUD Y MEDICINA RECIBIENDO UN (1.00) MIL, POR OCHO (8) ANOS.

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

Los Miembros del Consejo del Precinto par Elección:

Juez Presidiendo Edith F Dobbins Juez de Eleccion
Cannon C Burch
Joyce M Cox
Nancie L Ferguson
Joyce A Hansen
Janet E Harcrow

I aura A McInnes

Escribana de Eleccion Margaret Baca Janice M Cox Frances M Cummins Sherry Lynn Evans Paula R Lamay Bonnie Jean Neudauer

Este aviso se publica en mi capacidad de funcionario principal de archivos para la Elección.

Escribano (a)del Condado de Lincoln

Por:

Tammie J. Maddox Escribana de Condado de Lincoln

[Sello de la Escribana del Condado]

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INVITATION TO BID BID NUMBER 08-01

The Town of Carrizozo of Trustees will receive bids for 1500 GPM UL Certified Midship/Pumper. Bids must be submitted to the Office of the Town Clerk. P.O. Box 247, 400 9th Street, Carrizozo, New Mexico 88301, telephone number (505) 648-2371, no later than 3:00PM on April 18, 2008, at which time they will be opened and read aloud. Bids must be clearly marked 08-01 Carrizozo Fire Dept. Pumper. The successful bid will be awarded by the Board of Trustees at their regular meeting at 6:00PM. Tuesday, May 13, 2008, in the Council Chambers, 400 9th Street, Carrizozo, New Mexico, Bid specifications may be optained from the Office of the Town Clerk. The Board of Trustees reserve the right to reject any or all proposals, and in the case of ambiguity or lack of clearness; to determine the best bid or to reject the same. Specifications will not be given over the telephone or by fax. Questions regarding this bid should be directed to Leann Weilbrecht, Town Clerk/Treasurer, at (505) 648-2371.

Leann Welhbrecht, CMC Town Clerk/Treasurer Town of Carrizozo

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LEGAL NOTICE

STATE OF NEW MEXICO COUNTY OF LINCOLN TWELETH JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT No. PQ-2008-02 Div. III

CHRISTINE E. DUGGAR,

Petitioner,

MECHEL VIGIL and DONALD JACK WEBB.

Respondents.

IN THE MATTER OF THE KINSHIP GUARDIANSHIP OF ROPER E. WEBB, born July 5, 1993.

SUMMONS AND NOTICE OF PENDENCY OF PROCEEDING AND NOTICE OF HEARING

THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO
To: MECHEL VIGIL
GREETINGS:

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that the above named peritioner has commenced a proceeding against you in the above entitled Court and Cause, the object thereof being kinship guardianship of a minor child. YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED

YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that, unless you serve and file a responsive pleading or motion in said Cause on or before the 1st day of June, 2008, the relief sought in the Petitioner's Petition shall be granted against you in said cause by default.

the merits hearing in this cause of action will be held before The Honorable Karen L. Parsons on the 25th day of June, 2008 at 8:15 a.m. in the Lincoln County Courthouse, located at 300 Central Ave., Carrizozo, New Mexico:

Petitioner's attorneys are: Gibson & Leonard, P.C., whose address is 1221 Mechem Dr. Ste. I, Ruidoso, New Mexico 88345.

WITNESS my hand and seal of the District Court of Lincoln County, State of New Mexico, this 5th day of March, 2008.

JAN PERRY
Clerk of the District Court
By: Elizabeth Ysasi
Deputy Clerk

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LEGAL NOTICE

TWELFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT STATE OF NEW MEXICO COUNTY OF LINCOLN No. D1226CV200700490

U.S. BANK NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, AS TRUSTEE FOR MORTGAGE PASS-THROUGH CERTFICATES, SERIES 2006-NC2,

Plaintiff,

CHESTER NEAL ENGELKING: OCCUPANTS, WHOSE TRUE NAMES ARE UNKNOWN: THE UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF CHESTER NEAL ENGELKING. IF ANY,

Defendant(s).

