

Smokey Bear July 4 Parade Loses Sponsor; Future Uncertain

Capitan Village Trustees To Discuss Parade at April 11 Meeting

by Doris Cherry

For more than 55 years, the July 4 Capitan Smokey Bear Parade has been a proud tradition that highlighted the Smokey Bear Stampede rodeo, and brought many visitors into town.

But the future of the parade is uncertain, as the sponsor of the

parade — Capitan Chamber of Commerce — has voted to disband.

Chamber president Lee Arnone told *THE NEWS* that last Friday, March 11, chamber volunteers came to a decision to close the Capitan Chamber of Commerce.

"Our decision was based on the fact that we had exhausted our resources, mainly our volunteers," Arnone said. "And we've gotten no support from the village of Capitan."

"Smokey Bear Parade is a wonderful event," Arnone said. "I feel sad for the people in Capitan."

Having many volunteers to help organize and put on the parade would be ideal, but in reality only a very few volunteers were putting in overtime to do all the work, Arnone said.

In addition to having too few volunteers, the Chamber was experiencing a financial setback, because it had to cancel its only fund raiser — the annual Christmas Bazaar that provided money to purchase parade trophies and scholarships.

Also, the chamber was facing the possibility of having to pay

for the cost of the liability insurance to hold the July 4 parade.

According to village clerk Kay Strickland, the Village of Capitan had carried, as part of the village policy, the liability insurance required by the New Mexico State Highway Department to hold a parade on a state highway.

However in 2010, the New Mexico Self Insurer's Fund advised the village it would no longer cover the parade, and the event organizers would have to obtain their own insurance. So in 2010 the village provided the Chamber funds to pay

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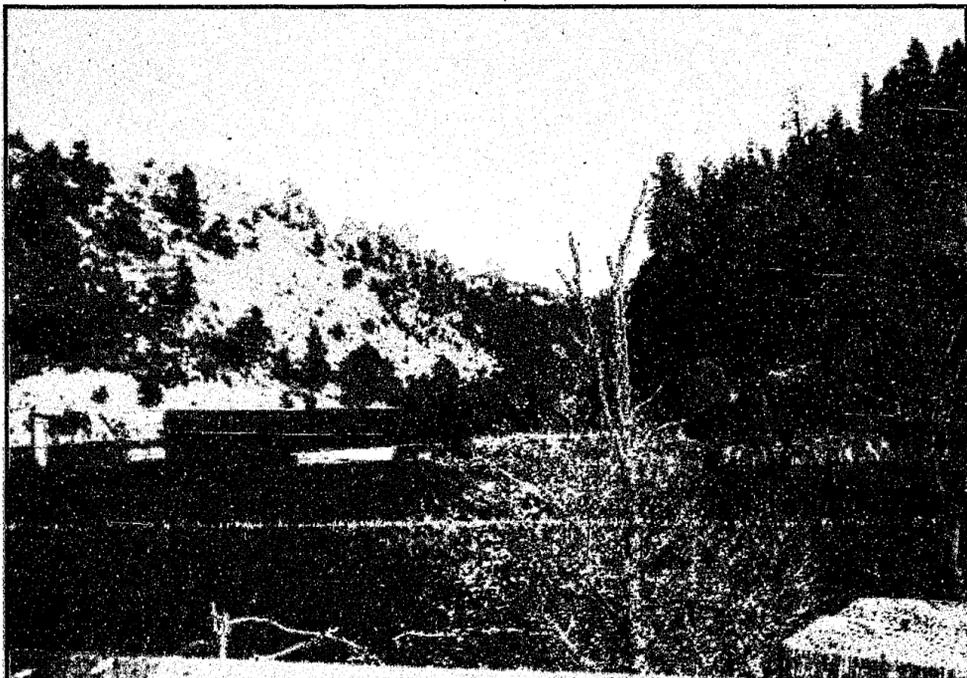
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BONITO LAKE FISHING SEASON begins April 1. The lake and surrounding camp and picnic grounds are owned by the City of Alamogordo. Anyone age 12 and over must have a valid New Mexico fishing license to cast their lures into the lake, hoping to snag a hungry trout. The fishing license is free for anyone 70 and over. (Photo by Doris Cherry)

County Supports Recommendation

To Reduce Water Ruidoso Pumps From Eagle Creek Wells

by Doris Cherry

Lincoln County Commissioners have submitted comments that support the Forest Service recommendation for reduced pumping of Ruidoso's Eagle Creek wells, a recommendation that one county commissioner said could have a "devastating effect on Ruidoso and the whole of Lincoln County."

