

# County OKs Technical Assistance for Clerk

by Patrice Brazie

In response to a request that has been on hold since last September, the Lincoln County Board of Commissioners approved in February a contract for services that will provide technical support for county clerk Tammie Maddox's office when questions regarding legislative, election or recording issues, or other matters of procedure and protocol arise.

Maddox first posed the idea of hiring a consultant to guide the clerk's office through the changing maze of state statutes after the New Mexico Association of Counties Clerk Affiliate

determined that a single point of contact for information for all of New Mexico's county clerks would be a valuable asset.

When the proposal first came before the county commissioners last autumn, county attorney Alan Morel voiced some concerns about language in the contract that may have broadened the scope of the contract to include legal services. The contract has since been amended to exclude that language.

Included in the scope of work in the contract with Daniel Ivey-Soto of NM Clerks, LLC is the agreement to assist county clerks and

the Clerk Affiliate in identifying needed changes to the state's Election Code and advancing proposed changes to that code, issues that struck Maddox's office hard last year when an independent candidate for the office of sheriff brought to light some perceived discrepancies in the Election Code relating to candidacy declaration requirements.

The argument went to the state's Supreme Court and involved the Secretary of State and employees of that department as well as Maddox.

The court determined that the particular section of the code being questioned

was ambiguous and allowed the candidate to file his candidacy far beyond the actual filing date.

The question of the law has yet to be resolved, although it is reportedly a priority of the New Mexico Association of Counties.

Other services to be provided through the contract with NM Clerks, LLC include assistance with transi-

tions to e-recording, working to ensure the county's compliance with record retention and disaster recovery requirements, working to standardize the administration processes of probate court and to monitor and advise the county clerk on any legislative changes that might affect her office.

In a February 5th letter to the Board of Lincoln County Commissioners and county manager Tom Stewart, Maddox explained the

position of the Association of Counties in its support of establishing a single point of contact, and her reasons for making the request to enter into the contract for services.

"I feel the clerk's office has progressed, things are changing at a rapid rate and we require more input and interaction, that this will benefit our county by coordinating processes new and old," Maddox wrote in the letter.

She pointed out that the cost of the contract would be paid through the Recording Fee Fund and would therefore have no effect on the county's General Fund.

The cost of the contract is prorated based on the population of the county, Maddox said, with the smallest counties paying \$1,000 annually, the largest \$30,000. Lincoln County will pay NM Clerks, LLC \$5,000 per year.

Speaking to the county commissioners during their February 13th meeting, Maddox said that the New Mexico Association of Counties Clerk Affiliate has found that not all county clerks in the state apply statutes the same way, and there are differences in the handling of recording and other fees.

"It's more than just the election part of the county clerk's office," Maddox said. "That is a big part of it, but we also have the recording, the land records and the other things that we deal with on a day to day basis. I think

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## WHEELS 4 REELS,

a special movie bus (inset) provided transportation for movie cast extras for the film, *The Book of Eli*, to go to Albuquerque last week for costume fitting, etc. The bus took three different groups of extras Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday. Filming in Carrizozo and surrounding areas is scheduled to begin as early as tomorrow, Friday, March 6.



## County Looks at Road Projects

by Patrice Brazie

Each year at this time county officials submit a road improvement or maintenance project for which, hopefully, the county will receive funding assistance through the New Mexico Department of Transportation's Local Government Road Fund (LGRF).

In 2008, on the advice of county manager Tom Stewart and county road superintendent Albert Hernandez, the Lincoln County Board of Commissioners approved a recurring list of LGRF projects, with roads in Ranches of Sonterra II scheduled for work in 2009 and in Alto scheduled for work in 2010.

"We may need to look at this five year projection, now that we're four years into it," Stewart told the county commissioners during their regular meeting of February 13th. "It may be that Alto may require one, possibly two, maybe even three subsequent years to get everything back up to speed in that area before we move on," he said. "We've taken care of Sonterra and Ranches of Ruidoso is pretty much taken care of."

Stewart said that the county can't really afford to build new roads, so the planned projects are for work

done on previously paved and county approved and accepted roads and school bus routes.

Hernandez said that the road department puts money into Palo Verde roads every year because there is a school bus route there.

"Six or seven years ago we had it triple chip sealed, and last year we done the main road which used to be Canyon with an inch and a half overlay," Hernandez said. "Next year, hopefully, for the years 2011 and 2012, we should complete Palo Verde with an inch and half overlay on the streets that are already paved," he said.

In Alto, Hernandez said, road work will be either on the north or south side of the subdivision, because the main mesa area has been done two or three times since he has been road superintendent. He said that the state road funds will only cover a portion of the work scheduled in Alto, but the road department's budget funds will be used to cover the additional costs.

Hernandez said that he would like to start on the north side of Alto and continue to the south side of the subdivision next year even though that is not part of the county's previously planned road work schedule.

Stewart said that he and Hernandez will be re-evaluating the county's long-term plans for road repair.

"I think now that we're four years into this, we need to take another look and make another assessment to be sure we're staying on the right track," Stewart said. "There may be more places that we need to address, but currently Albert and I are trying to address everything in the county that's paved and are not state highways," he said.

County commissioner Don Williams said that he has received many complaints about the condition of Cedar Creek Road, which he said is reported to be in very rough shape.

"If you're talking about spending two years in Alto, that puts Cedar Creek farther down the line," Williams commented.

Stewart said that, before any adjustments are made to the road department's schedule, a review will be made of the Cedar Creek road and other areas of complaints to see if a schedule shift is warranted.

"Alto is too big to do in one year, but it may be

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## Private Emergency Response Vehicles

by Patrice Brazie

With an all volunteer fire fighting force with large areas of jurisdiction, it is sometimes prudent in Lincoln County for volunteers to respond to emergencies in their privately owned vehicles. That type of response may become a safer proposition now that some officers of Lincoln County's volunteer fire departments may be equipping their personal vehicles with emergency lights and sirens, if they can afford to buy the equipment for themselves.

The Lincoln County Board of Commissioners adopted a resolution in February that governs the use of emergency equipment and operations for privately owned vehicle. Only the fire chief, deputy chief, assistant chief and battalion chief of the county's volunteer fire departments are eligible to apply for the use of emergency equipment on their personal vehicles.

The officer must have a valid New Mexico operator's license and must carry insurance on his or her vehicle in accordance with state laws. The vehicle must be registered and carry a New Mexico state firefighter's license plate in the rear of the vehicle as well as a front plate that displays the name of the fire department and the office held by the driver.

Vehicles must be inspected by a mechanic chosen by the county, the sheriff, undersheriff or emergency services director, and must pass a safety inspection every 12 months.

The approved emergency equipment includes either an overhead light bar displaying red and white lights in front that can be seen from a distance of 500 feet, or dashboard mounted lights in the front and emergency lighting in the rear of the vehicle. Amber lenses may be used on the rear side of the light bar. The installation of red warning light on the front grill is optional.

Headlight mounted strobe lights, or headlight flashers that alternate flash the vehicle's high beams, are part of the required equipment.

Vehicles must have an approved 100 watt siren, with wail and yelp tones, installed in the grill.

The officer's department identification number must be displayed in the center of the vehicle's rear window, in four-inch reflective white lettering. The officer must have completed an

emergency vehicle operator's course within the last three years and be awarded a certificate of inspection ensuring

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## Filming Now in Progress

by Ruth Hammond

Filming of *The Book of Eli* is now in progress in the Carrizozo area. Scenes were shot Tuesday, eight miles east of Carrizozo on Hwy 80. Additional filming continues in the Alamogordo area today.

Starring Denzel Washington, Gary Oldman and Mila Kunis, most of the filming in Carrizozo of *The*

*Book of Eli* will be on A Street, which has been transformed into a futuristic, devastated area.

The schedule is for eight days of filming in the Carrizozo area with about 100 local people cast as extras. The eight days of filming will produce about 22 minutes of actual footage in the film.



