

County Faces Lawsuit for Billy the Kid Records

by Patrice Brazie

A well publicized and controversial investigation that, as originally touted, was not going to cost taxpayers a dime, could become a costly venture for the taxpayers of Lincoln County.

An official investigation into the murders of two lawmen by Billy the Kid in 1881, an investigation that began more than five years ago, has yet to yield any new information in the case but will tap into the pockets of Lincoln County taxpayers.

The opening of an investigation of the shootings of

deputies J.W. Bell and Bob Ollinger by Billy the Kid and the controversies surrounding the reported killing of Billy the Kid by Sheriff Pat Garrett in 1881, was presented to New Mexico Governor Bill Richardson in May of 2003 by then Lincoln County Sheriff Tom Sullivan and Steven Sederwall, who was the mayor of Capitan at the time.

In June of 2003, the Governor held a press conference to announce his support of the investigation.

"I am pleased to be joined here by Lincoln County Sheriff Tom Sullivan, Capitan Mayor Steve Sederwall, DeBaca County Sheriff Gary Graves, Grant County Attorney Sherry Tippet, University of New Mexico History Professor Dr. Paul Hutton and State Police Major Tom Branch," Richardson announced five years ago. "By utilizing modern forensic, DNA and crime scene techniques, the goal of the investigation is to get to the truth. In the process, the reputation of Pat Garrett, still a hero to

"The Lincoln County taxpayers will inevitably have to foot the bill for the resistance or inability to produce what may or may not be the public records of the case."

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Richardson said that he had contacted personnel at Los Alamos and Sandia National Labs who agreed to assist in

the investigation by providing ground penetrating radar detection, DNA expertise and technical forensic assistance. The State Police would supervise the investigation and provide crime scene analysis, Richardson said. The governor went so far as to recruit an attorney to represent Billy in a request to have The Kid's body exhumed.

"The benefits to our state and to the history of the west far outweigh any costs we may incur. I expect the actual cost to be nominal," Richardson said in 2003. "Just since the investigation was announced, it has sparked news articles about New Mexico and Lincoln County from New York to London to India. Getting to the truth is our goal, but if this increases interest and tourism in our state, I couldn't be happier," Richardson said.

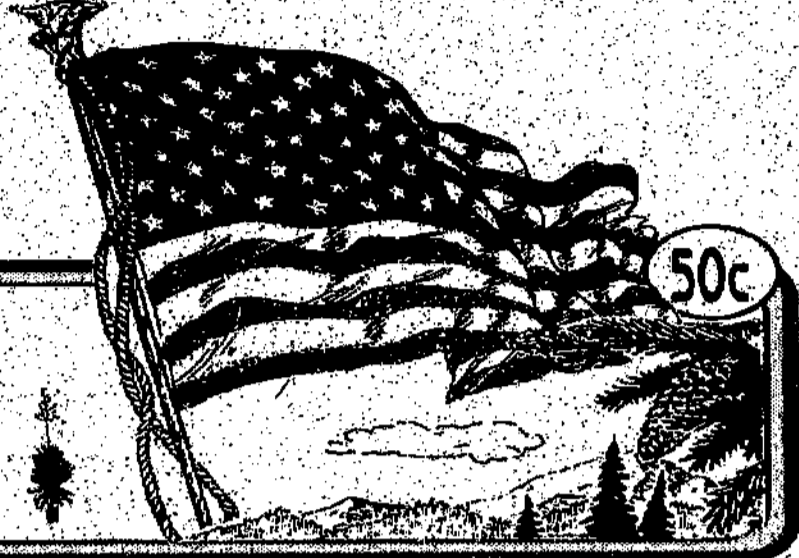
That was in 2003. Since the investigation was opened five years ago, Sullivan and Sederwall have been denied through the courts a request to exhume the remains of the woman thought to be the mother of Billy the Kid, Catherine Antrim, who is buried in Silver City.

They were also denied access to the remains in a gravesite at a Fort Sumner cemetery that might contain the body of Billy the Kid.

During the summer of 2004, Dr. Henry Lee, world-renowned forensic specialist and director emeritus of the Connecticut State Police Forensic Science Laboratory and Calvin Ostler, investigator for the Utah Medical Examiner, came to New Mexico at the request of Sheriff Sullivan to further the investigation. They took samples from an old wooden bench that had allegedly been stored at the Maxwell ranch near Fort Sumner since

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County Plans to Revise Committee Ordinances

by Patrice Brazie

The Lincoln County Board of Commissioners is considering the revision of the ordinances that establish the rules, scope and authority of the Lincoln County Planning Commission and the Public Land Use and Rural Affairs Advisory Committee (PLURAAC).

During the commissioners' regular meeting of August 19th, county commissioner Tom Battin expressed an interest in broadening the scope of the Planning Commission which generally has the single task of reviewing and making recommendations regarding subdivision applications.

"I would like to see the Planning Commission get involved in actually planning," Battin said. "I think it would be appropriate for the Planning Commission to monitor the Comprehensive Plan that was adopted in September of 2007, and from time to time make recommendations regarding additions, or deletions to that plan," he said.

Battin also suggested that the Planning Commission might be asked to look at issues surrounding transportation and water conservation in the county. He asked the county commissioners to consider revising the methods used to select the chairpersons of the two committees, which are now elected by committee members. Battin suggested that the chairpersons might better be appointed by the county commission.

Nogal resident Bob Moeller, who serves on the Planning Commission, said that the Planning Commission should be working on ensuring the orderly development of the county, and should make recommendations to the county officials to further the purposes and objectives of the Comprehensive Plan.

Moeller also suggested that the county's Planning Commission should work with similar municipal commissions to ensure orderly development in areas where the county and municipal jurisdictions overlap.

Moeller also spoke in favor of increased term limits for Planning Commission members.

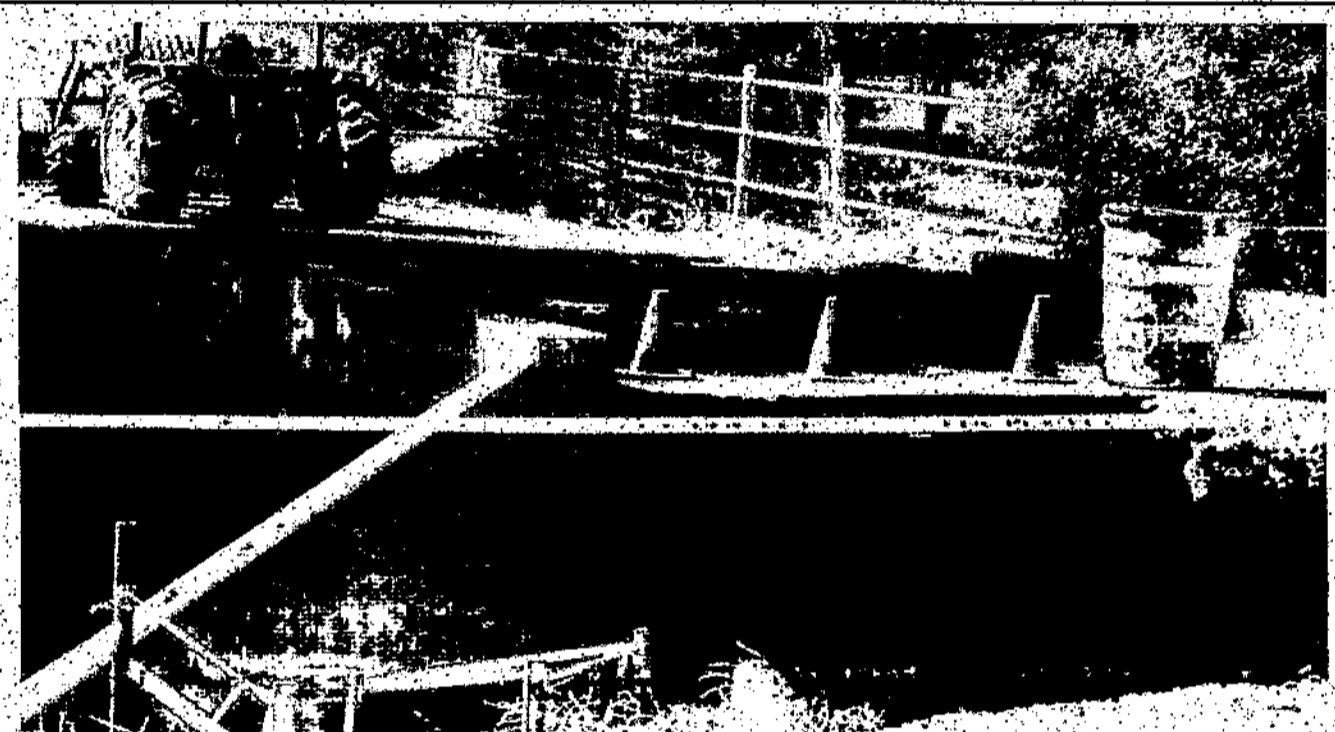
Moeller said that he saw no need to revise the PLURAAC ordinance. "I think the problems that have been experienced with the PLURAAC start with a kind of misdirected focus of the committee leadership," he said. Moeller served briefly on the PLURAAC before his appointment to the Planning Commission.

