

New Policy to Address County Road Abandonment

by Patrice Brazie

Lincoln County's subdivision ordinance contains the necessary information for constructing roads that are to eventually be dedicated to the county, but the county has no written policies and regarding the closure or abandonment of roads.

There has been some debate over the past few years about whether or not the abandonment of county roads and

subsequent release of the roadway property to adjacent property owners constituted a violation of anti-donation laws. With that thought in mind, the Lincoln County Board of Commissioners directed county attorney Alan Morel to draft a resolution spelling out an official policy for the closure or abandonment of roadways.

Morel told the county commissioners last week that the new resolution will identify the functions of the county's

road review committee, as well as establish methods for determining the value of land to be vacated and notification to affected property owners of a closure request.

With several changes to the draft pending, Morel said he still had questions regarding the fees to be charged for applying for a road abandonment, and the per-square-foot fees for the land vacated.

"In Ruidoso, they actually have like 12 different fees they charge, based

on where the land is, because land has different values inside the city limits," Morel said. "Property next to the river is more expensive."

He raised other questions about the process of surveying land that might be abandoned by the county, whether the applicant should provide survey information at the time of applying or after the abandonment has been approved.

"There's arguments both ways," Morel said. "If it's not approved, you hate

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A FACELIFT for the grounds of Carrizozo schools campus is underway which includes the addition of this new gazebo gathering place at the center of the campus. (Photo by Patrice Brazie)

Carrizozo Could Have Temporary Police Officer

by Patrice Brazie

Carrizozo Mayor Bob Hemphill told the Carrizozo Town Council during its September 14th meeting last week that he would like to hire a member of the New Mexico Mounted Patrol to serve as a part-time temporary police officer in Carrizozo.

As part of her monthly report and in response to a question from town trustee Dennis Vega, police chief Rachel Weiser said that the Carrizozo Police Department responds to a variety of calls outside of the city limits, in areas that are actually the jurisdiction of the Lincoln County Sheriff's Department.

"The problem is, the sheriff's department is so widespread," Weiser said. "This side of the county is certainly not their priority when things are going on in other places. They don't always have deputies available to respond over here if they're in Hondo or Corona," Weiser said. "We kind of have this unwritten rule that if it's something occurring around the town area, we'll respond."

She said that the out of town calls can regard a matter as simple as a cow on the highway and Carrizozo officers are able to contact the livestock owner and resolve the situation more quickly than by having a sheriff's deputy drive from a long distance to respond to the call.

"But we've had some serious calls out in the county that the sheriff's department should have handled," she added.

In some cases, Weiser said, the Carrizozo police officers will respond to a call outside of the city limits and simply secure the scene until a sheriff's deputy arrives.

"If it's something that ends up being a DUI or an accident that needs to be worked, then we'll request a deputy and, at that point, they have to send somebody," she explained.

Vega asked if the Board of Lincoln County Commissioners could somehow establish an extended jurisdictional zone around the town and Weiser said that it could.

"The problem I have with that is

that (the sheriff's department) can become complacent. If we are county commissioned, they could just expect us (to respond)," Weiser said.

Following Weiser's report, Hemphill told the town council that the town has been using trained and certified officers of the New Mexico Mounted Patrol to assist the police department when needed.

"Right now they're not being paid," Hemphill said. "I would like to hire one of these certified mounted patrolmen occasionally so our town has coverage if the other officers are on vacation or something."

Hemphill said that two of the town's police officers will be out of town for training later this year, leaving the department with only Weiser to cover the town alone.

"That leaves one officer to cover the town 24-7," Hemphill said. "If the chief and one of the two officers were gone, that would leave one officer to cover 24-7 for sometimes three, four or five days," added.

Vega said that he would like more time to research the proposition.

"We're strapped for money, and then hiring some temporary police officer," Vega commented.

"It would be very temporary, not another part-time officer," Hemphill explained. "It would be very limited."

The mayor explained that, in actually being hired by the town, a Mounted Patrol officer could patrol alone, rather than merely serving as back-up for Carrizozo police officers.

"I am not comfortable with an officer being out there by themselves if they are not hired by the town of Carrizozo," Hemphill said. "They need to be hired by the town of Carrizozo, but hired for a very limited duration."

Vega again questioned whether or not the town should expend money for another part-time police officer, and Hemphill explained that the new officer's pay would come out of the already budgeted line item for part-time police officers' salaries.

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Trinity Site Will Be Open Sat., October 3

Trinity Site, where the first atomic bomb was detonated on July 16, 1945, will be open to the public on Saturday, October 3. There is no charge for the tour and no reservations are necessary. The historic site is open only two days a year, the first Saturday in April and the first Saturday in October.

There are two entrances to Trinity Site:

The Stallion Gate entrance. Located 54 miles west of Carrizozo on US Hwy 380 and 12 miles east of I-25 on US Hwy 380, will be open from 8:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. Visitors are allowed to enter and exit unescorted any time between 8 a.m. and 2 p.m. through the Stallion Gate.

The Alamogordo tour caravan will meet at

the Tularosa High School athletic field parking lot for departure by 8 a.m. This escorted caravan will arrive at Trinity Site about 10 a.m. and depart Trinity Site at 12:30 p.m. Those who wish to stay longer may exit through the Stallion Gate.

Photo ID will be required of all visitors to Trinity Site. Cameras will be allowed only at Trinity Site and McDonald House. Cameras must not be used on either of the drives from gates to Trinity Site. Vehicles should have a full tank of fuel and a spare tire because no services are available between the entrance gates. Visitors are encouraged to bring a lunch.

Trinity Site, the 51,500 acre area which was declared a National

Historic Landmark in 1975, includes ground zero where the atomic bomb was detonated, base camp, and McDonald ranch house where the plutonium core to the bomb was assembled.

Visitors to a Trinity Site Open House see ground zero, the Jumbo bomb casing, the McDonald House, one of the old instrumentation bunkers, historical photos, a Fatman bomb casing and part of the original crater left by the explosion revealing Tinitie, the greenish colored glassy substance formed by the heat and pressure of the explosion.

For more information contact the Alamogordo Chamber of Commerce at 1-800-826-9294.

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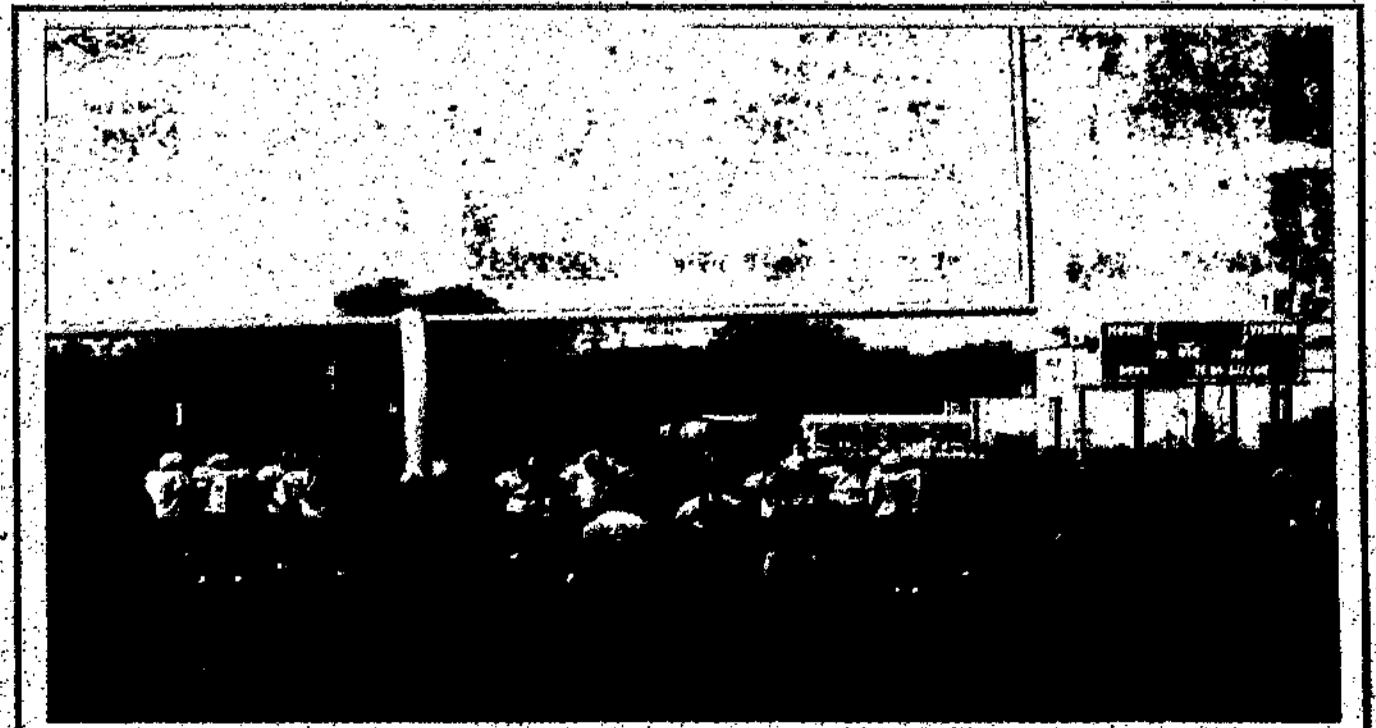
Richard J. McCarty, M.D., presents these two

methods at the Ruidoso Public Library on October 1 at 1:30 pm or October 8 at 1:30 pm in the Archive Room. Only one one-hour session needs to be attended to receive the necessary information.