At their continued meeting March 21 in the courthouse in Carrizozo, county commissioners Eileen Sedillo, Jackie Powell, Mark Doth and Kathryn Minter voted in favor of the letter of comment about the US Forest Service Environmental

Impact Statement(EIS) to Ruidoso's application to extend its special use permits for the Eagle Creek wells.

County commissioner Tom Battin voted no, saying the issue needed more time and consideration from Ruidoso because he had not realized the potential impacts of the EIS.

The five page county comment letter, originally drafted by Powell then modified by the county attorney, supports the Forest Service recommendation in the EIS that the amount of water Ruidoso be allowed to pump from the Eagle Creek wells be reduced from the current 2,400 acre feet to only 300 acre feet a year.

"The main issue to be addressed is the effect that the proposed continuation of well

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Commission Okays Lodgers Tax Requests, Leaving \$40,000+

by Doris Cherry

The High Mesa Artists Tour and the 64th annual Square Dance Festival will be getting help to promote their events, as Lincoln

County Commissioners at their March 15 meeting approved funding for these two groups.

County commissioners reconsidered the two requests for

Lodgers Tax funding to promote their activities. At their Feb. 15 meeting, commissioners tied their votes 2-2 with commissioners Mark Doth and Kathryn Minter voting against the requests, commissioners Jackie Powell and Eileen Sedillo voting in favor.

Since commissioner Tom Battin was absent, the motion tied and thus failed. At that Feb. 15 meeting Doth and Minter wanted more information on how many visitors the events attracted and so on, information that was provided to the Lodgers Tax Committee but not to county commissioners.

At their March 15 meeting, county commissioners received the information that was provided to the Lodgers Tax Committee, with some additional information provided by the two entities asking for the funds.

Battin said he asked that the requests be reconsidered since he was absent from the Feb. 15 meeting.

Doth said he talked with the person in charge of the square dance event (that asked for \$500 for advertising costs) who said they did

not need the entire \$500. Doth suggested the amount be lowered to the \$300 the event organizer said they needed, and not commit the \$500 from the lodgers tax fund

"I'd like to put that \$200 back into the Lodgers Tax Budget," Doth said. "Once the \$500 is awarded, it is committed."

County manager Tom Stewart said the events that are approved to receive lodgers tax money must submit receipts for reimbursement after the event is conducted. "We have no set time frame for them to submit the receipts, as long as it's done in a timely manner," Stewart said.

"The lodgers tax fund has \$40,000 that are not committed."

Minter said the artist tour organizers keep data on the number of visitors, where they are from, and the total sale of the tour.

"In the future I want the Lodgers Tax Committee to ask for this data when considering requests," Minter added.

County commissioners approved the two requests unani-

Village of Capitan Gets Clean Audit

The Village of Capitan received a clean bill of health on its 2010 audit, reported at the March 15 regular trustees meeting.

"You look healthy," said Thad Porch, who conducted the audit in June, 2010. "There is no bad news, there were no findings in the audit, and everything from the year before had been cleaned up."

The audit received an "unqualified opinion" with no findings, including on the grants and agreements. "This is unusual for an entity your size," Porch added. "When we look at the health of a government entity, we look at the current assets against the liabilities."

In fiscal year 2009-2010, the village had only \$795,000 in liabilities with \$2 million in cash and accounts. "You could pay for your liabilities twice," Porch said. "The village could weather a catastrophic event."

"From two years ago, the village looks healthy into the future," he added.

The village did experience a total loss of \$44,000 from its general fund, not including the "enterprise funds (water/sewer)."

"This meant your spending was more than what you took in on a short term basis, but I hope to see that approach zero," Porch said. "But any loss within \$100,000 is considered a zero loss."

Porch said the 2010 audit was done and submitted to the state auditor on time, and he thanked the assistance from village staff.

The Village of Capitan 2010 audit can be viewed on the New Mexico State Auditor's Website at saonm.org.

Later in the meeting, trustees authorized Porch and Associates to conduct the 2010-2011 audit, the last year of a three year contract with the company.

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TRAVIS ATWELL, Lincoln County Emergency Services Director, makes an appeal to the Lincoln County Commissioners to purchase the now unused Carrizo Peak microwave tower. Owner of the tower is offering it to the county for \$1,000. Atwell said the tower could be updated with repeaters that would extend county communications into White Oaks, and other northwestern areas of the county that are now considered "dead zones" for radio coverage. Commissioners authorized the purchase, contingent on the county receiving a special use permit from the Forest Service. (Photo by Doris Cherry)



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LINCOLN COUNTY NEWS CALENDAR OF EVENTS

MONDAYS and WEDNESDAYS
--Free GED classes 6 to 8 p.m.
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TUESDAYS
--Capitan Public Library preschool story hour 1:30 p.m.

