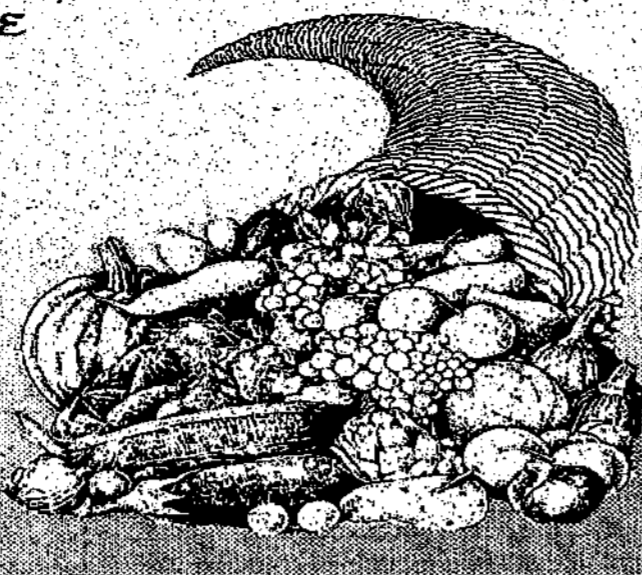


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# Sonic Boom Problems Continue in County

by Patrice Brazie

Residents of the communities of White Oaks and Nogal went before the Lincoln County Board of Commissioners in October to request the adoption of a resolution in support of designating those towns a sonic boom exclusion zone.

The county commissioners heard testimony of how the explosively loud concussions of sonic booms can stampede livestock, fracture the century old foundations of some historic structures and shatter windows, but failed to com-

mit to a resolution in support of a sonic boom-free zone around the two communities.

During a special meeting of the county commissioners on November 7th, Lieutenant

Colonel Alex Grynkewich, Commander of the 49th Operations Support Squadron and an F-22 Raptor pilot out of Holloman Air Force Base, told the concerned residents that he is constantly looking for ways to avoid causing the noise disturbances over populated areas.

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## El Capitan Mining Update

by Patrice Brazie

An application by El Capitan Precious Metals, Incorporated (El Capitan PMI) to drill more than 100 exploratory holes on a mining claim in the Capitan Mountains has drawn attention from a local organization of concerned citizens called Friends of the Capitan as well as the environmental group Wild Earth Guardians and the New Mexico Energy, Minerals and Natural Resources Department. Each has officially requested that the U.S. Forest Service require El Capitan PMI to include an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS), rather than an Environmental Assessment (EA), as a part of the application process.

In a letter to Smokey Bear District Ranger Buck Sanchez, Wild Earth Guardians Wild Places program director Bryan Bird cited the organization's reasons for requesting an EIS based on what he referred to as "intensity triggers" listed in the NEPA code of regulations.

"An EIS is legally required because the action would affect unique characteristics of the geographic area such as proximity to historic or cultural resources," Bird wrote. "The action will have significant degrees of effects on the quality of the human environment and is likely to be highly controversial," he continued.

Bird's letter goes on to state that a regulation of the National Environmental Protection Act (NEPA) requires the completion of an EIS when the effects of a proposed operation are highly uncertain or may result in cumulatively significant impacts to the environment.

"The action may adversely affect districts, sites, highways, structures or objects listed or eligible for listing in the National Register of Historic Places, or may cause loss or destruction of significant scientific, cultural or historical resources to a significant degree," Bird wrote.

New Mexico Cabinet Secretary Joanna Prukop, in a letter written to Sanchez last March, explained that El Capitan PMI has submitted exploratory drilling applications to the Mining and Minerals Division of the New Mexico Energy, Minerals and Natural Resource Department.

"This proposed exploration is far bigger than any mining exploration project ever received or approved by the Mining and Minerals Division, in terms of both number of holes to be drilled and miles of roads to be built," Prukop wrote. She also pointed out the presence of historic, cultural and/or ar-

cheological sites in the proposed drilling area, the heavy recreational use of the area and concerns of owners of private property adjacent to the proposed drilling sites.

"Preparing an EIS will ensure both a sufficiently detailed analysis of the environmental impacts of the proposal and full consideration of any reasonable alternatives," Prukop wrote. "It will also guarantee full public involvement in the Forest Service's review process."

The Lincoln County Board of Commissioners joined in the call for the completion of an EIS and adopted a resolution last May making its position official. The county officials held a public hearing in October to discuss the possibility of creating a mining ordinance that would give the county some authority in protecting citizens against health and safety issues associated with mining and a means by which to protect its infrastructure from

mining disturbance or damage.

On November 18th, during a regular meeting of the county commissioners, Sanchez provided an update on the mining application and permitting process.

"We have, in working with the mining company and their hired environmental consultant, GL Environmental, initiated the NEPA process," Sanchez said. "It took about a year, year and a half from the time the Plan of Operation discussion first started with El Capitan Precious Metals to where they were able to provide a Plan of Operation for exploration that we could accept as adequate to start NEPA," he said.

Sanchez told the county commissioners that the decision on whether to require El Capitan PMI to complete an EIS or an EA was a call that the Forest Service would

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## Obituary



MARION SELBY SPENCER

Marion Selby Spencer, 89, passed away in Alamogordo on November 22. She was born May 27, 1919 at Ft. Brown, which was the first U.S. Military Garrison in Texas, located in Cameron County - Brownville, Texas. Her father was U.S. Army Capt. John Edwin Selby who at the time was in the 16th Cavalry. Her mother was Carolyn Duckett Selby.

Marion Selby and Truman A. Spencer, Jr. were married at St. Andrews Episcopal Church in Roswell on June 14, 1939 by Fr. Ted Howden. Her husband preceded her in death on July 1, 1982.

She is survived by a daughter, Susan S. Frost and husband, Jaok of San Carlos, Mexico and Carrizozo; sons S.M. Spencer, LTC, U.S. Army (Ret) of Rio Rancho and Carrizozo; Stirling T. Spencer and wife, Carrie of Carrizozo. She is also survived by brothers Dr. John Selby of South Carolina and Edwin Selby, COL, U.S. Army (Ret) of Florida. Also surviving are five grandchild-

dren and four great grandchildren.

Marion was a devoted member of St. Mathias Episcopal Church and served as Eucharistic Minister and Alter Chairman for many years. She was a 25 year member of Sierra Blanca Chapter National Society Daughters of the American Revolution, recipient of Clara Barton Red Cross Award, Girl Scout Leader, Red Cross Water Safety Instructor and 4-H Leader. She taught many young people from Lincoln County to swim.

Marion shared a long and deep association with the military way of life. She was born and raised in a military family and was a military wife and mother. She also had strong family ties with, and was a patron of, the New Mexico Military Institute (NMMI) in Roswell.

Family services were held on Tuesday, November 25th in St. Mathias Episcopal Church in Carrizozo with the Rev. Cannon John Penn officiating. Graveside services were conducted at Cedervale Cemetery in White Oaks. Pall bearers were: Truman McDonald Spencer, Justin Kirkbride, John Sugg, Jake Riddle, Dwayne Langley and Brandon Langley. Honorary pall bearers were Dr. Paul Turner, Merrill Longwell, Dr. Al Sadowski, Hon. George Zimmerman, Fred English, Alan Langley and Henry Vega.