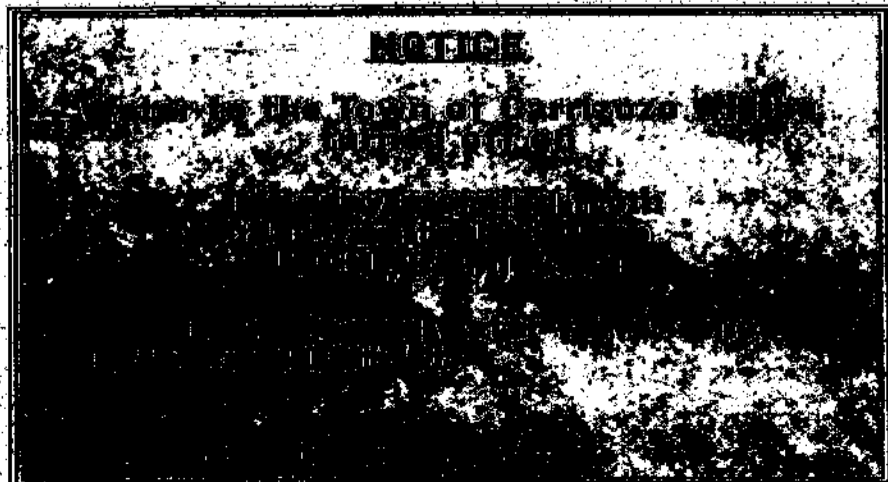
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Dr. McCarty is the Library's preschool story hour Grandpa Ritchie.

The Ruidoso Public Library is located at 107 Kansas City Road.



FOOTBALL SEASON is well under way and local teams are on the field most weekdays practicing for upcoming games. Carrizozo Grizzly football team has had nice cool weather to practice in this week as they prepare to host Escalante this Friday evening at Laabs Field, kickoff set for 7:00 p.m. (Photo by Patrice Brazie)



Calendar of Events

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

THIRD SATURDAY of EACH MONTH
American Legion Post #11 Wells Fargo Bank in Carrizozo 9 a.m.

EACH FRIDAY
Al Anon family group for families and friends of alcoholics, noon at Methodist Church in Carrizozo. Bring lunch.

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 25
--Alto Lakes Special Zoning District Commission special meeting 3:00 p.m. at Alto Lakes Golf and Country Club.

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 26
--National Public Lands Day, many recreation sites are free on many National Forests. Contact ranger offices for more information.

SEPTEMBER 26 - OCTOBER 3
--Banned Books Week will be observed by Ruidoso Public Library, an annual celebration of our right to access books without censorship, a special display of banned and challenged books.

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 28
--Water will be turned off in Carrizozo from 8:15 a.m. to 10:00 a.m. to replace a valve at corner of E Avenue and 18th Street.

--Federated Republican Women of Lincoln County (FRWLC) meet at Cree Meadows. Lunch at 11:30 a.m. RSVP to Karen Clontz at kclontz@mac.com or call 336-1360.

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 29
--Ruidoso Village Council 4:30 p.m.

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 30
--Lincoln County Lodgers' Tax Committee 10:00 a.m. Caapitan Village Hall.

Capitan Library 1st Friday Lecture set for October 2

The Capitan Public Library First Friday adult lecture will be held at 7:00 p.m. on October 2.

Author Lesley Dahl will present a program about the process of writing. She will tell how she went from being a 9th grade English teacher in Los Angeles to a published author living in Albuquerque.

Her book, *The Problem with Paradise*, is set in the Caribbean. In it, she tells of the traumas that a teenage girl and her shadow, her younger brother, experience in this exotic location.

First Friday Adult Lectures are held at Capitan Public Library, 102 E Second, Capitan. They begin at 7:00 p.m. and are free of charge.

Following the lecture, refreshments are served. Please attend for an enjoyable evening of learning and a time to get to know others in this area.

If there are questions, call the library at 354-3035.

New Policy to Address ...

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for them to spend the money on a survey, but you really need to know exactly where it is and what the square footage is to know how to treat it if you do approve the abandonment and vacation," he said.

Property value would likely have to be determined on a case by case basis, Morel said, depending upon whether or not the property includes any improvements.

"The way this policy is set up is up to \$2,500 it's just going to be a price per foot, but once you hit \$2,500 the policy provides for an appraisal that has to be done to determine the actual value of the property to be abandoned or vacated," Morel said.

"\$2,500 seems to be the number where the state has a significant interest in the asset and whether you're getting appropriate value. When you hit \$25,000, you have to get Department of Finance and Administration (DFA) approval to sell the property, a completely separate statutory requirement," he explained.

"There are basically three different requirements depending on the value."

County commissioner Dave Parks said that there are essentially two kinds of roads to consider, those that have been constructed and used by the public and those that have been platted and dedicated to the county but never actually constructed or used.

"It seems like there's a big difference between taking a road that has been maintained and used, as opposed to something that has never been installed, or used by the county at all," Parks said.

Lincoln County Assessor Paul Baca told the county commissioners that his office could do an initial assessment of land to be vacated by the county by estimating its size and reviewing current sales prices in the area.

County commission chair Tom Battin pointed out that requests for road abandonment in the past have included property in remote areas as well as near subdivisions, and properties can vary greatly in value.

Morel added that, in Ruidoso, land values range from 99 cents to over six dollars per square foot.

"If this were a road out in the middle of nowhere that was 50 feet wide and a quarter-mile long, and requested to be vacated, at 50 cents a foot it would be \$32,000 for that little segment of the roadway," Morel estimated. "It's not likely it would have that kind of value."

Baca said that his office has seen land values in Ruidoso reach \$14 per square foot, and up to \$1,000 per linear foot along the river. He said his office would agree to assist Morel in determining the appraisal requirements and associated fees for properties of less than \$2,500 in value.

Morel told the county commissioners that it is going to become more expensive to have property owned by the county abandoned or vacated. Historically, there has been no expense associated with the process and landowners have benefited by acquiring at no charge land once owned by the taxpayers. The new policy will put an end to that.

"You're going to have to pay the initial filing fee, which is set at \$250," Morel said. "You're going to have to pay for an appraisal which could be upwards of \$300 to \$500. You're going to have to pay the square-foot cost, whatever that may be, based on the assessor's estimate or based on an appraisal. You may see a lot fewer road closures in the future," he said.

There will also be costs for having a completed survey and legal description of the land to be vacated if the vacation is approved by the county's board of commissioners.

The Lincoln County Planning Commission will review applications for road abandonment. The information will be passed on to the county's road review committee, which will examine the property and make recommendations to the county board.

Old Lincoln Town

by Rosalie Dunlap

Sidney Sachse was laid to rest in Las Cruces. A memorial was held at the St. Andrew's Episcopal Church. She is survived by her husband Jim, and four sons and families. Jim retired as the NMSU Sheep and Wool Specialist. He was also responsible for Ralph's two year tour in Tunisia.

Some friends we have seen have been Mary Ellen and Franklin McKay, Judy Stearns Green, Pete and Sara Gnatkowsk, David Lucero and several ex co-workers of Ralph's.

Wayne and Ralph Dunlap thought they were going to see the Aggies-UTEP game Saturday but the weather changed many fans minds. It began thundering and severe lightning storm and postponed the game for three and a half hours. Not too many

fans returned to see the game.

Lois Coleman is visiting her parents. She was glad to get to visit with her brother Wasyne.

The La Placita personell is taking a few days off for well earned rest.

We will have breakfast with Paul and Elissa Pacheco so will catch up with their family. They do not live too far from us.

Phillip Payne is the head pharmacist at the Memorial Hospital in Las Cruces.

Mary Ellen McKay is the State President of the NARFE organization. We attended the local meeting Saturday. They are a very active group.



RAIN IN LINCOLN COUNTY is generally a good thing especially if you're prepared with umbrellas and raincoats in tow. Die-hard fans like Marylou and Fred Vega (middle), and Nikko Chavez (left) who came out to show support for the Jr. High FB team two weeks ago in Capitan, but rain and lightning forced a rescheduling of the game. (Photo by Patrice Brazie)

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> Friday, Sept. 25 -- vs. Escalante, in Carrizozo, 7:00 pm
> Friday, Oct. 2 -- vs. Hagerman, at Hagerman, 7:00 pm
> Friday, Oct. 9 -- vs. Loving, at Loving, 7:00 pm
> Friday, Oct. 16 -- vs. Fort Sumner, at Carrizozo, 7:00 pm
> Friday, Oct. 23 -- vs. Mescalero, at Carrizozo, 7:00 pm (Homecoming)
> Friday, Oct. 30 -- vs. Jal, at Jal, 7:00 pm

* Denotes District Games

2009 JR. HIGH FOOTBALL SCHEDULE

> Thursday, Sept. 24 -- vs. Mescalero, at Mescalero, 4:00 pm
> Thursday, Oct. 1 -- vs. Capitan, at Carrizozo, 5:00 pm
> Thursday, Oct. 8 -- vs. Ruidoso, at Carrizozo, 10:00 am

GIRL'S 2009 VOLLEYBALL SCHEDULE

> Sept. 24 -- Capitan at Capitan Jr. High, 4:00 p.m.
> Sept. 25-26 -- Capitan Tournament Varsity, TBA
> Sept. 28 -- Mescalero at Carrizozo Jr. High, 4:00 p.m.
> Sept. 29 -- Vaughn at Carrizozo Varsity and ??, 5:00 p.m.
> Oct. 1 -- Mt'Air at Mt'Air Jr. High, JV, Varsity
> Oct. 4 -- Cloudcroft at Carrizozo Jr. High, 4:00 p.m.
> Oct. 8 -- Hondo at Hondo Jr. High, Varsity, 5:00 pm
> Oct. 13 -- Mt'Air at Carrizozo Jr. High, JV, Varsity, 5:00 pm
> October 15 -- Capitan at Carrizozo Jr. High, 4:00 pm
> October 20 -- Hondo at Carrizozo Jr. High and Varsity, 5:00 pm
> Oct. 27 -- Vaughn at Vaughn Jr. High and Varsity, 5:30 pm
> Oct. 31 -- Capitan at Carrizozo Jr. High and Varsity, 5:30 pm
> Nov. 1 -- State Tournament Varsity, TBA
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State Fair Queen Contest Judging in Progress

Young women from 13 counties in New Mexico will be competing for the title of State Fair Queen for 2010.

