

Proposed LCSWA Rate Increase Raises Questions

by Patrice Brazie

After holding a public hearing on April 21st to discuss and gather public input regarding a proposed increase in the fees charged by the Lincoln County Solid Waste Authority (LCSWA), the Board of Lincoln County Commissioners tabled any decision regarding the proposal.

The LCSWA board of directors approved a rate increase in February that, according to the resolution adopted by that board, would increase the cost of solid waste disposal for county residents by \$1.90 per month

while eliminating a \$1.00 monthly fuel surcharge. Rate increases for county residential customers require approval by the county commissioners, but the LCSWA board can set fuel surcharge rates without county approval.

LCSWA operational supervisor Debra Ingle was not present at Tuesday's public hearing, but in a March 11th letter to the county commissioners Ingle spelled out the reasons behind the proposed rate increase.

"Rising fuel costs, the growing number of customers who aren't paying their solid waste bills due to

the declining economy, and dramatically reduced recycling and roll-off container revenues from the stalled construction industry that are used to offset residential collection costs have led to the recommended increases," Ingle wrote.

Of the \$1.90 increase, 90 cents of the proposed increase is based on increases reflected in the Consumer Price Index, while the other one dollar increase would, temporarily at least, do away with a one dollar fuel surcharge that the LCSWA has been charging since 2002, and make that one dollar a permanent in-

crease in the base cost of collections.

"It is doubtful that fuel costs will ever return to those (2002) levels," Ingle wrote.

In further explanation, Ingle pointed out that the LCSWA board approved a 25 cent reduction of the fuel charge for county resi-

dents last December, citing declining wholesale fuel costs in October and November of last year.

"However, wholesale fuel costs are on the rise again," Ingle added.

The confusion over the proposed rate schedule began when county commissioner Dave Parks said that

the change would result in a decrease in the fees that customers pay.

"Actually, this 90 cent rate increase is a 10 cent reduction on the net," Parks said. "People kept asking me when are we going to see a reduction in the surcharge for fuel."

Parks said he suggested to Ingle that, because fuel prices will never drop to 2002 prices again, the one dollar fuel surcharge should be incorporated into the base collection rate.

"Then we've got a baseline from that point forward and, on a quarterly basis if need be, we can adjust the fuel charge. We can lower it or add more, but at least we'd know where we are," Parks said.

"The 90 cent rate increase gets rid of that dollar fuel charge that was imposed back in 2002," he said. "Ten cents a month reduction."

County commissioner Eileen Sedillo said that, in order to guarantee a 10 cents per month decrease to customers, that LCSWA should forgo the proposed rate increase and reduce the fuel surcharge by ten cents.

"It would make it harder to explain future fuel surcharges," Parks responded. "The effect is not going to be any different either way."

County commissioner Don Williams suggested that the one dollar fuel surcharge could continue to be reflected as such on LCSWA bills, and if the LCSWA board decides to increase that charge in the future, the bills could simply show an increase in that item.

County commissioner Jackie Powell said that, although the LCSWA recently imposed rate increases of \$1.75, \$2.40 or \$2.95 per month for commercial customers depending on the type of container used, she would prefer to see the LCSWA further increase commercial rates in order to maintain residential rates as they are.

"I still think Lincoln County Solid Waste shouldn't be in competition with other commercial people," she said. "I know the fuel surcharge will just come back," she added.

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County Imposes Fire Restrictions

by Patrice Brazie

With the fire danger in Lincoln County listed as high and, according to county manager Tom Stewart, soon to be very high, the Board of Lincoln County Commissioners approved on Tuesday a resolution to impose restrictions on outdoor burning.

As of Tuesday, Lincoln County has a ban on all outdoor flames and fires, including campfires except in designated areas. No burning of trash, rubbish, shrubbery or other material of any kind is allowed without a permit. The resolution also bans the use, display or sale of fireworks, missile type rockets, aerial spinners, stick type rockets and ground audible devices in the unincorporated areas of the county.

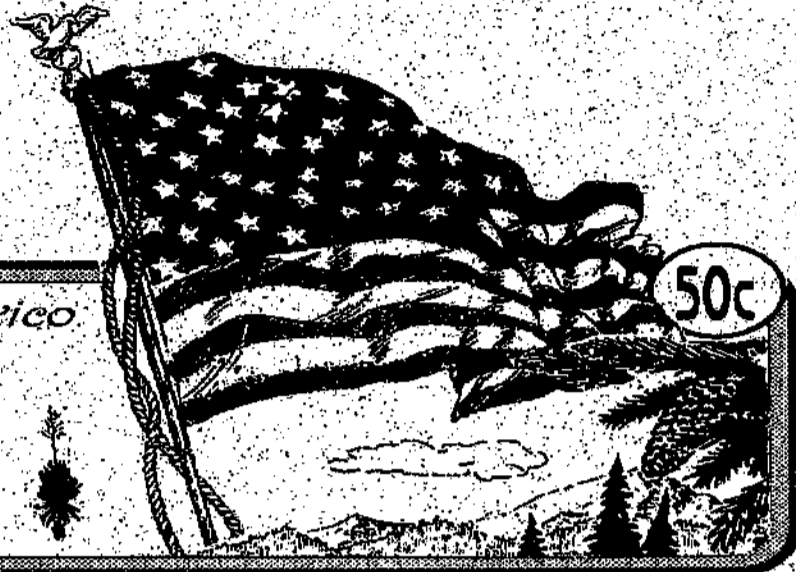
The restrictions will remain in place for 30 days unless lifted by the county commissioners by special meeting, and could be renewed at the end of the 30 day period if drought conditions continue.

During the April 21st meeting of the Board of Lincoln County Commissioners, Stewart said that he has been coordinating with emergency management personnel and Lincoln National Forest District Ranger Buck Sanchez, who he said will probably impose similar restrictions in the National Forest within the next two weeks.

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Authority of County Committees Debated

by Patrice Brazie

In what he described as a misunderstanding of the county's policies, Lincoln County Planning Commission member Bob Moeller appeared before the Board of Lincoln County Commissioners on April 21st to explain what county manager Tom Stewart called an attempted unauthorized expenditure of county funds.

Two of the county's advisory committees, the Planning Commission and the Land and Natural Resources Advisory Committee (LANRAC) have been reviewing and debating the value of a proposed mining ordinance for the county. In the process of attempting to gather expert opinions regarding the ordinance, Moeller sent an email to an attorney, Robert Lee Aston, to solicit an estimate on the fee the attorney would charge to review and submit comments on the proposed ordinance. Aston has offices in Georgia and Virginia and has written books on mining law and surface mining, and was apparently located by Moeller via the internet.

Moeller emailed a copy of a draft of the coun-

ty's proposed ordinance for Aston to consider and, instead of responding with an estimate of his fees, Aston reviewed the ordinance and returned his comments to Moeller to be used by the two county advisory committees. Aston also emailed a bill for \$1,200 for services rendered.

In a memorandum to the county commissioners, Stewart wrote that Moeller had no authority to request estimates for outside services which, in essence, "constituted his acting as a purchasing agent" for the county. Stewart recommended that the county commissioners deny payment of the bill submitted by Aston.

Speaking before the county commissioners on Tuesday, Moeller said that he was disappointed to have to discuss the matter at the public meeting, but said he hoped to resolve the issue by bringing about a positive outcome.

"I was stunned to look at the agenda and find that I'm being accused of doing something that almost sounds like it's a crime," Moeller said. "I didn't try to be a purchasing agent for the county, I didn't try to impersonate anyone and I have no

access to county funds," he continued. "I tried to handle this matter with Mr. Stewart quietly and, hopefully, privately without this kind of a situation."

Moeller stated that he did not challenge the authority of the county manager but found it distasteful to have to appear before the county officials to explain his position.

County commissioner Eileen Sedillo explained to Moeller that, because the matter involved county business and county funds, Stewart had no choice other than to inform the board of county commissioners of the situation.

"We can't do anything in private, everything has to be public," Sedillo said. "We don't believe you intended to do anything wrong, Tom doesn't believe you intended to do anything wrong, but it's something that had to be taken care of in public because it is public funds that we're talking about," she said.

County commission chair Tom Battin said that it was a matter of understanding where the authority lies in

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NEW PLANNER -- Victor Currier of Alto was appointed by the Lincoln County Commissioners on Tuesday to serve on the Lincoln county Planning Commission. (Photo by Patrice Brazie)

Tax Deadline Nearing

by Patrice Brazie

In his regular monthly report to the Lincoln County Board of Commissioners on April 21st, county manager Tom Stewart issued a reminder that the second half of property taxes were due April 10th, and will become delinquent if not paid by May 10th.

County commission chair Tom Battin reported that about 70 percent of the taxes had been collected as of March 31st, and asked county treasurer Beverly Calaway if that amount was par for the course of property tax payments.

"We are staying right in line with where we were in previous years," Calaway reported, but added that payments for the second half of the year had been coming in a little more slowly. "I'm anticipating a large amount of payments coming in before May the 10th," she added.

Calaway said that anytime May 10th falls on a Sunday, as it does in 2009, state statute allows her office to accept walk-in payments on the following Monday, May 11th.

"If they mail their payment, they need to have it postmarked by May the 9th," she said, "so I recommend that anyone that's waiting to the deadline to carry their payment in to the postmaster and watch them postmark that payment."

The treasurer said

that a lot of post offices in Lincoln County no longer postmark the mail. It goes to Albuquerque first and might not get postmarked until a day or two later, she said.

"We did have a lot of difficulty last year from people that mailed their payments on time at the local post office, but it wasn't postmarked until days later by Albuquerque or Las Cruces, so some people did incur penalty and interest on their payment," Callaway said.

Stewart also reported on having attended a meeting with a company called Community Renewable Energy Resources from Show Low, Arizona, to discuss the beginning of an initiative to use forest slash and other types of waste to produce bio-fuels, electricity and other products.