NOTICE OF SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned Special Master will on April 29, 2008, at 8:45 A.M., Lincoln County Courthouse, 300 Central, Carrizozo, NM 88301 sell and convey to the highest bidder for cash all th right, title, and interest of the above-named defendants in and to the following described real estate located in said County and State:

Lot 17. Block 2, or WHITE MOUNTAIN ESTATES, UNIT 4, Ruidoso, Lincoln County, New Mexico, as shown by the plat thereof filed in the office of the County Clerk of Lincoln

County, New Mexico, on February 16, 1979, in Tube No. 652

The address of the real property is 204 Marble Dr., Ruidoso, NM 88345.

Said sale will be made pursuant to the Decree of Foreelosure entered on March 7, 2008, in the above entitled and numbered cause, which was a suit to foreelose a mortgage held by the above Plaintiff and wherein Plaintiff was adjudged to have a lien against the above described real estate in the sum of \$174.672.39, plus interest from February 4, 2008 to the date of sale at the rate of 8.575% per annum, the costs of sale, including the Special Master's fee, publication costs, and Plaintiff's costs expended for taxes, insurance, and keeping the property in good repair.

Plainfiff has the right to bid at such sale 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.

At the date and time stated above, the Special Master may postpone the sale to such later date and time as the Special Master may specify.

NOTICE IS FURTHER CIVEN that this sale may be subject to a bankruptcy filing, a pay off, a reinstatement or any other condition that would cause the cancellation of this sale. Further, if any of these conditions exist, at the time of sale, this sale will be null and void, the successful bidder's funds shall be returned, and the Special Master and the mortgagee giving this notice shall not be liable to the successful bidder for any damages.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that

notice is further Given that the real property and improvements concerned with herein will be sold subject to any and all patent reservations, easements, all recorded and unrecorded liens not foreclosed herein, and all recorded and unrecorded special assessments and taxes that may be due.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that the purchaser at such sale shall take title to the above-described real property subject to rights of redemption.

Dated: March 25, 2008.

Peter Baca, Special Master

c/n Castle Meinhold & Stawiarski 999 18th St., Suite 2201, Bin 1 Denver, CQ 80202 (800) 286-0013 / (303) 285-2222 1355/Ingelking, Chester Neat: 138546

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LEGAL NOTICE NOTICE TO PUBLIC

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on April 4, 2008 New Mexico Municipal League District Meetings in Tularosa and April 5, 2008 New Mexico Municipal League Newly Elected Officials Seminar in Las Cruces, there will be a quorum of the Board of the Town of Carrizozo No action of any kind will be taken at either meeting.

Town Clerk/Treasurer Town of Carrizozo

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LEGAL NOTICE NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

NOTICE IS THEREBY GIVEN THAT the Governing Body of the Town of Carrizozo will hold a Public Hearing during the Regular Meeting on Tuesday, April 8, 2008 at 6:00PM, City Half Conference Room, Carrizozo, New Mexico for the purpose of:

* Discussion and Possible Action of Ordinance No. O2008-05 An Ordinance Relating to Economic Development Planning.

An agenda will be posted a minimum of 21 flours before the regular meeting.

Leann Weilbrecht, CMC Lown Clerk/Treasurer Lown of Carrizozo

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is too honest and progressive. Give us the initiative, referendum and recall. Give us the Australian ballot system. Give us a primary election law. Give us a vote on state-wide prohibition. Last, but not the least, give us a banking law that will guarantee our bank deposits; for the people of New Mexico have suffered at the hands of unscrupulous bankers as they have in no other state in the union. Prosecution by the state and counties has been so lenient that it has almost given courage to these men who repeat the crime agam.

This leaves the citizen to conclude that our laws are inadequate; or, that political graft is so rampant that it throttles the laws of the state, let them be ever so good. For fear that you have forgotten it. I will remind you of the bank failures at Tucumcari and Las Gruces, nothing has been done with the guilty parties that would amount to anything like punishment, when you consider the crime: However, at Tucumcari they did manage to give one of the bank wreckers a sentence equal. to that of a man who had stolen a yearling calf. With these facts, I cannot see how you can expect any honest workingman's support.

