

County Tables Support of Film Lincoln County

by Patrice Brazie

During Tuesday's meeting of the Lincoln County Board of Commissioners, the county commissioners tabled the adoption of a resolution in support of the Lincoln County Film Commission, also called Film Lincoln County.

Created by the Ruidoso Valley Economic Development Corporation, Film Lincoln County is headed by Director Terry Fitzwater and Lincoln County Planning Director Curt Temple,

who will serve as the film liaisons for Lincoln County.

In presenting the resolution, county manager Tom Stewart said that he had been contacted by Lisa Stroud, director of the New Mexico Film Office, who had requested that Temple be the county's point of contact person for her office.

"This is not to exclude any of the municipalities, but my understanding from the state is that they wanted one point of contact to deal with," Stewart said.

Fitzwater told the county com-

missioners that the creation of Film New Mexico stemmed from efforts to find ways to increase economic development on the area.

"We're trying to be inclusive of the county," Fitzwater said. "What we're trying to do is just (make) one coordinated effort to claim the jurisdiction of Lincoln County so that if the film industry, or the TV industry, or if somebody wanting to do commercials comes here, we sort of have control over what they're doing," he said.

Fitzwater said the idea of enticing

film makers as a method of economic development began last January after the head of the New Mexico Economic Development department gave a speech in Ruidoso.

"Through a long course of events, and meeting with Mayor Nunley and a few other people, we decided that the film industry was something that we wanted to lure," Fitzwater said. "It's a green industry that can drop a lot of money into our pockets."

Fitzwater said that he had only just met Carrizozo Chamber of

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'TIS THE SEASON for orange and yellow leaves and smiling jack-o-lanterns. This carved creation was spotted on a porch near Nogal. (Photo by Patrice Brazie)

Mayor Hemphill Wants Pre-Census Counters

by Patrice Brazie

Carrizozo Mayor Bob Hemphill wants his town to get the most out of the 2010 census and is recruiting volunteers to help in the quest.

"The census is in April of next year. There are some estimates of losing as high as \$3,000 for every person that's not counted," Hemphill said last week.

The mayor said that it had been suggested that the town form a Complete Count Committee to help ensure that every resident of Carrizozo be included in the census.

"We need some volunteers, four or five people that can go out and beat the doors

at all locations around town," Hemphill said.

The census count figures affect grant qualifications and the amount of matching funds required for certain types of grants, he said.

"That's what we use to fix the streets and sidewalks."

Hemphill asked the town trustees to come back to their regular meeting in November with some suggestions for organizing a Complete Count Committee. The volunteers would not actually be census employees, but pre-census counting committee members trying to make sure that the census workers coming next year don't miss anybody.

C'zozo Operating Under Tight Budget

by Patrice Brazie

Unless the town of Carrizozo begins to see a rebound in Gross Receipts Tax (GRT) revenues, which have dropped at the rate of about 30 percent per year for the last two years, budget cuts could be in order.

During the mayor's regular monthly statement to the town council in its meeting of October 12th, mayor Bob Hemphill talked about the difference between budgeted and actual funds and what the consequences of falling revenues might be.

He said that the GRT allocation for October had not yet arrived, but the allocation for the month of September was only 71 percent of the revenues of a year ago. Last year's GRT revenues were down 30 percent from the year before, Hemphill said.

"I'm to the point now where we may park some vehicles; we're attempting to keep the lights down lower. We're trying to save everything that we can," he said. "The only thing that is saving us right now is grants for the police department, that are helping us have a presence on the streets, and the Water Demonstration Project that's helping (the town's foreman) keep

some crew."

Hemphill issued a reminder that the town is operating with one less employee on the street crew than it previously did because a vacancy in that department was never filled.

"We've already, in effect, cut a position on the street crew," he said. "It may come to the point that we need to look further."

Another potential threat to the town's budget could come from the state legislature. Hemphill referred to a Municipal League letter citing a state budget shortfall of around \$700,000,000.

"In their infinite wisdom, to find six or seven hundred million, they (state legislators) are looking at taking back the hold harmless clause for gross receipts. If they do that, Carrizozo will lose \$16,980."

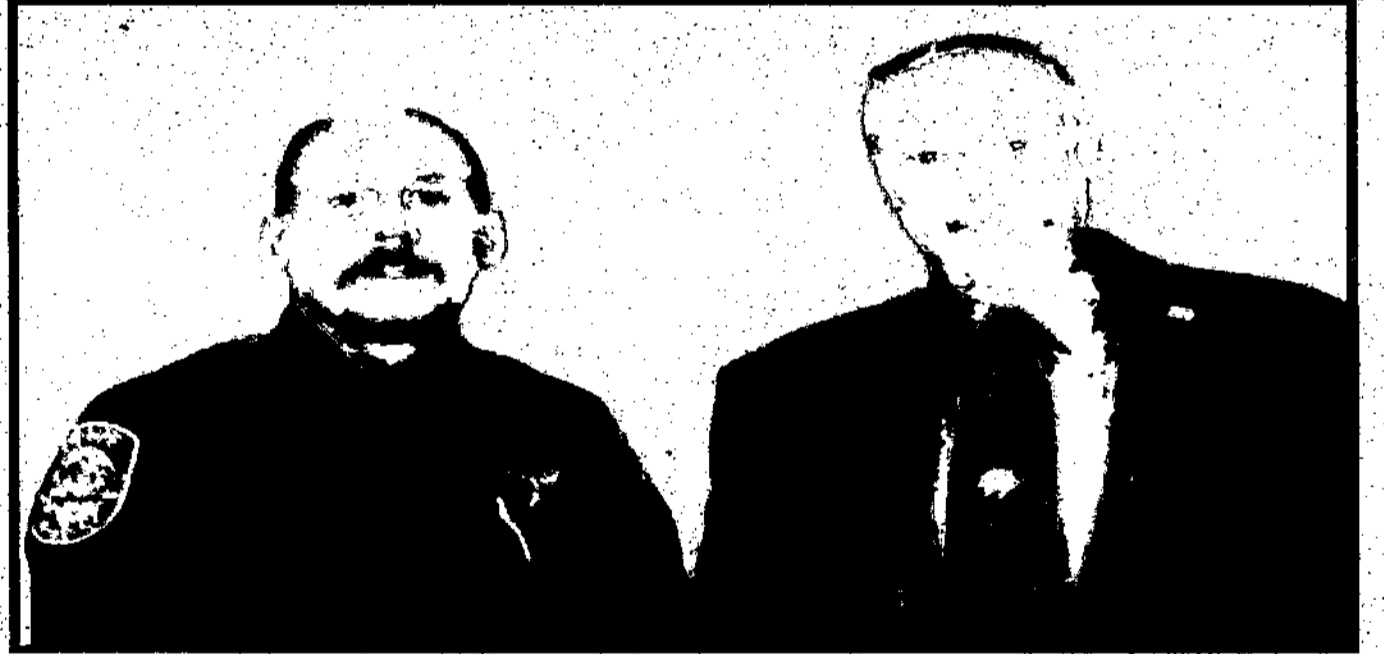
The clause was written as part of the legislation that did away with gross receipts taxes on food and medicine three years ago, Hemphill explained. The clause protects local governments from revenue losses due to the repeal of the tax, he said. The lost revenue, should the protection be removed, would amount to the salary of one eight-dollar-an-hour employee.

"We need to get a hold of (state legislators) and tell them that was a promise the state legislature made, that they wouldn't touch that when they took the gross receipts. It was their gift back to the municipalities," Hemphill said.

He added that the state might begin to require its employees take one extra day off per month without pay.

"I hope we don't get to that," he said. "But those are some things that

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LINCOLN COUNTY SHERIFF Rick Virden (right) announced on Tuesday that Undersheriff Patrick O'Brien (left) will be leaving the sheriff's department at the end of the month. O'Brien has served in the sheriff's department since 1999. Robert Shepperd will take his place as undersheriff. (Photo by Patrice Brazie)

Accuracy of Meeting Records Challenged

by Patrice Brazie

Jerry Carroll, a resident of Oscuro who prefers the terms private citizen and free-holder rather than resident and serves as a government watchdog in Lincoln County, has on several occasions asked for more accuracy and detail in the minutes of county and municipal government meeting minutes.