"My recommendation would be that you should dissolve the existing committee and suspend PLURAAC's operations for a period of time, and later on reconstitute the committee with high quality, public service minded individuals who would represent key interests in our natural resources and public lands," Moeller said.

Also resident Fred Hansen, who also serves on the Planning Commission, requested that the chairperson of the Planning Commission be ap-

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107 BRIDGE -- Lincoln County Road department workers are busy repairing damaged roads and culverts in several areas of the county. This bridge, off of Forest Service Road 107, was severely undermined by rushing water and is currently impassable. (Photo courtesy of Tim Brazie)

C'zozo Street Fair Chile Cook-off Set

So, you think you can cook great chile?!? Then put your spoon where your mouth is and enter the annual Carrizozo Labor Day Street Fair Chile Cook-off to be held on Monday, September 1st. All cooking is on-site at McDonald Park, and the winner judged to have the best chili will get \$50.

Or better yet, challenge your friends, relatives, co-workers, or rivals and enter the Chile Challenge! Winners of the Chile Challenge claim the traveling trophy for a year! Pick up your entry appli-

cation and rules at Temptations, Manny's Café, La BrewJa Café, or City Bank-Carrizozo.

Come show off your chile!

If you're not a cook, come sample all the unique tidbits of arts, crafts, live music, children's games, an obstacle course and food cooked by someone else! The Carrizozo Labor Day Street Fair will run from 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m., Monday, September 1st at McDonald Park and will feature live music, arts and crafts, food AND the annual Street Fair parade

starting at 10:00 a.m., which promises to be spectacular this year.

We'll need some volunteers to make it all work, please call 648.2802 if you want to help!

Also, we're planning an Old Fashioned Cake Walk and are putting out a call for your speciality - cake, cookies, salsa, pudding, sopapillas, your choice! Call J'Lane at 648-2802 and let us know if you can donate something.



BONITO WOODS -- City and county crews and residents have been working hard in flood-damaged parts of the county to clean up in the aftermath of flooding that left hundreds of people stranded. As this photo illustrates, much is left of be done. (Photo courtesy of Tim Brazie)



RACHEL WEISER former Lincoln County Sheriff's Deputy and part-time Carrizozo police officer is now holding the position of interim Carrizozo Police Chief, pending the outcome of a hearing regarding the status of Police Chief Carrie Spencer.

Closed Hearing Scheduled for Carrie Spencer

by Patrice Brazie

Carrizozo Mayor Bob Hemphill announced in a statement during Monday night's town council meeting that he has scheduled a hearing for Police Chief Carrie Spencer.

"Acting in my capacity as mayor, I have scheduled a formal hearing to give the Chief of Police, Ms. Carrie Spencer, an opportunity to be heard regarding the abandonment of her position," Hemphill said. "The hearing will be closed, as it presents personnel issues. The hearing will be conducted by me, with Ms. Spencer and her attorney, the town attorney and myself in attendance," Hemphill continued.

The hearing is scheduled for August 20th, at 1:00 p.m. at the city hall in Carrizozo.

Spencer and her attorney, Timothy Rose, have requested an opportunity to hold a hearing that is open to the public, so that Spencer can publicly respond to and address any allegations made regarding her work performance.

Rose had not yet received an official notice of the scheduled hearing when *The News* spoke with him on Tuesday.



ANDY HILL was recently hired as a full-time police officer in Carrizozo.

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County Plans to Revise

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pointed by the county commissioners. "The appointment procedure for a chairman removes some of the politics within an appointed commission," Hansen said.

He also spoke in favor of expanding the scope of the Planning Commission to include the study of wastewater treatment and the beautification of the county by forcing the removal of things like junk cars.

Oscura resident and former Planning Commission member Jerry Carroll told the county commissioners that he would hate to see them move "rapidly in retro" and attempt to reinvent the wheel.

"This ordinance is well structured," Carroll said of the county's planning ordinance. "Anything that needs to go before the Planning Commission, you by resolution can send it to them." Carroll said that the original creation of the ordinance was prompted by actions of "loose guns" on another

Planning Commission that tried to act in contradiction to the will of the county officials.

County commissioner Filgen Lovelace suggested that the ordinances should address dealing with potential conflicts of interest of committee and commission members when faced with issues in which they may hold other interests.

County commissioner Dave Parks said that the expertise of a realtor might be valuable in determining policies connected with growth and development.

County attorney Alan Morel said that, normally, any committee member who might have a conflict of interest may participate in discussions but abstains from voting. Morel said that he could easily add a conflict of interest clause to the ordinances.

Carroll and PLURAAC chair Duane Frost pointed out that the Planning Commission is, by ordinance, directed to consider in its deliberations the goals and objectives of the county's Land Use Plan.

Frost, who has essentially served on the PLURAAC for about 16 years, said he saw no need to revise the PLURAAC ordinance.

Moeller, who also served on the county's fate-unknown Vision Committee, suggested that the county commissioners insert into the PLURAAC ordinance a prohibition on the PLURAAC's ability to investigate other committees established by the county commissioners.

"The Vision Committee was placed on the agenda to be investigated by the PLURAAC," Moeller said.

Carroll responded by calling Moeller a liar.

County commissioner Jackie Powell questioned whether or not the PLURAAC should be al-

lowed to create its own subcommittees, and Frost said that at times the PLURAAC has had to create a subcommittee to handle a large volume of research and data gathering associated with certain issues.

Lovelace said both the Planning Commission and the PLURAAC are very important, and said she would like to see the arguing between some members of the two groups to stop.

Carroll announced his resignation from the PLURAAC subcommittee on RS 2477 roads.

County commissioners agreed that water conservation issues, as spelled out in the county's Comprehensive Plan, should be monitored by the Planning Commission.

Battin said that any subcommittees of the PLURAAC should first be approved by the county commissioners. "That makes us accountable for any issues that the committee addresses, and also accountable for any issues that they fail to address," Battin said.

He also recommended changing the PLURAAC's name to Land and Natural Resources Advisory Committee, presumably LNRAC for short. "I think it broadens the scope," Battin said of the recommended name change.

Morel agreed to bring a prepared draft of the revised ordinances to the county commissioners for approval at their August meeting, which will be held next Tuesday.



Gov. Richardson Announces State Partnership with Spencer Theater

Department of Cultural Affairs will assume responsibility for facilities and grounds

Governor Bill Richardson announced plans for a unique public-private partnership that will bring the operation of one of southern New Mexico's most important cultural venues under the wing of the State Department of Cultural Affairs.

A memorandum of understanding agreement, signed Saturday by Governor Richardson's administration and representatives from the Spencer Theater for the Performing Arts, will give responsibility for the Spencer Theater facilities and grounds to the Department of Cultural Affairs. The theater's current managers, Spencer Theater for the Performing Arts, Inc., will continue its program development and fundraising responsibilities.

"This is the first step in creating an innovative collaboration that will ensure that the Spencer and its high quality performing arts and educational programming

will continue to serve the people of New Mexico," said Governor Bill Richardson.

Designed by renowned Albuquerque architect Antoine Predock, the 49,474 sq. ft., 514-seat Spencer Theater opened in October 1997 on approximately 70 acres near the town of Alto, six miles north of Ruidoso. The construction cost of \$22 million was funded solely by the late Dr. A.N. Spencer and Jackie Spencer Morgan of Alto. Dr. Spencer died in December 1999. Jackie died in May 2003.

As part of the agreement, the Jacqueline Spencer Morgan Spencer Theater Trust

will donate a nearby residence and 139 acres of land to Cultural Affairs.

The state will work with Eastern New Mexico University on plans for a possible campus to be built on the residence site.

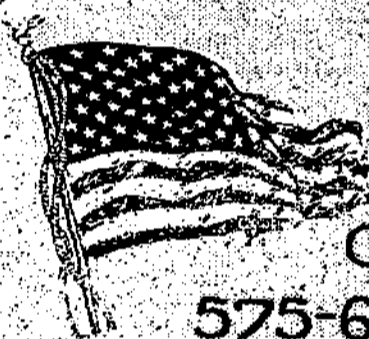
"This is a very exciting time in the history of the Spencer Theater," said Charles Centilli, the Spencer Theater's executive director. "We have always believed that many minds working together can create great outcomes, and the state, the Spencer Theater and Eastern

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 -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, AUGUST 14
 -Carrizozo Woman's Club 6:00 p.m.
 -Capitan School Board 6:30 p.m.

SATURDAY, AUGUST 16
 -Casa Manana nickel & dime sale 9 a.m. Carrizozo.
 -Eastern New Mexico University-Ruidoso branch community college board advisory council annual retreat 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. ENMU-Ruidoso board conference room.
 -Lincoln County Writers' Association offers free workshop at Ruidoso Public Library, 12 noon to 4:00 p.m. For information and reservations call Genevieve at 336-2694.

SUNDAY, AUGUST 17
 -Covered dish dinner after church at Presbyterian Church of Corona to welcome students, teachers and staff back to school.
 -Free music in the park at McDonald Park in Carrizozo 2 p.m. Bring chairs.
 -Kelli West concert at Baptist Church in Corona 6 p.m. with refreshments to follow.

TUESDAY, AUGUST 19
 -Lincoln County Commission 8:30 a.m. Lincoln County Courthouse in Carrizozo.
 -Southeastern New Mexico Economic Development District (SNMEDD) Council of Governments 10:00 a.m. ENMU-Roswell. Luncheon speaker US Senator Pete Domenici. Call for reservations, 624-6131.
 -Carrizozo Planning & Zoning Commission 6:00 p.m.