The voter is tired of the politician telling him what he will do for him if he can only be elected; and when elected to then tell him that it could not be done in such a short time, and in order to give results he must be returned to office.

You and other political aspirants for the higher state offices will find out that the people are going to insist on results from the start; especially so when you have the power to do for the people, as you promised them you would do.

I would like for you to tell us what you-have accomplished for the dear people while you have been in office.

> Your truly, H.W. Loggins

Snow This Time

The fine rain Wednesday night was follwed last night by an equally moist snow, and the indications this morning are for more moisture of some kind. How heavy the snowfall was in the mountains can only be conjectured, as an impenetrable mist enshrouds the entire range.

Down in the plain the fall was only about an inch and a half, the depth increasing with the approach to the foot hills. This additional moisture is an acceptable feature to stockman and farmer, but to the orchardist it is not so cheerful. True, the temperature is not yet dangerously low, but any night, following this moisture may bring _____

Proof of Marriage

The great detective, laying aside professional cares for the evening, is attending a dance. Introduced to a heautiful woman, he asks her to dance with him, and she graciously consents.

"You have been married several years," he

murmurs, after a couple rounds of the floor.

"How could you guess that?" she asks. "I am not wearing my wedding ring. Do I look like a married woman?"

"Not at all," he replies, gallantly. "But I knew you were married the moment we started to dance. You at once began to lead."

A little change is a good thing, but a big roll of bills is better.

The White Oaks Mines, Consolidated, made another shipment of tungsten this week. The price of tungsten is still mounting skyward, commanding, it is reported \$4.50 per pound.

Old Hickory Chips

He is a wise man who can gather dollars from another's lessons.

Next to a woman the most changeable thing in the world is another woman,

At the age of three score and ten nearly every man is rich -- in experience.

At the rate the price is rising, the gallon a month law will soon apply to gasoline.

When it comes to a pinch, the United States is inhabited almost exclusively by Americans.

Somewhere in the Mexican mountains, there's a stout pine limb that Pancho-would look perfectly lovely dangling from.

Fly swatting time will be here eventually, but it will be better to clean up the breeding places of the pests than to swat all summer.

SHERIFF'S REPORT

(Con't. from P. 5)

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lice dispatched.

deputy dispatched.

10:30 a,m. Agency assistance requested by Ruidoso police at location on Mechem Drive in Ruidoso, deputy dis-

Alto, ALS ambulance dis-

3:43 p.m. Fire reported near B010 by Apsers Well in Corona, Corona fire units dis-

7:40 p.m. Information report at residence on Hwy 48 in Capitan, police dispatched. 10:35 p.m. Stand-by police

presence requested at business

located on Hwy 48 in Alto; deputy dispatched. 11:38 p.m. Medical call at

residence on 17th Street in

Carrizozo, ambulance and po-

March 16

location on El Centro in Alto,

7:58 a.m. Threats reported at

9:56 a.m. Welfare check

in Lincoln, Capitan fire units, Lincoln fire units and deputy dispatched.

5:26 p.m. Suspicious activity by person reported on El Cen-tro Place in Alto, deputy dispatched.

5:48 p.m. Information report at residence on West Grand View in Capitan, deputy dispatched.

7:53 p.m. Accident reported in parking lot of business lo-cated at Hwy 54 and Hwy 380 intersection in Carrizozo, police, ambulance and deputy dispatched.

8:13 p.m. Welfare check requested for person sitting in car on Hwy 70 in San Patricio,

deputy dispatched.
9:54 p.m. Suspicious activity by person reported at location on Edward Drive in Ruidoso, deputy dispatched.

March 15 12:00 a.m. Suspicious activ-

ity by person(s) in vehicle reported at location on B Avenue in Carrizozo, deputy dispatched.