In lieu of flowers contributions may be made to St. Mathias Episcopal Church - c/o Stirling Spencer - Box 36 - Carrizozo, N.M. 88301.



NEW MEXICO STATE UNIVERSITY National Intercollegiate Rodeo Association (NIRA) rodeo woman's all-around champion Staci Stanbrough, of Capitan. (NMSU Photo by J. Victor Espinoza)

## Stanbrough Named Women's All Around Rodeo Champion for the Weekend NIRA

The New Mexico State University women's rodeo team won first place overall at the final rodeo of the semester, the NMSU National Intercollegiate Rodeo Association (NIRA) rodeo, held Nov. 15 in Las Cruces.

Staci Stanbrough of Capitan was named the women's all-around champion for the weekend.

The women's team finished with a lead of more than 200 points over the second place team. The men's team placed second overall, coming in behind Central Arizona College.

"The women's team did well, though we need to start taking control of the goat tying and breakaway events. If we can rest this winter and

come back fresh for next spring, we should be able to close the gap on the other schools and finish the year on top," said Jim Dewey Brown, NMSU rodeo coach.

In the breakaway roping event, Stanbrough placed second, with teammate Megan Wilkerson, of Sonoma, Ariz., finishing third.

El Paso native Laura Baeza won first in the barrel racing. Jordan Bassett, of Dewey, Ariz., placed second.

Stanbrough placed second in the goat tying event.

For the men's team, Trey Bissett, of Bay City, Texas, won first in the bareback riding. Clay Geronimo, of Mescalero N.M., placed third.

In the saddlebronc event,

Daniel Orris, of Durango, Colo., placed third.

Jett Sours, of Grady, N.M., and Marco LeBaron, of Mexico, placed first and third, respectively, in the bull riding.

Bryce Runyan, of Silver City, N.M., received third in the tie-down roping.

Wyatt Althoff, of Gilbert, Ariz., placed second in the steer wrestling event.

In the team roping, header Tyler Findley and heeler Donny DeForest, of Yuma, Ariz., received second. The team of Dalton Doak, of Las Cruces, and Brock Kipp, of Animas, N.M., placed third.

The next NIRA rodeo will be held at Cochise College in Fort Huachuca, Ariz., March 6-7, 2009.

# Sonic Boom Problems

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White Oaks resident and main spokesman for the request to the county commissioners, David Thomas, told *The News* shortly after the November 7<sup>th</sup> meeting that he was willing to wait and see how the sonic boom situation progressed before going back to the county officials with another request for support.

Thomas appeared before the county commissioners again on November 18<sup>th</sup> to report that, four days after the presentation by Grynke-wich, another sonic boom over White Oaks blew out a window in his home.

"There's no sense in rehashing what we already know," Thomas told the county commissioners. "I attended the meeting you hosted on the seventh of November with the Air Force, and I walked out of the meet-

ing with an increased appreciation for the challenges that those folks face," he said. "I also walked out with an increased confidence that they would try not 'boom' me, as they put it. I held that confidence for exactly four days."

Thomas said that on the 12<sup>th</sup> of November, another sonic boom occurred over White Oaks.

"The concussion shook my house, and this time it knocked out a pane of glass in a window in my bedroom," he said. "They knocked this glass out of my house at 20 to five in the afternoon. I live the closest glass company and the temperature that night went down well below freezing," he continued, and said that he has a family member who is facing a difficult illness.

"You'll have to forgive me if I'm being a little bit annoying in asking for your help in a situation like this," Thomas told the county commissioners, "but you are the only voice that I have. Nobody in Congress knows me; nobody at the state legislature knows me."

Thomas said that he was not going to restate his request for a county resolution supporting a boom free zone around White Oaks.

"Instead, in the interest of trying to cooperate with our Air Force neighbors, I'd like to suggest the following, if I might," he said. "We sat through the Air Force presentation about what they call 'their asset,' the airplane,

and the difficulties and challenges that they're facing. I suggest the same sort of thing, but this time going back the other way."

Thomas asked that the county commissioners officially and formally request that the Base Commander and any members of his staff come to Lincoln County.

"Perhaps he could take them around and show them the various communities that are being affected," Thomas said. "I'd be glad to meet with them in White Oaks and show them our assets, cultural and historic, and point out the problems that we're having and we're challenged by because of these booms. Perhaps (the Base Commander) has sufficient scientific background that he could look at the terrain around there and evaluate the possibility that maybe we are getting an amplified effect from these things," Thomas said, and reiterated a point he made at the previous meetings. "I've lived around here all my life and I've heard sonic booms all my life, but these aren't the normal sonic booms that we're seeing around here," he said. "At the very least, I think that this would serve to put human faces on a problem that I think, at this point, is nothing more than a point on a map to those folks."

County manager Tom Stewart said that he would pass Thomas' comments on to the Holloman Base Commander, and said he was interested in following Thom-

as' progress through the claims process as he seeks compensation from the Air Force for property damage.

But Thomas said that he has no intentions of filing a claim for damages.

"I fully recognize the concept of restitution, the law has a place for making people whole when they've been damaged," he said, "but I don't think that the law ever intended for the concept of restitution to become license to commit damage or injury. That would fly in the face of what we all value in that, if you've got a big enough checkbook, you can do whatever you want to anybody," Thomas said. "I have reported the matter to the Air Force, but I told them that I don't want their money."

County commissioner Jackie Powell said that she supported the Air Force in whatever it must do to adequately train the F-22 Raptor pilots.

One point that serves to increase some concerns about sonic booms over the mountainous regions of Lincoln County, aside from the perceived amplification of the explosive concussions, is the fact that there are currently only two of the super-sonic F-22 Raptors stationed at Holloman Air Force and the plan is to increase that number to 40. At that point, Air Force personnel have reportedly estimated, there will be about 36 supersonic flights per week.

## Free Legal Workshop

The next Consumer Debt/Bankruptcy Workshop for the southern part of the state will be held on Thursday, December 11 at 5:30 p.m. at Branigan Memorial Library, 209 E. Picacho Ave., Las Cruces.

The workshop includes a presentation and open question and answer period by volunteer attorney, Kenneth Egan. You can receive a free one-on-one consultation from Mr. Egan. This event is open to the public, free of charge, as a community service. Call 1-800-876-6227 or (505) 797-6048 for details.

The New Mexico State Bar Foundation and the Bankruptcy Law Section sponsor this program. Together, this working partnership helps educate the public on consumer issues and on the resources available to meet legal needs.

## Newborn

On October 21 at 2:20 p.m., Randy and Audra Proctor welcomed their new baby girl, Haley LaRain, into the world. Haley weighed 6 lbs. 8.3 oz. and was 20 inches long. Haley has three older brothers, Austin, Aaron and Clayton.