THURSDAY, AUGUST 21
 -Free workshop on consumer debt and bankruptcy at Branigan Library in Las Cruces 5:30 p.m. Call for details, 1-800-876-6227.
 -Lincoln Historic Preservation Board 7:00 p.m. Community Church in Lincoln.

Free Music in the Park Program This Sunday in Carrizozo

Music in the Parks in Carrizozo on Sunday, August 17 will present Lanny Maddox with native American flutes, Fred Kinnan and Tim Rice, jazz guitar duet. The FREE program will be in McDonald Park at 2 p.m. Those attending should bring chairs.

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the day that Billy's dead body was allegedly laid on it in 1881.

The investigators also reportedly found what might be blood residue under the stairwell floorboards in the old courthouse in Lincoln, where The Kid had a shootout with the law.

In the spring of 2005, Sullivan, Sederwall, forensic anthropologist Dr. Laura Fulginiti and DNA expert Dr. Rick Staub of Orchid Cellmark Labs in Dallas, exhumed what they suspected to be the remains of John Miller from a cemetery in Prescott, Arizona, along with the remains of William Hudspeth whose body was located just a few feet away.

Some historians have alleged that Billy the Kid was not killed in Fort Sumner in 1881, but escaped from New Mexico and took up residence in Arizona under the name of John Miller.

According to reports attributed to Sullivan and Sederwall, some of the bones collected in Prescott were sent to the Dallas lab for forensic and genetic testing to be compared to evidence collected from the old wooden bench. That was three years ago.

Since the early stages of the investigation, the Lincoln County Sheriff's office and other involved agencies have received numerous requests for information on the case.

A failure to produce documents requested by author Gale Cooper and the *De Baca County News* resulted in a lawsuit being filed in October of last year. Sullivan, Sederwall and current Lincoln County Sheriff Rick Virden are named as defendants in the suit.

Cooper, through Albuquerque attorney Mickey Barnett, requested information and documents from the sheriff's department in April of 2007. She wanted any and all records, reports, data and conclusions that had been provided by Dr. Lee with regard to DNA findings, tests and procedures, including the investigations of the wooden bench and the bones of Miller and Hudspeth.

According to the complaint, Virden responded, through his attorney, that no such records were maintained by his department.

Cooper responded with another request in May, 2007, asking for invoices, statements, financial expenditures, receipts or reports in any form provided to the department, Virden, Sullivan or Sederwall by Dr. Lee in regards to the Billy the Kid investigation, case number 2003-274.

The request included any payments made in any form to Dr. Lee and any reimbursements to any sheriff's department employee who might have made payment to Dr. Lee.

According to the complaint, the defendants alleged they had no documents responsive to the request.

Cooper sent requests for the information to Sullivan and Sederwall again in June, 2007 and received no response from either of the de-

fendants. She took the issue to the court in October.

The complaint states that Sullivan, Sederwall, and Virden as Sheriff of Lincoln County and Custodian of Records for the department, are believed to possess, maintain and have information regarding public records of the Lincoln County Sheriff's Department.

The complaint also states that the request to exhume Billy the Kid's body was made by Sullivan and Sederwall while they were acting in the official capacity as officers of Lincoln County, and that Sullivan's request that

Dr. Lee perform DNA analysis on the wooden bench was made by Sullivan specifically under his official position as Sheriff of Lincoln County. The complaint reports Dr. Lee having stated that he had completed his investigation and submitted his report to the Lincoln County Sheriff's Department.

The same allegations are made regarding the testing done at Orchid Cellmark Labs in Dallas, in that the work was commissioned specifically under the authority of the Lincoln County Sheriff's Department, but by then Sullivan had retired and Virden had been elected as Sher-

iff. The determination that the defendants were acting in official capacities could be paramount in establishing that the records of the case are public property.

Cooper and her counsel also allege that Sullivan and Sederwall retained all or some of the records associated with the case in their personal possession in an attempt to circumvent the public records inspection act.

She has asked the court to order the return of all documents and records from the case to the Sheriff's Depart-

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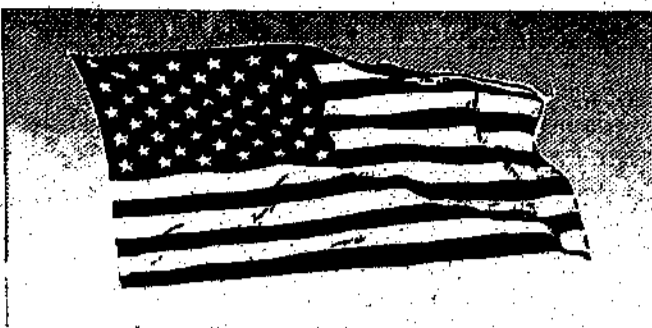
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THOUGHTS FROM THE EDITOR'S DESK

School Starts - Drive Carefully

By Ruth Hammond

Before you decide that something is terribly wrong when you hear a huge sound that appears to emanate from residential areas, stop and consider what the sound might be. It could be air escaping from underground tunnels that were made by miners more than a century ago. It could also be from displacements of the earth's shell as it tries to compensate for what is happening above ground. But the best bet is that what you are hearing could be sighs of relief from family members because school is starting. It seems that parents and family members are by far the most pleased people when school starts in the fall after a long summer. Complaints of "There's nothing to do," or "I'm bored," will soon be replaced with other refrains.

Long ago students accepted the start of school, even if not particularly happy about it. Those long ago students knew that school started in the fall and there was little if anything that could deter that event. School was a way of life for approximately nine months. There were very few days for students to not be in school. Nowadays it is quite different. More often than not students will be out for a variety of reasons, maybe teacher in-service days, maybe for field trips that take away from class time, or maybe just because the powers that be made a day off decision.

It seems that far too much time is being spent away from the school, time that should be used for learning, not for "enrichment" or what ever they choose to call it now. School should be for learning, not for extracurricular type events. Years ago students were taught in school and the schools expected the students to learn. Now with the new regimes of asking for volunteers to assist with teaching and some of the new so-called programs to teach things that are not scholastically inclined, things have changed.

Getting an education is what children should be doing. They should be encouraged to learn and experience new learning activities. They should be taught that learning is a way of life, not a stopgap between kindergarten and the final step to graduation. They should accept the fact that it is their responsibility to do their own school work and not expect others to do their work. Learning is their job.

However, much has changed in the past few decades. Too many adults do homework for students and it is quite confusing as to how any teacher can be unaware that the work is not the product of the students. The teacher must know the student is not capable of adult quality work.

There are multitudes of other questions that should be asked of school officials, not just why teachers accept the assignments that are completed by other than students. It should also be mentioned that children should be taught safety in going to and from school, that is the ones who walk or ride bicycles instead of being driven. Some are safety conscious, others aren't, please watch out for them.

Gov. Richardson Announces State Partnership

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New Mexico University are working together to develop an everlasting alliance in this community that will forever improve life.

Negotiations between the Department of Cultural Affairs and the Spencer Theater have been underway since the beginning of the year. Lt. Gov. Diane Denish was involved early on in the partnership discussions.

"I think this agreement is a great win for everyone. Ruidoso, the state, the Spencer Theater and eventually ENMU," said Lt. Governor Denish. "The board of the Spencer Theater deserves credit for initiating this conversation and making the agreement possible. Our administration is committed to ensuring this valuable resource continues to thrive, benefiting all New Mexicans."

The white, wedge-shaped building faced with 450 tons of Spanish mica-flecked limestone was designed to harmonize with nearby Sierra Blanca Peak and is consid-

ered an architectural focal point of south central New Mexico.

The Department of Cultural Affairs role will be to support and enhance this year-round programming at the Spencer.

"We are excited about being involved in such a prominent and successful cultural facility in south central New Mexico," said Cultural Affairs secretary Stuart Ashman. "With the Spencer Theater under our umbrella, we will work ambitiously with some of our current partners such as the New Mexico Symphony Orchestra, Santa Fe Opera and Santa Fe Chamber Music Festival."

Ashman said that Cultural Affairs will request an appropriation from the New Mexico Legislature during its 2009 session to assist with operation of the Spencer, including funding for technical, maintenance and security staff, as well as facility upkeep, utilities and insurance.

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BY
JAY
MILLER

SANTA FE -- Japan announced its surrender to the Allied Powers on August 15, 1945, thus ending World War II -- except for the paperwork. Bet you didn't know that.

You probably do know that World War I ended on November 11. Some also will remember it was in 1918. We still celebrate that occasion with a national holiday. But nothing is said about us winning the Big War.

In 1945, winning the war was cause for great celebrations in every city, town and village throughout the nation. The same was true in all the allied nations.

Next to the flag-raising on Iwo Jima, the most famous picture in the world may be of a sailor kissing a nurse on Times Square during New York City's celebration on August 14.

Get your dates straight, Jay, you may be saying. You started out telling us the big day was August 15. It was, in Japan. There's that messy thing about the International Date Line between us.

At high noon on August 15, Japan announced its acceptance of the Potsdam Agreement demanding complete surrender. Official confirmation was announced by President Harry Truman at 6:10 p.m. that same day, which was August 14 here.