Stewart said that representatives of the Southeastern New Mexico Economic Development District (SNMEDD), the New Mexico Association of Counties (NMAC), the Mescalero Apache Tribe and Otero County were also present at the meeting, each considering the future potential for biomass energy technology.

Stewart indicated that he thought the county should support the development of the technology when possible.

"The overall goal is to make our forest healthier while producing a usable

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CARRIZOZO MAYOR BOB HEMPHILL attempted to explain the nature of some confusion over reading the badly designed Carrizozo municipal bills at last week's Town Council meeting. (Photo by Patrice Brazie)

Proposed LCSWA Rate Increase

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After reviewing the LCSWA resolution establishing the recommended rate increase, county commission chair Tom Battin admitted that he didn't see how it amounted to a decrease in fees.

Oscuro freeholder Jerry Carroll was the first private citizen to speak.

"I just heard a Ponzi scheme being described,"

Carroll said. "We just went through a 50 percent reduction in fuel costs; it's 50 percent less than what I was paying last year at four dollars a gallon for regular gasoline, and diesel is doing the same thing," he said. "Why should you do an increase? I'd like to see some hard figures in the public's hands."

Carroll also voiced his objection to people being charged to haul their own trash to the dumpsters provided by the LCSWA.

"Those people are being required to do physical labor for a solid waste authority, and they're not being compensated for that labor," Carroll said. "There's no provision for people that are disabled, they just have to get it to the dumpsters any way they can do. Involuntary servitude is still, the last time I checked, unconstitutional."

he said.

Carrizozo resident Punkin Schlarb said that she objected to any rate increase in collection fees because, although there are dumpsters in her area, they are often too full to use.

"We're lucky if we can put trash in them. They don't get picked up often e-

nough to handle the amount of people that live out in our area," Schlarb said.

Admitting some confusion regarding Park's interpretation of the proposed rate changes, Battin recommended that the issue be tabled until a future meeting. The county commissioners unanimously agreed.

Tax Deadline

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energy-related product," he said. "The significant issue is that issue of feed-stock, making sure that you've got sufficient trees coming in all the time, or that you've got tires or garbage, they can even do that," he said.

The bio-fuels meeting was held in Otero County and was basically to provide an introduction to what can be done in the arena of biomass technology.

Stewart said he was a bit skeptical of the county's ability to produce the large amount of waste products needed to support a renewable energy facility.

"It's a long term process. I think it's the way we should go," he said, "but 500 tons of product per day, that's a lot of material. This firm was looking to pair with local government to see if they could get something done," he said.

Community Renewable Energy Resources will be conducting some fact-finding to try to establish whether or not a facility could be supported in this area.

During the April 21st county commissioner's

meeting, the board approved the appointment of Alto resident Victor Currier to the county planning commission. Currier's resume' includes experience in real estate development, property taxation, lending and financial management. He fielded a few questions from the county commissioners before the approval of his appointment. He said his experience stemmed mostly from working as a developer for companies and industries that he represented, and dealt in the past with issues of water availability and desert issues.

"I moved here because Lincoln County is steeped in history; it is a place I've come to since I was three or four years old to recreate," Currier said. "I guess I'm a born-again green type of person in terms of zoning issues; I'm not pro-growth and I'm not against it," he said. "I am for seeing that we have controlled growth in some degree to where it benefits a majority of the people," he said.

The county commissioners approved Currier's appointment unanimously, and also approved the re-appointments of Duane Williams and Donald Hawley to the road review board. Lance Hale was appointed to serve on the road review board as well.

Casting Call in Albuquerque Saturday, Apr. 25

The TV series *Crash* will conduct a casting call Saturday, April 25 from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. at the Hilton of Albuquerque, 1901 University Blvd. NE in Albuquerque.

Rich Gill of Extras Casting for *Crash* season 2 stopped by *The News* office this week and asked that the casting call be publicized and noted that many county area residents had been cast as extras in *The Book of Eli* with scenes filmed in and around Carrizozo recently.

The casting call is for paid background positions and all ethnicities are encouraged to apply.



As the LINCOLN COUNTY NEWS goes into its 104th year of being in existence (1905-2009), we will again be randomly publishing articles from old NEWS files. The following articles appeared in the "Lincoln County News".

February 22, 1962

"The Long and Short of it is . . ."

by Kit Carson Albuquerque

The old Hoyle House is a rare antiquity of ghost towns, the history of which possibly marks it as one of the most bizarre of the entire Old West. It is located in White Oaks, once a rip-roaring, gold-mining town that gained prominence during its heyday as the greatest in New Mexico.

Springing into activity on the lower skirts of Carrizo Mountain in the 1880's, when gold was discovered, White Oaks was marked on the map as a booming town. Gold to the tune of several million-dollars was dug from the bowels of the earth and the town rapidly grew to be one of the most prosperous of the Southwest in the day and age. It is a few miles north of Carrizozo, county seat of Lincoln County.

However, today only one lank mark stands, staunch and serene, undecayed and undeteriorated, to mark the site of the once progressive mining town. All other structures of the era have tumbled down, and the ravages of time has erased them from the mountain sides.

Yet, the Hoyle House stands almost as though it were constructed only yesterday. It has a background historically and romantically strange. And, this year it became domestically occupied for the first time since its erection during the booming days of the gold mining town. During all the previous years, only campers, curiosity-seekers, treasure hunters, and vandals have prowled the premises, and no one seemed exactly ready to make it their domicile.

This year Lloyd Kirkpatrick purchased the property and moved his family into it, and they called it home. They redecorated the interior and it is as beautiful as the day it was first constructed -- and that's saying a lot. The magnificent structure had, since its day of erection, never been called "home" before.

Its history started many years ago when a young Englishman by the name of Watson Hoyle landed in White Oaks during its first booming days. He had come West to seek his fortune -- and he came by it rather hurriedly. Upon his entry into White Oaks gold fields, he became associated with the Old Abe Mining Company, and rapidly gained recognition in the financial circles of the booming town. He was young and had a definite aim for attaining financial supremacy.

When he left New York for the West to seek his fortune, he left his betrothed there, to await his success. Then, through their mutual agreement, he would return to the East to claim her and they would return together to enjoy the success he had gained in the gold fields.

His dreams came true as he had planned. He built a magnificent structure at the base of Carrizo Mountain, overlooking the booming town. He built it of the best material that could be obtained, much of it handcarved by craftsmen far overseas. It cost somewhere in the neighborhood of forty thousand dollars.

Expert stone masons were imported from St. Louis to erect the building. They cut stones for a solid year before the structure commenced to take shape. After much work and careful planning the building was completed. It was furnished with the most elaborate furnishings of the day and age. The best of plumbing was installed and the entire structure took on the aspects that would mark it as being fit for a king of any land.

Hoyle, upon completion of his magnificent home, departed for New York to claim his betrothed. But, alas! she had deserted him and gone with another!

Hoyle, disappointed and heartbroken, returned to White Oaks to continue his pursuit of mining fortunes. He never enjoyed living in the great mansion which he had so elaborately constructed and planned.

He Hoyle House, through all the years following, has remained, still in excellent construc-

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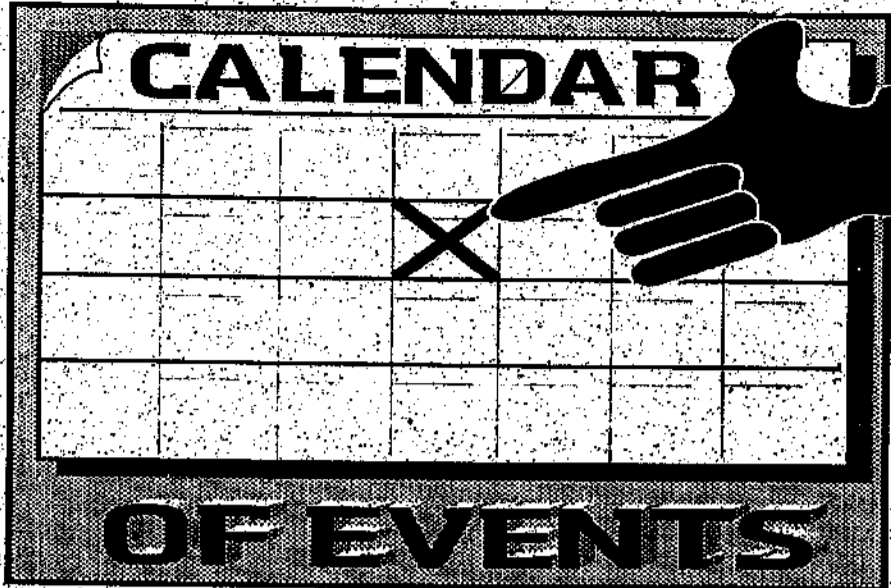
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- MONDAY, APRIL 27**
-State Water Plan update, Alamogordo Civic Center, 800 East First, 6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.
- TUESDAY, APRIL 28**
-Lincoln County Solid Waste Authority (LCSWA) 2 p.m. at LCSWA offices in Ruidoso Downs.
-Ruidoso Village Council 4:30 p.m.
-State Water Plan update, Roswell Civic Center, 912 North Main, 6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.
- WEDNESDAY, APRIL 29**
-Lincoln County Lodgers' Tax Committee 10 a.m. at Capitan Village Hall.
-State Water Plan update, NMSU Carlsbad Campus gym, 1500 University Drive, Carlsbad, 6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.

Public Meetings State Water Plan

The Interstate Stream Commission invites the public to provide input for the state water plan update on water resource management issues including population growth / water demand, conservation, climate variability and water projects needed in the region.

The Region #5 state water plan update public meeting for the Tularosa / Salt basins will be held at the Alamogordo Civic Center, 800 East First St. From 6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. on Monday, April 27.

The Region #10 state water plan update public meetings for the lower Pecos Valley will be held Tuesday, April 28 from 6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. at the Roswell Civic Center, 912 North Main in Roswell and again on Wednesday, April 29 from 6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. at the NMSU Carlsbad Campus gym, 1500 University drive in Carlsbad.