TWO EXTRA CAST members for *The Book of Eli*, which is being filmed in Carrizozo and surrounding area, were among the group riding the Wheel 4 Reels bus to Albuquerque last week for costume fitting, etc.



THREE LINCOLN COUNTY youth are anxiously awaiting the filming of *The Book of Eli* in the portion to be filmed in Carrizozo which is scheduled to begin as early as tomorrow, Friday, March 6. Cast as extras are, from left, Michael Rushing, Frank Kratochvil and Wade McMahan.

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## Upper Hondo S&WCD Wins National Award

The National Association of Conservation Districts (NACD) held their annual national meeting in New Orleans, on February 1-4. The NACD awards committee selected Upper Hondo Soil and Water Conservation District as the recipient of the 2008 district excellence award in the category of Natural Resources. The district excellence award recognizes a conservation district for excellence and successful initiatives in each of five (5) NACD policy/program areas. As a District Excellence Award winner, the Upper Hondo District was presented a check for \$1,300 and the opportunity to showcase their projects and programs to the national conference. Addison then had the opportunity to give a Power-Point presentation on the accomplishments, contributions to conservation, and successes of the district.

Chairman of the district Preston Stone (l) and program director Brenda Addison accepted the award and check on behalf of the Upper Hondo SWCD. *Continued on page 1*



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## County OKs Technical

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that a standard format for all of us to try to come up with to apply to our offices is a positive thing," she said.

Some of the county commissioners, while agreeing that standardization in the clerk's offices across the state would be beneficial, questioned how successful the attempt will be if only a few counties use NM Clerks, LLC as their single point of contact.

County commissioner Dave Parks asked Maddox if most or all of New Mexico's counties are entering into similar contracts with the firm.

She could only name two other counties that have, Bernalillo and Las Alamos, but indicated that there is a lot of interest among other counties to do so.

"We're starting the process and I think that, once we get the momentum going, it will continue," Maddox said.

County commissioner Eileen Sedillo said that it is a good idea that

won't work unless all of the counties in the state participate.

County commissioner Don Williams questioned how long it might take for the county clerks across the state to standardize procedures.

"It seems like this could be an ongoing process until all of the counties are involved," Williams commented. "This has the potential of every county having a contract with Mr. Ivey (Soto)," he added.

Maddox agreed, and said that the Clerk Affiliate issued a request for proposals for technical assistance and Ivey-Soto was the only one to respond.

The contract for services approved by the Board of Lincoln County Commissioners on February 13th gives the county the opportunity to withdraw without cause at any time with a 90 day notice. The commissioners approved the contract unanimously.

## Private Emergency

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ing that the installed emergency equipment meets required standards.

The names and vehicle descriptions of those who are able to purchase and have the equipment installed will be supplied to state and municipal law enforcement agencies in the area.

The county assumes no liability for the volunteers who choose to install the emergency equipment, and drivers are still required to obey speed limits and other traffic regulations, with some exceptions.

"It's limited to the leadership of the fire departments, so that they can get on scene or to their departments

to handle an emergency," county manager Tom Stewart told the county commissioners on February 13th. "It's worthy to note state statute says that a driver of an authorized emergency vehicle may park or stand irrespective of the provisions of the motor vehicle code, proceed past a red stop signal or stop sign but only after slowing down as is necessary for safe operation. He may exceed the maximum speed limit so long as he does not endanger life or property," Stewart said. "The exceptions granted to an authorized emergency vehicle apply only when the driver of the emergency vehicle, while in motion, sounds an audible signal by bell, siren or exhaust whistle as is reasonably necessary and when the vehicle is equipped with at least one lighted lamp display, a red light visible under normal atmospheric conditions from a distance of 500 feet," he explained. "We're talking about the leadership of our fire departments being able to get to their resources."

Stewart told the county commissioners that the volunteer firefighters must purchase the emergency equipment themselves because of anti-donation laws.

"You can't pay to have something put on a privately-owned vehicle," Stewart said.

County commissioner Dave Parks asked for some clarification regarding whether or not the county's insurance would cover its liabilities in the case of a serious accident involving a firefighter responding to an emergency in a privately-owned vehicle.

County attorney Alan Morel said that he believed it would, but added that he would find out for sure.

The resolution allowing fire department officers to equip their own vehicles with lights and sirens, at their own expense, was passed unanimously by the board of county commissioners. The resolution was based on a similar document adopted by Otero County.

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# "Looking Back"

Through Old 'NEWS' Files

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February 24, 1970

## Carrizozo Boxers Do Well

Carrizozo boxers gained valuable experience and acquitted themselves well at the Regional Gloves tournament at Roswell, February 19, 20, and 21. Most of the Carrizozo boxers were under age 16 and so fought in the exhibition class. Carrizozo winners in these bouts were Eddie Neiderstadt 74 lbs., Jimmy Samora at 68 lbs., Bobby Beltran at 72 lbs., Mike Vega at 78 lbs., Dicky Portillo at 77 lbs., and Christy Monnreal at 150 lbs.

In the novice class for age 16 and over Raymond LaFave won his first bout handily and was well on his way toward winning his second bout Friday night when he was hit by a looping left. Jim Ham won runner up in the heavy weight division and was awarded a beautiful trophy. Ham lost a tough fight Saturday night that had the crowd on its feet cheering. Winner of the match was Paul Crown, Jim's team mate on he combined Ruidoso-Carrizozo team Paul's antics in the right brought back memories of Max Baer to the old time boxing fans.

Many of the Carrizozo boxers were unable to find matches on the crowded fight card and thought disappointed at being unable to fight, still enjoyed the fine bouts that had a filled house each night and several hundred standing on Saturday night.

The tournament was climaxed by presentation of coaches and trophy winners at righside and by an unusually delicious chicken dinner at the Chew Den Restaurant following the fights on Saturday night. The dinner was given by the Sertoma Club which sponsored the tournament and was enjoyed by the tired and hungry fighters.

The state tournament will be at Roswell at the Hondol Center on March 5, 6th and 7th and boxing fans are urged to go for a night of boxing thrills. Novice and open fighters are unusually good this year and the trip will be well worth the money.

Carrizozo boxing coach, Ben Pritchett, express appreciation to Natividad Chavez, asst. boxing coach at Carrizozo, James Fitzgerald, box-