I remember the day well. I was a seven-year-old, staying with my grandparents, on Melendres Street, in Las Cruces. At about 4:30 p.m., my grandmother and I heard many sirens and much horn tooting. She said she had been hearing on the radio all day that the war might end soon.

We sat on the front steps to hear all the celebrating around town. I knew it meant that the fathers of some of my friends would be returning to Deming from Japanese prison camps. It was a joyous occasion.

What I didn't know was that boys who had just graduated from high school had been drafted and would soon be on their way to the Pacific to prepare for an invasion of Japan.

They had great reason to celebrate. U.S. military leaders estimated that we and our allies might lose as many as a million troops during the invasion. Japan would suffer even greater losses because of the number of civilians who would be killed.

We learned later that Japanese military leaders were trying to recruit a million kamikaze fighters to

give their lives in suicide missions to repel our attack.

Why do we no longer commemorate that glorious day when our last worldwide war ended? Perhaps it is because of another commemoration that occurred last week and has occurred every year for a great many years.

Our decision makers have been made to feel guilty for quickly ending the war with two big bombs. How could we have done such a horrible thing, anti-nuclear protesters ask?

The bombs killed no more people than the saturation bombings of Tokyo and other Japanese cities we were conducting from Tinian Island every night.

But these bombs were different. They were bigger and they released radiation that brought disfigurement and death to many more people. They were scary enough that even though many other countries now have nuclear arsenals, the weapon hasn't been used again in over 60 years of international strife.

But in 1945, we were aware that both Germany and Japan were working on nuclear devices. Germany did-

n't get its bomb finished before it surrendered. But a few days before, a German submarine slipped into the North Sea and out into the Atlantic, headed for Japan with all the makings it had assembled up to that point.

Fortunately the U.S. Navy intercepted the sub early in its voyage and diverted its cargo to the American nuclear program. But Japan was still in the war and with a little more time, it might have its weapon ready to use against us.

And if either Germany or Japan had completed their bombs before we did, what do you think they might have done with them?



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USDA Publishes Annual Report on Foreign Holdings of US Agricultural Land

USDA's Farm Service Agency (FSA) released the latest report on foreign holdings of U.S. agricultural land. The publication contains statistics through Feb. 28, 2007 regarding the 21.2 million acres of U.S. agricultural land in which foreign persons hold an interest. The report, titled "Foreign Holdings of U.S. Agricultural Land," is now available on the FSA website at: <http://www.fsa.usda.gov/FSA/webapp?area=home&subject=ecpa&topic=afa>.

The publication reports that foreign persons have an interest (partial or total ownership) in 1.6 percent of all privately held U.S. agricultural land and 0.94 percent of all land in the United States. This is a 5.3 million acre increase from 2006. Holdings from 1996 through 2006 were relatively steady.

The report includes a breakdown of land held by foreign persons by the type of acreage: Forest land - 64 percent; Cropland - 11 percent; Pasture and other agricultural land - 25 percent.

The report also lists which countries have foreign persons holding the largest amount of land: Canadians

hold the largest amount of land: over 8.2 million acres, or 38 percent. Foreign persons from the following three countries collectively hold more than 6.7 million acres, or 31 percent of the foreign held acres in the U.S.: Netherlands, almost 3.9 million acres (18 percent); United Kingdom, over 1.5 million acres (7 percent); and Germany, more than 1.3 million acres (6 percent).

The publication's findings are based on reports submitted in compliance with the Agricultural Foreign Investment Disclosure Act of 1978 (AFIDA). The law was created to establish a nationwide system for the collection of information pertaining to foreign ownership in U.S. agricultural land.

The regulations require foreign investors who acquire, transfer or hold an interest (other than a security interest) in U.S. agricultural land to report such holdings and transactions to the Secretary of Agriculture on an AFIDA Report Form FSA-153. The data gained from these disclosures is used in the preparation of an annual report to Congress.



WEATHER REPORT

by Jeff Hammond

Yes, more rain is headed to Lincoln County for the upcoming week. Conditions continue to exist that aren't considered normal for this time of the year, causing extremely high amounts of rain to fall all across the State.

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

Today, Thursday, Aug. 14, the 226th day of 2008

Isolated showers and thunderstorms, mostly cloudy, with a high near 94, calm wind becoming southwest between 5 and 10 mph, night: Isolated showers and thunderstorms, mostly cloudy, with a low around 60, south wind 10 to 15 mph becoming east.

Friday, August 15

A fair chance of showers and thunderstorms, mostly cloudy, with a high near 89, night: A good chance of showers and thunderstorms, partly cloudy, with a low around 59.

Saturday, August 16

A fair chance of showers and thunderstorms, mostly cloudy, with a high near 84, night: A very good chance of showers and thunderstorms, mostly cloudy, with a low around 59.

Sunday, August 17

A fair chance of showers and thunderstorms, mostly cloudy, with a high near 88, night: A fair chance of showers and thunderstorms, mostly cloudy, with a low around 58.

Monday, August 18

A fair chance of showers and thunderstorms, mostly cloudy, with a high near 88, night: A fair chance of showers and thunderstorms, mostly cloudy, with a low around 57.

Tuesday, August 19

A slight percent chance of showers and thunderstorms, mostly cloudy, with a high near 88, night: A fair chance of showers and thunderstorms, mostly cloudy, with a low around 57.

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

Today, Thursday, Aug. 14, the 226th day of 2008

Isolated showers and thunderstorms, mostly cloudy, with a high near 83, southwest wind around 5 mph, night: Isolated showers and thunderstorms, mostly cloudy, with a low around 51, south wind around 5 mph becoming calm.

Friday, August 15

A good chance of showers and thunderstorms, mostly cloudy, with a high near 77, night: A good chance of showers and thunderstorms, partly cloudy, with a low around 51.

Saturday, August 16

A good chance of showers and thunderstorms, mostly cloudy, with a high near 74, night: A good chance of showers and thunderstorms, mostly cloudy, with a low around 51.

Sunday, August 17

A good chance of showers and thunderstorms, mostly cloudy, with a high near 77, night: A fair chance of showers and thunderstorms, mostly cloudy, with a low around 51.

Monday, August 18

A fair chance of showers and thunderstorms, mostly cloudy, with a high near 79, night: A fair chance of showers and thunderstorms, mostly cloudy, with a low around 50.

Tuesday, August 19

A slight chance of showers and thunderstorms, mostly cloudy, with a high near 78.

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Looking Back

THROUGH OLD NEWS FILES

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 articles appeared in the "Carrizozo News".

Friday, June 2, 1908

Americans Evacuate Vera Cruz

WASHINGTON, Sept. 16 -- Evacuation of Vera Cruz was ordered today by President Wilson. The American soldiers and marines under General Funston, who have held Mexico's principal sea port since it was seized by the fleet April 21 last, will embark for home as soon as transports can go after them, and shortly afterward all of the war fleet except a few light draught vessels will be withdrawn. The order for evacuation was formally announced at the White House today after a long cabinet meeting. It is concluding chapter of the second armed conflict between the United States and Mexico, in which a score of Americans lost their lives, nearly a hundred were wounded and upward of 300 Mexicans were killed or wounded.

The reason for the step was set forth in the following statement from the White House:

"The troops have been ordered withdrawn from Vera Cruz. This action is taken in view of the entire removal of the circumstances which were thought to justify the occupation. The further presence of the troops is deemed unnecessary."

Specifically, the American forces were withdrawn at the urgent appeal of General Carranza, first chief of the constitutional army, who is in charge of the executive power in Mexico City, and he was supported by Generals Villa and Obregon -- that the Mexican people would not understand the continued presence of American troops on Mexican soil and would be bound to cherish resentment, no matter how well intentioned the American government was or how acquiescent the Mexico City Administration itself might be.

A Glimpse at History

(Goodwin's Weekly)

Some seventeen hundred years ago the Goths swept down from the north, overrun the sunny fields of southern Europe and finally took in imperial Rome.

The hordes were huge, light-haired, blue-eyed giants, a new creation to southern Europe. The trained soldiers of Rome mowed them down by thousands, but this did not stop them. No army could arrest the coming of clouds of seventeen years locusts. The Saxons, another fierce race of nomads, swept over northern Europe, learned boat building, crossed the channel and subdued England, and returning, swept France like a prairie fire. They were fiercer fighters than the Goths, but were less generous and companionable. As if following a far-back instinct the mingled descendants of these races are again in motion, and as of old, no matter how many are killed, the horde is not stopped.

Farther back still a Tartar horde swept down from the north and east, overran and stilled ancient Samaria. There it mingled with the other tribes from farther south in Asia and which came to be known under the general title of Slav. The descendants of them, as if following a far-back instinct are likewise moving westward in numbers almost countless. The fiercest of all the ancient invaders, though fewer in numbers than either the Goths or Tartars -- the Huns, likewise came from the north and east and for a period under their terrible leader were irresistible.

All the on-sweeping host are Asiatic save the Goths, who were originally of Viking stock.

A careful study of the movements of nearly all these hosts make clear that despite the transformation made by civilization, the blending and

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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.

July 28

1:12 a.m. Dog reported running loose on Valley View in Capitan, police dispatched.

7:43 a.m. Larceny/theft reported at location on Tiger Road in Capitan, police dispatched.