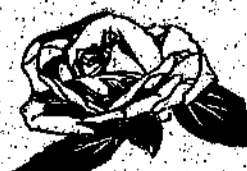
## Obituary

**ANDREITA WEATHERS**  
Graveside service for Andreita Weathers, 73, of Carrizozo was Wednesday, Nov. 19 at Our Lady of Guadalupe Catholic Cemetery in Carrizozo. She died Friday, Nov. 14, in Carrizozo.

She was born November 14, 1935 in Mora County, New Mexico and had lived in New Mexico all of her life. She moved to Lincoln County in 1984 and attended the Catholic Church.

She is survived by a brother, Joe Weathers of Pueblo, Colorado and several nieces and nephews.

Condolences may be sent to [www.lagronesruidoso.com](http://www.lagronesruidoso.com).



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, November 21, 1924

# Mayflower Descendants Now Number Over 6,000

by John Dickinson Sherman

THANKSGIVING, according to American tradition, is inimitably connected with the Pilgrims and New England, while at Christmas any thought of the beginning of the American celebration of the day takes us back to Virginia and to the jolly Dutch burghers of New Amsterdam. And this is historically correct. For the "mass" in Christmas shows that it was an annual church festival in celebration of the anniversary of the birth of Christ. The Pilgrims, as everyone should know, had separated from the Established Church of England in part because of their dislike for its ritual. Therefore, while accepting the great event of Christmas day, they disparaged its observance.

Thanksgiving day, however, established itself naturally, as the outgrowth of the conditions of the colony. The turkey, which the friendly Indian hunters offered to them, came naturally to be the big thing of the Thanksgiving feast. And so did the pumpkin pie, for this was the agriculture of the Indian; corn in hills, with a climbing bean; pumpkins between the rows.

So, if anyone should celebrate Thanksgiving day with enthusiasm it is the descendants of the Pilgrims who came over in the Mayflower. Nobody knows just how many of them there are today, but more than five thousand are enrolled in the membership of the General Society of Mayflower Descendants and the society is growing. It's no easy matter to get on the rolls, either. There is a historian general who traces all lines of descendants. Altogether there are probably between 6,000 and 7,000 descendants scattered all over the country.

There were 102 passengers on the Mayflower when she sailed from Plymouth, England, on September 16, 1620. One man died on board ship and one male child, Oceanus Doty, was born in mid-Atlantic. It might seem that with an original band of 10 there might be scores of lines of descent, but such is not the case. The Mayflower scions in this country today are in reality descended from only 23 possible lines. The intermarriage of the Pilgrim families is responsible for this reduction. Four lines are practically extinct.

Louis Effingham de Forest, historian of the New York Society of Mayflower Descendants, says that many lines have been extremely prolific, while others through the centuries have almost disappeared from the earth. The Bradford, Brewster, Howland and Alden lines perhaps have been the most prolific while the number of Standishes and Allertons is comparatively small. The descendants of the original Governor Winslow are now living in Canada. When the Revolutionary war broke out they decided for the cause of the king and moved across the border. The Winslows of Mayflower descent now found in this country are of the line of the original Governor Winslow's brother.

The 19 more or less prolific family lines are those of John Alden, Isaac Allerton, William Bradford, William Brewster, James Chilton, Francis Cooke, Edward Doty, Edward Fuller, Dr. Samuel Fuller, Stephen Hopkins, John Howland, Degory Priest, Thomas Rogers, Henry Samson, George Soule, Miles Standish, Richard Warren, William White and Edward Winslow. The lines of John Bullington, Peter Brown, Francis Eaton and Richard More are the ones practically extinct.

New York state has about 850 members. The total enrollment to date is about 5,200 members. Here is the New York table to descendants. The proportions probably hold all over the country.

The table:  
John Alden, 160; Isaac Allerton, 40; Francis

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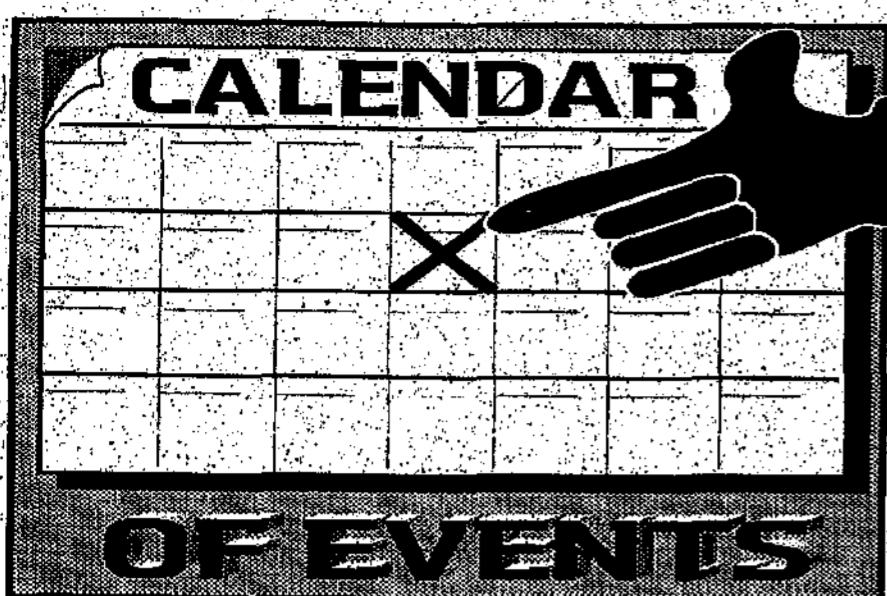
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--Free GED classes 6 to 8 p.m., Carrizozo School Library.

**TUESDAYS**

--Capitan Public Library preschool story hour 4:00 p.m.  
--Alcohol Anonymous 6:30 p.m. Carrizozo First Baptist Church Fellowship Hall.

**WEDNESDAYS**

--Corona Public Library Story Hour 4 p.m.  
--AWANA for children age 3 through 6<sup>th</sup> grade, 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. at First Baptist Church of Carrizozo, non denominational activities. Call 648-2107 for information.  
--Tic Tac, a non denominational instruction for teenagers, 6:00 p.m. Methodist Church in Carrizozo. Light meal.

**FIRST and THIRD THURSDAYS**

--Representative from State Engineer's office is at Ruidoso Village hall from 9 a.m. to 12 noon.

**THIRD SATURDAY OF EACH MONTH**

--American Legion Post #11, service Carrizozo area meets at 9:00 a.m. at Wells Fargo Bank.

**THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 26**

--Thanksgiving Day!

**FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 27**

--Many governmental offices closed.

**WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 3**

--Corona Library Board 9:00 a.m.  
--Lincoln County Planning Commission 6:30 p.m.

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**El Capitan Mining**

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have to make, but acknowledged that the solicitation of public comments regarding the mining proposal resulted in a significant number of responses.

"It's dependent on whether or not we reach a threshold of significance with the exploration proposal," he said. Sanchez explained that significance is measured two ways, by context or intensity.

"There are about 10 different things that we look at as we go through NEPA to make a determination of finding of no significant impact, or to make a decision to go forward with an Environmental Impact Statement," Sanchez said. "We are in the information-collection part of it now."