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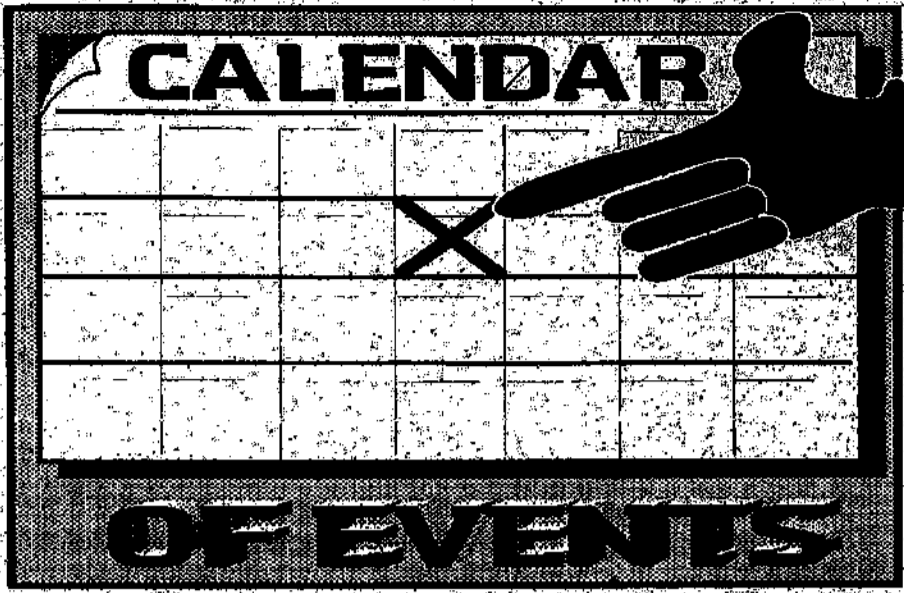
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-Alcohol Anonymous 6:30 p.m. Carrizozo First Baptist Church Fellowship Hall.
- WEDNESDAYS**  
-Corona Public Library story hour 4 p.m.  
-AWANA for children age 3 through 6<sup>th</sup> grade, 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. First Baptist Church of Carrizozo, non-denominational activities. Call 648-2107 for information.  
-Tic Tac, 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 at Ruidoso Village Hall from 9 a.m. to 12 noon.
- THIRD SATURDAY OF EACH MONTH**  
-American Legion Post #11 Wells Fargo Bank 9 a.m.
- EACH FRIDAY**  
-Al Anon family group for families and friends of alcoholics, noon, Methodist Church, Carrizozo, bring lunch.
- SATURDAY, MARCH 7**  
-100th birthday party for Lois Aldrich 2:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. at Capitan Library. Everyone welcome.
- MONDAY, MARCH 9**  
-Republican Party of Lincoln County monthly meeting at Cree Meadows Country Club, dinner at 6:00 p.m. speaker Richard Barbaras of NRA on gun legislation at 7:30 p.m. RSVP to 336-7038.  
-Capitan Chamber of Commerce 6:30 p.m. Visitor's Center on Smokey Bear Blvd.
- TUESDAY, MARCH 10**  
-Carrizozo Chamber of Commerce 12 noon at Four Winds Restaurant.  
-Ruidoso Village Council 4:30 p.m.  
-Corona Village Council 5:30 p.m.  
-Carrizozo Town Council 6:00 p.m.  
-Capitan Village Council 6:30 p.m.
- THURSDAY, MARCH 11**  
-Carrizozo Woman's Club 6 p.m.



Stephanie Zamora

## Stephanie Zamora Invited to USA Jr. Nationals Competition

Stephanie Zamora, student at Carrizozo High School (soph.), has recently received the following letter from USA Junior Nationals. The letter states:

Congratulations on being identified by the USA Junior Nationals basketball program as one of the outstanding high school basketball players in your region. On behalf of our selection committee, I would like to inform you about an upcoming event that we would be interested in having you attend.

The prestigious USA Junior Nationals All-State High School Basketball Competition is scheduled for Sunday, March 22, 2009, at Regis University in Denver, CO.

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The committee has expressed their desire to have you compete in the USA Junior Nationals All-State High School Basketball Competition. Teams will be formed from the Colorado Junior Nationals competition to represent Colorado/Wyoming/New Mexico/Nebraska in the "International Sports Festival 2009" scheduled

for July 27 - August 2, 2009 at the University of Illinois in Champaign, IL. When you advance to the International competition in Champaign, you will compete in a week long super competitive pool play tournament and a double elimination international championship tournament

against top varsity athletes from across the nation and Canada. We look forward to seeing you on Sunday, March 22, 2009 at Regis University in Denver. Stephanie is the daughter of Sage A. Duggar and Benny A. Zamora, both of Carrizozo.

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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  
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Worship Service 10:00 a.m.  
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**Santa Rita Catholic Community**  
FR FRANKLIN, Pastor  
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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.  
Dolans St. Theresa 1:30 p.m.

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Morning Worship 10:30 a.m.  
Children's Church 10:30 a.m.  
Family Worship 8:00 p.m.  
Wednesday  
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**St. Mathias Episcopal Church**  
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Non-Denominational**  
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**Capitan Community Church**  
TONY SCACCIA, Minister  
849-1302  
Second Sunday of Each Month 9:00 a.m.

**United Methodist Churches**  
JOHANNA ANDERSON, Pastor  
1000 D. Ave. 848-2893 / 848-2848  
Carrizozo, NM 88301  
Sunday School (All Ages) 10:00 a.m.  
Worship Service 11:00 a.m.  
Choir Practice (Tuesday) 6:30 p.m.  
United Methodist Women  
Every 3rd Wednesday 2:00 p.m.  
Fellowship Dinner on  
4th Sunday of Month 12:30 p.m.

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

**Christ Community Fellowship**  
ED WINSON, Pastor (Inter-denominational)  
914 Smokey Bear Blvd., Capitan, NM  
Sunday School 9:30 a.m.  
Sunday Morning Worship 10:30 a.m.

**Capitan Church of Christ**  
LESLIE EARWOOD, Minister  
5th & Lincoln / 336-4627  
Sunday Bible Study 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 954-2044  
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.  
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Morning Worship 10:30 a.m.  
Children's Church 10:45 a.m.  
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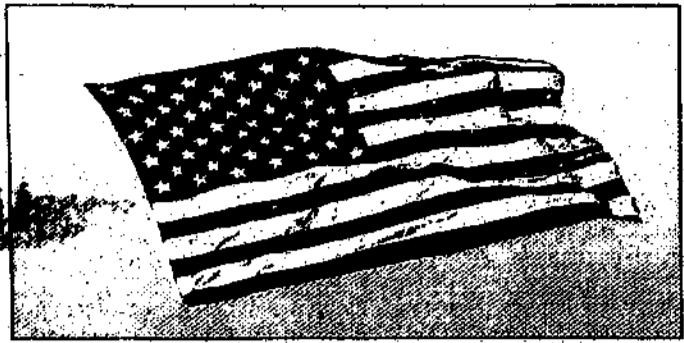
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# Editorials / Opinions & Other Stuff

## THOUGHTS FROM THE EDITOR'S DESK

### Visiting A Major Movie Set By Ruth Hammond

People in this area have a rare opportunity to be able to visit a major movie set. *The Book of Eli*, starring super stars Denzel Washington, Gary Oldman and Mila Kunis is being filmed in New Mexico with more than one week of filming scheduled to be in Carrizozo starting as early as tomorrow. As you know, changes have been made to 12<sup>th</sup> Street to make it resemble the way it might look after a major devastation. Building fronts appear to have been burned, windows are gone, vehicles and concrete abound.

Instead of a wide open street, there are piles and piles of rubbish on both sides of the street. Of course the street is closed to vehicle traffic, but at times pedestrians may walk on the street. Security guards caution people to stay in the center of the street. Thank goodness traffic is not allowed on the street because tires could be flattened by the rubbish, nails, etc. that are scattered along the street.

Considering that this project has been in the works for more than two months, it is interesting to note that if it had been an actual devastation it could have occurred in a matter of minutes if not seconds. People are aware that after filming the crews will remove all of the materials and 12<sup>th</sup> Street will look once again as it did before the project started. At that time the only thing left will be memories of a major film being made partly in Carrizozo.