For more information call the State Engineer's office at 505-764-3864 or the web site at www.ose.state.nm.us. "Hot Topics" "State Water Plan Update"



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Authority of County

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asking for estimates, opinions or anything like that on behalf of the county.

"The difficulty here, and that's the premise underlying this, is that people cannot follow policies when they don't know what they are," Moeller said. "If I know what the policies are, of course I will follow the policies."

Moeller said that he had been given the impression through an email from Stewart that the county commissioners might consider payment of the \$1,200 bill from Aston, but that impression changed when he saw that Stewart was recommending denial of the payment.

"So I wrote to him and said please know that I understand and respect your authority as County Manager and your reasonable policy and procedure in requiring advanced authorization for any commitment of county funds for any purpose," Moeller said.

He continued by saying that he had not intended to place Stewart in an awkward position, and that it was actually Dr. Aston who placed Stewart in the position of having to deal with the issue by sending an invoice rather than an estimate.

"I did not commit the county to anything," Moeller argued. "It is perplexing and inexplicable to me why (Aston) sent his review and an invoice for services instead of the fee quote and estimate he clearly was asked to do," Moeller said.

"It is surprising to me to learn that it is your policy that citizen members of the Planning Commission, or any county committee or commission, are not authorized to ask for estimates or quotes for possible services in connection with any project they have been tasked to research," Moeller continued.

He compared the position of the county officials to his own experiences in the corporate world and attempted to explain that comparison to the county manager.

"It was okay for my people to do research, come

ENMU Ruidoso College Board Approves Budget

The ENMU Ruidoso college board met Tuesday, April 14 and approved next year's college budget.

Michael Elrod, president of the Ruidoso campus reported to the board that the college is in great fiscal condition in spite of the ongoing state wide economic downturn. The board approved the 2010 budget for recommendation to the ENMU Board of Regents that will meet in early May for final approval.

Elrod said the good news for our students is that tuition and fees will not increase next year. Resident in-district tuition is \$28.50 per credit hour with resident out-of-district tuition at \$35 per hour.

The board agreed that we should not increase the cost of our student's education during these difficult economic times. Our operational budget will remain essentially flat, with a small net increase in state funding being realized as a result of student enrollment growth the past several years. The total budget for next year will just exceed \$3 million dollars with an annual payroll for all faculty and staff of \$2.5 million.

Among other items in the budget, Elrod said there will be no salary increases for faculty or staff. The state budget, just approved by Governor Richardson, did not include compensation increases for any state agency employees, including education institutions.

up with ideas and proposals, present me with the cost benefits and analysis of proposals, and to do this they had to research costs, get estimates, etcetera, from outside, third parties and we would go from there," Moeller said. "By your message to Dr. Aston, you have embarrassed and pre-empted me in the solution I planned to propose," he said. "My plan was to explain the awkward situation and ask you, Mr. Morel and the commissioners to evaluate Dr. Aston's review and comment versus his invoice of the service, and to advise me of your decision which could range from zero payment to full payment or something in between."

Moeller said he had intended to advise Aston himself of any decision by the county commissioners regarding payment of the invoice.

"Obviously, Dr. Aston is a very distinguished lawyer," Moeller said. "He practices before the United States Supreme Court, he's a P.H.D., he's a mining engineer. He also told me in the process of our correspondence that he served as a Captain in the U.S. Army and was awarded the Silver Star for gallantry in combat," Moeller said. "His input to the county is valuable in helping us evaluate the adequacy of existing regulations and environmental impacts of mining activities on federal public land and the viability of a county mining ordinance from possible legal challenge," he said. "Had he submitted his fee estimate as I asked him to do, my next step would have been to take it to you for your decision," Moeller told the county commissioners.

Battin suggested to Moeller that the issue is not the policy of the county manager but the delegation of authority.

"That authority has been delegated to elected of-

officials and to the county manager as elected officials have delegated authority to him," Battin said. "That does not pass on to committee members to get estimates or in any way engage the county."

Battin told Moeller that, even if the county commissioners desired to pay the invoice submitted by Aston, they probably could not.

"We'd have to go through the RFP (request for proposals) process," Battin said. "And whether or not the memo from Dr. Aston is valuable is probably not relevant," he added. "I am told that the cases that he cited

were not appropriate to our issues, but that's open to debate. I don't think that there is a way that we can go back and reconstruct things so that we would comply with the purchasing act," Battin said. "I don't think you can assume that you have authority just by serving on a committee," he added. "Even I am not going to ask for an estimate without the authority of this body."

County commissioner Dave Parks said that he believed that Moeller did not intentionally do anything wrong, then made a motion to deny paying the \$1,200 invoice from Aston.

"Let the chips fall where they may," Parks said. The motion passed unanimously.

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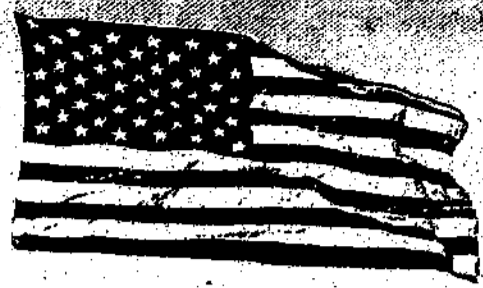
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THOUGHTS FROM THE EDITOR'S DESK

Do You Trust Your Law Officers?

By Ruth Hammond
An interesting question was asked the other day, and the answer was a tad bit unequivocal. Seems someone wanted to know if people really trusted their law officers. The question itself was simple enough, however there were a few innuendos that were not fully explained.

For instance, is there a guide book for law officers to follow as to how to perform their duties? And if there is, where is this guide book and is it possible for the public to have access to it? One thing we would like to know is if law enforcement officers have strict rules as to how certain complaints must be filed. If so, where are the complaints to be filed? While we are aware that complaints may be filed in any court of law, is it practical for officers to go 60 miles away to file complaints when other courts are nearer? If there is a logical reason for this lengthy drive, will the reason be available for the public who are not only footing the bill for this but are also without law officer coverage while officers go for a drive.

Instead of giving out double talk, it seems law officers should be willing to talk with the public. Through the years some officers have had success with people by not being standoffish but by being congenial. Some teenagers especially are more than cooperative when officers take the time to treat them as people not as law breakers. And some teenagers pride themselves on being good citizens by obeying and complying with the officer's requests.

Evidently some law officers either believe they are above the law or they do not trust their superiors. This is a situation that should be remedied. Enforcing the law is not just a one person act, it should be an act of all law abiding citizens. People are encouraged to teach their children to go to a law officer if they need help. But how many adults do that? Not as many as should. Is there a reason why adults don't trust law officers? Could it be that adults are more concerned with being accused than in trying to be helpful? And if so, why is that the case?

Law officers range from the Andy Griffith type from decades ago who didn't wear a gun to the commandoes of today who sport weapons of mass destruction. Wearing bullet proof vests is common on the screen but probably fewer have the need to use this safety gear. But as we do know, every law officer is aware of the danger involved. The majority of what law officers do is not dangerous, but if law officers continue to abuse their power it seems it could be the start of some type of uprising among people.

Deep down inside, do you trust your law officers? If you do, be cordial to them. If you don't, maybe it is time to talk to someone in charge and explain your reasons. It could be that your concerns are unfounded. Or it could be that some changes should be made to alleviate concerns. Right now some questions should be answered for people.

EARL



"I THINK HE FAINTED BECAUSE HE COULDN'T BELIEVE YOU HAD A DRIVER'S LICENSE, CURRENT REGISTRATION, LIVESTOCK INSPECTION, AND ALL YOUR TAIL LIGHTS ARE ACTUALLY WORKING."
Big Dry Syndicate



WEATHER REPORT

by Jeff Hammond

There is a slight chance for rain showers across Lincoln County today, continuing into the night, then after that expect dry, windy conditions for the remainder of the forecast week.

There is a high pressure system hanging out over northern Utah, hanging out, not moving and it is causing temperatures to rise here in Lincoln County and New Mexico.

The daytime temperatures will be in the 80's at the lower elevations, and in the mid 70's at the higher elevations.

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

Today, Thursday, April 23

Mostly sunny, with a high near 80, south winds 5 to 15 mph, becoming west, night: Partly cloudy, with a low around 44, southwest winds between 5 and 15 mph.

Friday, April 24
Sunny and breezy, with a high near 80, night: Partly cloudy, with low around 47.

Saturday, April 25
Mostly sunny, with a high near 80, night: Partly cloudy, with a low around 47.

Sunday, April 26
Mostly sunny, with a high near 78, night: A slight chance of showers, partly cloudy, with a low around 45.

Monday, April 27
Mostly sunny, with a high near 76, night: Partly cloudy, with a low around 42.

Tuesday, April 28
Mostly sunny, with a high near 78, night: Partly cloudy, with a low around 42.

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

Today, Thursday, April 23

Mostly sunny, with a high near 72, west winds between 10 and 20 mph, night: Isolated thunderstorms before midnight, partly cloudy, with a low around 41, west winds between 10 and 15 mph.

Friday, April 24
Sunny, with a high near 73, night: Mostly cloudy, with a low around 41.

Saturday, April 25
Mostly sunny, with a high near 72, night: Mostly cloudy, with low around 41.

Sunday, April 26
Mostly sunny, with a high near 71, night: A slight chance of showers and thunderstorms, partly cloudy, with a low around 39.

Monday, April 27
Mostly sunny, with a high near 70, night: Partly cloudy, with low around 34.

Tuesday, April 28
Mostly sunny, with a high near 68, night: Partly cloudy, with low around 34.

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

The New Mexico Highways Department has developed a new toll free number for up to the hour road construction/ conditions information. Just dial 511, listen to the options and go from there. You can also get up to the minute, in-depth, construction updates by logging in to www.nmroads.com for any area of the state.

Inside the Capitol

by JAY MILLER, Syndicated Columnist

SANTA FE -- Recently this column mentioned that Lincoln County seems to have the strangest goings-on of any place in the state. In that column, we talked about their fandangos, which were quite the rage a century ago.