Representing Lincoln County is Haley Montes.

Current Queen is Michal Almanza, a New Mexico State University senior majoring in business management. She represented Bernalillo County in the 2009 queen

contest in which she also received the Miss Personality Award.

"Our State Fair Queen is a tradition that goes back almost six decades," said New Mexico State Fair Commission Chairman Luke Otero. "The Queen is the statewide ambassador for the Fair, representing all it stands for, and helping to preserve this proud New Mexico tradi-

tion for future generations." Kathy Duffy, Marketing Director for EXPO New Mexico, adds "the title of New Mexico State Fair Queen is one of honor and prestige and is like no other in the great state of New Mexico. The title represents not only the state's Western way of life, but also the quality of leadership among young women in New Mexico. These young women represent the leaders of tomorrow."

Judging will be held Thursday, Friday and Saturday, September 24, 25 and 26 respectively. Contestants will be judged on horsemanship, personality, and personal interviews. The queen will be crowned at the rodeo Saturday night, September 26th, and she'll reign as State Fair Queen for the remainder of 2009 and for 2010 until a new queen is selected next September.

For the horsemanship competition, judging attire will be a tucked-in white shirt with blue denim jeans, a western hat and cowboy boots. All judged events will be in keeping with traditional western wear.

The Personality and Appearance division consists of speech, modeling, impromptu questions, personal interview, written test, and appearance.

The candidates' personality will be judged at various times during the contest. At a reception, contestants will model, give their prepared speech, and respond to impromptu questions. The time limit for prepared speeches is three minutes. Exceeding the Queen's Speech Competition on Friday, September 25 will be award-winning Country Music singer Lynn Anderson.

Ms. Anderson,

who lives in Taos, says "I remember fondly the many times I rode my horse into the spotlight in the New Mexico State Fair Rodeo arena with a microphone in my hand. I'd ride straight for my friend Fern Sawyer's box because she always dressed sparklier (sic) than me. What an honor to be able to come back to the Fair in the capacity of helping young ladies with the State Fair Queen Contest!

In the event that the total score in the Queen contest is a tie, the contestant with the higher score in horsemanship shall be declared the Queen.

The judges' scoring is final and not subject to appeal to any person or body, administrative or judicial.

The Congeniality Award is given to the contestant who demonstrates a genuine caring and friendliness toward the other contestants throughout the contest. Contestants vote by secret ballot.

During the rodeo on Saturday, September 26, the newly-elected queen will be crowned along with the first and second attendants. She'll receive a handmade saddle, a two-horse trailer, a sterling silver crown, a sterling silver buckle and a \$100.00 cash award.

The 1st attendant receives a sterling silver buckle and a \$50.00 cash award; the 2nd attendant receives a sterling silver bracelet and \$50.00 cash award. The winner of the Miss Horsemanship title receives a sterling silver bracelet as does Miss Congeniality and Miss Personality.

For more information about the Queen's Contest, please contact Kathy Duffy at 505 222-9721.

Carrizozo School Coming Events

- Thursday, September 24:**
Jr. High Volleyball at capitan, 4:00 p.m.
Jr. High Football at Mesalero, 4:00 p.m.
- Friday, September 25:**
Varsity Volleyball at Capitan Tournament.
Varsity Football, Laabs Field, vs. Escalante 7:00 p.m.
- Saturday, September 26:**
Varsity Volleyball at Capitan Tournament.
- Wednesday, September 30:**
Picture Day

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NO. CV-08-324

FIRST HORIZON HOME LOANS, A DIVISION OF FIRST TENNESSEE BANK NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, SUCCESSOR IN INTEREST BY MERGER WITH FIRST HORIZON HOME LOAN CORPORATION,

Plaintiff,

v.
ROBIN M. CICCARELLI JOUETT A/K/A ROBIN CICCARELLI JOUETT, THE UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF ROBIN M. CICCARELLI JOUETT A/K/A ROBIN CICCARELLI JOUETT, LINDA S. JOUETT, THE UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF LINDA S. JOUETT, AVRIL COAKLEY D/B/A RUIDOSO OFFICE SUPPLY & HALLMARK, UNITED GUARANTY RESIDENTIAL INSURANCE COMPANY OF NORTH CAROLINA, AND WALTON STATIONS-NEW MEXICO, INC., A/K/A KBUY AND KWES RADIO,

Defendant(s).

NOTICE OF SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned Special Master will, on October 13, 2009, at 1:30PM, at the front entrance of the Lincoln County Courthouse, 300 Central, 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:

Lots 2 and 3, Tract D, LOMA GRANDE ACRES, located in Lincoln County, New Mexico, as shown by the amended plat thereof filed in the office of the County Clerk and Ex-officio Recorder of Lincoln County, New Mexico, August 7, 1972 in Tube No. 451

which Property is more commonly known to the best of Plaintiff's knowledge as 141 Bonita Drive, Nogal, New Mexico 88316. Plaintiff does not represent or warrant that the stated street address is the street address of the described property; if the street address does not match the legal description, then the property being sold herein is the property more particularly described above, not the property located at the street address; any prospective purchaser at the sale is given notice that it should verify the location and address of the property being sold. Said sale will be made pursuant to the Decree of Foreclosure entered on March 30, 2009, 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 \$165,236.42, plus interest from March 19, 2009 to the date of sale at the rate of 6.25% per annum, or \$26.59 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. The County of Lincoln recorded a Lien against the property on February 28, 2008, for the collection, transportation and disposal of solid waste.

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.

Dated: September 3, 2009.

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

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OBITUARY

BETTY B. SANCHEZ

Betty B. Sanchez, 73 of Corona, died September 19, 2009 at her home following an illness.

She was born July 9, 1936 in Corona to the home of Valentin and Timotea (Selgado) Baros. She was reared and attended school in Corona. She married Octaviano Sanchez on July 25, 1953.

Betty worked for the Corona Schools and the Senior Citizens Center for several years. She also worked as a Home Health Technician before her health declined. She was a member of St. Theresa Catholic Church in Corona.

Betty was preceded in death by her parents; an infant daughter Mary Ann Sanchez; five sisters Rosita Sanchez, Cecilia Flores, Ieta Encinias, Eva Gutierrez, Elvira Flores, Tobias Baros, Faustin Baros and Procopio Tafuya.

Survivors include her husband Octaviano Sanchez of the home in Corona; a son Lincoln Sanchez and wife Theresa of Moriarty; three daughters Gloria Madrid and husband Mike of Rio Rancho, Sandra Jiron and husband Pat of Carrizozo, and Beverly Sanchez of Edgewood. Also surviving is a brother Johnny Baros of Albuquerque, eight grandchildren and five great-grandchildren.

Rosary services were held September 21 at St. Theresa Church in Corona. Mass of Christian Burial was celebrated on September 22, at St. Theresa Church. Burial followed at the Corona Cemetery.

Serving as pallbearers were Norbert Chavez, Glenn Trujillo, Matthew Lucero, Mike Baros, Patrick Sanchez and Ernest Tapia.

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Editorials/Opinion & Other Stuff

THOUGHTS

From the Editor's Desk

When in Rome Speak Italian

By Ruth Hammond

We've been hearing about how rednecks are battling with blue collars and it has us confused. Does this mean that rednecks never wear blue? Or does it mean that people with blue collars never have red necks? And what is wrong with blue collars and what is wrong with having red necks? Explanation needed.

It could be that a more complete definition is necessary before a determination can be made. It is also possible that both these terms are not actual descriptions as much as they are a desecration and are in no way to be considered a true delineation.

Sometimes further descriptions are not what is needed as much as an explanation as to why the rharub is of importance. Does either side have the full facts? And is either side being fair instead of being judgmental? Or is this a trumped up battle of sorts?

Evidently the redneck versus blue collar war is similar to what is happening in our nation at this time. Some people assume they know while others are less than cooperative in sharing information. This might be a smokescreen to hide important issues.

Now what is needed is a referee, and not one of those in a striped shirt that dodges thrown bottles, but someone who will be fair in moderating squables.

Having an umpire to determine which of the words being bandied about are facts and which are merely mud slinging would help immensely. It would also be good for the public to hear the arbitration.

Extremely important is that people be aware of what is happening and that no decisions will be made until all sides are considered in the argument. At this time the publicity appears to be doing much more damage than any actions that could or could not be taken concerning the national volatile issues.

It would seem that some people are looking forward to gaining much money from the outcome of the current battles, regardless of which side wins. It doesn't seem to matter which side should prevail, just that the matter be decided. And the public is being deprived of their right to be included in this decision.

Meaningless gestures and comments seem to be confusing the issues and people don't know if they should believe either side or scrap everything.

Even if you have definite opinions about the issues, please be considerate of points of view being presented by those who make opposing statements.