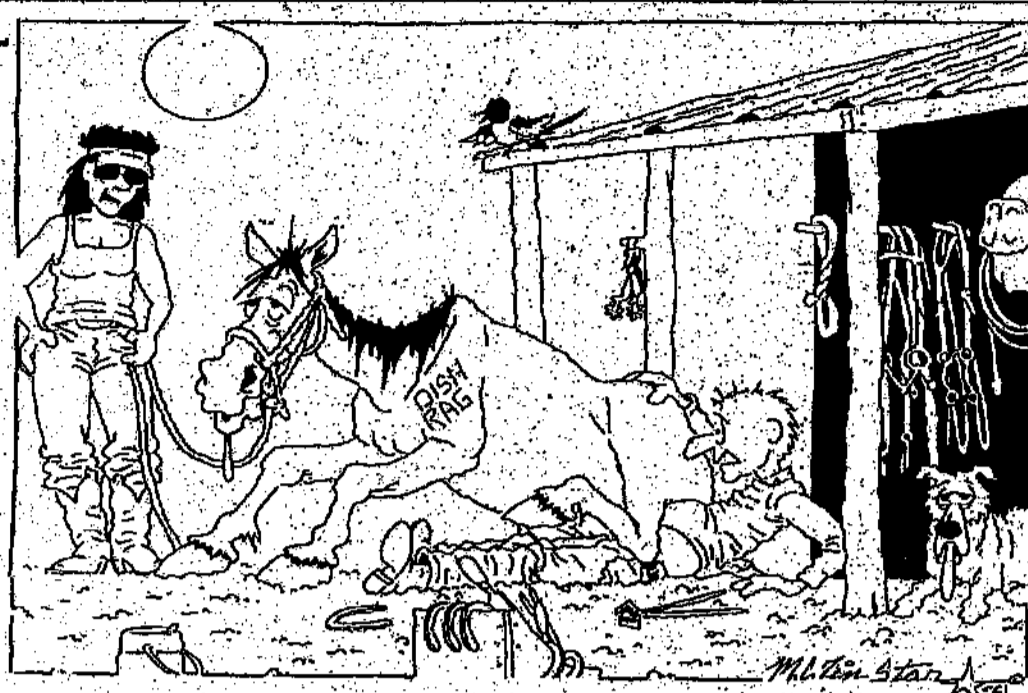
There are naysayers who insist no one will know that part of the film was made in Carrizozo but Carrizozo will definitely be listed in the credits and to date has received much publicity. Then there are about 100 people who will be extras in the film, these people are from Carrizozo and surrounding areas. Their memories alone will be worth much. We were told that the extras signed a form that prohibits them from talking about the film story line.

Using that criteria, it seems we aren't supposed to know anything about the film, but some of the story line has been announced to the media. Even at that it will be exciting to see the actual film when it is released. There has been no announcement about a release date but it will could be a while. The film must be edited, the music score must be composed and recorded and synchronized, which could take time. Who knows when the people who were hired as extras will see themselves actually on film?

Rather than speculate on release dates, the possibility of actually getting to see a major movie star, and whether anyone we know will be recognizable in the film, it is better for us to consider the fact that we walked on the street that will be a portion of the film. We saw the piles of rubbish, wrecked vehicles, burned buildings, and all the other things that were there before they were filmed.

Except for the major movie stars, we saw it before it was filmed. The excitement of a film being made partly in Carrizozo has captured many people and bored others.

EARL



"THERE'S JUST NO PLEASING YOU, EARL. YOU COMPLAINED THAT THE OTHER HORSE YOU SHOD WOULDN'T RELAX!"

Big Dry Syndicate



## WEATHER REPORT

by Jeff Hammond

The forecast for the upcoming week is pretty much the same as it has been for the last two weeks. Expect partly cloudy days and nights at all elevations. There will be winds out of the west. Expect an average wind speed of about 20-25 mph, with occasional gusts up to as high as 40 mph at the lower elevations. At the higher elevations the wind speed will average 15-20 mph, with occasional gusts as high as 40 mph.

There is a slight, a very slight chance for rain showers at all elevations on Friday evening/night.

Current conditions for skiing at Ski Apache are; 14 of 55 trails are open with six of 11 lifts currently operating. 15 inches of machine groomed at the lower elevations, and 15 inches of hard packed snow at the higher elevations.

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

Today, Thursday, March 5  
Partly sunny, with a high near 73, breezy, with a west wind between 15 and 25 mph, with gusts as high as 40 mph, night: Mostly cloudy, with a low around 40, west wind between 10 and 20 mph.

Friday, March 6  
Mostly cloudy, with a high near 73, night: Isolated showers, mostly cloudy, with a low around 41.

Saturday, March 7  
Partly sunny, with a high near 64, night: Partly cloudy, with low around 33.

Sunday, March 8  
Partly sunny, with a high near 61, night: Partly cloudy, with low around 32.

Monday, March 9  
Mostly sunny, with a high near 63, night: Partly cloudy, with low around 32.

Tuesday, March 10  
Partly sunny, with a high near 65, night: Partly cloudy, with low around 33.

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

Today, Thursday, March 5  
Partly sunny, with a high near 67, windy, with a west wind 15 to 20 mph increasing to between 25 and 30 mph, winds could gust as high as 40 mph, night: Mostly cloudy, with a low around 42, west wind between 10 and 20 mph, with gusts as high as 30 mph.

Friday, March 6  
Mostly cloudy, with a high near 63, night: Isolated showers, mostly cloudy, with a low around 40.

Saturday, March 7  
Partly sunny, with a high near 55, night: Partly cloudy, with low around 30.

Sunday, March 8  
Partly sunny, with a high near 52, night: Partly cloudy, with low around 29.

Monday, March 9  
Mostly sunny, with a high near 57, night: Partly cloudy, with low around 28.

Tuesday, March 10  
Mostly cloudy, with a high near 55, night: Partly cloudy, with low around 26.

The above information was taken from the National Weather Service Website. For up to date weather reports, go to [www.srh.noaa.gov/abq/](http://www.srh.noaa.gov/abq/) on the internet. This website is up-dated every four hours.

## Inside the Capitol

by JAY MILLER, Syndicated Columnist

SANTA FE -- The bones of famed Apache warrior Geronimo may return to his southwestern New Mexico home as the result of a lawsuit filed by his great-grandson, Harlyn Geronimo.

Readers who have seen my Billy the Kid columns know of my disinclination toward digging up graves. But this would be done for long-held cultural reasons. That softens my feelings about grave desecration a little, but not much.

Nevertheless, returning Geronimo to the homeland from which he was forcibly taken and held captive in Oklahoma and Florida for the next 23 years until his death has a certain appeal.

Geronimo died at Fort Sill, Oklahoma in 1909 and was buried in the Apache prisoner of war cemetery. For many years there has been a story that members of the secret Skull and Bones Society at Yale University broke into the grave in 1918 and stole Geronimo's skull and some bones for their clubhouse.

On the 100th anniversary of Geronimo's death, 20 of his direct descendants filed suit against the federal government and the Order of Skull and Bones for the return of Geronimo's remains because he will not be at peace until he is back in his homeland.

The Geronimo family is not just grasping at straws. The 1990 Native American Graves Protection and Repatriation Act gives lineal descendants a priority claim.

In 1913, four years after Geronimo's death, the government finally released the Apache POWs and gave them the choice of staying in Oklahoma or returning to the Mescalero Apache tribe in the Sacramento Mountains of New Mexico.

Most chose to stay in Oklahoma but about a quarter of them returned. Among them were the ancestors of Harlyn Geronimo, an artist and former Tribal Council member.

Five years ago, the Geronimo family dedicated a rock monument near the Gila Cliff Dwellings National Monument to their famous ancestor. Presumably this is the area of the Gila Wilderness, near Turkey Creek, to which they would return Geronimo's remains.

The Apaches from that area were members of the Bedonkohe Band of Chiricahua Apaches. When Geronimo was a young warrior, Mangas Coloradas was the chief.

In 1851, Geronimo's mother, wife and two children were slain by Mexican troops attempting to put down uprisings in the area. Enraged, Geronimo went to Cochise, the famous chief of a neighboring band of Chiricahuas across the border in southeastern Arizona for help in revenge against the Mexicans.

It was the Mexicans who gave him the name Geronimo. During an attack

on a Mexican encampment, he repeatedly stabbed the soldiers with a knife, despite a hail of bullets. Legend says the soldiers began loudly appealing to San Jeronimo for protection. The name stuck.

During the next 35 years, Geronimo ranged from southeastern Arizona, throughout southern New Mexico and into west Texas, forming alliances with other bands of Chiricahua Apaches, such as Victorio, chief of the Hot Springs Apaches.

But southwest New Mexico was his home base. Recently the Fort Sill Apaches, who remained in Oklahoma, sought permission to open a casino at Akela, on Interstate 10 halfway between Las Cruces and Deming. They claimed a right to the territory because it was their original homeland. They have made little headway with New Mexico government officials.

The national media has picked up on the Geronimo story in a big way. The fierce Apache has become the gold standard for bravery.