The Forest Service is looking at potential impacts to cultural or historic resources, and what Sanchez identified as "some unique archeological resources" in the area of the proposed drilling sites. He said that he had received a letter from the state's department of historic preservation expressing concerns regarding the potential impacts of overland travel, water runoff and the possibility that some sites in the vicinity are eligible for placement on the register of historic places.

"That's one area that we've taken a close look at," Sanchez said.

The Forest Service is also assessing the degree to which the impacts can be known and the degree to which the project can be controversial, as mandated by the NEPA and cited in Bird's letter from Wild Earth Guardians.

"Whether or not we can do an Environmental Impact Statement for both exploration and the mining operation is not practical in this case," Sanchez said. "We don't know what a mining operation would look like. The NEPA process can only evaluate what the mining claimant has proposed, and they have only proposed exploration," he told the county commissioners.

"The Forest Service has started what we call a surface use determination," Sanchez said. "When we get to this point, where we have a good idea that the claimant is serious about going forward with the proposal for exploration, we have a professional geologist come in and evaluate all of the known information and make a determination on what is a reasonable surface impact to do the exploration," he said. "That report is about half done. That will help me or the Forest Supervisor determine what kinds of alternatives are appropriate and how an exploration project can be scaled or sequenced through time," he said.

Sanchez said that alternatives to the proposal could include limits on the number of holes that can be drilled and the addition of a requirement that the cores from initial drilling be tested before subsequent drilling is done.

An agreement that would grant the county cooperating agency status in the NEPA process of assessing the po-

tential impacts of the exploratory drilling proposal is currently being drafted, Sanchez said, and county commissioner Tom Battin wanted to know the extent to which the county might be able to influence whether an EA or an EIS would be required.

Sanchez said that the county could best participate in the process by providing expert advice regarding historic, cultural and archeological sites in the area, potential economic impacts, the degree to which impacts are controversial and the degree to which the proposal might impact other sites or resources. He added that if there are found to be discrepancies in the science by which determinations are made, that can be another means of determining that significant impacts could exist.

If, after exploratory drilling, El Capitan PMI proposes to go ahead with a mining operation, the company must submit a Plan of Operation for that mining, and will likely be required at that time to complete an Environmental Impact Statement, Sanchez said. He added that only a small percentage of those who do exploratory drilling actually go forward with a mining operation.

**County Sets 2009 Holidays**

by Patrice Brazie

**Floodplain Mapping**  
In his monthly report to the Lincoln County Board of Commissioners on November 18th, county manager Tom Stewart said that the county's floodplain mapping project, according to a status report from the Mapping Alliance Partnership, is 59 percent complete. The project will update floodplain maps throughout the county.

County planning director Curt Temple reported that the applications from the town of Carrizozo and the village of Capitan for participation in the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) mapping project are expected to be approved soon. Temple will serve as Floodplain Manager for the two communities as well as holding that position for the county. Temple said that the county's floodplain maps were last updated in 1979, and that floodplain maps of Carrizozo date back to 1973.

**Postal Service Update**  
Following a series of letters written by Stewart to agents of the U.S. Postal Service and elected officials in Santa Fe and Washington regarding problems with mail service to and from Carrizozo, the Postal Service recently announced that it was moving up the last daily dispatch time from 4:30 p.m. to 2:30 p.m.

Stewart reported to the

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Billington, second generation, 0; John Billington, 0; William Bradford, 163; Love Brewster, second generation, 27; William Brewster, 164; Peter Brown, 3; James Chilton, 15; Francis Cooke, 74; John Cooke, second generation, 28; Edward Doty, 16; Francis Eaton, 0; Edward Fuller, 34; Samuel Fuller, second generation, 33; Dr. Samuel Fuller, 2; Gyles Hopkins, second generation, 17; Stephen Hopkins, 62; John Howland, 140; Richard More, 0; William Mullins, 160; Degory Priest, 11; Joseph Rogers, second generation, 14; Thomas Rogers, 43; Henry Samson, 7; George Soule, 8; Miles Standish, 29; John Tilley, 140; Richard Warren, 143; Peregrine White, second generation, 9; Resolved White, second generation, 6; William White, 15; Edward Winslow, 10. Many members, it is pointed out, have numerous lines of descent.

Capt. Richard Henry Greene, a Civil war veteran, formed a Mayflower society in New York state in 1894. Connecticut, Massachusetts and Pennsylvania quickly followed the example. These four states met in 1897 at Plymouth, Mass., and organized the General Society of Mayflower Descendants.

A state society was chartered in Illinois in June, 1897. The societies of the District of Columbia and Ohio came into being in March, 1898. New Jersey followed in August, 1900; Wisconsin, Rhode Island and Michigan in February, 1901. Later state societies chartered in Minnesota, Maine and Colorado. There followed a period of steady growth until 1908, when California formed its society. The state of Washington's branch was chartered in 1912, and later charters were granted to societies in Kansas, Indiana and Nebraska. The Minnesota society is now inactive.

"Roughly speaking the Society of Mayflower Descendants has, I should say, about 5,200 members," declared Fredrick Dwight, secretary of the New York State society. "Massachusetts, as might be expected, heads the list with a membership of more than 1,000, while New York state has about 850. I doubt if the national membership is more than a small percentage of the persons who have Pilgrim blood in them in this country. Our congresses at Plymouth are becoming better attended each time they are held. At the last congress there were present 17 officers of the general society and 144 qualified delegates from all over the country. Some of them came from as far west as Nebraska and California.

"The membership of the Society of Mayflower Descendants is not made up of persons of a single class, by any manner of means. It is far from being limited to Back bay and Park avenue. Persons from all walks of life -- soldiers, workmen -- came over on the Mayflower. The Society of Mayflower Descendants is a thoroughly democratic body. It has in it members from every trade and calling as well as many leading figures in our social fabric. The western farm and shops are just as much represented as are the eastern bank and drawing room. The Mayflower stock, is virile -- the descendants of the original Pilgrims have very largely pushed their way to the front in local, state and national affairs.

"We do not intend merely to sit around and glorify the past," continued Mr. Dwight. "The

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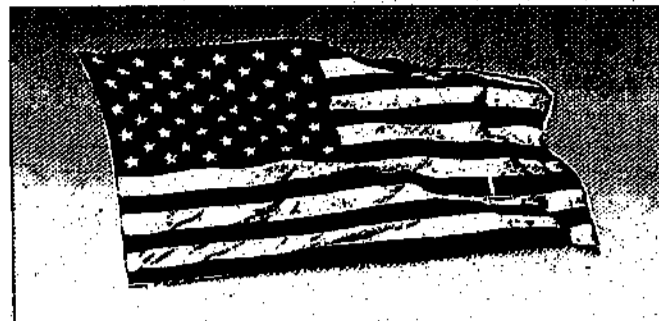
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# Editorials / Opinions & Other Stuff

## THOUGHTS

FROM THE EDITOR'S DESK

### Be Thankful For Many Things

By Ruth Hammond

Tomorrow many of you will feast on more food than many people in the world have had to eat in a month. No, this is not an admonition to think about the starving kids in the world, mainly because the majority of people here in the United States can't comprehend what it would be like to actually be hungry. Thank goodness we have an abundance of food here in America. And thank goodness that there are food drives to help those starving people in far away places. But what about the starving people here at home? There are many hungry people here in the U.S.