9:21 a.m. Peacekeeping/police presence requested at location on Sudderth in Ruidoso, deputy dispatched.

5:06 p.m. Criminal damage to property reported at residence on West Fourth Street in Capitan, deputy dispatched.

5:37 p.m. Larceny/theft reported at campground in Bonito Lake area, deputy dispatched.

5:51 p.m. Dog reported running loose on Ranchmans Camp Road in Capitan, deputy dispatched.

8:33 p.m. Disturbance/family dispute reported at residence on Deer Trail in Capitan, police dispatched.

10:43 p.m. Welfare check requested at residence on Pine Knot Trail in Alto, deputy dispatched.

11:08 p.m. Medical call at residence on Little Big Horn in Alto, Advanced Life Support (ALS) ambulance dispatched.

July 29

9:33 a.m. Dog reported running loose on Hwy 220 in Fort Stanton area, deputy dispatched.

10:30 a.m. Escape reported from Lincoln County Detention Center (LCDC) on Airport Road in Carrizozo, deputy dispatched.

10:40 a.m. Disturbance reported at location near Alto Lake, deputy dispatched.

11:12 a.m. Dog reported running loose on Antler in Alto, deputy dispatched.

11:43 a.m. Medical call at Lincoln County Courthouse (LCC) located on Central Av-

enue in Carrizozo, ambulance dispatched.

3:48 p.m. Medical call at LCC located on Central Avenue in Carrizozo, ambulance dispatched.

4:26 p.m. Welfare check requested at multiple residential location on Hwy 70 in Ruidoso Downs, deputy dispatched.

6:00 p.m. Dog reported running loose on 10th Street in Carrizozo, police dispatched.

6:57 p.m. Disturbance/family dispute reported at residence on 18th Street in Carrizozo, police and ambulance dispatched.

8:02 p.m. Dog reported running loose on F Avenue in Carrizozo, police dispatched.

8:09 p.m. Suspicious activity reported at location on Las Estrelas in Ranches of Sontoro, deputy dispatched.

10:24 p.m. Suspicious activity reported on Schlarb Road in Carrizozo, deputy dispatched.

July 30

1:05 a.m. Information report at LCDC on Airport Road in Carrizozo, deputy dispatched.

1:20 a.m. Flooding/Act of Nature reported in Bonito Lake area, deputy dispatched.

2:29 a.m. Disturbance/loud party reported at location on Mesa Vista in Alto, deputy dispatched.

3:33 a.m. Suspicious activity reported at San Patricio Church in San Patricio, deputy dispatched.

5:30 a.m. Medical call at location on Hwy 220 in Alto, ALS ambulance dispatched.

7:15 a.m. Accident reported at location on Hwy 220 in Alto, Bonito emergency units and ambulance dispatched.

8:44 a.m. Dog reported running loose on Enchanted Forest Loop in Alto, deputy dispatched.

9:30 a.m. Agency assistance requested at Fort Stanton Caves, deputy dispatched.

10:04 a.m. Warrant service at LCC on Central Avenue in Carrizozo, deputy dispatched.

10:14 a.m. Medical call at location on Bonito Park Road in Bonito, ALS ambulance and deputy dispatched.

11:26 a.m. Burglary reported at location on Smokey Bear Boulevard in Capitan, police dispatched.

1:37 p.m. Out of season wild game violation reported at location in Hondo, deputy dispatched.

2:17 p.m. Harassment reported at location on Hwy 380 in Capitan, deputy dispatched.

3:55 p.m. Warrant service requested by New Mexico Department of Juvenile Corrections Probation and Parole officer (JPO) at location on Mechem Drive in Ruidoso, deputy dispatched.

4:08 p.m. Information report at location on Foxtail in Corona, deputy dispatched.

4:53 p.m. Peacekeeping/police presence requested at location on Hwy 220 in Alto, deputy dispatched.

7:31 p.m. Trespassing reported at Gallacher Ranch in Carrizozo, deputy dispatched.

July 31

8:30 a.m. Trespassing reported at location on White Oaks Canyon Road in White Oaks, deputy dispatched.

9:10 a.m. Medical call at Carrizozo Health Center on E Avenue in Carrizozo, ambulance dispatched.

9:15 a.m. Arrest ordered by 12th Judicial District Drug Court Judge at location on Reservoir in Ruidoso Downs, deputy dispatched.

11:18 a.m. Medical call at Carrizozo Health Clinic on E Avenue in Carrizozo, ambulance dispatched.

2:56 p.m. Medical call at mile marker 284 on Hwy 70 in Hondo, Glencoe/Pato Verde emergency units and ambulance dispatched.

7:19 p.m. Juvenile offenses reported at residence on Second Street in Capitan, police and deputy dispatched.

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Sheriff's Report

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7:24 p.m. Traffic offenses reported at intersection of Denver City and Rainwater in Ruidoso, deputy dispatched.
 7:57 p.m. Disturbance reported at location on Hwy 70 in Ruidoso Downs resulting in agency assistance, A.I.S. ambulance and deputy dispatched.
 August 1
 8:48 a.m. Funeral escort requested at location on Hwy 48 in Bonito, deputy dispatched.
 9:31 a.m. Funeral escort requested at location in San Patricio, deputy dispatched.
 11:06 a.m. Civil dispute reported at mile marker 10 on Hwy 37 in Nogal, deputy dis-

patched.
 1:19 p.m. Police presence requested at location on Warbow in Alto, deputy dispatched.
 2:19 p.m. Larceny/theft reported at location on Alpine Meadows Trail in Alto, deputy dispatched.
 2:50 p.m. Larceny/theft reported at location on Blackhawk Road in Alto, deputy dispatched.
 4:32 p.m. Medical call at residence on Lance Trail in Ruidoso, A.I.S. ambulance dispatched.
 5:38 p.m. Shots fired reported near Bonito Lake campground, deputy dispatched.

10:07 p.m. Disturbance reported at location on Post Oak Lane, deputy dispatched.
 August 2
 2:01 a.m. Fight reported at location near FR 120A in Ruidoso, deputy dispatched.
 3:06 a.m. Illegal fireworks being discharged at location on La Manoha in San Patricio, deputy dispatched.
 8:45 a.m. Burglary reported at location on Tiger Drive in Capitan, deputy dispatched.
 1:25 p.m. Welfare check requested at Baca Campground on Hwy 380 between Capitan and Lincoln, deputy dispatched.
 7:19 p.m. Disturbance/loud party reported at location on Gavilan Canyon Road in Alto, deputy dispatched.
 7:36 p.m. Death reported at mile marker 14 on Hwy 246 in Capitan, ambulance and deputy dispatched.
 9:30 p.m. Medical call at residence on Pinchurst in Alto, ALS ambulance dispatched.
 9:54 p.m. Drugs reported discovered at LCDC on Airport Road in Carrizozo, deputy dispatched.
 August 3
 6:40 a.m. Fire reported at location on Hwy 48 in Capitan, Capitan fire units dispatched.
 8:00 a.m. Accident reported on B Avenue in Carrizozo, police dispatched.
 9:08 a.m. Dog reported run-

ning loose on Jarratt in Ruidoso, deputy dispatched.
 9:14 a.m. Medical call at mile marker 289 on Hwy 70 in Hondo, ALS ambulance and deputy dispatched.
 10:16 a.m. Civil dispute reported at residence on Birch Road in Carrizozo, police dispatched.
 10:22 a.m. Welfare check requested at intersection of White Oaks and Third Street in Capitan, police and ambulance dispatched.
 12:34 p.m. Fire reported at mile marker 289 on Hwy 70 in Glencoe, Glencoe/Palo Verde fire units dispatched.
 1:25 p.m. Medical call at location on Hwy 380 in Lincoln, ALS ambulance dispatched.
 1:32 p.m. Welfare check requested at mile marker 54 on Hwy 380 west of Carrizozo, deputy dispatched.
 1:47 p.m. Alarm reported at location on Turnberry Lane in Alto, deputy dispatched.
 2:01 p.m. Motorist assistance requested at location on Gavilan Canyon Road in Alto, deputy dispatched.



Old Lincoln Town

by Rosalita Dunlap

I ended up in the emergency room last week and didn't get my news in plus losing what I did get written.

Lincolntown was a busy, noisy place during the pageant. The crowds were kept busy shopping with the vendors, listening to the different music groups, the Pat Garret performance and the various demonstrations. The new firefighters group was as great attraction.

The Ft. Seldon group had their camp on the Dolan House's property. They were ready to leave when one of their members suffered a fatal heart attack. Our sympathies go to the group.

We are still having lots of thunderstorms and rain. It didn't rain on the pageant performance although it looked threatening. It did rain west of town. Sunday night the electricity was off for a few hours. With all this rain it seems everyone is busy mowing all the time.

Gene and Carolyn Cristman's daughter and family of Stockton CA are visiting them. Anna, Sandrae Carl and children Cameron and Casey have been busy seeing the sights of NM. They all visited Santa Fe, then on Monday they visited White Sands early in the morning and the Space Center in Alamogordo. Casey is quite the young baker.

Visiting Bev and Bill Stausser is Bev's sister, Phyllis Purvis of Boise, ID. Phyllis was a huge help to Bev and Bill during the pageant. She also joined the Carls on their trips of NM.

A belated congratulations to Mary Helen Skeen. She was recognized recently as the "Sheepman of the Year" award of the Year by the NM Wool Growers.