Increasing the interest in the Geronimo story is the tie to three generations of the Bush family. Prescott Bush reportedly was one of the Skull and Bones members who stole Geronimo's skull and bones from his Fort Sill grave. Bush's son and grandson who both became president also were members of that secret society and haven't been willing to shed any light on the situation.

## County Looks at Road

(Continued from Page 1)

that we can do Cedar Creek and then come back to Alto," Stewart said. He suggested that repairs could be made to Cedar Creek in 2011 and Alto road work could be completed in 2012. "We may need to go Alto, Cedar Creek, Alto and then to Sun Valley and so on and so forth," Stewart said. "We have flexibility."

According to Hernandez, an inch and a half of chip seal will last for eight to 10 years if it is properly maintained and repaired regularly. He also said that he has enough money in his budget to complete the road repairs needed in the Ranches of Sonterra II subdivision this year, but additional work will be needed in Sonterra I and Sonterra III.

## Obituary

LENA JOBE

Lena M. Jobe, formerly of Capitan, died February 24 in Keene, Texas. Lena was born May 28, 1919, in Strawn, Texas to Marion David and Mary Elizabeth Jennings.

She moved to Claunch, New Mexico in 1949, and married Garvice T. Jobe on December 15, 1949. They moved to the Fort Stanton/Capitan area in 1963, where Lena later retired from the Fort Stanton

Hospital and Training School.

Lena was preceded in death by her husband Garvice, her parents and eight brothers and sisters. She is survived by daughters Sandy Moore and husband Bob of San Jose, California, Sherry Jobe of Albuquerque, and Sarah Norman of Alvarado, Texas; four grandchildren and six great-grandchildren.

Lena will be laid to rest in Claunch.

THE TASK AHEAD OF YOU,  
IS NEVER AS GREAT  
AS THE POWER BEHIND  
YOU.



BE STRONG IN THE LORD, AND IN HIS MIGHTY POWER.  
EPHESIANS 6:10

"Lord, hold our troops in your loving hands. Protect them as they protect us. Bless them and their families for the selfless acts they perform for us in our time of need. Amen"

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**LEGALS**

**LEGAL NOTICE**  
**STATE OF NEW MEXICO**  
**TWELFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT**  
**Case No. D1226CV200800193**  
**US BANK NATIONAL ASSOCIATION AS TRUSTEE,**  
 Plaintiff,

vs.  
**MONIQUE J. RAMOS; MORTGAGE ELECTRONIC REGISTRATION SYSTEMS, INC. (SOLELY AS NOMINEE FOR LENDER AND LENDER'S SUCCESSORS AND ASSIGNS); OCCUPANTS WHOSE TRUE NAMES ARE UNKNOWN; THE UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF MONIQUE J. RAMOS, IF ANY,**  
 Defendants;

**NOTICE OF SALE**  
**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that the undersigned Special Master will on April 14, 2009 at 9:00 A.M., Front Entrance to the Lincoln County District Court, 300 Central Ave., Carrizozo, NM 88301, sell and convey to the highest bidder for cash all the right, title, and interest of the above-named defendants in and to the following described real estate located in said County and State:

SEE ATTACHED EXHIBIT "A" Lot 7, Block 3, RUIDOSO DOWNS HEIGHTS SUBDIVISION, Ruidoso Downs, Lincoln County New Mexico, as shown by the plat hereof filed in the Office of the County Clerk and Ex-officio Recorder of Lincoln County, New Mexico March 26, 1957, in Tube No. 151; A tract of land within Lot 6, Block 3, RUIDOSO DOWNS HEIGHTS SUBDIVISION, Ruidoso Downs Lincoln County, New Mexico as shown by the plat thereof filed in the Office of the County Clerk and Ex-officio Recorder of Lincoln County, New Mexico March 26, 1957, in Tube No. 151, described by metes and bounds as follows: Beginning at the Southeast corner of said Lot 6; Thence South 55 degrees 56' West along the Southerly boundary of said Lot 6, a distance of 10.75 feet; thence North 30 degrees 13' West, a distance of 110.02 feet to a point on the Southerly right-of-way line of East Circle Drive, also being the Northerly boundary of said Lot 6; thence North 55 degrees 56' East along said boundary, a distance of 3.18 feet to the Northeast boundary of said lot 6; thence South 34 degrees 10' East along the Easterly boundary of said Lot 6, a distance of 110.00 feet to the place of beginning. The address of the real property is 228 East Circle Dr., Ruidoso Downs, NM 88346.

Said sale will be made pursuant to the Decree of Foreclosure entered on September 19, 2008 in the above entitled and numbered cause, which was a suit to foreclose a mortgage held by the above Plaintiff and wherein Plaintiff was adjudged to have a lien against the above-described real estate in the sum of \$94,101.63, plus interest from September 26, 2008 to the date of sale at the rate of 7.5% per annum, the costs of sale, including the Special Master's fee, publication costs, and Plaintiff's costs expended for taxes,

insurance, and keeping the property in good repair.

Plaintiff has the right to bid at such sale and submit its bid verbally or in writing. The Plaintiff may apply all or any part of its judgment to the purchase price in lieu of cash. At the date and time stated above, the Special Master may postpone the sale to such later date and time as the Special Master may specify.

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

**NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN** that the real property and improvements concerned with herein will be sold subject to any and all patent reservations, easements, all recorded and unrecorded liens not foreclosed herein, and all recorded and unrecorded special assessments and taxes that may be due.

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

Dated: 2/23, 2009.  
**Peter Baca, Special Master**  
 c/o Castle Meinhold & Stawarski  
 999 18th St., Suite 2201, Bin 1  
 Denver, CO 80202  
 (800) 286-0013 (303) 285-2222  
 Ramos, Monique 07-1908 / P539452

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**LEGAL NOTICE**

**INVITATION TO SUBMIT BIDS**

The Village of Capitán working with the Natural Resources Conservation Service will be accepting sealed bids on an Emergency Watershed protection project located at Salado Creek-Dawson Road Crossing in Capitán, NM. The project consists of stream bank stabilization and debris removal. The Contractor must be bonded and have a current NM license. A bid tour is scheduled for Monday, March 16, 2009, at 10:00AM. Bid packets will be available at the bid tour or by contacting Kay Strickland, Village Clerk, at 114 Lincoln Avenue, Capitán, NM or by calling 575-354-2247. Sealed bids will be accepted until 4:00PM Monday, March 23, 2009, at Village Hall at 114 Lincoln Ave, Capitán, NM. The Village of Capitán reserves the right to accept or reject any and all bids received.

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*Have A Great Day!*

**LEGAL NOTICE**

NOTICE is hereby given that on February 10, 2008, Scott L. Thompson, P.O. Box 1351, Alto, New Mexico 88321, filed application No. 01893-1A, with the STATE ENGINEER for permit to change place of use of 3.25 acre-feet per annum of the surface waters of the Rio Bonito, via the Lutz Ditch located at a point in the NW¼SW¼SW¼ of Section 15, Township 9 South, Range 15 East, N.M.P.M., and supplemental wells H-639 and H-639-S, both located in the NW¼NE¼SW¼ of Section 15, Township 9 South, Range 15 East, N.M.P.M., by ceasing the irrigation of 1.00 acre of land described as follows:

SUBDIVISION	SECTION	TOWNSHIP	RANGE	ACRES
N¼S¼	15	9 S.	15 E.)	
SE¼SE¼NW¼	15	9 S.	15 E.	1.00

The applicant proposes to commence the diversion of said 3.25 acre-feet per annum of surface water for the irrigation of 1.00 acre within the land described as follows:

SUBDIVISION	SECTION	TOWNSHIP	RANGE	ACRES
SE¼SW¼NW¼	15	9 S.	15 E.	1.00

The points of diversion and place of use are located approximately four and half miles northwest of Lincoln, Lincoln County, New Mexico.