Regardless of which side wins, the end result may be determined by agreeing. This is only possible if both side talk the same language and are polite.



* Inside the Capitol

By Jay Miller, Syndicated Columnist

SANTA FE -- The special budget session of the New Mexico Legislature appears headed for late October, according to Gov. Bill Richardson, who gets to make that decision.

Lawmakers had hoped for an earlier session but they and the governor are not as close to agreement as had been anticipated. Richardson wants a three percent across-the-board cut of all agencies, excluding education. Lawmakers want a four percent cut everywhere.

Both parties had generally agreed to no furloughs, no layoffs, no tax increases and use of some more surplus funds. But legislative leaders want to take a more cautious approach than the governor. They want to look more than a year down the road. Richardson only has a year left in office.

It isn't pleasant cutting close to nine percent out of a \$5.5 billion budget but some states have had to trim more like a quarter of their budgets. Big states and big cities have been hit hardest, along with states that were developing rapidly. That includes some of our neighbors. California, Arizona, Nevada, Las Vegas and Phoenix have suffered greatly.

California has had to lay off 28,000 public employees so far. Almost half of those are teachers. Arizona has had to lay off 4,300 public employees. In Nevada, layoffs total 2,200. Layoffs nationally total over 111,000 employees, including 40,000 teachers and 4,000 police and firefighters.

New Mexico, Arkansas, Delaware, North Dakota, Oklahoma and West Virginia have reported layoffs in the single digits. Gov. Richardson and lawmakers both seem determined to avoid layoffs and they hope to avoid furloughs if at all possible.

In several states public employee unions have agreed to furloughs in return for a guarantee of no layoffs. But many aren't so lucky. Hawaii, on top of 1,339 layoffs, has mandated that state workers take three days of unpaid leave per month for the next two years.

The Center on Budget and Policy Priorities indicates that 48 of the 50 states face budget shortfalls and the total

shortfall for the nation is expected to get worse before it gets better.

At this point, federal stimulus money is helping many states avoid additional layoffs but that isn't likely to be continuing. If that stops before state economies turn around, layoffs will increase.

Nineteen states currently are furloughing employees. On top of California's 28,000 layoffs, all employees must take unpaid leave every other Friday.

In New Mexico, Gov. Richardson has appointed five members of the executive branch to sit down with legislative leaders to work out a suitable plan to present to the special session of the Legislature.

The five members are Department of Finance and Administration Secretary Katherine Miller and Deputy Secretary Dannelle Burch, Taxation and Revenue Secretary Rick Homans, and the governor's deputy chiefs of staff Eric Witt and Paul Ritzma.

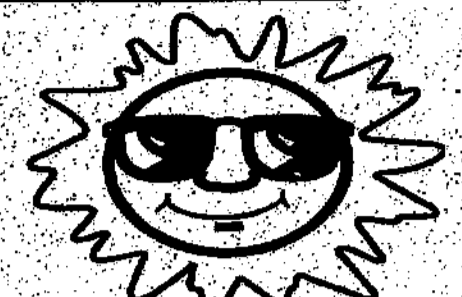
Gov. Richardson has provided them with a five-point plan to get discussions started. In addition to three per-

cent cuts and use of \$91 million stimulus money to prevent cuts in public school funding, the plan includes diverting \$135 million in short-term bonding proceeds from future capital projects to operations and de-authorizing \$60 to \$75 million in previously approved building projects.

Lawmakers are likely to bow their backs at using one-time building money to fund ongoing operational expenses. If the economy doesn't turn around big time next year, the problem becomes that much worse the following year.

With disagreements such as these ahead of the joint committee, it is possible there will be no agreement before the special session. In that case, a quick weekend session now envisioned by the governor could last as long as 30 days.

Decisions need to be made soon. The judicial branch of government has already indicated it already is on the edge with the two percent cuts already imposed by last winter's session. Last week the state temporarily bailed out a district court but that can't continue.



WEATHER REPORT

by JEFF HAMMOND

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

Thursday, Sept. 24

A fair chance of showers, mostly cloudy, with a high near 69, east winds 5 to 15 mph becoming southwest, night: A slight chance of showers and thunderstorms, partly cloudy, with a low around 46, south winds around 5 mph becoming east.

Friday, Sept. 25

Sunny, with a high near 78, night: Mostly clear, with a low around 50.

Saturday, Sept. 26

Sunny, with a high near 83, night: Clear, with a low around 52.

Sunday, Sept. 27

Sunny, with a high near 81, night: Mostly clear, with a low around 48.

Monday, Sept. 28

Sunny, with a high near 81, night: A slight chance of showers and thunderstorms, partly cloudy, with a low around 48.

Tuesday, Sept. 29

A slight chance of showers, partly cloudy, with a high near 80, night: A slight chance of showers and thunderstorms, partly cloudy, with a low around 47.

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

Thursday, Sept. 24

A fair chance of snow showers before noon, then a chance of rain showers, some thunder is also possible, mostly cloudy, with a high near 59, south winds around 5 mph, night: A slight chance of showers and thunderstorms, partly cloudy, with a low around 44, south winds around 5 mph.

Friday, Sept. 25

Sunny, with a high near 71, night: Mostly clear, with a low around 44.

Saturday, Sept. 26

Sunny, with a high near 73, night: Clear, with a low around 45.

Sunday, Sept. 27

Sunny, with a high near 73, night: Mostly clear, with a low around 39.

Monday, Sept. 28

Sunny, with a high near 72, night: A slight chance of showers and thunderstorms, partly cloudy, with a low around 42.

Tuesday, Sept. 29

A slight chance of showers, partly cloudy, with a high near 71, night: A slight chance of showers and thunderstorms, partly cloudy, with a low around 41.

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

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LEGAL NOTICE
STATE OF NEW MEXICO
COUNTY OF LINCOLN
TWELFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT
NO. CV-09-152

FIRST HORIZON HOME LOANS, A DIVISION OF FIRST TENNESSEE BANK NATIONAL ASSOCIATION,

Plaintiff,
JEFF SAGER AND CHERI L. SAGER,

Defendant(s)

NOTICE OF PENDENCY OF ACTION
STATE OF NEW MEXICO to the following named Defendants by name: Jeff Sager and Cheri L. Sager:

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 104 White Court, Alto, New Mexico 88312, in Lincoln County, said property being more particularly described as: Lot 3, Block 3, of ALTO LAKES GOLF & COUNTRY CLUB SUBDIVISION, UNIT 1, 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 July 25, 1967, in Tube No. 280

That unless you respond to the Complaint within 30 days of completion of publication on this Notice, judgment by default will be entered against you.

Plaintiff's attorneys:
ELIZABETH MASON, P.C.
ELIZABETH MASON
3104 Monte Vista NE, Albuquerque, New Mexico 87106
505-872-8700

WITNESS the Honorable Karen L. Parsons, Judge of the Twelfth Judicial District Court, Lincoln County, New Mexico, this 9th day of June, 2009.

JAN PERRY
CLERK OF THE DISTRICT COURT

By: Elizabeth Ysasi
Deputy

Publish September 24 and October 1 and 8, 2009

Recycling Bins In Carrizozo Upgraded

The recent upgrade of the ground under the blue recycling bins in Spencer Park behind the caboose/visitors center has been conducted.

Recycling is available there for aluminum and tin cans, all kinds of plastic bottles, all kinds of paper, magazines and catalogs, and flattened cardboard.

Look for more upgrades in the next few months as the Lincoln County Solid Waste Authority (LCSWA) repaints and puts new signage on the bins.

MEMO FROM SMOKEY

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with Matches...
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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.

patched. 6:55 a.m. Suspicious activity by person(s) in vehicle reported on Lakeshore Drive in Alto, deputy dispatched. 11:37 a.m. Medical call at residence on E Avenue in Carrizozo, ambulance dispatched. 1:34 p.m. Vandalism reported at entry shack for Westlake campground on Bonito Lake, deputy dispatched. 3:12 p.m. Police presence/ Stand-by requested at residence on Linda Vista in Alto, deputy dispatched. 3:54 p.m. Dog reported running loose on Bonito Lake Road in Bonito, deputy dispatched.