However, most of the publicity is about the starving people in other nations. Why? Is it because the national media would prefer to ignore the problems we have here at home? That is a shame because we should take care of the people at home before sending food overseas. We also should be aware of the needs of people here at home, not spouting about helping nations far away. There are many misconceptions about some of the problems here in the U.S. One misconception is that homeless people are that way by choice. Not always. One homeless person ended up living in a camper with small children. Health issues caused this person to be without work, thus no money for rent and utilities. Being homeless was not by choice.

Although it was difficult, living conditions finally got better, the children graduated from high school, and those homeless years were only memories. But what about all the people who are homeless now? Some officials deny that there are any homeless people in their communities even though select groups donate food regularly. What is wrong with this picture? Is it that some officials prefer to live in denial that in being willing to help other people?

Not helping people in need should be a crime. But the main thing is to define what being in need is. There are many people asking for handouts even though they spend money daily on non-essentials such as three soft drinks a day, junk food, and they waste gas driving around all day.

Keeping things in perspective is important. Some of the true homeless people are actively working to improve their situation. Others are taking advantage of people by giving the impression they are truly needy. It is up to you to decide if wasteful people are needy or if they could be conning your good nature. It is your decision to make.

Sometimes we tend to forget what is important in life. The recent presidential election with candidates spending millions of dollars an hour to get your vote while people in some places in the U.S. were going hungry, is a prime example of there being a need to categorize priorities. If your priority is for a better life for everyone, then it might be time to let the candidates know. But the main thing is to remember that you can make your own choices, not everyone has that right. Be thankful for many things.

## \$849,323 In Federal Funds for State Scenic Byways

U.S. Senator Jeff Bingaman said he is pleased that communities across the state will share \$849,323 in scenic byway grants from the Federal Highway Administration.

"Our state's Scenic Byways promote tourism and are important to the economic development of rural communities," Bingaman said. "I am pleased these New Mexico projects have been awarded funding."

Earlier this year Bingaman wrote to the U.S. Department of Transportation in support for this grant funding.

The following New Mexico Scenic Byways Projects were awarded grants:

\$202,100 Phase I Construction of a Pedestrian and Bicycle Trail Along the Billy the Kid National Scenic Byway in Ruidoso.

\$162,400 New signs and interpretation along the Trail of the Mountain Spirits National Scenic Byway north of Silver City.

\$152,499 Interpretive Kiosks and Wayside Exhibits for the Santa Fe National Scenic Byway. Kiosks will be located in the communities of Clayton, Round Mound, Chico, Watrous, Las Vegas, Kozlowski's station near Pecos, and on the Santa Fe Plaza.

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## EARL



THE GOSMOPOLITAN BRIDE SAYS EARL'S IDEA OF DRESSING UP IS PUTTING ON HIS OVERSHOES

## Inside the Capitol

by JAY MILLER, Syndicated Columnist

SANTA FE -- What remedies do people have if they are mistreated by law enforcement officers? Last week an interim legislative committee considered the question and heard evidence that there isn't much that can be done under present law.

Testimony indicated that complaints to local officials seldom result in any action. Albuquerque has some police oversight mechanisms but no one present recommended them as being models others should use.

Generally, there appeared to be agreement that law enforcement misconduct should be handled at the local level but that most attempts to do so are not working because local officials tend to support each other.

Likewise, internal affairs investigations by police departments seldom result in any penalties against officers. According to testimony internal reviews protect law enforcement from the public and there is no mechanism for protecting the public from police misconduct.

The New Mexico Law Enforcement Academy trains and certifies law enforcement officers and can decertify them after receiving and investigating complaints. Typically it is a cumbersome, slow-moving process that doesn't result in many decertifications.

Arthur Ortiz, director of the academy, testified to the committee that he is speeding up the process but that failure of local sheriffs and police chiefs to report

misconduct is his biggest problem.

Paul Borunda, a citizen from Las Cruces, presented the panel with numerous instances of police misconduct that have gone unpunished in Las Cruces because of interlocking relationships among local law enforcement officials. He recounted his efforts to find anyone at the local or state level to take any responsibility for overseeing law enforcement misconduct.

Borunda also spoke of efforts to get Attorney General Gary King involved in law enforcement misconduct but his reply was that his job is to protect the state and not the people.

King then told the committee that his client is the state and not its people. He said misconduct charges should be taken to local elected officials and if they aren't handled to the satisfaction of the public, they can be turned out of office at the next election.

Committee Chairman, Sen. Cisco McSorley, of Albuquerque, complimented Borunda on his tireless efforts doing what no local or state agencies do.

McSorley concluded that since law enforcement oversight is not working at the local level, an entity should be created at the state level to oversee, investigate and punish law enforcement misconduct. He asked King to compute the costs of establishing a state review board.

It seems as though our country is missing something if we can't protect our

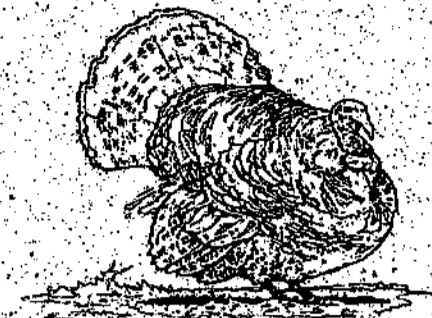
citizens from those few cases when law enforcement officers get out of hand. Our founding fathers knew the horrors of living in police states. They wanted to protect the public against such conditions.

They provided us with a judicial system to insure that protection but it is a very cumbersome and expensive process. And if local law enforcement violates a person's civil rights, redress can't be found in local or state courts. Only federal courts handle such charges.

It seems to me I have heard attorney general candidates run for office as the people's lawyer. It sounds good in campaign material. But it's not the truth. The attorney general defends the state against its people.

Have you noticed that when the governor takes an action requiring legal defense, he hires his own lawyers to defend him. Sometimes the attorney general is on the other side of the case. So who is representing the people? Both the governor and the attorney general would say they are. But are they really?

Bill White, a municipal judge from Edgewood, east of Albuquerque, told the panel that the biggest problem with police misconduct is that Congress has made surplus military equipment available to civilian police departments, which now use that equipment in a manner that has built a paramilitary culture within police departments. Police are supposed to serve and protect the people.



## WEATHER REPORT

by Jeff Hammond

Coming soon to the Lincoln County News: Ski/Snow Conditions at Ski Apache located on Sierra Blanca. THINK SNOW!!!

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

Today, Wednesday, Nov. 26 the 331st day of 2008.

Partly sunny, with a high near 65, southwest wind between 5 and 10 mph, night: A slight chance of showers, mostly cloudy, with a low around 38, south wind between 5 and 10 mph.