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 must be based on: (1) Impairment; if impairment you must specifically identify your water rights; and/or (2) Public welfare/conservation of water; if public welfare or conservation of water within the state of New Mexico; you must show you will be substantially affected. The written protest must be filed, in triplicate, with John R. D'Antonio, Jr., P.E., State Engineer, 1900 West Second Street, Roswell, New Mexico 88201, within ten (10) days after the date of last publication of this Notice. Facsimiles (fax) 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. Protest can be faxed to Office of the State Engineer, (575) 623-8559. 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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**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.

February 17  
 1:07 p.m. Medical call from Fort Stanton, ambulance dispatched.  
 4:40 p.m. Drugs reported at Lincoln County Detention Center in Carrizozo, deputy dispatched.  
 7:37 p.m. Medical call from Fort Stanton, ambulance dispatched.  
 9:12 p.m. Warrant service at Lincoln County Detention Center in Carrizozo, deputy dispatched.  
 9:17 p.m. Disturbance/family in Capitán, deputy dispatched.  
 9:17 p.m. Disturbance/family in Capitán, deputy dispatched.  
 February 18  
 10:12 a.m. Animal call on Hwy 48/37 in Alto, deputy dispatched.  
 12:09 p.m. Medical call on Birchwood in Angus, ambulance dispatched.  
 12:22 p.m. Civil dispute on Butch Cassidy in Alto, deputy dispatched.  
 1:50 p.m. Fire reported at mile marker 273 on Hwy 70 in Glencoe, Glencoe fire department dispatched.  
 1:56 p.m. Larceny/theft reported on Snowpark Rd in Alto, deputy dispatched.  
 2:31 p.m. Littering or dumping on Hwy 48 in Gaviñan Canyon reported, deputy dispatched.  
 4:27 p.m. Medical call on Hwy 48 in Bonito, ambulance dispatched.  
 4:27 p.m. Fire reported on Hwy 48 in Bonito, Bonito fire department dispatched.  
 7:09 p.m. Medical call on Hwy 70 in Tinnie, ambulance dispatched.  
 7:13 p.m. Suspicious activity by subject on Hwy 70 in Hondo, deputy dispatched.  
 February 19  
 1:01 a.m. Medical call on Birchwood in Angus, ambulance dispatched.  
 1:01 a.m. Lincoln County Medical Center (LCMC) in Ruidoso reported subject shot, deputy dispatched.

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**Obituary**

**RUDY "BUDDY" GONZALES**

Funeral services for Rudy "Buddy" Gonzales, 48, of Nogal were Feb. 28 in the First Christian Church in Ruidoso with burial following at Forest Lawn Cemetery in Ruidoso.

Mr. Gonzales died February 23 in Ruidoso. He was born August 22, 1960 at Ruidoso, he moved back to Lincoln County in 2006 from New River, Arizona where he had lived for the previous 16 years. He had been a commercial glazer for 30 years.

He married Jodie Johnson on June 25, 1983 in Ruidoso.

He is survived by his wife Jodie; two sons, Jeremiah Gonzales and Brandon Gonzales; a granddaughter, Shauna Gonzales; parents, Mary Jane and Rudy Gonzales Sr.; brothers and sisters, Donna Pafford, Wilbur "Jabo" Gonzales, Violet Norman, Joe Gonzales, Nick Gonzales, Charlie Gonzales, Gloria Jane Gonzales, and Jennifer Anderson.

Condolences may be sent to the family at www.lagroneruidoso.com.



**"Looking Back"**

Through Old 'NEWS' Files

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ing coach at Ruidoso who worked the corners and financed two evening meals for the combined Ruidoso-Carrizozo team. Carrizozo-Ruidoso will be fighting as a combined team for the balance of this year and probably next year.

Appreciation was also expressed to Mrs. Delia Beltran, Mrs. Bertha LaFave, Mrs. Della Vega, Terry Vega and to Mr. and Mrs. Tony Samora who helped transport and chaperone the group of thirty young boxers back and forth to the tournament. Those boxers are eagerly looking forward to next year's tournament and an even more successful team score.

**March 12, 1970**  
**Weather a mite cold for 3 elephants and 1 chimpanzee**

Murray Hill, owner of Circus Animal World with headquarters in Burlington, Wisconsin was traveling from Imperial, Calif., where his animals performed at a fair with new destination in Toronto, Canada when the transmission of his semi tractor gave out, time about 11:15 Monday night, place about 16 miles north of Carrizozo on US 54.

Weather in Lincoln County was real fine Monday and Tuesday but the weather man was right about storm coming this way and it hit the Lincoln County area Wednesday night -- the three elephants and one chimpanzee still in their truck.

The elevation of Lincoln County ranges from 5401 at Carrizozo up above 6000 around Corona and temperatures get real cold for tropical animals. The elephants and chimp came from Thailand.

Hill was spending time in Carrizozo Wednesday waiting on his transportation to be fixed in El Paso then brought to Zozo where Ed Jones would put back in the truck and at the same time trying to figure out a way to get his animals next to some heat. His trailer hitch that will not work on any local tractor.

The storm blanketed most of the county with a wet snow and lots of drifts making driving hazardous in the early morning Wednesday but by noon it was pretty well over at least for the present.

**Old Homesteader Finally Went Home**

The fine old gentleman a lot of Carrizozo people have seen out in the yard around the Jones place moving dirt or sitting in a chair and raking was named Denny Spaid who came to this country from West Virginia with the Warden boys, both old timers of the area.

Denny at one time homesteaded a section of land in the Ancho area now a part of the Hightower ranch. As he aged he lived for a time in the El Cibola Hotel then moved to Tucumcari and his last several years were spent in an apartment in Carrizozo where he literally kept his health by working around the yard and dieting.

Denny apparently died several weeks ago but was not missed for the reason that he didn't always come outdoors and really didn't want any person meddling in his affairs. The News editor has talked with him many times but he would not give his name nor did he want his picture taken so we never did.

Elfred Jones contacted the sheriff's office March 6 and they called Dr. A.N. Spencer as coroner. Denny Spaid was buried in the Ancho Cemetery, the place he selected as his final resting ground in Lincoln County.

**Payne Moving Law Office**

Carrizozo attorney Bill Payne has bought the Shafer house, second from the corner across street from courthouse, and plans to move his law office to this location by the first of April.

Payne came to Carrizozo in March of 1968 and has served as assistant district attorney since that time as well as carrying on a private practice. He recently won election as municipal judge for the Town of Carrizozo and will be a candidate for Magistrate in Division 1, position now held by Friday Sherrill who is retiring, in the coming election on the Democratic ticket. He is also serving as attorney for the Village of Capitán.

Civic affairs have occupied Bill Payne and he has been more than generous with his time serving as president of the Chamber of Commerce and Lions Club.

The shafer house will be remodeled some for office for both Payne and secretary Noyola Ortiz.





*Carrizozo 3rd and 4th Grades Present*  
**President's Day Program**  
 Thursday, February 12th  
*"Abraham Lincoln: A Boy Who Became President"*