WEDNESDAYS
--Preschool Story time 10:30am at the Village of Ruidoso Public Library.

--Carrizozo First Baptist Church takes orders for Angel Food Ministries 5:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m.

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

EVERY THIRD THURSDAY
--Village of Corona Public Library 3 to 4 p.m. pre-school story hour, stories, activities, crafts, snacks. Call Betty Ann at 849-3277 for info.

FIRST TUESDAY OF EACH MONTH
--Representative from State Engineer's office is at Ruidoso Village Hall from 9 a.m. to 12 noon.

FIRST THURSDAY OF EACH MONTH
--Roadrunner Food Bank in Carrizozo- at Assembly of God Church for general public 1-3 p.m. and 4-6 p.m.

SECOND TUESDAY OF EACH MONTH
--Food pantry for those age 55 and older at Assembly of God Church in Carrizozo 12 noon to 2:00 p.m.

THIRD SATURDAY OF EACH MONTH
--American Legion Post #11, Wells Fargo Bank in Carrizozo 9:00 a.m.

FOURTH TUESDAY OF EACH MONTH
--Food pantry for age 54 and younger at Assembly of God Church in Carrizozo 12 noon to 2:00 p.m. and 5:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.

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

FRIDAY, MARCH 25
--Enchilada dinner sponsored by the Carrizozo Volunteer Fire Department 4 p.m. to 7 p.m. at Carrizozo Zia Senior Citizens Center, proceeds go to annual Carrizozo fireworks display.

SATURDAY, MARCH 26
--Open Government Seminar at University of New Mexico School of Law 9:30 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Call 888-843-9121 for information and to register.

MONDAY, MARCH 28
--Federated Republican Women of Lincoln County 11:30 a.m. at Ruidoso Senior Center. Bring brown bag lunch. Call 575-430-7258 for information.

--Food served at opening of Alli's Salon next to Roy's Gift Gallery in Carrizozo 11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 30
--Lincoln County Lodger's Tax Committee 10:00 a.m. at Capitan Village Hall.

--Pajama party at Preschool Story time at the Ruidoso Public Library Children's Dept. 10:30 a.m., wear jammies and bring blanket, pillow or sleeping bag and stuffed animal.

THURSDAY, MARCH 31
--Greentree Solid Waste Authority 10:00 a.m. rescheduled from March 22.



SPRING TIME BLOOMS!! Warm temperatures have caused the apricot trees in Carrizozo to begin their annual spring show--filling the air with fragrance and when the wind blows, soft petals. Spring began at 5:10 p.m. Sunday, March 20. (Photo by Doris Cherry)

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Carrizozo Grizzly and Capitan Tiger alumni will meet in a fund-raising game on Friday, April 8 at Laabs Field in Carrizozo with kick-off set for 7:00 p.m.

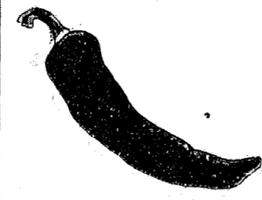
The event is being sponsored by Alumni Football USA and tickets are \$10.00 per person with kids under 5 years of age getting free admission.

The two high school teams will benefit from pre-sold ticket sales only, with each team receiving 50% of said ticket sales. Any monies made from walk-up/gate sales will go to the sponsor (Alumni Football USA). Concession will be open for the game and those proceeds will go to the home team.

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Looking Back

'Through Our Old Files'

As the LINCOLN COUNTY NEWS goes into its 106th year of being in existence, we will be randomly publishing articles from old NEWS files. The following article appeared in the LINCOLN COUNTY NEWS on . . .

Friday, October 19, 1956

Ramblin' Around Lincoln County

Tape Recorded Interviews With People Who Helped Build Lincoln County

Mrs. and Mrs. Sam Dillard (Continued from Last Week)

We bought a ranch in the Jicarillas in February of 1942 and moved there May 19 that year. We were living there when the bomb exploded. We saw the light and heard the detonation. We lived at our Jicarilla ranch until February of 1946 when we bought our cotton farm here at Tularosa.