In fact, fandangos got to be so wild that the state Legislature banned them. To our knowledge, that law has never been repealed but the town of Lincoln, where many fandangos once occurred, has reinstated them, although on a somewhat tamer scale.

My other point was a measure that still was hanging fire on Gov. Bill Richardson's desk when that column was written. Since then, the governor signed the bill exempting candidates for county office from having to collect nominating petition signatures like everyone else.

Up until now, the law said that county candidates had to file nominating petitions but because of some confusing language in old sections of the law, the secretary of state's office was not directing county clerks to require nominating petitions from county candidates.

So the nominating petitions never were required anywhere in the state until last June when a sometimes controversial candidate filed to run against the incumbent sheriff of Lincoln County.

When Steve Sederwall walked into the courthouse to file, he was told he must have petitions. With only hours remaining until the deadline, there was not time to collect sufficient signatures.

Sederwall didn't make the ballot so he sued claiming he had been told by several public officials he didn't need signatures and that he had been treated unequally because his opponent wasn't required to have signatures.

The case quickly went to the state Supreme Court which ruled that Sederwall could collect his signatures and get on the ballot. It didn't toss the incumbent sheriff off the ballot for not having signatures but did strongly suggest that something should be done about making the practice fit the law. Otherwise there would be a slew of lawsuits come the 2010 elections.

The message obviously was received loudly and clearly. The fix was introduced as Senate Bill 3 in this year's legislative session, passed both houses unanimously and was quickly signed by the governor.

Another bill Gov. Richardson was expected to sign quickly related to state employee double-dippers who retire, wait 90 days and

then return to service with both retirement pay plus a regular paycheck. And they usually step back into their high-paying old job, thereby preventing other employees from the chance for advancement.

Rep. Lucky Varela tried to remedy this situation in the 2009 Legislature by introducing a measure limiting this practice but Gov. Bill Richardson vetoed it. He is appointing a task force to look into the situation and report back to an expected special legislative session in the fall.

Varela says he worked long and hard to fashion a reasonable compromise on this thorny issue but Gov. Richardson decided he wanted to tackle it himself. "Let's see what he comes up with," Varela says.

Varela understands the issue well. He is a retired state employee who has many friends on both sides of the issue. His solution was to require employees to wait a

full year before returning to work and imposed a \$30,000 yearly limit on earnings after which their pension is suspended.

Almost 2,200 retired state employees have taken advantage of the current law. Gov. Richardson says the majority of them are "extremely dedicated, skilled and caring employees who are dedicated to public service."

Richardson also says their combined salary and pension, which can total more than \$150,000, are far from egregious. That sounds pretty steep to me but when compared to salaries of university administrators and Wall Street executives, I suppose it's chicken feed.

Richardson had said he would sign the bill and many are wondering what or who made him change his mind. Maybe he decided that returning the old pros just might make state government run more efficiently and effectively.

Future of Mars Rover Exploration is Subject of Gardiner Lecture

The monumental technological achievement of two Mars rovers sent to the red planet on a 90-day mission in January 2004 and what's to come in the next decade of space exploration will be the subject of this year's Gardiner Memorial Lecture at New Mexico State University.

The public is invited to attend a lecture by Steve Squyres, the principle investigator for the Mars Rover Project, at 7 p.m. on Sunday, April 26, in the Corbett Center ballrooms.

In addition to his primary role in the development of the Mars Rovers, Squyres will also have a large say in the future exploration of the solar system. He was recently named chairman of the decadal committee responsible for deciding the future of solar system exploration for 2011 to 2021.

"Each time I think about the exploit of putting the rovers on Mars (and maintaining the production of data, long beyond their planned lifetimes) I feel compelled to

compare it to other great technological achievements of mankind, but which one? The landing of a man on the moon? The Manhattan project? The construction of the great pyramid of Giza? I don't know, but it certainly belongs in this league," said William Gibbs, physics department head at NMSU's College of Arts and Sciences.

A professor of astronomy at Cornell University, Squyres is known for his research on the history and distribution of water on Mars and the moons of other planets. After earning his Ph.D. from Cornell in 1981, he spent five years as a postdoctoral associate and research scientist at NASA's Ames Research Center before returning to Cornell to teach.

The lecture is open to the public and admission is free. His book *Roving Mars* will be available for purchase, and Squyres will be available for signings following his presentation.

For more information contact (575) 646-6711.

NMSU Rodeo Team Win Helps Strengthen Lead in Regional Standings

The New Mexico State University rodeo team demonstrated consistent talent yet again during the Navajo Technical Institute National Intercollegiate Rodeo Association (NIRA) rodeo April 10-11 in Crownpoint, N.M.

Both the men's and the women's team won first overall. The wins help strengthen the teams' leads in the Grand Canyon region of the NIRA; the men's team now leads by more than 500 points and the women's team leads by nearly 1,000 points.

"We squeaked by this weekend, but a win is a win. The weather was miserable, but we had some good runs and rides for the most part," said Jim Dewey Brown, NMSU rodeo coach.

For the women's team, Staci Stanbrough, of Capitan, tied for first place in the breakaway roping. Teammate Jordan Bassett, of Dewey, Ariz., placed second in the goat tying.

Mescalero native Clay

Geronimo won first in the bareback riding event. Steve Hacker, of Battle Mountain, Nev., received third in the saddlebronc event.

Rylan Edgmon, of Black Canyon City, Ariz., won first in the tie-down roping. Coy Burrue, of Tucson, Ariz., and Bryce Runyan, of Silver City, N.M., placed second and third, respectively.

In the team roping, header Rodee Walraven, of Datil, N.M., and heeler Burrue won first. The team of Aaron Moyers, of Moriarty, and Dustin Hintz, from Central Arizona College, received third. Burrue was named the men's all-around for the weekend.

The final rodeo of the season will be held at NMSU in Las Cruces April 24-25.



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SHERIFF'S REPORT

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

March 30
8:51 a.m. Medical call at location on White Oaks Hwy, ambulance dispatched.
9:33 a.m. Dog reported running loose on Hale Lake Road in Palo Verde, deputy dispatched.
9:53 a.m. Threats reported at location on El Pais-

ano Drive in Capitan, police dispatched.
10:47 a.m. Larceny/theft reported at location on Mariposa Street in Corona, deputy dispatched.
11:07 a.m. Fire reported at location on El Valle Loop in Glencoe, Glencoe/Palo Verde fire units and deputy dispatched.
2:48 p.m. Accident reported on Hwy 54 near Ancho turn-off, ambulance and deputy dispatched.
3:03 p.m. Fire alarm reported at business located in

Glencoe, Glencoe/Palo Verde fire units dispatched.
5:31 p.m. Disturbance/family dispute reported at residence on Esperanza in Ruidoso, deputy dispatched.
6:54 p.m. Disturbance reported at business located on Hwy 380 in Capitan, police dispatched.
7:23 p.m. Dog reported running loose on Shain in Rancho Ruidoso, deputy dispatched.
9:36 p.m. Disturbance/family dispute reported at residence on Debord in Alto, deputy dispatched.
10:30 p.m. Suspicious activity by person(s) in vehicle reported near intersection of Hull Road and Gavilan Canyon Road in Ruidoso, deputy dispatched.
11:33 p.m. Fire reported on Hwy 70 near School Road in Hondo, Hondo fire units dispatched.
11:42 p.m. Fire reported at location on Ioma Grande in Nogal, Nogal fire units dispatched.

March 31
8:41 a.m. Civil dispute reported at location on Enchanted Forest Loop in Alto, deputy dispatched.
9:32 a.m. Alarm reported at location on Old Fort Stanton Road in Alto, deputy dispatched.

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9:32 a.m. Alarm reported at location on Old Fort Stanton Road in Alto, deputy dispatched.

12:01 p.m. Drivers test at Lincoln County Sheriff Office (LCSO) located in the Lincoln County Courthouse (LCC) on Central Avenue in Carrizozo, deputy dispatched.

1:03 p.m. Welfare check requested for person sitting in car at mile marker 153 on Hwy 54 near Ancho turn-off, deputy dispatched.
2:13 p.m. Larceny/theft reported at business location in Ruidoso, deputy dispatched.

2:31 p.m. Medical call at location on Hwy 70 in Hondo, ambulance dispatched.
3:26 p.m. 911 Hang-up from location on Ski Run Road in Alto, deputy dispatched.

6:56 p.m. Medical call at mile marker 293 on Hwy 70 in Picacho, ambulance dispatched.
7:13 p.m. Fire reported at mile marker 279 on Hwy 70 in Glencoe, Glencoe/Palo Verde fire units dispatched.

11:53 p.m. Medical call at residence on Via Golondrina in Glencoe, ambulance and deputy dispatched.
April 1
5:44 a.m. Threats reported at location on Screaming Eagle in Alto, deputy dispatched.

8:31 a.m. Sex offenses reported at location on Mechan Drive in Ruidoso, deputy dispatched.
6:37 p.m. Medical call at location on Hwy 70 in Hondo, Glencoe/Palo Verde emergency units, ambulance and deputy dispatched.

7:24 p.m. Dog reported running loose on Hwy 48 near Alto Lakes turn-off, deputy dispatched.
8:12 p.m. Agency assistance requested at location on Hwy 70 and Safe Haven in Ruidoso, deputy dispatched.

April 2
12:15 a.m. Medical call at location on Hwy 380 in Lincoln, ambulance dispatched.
5:53 a.m. Alarm reported at location on Cora Dutton Road in Capitan, deputy dispatched.

8:03 a.m. Police presence/stand-by requested at location on Central Avenue in Carrizozo, deputy dispatched.
11:12 a.m. Warrant service at location on Crazy Horse Circle in Rancho Ruidoso Valley Estates, deputy dispatched.

2:08 p.m. Disturbance reported at residence on Cedar in Capitan, police and deputy dispatched.
April 3
9:42 a.m. Medical call at location on Hwy 48 in Capitan, police and ambulance dispatched.