Thanksgiving Day, Thursday, November 27

A good chance of showers, mostly cloudy, with a high near 58, night: A fair chance of showers, mostly cloudy, with a low around 31.

Friday, November 28

A slight chance of rain showers, mostly cloudy, with a high near 53, night: A slight chance of snow showers, mostly cloudy, with a low around 27.

Saturday, November 29

A slight chance of rain showers, mostly cloudy, with a high near 50, night: A slight chance of snow showers, mostly cloudy, with a low around 25.

Sunday, November 30

Partly sunny, with a high near 48, night: Mostly cloudy, with a low around 23.

Monday, December 1

Partly sunny, with a high near 54, night: Mostly cloudy, with a low around 25.

Tuesday, December 2

Partly sunny, with a high near 53, night: Mostly cloudy, with a low around 24.

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

Today, Wednesday, Nov. 26 the 331st day of 2008

Partly sunny, with a high near 59, west wind between 5 and 10 mph, night: A slight chance of showers, mostly cloudy, with a low around 36, southwest wind around 10 mph.

Thanksgiving Day, Thursday, November 27

A slight chance of rain showers, mostly cloudy, with a high near 53, night: A

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NEWLY ELECTED MEMBERS of the New Mexico delegation met in Senator Jeff Bingaman's Capitol Hill office recently to discuss plans for addressing issues important to New Mexicans. Seated on couch: Ben Ray Lujan (CD-3), Martin H-Jeinrich (CD-1), Tom Udall (Senate). Seated in chair from left, Harry Teague (CD-2) and Senator Bingaman. (Courtesy Photo)

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## Lady Grizzly Volleyball Team

### District and Regional Champions

The Lady Grizzly varsity volleyball team finished their season with a sparkling 21-4 record (including all tournaments) and earning a berth in the 1A State Volleyball Tournament in Albuquerque. The girls earned their trip to the state tournament by winning their district playoff championship by defeating Mountainair 3-0; then followed that up by winning their regional tournament by besting Gallup Catholic 3-0. After pool play at state tournament Carrizozo drew Magdalena in the quarter finals and were edged out in three close games 25-21, 26-24 and 25-23. Congratulations to all the members of the team on their outstanding season, these young ladies are an exceptional group and have a lot to look forward to.

Team members were: Seniors -- Alyshia Culley, Kathleen Schlarb and Jennifer Shafer. Juniors -- Alexa Borowski, Tessa Hendricks, Lena Reyes and Ashley Ventura. Sophomores -- Jordan Hill, Kylie Gaines, Chelsea LaMay, Lacy Myers, Stephanie Zamora. 8th Grade -- Shayna Zamora. Manager -- Troy Niederstady. Coaches -- Pam Allen and Ron Becker. (Courtesy photos by Purkin Schlarb)



Kathleen Schlarb (l) and Alexa Borowski (r)



Alexa Borowski (l) and Jennifer Shafer (r)

# Corona Library Grand Opening

About 50 years ago, the people of Corona with the leadership of the Presbyterian minister Bill Lytle built a bowling alley. Today after much renovation, the building houses the Village Hall and the Village of Corona Public Library.

The first official function held in the library was the presentation of "Rodeo - Past and Present" during the Corona Festival.

The grand opening of the library was held October 23. Mayor Bill Hignight welcomed more than 100 guests from Corona and surrounding area of Albuquerque, Roswell, Carrizozo, Alamogordo, and Capitan.

Representatives of Shell WindEnergy and First Wind were also present. Shell WindEnergy and First Wind contributed Edie Porter's floral arrangements and Shell Wind contributed the refreshments.

Senator Rod Adair, who has been very supportive of the library project, was the main speaker. Ex-governor David Cargo, enthusiastic about rural libraries, also spoke.

Library board president Betty Ann Bell in presenting the history, mixed together a string of red hot chile peppers. The ristra was presented to Bet Moss who organized and directed the move from the museum.

Library board members Faith Hignight, Susan Battle, and Day Moss expressed gratitude, explained the Friends of the Library group and thanked the volunteers. Day Moss had special thanks for Kathia Beltran, Payton Dunsworth, Hannah Gage and Angelina Romero for their volunteer work.

Corona elementary students entertained with songs sung to familiar music with words they helped to write. They were accompanied by Mayor Bill Hignight on the

guitar. Background music was provided by Becky Koll and Sherrill Bradford and the audience joined in singing O Fair New Mexico.

The library has three computers - you can check your e-mail, do research, do your on-line classes, read the Albuquerque Journal, the Roswell Daily Record or the Las

Cruces Sun News. There are magazines and the Wall Street Journal. The DVD and video sections are not bad either. Check out a lecture or an audio book for long trips. Enjoy paintings which will be exhibited on a rotating basis.

Many books, dollars and

hours have been donated to make this library a reality. Volunteers are still needed.

The Corona Museum will soon have new exhibits in the rooms vacated by the Village of Corona Public Library. Stop by and take a look. Volunteers are needed there also.



Guests enjoy refreshments. Courtesy photos by Joe Keefe



NM Sen. Rod Adair, Dist. 33, sponsored state funding for remodeling for the library.



Corona Elementary students accompanied by Corona Mayor Bill Hignight (l).



Library board president Betty Ann Bell

# County Hears Road Vacancy Requests

by Patrice Brazie

It isn't unusual for the Lincoln County Board of Commissioners to approve the closure or vacancy of a road. Decisions about road closures generally come after the county commissioners hear an opinion from the Lincoln County Road Review Committee, the committee that, along with someone from the county road department, actually goes to look at the road in question and to talk to the property owners that might be affected. Issues that might affect a decision to close or not close a road include the degree of use by the public, whether or not a road provides access to public lands and the opinions of neighboring property owners. There are a lot of roads illustrated on subdivision plats within Lincoln County that have been filed with the county but never built, so nonexistent roads are sometimes vacated. Other times, roads have been vacated after the county, through taxpayer funding, has spent some money improving or maintaining the roads, installing culverts and posting signs.

During a report from the road review committee on November 18th that dealt with requests for the official vacation of roads, county commissioner Don Williams raised a question that some say was long overdue in the discussion of road closures in Lincoln County.

Duane Williams, chair of the road review committee, told the county commissioners during their November 18th meeting that the committee had looked at three requests for road closures in the course of the previous week.

"The first one was to review a road that was on a plat map for the Mesa Verde Acres subdivision, which is just west of the Capitan village limits," Duane Williams said.

Jeffrey Saunders petitioned the county for vacancy of the unnamed road and owns the three lots that would be affected by the closing of the road, Williams said. After an inspection of the road site, Williams said, it appeared that the road had never been built. He said that the road

review committee recommended that the road vacation be approved.

Before voting on the request, commissioner Williams said that the county was without an ordinance, policy or procedure that would authorize the collection of money in return for the vacancy of what is, in the case of some roads, public property.

"There is nothing that charges the recipient for the property that they will be receiving as a result of the vacancy," commissioner Williams said.

"That is correct," Duane Williams agreed. "In the past, it has been discussed, and the thought at the time of those discussions was that the property was originally a portion of those lots and (the property owners) were not compensated when the county took (property for a road)," Duane Williams said. "Compensation was not decided upon at that time."