Carroll presented that request again to the Board of Lincoln County Commissioners during its regular meeting of September 15th.

"Commissioners, I'd like to address the same problem that we've had previously and in ongoing years. It is the accuracy in the minutes of some of your committees and commissions," Carroll said.

He told the county commissioners that some discussion had taken place during a recent meeting of the Lincoln County Planning Commission regarding the opinions of some members of that commission that the minutes should be more accurate.

"We know that the Open Meetings Act actually requires the minimum in the minutes, but those bare bones mean nothing to someone that comes along trying to find out what went on, trying to find out what happened because they were not at the meeting," Carroll said. "I'm not requesting that the minutes be verbatim, condensing is perfectly acceptable," he added. "But if you have a meeting of the Planning Commission, that hears testimony pro and con on something, that should definitely be recorded as a pro or con comment and who said it."

Carroll pointed out that the Planning Commission requires that attendees be sworn in before providing testimony on any issue before that commission.

"It has led to real bad feelings among members of the committees and the commission, members of the audience and the public," Carroll said.

He explained that his desire to see more accuracy in minutes is in no way intended to offend

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TUESDAYS

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WEDNESDAYS

-Corona Public Library story hour 4:00 p.m.

THURSDAYS

-Gambler's Anonymous open meeting 7:15 p.m. at Mescalero Reformed Church, 336 Wardlaw Drive in Mescalero. For information call Mike at 575-682-6200.

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.

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 24

--The Democratic Party of Lincoln County will conduct a highway cleanup at 9:00 a.m. For information call Maria 937-8794
--Clean up at Nogal fire station

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 24

--Holloman Air Force Base Open House 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Information about the event, such as a schedule of events, authorized and prohibited items and featured links, can be found on the Holloman Open House Web site at www.holloman.af.mil/openhouse.asp. For additional information, please visit the Holloman Web site at www.holloman.af.mil.

--Annual cleanup at Nogal fire station, 8 a.m. to 12 noon. Bulk items such as kitchen appliances, hot water heaters, construction waste and old furniture will be accepted. Yard waste will not be accepted. Lincoln County Solid Waste Authority (LCSWA) will provide a crew, roll off containers and equipment. Senior citizens in the area who need free assistance may call LCSWA at 1-877-548-8772 prior to the event.

MONDAY, OCTOBER 26

--The Federated Republican Women of Lincoln County meet at 11:30 a.m. at Cree Meadows Country Club. The speaker will be Al Santos, administrator of Lincoln County Medical Center. He will talk about some options presented to a Master Plan. Please RSVP to 575-653-4379 or hondocho@pvt.net

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 27

--Lincoln County Solid Waste Authority (LCSWA) board meeting 2:00 p.m. in LCSWA offices in Ruidoso Downs.
--Ruidoso Village Council 4:30 p.m.
--Corona Village Council 5:30 p.m.
--Lincoln County Lodger's Tax Committee meeting cancelled.

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we may have to do. Anything about the budget, I'm going to be really tight with." With revenue expectations low, Carrizozo will not be hiring any additional police officers in the near future.

a possibility that was presented to the town council in September. At that time, police chief Rachel Weiser requested authority to hire one part-time officer from a group of Mounted Patrol officers that have assisted on a volunteer basis in the past.

hire anyone at this time, even part-time" he said. "We may have to go back and reduce the budget and it will impact people that are in those positions now."

Carrizozo resident Rose Kratochvil raised questions regarding the decision not to hire an additional part-time police officer and said that it would cost less to hire new help than to pay overtime salaries for existing officers.

In response to Weiser's request, town trustee Dennis Vega asked for some time to consider the cost of an additional officer.

Hemphill said last week that he had considered the request as well, and was unwilling to commit the necessary funds at this time.

"At this point in time, I'm going to say that I'm not going to do that," Hemphill said. "We will work with the sheriff's office and the state police and see if we can't cover that way. We have money budgeted, yes, but remember there's a big difference between a budget and cash, so I'm not going to

Hemphill said that officers are paid overtime in instances when they are required to appear in court during off-duty hours.

Kratochvil also questioned a recent decision to settle a lawsuit filed by a former police officer instead of fighting the case in court. The officer was awarded \$25,000. Hemphill said last month that it would have cost more than \$35,000 to take the case to court.

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those who record the minutes of meetings, but is because things don't always get recorded or can be misinterpreted later because of inaccuracies or information being omitted.

"Things go twisted, unreported or are just misinterpreted. It brings a question of the reliability of any of the minutes of your committees or commissions," Carroll said. "Facts do not change simply because they are (reported as such) in the official minutes."

Carroll asked the county commissioners to consider setting a policy to establish the requirements for minute taking in county committee meetings.

"I know the Attorney General says that you should put in everything you can possibly put in without becoming verbatim and redundant," he said.

Carroll told the county officials that information provided during meetings of the county's advisory committees should be included in the minutes to assist the county commissioners in understanding how a particular recommendation was reached. The same information could be valuable when the county commissioners are called upon to act in favor or in opposition to a committee recommendation, he said.

Carroll, who videotapes the meetings of the board of county commissioners, said that he has the ability to create digital video disks from his tapes, and offered to provide those disks to the county commissioners so that they could compare the video record of meetings to the minutes recorded.

"I'm not trying to create a problem; I'm trying to find a solution to a problem," he said.

County commissioner Tom Battin asked Carroll to provide disks of the last planning commission meeting, so that the board could review them and determine whether or not the meeting minutes in fact are an accurate representation of what occurred at that meeting.

Nogal resident Caroline McCoy, a recent appointee to the planning commission, reiterated Carroll's comments.

"I wish to second everything that Jerry Carroll has said," McCoy commented. "I feel that the brevity of the minutes is a problem for us."

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Friday, October 23, 1955

Homes Along the Bonito

by Ted Raynor

When Mrs. Maggie Espy and her brother, Elebert Brown, of Carrizozo, were young they lived in a two-story, double-log house on a farm near Bonito City. The farmers' houses along Bonito Creek were built on hewn logs, and the double-log was fairly common.

Timber was readily available along the creek and that may have accounted for the double-log style. It was so called because the front and back parts of the house were connected by a roofed areaway, which was a cool place to sit in the summer. The back part of their home was used for bedrooms. The house was well heated in winter for it had a big fireplace in the living room, a wood range in the kitchen, and a little heater in one bedroom upstairs.

The inside walls of the Brown house were covered with canvas. Walls of some of the other houses along the Bonito were left plain.

The Brown's parents moved into the house in 1896. At that time there were 40 to 50-acre farms up and down the Bonito, irrigated by ditches the farmers dug. All the farmers made their own living, and raised large families, Brown said.

Bonito City, now covered by Bonito Dam, was just a road with buildings on both sides in 1896, as Brown remembers. He was six years old then.

On the north side of the road lived the Pfingsten family; Joe Beckman; a German prospector Consbrock who had a horse named Bismark; a Mr. Hubber who ran the store and postoffice; and the Mayberry family. On the south side were the Martin May home and the schoolhouse. The buildings were log and lumber.

Although the community had no church or regular minister, religion was very much a part of its life. Circuit-riding preachers conducted services in the schoolhouse, and when camp meetings were held they lasted for a week. Religious services sometimes were held in homes when there was neither a visiting circuit rider nor a camp meeting.

Despite the fact that one of the most atrocious crimes in New Mexico was committed in Bonito City -- the murder of the Mayberry family by a boarder -- the town was never a wild frontier community. There wasn't a saloon in town. Intoxication was frowned upon, and drinking at the fish fries and July 4 picnics along the Bonito wasn't tolerated.

Late in the 1890s there were farmers on the Bonito named Hunter, Ketchum, Skinner, Hyde and Tanner, Elbert Brown recalls.