12:33 p.m. Dog reported running loose near mile marker 91 on Hwy 380, deputy dispatched.
1:15 p.m. Warrant service at Lincoln County Detention Center (LCDC) on Air Port Road in Carrizozo, deputy dispatched.

1:31 p.m. Warrant service at business location on Hwy 380 in Capitan, deputy dispatched.
2:20 p.m. Trespassing reported at location on CR A019 in Corona, deputy dispatched.

3:55 p.m. Warrant service at business location on Hwy 380 in Capitan, deputy dispatched.
5:47 p.m. Dog reported running loose on C Avenue in Carrizozo, police dispatched.

8:11 p.m. Welfare check requested for person sitting in car on Hwy 54 south of Carrizozo, police dispatched.
9:01 p.m. Suspicious activity by person(s) in vehicle reported on Ski Run Road in Alto, deputy dispatched.

9:09 p.m. Dog reported running loose on Crockett Canyon Road in Bonito, deputy dispatched.
April 4
6:59 a.m. Vandalism reported at location on Smokey Bear Boulevard in Capitan, police dispatched.

10:11 a.m. Larceny/theft reported at location on West Second Street in Capitan, police dispatched.
2:00 p.m. Information report at location on Sudderth Drive in Ruidoso, deputy dispatched.

2:34 p.m. 911 Hang-up from business location on Hwy 54 in Carrizozo, police

DISTRICT COURT CALENDAR

The Calendar for District Judge Karen Parsons

Monday, April 20
8:15 a.m. Telephonic - In the matter - Adams Estate PB-2009-05 - Bassett
8:20 a.m. Lucas Bautista; CR-2008-132 (Change of Plea) Thompson/Mitchell P.C.
Criminal Jury Trials - 8:30 a.m.
#1 Lucas Bautista; CR-2008-132 Thompson/Mitchell P.C. IF Def does not Plea
If #1 Pleas #2 Will go to Trial
#2 Kristos Thokakis; CR-2008-258 J.Eley/Mitchell P.C.
1:15 p.m. Foxworth v. Singletary et al; CV-2009-09 (Judicial Inquiry)McNeil, R. Hawthorne

Tuesday, April 21
8:15 a.m. Miguel Castillo; CR-2008-16/67 (Change of Plea) A.Eley/Mitchell/Torrez
Criminal Jury Trials - 8:30 a.m.
#1 Rebecca Seranno; CR-2008-271 DA/Mitchell P.C.
#2 Sheila Brewer; CR-2008-273 DA/Mitchell P.C.
#3 Jared Redmon; CR-2008-251 DA/Mitchell P.C.
#4 Randy Garcia; CR-2008-241 DA/Mitchell P.C.
1:15 p.m. Stephen Grains; CR-2004-105/106/163 (Judicial Inquiry)DA/Mitchell P.C.
Darrall Brantley
10:00 a.m. DV-2009-05 (Mtn Modify)
10:30 a.m. DV-2003-29 Mnt Modify
11:00 a.m. DV-2009-23

Wednesday, April 22
Criminal Jury Trials - 8:30 a.m.
#1 Miguel Castillo; CR-2008-16/67 A.Eley /Torrez Def to Plea 4-21
Shannon Beddle; CR-2008-240 DA/Mitchell P.C Pending Mtn/Suppress set 4/29
Barbara Tova; CR-2008-270 DA/Mitchell P.C. Stip. Continuance Forthcoming

Thursday, April 23
8:30 a.m. #1 Bruce Parsons; CR-2008-82 (Change of Plea) Thompson/Ross
9:00 a.m. Erin Sarinopoulos v. Gil Sarinopoulos; DM-2008-162 (Emergency Mtn)Schneider-Cook/Rose
10:00 a.m. Telephonic- Christopher Karichner; CR-2008-65 (Mtn/Dismis) (Thompson/MeSwane)
Ashley Williams; CR-2009-21 J.Eley/Torrez Stip. Continuance Forthcoming

Friday, April 24
Criminal Jury Trials - 8:30 a.m.
#1 Anthony Rue; CR-2008-105 Newton/Mitchell P.C.



NOTICE TO LINCOLN COUNTY PROPERTY OWNERS
PROPERTY TAX DELINQUENT DATE
LINCOLN COUNTY TREASURER reminds Lincoln County property owners they must pay their Second Half Taxes by May 10, 2009 to avoid penalties and interest.
ACCORDING TO N.M. STATE STATUTE 7-38-83, TIMELINESS-B. ALL ACTS REQUIRED OR PERMITTED TO BE DONE BY MAIL ARE TO BE POSTMARKED ON THE REQUIRED DATE

The Lincoln County Treasurer's Office does honor the postmark, but your mailed payment **MUST BE POSTMARKED BY MAY 9, 2009**. If you mail a payment on May 9, 2009, request the postmaster stamp the date in your presence, to insure the postmark of that date.

Since May 10, 2009 falls on Sunday, the Lincoln County Treasurer's Office will accept walk in payments on Monday, May 11, 2009 as being timely, but all mailed payments must be postmarked by Saturday, May 9th, 2009 to avoid Interest and Penalty charges.

INTEREST shall accrue at the rate of one percent (1%) per month or any portion of a month. (Statute 7-38-49 NMSA 1979).

PENALTY on taxes that become delinquent, shall be imposed at one percent (1%) of the delinquent tax total, or a minimum of five dollars (\$5.00), for each month they remain unpaid. (Statute 7-38-50).

By N.M. State law, property taxes are the personal obligation of the property owner, whether or not the tax bill was received. Mail payments or contact us at the address and phone number below should you have questions regarding your property tax bills.

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Church Directory

<p>MOUNTAIN MINISTRY PARISH, SIERRA BLANCA PRESBYTERY</p> <p>Nogal Presbyterian Church: E.W. "Bo" LEWIS, Pastor Sunday School 10:00 a.m. Worship 11:00 a.m.</p> <p>Ancho Community Presbyterian Church: Worship 8:00 a.m. Sunday School 10:00 a.m.</p> <p>Corona United Presbyterian Church: Sunday School 10:00 a.m. Worship 11:00 a.m.</p> <p>First Baptist Church</p> <p>HAYDEN SMITH, Pastor 314 10th Ave., Carrizozo, NM 648-2868 (Church) or 648-2107 Sunday School 9:45 a.m. Worship Service 10:55 a.m. Sun. Evening 6:00 p.m. Wednesday, Sept. - April AWANAS 6:00 p.m.</p> <p>RUIDOSO DOWNS FIRST SOUTHERN BAPTIST CHURCH AT OLD LINCOLN CHURCH Rev. Zach Malott / 575-973-0560 Senior Circuit Preacher Dr. Randy Widener, Ph.D / 575-937-2086 Senior Pastor Sunday Service 2:30pm</p> <p>Carrizozo Assembly of God Corner 13th & C Ave. Barbara Bradley, Pastor Children's Ministry and Nursery Available Worship Service 10:00 a.m. Youth Service 6:00 p.m.</p> <p>Santa Rita Catholic Community</p> <p>FR. FRANKLIN, Pastor 213 Birch, Carrizozo, NM, 848-2853 DAILY MASS / Santa Rita 8:30 a.m. SATURDAY: Capitan Sacred Heart 5:00 p.m. Carrizozo Santa Rita 7:00 p.m. SUNDAY: Capitan Sacred Heart 8:30 a.m. Carrizozo Santa Rita 10:30 a.m. Corona St. Theresa 1:30 p.m.</p> <p>Angus Church of the Nazarene "Serving All of Lincoln County"</p> <p>RICK HUTCHINSON, Pastor / 336-8032 Southwest Corner of Hwy. 46 & 37 Junction Between Ruidoso and Capitan, NM Sunday: Sunday School for all ages 9:30 a.m. Morning Worship and Children's Church 10:30 a.m. Family Worship 6:00 p.m. Wednesday: Community dinner 6:00 p.m. Adult classes, Youth games and study, Kids Klub 7:30 p.m.</p> <p>St. Matthias Episcopal Church Rev. d Canon Peter Sanderson, Priest-in-Charge Corner of E. Ave. and Sixth, Carrizozo, NM Ph. 505-257-2356 Holy Eucharist Sunday 9:30 a.m.</p>	<p>White Oak Community Church Non-denominational</p> <p>Sunday Worship Service 11:00 a.m.</p> <p>Claunch Community Church</p> <p>TONY SCACCIA, Minister 849-1402 Second Sunday of Each Month 9:00 a.m.</p> <p>United Methodist Churches</p> <p>JOHANNA ANDERSON, Pastor 1000 D. Ave. 648-2893 / 648-2846 Carrizozo, NM 88301 Sunday School (All Ages) 10:00 a.m. Worship Service 11:00 am 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.</p> <p>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.</p> <p>Christ Community Fellowship</p> <p>ED VINSON, Pastor (Inter-denominational) 514 Smokey Bear Blvd., Capitan, NM Sunday School 8:30 a.m. Sunday Morning Worship 10:30 a.m.</p> <p>Capitan Church of Christ</p> <p>LESUE EARWOOD, Minister 5th & Lincoln / 338-4827 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.</p> <p>Trinity Southern Baptist Church</p> <p>MEL GNATKOWSKI, Pastor / 648-2530 Phone 354-2044 Capitan (South on Hwy. 48) Sunday School 9:30 a.m. Worship Service 11:00 a.m.</p> <p>First Baptist Church of Corona</p> <p>CAL WEST, Pastor / 849-7975 Sunday School 10:00 a.m. Worship Service 11:00 a.m. Wednesday Bible Study 7:00 p.m. Fellowship Dinner 1st Sunday of Month Sunday: Sunday School for all ages 9:30 a.m. Morning Worship 10:30 a.m. Children's Church 10:45 a.m. Evening Worship 6:00 p.m. Wednesday: Teen dinner and games 6:00 p.m. Teen Bible Study 7:00 p.m. Prayer Meeting 8:00 p.m.</p> <p>Grace Fellowship Church TERRY AIELLO, Pastor 849-0105 Corona, NM Worship 9:30 a.m.</p>
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CARRIZOZO ROTARY CELEBRATES 50 YEARS