4:37 p.m. Accident reported at Capitan school parking lot in Capitan, police dispatched. 4:44 p.m. Warrant service at Lincoln County Detention Center (LCDC) on Air Port Road in Carrizozo, deputy dispatched. 5:34 p.m. Cattle on Highway reported at location on Hwy 48, deputy dispatched. 7:37 p.m. Larceny/theft reported at location on Ski Run Road in Alto, deputy dispatched. 8:05 p.m. Traffic hazard reported on Hwy 54, 2 miles south of Corona, deputy dispatched. 8:39 p.m. Medical

call at residence on C Avenue in Carrizozo, ambulance and police dispatched. August 25 6:04 a.m. Dog reported running loose on Calamity Jane Court in Rancho Ruidoso Valley Estates, deputy dispatched. 7:58 a.m. Civil dispute reported at location in Alto, deputy dispatched. 8:48 a.m. Dog reported running loose on Hwy 48 in Capitan, deputy dispatched. 2:13 p.m. Police/peacekeeping presence requested at location on Pinhurst in Alto, deputy dispatched. 3:55 p.m. Harassment reported at location on Hwy 70 in San Patricio, deputy dispatched. 3:56 p.m. Traffic hazard reported at location on Gavilan Canyon Road in Alto, deputy dispatched. 4:33 p.m. Fire reported at mile marker 10 on Arabella Hwy in Arabella, Arabella fire units dispatched. 4:35 p.m. Warrant service at location on North Candlewood in Ruidoso, deputy dispatched. 5:04 p.m. Traffic offenses reported at location on B Avenue in Carrizozo, police dispatched. 5:20 p.m. Dog reported running loose on Bonito Road in Bonito, deputy dispatched. 6:19 p.m. Dog reported running loose near Alto Lake in Alto, deputy dispatched. 7:56 p.m. Larceny/theft reported at location on Hwy 70 in Glencoe, deputy dispatched. 8:04 p.m. Dog reported running loose on Bonito Canyon Road in Bonito, deputy dispatched. August 26 3:07 a.m. Medical call at residence on Screaming Eagle in Alto, Advanced Life Support (ALS) ambulance dispatched. 5:19 a.m. Alarm reported at location on Eagle Creek Canyon Road in Alto, deputy dispatched. 9:15 a.m. Registered Sex Offender checks at Lincoln County Sheriff Office (LCSO) located in the Lincoln County Courthouse (LCC) on Central Avenue in Carrizozo, deputy dispatched. 10:41 a.m. Civil dispute reported at reported at mile marker 6 on Hwy 37 in Nogal, deputy dispatched. 11:11 a.m. Fire/burning without permit reported at location on Country Club Lane in Alto, deputy dispatched. 11:55 a.m. Accident reported at location on Hwy 380, Carrizozo emergency units, ambulance and deputy dispatched. 11:56 a.m. Fire reported at mile marker 310 on Hwy 70 in Hondo, Hondo fire units dispatched. 11:56 a.m. Fire reported on Hwy 246 approximately 15 miles from Roswell, deputy dispatched. 6:05 p.m. Fire reported at location on Cedar Creek Road in Ruidoso, Bonito fire units and deputy dispatched. 8:33 p.m. 911 call with no response/Open line from location on Mulligan Drive in Alto, deputy dispatched. August 27 12:22 a.m. Dog reported running loose in Spencer Park in Carrizozo, police dispatched. 1:33 a.m. Suspicious activity reported at Bonito Hollow campground in Bonito, deputy dispatched.

7:34 a.m. Welfare check requested for person sitting in car at mile marker 265 on Hwy 70 in Ruidoso Downs, deputy dispatched. 7:57 a.m. Police presence/ stand-by requested at residence on Edna Lane in Capitan, deputy dispatched. 9:50 a.m. Telephone offenses reported at Hondo Clinic in Hondo, deputy dispatched. 11:28 a.m. Dog reported running loose on Wolf Springs Loop in Nogal, deputy dispatched. 4:53 p.m. Dog reported running loose on Hwy 380 in Lincoln, deputy dispatched. 5:01 p.m. Fire reported at mile marker 68 on Hwy 54 east of Carrizozo, Carrizozo fire units and deputy dispatched.

5:43 p.m. Disturbance reported at location on DeBord Drive in Ruidoso, deputy dispatched. 5:48 p.m. Traffic offenses reported on E Avenue in Carrizozo, police dispatched. 9:30 p.m. Disturbance reported at residence on West Second Street in Carrizozo, police dispatched. August 28 12:13 a.m. Medical call at residence on C Avenue in Carrizozo, ambulance dispatched. 5:28 a.m. Medical call at residence on Nogal Street in Capitan, ALS ambulance dispatched.

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LEGAL NOTICE

STATE OF NEW MEXICO COUNTY OF LINCOLN TWELFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT CV 2009-54

HIGH SIERRA CONDOMINIUMS OWNERS ASSOCIATION, INC., a New Mexico corporation,

Plaintiff,

vs. OSCAR ACEBEDO, VERNON ALLEN, TIMOTHY ALLISH and MARICELA ALLISH, DOUGLAS W. ANDERSON, MANUEL CARLOS, VANESSA Y. CARLOS, AVONN A. DAVIS and CHRISTA M. BROWN, MARCOS R. FLORES and RAMONA FLORES, GERARDO GONZALES and IRMA JAQUEZ DE GONZALES, RAY GONZALES and CYNTHIA D. NAJERA, CARLOS HERNANDEZ and VICTORIA Sacotta Hernandez, TERRY KALIES and ELAINE J. KALIES, GEORGE LUCKY and BETTY J. LUCKY, ARMANDO MARCOS PENILLA and PATRICIA BARQUERA, JOSE MARTINEZ and BEATRIZ G. MARTINEZ, HECTOR MOLINAR and LAURA C. DE MOLINAR, JAMES NELSON, JR. and MARGARET ANN NELSON, ELSA NEVAREZ, DEE D. PARKS and CLAUDIA FAY PARKS, GABRIEL PEREZ CANPOY and SOCCORRO CORRAL C. PEREZ, WANDA PERRY, OSVALDO RAZO and SHIRLEY C. RAZO, BENJAMIN F. RICHER and MARGARET A. RICHER, RAY R. RODRIGUEZ, JORGE SANDOVAL VIDAL, HENRY E. TORRES and DEBBIE V. TORRES, ROSARITA WALKER, GREGORY J. WELSH, JAMES YANAGA.

Defendants.

NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE

NOTICE IS GIVEN that on October 9, 2009, at 10:00 a.m., at the front entrance to the Village of Ruidoso Municipal Building located at 313 Cree Meadows Drive, Ruidoso, Lincoln County, New Mexico, the undersigned special master will offer for public sale and sell the following described real property and improvements to the highest bidder for cash. All of the real properties are timeshare and the legal descriptions thereof are as follows:

EXHIBIT "A"

Table with columns: Name, Unit, Interval Week. Lists various property owners and their corresponding units and weeks.

The special Master's sale will be conducted pursuant to the Default Judgment entered by this court on September 1, 2009 in an action for collection of the maintenance fee lien on the intervals and the amounts to be realized at the sale of the intervals, with interest calculated to date of sale, are as follows: Plaintiff's Judgment directed foreclosure of the real property to satisfy the following judgment liens:

Table with columns: Amount of Maintenance fees, Cost of Suit, Attorney fees, Special Masters fee.

In addition to the judgment liens referred to above, there will be accruing costs, including costs for publication of notice. The Special Master may continue the date of sale by appearing on the date and time designated in this notice and announcing the postponement to another specific date. The terms of this sale are that the purchaser must pay cash at the time the intervals are struck off to him, except plaintiff may bid all or any part of the judgment, plus interest without paying cash.

WITNESS my hand and seal of the District Court of Lincoln County, New Mexico this 11th day of September 2009.

Peter Baca, Special Master PO Box 215 Carrizozo, NM 88301 575-648-9925

CHARLES E. HAWTHORNE, Ltd

Charles E. Hawthorne Attorney for Plaintiff 900 Sudderth Drive Ruidoso, NM 88345 (575) 257-1323 fax 257-1327

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LEGAL NOTICE

STATE OF NEW MEXICO COUNTY OF LINCOLN Twelfth JUDICIAL DISTRICT Case No. D-1226-CV-200900089

CHASE HOME FINANCE, LLC, Plaintiff,

vs. DIANE LEPARD; FRANK R. LEPARD, Defendants.

NOTICE OF SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned Special Master will on October 20, 2009 at 9:00 AM, 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 35, Block 4, of White Mountain Estates, Unit 2, 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 August 19, 1975, in Tube No. 558.

The address of the real property is 318 McBride Drive, Ruidoso, NM 88345.

Said sale will be made pursuant to the Decree of Foreclosure entered on August 11, 2009, 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 \$358,803.05 plus interest from June 30, 2009 to the date of sale at the rate of 9.45% 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 rights of redemption.

Dated: 2009

Peter Baca Special Master c/o Castle Meinhold & Stawiarski 999 18th St., Suite 2201, Bin 1 Denver, CO 80202 (800) 286-0013 (303) 285-2222

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Advertisement box with text: OBSERVE ALL TRAFFIC SIGNS. Children are now back at school.

Sheriff's Report . . .

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11:39 a.m. Alarm reported at location on Rivers Edge Road in San Patricio, deputy dispatched.

11:41 a.m. Fire reported at location on Ski Run Road in Alto, Bonito fire units and deputy dispatched.

2:42 p.m. Report of shots fired at location on Las Estrellas in Ranches of Sontero, deputy dispatched.

3:47 p.m. 911 Hang-up from residence on Elda Road in Corona, deputy dispatched.

4:00 p.m. Motorcycle drivers test requested at Ruidoso high school, deputy dispatched.

6:24 p.m. Medical call at residence on Lava Loop in Carrizozo, ambulance dispatched.

7:03 p.m. Accident reported at location on Adobe Lane in Carrizozo, police and ambulance dispatched.

August 29
12:30 a.m. Agency assistance requested by Ruidoso Downs police at location in Ruidoso Downs, deputy dispatched.

12:30 a.m. Suspicious activity by person (s) in vehicle reported at Carrizozo Country Club on Water Canyon Road in Carrizozo, police dispatched.

8:21 a.m. Burglary reported at location on Nosker Lane in San Patricio, deputy dispatched.

2:42 p.m. Alarm reported at location on Sunset Mesa in Nogal, deputy dispatched.

3:02 p.m. Dog reported running loose

near mile marker 70 on Hwy 380 in Carrizozo, deputy dispatched.

3:39 p.m. Medical call at residence on D Avenue in Carrizozo, ambulance dispatched.

5:35 p.m. Accident reported at intersection of Gavilan Canyon Road and Warrior Drive in Ruidoso, ALS ambulance and deputy dispatched.

6:22 p.m. Fight in progress reported at location on Juniper Springs Road in Nogal, deputy dispatched.