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CARRIZOZO GRIZZLY 2009 VARSITY FOOTBALL SCHEDULE

- > 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

GIRL'S 2009 VOLLEYBALL SCHEDULE

- > 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. 22 -- Vaugh at Vaugh Jr. High and Varsity, 5:30 pm
- > Oct. 26-31 -- Dist. Tournament Varsity, TBA
- > Nov. 2-7 -- 1st Round State Tournament
- > Nov. 9-14 -- State Tournament Week

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Commerce president Dirk Norris, who worked closely with the crews involved in the filming of The Book of Eli in Carrizozo earlier this year.

"We'd like to get Dirk involved in it too, because we want to get the whole county together and do some planning so that we have all the permitting process, all the for photo location shoots up on a web site so that we're organized and ready if they want to come back and film another movie," Fitzwater said. "I know Dirk's had experience with The Book of Eli, and my experience is that I worked with a lot of national TV companies, ESPN, NBC and stuff, so we've got a lot of talent. County-wide, there's people from the Screen Actors Guild, people that have worked with Steven Spielberg. We've got some talent that we can go after. We're just asking this board to pass a resolution saying they support the film industry coming here."

Fitzwater said that Film New Mexico is designed to involve the whole county, from Corona to Hondo, not just the Ruidoso area, and commented that Lincoln County is the most diverse county in the state.

"It's important that we make this a county-wide effort and get everybody involved," he said.

Fitzwater said that Stroud had recently toured the county and was impressed with its wide diversity including the Valley of Fires lava flow, mountain landscapes and

desert scenery.

Norris said that the invitation to work with Film New Mexico had just come on Monday, but he was just learning about the goals of the organization.

"I am absolutely in favor of a county-wide film commission; I think it's very important. It's an opportunity for the county to pool its resources to bring the film industry to the County of Lincoln," Norris said. "I had big concerns about who is running the organization, who is represented and how. I just spoke to (Fitzwater) a few minutes ago and I feel a little bit better about it, but the people who are involved in this organization right now are mostly from the Ruidoso area," he said. "I would like guarantees that there are people from Carrizozo and Capitan and Corona, and throughout the county, represented in this organization because what's going to happen is a film company is going to contact the county and say we're looking for a two-story red brick house. I don't know that five people from Ruidoso are going to know that Carrizozo has one as well as White Oaks has one," Norris said. "We want to make sure that all that information is available and the whole county is represented."

Norris said that a search of Ruidoso on the New Mexico Film Office web site found that photos displayed there were not necessarily accurate in their descriptions.

"What comes up is

Ruidoso petroglyphs, which I believe are photographs of Three Rivers petroglyphs, Fort Stanton, which I'm almost positive is not in Ruidoso, and there's also (a photograph) of an abandoned building in Ruidoso which is actually a house on 12th Street (in Carrizozo)," Norris said. "I talked to (Stroud) about that, as well as Don Gray, the location scout for the film office. They said get us the information and we'll get that taken care of, but that's the kind of thing I want to warn against."

County attorney Alan Morel said that the resolution needed to address a few more things than it dealt with as drafted.

"It's not clear whether or not this is a county committee or board, whether they have the power to bind the committee, do you actually appoint this board or is this just two people from the county that you're supportive of being on the board?" Morel asked. "There's a lot of liability that can be incurred by somebody you put together without restricting what it is that they can or can't do on your behalf," he said.

Fitzwater said that Film Lincoln County is based on a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with the state, and that the county's resolution is to recognize who Film New Mexico is.

"You're not appointing anyone," Fitzwater told the county commissioners. He said that one of Film Lincoln County's goals is to get the photographs on the state web site clearly and accurately identified, as well as adding photographs from many areas around the entire county.

"It's got a controlled, coordinated effort," he reiterated.

Temple said that he was told by Stroud when she contacted him to be the county's film liaison, that there are certain sensitive areas connected with filming that they don't necessarily want publicized.

"If there's a movie in preproduction, or if they're scouting, they don't want anybody to know anything. It's really a tight-lipped thing," Temple said. "One of the reasons she likes to use people from the municipalities is because when they work for a municipality they're subject to a little bit more secrecy. They can let the elected officials know at the appropriate time what will be happening in their community," Temple said.

County commissioner Eileen Sedillo made a motion to table adoption of the resolution supporting Film Lincoln County until it can be revised to indicate an all inclusive stance for the entire county.

Old Lincoln Town

by Rosalie Dunlap

We attended the US Armed Forces Field Band concert last week. What a wonderful evening listening to the musicians, the female vocalists and individual musicians. When they played the different Armed Forces songs it was heart warming to see so many veterans standing, proud of their country and their service and sacrifices.

There was a representative from each of the high schools that were asked to join in part of the band. One is a neighbor boy of ours.

Las Cruces will be a busy weekend - when isn't it? There will be ghostly things at the NMF&R Museum, including some ghostly stories underneath the old Lincoln County Green Bridge.

The Aggie Homecoming activities begin Friday through Saturday. The Aggies will play Fresno State Saturday night.

We were in Lincoln recently closing up our house in Lincoln.

Gene and Caroline will take of our animals. Our dog, Beavis, will miss Wayne as he took him everywhere he went, to the pasture, to town and the river. He loved to get in the cold water.

All the animals had Wayne well trained, they would either sit at the back, or meow to be let in or out of the house. Never mind that the cats had their own pet door.

We wish our son happiness in his new home in Albuquerque. He had done an awful lot work on our property, redoing the revetment wall back of the house, getting all his Dad's tools together and in order. Ralph said he might not be able to find them.

Our trips will be less now. We will be there

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THOUGHTS

From the Editor's Desk

Magic solutions welcome at this time

By Ruth Hammond

The rain fell abundantly this week but the weathercasters neglected to inform the public some important information. A few weeks ago casters were moaning about how far below the national average certain areas were in rainfall. It would seem that with the downpours that hit some areas, even causing limbs to cash into buildings, that this statistic would be uppermost on the news and be announced to all.

Rain wasn't the only thing that was on the news this past week. The big air balloon hoax that wasn't really an air balloon but was a helium balloon that engrossed the majority of the nation a week ago, continues to be a top story. Thank goodness we have a county newspaper for readers to learn about news of interest to people living in and around the county.