The Carrizozo Rotary Club celebrated its 50th anniversary Thursday, April 16th, with a luncheon at the Four Winds Restaurant. Johnson Stearns and Fred English were honored with a Service Above Self Award for 50 years of dedicated service to the Rotary club of Carrizozo. Guests included Assistant Rotary District Governor, Nancy Wertz; Rotary District Governor Elect, Dick Jones; and Rotary District Governor, Tom Lindsay. Carrizozo Rotary Club was chartered on April 11, 1959 with 21 members:— B.G. Barnum, Fred English, Jack Harkey, Will Ed Harris, Louis Huffman, J.G. Moore, Pat Murphy, Ralph Petty, Vernon Petty, Albert Roberts, Marvin Roberts, Joe Sargent, Ken Schoenecke, Robert Shafer, Clarence Shaw, Marvin Smoot, Johnson Stearns, John Thompson, James Turner, Austin Wooten and Clifton Zumwalt. The Carrizozo Rotary Club is dedicated to Service Above Self, providing scholarships to Carrizozo High School graduates, donations to local youth programs, Summer Leadership Camp, Carrizozo School's Jr. Rotary Club and Veterans programs. Pictured above are current Carrizozo Rotary Club members: First row (l. to r.) Martha Proctor, Carrizozo Rotary President Elect; Johnson Stearns, Fred English, Patrick O'Brian, Carrizozo Rotary President. Second row: Billy Anderson, Don Culbertson, Lerry Bond, Bob Stearns, Hayden Smith, Rick Virden, Tom Stewart, Carrie Spencer Grace Bartz, Ken Cramer, Beverly Calaway and Tom Sullivan. Members not pictured Scott Shafer and Chris Steele. (Courtesy photo)

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LEGAL NOTICE

Request for Proposals 08-09-018
"Electrical
Maintenance Services"
Due: Tuesday, May 12 2009,
2:00 p.m., Local Time

The County of Lincoln is requesting proposals for a contract for electrical maintenance services of less than \$5000 per job for all County locations for an initial term of one year, with an option to renew annually up to three additional years. The contract will begin July 1, 2009. This contract will not apply to new or add-on-building construction. Services will include all time, labor and materials to complete the maintenance project. Full Details are provided in the Proposal Packet. You must hold a current New Mexico State Contractor's License with an EE-98 Classification to submit a proposal.

Copies of the Request for Proposal can be obtained in person at the Office of the County Manager, 300 Central Ave., Carrizozo, NM or will be mailed upon written or telephonic request to Orlando Samora at (575) 648-2385 ext. 105.

All proposals submitted must be clearly marked on the outside of the sealed envelope with the Proposal Title, Proposal Number, Date and Time of Opening. If the proposal is sent by mail, the sealed outside envelope shall have the notation "Sealed Proposal" along with the Proposal Number. Mailed proposals should be sent to County of Lincoln, PO Box 711, Carrizozo, NM 88301-0711.

The Lincoln County Commissioners will review the bids and make their final determination during the regular scheduled Commission meeting on Tuesday, May 19, 2009 at the Lincoln County Courthouse.

Lincoln County reserves the right to accept or reject all or any part of any bid, waive minor technicalities and award the bid to best serve the interests of Lincoln County.

ORLANDO SAMORA
Purchasing Agent

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LEGAL NOTICE

Request for Proposals 08-09-017
"Heating and Air Conditioning
Maintenance Services"
Due: Tuesday, May 12 2009,
2:00 p.m., Local Time

The County of Lincoln is requesting proposals for a contract for heating and air conditioning (HVAC) maintenance services of less than \$5000 per job for all County locations for an initial term of one year, with an option to renew annually up to three additional years. The contract will begin July 1, 2009. This contract will not apply to new or add-on-building construction. Services will include all time, labor and materials to complete the maintenance project. Full Details are provided in the Proposal Packet. You must hold a current New Mexico State Contractor's License with an MM-1 and MM-3 or MM-98 Classifications to submit a proposal for this work.

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The Lincoln County Commissioners will review the bids and make their final determination during the regular scheduled Commission meeting on Tuesday, May 19, 2009 at the Lincoln County Courthouse.

Lincoln County reserves the right to accept or reject all or any part of any bid, waive minor technicalities and award the bid to best serve the interests of Lincoln County.

ORLANDO SAMORA
Purchasing Agent

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Public Meeting for Federal Stimulus Grants and Funds

Representatives of Governor Richardson's Competitive Grant Advisory Team will be in Ruidoso Downs on Monday, May 4 to present detailed information on how local governments, non-profits organizations, businesses and individuals can benefit from the federal stimulus program, announced Hubert Quintana, executive director of the Southeastern New Mexico Economic Development District (SNMEDD).

"I want to make sure that every community in the state knows how to apply for additional resources to fund worthwhile projects and create new jobs," said Governor Bill Richardson. "There are many opportunities available and it's important that New Mexico gets its fair share of the national economic recovery effort."

The public meeting will begin at 1p.m. at the Hubbard Museum of the American West on US Highway 70 in Ruidoso Downs and will include a presentation from Rick Homans, chairman of the advisory team and current Secretary of Taxation and

Revenue, as well as other officials from the New Mexico Office of Recovery and Reinvestment. Representatives of federal agencies have also been invited to attend and to present information. The event is sponsored by SNMEDD, the NM Association of Counties, and the NM Municipal League.

"We're inviting government, community, business and non-profit leaders to attend the presentation and to work with us to bring more resources to our community," said Quintana. "It's also a good chance for members of the public to hear firsthand about The American Recovery and Reinvestment Act."

Competitive grants and financing packages are the best way for communities to access federal stimulus money, because most other funding programs are designated towards specific agencies or projects.

For more information about the Competitive Grant Advisory Team meeting, call 575-624-6131 or e-mail hqsmedd@plateautel.net.

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CARRIZOZO, NM 88301
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LEGAL NOTICE

Request for Proposals 08-09-019
"Plumbing
Maintenance Services"
Due: Tuesday, May 12 2009,
2:00 p.m., Local Time

The County of Lincoln is requesting proposals for a contract for plumbing maintenance services of less than \$5000 per job for all County locations for an initial term of one year, with an option to renew annually up to three additional years. The contract will begin July 1, 2009. This contract will not apply to new or add-on-building construction. Services will include all time, labor and materials to complete the maintenance project. Full Details are provided in the Proposal Packet. You must hold a current New Mexico State Contractor's License with an MM-1 and MM-3 or MM-98 Classifications to submit a proposal for this work.

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LEGALS

LEGAL NOTICE

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

No. D-1226-CV-2008-0260

**LASALLE BANK, N.A. AS TRUSTEE
FOR THE MLMI TRUST SERIES 2006-
RMA,**

Plaintiff,

**vs.
MARLENE A. LIMA, RICHARD
LIMA, AND THE ASSOCIATION
OF WHISPERING BLUFFS UNIT
OWNERS, INC., A NEW MEXICO
CORPORATION, A/K/A WHISPERING
BLUFFS CONDOMINIUM
ASSOCIATION,**

Defendants.

NOTICE OF SALE

Notice is hereby given that on April 30, 2009, at the hour of 10:00 am the undersigned Special Master, or his designee, will, at the north entrance of the Lincoln County Courthouse, at 300 Central, Carrizozo, NM 88301, sell all of the rights, title and interest of the above-named Defendants, in and to the hereinafter described real estate to the highest bidder for cash. The property to be sold is located at 604 White Mountain Dr. Unit 804, Ruidoso, New Mexico 88345, (if there is a conflict between the legal description and the street address, the legal description shall control) and is more particularly described as follows:

Apartment (Unit 804 of WHISPERING BLUFF CONDOMINIUMS, Ruidoso, Lincoln County, New Mexico, as the same is established and identified by the "Declaration and Plats" of Whispering Bluff Condominiums, dated March 2, 1982, recorded May 11, 1982 in Book 78, Miscellaneous Records, pages 1063 to 1098, inclusive, and amendments thereto, and as further shown by the plat thereof filed in the Lincoln County Clerk's office, March 5, 1982 in Cabinet D, Slide No. 62, as amended by that certain "Affidavit" dated October 13, 1983, recorded October 14, 1983 in Book 88, Miscellaneous Records, page 862; TOGETHER WITH said Apartment's undivided interest in the common area and facilities of the Whispering Bluff Condominiums attributable to said Apartment,

including any improvements, fixtures, and attachments, such as, but not limited to, mobile homes. Subject to all taxes, utility liens and other restrictions and easements of record, and subject to a one (1) month right of redemption by the Defendants upon entry of an order approving sale. The foregoing sale will be made to satisfy a foreclosure judgment rendered by this Court in the above-entitled and numbered cause on March 19, 2009, being an action to foreclose a mortgage on the above-described property. The Plaintiff's judgment is \$119,626.49, and the same bears interest at the variable rate of 8.9900%, which accrues at the rate of \$29.46 per diem, commencing on December 1, 2008, with the Court reserving entry of final judgment against said Defendant Marlene A. Lima for the amount due after foreclosure sale, for costs and attorney's fees, plus interest as may be assessed by the Court. The Plaintiff has the right to bid at such sale all of its judgment amount and submit its bid verbally or in writing. The Plaintiff may apply all or any part of its judgment to the purchase price in lieu of cash. The sale may be postponed and rescheduled at the discretion of the Special Master.

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

NOW, THEREFORE, notice is hereby given that in the event that said property is now sooner redeemed, the undersigned will as set forth above, offer for sale and sell to the highest bidder for cash or equivalent, the lands and improvements described above for the purpose of satisfying, in the adjudged order of priorities, the judgment described herein and decree of foreclosure together with any additional costs and attorney's fees; costs of advertisement and publication, a reasonable receiver and Special Master's fee to be fixed by the Court. The total amount of the judgment due is \$119,626.49, plus interest to and including date of sale of \$4,448.46 for a total judgment plus inter-

est of \$124,074.95. Sale is subject to the entry of an order of the Court approving the terms and conditions of this sale.