"But, doesn't it become public property?" commissioner Williams asked.

"It does, indeed," Duane Williams responded.

"By not collecting a fee for vacation, wouldn't that basically be giving the public's property away?" commissioner Williams asked.

The response to that question came from county attorney Alan Morel.

"This has been litigated in New Mexico and it has an interesting history," Morel said. "About two years ago the law was that whenever a road was vacated it would go half to one side and half to the other side. The decision at that time was that, when the road was dedicated to the county or the village, the county didn't pay for the road, so the holding of the Supreme Court 10 plus years ago was that you should give it back to the developer or the adjacent property owners," he explained. "Subsequent to that, there's been a decision that does allow for villages and counties to require payment for vacated roads. I guess it's with the understanding that villages and counties could have put money into these roads over the years and they should be able to recoup some of that money," Morel said. "Now it is legal for cities and counties to charge a fee for vacated rights of way, we just don't have a procedure for that in place at this time."

"It would seem that some of these roads may have considerable square footage that is of value to the public and that charging would be appropriate," commissioner Williams said.

Commissioner Williams asked the attorney how the county's policy would hold up to anti-donation laws, and Morel said that he hadn't really analyzed the policy in that regard.

"They were dedicated to the public; there was no fee for it, so I don't know if anti-donation comes into effect," Morel said. "I guess that analysis could change depending on whether there has actually been public money put into the maintenance of that roadway. I think then an argument could be made that there is some type of anti-donation issue," he said. "Many of the roads that we've vacated have just flat never been built, so vacating it puts it back to the way it was before it was put on the plat," Morel said.

Saunders told the county commissioners that, when the Mesa Verde Acres subdivision was laid out in 1963, the developers created an easement where they someday planned to build the road. "It was never built and there's no intention to ever build a road there," Saunders said. "As far as who owns it, I've been paying taxes on it. You have been charging me for it so I'm figuring I own it," he said. "It goes right through my 30 acres and I've been paying taxes on 30 acres. It's not really a road," he added. "It goes through my pasture and into an ar-

royo."

The county commissioners voted unanimously to approve the vacation of the unnamed road as requested by Saunders on the grounds that the road had never been built and because the vacation would not affect the access of other property owners.

The second request for vacation of roads was made by Anne New of White Oaks.

"As in many areas in White Oaks, the original township plat shows extensive lot division and accompanying streets and alleys that were never built," Duane Williams told the county commissioners. He said that there would be no property owners affected other than the petitioner, and there was no public land involved.

"The streets and alleys in this block are shown only on the map," Duane Williams said. "There's never been anything built in that area."

Duane Williams said that it was the recommendation of the road review committee that the streets and alleys in the block owned by New be vacated, contingent upon the property owner legally establishing the corner boundaries of her property.

Morel said that the map he had been provided made it unclear exactly which roads and alleys New was requesting to have vacated, so the county commissioners elected to table any action on the request until the specifics can be established.

The third request examined by the road-review committee was for the vacation of a portion of Camino De La Vista, a road in Los Corralitos subdivision of Gavilan Hills, which Duane Williams said was at the upper end of Gavilan Canyon Road.

"The committee was actually unable to examine the road in question because of the primitive nature of the access," Duane Williams said, then explained that there are several lots that could become isolated if the

road was to be vacated, and said that it was the recommendation of the current road review committee that the request for vacation be denied due to the potential isolation of some properties.

Morel explained that the road in question had been examined by a previous county commission a couple of decades ago, and the issue provided a perfect example of the need for accuracy in the minutes of public meetings.

"The commission in 1988 did actually take an action on this issue," Morel said. "The property owner, in September of 1988, requested that a portion of this road be vacated. So there was a request to vacate, the road review committee proposed just closure, not abandonment and

vacation, the commission accepted the recommendation of the road review committee but then called it a vacation rather than a closure," he said.

"There's a letter, a memorandum to property owners in Los Corralitos subdivision," Morel continued, "that says the Lincoln County Board of Commissioners approved the closure of a portion of the road. The terminology that was used was not specific but, in looking at all the actions that were taken, I believe that the commission did take an action to close a portion of this (road) at that time," he said. "I don't believe that it was abandoned or vacated. Some other attorney may have a different interpretation, and there's room to argue. I guess, based

on the language that was used."

Morel suggested that the county commissioners follow the recommendation of the current road review committee and not abandon and vacate the road.

"It's partially closed at this point," Morel said. "If somebody wants to open it up, (they could) approach the commission and request that the road be reopened."

The county commissioners took the advice of the road review committee and the county attorney and denied the request for vacation of a portion of Camino De La Vista.



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## 2009 Holidays

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county commissioners on the 18th that he had written another letter to the Postal Service regarding the affect that the earlier dispatch time will have on the county's ability to do business.

**County 2009 Dates Set**  
Also during the November 18th meeting, the county commissioners adopted three operational resolutions, as is required annually.

The resolutions establish meeting dates for county commissions and committees for 2009, as well as the recognized legal holidays for county employees and a commitment to compliance with the Open Meetings Act.

County commissioners will continue to commence their regular meetings at 8:30 a.m. on the third Thursday of the month.

The Lincoln County Planning Commission will meet at 7:00 p.m. on the first Wednesday of the month, the Lodgers Tax Committee will meet at 10:00 a.m. on the last Wednesday of the month, and the Lincoln Historic Preservation Board will meet at 7:00 p.m. on the third Thursday of the month.

The county recognizes eleven holidays. They are: Martin Luther King, Junior's designated birthday, President's Day, Good Friday, Memorial Day, Independence Day, Labor Day, Columbus Day, Veteran's Day, Thanksgiving, Christmas and New Year's Day. County offices will be closed for two days over the Thanksgiving and Christmas holidays in 2009.

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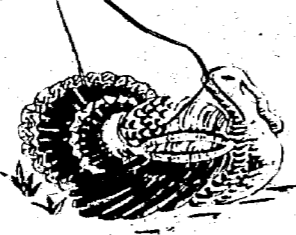
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# Sheriff's Report

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 10:05 p.m. Agency assistance requested at location in Lincoln, deputy dispatched.  
 November 16  
 10:43 a.m. Medical call at residence on Pine Knot Trail in Alto, ALS ambulance dispatched.  
 2:57 p.m. Medical call at residence on Hasperas Road in Capitan, ambulance and deputy dispatched.  
 4:44 p.m. Unknown trouble call at residence on C Avenue in Carrizozo, police dispatched.  
 5:07 p.m. Dog reported running loose on Jackalope in Capitan, deputy dispatched.  
 5:39 p.m. Dog reported running loose at mile marker 281 on Hwy 70 in San Patricio, deputy dispatched.  
 6:12 p.m. Shots fired reported at mile marker 282 on Hwy 70 in Glencoe, deputy dispatched.  
 7:08 p.m. Accident reported at location on Valley View in Capitan, ambulance and police dispatched.  
 9:52 a.m. Dog reported running loose on Calle el Ojito in Hondo, deputy dispatched.  
 9:58 a.m. Welfare check requested at residence on Fourth Street in Carrizozo, police dispatched.  
 1:05 p.m. Traffic hazard reported on Hwy 48 in Alto, deputy dispatched.  
 1:39 p.m. Suspicious activity by person(s) in vehicle reported near intersection of Gavilan Canyon Road and Barney Luck Road in Ruidoso, deputy dispatched.  
 2:46 p.m. Trespassing reported at location on Calamity Jane and Hwy 380 in Capitan, police dispatched.  
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## Old Lincoln Town by ROSALIE DUNLAP