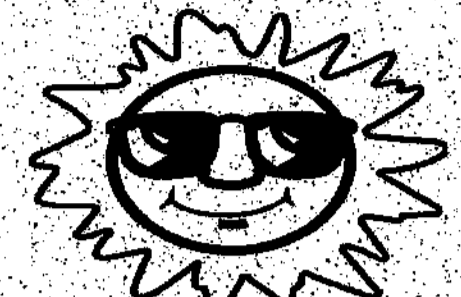
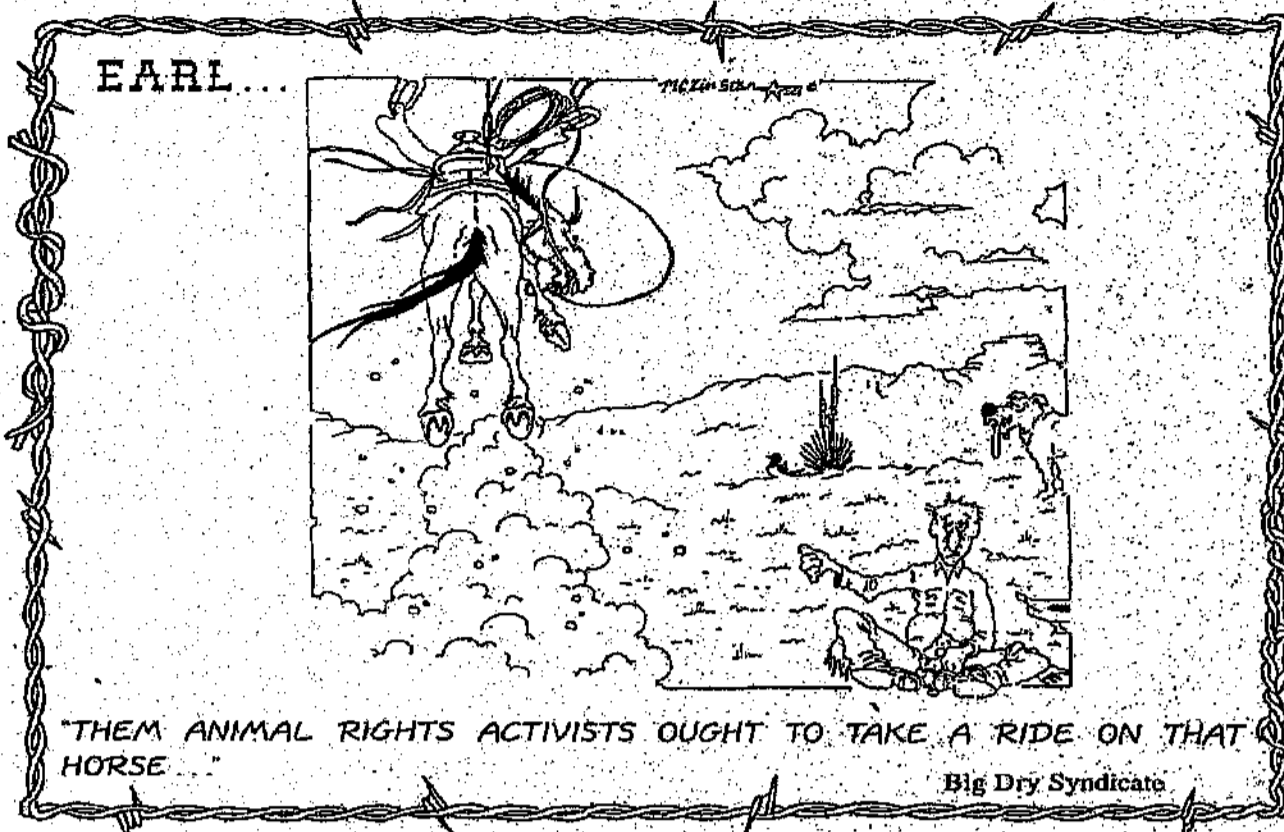
Evidently things even slowed down at the stock market when it was announced on TVs there that a six year old child might be in the balloon that sailed more than 50 miles in Colorado. It got the attention of not only those people but the powers that be and we hear that felony charges may be filed.

Meanwhile back in New Mexico many people were concerned with what the state legislators were going to do about the state budget during a special session that began last Saturday. The political careers of many legislators may be altered by actions they take or don't take during this special session. If you have a magic solution to the budget crisis you might consider taking it to Santa Fe but remember the wolves are also lurking around the roundhouse.

Other concerns tend to be at the local level. Municipal budgets are apparently being affected even though millions of dollars of federal money is being distributed to help the economy. No one has explained why these federal dollars aren't helping municipal budgets or even the state budget shortfall.

Rather than take sides in the rhubarb, we prefer to report the news than to make the news. Again we encourage anyone with a magic solution to present it to the necessary governmental people. It might be appropriate to wear a bullet proof vest when approaching irate elected officials at this vital time.

Sometimes there are simple solutions to the problems but it appears that isn't the case now. Years ago when governmental programs were put into effect, the programs helped. Hopefully the same thing will be true this time. However, don't be swayed by any hot air, whether in balloons or on the air waves.



WEATHER REPORT

by JEFF HAMMOND

Lincoln County can expect near freezing nighttime temperatures at the higher elevations for this coming week and daytime temperatures in the upper 50's to low 60's.

The lower elevations can expect slightly warmer temperatures, and daytime temperatures in the low 70's.

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

Thursday, October 22
Sunny, with a high near 65, north winds around 5 mph, night: Mostly clear, with a low around 39, south winds around 5 mph.

Friday, October 23
Mostly sunny, with a high near 69, night: Mostly clear, with a low around 37.

Saturday, October 24
Sunny, with a high near 71, night: Mostly clear, with a low around 37.

Sunday, October 25
Sunny, with a high near 72, night: Partly cloudy, with a low around 37.

Monday, October 26
Sunny, with a high near 69, night: Mostly clear, with a low around 37.

Tuesday, October 27
Mostly sunny, with a high near 74, night: Mostly clear, with a low around 37.

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

Thursday, October 22
Sunny, with a high near 57, calm winds becoming west around 5 mph, night: Mostly clear, with a low around 37, southwest winds around 5 mph.

Friday, October 23
Mostly sunny, with a high near 58, night: Mostly clear, with a low around 32.

Saturday, October 24
Mostly sunny, with a high near 61, night: Partly cloudy, with a low around 34.

Sunday, October 25
Sunny, with a high near 63, night: Mostly clear, with a low around 31.

Monday, October 26
Sunny, with a high near 64, night: Mostly clear, with a low around 33.

Tuesday, October 27
Mostly sunny, with a high near 65, night: Mostly clear, with a 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 constructions/ conditions information. Just dial 511, listen to the options and follow the directions.

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* Inside the Capitol

By Jay Miller, Syndicated Columnist

SANTA FE -- Any agreement between Gov. Bill Richardson and legislative leaders about how to plug the hole in the state budget will be a last minute event.

A few weeks ago, Gov. Richardson presented a plan involving mostly one-time fixes to the anticipated \$670 million deficit in this year's budget.

On Monday of last week legislative financial leaders came back with three scenarios of how they would like to do it. All of them were long-term fixes. On Tuesday of last week, the governor said try again and narrow it to one proposal.

As this is being written, lawmakers are working on a modification. But there still is a huge divide between the parties' short and long term solutions. The fixes implemented by the 2009 Legislature last March used up most of the short term cash plus made some modest cuts.

The solutions from this special session are likely to sweep the corners of any remaining ready cash plus begin some painful cuts. In January, expect a focus on increasing taxes in areas that were cut in our more prosperous years.

One slight glimmer of hope might remain before the taxman cometh for more. Gov. Richardson and his finance folks have concocted something called sponge bonds.

The concept is obscure enough that googling it yields nothing but references to the current New Mexico proposal. The reason may be that no state other than New Mexico has a severance tax permanent fund.

That kitty was created back in 1973 when New Mexico was riding even higher than it has been the last several years. Not only were oil and gas prices high, so were uranium, potash, molybdenum, copper and coal.

After a few years of giving dribbles back to taxpayers, lawmakers decided to create a second rainy day account in addition to our Land Grant Permanent Fund.

Into that fund, they channeled the severance taxes collected on everything being severed from our earth. Later they decided to divert some of the revenue going into the fund for capital outlay projects in every lawmaker's district.

And they decided to lock up the fund itself by requiring a constitutional amendment to get anything out. But that still left the stream of revenue coming in from severance taxes as fair game.

At this point, about

88 percent of it is being used to fund pork projects with severance tax bonds. As severance taxes come to the state, they are used to make payments on the bonds.

Since the amount of severance tax income cannot be precisely predicted, money is not borrowed to the full extent of income projections. Any leftover money then goes into the Severance Tax Permanent Fund to be locked up forever.

The governor's concept is to sponge up that leftover money before it goes into the permanent fund. Every time that happens, instead of letting it get away, that exact amount of money is borrowed from the state treasurer.

The following day,

the leftover severance tax money is used to pay off the sponge bond. And thus, money headed for a permanent fund is magically converted into money that can be used for the ongoing expenses of government. It might be called money laundering under other circumstances.

If lawmakers authorize this to happen every time extra severance tax money dribbles in, sponge bonds become a recurring source of revenue until the Legislature deauthorizes them.

The idea is controversial but one could argue that it is raining and before touching our rainy day fund, maybe we should use the money headed for that fund first.

Former Teacher Wrote Poem About Carrizozo

October 28, 1955 -- October 15 was State and National Poetry Day. The following verse was brought to the NEWS office by Mrs. C.A. Snow. It first appeared in the Lincoln County News, May 7, 1935. The author is Miss Hazel Melass who taught in the Carrizozo school for a number of years. She is now head of the English department in the public schools at Carlsbad.