7:42 p.m. Fire/burning without permit reported at location on Musketball Court in Ruidoso, deputy dispatched.

8:38 p.m. Suspicious activity by person(s) in vehicle reported at mile marker 11 on Hwy 48 in Alto, deputy dispatched.

9:13 p.m. Criminal damage to property reported at business located on 12th Street in Carrizozo, police dispatched.

9:41 p.m. Medical call at residence on Ironwood in Carrizozo, ambulance dispatched.

11:39 p.m. Medical call at rest stop on Hwy 37 in Nogal, ambulance dispatched.*

CAPITAN CLASSIC Volleyball Tournament
Fri., & Sat. Sept. 25-26

Fri. Pool Schedule:
*Elida vs. C'zozo 1:35
*Capitan vs. C'zozo 2:45
*Cloudercroft vs. C'zozo 3:20

Looking Back

'Through Our Old NEWS files'

As the LINCOLN COUNTY NEWS goes into its 105th year of being in existence (1905-2009), we will again be randomly publishing articles from old NEWS files. The following article appeared in the *Lincoln County News*

Friday, September 30, 1955

The Lost Mine at White Oaks

by Ted Raynor

It was about two o'clock one afternoon in the early 1890s when John Owens drove into the gold mining town of White Oaks in a covered wagon, leading an extra horse that he matched in races. Owens was out of money and he had to find work.

That night he stopped in at Whiteman's store, where miners met to talk over the happenings of the day. He edged up to the mine foreman and asked for a job. Was he a miner? Owens replied he wasn't but he had strength and brains to do what a man told him to do. "I cannot use you unless you are a miner," the foreman said. A man sitting on the counter overheard the conversation and told Owens he needed help in digging a well in the Collier pastures. The job would start next morning.

There probably would have been no story of the lost mine at White Oaks if the foreman had hired Owens.

Some 25 years later -- in 1919 -- Owens, former sheriff of Lincoln County, was having dinner in the home of Mr. and Mrs. D.L. Jackson, pioneer residents of White Oaks. After Owens had complimented the Jacksons on their baked sweet potatoes and had guessed rightly that they were grown at Portales

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DISTRICT COURT CALENDAR

The Calendar for District Judge Karen Parsons

Monday, September 7
Court closed in observance of Labor Day.

Tuesday, September 8
Judge Parsons in Ruidoso
8:30 a.m. Telephonic - Chambers v. Chambers; DM-2009-69
9:00 a.m. Juveniles
First Appearance
Stephen C.; JR-09-29
Tyler H.; JR-09-31
Shawn F.; JR-09-28/30
Zane L.; JR-09-24
JR-08-62 (Disp)
Adjudicatory
Andrew T.; JR-08-57
Adrienne R.; JR-09-26
Disposition
Marlin K.; JR-08-64
Jessica D.; JR-09-25
Pre-Trial/COP
Christopher B.; JR-09-15
Ismael B.; JR-09-12
Priscilla L.; JR-08-55/09-19
Emmanuel P.; JR-09-20
12:00 p.m. Drug Court Advisory
2:00 p.m. LCJJB
3:00 p.m. Drug Court Screening
4:30 p.m. Drug Court
Darrell Brantley
10:00 a.m. DV-2009-69
1:15 p.m. DV-2009-57 Interpreter-Diem

Wednesday, September 9
Judge Parsons - Otero County
9:00 a.m. Div. IV Court Room - Daryle Christensen v Cherie Christensen; DM-2005-202 (Merits) Reeves/Kane

Thursday, September 10
8:30 a.m. CYFD
JQ-2009-01 (IJR)
JQ-2009-02 (IJR)
JQ-2008-01 (TPR)
Meeting
JQ-2009-05
JQ-2009-06
1:15 p.m. Telephonic - Larry Marlin v. Yvon Vega-Marlin; DM-2009-73 (Judicial Inq. Re: MSA)ProSe
2:00 p.m. In the Matter of the Guardianship of; PQ-2009-06 (Merits)Schneider-Cook
3:00 p.m. Liva Belin v. Charles Belin; DM-2009-62 (Mtn for Default)Kallunki/ProSe
3:30 p.m. In the matter of Dollar Estate; PB-2009-08 (PR Mtn to Determine Ownership of funds) Griffin/Hakanson/McSwane

Monday, September 14
8:15 a.m. Telephonic - Morequity Inc. v. Robert Huckins et al; CV-2009-214 (JI Re: Dismissal) Dranttel/Valencia/Breen
8:30 a.m. Sharon Howell v. Sofia Christmas; CV-2008-135 (Evidentiary Hearing/Pif mtn for Entry of Judgment)Rafkin/Gibson
9:00 a.m. (Small Crm Room)Stephen C; JR-2008-45 JR-2009-13 (Detention Hearing) Zimmerman/PD
9:00 a.m. Trailing JR-08-45 1 of 2 Days Eric Castleberry David Christopher; CV-2008-136 (Merits) R.Hawthorne/Olsen
1:15 p.m. Telephonic - Craigmyle Halter v. Craigmyle Halter Co; CV-2006-347 C.Hawthorne/Rose

Tuesday, September 15
8:15 a.m. In the matter Smejell name change (Merits) CV-2009-129 ProSe
8:30 a.m. Telephonic - In the Matter of Jones Estate; PB-2009-25 (Judicial Inquiry)Pick
9:00 a.m. - 2 of 2 Days - Eric Castleberry David Christopher; CV-2008-136 (Merits) R. Hawthorne/Olsen
4:00 p.m. Sarah Chambers v. Brady Chambers; DM-2009-69 (Mtn for Temp Orders)O'Brien/Ragsdale
Darrell Brantley
10:00 a.m. DV-2008-91
11:00 a.m. DV-2009-63

LEGAL NOTICE

STATE OF NEW MEXICO
COUNTY OF LINCOLN
TWELFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT
No. PB-2009-024
Judge Karen Parsons

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF WILLIAM C. MUELLER, Deceased.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Victoria Mueller has been appointed personal representative of this estate. All persons having claims against this estate are required to present their claims within two (2) months after the date of the first publication of any published notice to creditors or the date of mailing or other delivery of this notice, whichever is later, or the claims will be forever barred. Claims must be presented either to the law offices of Gibson & Leonard, P.C., at the address listed below, or filed with the District Court of Lincoln County, New Mexico, located at the following address: P.O. Box 725, Carrizozo, New Mexico 88301.

Dated: September 15, 2009.

Respectfully Submitted by:
GIBSON & LEONARD, P.C.

JulieAnne Leonard
505 Mechem Dr.
Ruidoso, New Mexico 88345
575.257.1010

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LEGAL NOTICE

STATE OF NEW MEXICO
COUNTY OF LINCOLN
TWELFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT
Case No. D1226CV200900275

BAC HOME LOANS SERVICING, L.P. FKA COUNTRYWIDE HOME LOANS SERVICING, L.P., Plaintiff,

v. STEPHEN R. SMITH, SARAH H. SMITH; COMIRICA BANK TEXAS, OCCUPANTS, WHOSE TRUE NAMES ARE UNKNOWN, Defendants.

NOTICE OF SUIT

STATE OF NEW MEXICO to the above-named Defendants Stephen R. Smith and Sarah H. Smith.
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 119 Fox Drive, Ruidoso, NM 88345, Lincoln County, New Mexico, said property being more particularly described as: LOT 39, BLOCK CC OF CENTRAL SUBDIVISION, RUIDOSO, LINCOLN COUNTY, NEW MEXICO, AS SHOWN BY THE PLAT THEREOF FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY CLERK OF LINCOLN COUNTY, OCTOBER 9, 1947.

Unless you serve a pleading or motion in response to the complaint in said cause on or before October 26, 2009, judgment by default will be entered against you. Respectfully Submitted.

CASTLE MEINHOLD & STAWIARSKI
By: Keya Koul Sharon Hankla D. Renae Richards
Charney Keya Koul
999 18th St., Suite 2201, Bin 1
Denver, CO 80202
(800) 286-0013; (303) 285-2222
Attorneys for Plaintiff

WITNESS the Honorable KAREN L. PARSONS, DISTRICT COURT JUDGE, of the Twelfth Judicial District of New Mexico Judicial District Court, Lincoln County, New Mexico, this 27th day of August 2009.

Jah Perry
CLERK OF THE DISTRICT COURT
By: Elizabeth Ysasi
Deputy

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LEGAL NOTICE

STATE OF NEW MEXICO
COUNTY OF LINCOLN
TWELFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT
Case No. D-1226-CV-200900103

BANK OF AMERICA, N.A., Plaintiff,

v. MICHELLE BROOKS; OCCUPANTS, WHOSE TRUE NAMES ARE UNKNOWN, Defendants.

NOTICE OF SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned Special Master will on September 29, 2009 at 9:00:00 AM, outside the front entrance of the Lincoln County District Court, 300 Central Ave, Carrizozo, NM 87544, 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

Legal Description attached as Exhibit "A" Exhibit A Lot 16, Block 5, Rainmakers, Unit Three, 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, June 1, 2005, in Cabinet 1, Slide No. 309; The address of the real property is BLK 5 Lot 16 3 3, ALTO, NM 88312.

Said sale will be made pursuant to the Decree of Foreclosure entered on July 29, 2009, 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 \$115,784.83 plus interest from August 12, 2009 to the date of sale at the rate of 6.7500% 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 rights of redemption.