Creative Memories is holding their quarterly get together August 22-24. They will meet at Ft. Lone Tree.

Another date to remember is the 11th Art in the Orchard to be held at the Dr. Woods Orchard in Lincoln September 6th and 7th. The time is 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. For more information call 575-653-0044 or 575-653-4340. You can also e-mail let101@yahoo.com

The Dunlap household was a busy one last week. Lois Coleman, Portland, TX, Patricia Pastrano and our new 6 week old great-grandson, Tristan, of Phoenix, AZ visited us. Friday night David Coleman arrived to see his grandson. They all left early Sunday morning.



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education of the races, some of their natural instincts have continued, inert but in full strength within them. One of these is an irresistible impulse at different periods to rise up and start westward or southward. The methods of men have all changed; enlightenment has taught the loveliness of peace and the enchantment of knowledge; it is well nigh twenty centuries since the doctrine of the brotherly love began to be impressed upon the savage hearts of men; Justice has been demanding of man his self-enobling sacrifices and Mercy has been tugging at the heartstrings of nations, beseeching them to lift their eyes to the high light that comes of wisdom and truth to illuminate the world and lift men up to their regal place only a little lower than the angels, up to enlightened liberty and that progress which follows when man, disenthralled from all that is base and low and cruel stands fully regenerated, with ignorance and superstition and all the coarser instincts put aside, in the very image of God.

When it was believed that this was being accomplished; when peace prizes were being prepared for kings; after a great peace palace had been upreared and dedicated by prayer and solemn anthems and the incense of burning eloquence and the notions made a solemn covenant to henceforth adjust their grievances in an enlightened way; suddenly the old fierce instinct that had lain so long dormant awakened, and in a day as it were millions of men sprang to arms, and the hordes started again on their savage march for plunder and more power, just as was done of old except that all the advantages which learning had taught men seem to have been devoted to prepare more scientific methods to carry on war and to make war more destructive.

Is this to be the last great war? Is this the fearful remedy which has been prescribed that its results may finally enlighten men to see that there is no divinity that hedges kings about but only the divinity that comes to the hearts and brains of free people?

The American Way

An article from the pen of Dr. Charles W. Eliot, in the Harper's Weekly, deals very interestingly on America's foreign policy, particularly with reference to its application by President Wilson. This portion of the article reads:

"Under the guidance of President Wilson, the United States has been thoroughly committed to non-intervention by force of arms when adventurous American investors in the territory of a foreign state are threatened with loss of life, liberty, or property on the foreign soil, or have actually suffered such losses. American investors had gone into Mexico on their own risk, because they thought they could make more money by applying their inventive or constructive power and their capital there than they could at home. The disordered condition of the country threatened losses to these enterprising Americans; and the armed intervention of the United States might perhaps have prevented these losses, or at least have avenged them.

Influential persons, corporations, newspapers, and public officers urged vehemently that American troops should at once seize Northern Mexico. President Wilson's administration declined to intervene; brought the exposed Americans out of Mexico in safety; helped the citizens of other countries to leave Mexico if they desired to do so; left the care of all-aliens properties to Mexicans; and induced European governments to follow the policy of the Americans. In this patient but persistent process the president of the United States deliberately abandoned the policy pursued for centuries by Rome and England in their dealing with weaker foreign countries. The Roman citizen must be safe anywhere in the Mediterranean world. Great Britain has pursued the seizure, indemnity, and punitive expedition policy down to the present day. No European nation has ever announced or acted on the policy of non-intervention on behalf of its endangered or injured commercial or missionary adventurers. The American republic has the honor of making first this great contribution to international peace and the progress of civilization.

"The sudden invasion of Serbia by Austria, and of Luxemburg, Belgium, France and Russian Poland by Germany, without formal declaration of war, and in great force has proved conclusively

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Church Directory



MOUNTAIN MINISTRY PARISH, SIERRA BLANCA PRESBYTERY
 Nagal Presbyterian Church:
 E.W. "Bo" LEWIS, Pastor
 Sunday School 10:00 a.m.
 Worship 11:00 a.m.

Ancho Community Presbyterian Church:
 Worship 9:00 a.m.
 Sunday School 10:00 a.m.

Corona United Presbyterian Church:
 Sunday School 10:00 a.m.
 Worship 11:00 a.m.

First Baptist Church
 HAYDEN SMITH, Pastor
 314 10th Ave., Carrizozo, NM
 648-2988 (Church) or 648-2107
 Sunday School 9:45 a.m.
 Worship Service 10:55 a.m.
 Sun Evening 6:00 p.m.
 Wednesday, Sept - April
 AWANAS 6:00 p.m.

Carrizozo Assembly of God
 Corner 13th & C Ave.
 Barbara Bradley, Pastor
 Children's Ministry and
 Nursery Available
 Worship Service 10:00 a.m.
 Youth Service 6:00 p.m.

Santa Rita Catholic Community

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

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

Church of Christ
TOM POINDEXTER, Minister 354-3135
 Ave. C at 12th, Carrizozo, NM
 Sunday School 10:00 a.m.
 Worship Service 11:00 a.m.
 Evening Worship 1:15 p.m.
 Wednesday Bible Study 7:00 p.m.

White Oaks Community Church
 Non-denominational
 Sunday Worship Service 11:00 a.m.

St. Matthias Episcopal Church
 Rev. d Canon Peter Sanderson,
 Priest-in-Charge
 Corner of E. Ave. and Sixth, Carrizozo, NM
 Ph. 505-257-2358
 Holy Eucharist Sunday 9:30 a.m.

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

United Methodist Churches
JOHANNA ANDERSON, Pastor
 1000 D. Ave, 648-2893 / 648-2846
 Carrizozo, NM 89301
 Sunday School (All Ages) 10:00 a.m.
 Worship Service 11:00 am
 Choir Practice (Tuesday) 8:30 p.m.
 United Methodist Women
 Every 3rd Wednesday 2:00 p.m.
 Fellowship Dinner on
 4th Sunday of Month 12:30 p.m.

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

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

Capitan Church of Christ
LESLIE EARWOOD, Minister
 5th & Lincoln / 338-4627
 Sunday Bible Study 10:00 a.m.
 Worship Service 11:00 a.m.
 Evening Worship 6:00 p.m.
 Wednesday Bible Study 6:00 p.m.

Trinity Southern Baptist Church
MEL GNATKOWSKI, Pastor / 848-2530
 Phone 354-2044
 Capitan (South on Hwy. 48)
 Sunday School 9:30 a.m.
 Worship Service 11:00 a.m.

First Baptist Church of Corona
CAL WEST, Pastor / 849-7875
 Sunday School 10:00 a.m.
 Worship Service 11:00 a.m.
 Wednesday Bible Study 7:00 p.m.
 Fellowship Dinner 1st Sunday of Month

Sunday:
 Sunday School for all ages 9:30 a.m.
 Morning Worship 10:30 a.m.
 Children's Church 10:45 a.m.
 Evening Worship 6:00 p.m.
Wednesday:
 Teen dinner and games 6:00 p.m.
 Teen Bible Study 7:00 p.m.
 Prayer Meeting 8:00 p.m.

Grace Fellowship Church
TERRY AIELLO, Pastor / 849-0105
 Ancho
 Worship 2:00 p.m.
 Sunday School 3:15 p.m.

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County Faces Lawsuit

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ment and that those records become available for public inspection. The complaint states that Virden, as Custodian of Records, should be ordered to retrieve those records by whatever lawful means necessary.

Scott Stinnett, editor of the *De Baca County News*, said earlier this week that the newspaper's initial request for information was made to Virden, but a response from Lincoln County Attorney Alan Morel indicated that the records from the case were being held in confidentiality due to the ongoing investigation by the Sheriff's Department.

"Then they said that they didn't have the records because Sullivan and Sederwall took them," Stinnett said. "Then Sullivan and Sederwall resigned their commissions (with the Sheriff's Department) and said that the records were private," he added, "and now they're saying that those records don't exist at all."

"In our opinion, there's no question that these are public records," Stinnett said on Monday. "The Open Records Act says that, if they refuse the records and you have to sue to get them, and you win in court, then the defendants have to pay your attorney fees too."

Stinnett said that the former De Baca County Sheriff used his patrol vehicle in connection with the case to travel to Silver City and to meetings in Lincoln County, and he assumed that the Lincoln County officers made similar use of public assets. "But we haven't asked for those records yet," he said.

"The issue for you guys is how much is this going to cost the taxpayers of Lincoln County," Stinnett said, "and even if they settle, if they never go to trial, they still have to pay our attorney's fees, and we're not going to settle. We either get the records or we go to trial," he said.

The *Lincoln County News* was alerted to the possible expense to the taxpayers re-

sulting from the *Cooper-De Baca County News* complaint when word was released that the litigation funds provided by the county's insurer have been used up.

The county's \$10,000 policy for representation in any individual case has been maxed-out before this case has even reached the deposition stage.

According to Lincoln County Manager Tom Stewart, it is the first time the county has ever exceeded the limit of its insurance coverage. The county is now obligated to pick up the costs of the legal actions.