CARRIZOZO

In old historic Lincoln County,
In the glorious Sunshine State,
Is a town, not very famous,
But we love it, think it's great.

Carrizozo, the word means reedy,
So we often have been told
By the pioneers, who settled
And endured the hardships bold.

Through the years the town has prospered,
Played upon by the wind and sun.
Today it boasts the county court house
As one of its achievements won.

To the onlooker, drab, dull houses
Dot each rather drab, dull street;
To the dweller, homes of beauty
Where true love and friendship meet.

When the heart and soul are weary,
To the mountains we can gaze,
In the twilight, view Carrizozo
Surrounded by a purple haze.

White Mountain, in snow-capped glory
Lifts its majestic head on high,
In the clouds it soars its summit,
As if to pierce the sunlit sky.

Then the stretch of waste and blackness,
Of desolation and despair,
Where a now extinct volcano
Wrought destruction 'er a land so fair.

Land of the mesquite and greasewood,
Of Spanish dagger and sword,
Where the desert blossoms forth
With the "Candles of the Lord."

Carrizozo, western village,
Restless, daring, relentless, bold,
Through the ages yet untold,
May you ever grow and prosper.

Hazel Melass

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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.

September 28
 8:54 a.m. Alarm reported at Capitan school, police and Capitan fire units dispatched.
 10:49 a.m. Unknown trouble call from business located on Hwy 48 in Alto, deputy dispatched.
 10:56 a.m. 911 Hang-up from location on 10th Street in Carrizozo, police dispatched.
 1:12 p.m. Unknown trouble call from location on Hwy 380 in Carrizozo, police dispatched.
 3:40 p.m. Disturbance/family dispute reported near intersection of 7th Street and F Avenue in Carrizozo, police dispatched.
 3:46 p.m. Dog reported running loose on

Rancher Road in Palo Verde, deputy dispatched.
 5:14 p.m. Police presence/peacekeeping requested at location on Gavilan Canyon Road in Ruidoso, deputy dispatched.

September 29
 9:02 a.m. Vandalism reported at location on Hwy 48 in Alto, deputy dispatched.
 10:30 a.m. Alarm reported at location on White Court in Alto, deputy dispatched.
 10:34 a.m. Embezzlement reported at location on Moore Avenue in Nogal, deputy dispatched.
 11:50 a.m. Medical call at residence on Long Road in Capitan, ambulance dispatched.
 12:49 p.m. Larceny/theft reported at location on FR 57 in Lincoln, deputy dispatched.
 3:09 p.m. Trespassing reported at mile marker 86 on Hwy

380 west of Capitan, deputy dispatched.
 3:11 p.m. Drivers test requested by Ruidoso Motor Vehicles Department (DMV) on Hwy 70 in Ruidoso, deputy dispatched.

September 30
 4:01 p.m. Breaking & Entering (B & E) reported at location on Old School House in Hondo, deputy dispatched.
 5:02 p.m. Fire reported at mile marker 291 on Hwy 70 in Hondo, Hondo fire units and deputy dispatched.
 5:22 p.m. Police presence/standby requested at location on Gavilan Canyon Road in Ruidoso, deputy dispatched.
 5:43 p.m. 911 Hang-up from location on Hwy 70 in Ruidoso Downs, deputy dispatched.
 6:06 p.m. Juvenile offenses reported at location on Calle La Placitas in Lincoln, deputy dispatched.
 8:46 p.m. Fraud reported at business located in Capitan, deputy dispatched.

September 30
 12:22 a.m. Dog reported running loose near intersection of Dean and Marjorie Road in Capitan, deputy dispatched.
 1:14 p.m. Recovered stolen property reported at pawn shop in Ruidoso, deputy dispatched.
 2:12 p.m. Larceny/theft reported at location on Comanche Court in Alto, deputy dispatched.
 3:12 p.m. Warrant

service at mile marker 1 of Hwy 37 in Bonito, deputy dispatched.

4:33 p.m. Registered Sex Offender check at Lincoln County Sheriff Office (LCSO) located in the Lincoln County Courthouse (LCC) on Central Avenue in Carrizozo, deputy dispatched.
 4:34 p.m. Registered Sex Offender check at LCSO located in the LCC on Central Avenue in Carrizozo, deputy dispatched.
 5:09 p.m. Threats by phone reported from location on Tucson Mountain Road in Capitan, deputy dispatched.
 5:26 p.m. Dog reported running loose near mile marker 9 on Hwy 48 in Alto, deputy dispatched.
 9:48 p.m. Suspicious activity by person(s) in vehicle reported on Cedar Creek Road in Ruidoso, deputy dispatched.

October 1
 8:00 a.m. Dog reported running loose on Sitting Bull Court in Rancho Ruidoso Valley Estates, deputy dispatched.
 9:44 a.m. Emergency message delivery to location on Tiger Drive in Capitan, deputy dispatched.
 11:04 a.m. Littering or illegal dumping reported at location on Eagle Ridge in Alto, deputy dispatched.
 1:16 p.m. Information report at LCC on Central Avenue in Carrizozo, deputy dispatched.
 2:50 p.m. Agency assistance requested at accident with injuries and fire at mile marker 11 on Hwy 368 in Arabella, Hondo emergency units, Arabella fire units, ambulance and deputy dispatched.
 5:07 p.m. Threats reported at location on Little Creek Road in Alto, deputy dispatched.

October 2
 12:00 a.m. Warrant service at LCSO in the LCC on Central Avenue in Carrizozo, deputy dispatched.
 9:49 a.m. Dog reported running loose on Eagle Creek in Alto, deputy dispatched.
 11:46 a.m. Dog reported running loose on Country Lane in Alto, deputy dispatched.
 1:53 p.m. 911 Hang-up from location on Hwy 70 in San Patricio, deputy dispatched.
 4:33 p.m. Registered Sex Offender check at LCSO located in the LCC on Central Avenue in Carrizozo, deputy dispatched.
 5:06 p.m. Dog reported running loose on Hwy 70 in Glencoe, deputy dispatched.
 6:46 p.m. Dog reported running loose on Hwy 220 in Alto, deputy dispatched.
 6:48 p.m. Larceny/theft reported at Carrizozo school, police dispatched.
 7:28 p.m. Police presence/stand-by requested at residence on F Avenue in Carrizozo, police dispatched.
 8:13 p.m. Medical call at Hondo school in Hondo, ambulance dispatched.
 8:46 p.m. Disturbance reported at Hondo football field in Hondo, deputy dispatched.
 11:08 p.m. Medical call at residence on Fourth Street in Capitan, ambulance dispatched.

DISTRICT COURT CALENDAR

The Calendar for District Judge Karen Parsons

Tuesday, October 13
 Criminal Jury Trials - 8:30 a.m.
 #1 Roger Stefani; CR-2009-84
 Thompson/Mitchell P.C.
 #2 Chris Miller; CR-2009-89
 Thompson/Mitchell P.C.
 1 of 2 Days - Joel Martinez; CR-2008-180
 Ceballes/Holmes Continuance Forthcoming
 #3 Edmond Herring; CR-2009-78
 Cowan/Mitchell P.C. Continuance forthcoming
 1:15 p.m. Telephonic - C & S Joint Venture v. Garcia et al; CV-2009-257
 (Mtn to Vacate/Reset 10-23-09 hearing) Mackenzie/Morel
 Darrell Brantley
 10:00 a.m. DV-2009-76
 11:00 a.m. DV-2009-77

Wednesday, October 14
 Judge Grisham (Small Crt Room)
 Judge Parsons
 Criminal Jury Trials 8:30 a.m.
 #1 Alexander Wilson CR-2009-55
 Newton/Mitchell P.C.
 2 of 2 Days Joel Martinez; CR-2008-180
 Ceballes/Holmes Continuance Forthcoming
 #2 Anna Randalls CR-2009-82 Thompson/Stout
 Continuance forthcoming
 #3 Edmond Herring; CR-2009-79
 Cowan/Mitchell P.C. Continuance forthcoming