Peter Baca Special Master
c/o Castle Meinhold & Stawiariski
999 18th St., Suite 2201, Bin 1
Denver, CO 80202
(800) 286-0013 (303) 285-2222
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LEGAL NOTICE

STATE OF NEW MEXICO
TWELFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT
No. CV-09-19

WELLS FARGO BANK, N.A.,
Plaintiff,
vs.
SCOTT M. MCCULLOUGH,
Defendant.

AMENDED NOTICE OF SALE ON FORECLOSURE

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the above-entitled Court, has appointed me Special Master in this matter with the power to sell the following described real property in the County of Lincoln, State of New Mexico:

A TRACT OF LAND IN THE SE/4 NW/4 OF SECTION 8, TOWNSHIP 9 SOUTH, RANGE 13 EAST, N.M.P.M., LINCOLN COUNTY, NEW MEXICO, DESCRIBED BY METES AND BOUNDS AS FOLLOWS: BEGINNING AT THE NORTHWEST CORNER OF SAID SECTION 8; THENCE N 87 DEGREES 56 MINUTES 00 SECONDS E ALONG THE NORTH BOUNDARY OF SAID SECTION 8 A DISTANCE OF 1668.05 FEET; THENCE S 05 DEGREES 10 MINUTES 00 SECONDS W A DISTANCE OF 1318.63 FEET; THENCE S 87 DEGREES 38 MINUTES 46 SECONDS W A DISTANCE OF 53.39 FEET TO THE PLACE OF BEGINNING OF THE HEREIN DESCRIBED TRACT OF LAND; THENCE S 87 DEGREES 38 MINUTES 46 SECONDS W A DISTANCE OF 197.27 FEET; THENCE S 00 DEGREES 36 MINUTES 35 SECONDS E A DISTANCE OF 304.67 FEET; THENCE N 77 DEGREES 37 MINUTES 02 SECONDS E A DISTANCE OF 196.93 FEET; THENCE N 04 DEGREES 28 MINUTES 32 SECONDS W A DISTANCE OF 120.74 FEET; THENCE N 04 DEGREES 10 MINUTES 01 DEGREES E A DISTANCE OF 150.46 FEET TO THE PLACE OF BEGINNING AND CONTAINING 1.2544 ACRES, MORE OR LESS, AND BEING THE SAME PROPERTY DESCRIBED IN THAT CERTAIN PLAT FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY CLERK OF LINCOLN COUNTY, ON MAY 22, 1996, IN CABINET F, SLIDE 445.

The street address of this property is 3/4 mile off Highway 37, Nogal, New Mexico 88341 (hereafter "Subject Property").

The Default and Stipulated Judgment and Decree of Foreclosure (hereafter "Judgment") was entered on April 2, 2009.

The sale is to begin at 10:00 a.m. on October 6, 2009, at the front steps of the Village of Ruidoso City Hall, 313 Cree Meadows Drive, Ruidoso, New Mexico. The property will be sold to the highest bidder for cash, free and clear of all liens of the parties hereto and all persons claiming under and through the parties or any persons claiming an interest by an instrument filed for record after the date of Plaintiff's filing of the Notice of Lis Pendens in the records of Lincoln County, New Mexico. Every bid made shall be deemed an irrevocable offer until the sale has been completed, and the sale is completed when confirmed by the court. In the event the purchaser fails to pay the purchase price at sale, or make satisfactory arrangements with the Special Master for such payment, the Special Master may accept the next highest bid or proceed with the sale of the Property to the highest bidder. The Special Master may postpone or continue the sale by public declaration at the time and place originally scheduled for such sale. No other notice of the postponed or continued sale need be given.

The purchaser of the Subject Property will take it subject to any unpaid property taxes, municipal charges, assessments, or liens not identified and foreclosed in this action.

The Plaintiff has the right to bid at the sale all of its judgment amount or any portion thereof. The proceeds of the sale shall first be applied to pay the expenses of the sale, including special master's fee, then for any costs incurred for the maintenance and protection of the property, then to satisfy the Judgment in favor of Plaintiff, Wells Fargo Bank, N.A.

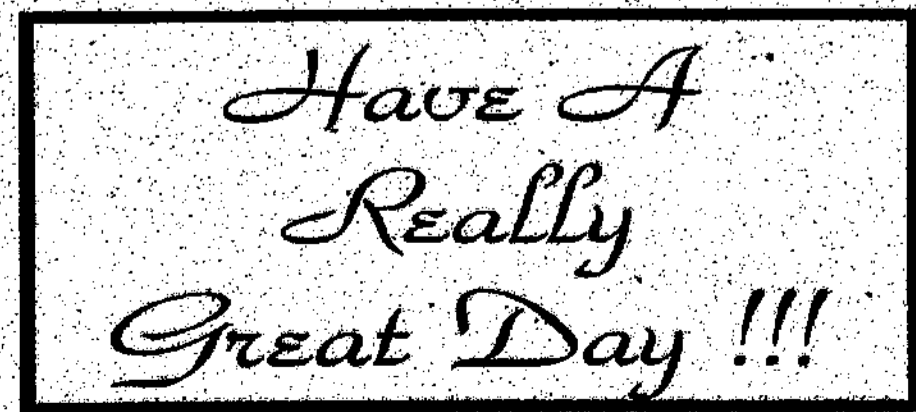
As of August 13, 2009, the sum necessary to satisfy the judgment is as follows:

1. The remaining principal balance	\$ 97,338.06
2. Accrued interest	\$ 9,326.07
3. Late Fees	\$ 110.76
4. BPO/appraisal fees	\$ 325.00
5. Property preservation and reconveyance fees	\$ 105.00
6. Reconveyance fee	\$ 9.00
7. Reasonable attorney's fees, costs and expenses	\$ 2,703.33
TOTAL	\$109,917.22

Interest shall continue to accrue at the rate of \$21.47 per day thereafter until the judgment is satisfied. In addition, reasonable attorneys' fees and any additional costs of collection and suit (to include the cost of publication of this notice, recording fees, and special master fees) may be awarded by the Court and satisfied from the proceeds of the sale. Any additional proceeds remaining after the satisfaction of the above will be held in trust by the Special Master, paid into the Court Registry by the Special Master, or applied as determined by the Court.

/Signed/
Margie Morales
1221 Mechem, Suite 5
Ruidoso, NM 88345
Telephone: 575.258.9090

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LEGAL NOTICE

VILLAGE OF CAPITAN
ORDINANCE 2009- 02

AN ORDINANCE ADOPTING THE NEW MEXICO UNIFORM TRAFFIC ORDINANCE BY REFERENCE

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE VILLAGE OF CAPITAN OF CAPITAN, NEW MEXICO:

SECTION 1. ADOPTION BY REFERENCE

The 2004 Compilation of the New Mexico Uniform Traffic Ordinance, comprising of additions and deletions to Article 7 - (Special Rules for Motorcycles and Off-Highway Vehicles) and Article 12 - (Penalties and Procedures on Arrest) that were amended by the 2009 Legislature, Sections 12-7-1 through 12-7-10 of Article 7 and Sections 12-12-1 through 12-12-22 of Article 12 and inclusive, are herewith adopted by reference, pursuant to Section 3-17-6 NMSA 1978.

SECTION 2. EFFECTIVE DATE

This ordinance shall take effect on the 1st day of October, 2009.

PASSED, APPROVED AND ADOPTED this 15th day of September, 2009.

ATTEST:
Kay Strickland, Village Clerk

Sammy Hammons, Mayor

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LEGAL NOTICE

STATE OF NEW MEXICO
COUNTY OF LINCOLN
IN THE PROBATE COURT
No. 2370

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF
BARBARA ANN JACKSON, deceased.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned has been appointed Personal Representative of this estate. All persons having claims against this estate are required to present their claims within two (2) months after the date of the first publication of this notice, or the claims will be forever barred. Claims must be presented either to the undersigned Personal Representative at the address listed below, or filed with the Probate Court of Lincoln County, New Mexico, at the following address: P.O. Box 338, Carrizozo, New Mexico 88301.

DATED this 8th day of September, 2009.

LARRY A. JACKSON
162 Paso Monte
Alto, New Mexico 88312
Tel. (575) 336-4260
Personal Representative of the Estate of
Barbara Ann Jackson, deceased.

PREPARED BY:
Alan P. Morel
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Attorney for Personal Representative

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LEGAL NOTICE

ESTATE OF NEW MEXICO
COUNTY OF LINCOLN
TWELFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT
No. CV-09-135

WELLS FARGO BANK, N.A.,
Plaintiff,

vs.
BRIAN N. LYNCH and RITA M. LYNCH,
Defendants.

NOTICE OF SALE ON FORECLOSURE

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the above-entitled Court, has appointed me Special Master in this matter with the power to sell the following described real property in the County of Lincoln, State of New Mexico:

LOT 23, BLOCK 3 OF WHITE MOUNTAIN

NOTICE is hereby given that on August 7, 2009, Ann Pollard Kinnan Trust, P.O. Box 1030, Ruidoso, NM 88355-1030, and Apple Valley Estates, LLC, P.O. Box 550, Roswell, NM 88202-0550, filed application No. 0750-1 with the STATE ENGINEER for permit to change point of diversion and place and/or purpose of use of surface water in the Hondo Underground Water Basin in the State of New Mexico.