12:12 a.m. Dog reported running loose on Hwy 70 near Devils Canyon Road in Glencoe, deputy dispatched.

8:36 a.m. Public relations at St. Judes Church in San Patricio, deputy dispatched.

Old (5) Lincoln Town

by Rosalie Dunlap

Hopefully we will be home for awhile now. We spent three days in Las Cruces with Ralph's brother Kenneth and Carol. They wanted to visit with Lois before she returned home. Then we spent two days in Albuquerque where Ralph underwent tests which were satisfactory.

Lois Coleman returned home after spending three weeks with her parents Ralph and Rosalie Dunlap.

Bill Strauser and Ira Rabke attended the NM Water Users Assn. meeting in Albuquerque last week. Ralph Dunlap was unable to attend as he was undergoing tests.

Bill reported a good meeting and earned 20 points to being a certified operator.

Everyone is keeping their doors locked.

Ilde and Less Volling of Harveyvillem PA were guests of the Wortley Hotel. Ildi was having problems with the high altitude. They had visited Santa Fe and Afbuquerque during their short visit to NM.

Bob McCubin, El Paso, a well known historian, was in Lincoln over the weekend,

Jon and Sharon Amastae and daughter Laura, El Paso TX, are visiting in Lincoln.

The weather was so nice until Easter Sunday when it turned cold. Monday it was again nice. It sounds as if we will have warm weather and wind this coming week.

Work is progressing on the firehouse addition. Also on Barbara Luna's home west of town. The remodeling in the Dunlap home is also progressing. Our kitchen at the Carabaljal house will be so nice with the walls finished and tile on the floors.

Bev and Bill Strasuser have done so much restoration on the Dolan house.

I believe all the men have been watching a lot of basketball with the playoffs.

I hope all had a wonderful Easter and we all keep in touch with family and

See you all next week.

requested at residence on Hwy 70 in Ruidoso, deputy dis-11:12 a.m. Information re-

port at residence on Vail Loop in Alto, deputy dispatched.

11:56 a.m. Alarm reported at location on Golden Rod Road in Alto, deputy dispatched.

1:59 p.m. Medical call at Ski Apache, ALS ambulance and deputy dispatched. 2:26 p.m. Fire reported at

mile marker 304 on Hwy 70 in Hondo, Hondo fire units and 12:36 p.m. Medical call at business on Ski Run Road in deputy dispatched.

5:04 p.m. Welfare check requested at residence on Sage Brush Road in Palo Verde, deputy dispatched.

5:25 p.m. Suspicious activity by person(s) reported on Peterson Road in Ranches of

Sontero, deputy dispatched. 5:29 p.m. Accident reported at intersection of Hwy 380 and Hwy 37, Carrizozo ambulance and deputy dispatched.

8:24 p.m. Medical call at location on Stayton Street in Capitan, ALS ambulance and deputy dispatched.

10:28 p.m. Disturbance reported at location on Pine Haven Court in Alto, deputy dis-

patched. 10:50 p.m. Suspicious activity by person(s) in vehicle re-ported near mile marker 290 on Hwy 70 in Glencoe, deputy

Weather Report

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near 59, night: Partly cloudy, with a low around 35.

Saturday, March 29 Sunny, with a high near 62, night: Mostly clear, with a low around 36.

Sunday, March 30 Sunny, with a high near 65, night: Partly cloudy, with a low around 34.

Monday, March 31 Mostly sunny, with a high near 64, night: Partly cloudy, with a low around 31.

Tuesday, April 1, April Fools Day Sunny, with a high near 61, night: Mostly clear, with a low around 30.



CALL: (505) 648-2333



EMPLOYMENT NOTICE

COOK FULL-TIME -- Zia Senior Citizens Center in Carrizozo. The applicant is responsible for the entire kitchen operation and food preparation and service. Obtain application and job description from Billie-Joe Guevara at 575/648-2385 ext. 100. Applications accepted until 5:00 p.m., Monday, April 7, 2008. Equal Opportunity Employer.

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