Thursday, October 15
 Criminal Jury Trials 8:30 a.m.
 #1 Darryl Sample; CR-2009-69 Zimmerman/Rose Hearing/Continuance Forthcoming
 #2 Michael Forte; CR-2009-71 Cowan/Mitchell P.C.
 #3 Jaiver Flaco-Dominguez; CR-2009-70
 Cowan/Mitchell P.C.
 #4 Edmond Herring; CR-2009-80
 Cowan/Mitchell P.C. Continuance forthcoming
 4:00 p.m. Village of Capitan v. Hubbard; LR-2009-08 Trial De Novo
 Darrell Brantley
 10:00 a.m. CSEB, Sarah Walls; Ramon Bravo; DM-2008-101 (Merits)
 11:00 a.m. CSEB and Christina Montes v. Graham; DM-2007-150 Pet for Support Settlement Conference Aultman/S-Cook
 1:15 p.m. Jeremiah Gonzales v. Nicole West; DM-2009-25 Interim Custody
 S-Cook/Rose

Friday, October 16
 Judge Parsons - Tribal State
Monday, October 19
 1:15 p.m. Summer Parra v. Roman Parra; (Mtn/Modify PP) DM-2007-163 ProSe/S?Cook
 3:00 p.m. In Re: Brian Dye Limited Partnership; CV-2009-243 (Sch. Conference) Ragsdale/Muehlenweg
 Trailing - In the Matter of Donald Dye Estate; PB-2009-19 (Pending Motions)
 Muehlenweg/Heaphy/Ragsdale/Schoen/Underwood

Tuesday, October 20
 In Ruidoso - Juveniles - 9:00 a.m.
 First Appearance
 Johnny M; JR-09-44
 Change of Plea/PT
 Tyler H; JR-09-31
 Ellis S; JR-09-34
 Uriel C; JR-09-21
 Disposition
 Jessica D; JR-09-25 (Disp)
 1:15 p.m. In the Matter of the Bowen Estate; PB-2007-23 (Finalization of Estate) Gibson/Samberson/Continuance Forthcoming
 3:00 p.m. Drug Court Screening
 4:30 p.m. Drug Court
 Darrell Brantley
 10:00 a.m. DV-2009-79
 11:00 a.m. DV-2009-80
 In Alamogordo
 1:15 p.m. DV-2009-70 Beauvais/C. Hawthorne

Wednesday, October 21
 8:30 a.m. Telephonic Patton v. Hinds DM-2007-106 (Resp. Mtn/to Dismiss) Grahn/ProSe
 Criminal Docket 9:00 a.m.
 First Appearance/Initial
 Quay Chavez; CR-09-136
 Glynn Enjady; CR-09-141
 Warren Marker CR-09-132
 Krystal Kanseah CR-09-134
 Sheena Yazza; CR-09-133
 Dominic Vega CR-09-126
 Christy Wilkinson CR-09-127
 Kevin Gallacher CR-09-129
 Robert Salas; CR-07-94
 Adam Samora; CR-07-13/34/40
 Perry Stovall; CR-08-02
 Amber Rogers CR-05-210
 Change of Plea
 Lorenzo Berreras CR-09-76
 ADJ
 Buddie Hirsch CR-03-150
 Quay Chavez; CR-08-32
 Motions/Other
 Chris Williams CR-08-250
 Shane Carpenter CR-09-68
 Roger Romero CV-09-200/201
 Angela Rodriguez; CR-99-112
 Scott Neiderstanz; CR-09-113
 Tyrone Rfordan; CR-07-80/113/193

Sentencing
 Darrell Smith CR-08-03/126
 Evan L. Reed; CR-09-45
 Adan Quintanilla CR-09-109/115
 Dustin Bentley CR-08-204/087174
 Brandy West; CR-08-209



Lincoln County CHURCH DIRECTORY

MOUNTAIN MINISTRY PARISH
 SIERRA BLANCA PRESBYTERY
 NOGAL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
 E.W. "Bo" Lewis, Pastor
 Sunday School . . . 10:00 a.m.
 Worship . . . 11:00 a.m.

RUIDOSO DOWNS
 FIRST SOUTHERS BAPTIST CHURCH
 361 East Hwy #70
 Ruidoso Downs, NM 88346
 575-378-4611
 Dr. Randy Widener PhD Sr. Pastor
 8:00 a.m. . . . Early Bird Service
 9:00 a.m. . . . Breakfast
 9:30 a.m. . . . Sunday School
 11:00 a.m. . . . Traditional Services
 6:00 p.m. . . . Preaching/Bible Study
 Wed. Community Dinner . . . 6:30 p.m.
 Kids Activities . . . Wed. 5:30 p.m.

ANCHO COMMUNITY
 PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
 Worship . . . 9:00 a.m.
 Sunday School . . . 10:00 a.m.

CORONA UNITED
 PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
 Sunday School . . . 10:00 a.m.
 Worship . . . 11:00 a.m.

CARRIZOZO FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH
 Hayden Smith, Pastor
 314 10th Avenue
 648-2968 (Church) or 648-2107
 Sunday School . . . 9:45 a.m.
 Worship Service . . . 10:55 a.m.
 Sunday Evening . . . 6:00 p.m.
 AWANAS . . . 6:00 p.m. Wednesday
 (September - April)

CARRIZOZO ASSEMBLY OF GOD
 Corner of 13th and C Avenue
 Barbara Bradley, Pastor
 Children's Ministry and Nursery Available
 Worship Service . . . 10:00 a.m.
 Youth Service 6:00 p.m.

SANTA RITA
 CATHOLIC COMMUNITY
 Carrizozo / Capitan / Corona
 Fr. Franklin, Pastor
 213 Birch, Carrizozo, NM
 648-2853

Daily Mass / Santa Rita . . . 8:30 a.m.
Saturday Services
 Capitan Sacred Heart . . . 5:00 p.m.
 Carrizozo Santa Rita . . . 7:00 p.m.
Sunday Services
 Capitan Sacred Heart . . . 8:30 a.m.
 Carrizozo Santa Rita . . . 10:30 a.m.
 Corona St. Theresa . . . 1:30 p.m.

CARRIZOZO ST. MATTHIAS
 EPISCOPAL CHURCH
 Corner of E Ave. and 6th
 Rev. Canon Peter Sanderson,
 Priest in Charge

Holy Eucharist . . . Sunday, 9:30 a.m.
WHITE OAKS COMMUNITY CHURCH
 (Non-Denominational)
 Sunday Worship . . . 11:00 a.m.

ANGUS CHURCH OF THE NAZARENE
 Serving All of Lincoln County
 Rick Hutchinson, Pastor
 336-8032

SW Corner of Hwy 48 & Hwy 37 Junction
 (Between Ruidoso and Capitan)
Sunday
 Sunday School for All Ages . . . 9:30 a.m.
 Morning Worship &
 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.

UNITED METHODIST CHURCHES
 1000 D Avenue, Carrizozo
 648-2893 or 648-2846
 Johanna Anderson, Pastor

Sunday School All Ages . . . 10:00 a.m.
 Worship Service 11:00 a.m.
 Choir Practice . . . Tuesdays 6:30 p.m.
 United Methodist Women
 Third Wednesday of Month 2:00 p.m.
 Fellowship Dinner
 Fourth Sunday of Month . . . 12:30 p.m.

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

CAPITAN-CHRIST COMMUNITY
 FELLOWSHIP
 Inter-denominational
 514 Smokey Bear Blvd.
 Ed Vinson, Pastor
 Sunday School . . . 9:30 a.m.
 Sunday Morning Worship . . . 10:30 a.m.

CAPITAN CHURCH OF CHRIST
 5th and Lincoln
 Leslie Earwood, Minister
 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.

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH OF CORONA
 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
 (First Sunday of Month)

GRACE FELLOWSHIP CHURCH
 Corona, New Mexico
 Terry Aiello, Pastor / 849-0105
 Worship . . . 9:50 a.m.