The applicant proposes change point of diversion of 16.0 acre feet per annum of surface waters from the F. Sanchez No. 2 Ditch, which diverts from the Rjo Ruidoso NW1/4SE1/4NE1/4 of Section 28, Township 10 South, Range 16 East, N.M.P.M. by ceasing the irrigation of 5.0 acres described below:

SUBDIVISION	SECTION	TOWNSHIP	RANGE	ACRES
Pt. S1/2NE1/4 Pt. N1/2SE1/4	27	10 South	16 East	5.0

The applicant proposes to commence the diversion of up to 16.0 acre feet per annum of surface waters from the Storm Ditch which diverts from the Rio Ruidoso in the SW1/4NW1/4NE1/4 of Section 5, Township 11 South, Range 17 East for the irrigation of 5.0 acres described as follows:

SUBDIVISION	SECTION	TOWNSHIP	RANGE	ACRES
Pt. S1/2NE1/4	5	11 South	17 East	5.0

The move from point of diversion and place of use are located approximately 3 miles west of San Patricio, Lincoln County, New Mexico. The move to point of diversion and place of use are located approximately 1 mile west of Hondo, 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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ESTATES, UNIT 4, RUIDOSO, LINCOLN COUNTY, NEW MEXICO, AS SHOWN BY THE PLAT THEREOF FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY CLERK OF LINCOLN COUNTY, FEBRUARY 16, 1979, IN TUBE NO. 652.

The street address of this property is 115 Marble Dr., Ruidoso, New Mexico 88345 (hereafter "Subject Property").

The Default and Stipulated Judgment and Decree of Foreclosure (hereafter "Judgment") was entered on July 5, 2009.

The sale is to begin at 10:00 a.m. on October 13, 2009, at the front steps of the Village of Ruidoso City Hall, 313 Cree Meadows Drive, Ruidoso, New Mexico. The property will be sold to the highest bidder for cash, free and clear of all liens of the parties hereto and all persons claiming under and through the parties or any persons claiming an interest by an instrument filed for the record after the date of Plaintiff's filing of the Notice of Lis Pendens in the records of Lincoln County, New Mexico. Every bid made shall be deemed an irrevocable offer until the sale has been completed, and the sale is completed when confirmed by the court. In the event the purchaser fails to pay the purchase price at sale, or make satisfactory arrangement with the Special Master for such payment, the Special Master may accept the next highest bid or proceed with the sale of the Property to the highest bidder. The Special Master may postpone or continue the sale by public declaration at the time and place originally scheduled for such sale. No other notice of the postponed or continued sale need be given.

The purchaser of the Subject Property will take it subject to any unpaid property taxes, municipal charges, assessments, or liens not identified and foreclosed in this action. The Plaintiff has the right to bid at the sale all of its judgment amount or any portion thereof. The proceeds of the sale shall first be applied to pay the expenses of the sale, including special master's fee, then for any costs incurred for the maintenance and protection of the property, then to satisfy the Judgment in favor of Plaintiff, Wells Fargo Bank, N.A.

As of June 29, 2009, the sum necessary to satisfy the judgment is as follows:

1. The remaining principal balance	\$75,500.00
2. Accrued interest	\$ 4,390.50
3. Late fees	\$ 96.86
4. BPO/appraisal fees	\$ 87.50
5. Prepayment penalty	\$ 500.00
6. Reconveyance fee	\$ 9.00
7. Reasonable attorney's fees, costs and expenses	\$ 2,172.95
TOTAL	\$82,756.81

Interest shall continue to accrue at the rate of \$13.70 per day thereafter until the judgment is satisfied. In addition, reasonable attorneys' fees and any additional costs of collection and suit (to include the cost of publication of this notice, recording fees, and special master fees) may be awarded by the Court and satisfied from the proceeds of the sale. Any additional proceeds remaining after the satisfaction of the above will be held in trust by the Special Master, paid into the Court Registry by the Special Master, or applied as determined by the Court.

/Signed/
Margie Morales, Special Master
1221 Mechem, Suite 5
Ruidoso, NM 88345
Telephone: 575.258.9090

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Looking Back . . .

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Jackson asked Owens if it were true that he had made a gold find a few miles northeast of White Oaks in the 1890s.

"I will take an oath," Owens said, "to tell the truth, the whole truth and nothing but the truth."

This is Owen's story as Jackson remembers hearing it.

The day after I started helping this man dig the well he told me to take my two horses two and a half miles up White Oaks Spring Canyon to the spring. It was the only watering hole in that vicinity and the horses would have to come there for water.

We worked up to Saturday evening on the well. The man told me that on Sunday I could rife my race horse up to the spring and find my work horses. I found the tracks and followed them in a northeast direction. It was slow tracking, and about noon I stopped for lunch and tied my horse to graze in stirrup-high gramma grass.

I sat down on a rock which looked as if it had "grown" out of the ground. After lunch I picked up a stone and broke several pieces off the rock I had sat on. The broken pieces were yellow. I had never seen gold in a rock and I didn't know what it was. I put a piece of the rock in my hip pocket and spend the rest of the afternoon hunting for my horses. I came back to camp down Coyote Canyon.

Thursday afternoon, my boss, who was working at the bottom of the well, asked if I had heard about the new gold strike at the Old Abe in Baxter Mountain. I told him I found a mighty pretty piece of rock Sunday while I was looking for my horses. "Send it down in the next bucket," he said.

"You got this rock at the Old Abe?" the boss called up to me. I told him I'd never been to the Old Abe. "Can you find the place where you got this rock?" the boss shouted.

"What is it?" I shouted.

"Gold!" he yelled. "Pull me up."

"I'll go to the livery stable and get a horse, and you take your race horse, and we'll ride out there," the man said. "First, we'll go to White Oaks Spring, keeping track of your work team and follow the tracks of your race horse which has small shoes."

We took that route and rode until it got dark. At daylight the next day we went back to that vicinity, put in the whole day, scarcely stopping to take a drink of water from the canteen. When night came we still hadn't found the place, but I had found the paper bag I had my lunch in Sunday, though it probably had blown quite a ways from the rock.

We hunted every day for a week without results. By that time news of the find had leaked out, and men were as thick out there as flies around a pan of molasses. So many miners took off from their jobs to hunt for the rock that the mines had to shut down.

After about two months the searchers gave up. Then a peace officer in White Oaks said to me:

"I'll tell you what I'll do, I got a bunch of goats, I'll build a shanty and a corral. You run those goats on shares, half and half. Going over the ground every day, following the goats, you're bound to find the rock."

I accepted the proposition. I ran those goats a year on shares and by that time I feld myself getting "batty" so I gave up the goats.

But Owen, who died in Corona in the late 1930s, continued the search for years. Jackson said Owens would return to White Oaks several times a year to look for the rock Jackson himself has guided strangers on many searches.

What Owens found was a rock cropping. That cropping from which he idly broke off a few pieces some 60 years ago is a few miles northeast of White Oaks. No one knows exactly where. And whether it would have been as rich a gold strike as the Old Abe or the North and South Homestake Mines probably never will be known.

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LEGAL NOTICE

STATE OF NEW MEXICO
COUNTY OF LINCOLN
TWELFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT
No. PB-2009-020
Div. III

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF
LESLIE RAYMOND FERGUSON, JR., Deceased.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Dixie Pennington has been appointed personal representative of this estate. All persons having claims against this estate are required to present their claims within two (2) months after the date of the first publication of any published notice to creditors or the date of mailing or other delivery of this notice, whichever is later, or the claims will be forever barred. Claims must be presented either to the law offices of Gibson & Leonard, P.C., at the address listed below, or filed with the District Court of Lincoln County, New Mexico, located at the following address: P.O. Box 725, Carrizozo, New Mexico 88301.

Dated: September 21, 2009.

Respectfully Submitted by:

GIBSON & LEONARD, P.C.

JulieAnne Leonard
505 Mechem Dr.
Ruidoso, New Mexico 88345
575.257.1010

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FAST ACTION Lincoln County News CLASSIFIED ADS

Call 575-648-2333

WANTED: Grocery Store in Carrizozo

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

FOR RENT -- 4 offices in Carrizozo with meeting space, kitchenette and bathroom. Up one flight of stairs, next to Gallery 408; available July 1st. \$325.00 utilities included.

FOR SALE -- Alfalfa, small and large square bales, round bales. Various qualities. The Hay Ranch in Roswell.

Call
575-648-2598
tfn/6/18

575-973-2200
4tc/8/13-9/3

Carrizozo Could Hire . . .

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"How would that work?" Vega asked. "I know we're up-to-date with the technology and everything, but taking from his check, or whatever check, pulling from the line item, is that going to be a catastrophe?" Vega asked. "Are we going to have problems paying that?"

"The part-time, temporary officer would be paid what we're not paying the part-time officer that is gone," Hemphill further explained.

Weiser told Vega that two of the town's police officers are required to complete training for certification by the end of December.

"They're going to be gone quite frequently in the upcoming months, and the part-time officer isn't getting paid to go to school," Weiser said. "So, the days that he's gone, basically, would (amount to) the days the temporary part-time officer would work."

Vega said he was uncomfortable with the idea of hiring new personnel at this time, and again asked for time to research the idea of hiring a certified

Mounted Patrol officer. Weiser asked Vega if he would rather pay one officer overtime than pay a temporary officer.

"You pay your one person that's working overtime and on call for five days in a row while the other two are gone," she said. "That's what's going to happen. Are you willing to pay them like \$30 an hour after their eight hours?" she asked Vega.

"I'm not saying I'm against it," Vega replied. "I'm just saying I want a little more time to research it."

Weiser said that the officers will be away for training in parts of October, November and December, probably beginning before the next scheduled meeting of the town council.

Hemphill said that, by statute, he can appoint a part-time employee who can work until the next meeting of the town council without council approval. He suggested that Vega take some time to research the proposal and then get back with him.

"If he has no problems, then I can just appoint someone," Hemphill said.

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