PETER BACA, Special Master
PO Box 215
Carrizozo, NM 88301
Telephone: (575) 648-9925
E-mail: sale@littjedrattel.com

Published in the Lincoln County News on April 2, 9, 16 and 23, 2009.

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE is hereby given that on April 6, 2009, New Mexico State University, P.O. Box 30001-MSC 3545, Las Cruces, New Mexico 88003, filed application No. RA-11099 with the STATE ENGINEER for permit to change location of well by ceasing the use of groundwater well No. RA-11099, located in the NW1/4-NW1/4SE1/4 of Section 9, Township 1 South, Range 14 East, N.M.P.M.

The applicant proposes to drill a replacement well approximately 500 feet in depth and 5 inches in diameter at a point in the NW1/4NW1/4SE1/4 of Section 9, Township 1 South, Range 14 East, N.M.P.M., for the continued diversion of 3.0 acre-feet per annum of groundwater for the irrigation of 40.0 acres of land described as the NW1/4NW1/4SE1/4 of Section 9, Township 1 South, Range 14 East, N.M.P.M.

The proposed new well is to be located within 100 feet of the original well. Emergency authorization is requested.

The above-described points of diversion are located ten miles east of the Village of Corona, 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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LEGAL NOTICE

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

No. D1226-CV-2008-00150

FIRST HORIZON HOME LOANS, A DIVISION OF FIRST TENNESSEE BANK NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, FORMERLY KNOWN AS FIRST HORIZON HOME LOAN CORPORATION,

Plaintiff,

**vs.
DENISE A PARKER, R.V. CURRIER, JR.,
WELLS FARGO BANK, N.A., DONALD
DICKERSON, AND DELORES
DICKERSON,**

Defendant(s).

NOTICE OF SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned Special Master will, on November 21, 2008, at 1:00PM, at the front entrance of the Lincoln County Courthouse, Carrizozo, New Mexico, 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:

TRACT L OF RANCHO RUIDOSO ESTATES, 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 JUNE 21, 1978, IN THE TUBE NO. 618

The address of the real property is 149 Saddleback Road, Alto, New Mexico 88312. Said sale will be made pursuant to the Decree of Foreclosure entered on

October 9, 2008, in the above entitled and numbered cause, which was a suit to foreclose a note and 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 \$340,499.16, plus interest from October 15, 2008 to the date of sale at the rate of 6.000% per annum, or \$52.60 per day, the costs of sale, including the Special Master's fee of \$320.63, publication costs, and plaintiff's costs expended for taxes, insurance, or 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.

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. Plaintiff and its attorneys disclaim all responsibility for, and the purchaser at the sale takes the property subject to, the valuation of the property by the County Assessor as real or personal property, affixture of any mobile or manufactured home to the land, deactivation of title to a mobile or manufactured home on the property, if any, environmental contamination on the property, if any, and zoning violations concerning the property, if any.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that the purchaser at such sale shall take title to the above described real property subject to right(s) of redemption, as set forth in the Judgment herein.

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.

Date: October 16, 2008.

Jeffrey D. Lake
Special Master
820 Calle Amor SE
Albuquerque, New Mexico 87123
(505) 681-1414
(505) 294-4003 fax

Published in the Lincoln County News on October 23, 30, and November 6 and 13, 2008.

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that on the 21st day of April, 2009, the Board of Education of the Carrizozo Municipal School District No. 7, Counties of Lincoln and Socorro, State of New Mexico adopted a resolution authorizing and directing the issuance of \$515,000 general obligation school bonds of said District.

The Resolution awards the sale of said bonds to the New Mexico Finance Authority; provides for the form of said bonds; fixes the maturities of, and interest rates on said bonds; provides for the levy of taxes to pay the principal of, and interest on, said bonds; makes certain covenants to the purchasers of said bonds; and provides other details concerning said bonds. Complete copies of said Resolution are available for public inspection during normal and regular business hours at the Carrizozo Municipal School District No. 7 Administration Office, 800 D Avenue, Carrizozo, New Mexico. This notice constitutes compliance with NMSA 1978, Section 6-14-6.

DATED this 21st day of April, 2009.

Secretary, Board of Education

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LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE is hereby given that on April 6, 2009, H & J Bonnell Ranch, c/o Harvey Bonnell, P.O. Box 148, Ruidoso Downs, New Mexico 88346, filed application No. H-637 with the STATE ENGINEER for permit to change location of supplemental well H-637 located in the SE1/4NW1/4SW1/4 of Section 26, Township 10 South, Range 15 East, N.M.P.M.

Applicant proposes to drill replacement supplemental well approximately 65 feet in depth, and 10 inches in diameter located in the SE1/4NW1/4SW1/4 of Section 26, Township 10 South, Range 15 East, N.M.P.M., for the continued diversion of up to 29.76 acre feet per annum of supplemental groundwater and the irrigation of up to 9.3 acres of land located in the Pt. Center of Section 26, Township 10 South, Range 15 East, N.M.P.M.

Well H-637 is a supplemental point of diversion under State Engineer Surface File No. D683-4.

The replacement well will be located

approximately 25 feet of the original well. The proposed well will be located approximately half a mile west of Glencoe, 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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LEGAL NOTICE

**STATE OF NEW MEXICO
COUNTY OF LINCOLN
12TH JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT**

No. CV-09-128

IN THE MATTER OF)
THE PETITION OF)

SHERYL D. DOLPHIN)

FOR CHANGE OF NAME)

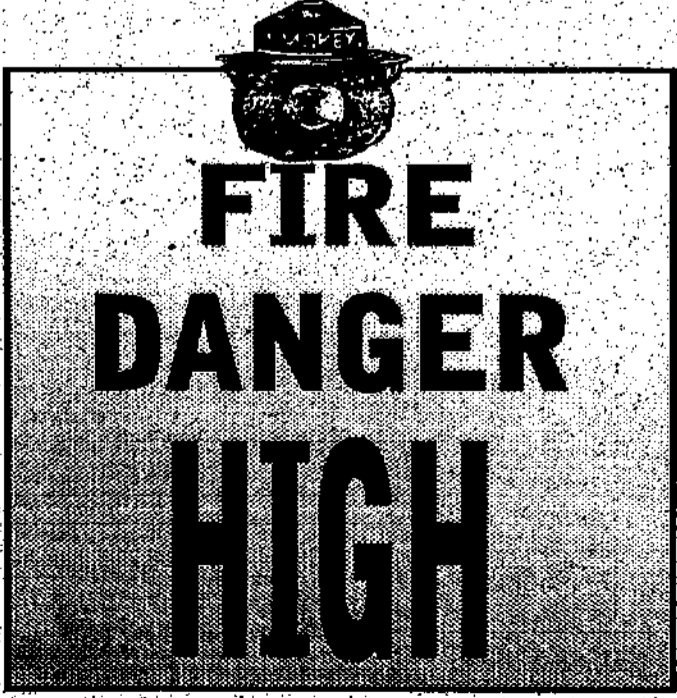
**NOTICE OF PETITION FOR
CHANGE OF NAME AND
NOTICE OF HEARING**

COMES NOW the Petitioner and hereby gives notice that a Petition for Change of Name was filed in Lincoln County, New Mexico, on the 15th day of April, 2009, requesting that the Petitioner's name be changed from Sheryl Diane Dolphin to Sheryl Diane Lidbeck.

Furthermore, Petitioner hereby gives notice of a hearing on the Petitioner's Petition for Change of Name, which shall be held before the Honorable Karen L. Parsons at 8:15 a.m. on the 8th day of June, 2009 at the Lincoln County Courthouse in Carrizozo, New Mexico, whereby the Petitioner will request the Court to sign the final Order changing the his/her name from Sheryl D. Dolphin to Sheryl Diane Lidbeck.

Sheryl Dolphin
P.O. Box 115
Alto, NM 88312
575-937-4857

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Call: (575) 648-2333

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SEEKING clean fill for hollow, just east of White Oaks Community Church sign. Contact Pastor Bob Reynierson at 648-4146.

CARRIZOZO HANDYMAN SERVICES
 We still have low rates. We do spring cleanup including Yard Cleanup and Lawn Mowing, clean up trash and take care of other fire hazards -- dead dry grass, weeds, branches, and dead trees no problem. We can safely take out dead trees and tree limbs and handle other odd jobs. Painting, fence and driveway repair, service and repair of swamp coolers plus various other jobs available. Call for FREE ESTIMATES and SENIOR CITIZEN DISCOUNTS. No job too big or too small.

NOTICE OF VACANCY

POSITION: GROUNDS KEEPER/MAINTENANCE
QUALIFICATIONS: * High School Diploma
 * Some Lifting Required
 * Experience
SALARY: As per District Salary Schedule
APPLICATION PROCESS:
 1. Application and Letter of Interest
 2. Resume
 3. Three (3) letters of recommendation (One of these from immediate supervisor)
SEND APPLICATION PACKETS TO:
 Robert Cobos, Superintendent
 Carrizozo Municipal Schools
 P.O. Box 99
 Carrizozo, New Mexico 88301
 (505) 648-2348
DEADLINE FOR APPLICATIONS: Until Filled

CASA MANANA APARTMENTS is now taking applications for a one bedroom apartment. Rental Assistance available for elderly disabled or age 62 or older. For application, call 648-2514. TDD: 1-800-659-8331 or write to Casa Manana Apts., P.O. Box 872, Carrizozo, NM 88301



LIKE TO SHOP?
 Need mystery shoppers for the Carrizozo area.
 www.shopperjobs.com
 or
 write PO Box 2912,
 Broken Arrow, OK, 74013

EMPLOYMENT NOTICE
 Lincoln County Solid Waste Authority is accepting applications for a Temporary/Full-time Class "B" CDL Driver, Class "A" preferred. Positions will be filled as needed. You may pick up applications and job descriptions at 222 Second Street, Ruidoso Downs, NM or call 575-378-4697. Applications deadline will be Monday, April 27, 2009, at 2:00 p.m.