CLAUNCH COMMUNITY CHURCH
 Tony Scaccia, Minister 849-1402
 Second Sunday of Each Month . . . 9:00 a.m.

OBSERVE
ALL
TRAFFIC SIGNS.
Children are
now back at
school.

Sheriff's Report . . .

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October 3
 4:35 a.m. Alarm reported at business location on Ski Run Road in Alto, deputy dispatched.
 8:55 a.m. Larceny/theft reported at location in Chavez Canyon in Hondo, deputy dispatched.
 9:43 a.m. Assault reported at residence on Willard Way in Corona, deputy dispatched.
 11:16 a.m. Disturbance/family dispute reported at residence on Calle La Placita in Lincoln, deputy dispatched.
 11:26 a.m. Medical call at Lincoln County Detention Center (LCDC) on Air Port Road in Carrizozo, deputy dispatched.
 11:52 a.m. Dog reported running loose on Bethel Court in Capitan, police dispatched.
 5:37 p.m. Medical call at residence on Willard Way in Corona, ambulance and deputy dispatched.

October 4
 12:39 a.m. 911 Hang-up from location on Hwy 380 in Lincoln, deputy dispatched.
 9:28 a.m. Unknown trouble call from business located at intersection of Hwy 54 and Hwy 380 in Carrizozo, police dispatched.
 10:26 a.m. Suspicious activity reported at location on Eagle Creek Canyon Road in Alto, deputy dispatched.
 11:19 a.m. Police presence/stand-by requested at residence on F Avenue in Carrizozo, police dispatched.
 12:13 p.m. Welfare check requested at mile marker 118 on Hwy 54 south of Carrizozo, deputy dispatched.
 3:13 p.m. Fire reported at mile marker 25 on Hwy 246 north of Capitan, fire units dispatched.

4:14 p.m. Fire reported at mile marker 31 on Hwy 246 north of Capitan, fire units and deputy dispatched.
 5:22 p.m. Unknown trouble call from residence on Bronco Avenue in Carrizozo, police dispatched.
 6:09 p.m. Medical call at business located at intersection of Hwy 54 and Hwy 380 in Carrizozo, ambulance dispatched.

October 5
 5:02 a.m. Fire alarm reported at business location on Hwy 70 in Tinnie, Hondo fire units dispatched.
 6:45 a.m. Fire reported at business located on Hwy 70 in Tinnie, Hondo, fire units dispatched.
 8:15 a.m. Threats reported at Carrizozo schools, police dispatched.
 9:01 Littering or illegal dumping reported at location on Eagle Creek Canyon Road in Alto, deputy dispatched.
 10:01 a.m. Medical call/death reported at residence on Calle de Cipriana in Glencoe, Advanced Life Support (ALS) ambulance and deputy dispatched.
 3:01 p.m. Medical call for person sitting in car at mile marker 309 on Hwy 70 in Hondo, ambulance dispatched.
 4:50 p.m. Accident reported on Hwy 54 approximately 10 miles south of Corona, deputy dispatched.
 4:55 p.m. Dog reported running loose on Jasmine in Carrizozo, police dispatched.

5:53 p.m. Information report at location on Hwy 70 in Hondo, deputy dispatched.
 7:01 p.m. Traffic hazard reported at mile marker 1045 on Hwy 380 in Hondo, deputy dispatched.
 7:17 p.m. Welfare check requested at residence on Fourth Street in Capitan, police dispatched.
 8:07 p.m. Suspicious activity reported at location on Steel Street in Corona, deputy dispatched.
 9:15 p.m. Police presence/peacekeeping requested at Laughing Sheep Ranch in Lincoln, deputy dispatched.

October 6
 2:33 a.m. Children and Family Department (CYFD) referral at location on Calle la Placita in Lincoln, deputy dispatched.

3:21 a.m. Motorist assistance requested at intersection of Hwy 54 and Hwy 380 in Carrizozo, police dispatched.

8:31 a.m. Information report at Avenida de Mesilla in Carrizozo, deputy dispatched.

10:13 a.m. Report of suspected hazardous material spill on Hwy 54 in Carrizozo, Carrizozo emergency units dispatched.

11:19 a.m. Alarm reported at location on High Mesa in Alto, Bonito emergency units and deputy dispatched.

12:58 p.m. Medical call at residence on Tucson Mountain Road in Capitan, ambulance and deputy dispatched.

1:03 p.m. Police presence/peacekeeping requested at residence on Connor Court in Capitan, deputy dispatched.

2:05 p.m. Medical

Looking Back . . .

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Lincoln County In Bygone Years

From the files of the Lincoln County News, October 25, 1935

Big game hunting season in New Mexico was to open October 25. The Department of Game and Fish advised that every citizen in the state "is legally invested with the right to make arrests for game law violations."

The home of Mr. and Mrs. Roy Morgan in Capitan was badly damaged by fire while the Morgans were attending a show. Neighbors helped put the fire out.

Kemp Peppers, John Ferguson, Jim Dockey and Buck Akers returned to Capitan from Mountainair where they were threshing beans.

Miss Julia Penfield, who was teaching school at Alamogordo, spent the week end with her parents in Lincoln.

The Misses Nellie Pfingsten, Gertie Pearce and Fronie Hulbert spent the week end with their parents in Lincoln.

Corn, 13 feet in height, a 20-lb. cabbage and immense pumpkins were among the agricultural exhibits at the Lincoln County Fair in Carrizozo. Perfect weather favored the two-day fair.

Zane Grey's "Home On The Range," was playing at the Lyric Theatre, with Randolph Scott.

Pat Carrillo, old time Lincoln County cowboy, was a Carrizozo visitor from Tularosa.

Mmes. Ola Jones, S.H. Nickels, Wm. Gallacher and Miss Ryden rode in the ladies cowpony race at the fair rodeo. Mrs. Gallacher was the winner.

From the files of the Carrizozo News, October 29, 1915

The fall term of district court convened with Judge Edw. L. Medler presiding. Other court officers were H.B. Hamilton, district attorney; Porfirio Chavez, sheriff; A.H. Harvey, clerk; C.S. Pedregon, interpreter; J.B. Newell, reporter; W. S. Brady, grand jury interpreter; Ed Massie, court crier, and Ed Massie, W. M. Barnett and Florencio Chavez, bailiffs.

J.H. Fulmer of Mishawanka, and J.H. Collins and Chas. Miles of Elkhart, Ind., were in Parsons looking over improvements on their company's mining property.

F.C. Stover was getting his apples ready for shipment at San Patricio. The apples were of the seedless variety and weighed about five per pounds more to the box than the ordinary kind of apples.

A horse famine was predicted in the United States if the European war lasted another year. Belligerent nations were paying from \$167 to \$200 each and there were not enough horses to meet the demand.

The New Mexico Educational Association was to meet in Albuquerque the first three days of Thanksgiving week.

George Sisneros of Roswell was visiting his mother, Mrs. S. G. Anderson.

"Uncle" Tom Henley of Nogal was visiting in Carrizozo for a couple of days.

Operation was under way at the Willow Springs coal mine owned by Mrs. Harriet McIvers.

Don H. Bigger, editor of the Capitan Mountaineer, was a business visitor in Carrizozo.

John H. Phillips was in from his ranch at the Cottonwoods. He returned with a load of metal roofing for his residence being built of adobe.

W.L. Gumm was packing and shipping apples from his Hondo ranch.

New Book Describes Oklahoma Territory

"Six-Gun and Silver Star" by Glenn Shirley


"Six-Gun and Silver Star" is the story of early-day law enforcement in Oklahoma Territory. Beginning at the time President Cleveland signed the bill opening the land to settlement, Glenn Shirley clearly depicts conditions as they were, telling what happened and why it happened.

The name of famous outlaws stud the tale as do those of the equally famous men who tracked them down, caught them, jailed them, or killed them. The Daltons, the Dookin gang, the Caseys, the Jennings, the Wyatt and Black outlaws, are all present and so are U.S. Marshal Evett Dumas Nix and his men; Frank Canton, Charles Colcord, Steve Burke, Jim Masterson, and the famous "Three Guardsmen," Bill Tilghman, Chris Madsen and Heck Thomas.