"I'm afraid we have very little alternatives," Stewart said this week. "We've asked Sederwall and Sullivan for the documents and they refuse to turn them over. They see it differently, but the way the litigant sees it is that they were representing the county and, therefore, everything should be public information," Stewart said. "Sederwall and Sullivan are stonewalling the release of the documents we've requested. We've gone back to the attorneys and the judge and said, look, we're powerless. We can't get it out of them. But, at the time, they were representing themselves as Sheriff and Deputy Sheriff, therefore the county's on the hook. It's a very sad situation," Stewart said. "We're at wits end. We're stuck."

Sederwall told *The News* this week that he had received a request from Cooper's attorney for some information regarding the Billy the Kid investigation. "I told him all you've got to do is come down here and I'll talk to you. You can see anything you want," Sederwall said. He claimed to be unaware of any reason for the county's involvement, and said that not a cent of county money had been used in the investigation. "I was a reserve deputy, but I never worked for the county on this," he said. "We made that perfectly clear back when Sullivan was the Sheriff."

When asked why he had

failed to produce the requested documents, Sederwall stated, "They're not county documents. And the thing is, she asked for a bunch of documents that I don't even have. She's asking for Henry Lee's DNA test and Henry Lee didn't do a DNA test," he said.

Sederwall also said that he knows there is a file on the case in the Sheriff's Department, and he doesn't understand why Virden didn't just copy whatever is in that file and send it to the plaintiffs.

Sullivan would only tell *The News* that he did not have the documents that have been requested.

He and Sederwall are scheduled to give depositions in the request for information case on August 18th.

Whatever the results might be of the investigation into the deaths of deputies and outlaws of 1881, the Lincoln County taxpayers will inevitably have to foot the bill for the resistance or inability to produce what may or may not be the public records of the case.

One thing that Stinnett seemed certain of was that his side has a great deal of evidence to support its claim.

Corona News

Kelli West will present a concert at the Baptist Church in Corona, Sunday, August 17 at 6:00 p.m. with refreshments to follow. Kelli is the daughter of Cal and Sherry West and will be a freshman at Wayland Baptist College this fall.

The Presbyterian Church of Corona will host a covered dish dinner after church Sunday, August 17 to welcome students, teachers and staff back to school and to meet Emily Bagley and Kimberlee Smith, teachers new to the staff this year. Students started school Tuesday.

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LEGAL NOTICE

STATE OF NEW MEXICO
COUNTY OF LINCOLN
TWELFTH JUDICIAL
DISTRICT COURT
No. D1226CV200700311

QUICK LOAN FUNDING, INC.,
Plaintiff,

vs.
THE UNKNOWN HEIRS, DEVISEES, OR
LEGATEES OF DONNA JEAN HAMIL-
TON, DECEASED; SCOTT J. MARTIN;
CHARLES HAMILTON AKA CHARLES
HAMILTON,

Defendant(s)

NOTICE OF SUIT

STATE OF NEW MEXICO to the above-named Defendant The Unknown Heirs, Devisees, or Legatees of Donna Jean Hamilton, deceased.

GREETINGS: You are hereby notified that the above-named Plaintiff has filed a civil action against you in the above-entitled Court and cause, the general object thereof being to foreclose a mortgage on property located at 565 2nd Street, Ruidoso, NM 88345, Lincoln County, New Mexico, said property being more particularly described as:

LOT 7, OF KINGWOOD ADDITION,
UNIT NO. 1, RUIDOSO, LINCOLN
COUNTY, NEW MEXICO, AS
SHOWN ON THE PLAT THEREOF.
FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE
COUNTY CLERK OF LINCOLN
COUNTY, NEW MEXICO, ON
MARCH 30, 1964.

Unless you serve a pleading or motion in response to the complaint in said cause on or before September 22, 2008, judgment by default will be entered against you.

Respectfully Submitted,
CASTLE MEINHOLD &
STAWIARSKI

By: Karen Howden Weaver
Sharon Hankla, Karen Howden Weaver
999 18th St., Suite 2201, Bin 1
Denver, CO 80202
(800) 286-0013; (303) 285-2222
Attorney for Plaintiff

WITNESS the Honorable KAREN L. PARSONS, DISTRICT COURT JUDGE, of the Twelfth Judicial District of New Mexico Judicial District Court, Lincoln County, New Mexico, this 16th day of July 2008.

JAN PERRY
Clerk of the District Court
By: Gloria LaMay, Deputy

06-3021/Martin, Scott & Donna,
P452067

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LEGAL NOTICE

STATE OF NEW MEXICO
COUNTY OF LINCOLN
TWELFTH JUDICIAL
DISTRICT COURT
No. D-1226-CV-2008-122

DEUTSCHE BANK NATIONAL TRUST
COMPANY, AS TRUSTEE FOR MORGAN
STANLEY ABS CAPITAL I INC. TRUST
2007-HE7,

Plaintiff,

vs.
MARK WINTER, MARGO PADILLA,
CHAMPIONS RUN CONDOMINIUMS
HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION, AND
BANK OF NEW YORK AS TRUSTEE
FOR THE CERTIFICATEHOLDERS
ASSET-BACKED CERTIFICATES,
SERIES 2006-7,

Defendants,

NOTICE OF SALE

Notice is hereby given that on September 4, 2008, at the hour of 10:00 am the undersigned Special Master, or his designee, will, at the north entrance of the Lincoln County Courthouse, at 300 Central, Carrizozo, NM 88301, sell all of the rights, title and interest of the above-named Defendants, in and to the herein-after described real estate to the highest bidder for cash. The property to be sold is located at 709 Champions Run, Ruidoso Downs, New Mexico 88346, (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:

Unit No. 709 of CHAMPION'S RUN CONDOMINIUMS, formerly known as Triple Crown Condominiums, Ruidoso Downs, Lincoln County, New Mexico, as the same is set forth and established by that certain Declaration recorded May 3, 1985 in Miscellaneous Book 99, pages 539 to 581, both inclusive; Amendment recorded in Miscellaneous Book 100, pages 19 to 21, both inclusive; Articles of Amendment recorded in Book 1990-9, pages 809 and 810; Articles of Amendment recorded in Book 1990-9, pages 811 to 814, both inclusive; Articles of Amendment recorded in Book 1991-4, pages 799 and 800; and by that certain Amended and Restated Declaration recorded in Book 1991-15, pages 537 to 605, both inclusive, all in the office of the County Clerk of Lincoln County, New Mexico; and as shown by the plat

thereof filed in the office of the County Clerk and Ex-officio Recorder of Lincoln County, New Mexico on May 3, 1985 in Cabinet D, Slide No. 362; TOGETHER WITH said Unit's undivided interest in and to the common area and facilities of Champion's Run Condominiums; attributable thereto,

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 July 24, 2008, being an action to foreclose a mortgage on the above-described property. The Plaintiff's judgment is \$108,656.29, and the same bear interest at the current rate of 9.3000%, which accrues at the rate of \$27.69 per diem, commencing on July 1, 2008, with the Court reserving entry of final judgment against said Defendant Mark Winter 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 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 to the highest bidder for cash or equivalent, the lands and improvements described above for the purpose of satisfying, in the adjudged order of priorities, the judgment described herein and decree of foreclosure together with any additional costs and attorney's fees, costs of advertisement and publication, a reasonable receiver and Special Master's fee to be fixed by the Court. The total amount of the judgment due is \$108,656.29, plus interest to and including date of sale of \$1,827.54 for a total judgment plus interest of \$110,483.83. Sale is subject to the entry of an order for the Court approving the terms and conditions of this sale.

EDWARD LITTLE, Special Master
1509 37th St. SE
Rio Rancho NM 87124
Telephone: (505) 891-1918
E-mail: sale@littledfrantel.com

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LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

NOTICE is hereby given that the Lincoln County Planning Commissioners will hold a Public Hearing beginning at 1:00 p.m., on Wednesday, September 3rd, 2008 to be held at the Lincoln County Courthouse, Commission Chambers in Carrizozo, New Mexico. This meeting will be to consider preliminary subdivision plat approval for:

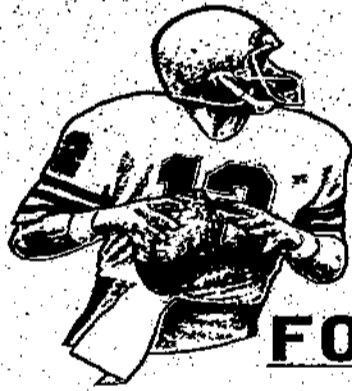
STONE MOUNTAIN ESTATES SUBDIVISION, containing 22 tracts, ranging from 2.003 to 5.620 acre in size, encompassing 61.28 acres. To be located in a portion of N1/2NE1/4 of section 2, Township 11 South, Range 13 East, N.M.P.M., Lincoln County, New Mexico. This will be a Type 3 subdivision with private paved roads, individual water systems and individual liquid waste systems.

All parties and interested citizens will have the opportunity to testify and ask questions. Copies of any State or Local opinions relating to be proposed subdivision may be obtained from the Lincoln County Planning Office, located in the County of Lincoln Sub Office at 115 Kansas City Road, Ruidoso, New Mexico. Meeting agenda's will be made available twenty four (24) hours prior to the meeting. If you are an individual with a disability who is in need of an auxiliary aid or service please contact 575-258-5934 at least 48 hours in advance of this meeting.