We were so sad to hear of the death of Marion Spencer. She was such an active person in Carrizozo. She loved working with the young people - teaching them swimming, helping with the 4-H and other youth groups. I would take a station wagon full of 4-H'ers to her home for meetings and swimming. She dearly loved her church - St. Mathais. She would always clean it and do what ever had to be done both inside and outside. She always remembered you, wanting to know how your family was doing or just write a note to let you know she was thinking of you and your family. She had spent the last year or so at the nurs-

ing home in Alamogordo. She will be sadly missed.  
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 Other friends that have passed away recently were Ted Zumwalt (which we didn't know about until late), and Valton Hall. Our sympathies to all these families.  
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 Recent visitors in Lincoln catching up on their friends

have been Ted Allen and family and Mary Ellen and Franklin McKay. Also visiting was Christine Zamora.  
 The Allen family may move back to the Lincoln area. Ted has been working in Taos.  
 \* \* \* \* \*  
 The Partner's for the Preservation of the Lincoln State Monuments are busy with

plans for the Old Fashion Christmas in Lincoln. It will be Saturday, December 13th from 12:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. The museums and some of the businesses will be open at their regular time.  
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The Preservation Board held their monthly meeting last week.  
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The spinning/weaving group will meet at the La Placita, 9:00 to noon. Saturday, December 6th.

## Obituary

**ALVA C. CARTER, Sr.**  
 Funeral services for Alva C. Carter, Sr., 68 of Portales and Lincoln County, were November 24 on the campus of ENMU with Les Earwood officiating, assisted by Alva Carter, Jr., Alan Carter, Dr. Steve Gamble and David Jones. Burial followed in the Portales Cemetery with Lloyd Harrison, Chad Lydick, Bill Barnett, Dick Hood, David Jones, Dr. Steve Gamble, Wade Rutter and Terry Wilcox serving as pallbearers. The ENMU Board of Regents, DFA Southwest Council board of directors, Carter Family Employees, along with all area dairymen and his many business associates and numerous friends were honorary pallbearers.  
 Alva C. Carter was born April 18, 1940 in Tucumcari and died Nov. 20 east of Portales.  
 Alva served nine years on the Dairy Farmers of America Corporate Board, four years on the National Peanut Board, and on the Board of Regents for ENMU for the past five years. He was chairman of the Board of Regents at the time of his death. Alva was a member of the Capitan Church of Christ.  
 He was married to Mary Helen Sewell on Oct. 4, 1958 in Portales. They had two sons and eventually four grandchildren.  
 He is survived by Mary Helen Carter, his wife of more than 50 years; his two sons and daughters-in-law, Alva Carter, Jr. and Derinda and Alan Carter and Shawn; and his four grandchildren all of Portales; three brothers, Bob (Glenda) Carter of Lovington, W. E. "Lucky" (Peggy) Carter of Logan, NM and Donald (Debra) Carter of San Jon. He was preceded in death by his parents, and an infant brother, Jackson Glenn "Sonny" Carter, Jr.



### LEGAL NOTICE NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

NOTICE is hereby given that the Lincoln County Board of Commissioners will hold a Public Hearing beginning at **1:30 p.m., on Tuesday, December 16, 2008.** The Public Hearing will be held at the Lincoln County Courthouse, Commission Chambers, 300 Central Avenue, Carrizozo, NM 88301. The purpose of the Public Hearing is to consider the following:

**1:30 P.M.: AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR INPOUNDMENT OF ANIMALS FOUND AT-LARGE, AND CONFINEMENT OF BITTING DOGS AND FEMALE DOGS AND CATS IN HEAT; REQUIRING ANTI-RABIES VACCINATION; SETTING FEES; PROHIBITING CRUELTY, NEGLECT, ABANDONMENT, AND ANIMAL NUISANCE; PROVIDING FOR PENALTIES FOR VIOLATION OF THIS ORDINANCE; PROVIDING FOR THE SEVERABILITY OF PARTS HEREOF; REPEALING ORDINANCE 2003-10 AND ORDINANCES IN CONFLICT HEREWITH; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.**

All parties and interested citizens will have the opportunity to be heard. If you are an individual with a disability who is in need of an auxiliary aid or service, please contact 575/648-2385 at least 48 hours in advance of the meeting.

**BILLIE-JO GUEVARA**  
 Administrative Assistant/  
 Human Resources

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### LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE is hereby given that on October 9, 2008, Joe D. Lowe, 1511 Cuba St., Alamogordo, NM 88310 filed application numbered I-1320-POD6 with the State Engineer for Permit to Change Location of Well I-1320-S-3, located in the SE 1/4 NE 1/4 of Section 31, Township 9 South, Range 9 East, NMPM at a point where latitude 33d 29m 6.43s, Longitude: 106d 02m 11.43s meet, and drilling a replacement well in the SE 1/4 NE 1/4 of Section 31, Township 16 South, Range 9 East at a point where latitude 33d 29m 5.78s, Longitude: 106d 02m 11.39s meet. The new well is proposed to be drilled to a depth of 400 feet and fitted with 5 inch casing and will be drilled on land owned by the applicant within Lincoln County, New Mexico in the Tularosa Basin. The new well will be used for the continued diversion of 179.51 acre-feet per annum of a licensed right for the irrigation of 43.048 acres of land located within part of the SE 1/4 of said Section 31. The move from well will be plugged per Rules and Regulations Governing Well Driller Licensing, Construction, Repair and Plugging of Wells: 19.27.4.30, paragraph C. Proposed well I-1320-POD6 is to be located east of Oscura, NM on the east side of Highway 54.

Any person, firm or corporation or other entity having standing to file objections or protests shall do so in writing (legible, signed and include the writer's complete name and mailing address). The objection to the approval of the application: (1) if impairment, you must specifically identify your water rights, and/or (2) if public welfare or conservation of water within the state of New Mexico, you must show you will be substantially effected. The written protest must be filed, in triplicate, with the State Engineer, 1680 Hickory Loop Suite J, Las Cruces, New Mexico 88005 within ten (10) days after the date of the last publication of this Notice. Facsimiles (faxes) will be accepted as a valid protest as long as the hard copy is sent within 24-hours of the facsimile. Mailing postmark will be used to validate the 24-hour period. Protests can be faxed to 575-524-6160. If no valid protest or objection is filed, the State Engineer will evaluate the application in accordance with Sections 72-2-16, 72-5-6 and 72-12-3.

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**Total liquidation including display items.**  
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