Mr. Shirley uses admirable restraint in telling a story that would readily lend itself to the wildest sort of "dime novel" treatment and has searched through much source material, winnowing the wheat from the chaff. As an historian -- and he is a good one -- he must have been tempted often to stray from his theme, but he sticks to it and develops it in entirety. Also, he does what many historians fail to accomplish: his characters emerge as real people who think and act in a manner readily understandable to the reader.

"Six-Gun and Silver Star" was preceded by "Toughest of Them All," another book by Mr. Shirley. Both books belong on the shelf of any Southwestern Library.

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



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LEGAL

LEGAL NOTICE

STATE OF NEW MEXICO
COUNTY OF LINCOLN
TWELFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT
NO. CV09-297

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

Plaintiff,

vs.

KEITH D. CLEVINGER, TRACIE R. CLEVINGER,
AND BANK OF AMERICA, N.A.,

Defendant(s).

FIRST AMENDED NOTICE OF SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned Special Master will, on November 17, 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:

Lot 6, Block 9, WHITE MOUNTAIN ESATES, UNIT 5, Ruidoso, 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, May 20, 1981, in Cabinet D, Slide Nos. 13 & 14

which Property is more commonly known to the best of Plaintiff's knowledge as 1119 Hull Road, Ruidoso, New Mexico 88345. 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 October 5, 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 \$426,324.00, plus interest from October 3, 2009 to the date of sale at the rate of 7.500% per annum, or \$79.14 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.

Dated: October 19, 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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LEGAL NOTICE

STATE OF NEW MEXICO
COUNTY OF LINCOLN
TWELFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT
No. DM-2009-113
Div. III

SHEILA L. BREWER,
Petitioner,

vs.

GREGORY A. BREWER, II,
Respondent.

SUMMONS AND NOTICE OF PENDENCY OF PROCEEDING

THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO

To: GREGORY A. BREWER, II

GREETINGS:

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that the above named Petitioner has commenced a proceeding against you in the above entitled Court and Cause, the object thereof being Petition for Dissolution of Marriage.

YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that, unless you serve and file a responsive pleading or motion in said Cause on or before the 27th day of November, 2009, the relief sought in the Petitioner's Petition shall be granted against you in said cause by default.

Petitioner's attorneys are: Gibson & Leonard, P.C., whose address is 505 Mechem Dr., Ruidoso, New Mexico 88345.

WITNESS my hand and seal of the District Court of Lincoln County, State of New Mexico, this 2nd day of October, 2009.

JAN PERRY
Clerk of the District Court

By: Elizabeth Ysasi
Deputy Clerk

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LEGAL

LEGAL NOTICE

STATE OF NEW MEXICO
COUNTY OF LINCOLN
TWELFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT
Case No. D-1226-CV-200900092

HSBC Bank USA N.A., as trustee on behalf of ACE Securities CORP. Home Equity Loan Trust and for the registered holders of ACE Securities CORP. Home Equity Loan Trust 2007-HE1 Asset Backed Pass-Through Certificates, Plaintiff, v. Janis Rowe; Michael B. Rowe; Defendants.

NOTICE OF SALE NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned Special Master will on December 2, 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 14, Block 5, Green Meadows Addition, Ruidoso, 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, August 29, 1958. The address of the real property is 122 Clover Drive, Ruidoso, NM 88345.

Said sale will be made pursuant to the Decree of Foreclosure entered on September 2, 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 \$152,101.28 plus interest from August 26, 2009 to the date of sale at the rate of 10.750% 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 & Stawiariski
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LEGAL NOTICE

STATE OF NEW MEXICO
COUNTY OF LINCOLN
TWELFTH JUDICIAL MAGISTRATE COURT
M-30-CV-2009-00015

GIBSON & LEONARD, P.C.,
505 Mechem Dr.
Ruidoso, New Mexico 88345

Plaintiff,

vs.

Kim Davidson-Veltrie
PO Box 53
La Luz, NM 88337

Defendant.

SUMMONS AND NOTICE OF PENDENCY OF PROCEEDING

THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO

To: Kim-Davidson-Veltrie,

GREETINGS:

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that the above named Plaintiff has commenced a proceeding against you in the above entitled Court and cause, the object thereof being Complaint for Breach of Contract and Damages.

YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that, unless you serve and file a responsive pleading or motion in said Cause on or before the 31st day of October, 2009, the relief sought in the Plaintiff's Complaint shall be granted against you in said cause by default.

Plaintiff's attorneys are: Gibson & Leonard, P.C. whose address is 505 Mechem Dr., Ruidoso, New Mexico 88345.

WITNESS my hand and seal of the Magistrate Court of Lincoln County, State of New Mexico, this 7th day of October, 2009.

Clerk of the District Court

By: Sabrina Randolph

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LEGAL NOTICE

VALLE DEL SOL IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT
NOTICE OF EXTENSION OF TIME
TO FILE OBJECTIONS

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN of the extension of time to file objections to the formation of the Valle Del Sol Improvement District ("District") pursuant to Chapter 3 Article 33, NMSA 1978, and Resolution No. R2009-07 adopted on March 10, 2009.

The statutory Preliminary Hearing was held on September 8, 2009. However, some property owners affected by the formation of the Valle Del Sol Improvement District were inadvertently not provided notice of the hearing. Therefore, the time in which to file an objection shall be extended to November 2, 2009 at 5:00 p.m. Objections must be delivered to the Carrizozo City Hall on or before November 2, 2009 at 5:00 p.m.

Mayor Bob Hemphill

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LATE BULLETIN

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Sheriff's Report ...

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call at residence on 11th Street in Carrizozo, ambulance dispatched.

2:25 p.m. Police presence/stand-by requested at residence on Mc Daniel Lane in San Patricio, deputy dispatched.

2:41 p.m. Agency assistance requested by CYFD at location in Lincoln, deputy dispatched.

4:15 p.m. Accident reported at location on High Mesa in Alto, Bonito emergency units, fire units and deputy dispatched.

4:59 p.m. New Mexico Department of Corrections Adult Probation and Parole Officer (APO) requests agency assistance at location in Ruidoso to arrest parolee at large, deputy dispatched.

5:50 p.m. Trespassing reported at Grande Vista Ranch in Capitan, deputy dispatched.

October 7

2:54 a.m. Agency assistance requested by Alamogordo Department of Public Service at residence on Gum Avenue in Carrizozo, police dispatched.

6:53 a.m. Dog reported running loose on Cedar Crest in Nogal, deputy dispatched.

7:54 a.m. Medical call at residence on F Avenue in Carrizozo, ambulance dispatched.

8:06 a.m. Vandalism reported at location on E Avenue in Carrizozo, police dis-

patched.
8:18 a.m. Welfare check requested at residence on Chisolm in Rancho Ruidoso Valley Estates, deputy dispatched.

11:05 a.m. Dog reported running loose on Screaming Eagle in Alto, deputy dispatched.

1:37 p.m. 911 Hang-up from location on Calle la Placita in Lincoln, deputy dispatched.

2:09 p.m. Drivers test requested by Ruidoso Motor Vehicle Department (MVD) at location near Hull Road and Warrior Drive in Ruidoso, deputy dispatched.

2:37 p.m. Agency assistance requested at location on Hwy 380 in Carrizozo, police dispatched.

4:11 p.m. Registered Sex Offender check at Lincoln County Sheriff Office (LCSO) located in the Lincoln County Courthouse (LCC) on Central Avenue in Carrizozo, deputy dispatched.

5:07 p.m. Dog reported running loose on Santiago Circle in Rancho Ruidoso Valley Estates, deputy dispatched.

5:45 p.m. Medical call at Hondo school football field, ambulance and deputy dispatched.

5:58 p.m. Agency assistance requested at location on Enchanted Forest in Alto, deputy dispatched.

6:28 p.m. Dog reported running loose on Tully Lane in Glenco...

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