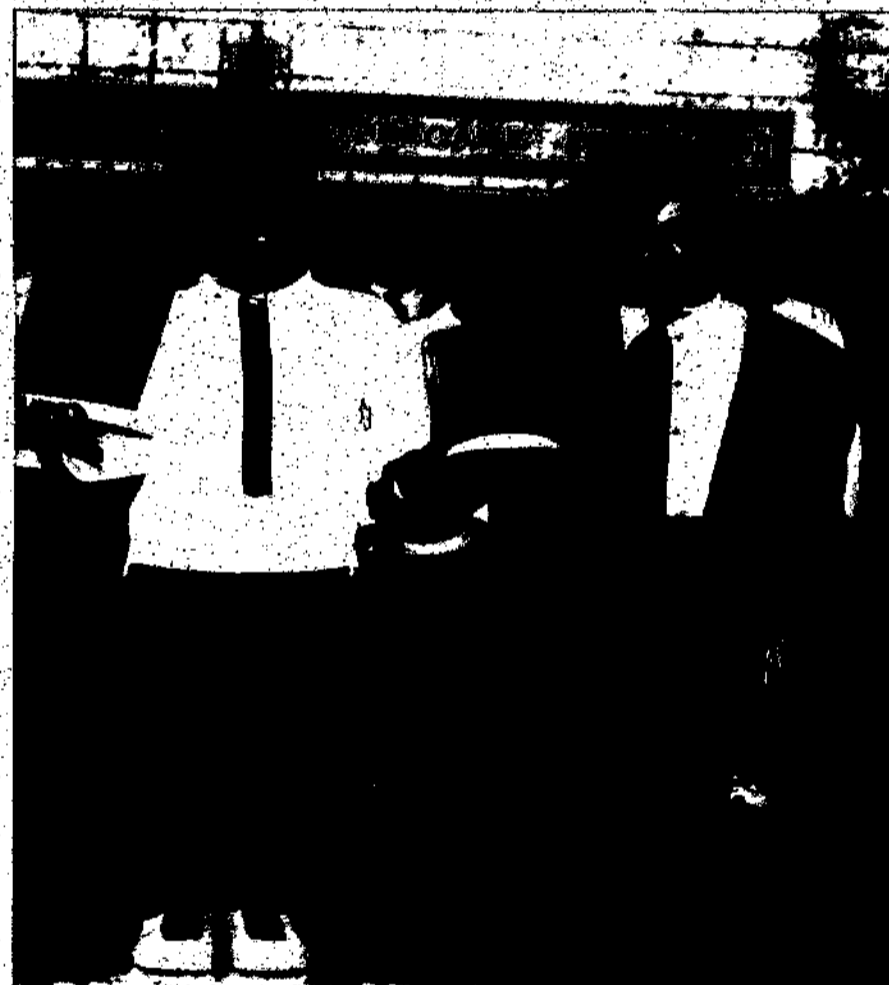
4th grader Anthony Vallejos had lead role and played Abraham Lincoln.



(Left to Right) Taylor Thornton, Garrison Ventura, Alex Randolph, Lashae Lueras, and Haley Autrey, were part of the cast that performed different skits in the play entitled "Abraham Lincoln: A Boy Who Became President".



3rd and 4th grade students recite 'The Gettysburg Address'.



3rd grade students Xavier Zamora (l) and Victor Najera (r) recited their part of The Gettysburg Address.



'The President's Rap' a dancing routine, was performed by (front l. to r.) Lashae Lueras, Grace Hooten, Deline Arteché, Kristie Gallacher, and Taylor Thornton. 9; (back) Garrison Ventura and Cody Carter.

**----- CAST -----**

- Announcers:** Mikhail Barela, Adriana Samora  
**Narrators:** Xavier Zamora, Cody Carter, Hannah Ventura, Steven Archuleta, Janae Willingham  
**Characters:**
- |                   |  |
|-------------------|--|
| > Abe Lincoln     | Anthony Vallejos                                     |
| > Dennis (Cousin) | Danny Roper  |
| > Sarah (Sister)  | Deline Arteché                                       |
| > Pa              | Garrison Ventura                                     |
| > Ma              | Lashae Lueras  |
| > Three Children  | Andrea Apodaca,<br>Taylor Thornton,<br>Alex Randolph |
- President's Rap:** 3rd and 4th grade students  
**Gettysburg Address:** 3rd and 4th grade students with solos by Xavier Zamora, Victor Najera, Kristie Gallacher, Grace Hooten  
**Directors:** Rima Davis (3rd grade teacher)  
 Anne Serna (4th grade teacher)



**LEGALS**

**LEGAL NOTICE  
NOTICE OF  
PUBLIC HEARING**

NOTICE is hereby given that the Lincoln County Board of Commissioners will hold Public Hearing beginning at 1:30 p.m., on Tuesday, March 17, 2009. 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:

A LINCOLN COUNTY MINING ORDINANCE providing a regulatory framework for the balance between protection of the unique resources of Lincoln County with the furtherance of commercial mining in the county.

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 and/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  
STATE OF NEW MEXICO  
COUNTY OF LINCOLN  
TWELFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT  
No. D1226CV200800355**

NATIONAL CITY MORTGAGE CO., A SUBSIDIARY OF NATIONAL CITY BANK,  
Plaintiff,

vs.  
MARGO PADILLA; OCCUPANTS WHOSE TRUE NAMES ARE UNKNOWN,  
Defendants.

**NOTICE OF SUIT**

STATE OF NEW MEXICO to the above-named Defendant Margo Padilla:

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 423 Mechem Drive, Ruidoso, NM 88345, Lincoln County, New Mexico, said property being more particularly described as:

Lot 10 and the South 20 feet of Lot 11, Block 6, HAMILTON TERRACE SUBDIVISION, Ruidoso, Lincoln County, New Mexico, as shown by the plat thereof filed in the office of the County Clerk of Lincoln County, New Mexico, on March 4, 1946.

Unless you serve a pleading or motion in response to the complaint in said cause on or before April 13, 2009, judgment by default will be entered against you.

Respectfully Submitted,  
**CASTLE MEINHOLD & STAWIARSKI**  
By: Sharon Hankla Sharon  
Sharon Hankla  
D. Renae Richards Charney  
999 18th St., Suite 2201, Bin 1  
Denver, CO 80202  
(800) 286-0013; (303) 285-2222  
Attorney for the 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 February 2009.

JAN PERRY  
Clerk of the District Court  
By: Deputy

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**LEGAL NOTICE  
TWELFTH JUDICIAL  
DISTRICT COURT  
COUNTY OF LINCOLN  
STATE OF NEW MEXICO  
No. CV-09-61  
Division III**

VICTORIA J. DURAN AND  
MONICA G. DURANT,  
Plaintiffs,

vs.  
GROUP I: THE UNKNOWN HEIRS OF THE FOLLOWING NAMED DECEASED PERSONS: GREGORIA HERRERA, W.L. JOHNSON, EDGAR G. MASMAR, PABLO TRUJILLO;  
GROUP II: THE FOLLOWING NAMED PERSONS, IF LIVING, IF DECEASED, THEIR UNKNOWN HEIRS, AND THE UNKNOWN SPOUSES OF THE FOLLOWING NAMED PERSONS, IF LIVING, IF DECEASED THEIR UNKNOWN HEIRS: GREGORIA HERRERA,

GEORGE HERRERA;  
GROUP III: THE UNKNOWN SUCCESSORS IN INTEREST TO THE FOLLOWING NAMED INACTIVE CORPORATION: ALAMOGORDO IMPROVEMENT COMPANY;

GROUP IV: THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF LINCOLN COUNTY, NEW MEXICO AND THE TREASURER OF LINCOLN COUNTY, NEW MEXICO, AS TRUSTEE;

GROUP V: ALL UNKNOWN CLAIMANTS OF INTEREST IN THE PREMISES ADVERSE TO THE PLAINTIFFS;

Defendants,

**SUMMONS AND NOTICE OF  
PENDENCY OF ACTION**

THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO TO THE ABOVE DEFENDANTS NAMED OR DESIGNATED IN GROUPS I, II, III AND V:

GREETINGS: You are hereby notified that Victoria J. Duran and Monica G. Durant, Plaintiffs, have filed an action in the District Court of Lincoln County, New Mexico, Civil Docket No. CV-09-61 Div. III, wherein you are named as Defendants and wherein said Plaintiffs seek to obtain constructive service upon you.

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

Lots 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26 and the East 10 feet of Lot 20, Block 77, The TOWN OF CAPITAN, Lincoln County, New Mexico, as shown by the Original Plat of the Town of Capitan filed in the office of the County Clerk and Ex-officio Recorder of Lincoln County, New Mexico on March 3, 1900;

You are further notified that unless you enter your appearance, plead or otherwise respond in said cause on or before April 13, 2009, judgment will be rendered against you by default and the relief prayed for in the Complaint will be granted to Plaintiffs in conformity with the allegations of the Plaintiffs' Complaint.