CURT TEMPLE
Planning Director
Lincoln County

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A FINE GIFT FOR
SOME
ONE



CARRIZOZO GRIZZLY

2008 VARSITY FOOTBALL SCHEDULE

August 23	Cloudcroft (Scrimmage)	Away	TBA
August 29	Tucumcari	Away	7:00 PM
September 5	Capitan	Away	7:00 PM
September 12	Marfa, TX	Home	6:00 PM
September 18	Alamo JV	Home	6:00 PM
September 27	Escalante	Away	1:00 PM
October 3	Hagerman	Home	7:00 PM
October 10	OPEN		
October 17	Ft. Sumner	Away	7:00 PM
October 24	Mescalero	Away	7:00 PM
October 31	Jal	Home	7:00 PM

JR. HIGH SCHEDULE

Aug. 28	Cloudcroft	Away	4:00 PM
Sept. 4	Mescalero	Away	4:00 PM
Sept. 11	Capitan	Home	4:00 PM
Sept. 25	Mescalero	Home	4:00 PM
Sept. 29	Capitan	Away	4:00 PM
Oct. 9	Cloudcroft	Home	4:00 PM



Looking Back

THROUGH OLD NEWS FILES

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that those two military powers are capable of using the armies they always hold in complete readiness to attack any one of their neighbors without reason or excuse. The peace of the civilized world had been broken by them in the most wanton manner; and the commerce of the world is suddenly interrupted, in utter disregard of the interests and welfare of other nations.

"Compare these actions of two great military monarchies with the action of the United States toward Mexico during the past 16 months. Every American and every republican has a right to be proud of the contrast, and to anticipate with joy that great gains for human rights and welfare will come in time out of this demonstration of the superiority of democratic institutions as regards public morality and international good will."

- Isn't this a peaceful world?
- Mad as March Hares -- all of them.
- Only the vultures profit by the war.
- Treaties are like promises -- made to be broken.
- Burying their differences! Not much! They are burying their citizens.
- It required ages for civilization to emerge from barbarism, and only a flash to return from whence it came.
- A former prime minister of France has been fighting in the ranks of an enlisted man. An American politician would expect to be a colonel at least.
- Civilization is becoming decivilized.

From the desk of Haley & Dingwall, publishers

- * Germany and Austria will be easy converts to the "Watchful Waiting" policy in the future -- if, indeed, there is anything left of these kingdoms when the allies get through.
- * Many have now reached the conclusion that "grape juice" diplomacy has something over a "wine and beer" diplomacy or whatever kind of beverage may be designated as the European brand.
- * Instead of cutting down the terms of officials to two years, because of the fear that the people might elect a bad official, why not establish the recall and be in the position to get rid of undesirable officials without disturbing the others?
- * In the eyes of the old crowd that met in Santa Fe, it is a crime to make careless or dishonest officials return the people's money they have used or squandered. Such a thing was unheard of before we had the present "pernicious" and inquisitive democratic administration.
- * As a result of "strong" foreign policies, one half of the world is now at war the other half is suffering because of it and civilization has been set back a century. The Triple Alliance, the Triple Entente, the Balkan Federation and all the warring peoples would have profited by a much weaker foreign policy.

Couldn't Corner Him

"Count," said the lady in the foreign nobleman at the charity bazaar, "won't you buy this rose. It is only \$5.00."
"I am very sorry," said the count, with a courtly bow, "but the price is a little to high."
The lady kissed the rose. "An now, count, will you buy it?"
"No, madame," he said, with a still deeper bow. Now the rose is priceless."

Warning!

No one can legally close any well established road or put gates upon same, or in any way obstruct or change roads without permission from the Road Board.
Citizens in localities where gates, fences or other obstructions are placed without legal permission having been granted by the Road Board have a perfect right to remove same without appealing to this Board.

Lincoln County Road Board

"Have A Good Day!"

Casa Manana Plans Nickel and Dime Sale

July 19, 1980 saw the official opening of Casa Manana in Carrizozo. Casa Manana is House of Tomorrow in Spanish.

The housing complex was built to house eight senior citizens needing a safe and affordable place to live. Each apartment is self-contained with a kitchen, living/dining room, bedroom and bath. One is handicapped accessible. There is plenty of closet space and extra storage in the room next to the laundry which has two washers and dryers for tenants to use free of charge. There is room for sorting clothes as well as a recycling center.

FHA's Rural Development subsidizes rent, so tenants have a relatively low cost for their safe and comfortable home. And this support will continue for another 20 years since the mortgage was for a 50 year period of time.

As is the case with all homes, upgrades are constantly needed, and there is a long list being slowly but surely addressed. However, the tenants would like to take a step forward and move some of these plans along a little quicker. They have decided to help get rid of "stuff" in their own abodes as well as yours (if you want) and have a yard sale to help raise funds for landscaping.

Their nickel & dime yard sale will be held Saturday, August 16, from 9 a.m. "til you buy all our stuff" -- probably about noon.

Signs will be posted at various places around town, and the "landscape dream" will be available for you to see -- and choose what you'd like to help support.

Donations will be accepted (complete with a tax receipt since Casa Manana has a 501(c3 status) and will go directly toward the tenants' desired work.

Items for the sale can be dropped off at Casa Manana Units 4 or 5, or you can make arrangements for pick up by calling 648-2514. Nothing will be priced for more than \$5, and most items will be less than \$1. Anything "better" will be saved for the annual Woman's Club Tried but True sale in October.

So, come check out the only senior citizens housing in Carrizozo and help us get rid of stuff (ours and yours) as we raise funds to get more done on our much needed landscaping! Casa Manana is located at the corner of 11th Street and D Avenue.

FAST ACTION

Lincoln County News

CLASSIFIED ADS

CALL: (505) 648-2333

NOW ACCEPTING ENROLLMENT

The Rocking Horse Daycare is accepting enrollment for PreK. We offer transportation to and from PreK. We will also be in a new facility this fall. We are a Nationally Accredited program. For more information call 648-2802.

8/7-14

ELSIE'S FLAME CHARBROILED BURGERS, HOMEMADE ENCHILADAS AND BURRITOS, HOT DOGS, SANDWICHES, FRESH SALADS, ICE CREAM, SHAKES, FLOATS AND SODAS. CARRIZOZO 380@54. VISIT US SOON. LOCAL BUSINESS DELIVERY 648/4200

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NOTICE OF EMPLOYMENT

The Rocking Horse Daycare and PreK is now accepting applications for Full time and Part time workers to work with the infants and toddlers. We are also taking applications for substitute teachers. You must pass a criminal background check to work with children. You can pick up applications at the daycare or for more information call 648-2802.

8/7-14

HOUSE FOR SALE, 1,200 sq. ft. home on 1.5 acres off B Ave., Carrizozo. Recently remodeled, new roof, siding, electric service and carpet. Three bedroom, two bath, handicap accessible, good well with 3 acre foot water rights and city water and sewer. Horses OK. Great mountain views and good location. Appraised at \$90,000 asking \$82,000. Possible owner finance with 10 percent down. Contact Cathie Eisen at 575-937-6321.

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NICKLEL & DIME YARD SALE

Casa Manana Apartments, Carrizozo

Sat., August 16

9 a.m. til you buy all our stuff

Help us landscape!

(Donations are welcome)

2tp/8/7-14

FOR RENT -- One bedroom, furnished casita, in Carrizozo. \$350 monthly includes utilities. Small deposit. Call 648-2598, Tues.-Sat. to see.

4tp/7/31-8/21

MOVING SALE

August 15 & 16

Friday - 9 to 1
Saturday - 8 to noon

1503 (G) Ave.
Carrizozo

Tools, live trap, guns, exercise equipment, utility trailer, topper windows, misc.

1tp/8/14

Two Arrested in Ruidoso

Lincoln County Sheriff Rick Virden announced that on Tuesday, August 12 Jennifer L. Burgess, age 33 of Ruidoso was arrested by Ruidoso Police on warrants sought by agents from the Lincoln County Narcotics Enforcement Unit in connection with three counts of trafficking methamphetamines and marijuana.

The arrest resulted from an ongoing undercover operation conducted in late spring and early summer by the Narcotics Enforcement Unit when undercover agents purchased methamphetamines and marijuana from Burgess. Burgess is in the Lincoln County Detention Center in Carrizozo with bond set by Magistrate Court at \$25,000.

Sheriff Virden last week announced that a multi-agency task force formed for the purpose of conducting checks on persons under supervision of New Mexico Department of Adult Parole and Probation went to the residence at 219 Hemlock Circle in Ruidoso to conduct a surprise visit to a person on supervised probation.

While at the residence, officers came in contact with Dustin L. Barton, age 21, who was apparently residing at the address. He was found hiding in the bathroom. After initially providing false information including a bogus name and false social security number, Barton's real identity was discovered and he was found to be wanted on numerous warrants in the state of Missouri.

He was placed under arrest for the warrants and in the process of searching him incident to the arrest discovered a syringe and tar-like substance hidden on his person. Agents from the Lincoln County Narcotics Enforcement Unit provided assistance. The tar-like substance was field tested and showed positive for heroin.

Barton was subsequently charged with additional counts of possession of heroin, possession of drug paraphernalia, and concealing identity, in addition to the Missouri warrants. He was incarcerated in the Lincoln County Detention Center in Carrizozo pending court appearances for arraignment and extradition.

CLASSIFIED AD FORM

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