WILL PAY GOOD MONEY FOR FRESH RATTLESNAKE MEAT. YOU KEEP SKIN, HEAD AND RATTLERS. LAUGHING SHEEP FARM 575-653-4041.

Lincoln County News
CALL 575-648-2333

FOR RENT -- One Bedroom furnished casita in Carrizozo. \$400 month, water, gas, elec. included.

Call 648-2598 4tp/4/2-23

CARRIZOZO COWBOY DAYS Pancake Breakfast Saturday, May 2 Carrizozo Woman's Club 8 am to 11 am

--- \$5.00 ea. ---
 Proceeds to be used for a Street Dance.

3tc/4/16-23



NOTICE OF EMPLOYMENT TEMPORARY ANIMAL CONTROL OFFICER
 The Village of Capitan is accepting applications for a temporary part-time animal control officer. The term of employment will be 20 weeks and will be paid at \$10.00 per hour. Must have a valid driver's license. Applications are available at 114 Lincoln Ave., Capitan, NM or by calling 575-354-2247. Applications will be accepted until May 1st or until the position is filled. Equal Opportunity Employer.

FOR SALE -- Used Golf Clubs (2-sets). Each set includes bag, pull cart and plenty of balls. \$100 each. Call 575-430-2901 or 648-9925.

FOR RENT -- 2 bedroom, 1-bath. \$250.00 mo., plus deposit. Pets okay.

648-2489 1tp/4/23

Sheriff's Report

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and deputy dispatched.
 3:10 p.m. Medical call at Capitan high school baseball field on Hwy 380 in Capitan, ambulance dispatched.
 3:37 p.m. Medical call at Eagle Creek and Gavilan Canyon Road in Alto, Advanced Life Support (ALS) ambulance dispatched.
 8:44 p.m. Suspicious activity by person(s) in vehicle reported at Sierra Blanca Airport in Alto, deputy dispatched.
 9:23 p.m. Vandalism reported at Hondo Schools, deputy dispatched.
 10:51 p.m. Fire/burning without permit reported at location in Nogal, Nogal fire units and deputy dispatched.
 April 5
 12:55 a.m. Accident reported on Central Avenue in Carrizozo, police and deputy dispatched.
 9:48 a.m. Fire reported near intersection of Hwy 380 and Hwy 37 in Nogal, Nogal fire units and deputy dispatched.
 2:53 p.m. Accident reported at mile marker 113 on Hwy 54 in Oscuro, Carrizozo emergency units, ambulance and deputy dispatched.
 3:54 p.m. Information report at location on Buckhorn in Glencoe, deputy dispatched.
 10:50 p.m. Suspicious activity by person(s) in vehicle reported near Old School House in White Oaks, deputy dispatched.
 11:01 p.m. Shots fired reported at location on Pine Knot Trail in Alto, deputy dispatched.
 April 6
 1:35 a.m. Welfare check requested at mile marker 70 on Hwy 380 east of Carrizozo, deputy dispatched.
 2:10 p.m. Disturbance/family dispute reported at residence on Hwy 220 in Alto, deputy dispatched.
 4:53 p.m. Fire/burning without permit reported at location on Musketball in Alto, deputy dispatched.
 5:02 p.m. Runaway juvenile reported from location on Smokey Bear Boulevard in Capitan, deputy dispatched.
 10:00 p.m. Accident reported at mile marker 310 on Hwy 70 in Hondo, Hondo emergency units and deputy dispatched.
 10:11 p.m. Medical call at residence on Edelweiss Loop in Alto, Advanced Life Support (ALS) ambulance dispatched.
 April 7
 3:23 a.m. Fire reported at mile marker 278 on Hwy 70 in Glencoe, Glencoe/Palo Verde fire units and deputy dispatched.
 8:26 a.m. Traffic offenses reported at intersection of Hwy 48 and High Mesa in Alto, deputy dispatched.
 12:35 a.m. Drivers test requested at Lincoln County Sheriff's Office (LCSO) located in the Lincoln County Courthouse (LCC) on Central Avenue in Carrizozo, deputy dispatched.
 2:11 p.m. Civil dispute reported at residence on Edna Lane in Alto, deputy dispatched.
 4:10 p.m. Medical call at location in Turnstall Canyon in Glencoe, ALS ambulance dispatched.
 5:38 p.m. Medical call at Rose Clinic in Capitan, ambulance dispatched.
 5:46 p.m. Suspicious activity by person(s) in vehicle reported in parking lot at New Horizons on E Avenue in Carrizozo, police and deputy dispatched.
 6:39 p.m. Medical call at residence on E Avenue in Carrizozo, ambulance dispatched.
 6:51 p.m. Disturbance reported at location on Dean Road in Capitan, deputy dispatched.
 9:17 p.m. Agency assistance requested by Ruidoso Downs police at location on Biscuit Hill Road in Ruidoso Downs, deputy dispatched.
 10:17 p.m. Information report at residence in Capitan, police dispatched.
 11:33 p.m. Medical call at residence on Knight Road in Carrizozo, ambulance dispatched.

Looking Back
 THROUGH OLD NEWS FILES

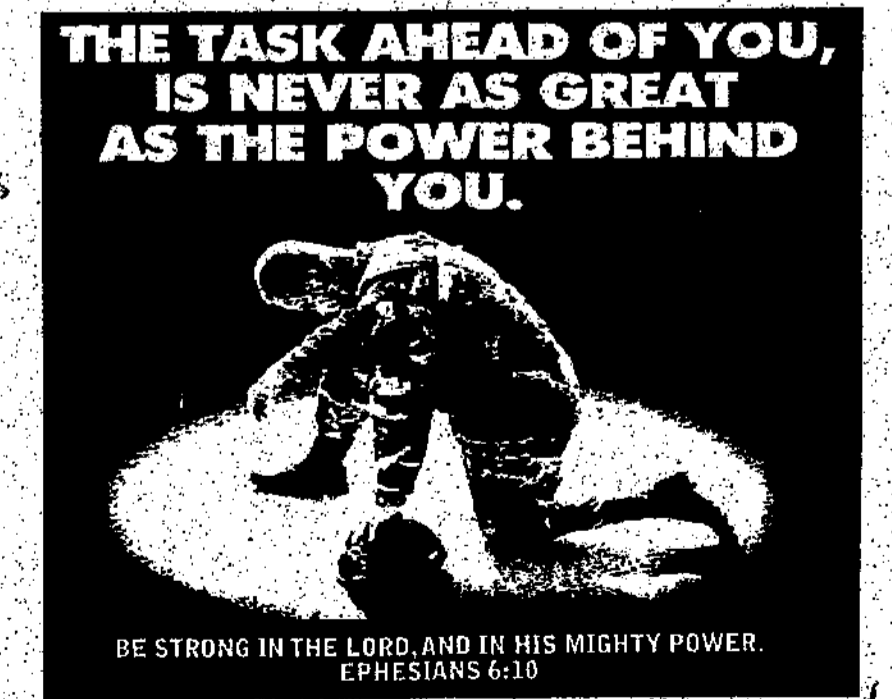
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five states, as a landmark of the once booming, gold-mining town of White Oaks -- and the pranks which Cupid sometimes plays upon the romantic participants of those realms.
 D.L. Jackson, long-time resident of White Oaks, 91 years of age, recalls most of the circumstances and history of the old Hoyle House. He remembers its builder, Watson Hoyle, and the events which have transpired about the old building through the years; for he has lived in its shadow almost since the day it was built. Jackson was part owner of the North and South Homesteaders Mining Company during the booming days of White Oaks.
 Today, Lloyd Kirkpatrick owns the old Hoyle House. It is in spic and span condition, a very comfortable home, and has an intriguing attraction to motorists and tourists who like to delve into history of those colorful days around White Oaks.
THE LONG AND SHORT OF IT IS: A tour through the old Hoyle House will remind one of the strong will and determination for their desires that was characteristic of the early-day settlers of Lincoln County and the Old West.

March 8, 1962

The Long and Short of it is . . .

Monkeys now and then, during the course of their daily routine, let their tails in a crack. They squeak and moan hideously, sometimes vociferously and outrageously, and a complete unpredictable turmoil is the aftermath -- and people ain't no different!
 With reflections of such predicaments, with both humor and seriousness being considered, the recollection of a certain man who, so to speak, "got his tail in a crack," comes to mind.
 He was an aged minister and had, for many years, served a little church in a Northeast community devoutly and faithfully. In addition to his never-firing services to the church he carried on certain other work in order to supplement funds for his livelihood and assist in carrying on his church activities; for he was not a savant of theology, being one of those religious classifications who attained his ecclesiastical order by being "called to preach."
 It all happened one day during a conference with his board of deacons, a church order usually composed of staunch, deeply, unerring religious members, depicting what we think of as having existed in our Pilgrim forefathers. Upon the discussion of a certain subject, during the meeting in that little Texas town, a severe argument arose concerning expenditure of a certain portion of the church funds. For some reason or the other, during the conference, the deacons pointed an accusing finger at the aged minister, implying that shady circumstances existed about the disbursement of those sums.
 Belligerently, and in a fit of rage, he arose from his chair and declared, "It's a gwd dammed lie!"
 A spell of complete silence at once engulfed the religious meeting, and the drop of a needle would have been audible. The conference dispersed, without even so much as a closing prayer.
 As fast as the deacons could hot-foot it around, charges were made and soon he was ousted from the church, kicked out without so much as a chance to make "acknowledgements." But the pious man did not relinquish his church activities nor his daily religious works. He bought a piece of land on the edge of town and built his own church!
THE LONG AND SHORT OF IT IS . . . The best of people often times "kick over the traces!"



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"