The name and address of the attorney for the Plaintiffs is: Archie A. Witham, (575) 354-2698, P.O. Box 83, Nogal, New Mexico 88341.

WITNESS my hand and seal of the District Court of Lincoln County, New

Mexico, on this the 23rd day of February, 2009.

JAN PERRY  
Clerk of the District Court  
(SEAL)  
By: Jolene Biggs  
Deputy.

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**LEGAL NOTICE  
STATE OF NEW MEXICO  
TWELFTH JUDICIAL  
DISTRICT**

Case No. D1226CV200800144  
WELLS FARGO BANK, NA,  
Plaintiff,

vs.  
JEREMIAH D. HOBBS; THE UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF JEREMIAH D. HOBBS, IF ANY; OCCUPANTS WHOSE TRUE NAMES ARE UNKNOWN.

**NOTICE OF SALE**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned Special Master will, on April 14th, at 9:00 A.M., Front Entrance to the Lincoln County District Court, 300 Central Ave., Carrizozo, NM 88301, sell and convey to the highest bidder for cash all the right, title, and interest of the above-named defendants in and to the following described real estate located in said County and State:

LOT 8, BLOCK 1, OF MORRIS ADDITION, CAPITAN, LINCOLN COUNTY, NEW MEXICO, AS SHOWN BY THE PLAT THEREOF FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY CLERK AND EX-OFFICIO RECORDER OF LINCOLN COUNTY, NEW MEXICO, ON APRIL 4, 1933.

The Address of the real property is 415 Third Street W, Capitan, NM 88316.

Said sale will be made pursuant to the Decree of Foreclosure entered on September 24, 2008 in the above-entitled and numbered cause, which was a suit to foreclose a mortgage held by the above Plaintiff and wherein Plaintiff was adjudged to have a lien against the above-described real estate in the sum of \$105,967.44 plus interest from September 12, 2008 to the date of sale at the rate of 6.5% annum, the costs of sale, including the Special Master's fee, publication costs, and Plaintiff's costs

expended for taxes, insurance, and keeping the property in good repair.

Plaintiff has the right to bid at such sale and submit its bid verbally or in writing. The Plaintiff may apply all or any part of its judgment of the purchase price in lieu of cash. At the date and time stated above the Special Master may postpone the sale to such later date and time as the Special Master may specify.

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

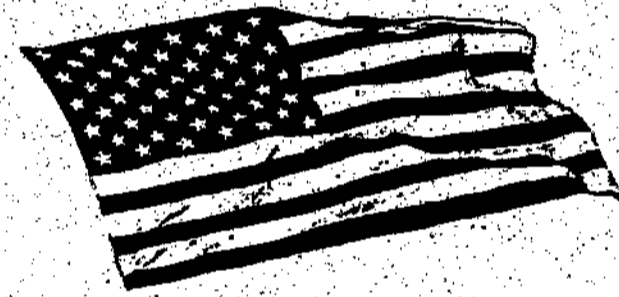
NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that the real property and improvements concerned with herein will be sold subject to any and all patent reservations, easements, all recorded and unrecorded liens not foreclosed herein, and all recorded and unrecorded special assessments and taxes that may be due.

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

Dated: 2/3, 2009.

Peter Baca, Special Master  
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**ENMU Ruidoso Students Named to New Mexico All-State Academic Team**

On February 6<sup>th</sup>, 27 New Mexico community college students were recognized for being named to the 2009 New Mexico All-State Academic Team at a ceremony at the State Capitol Rotunda. Two students enrolled at ENMU-Ruidoso, Patrick McNulty and Neyma Ostos, were among the students honored at that day.

Phi Theta Kappa, the international honor society for two-year colleges, annually conducts a national community college student achievement competition: the All-USA Academic Team for Community Colleges. New Mexico's community colleges have actively participated in this program for many years and annually recognize the students who have been nominated by their institutions as members of the New Mexico All-State Academic Team.

During the ceremony, each student received a certificate and a medallion as well as an award letter offering them a tuition scholarship to complete a baccalaureate degree at one of the state's public four-year institutions. Students on the New Mexico All-State Academic Team also compete for high honors as the New Mexico Century Scholar - the leading performer of the

year in New Mexico - and for a place on the All-USA Academic Team. Governor Bill Richardson proclaimed February 6 to be Community College Day.

The event was sponsored by the New Mexico Association of Community Colleges (NMACC) and the New Mexico Independent Community Colleges (NMICC) in recognition of top academic achievements. New Mexico's eight independent and 10 branch community colleges serve approximately 74,000 students in credit courses and many thousands more in non-credit and community service programs.



Michael Elrod, ENMU-Ruidoso President congratulates Neyma Ostos (top) and Patrick McNulty (bottom). (courtesy Photo)



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**EMPLOYMENT NOTICE**

**OPERATOR I** -- Lincoln County Road Department. Applicant must have working knowledge in the operation and minor maintenance of light and heavy equipment; general road maintenance and construction labor; general labor activities. Applicant must have a clean driving record; no felony convictions; and must possess a valid New Mexico Class A Commercial Driver's License with N and X endorsements. Employment will be a condition upon the applicant's successful completion of a physical examination and substance abuse test. Obtain application and job description from Billie-Jo Guevara at 575/648-2385 ext. 100. Applications accepted until 5:00 p.m., Monday, March 16, 2009. Equal Opportunity Employer.

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**Sheriff's Report**

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- 11:31 a.m. Agency assist requested by Ruidoso Downs police department, deputy dispatched.
- 12:12 p.m. Medical call on A Avenue in Carrizozo, ambulance dispatched.
- 12:54 p.m. Medical call on E Avenue in Carrizozo, ambulance dispatched.
- 6:33 p.m. Medical call at Corona School gym, ambulance dispatched.
- 8:34 p.m. Disturbance disorderly conduct reported on Nogal Canyon Rd, deputy dispatched.
- February 20
- 5:49 a.m. Fire reported on Jose Vega Loop in Carrizozo, Carrizozo fire department dispatched.
- 11:14 a.m. VIN check requested on Mr. Hood in Alpine, deputy dispatched.
- 1:14 p.m. Alarm sounding on Shauna Lane in Alto, deputy dispatched.
- 1:46 p.m. Disturbance disorderly conduct reported on Solado in Capitán, Capitán police dispatched.
- 1:54 p.m. Medical call on Ski Run Road, ambulance dispatched.
- February 21
- 8:03 a.m. Suspicious activity-vehicle on Country Lane in Alto, deputy dispatched.
- 8:18 a.m. Suspicious activity/other reported on Lamay Road in Nogal, deputy dispatched.
- 9:27 a.m. Information report at Lincoln County Detention Center in Carrizozo, Carrizozo police dispatched.
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- 10:32 a.m. Animal call on Via La Capilla, deputy dispatched.
- 11:47 a.m. Medical call on Ski Run Road, ambulance dispatched.
- 2:07 p.m. Welfare check requested at mile marker 102 on Hwy 54, Carrizozo police dispatched.
- 2:18 p.m. Unknown trouble call on Drexel in Carrizozo, Carrizozo police dispatched.
- 2:22 p.m. Shots fired on Santiago in Rancho of Sonterro, deputy dispatched.
- 4:05 p.m. Fire reported at West Picacho post office in Hondo, Hondo fire department dispatched.
- 4:22 p.m. Animal call on Ski Run Road in Alto, deputy dispatched.
- February 22
- 5:57 a.m. Fire reported on Hwy 70 at mile marker 287 in Hondo, Hondo fire department dispatched.
- 7:07 a.m. Animal call on Mocassin Trail in Alto, deputy dispatched.
- 3:08 p.m. Suspicious activity-vehicle at mile marker 167 on Hwy 70 in Ruidoso Downs, Ruidoso Downs police dispatched.
- 6:30 p.m. Suicide reported on Little Creek in Ruidoso, deputy dispatched.

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