I've spent almost all my life in New Mexico and it suits me all right. I guess there are better states, but I wouldn't know how to live there. It's pretty dry, windy and dusty in New Mexico, but still we don't have cyclones, and washouts. Of course we don't have washouts because it doesn't rain.

MR. SAM DILLARD (Not Tape Recorded)

Mr. Dillard was born in Bosque county, Texas, January 15, 1886. He left Texas at the age of 8 and moved to Greer county, Oklahoma, where they farmed. When he was 27, Mr. Dillard came to Portales and filed on a homestead. He stayed in Portales four years then, in 1911 went to Estancia and filed on a homestead.

He also worked in the Santa Fe shops in Estancia. After a year and a half he went back to Oklahoma to remain there for 10 years. He came back to this part of the country in 1916. Before going into the ranching business he ran goats in the Oscura and San Andreas mountains.

The Dillards have a 39-acre cotton farm on the east edge of Tularosa. Besides cotton, they raise small grain and have some livestock. It's cotton picking time now and Mr. Dillard estimates the cotton this year will make two bales an acre.

THE END

Friday, November 2, 1956

A tape-recorded interview describing the first jail in Lincoln.

(This interview, describing the first jail in Lincoln County, was made at the home of Mrs. Amelia Church in Roswell, August 18, 1953. It has been loaned to the NEWS through the courtesy of John Boylan, curator of the Old Lincoln County Courthouse Museum. Mrs. Church, now 94, lived in Lincoln from 1873 to 1879.)

Mrs. Amelia Church

Lincoln's first jail was built in 1877, just before the Lincoln County war. It was built about 200 feet in front of our house -- between our house and the river. George Peppin was the contractor. He dug a pit about 20 feet by 10 feet and I suppose about 12 feet deep. They brought pine logs from the Capitan Mountains and peeled them and laid the floor of logs and the walls and the roof down in the pit.

They cut a doorway, called a trap door. The pine logs, as I remember were about 10 inches through. Then they cut a doorway in the roof and they built a ladder, which was removable and could be dragged upstairs.

Then they built two rooms of adobe on this log structure. That was where the jailer and his family lived. The two rooms were the same size as the pit. They had a flat roof and windows like every house. But the pit had nothing not even ventilation.

The first jail occupant was Billy the Kid. He'd been in this pit, as I remember about three weeks. When it was necessary for him to come out, the two guards took him to the back of the hut. When he was put back in they would take the ladder out and close the trap door. The ladder was kept upstairs.

My mother would see the boy when they would take him out and back. She knew that he was only 18 years old and felt so sorry for him. And, of course, coming from Ireland, we always had tea at 5 o'clock. She felt so sorry for the boy that she made a little pot of tea and took it over to the jail and asked the

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Smokey Bear July 4 Parade . . .

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for the insurance for the parade, Strickland said.

She also said that no one from the Chamber had contacted the village for help in paying for the insurance for the 2011 parade.

"I have no idea if anyone will take over the parade," Arnone said.

Years ago, the parade was sponsored by the Lincoln County Fair Association that put on the Stampede, which is that association's major fund raiser.

Attorney Julie Leonard is assisting the Chamber with the closure, Arnone said.

Assets -- money and the chamber owned building on Second Street -- will be divided with a portion going to the Capitan Library and the other portion to the Capitan Woman's Club.

Also, the Chamber's non-profit certificate with the state of New Mexico must be dissolved.

The Chamber had purchased the building to hold Bingo, at one time a major chamber fund raiser. The Bingo games were held for 16 years but discontinued when the Chamber experienced a decline in mem-

bership, and consequently difficulty in finding people willing to serve as officers.

"I would like to thank all of our volunteers and supporters for all the help they have provided to the Chamber and the community of Capitan," Arnone concluded.

Capitan Village Trustees will discuss the future of the parade at their next regular meeting, which will be held on Monday, April 11, Strickland said. "We can't just let this tradition go away," she told THE NEWS.

Village of Capitan . . .

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Also at the March 15 meeting, Trustees authorized village clerk Kay Strickland to research and develop a "Uniform Film Registration" form that will require any film company to register first with the village before filming within village limits. The registration will make sure the film company has liability insurance, Strickland said. "I feel this will benefit the community."

Trustees also:

-Approved a resolution setting per diem rates for 2011; reducing the amount paid for mileage from the previous 55 cents to 50 cents;

-Approved transfer of funds from the senior center project to pay an additional \$6,500 in engineering costs for the alternative bike trail, all within the general fund;

-Okayed a resolution naming a road Horizon Drive, a short dead end road intersects with Deer Trail. The name had also been approved by the county's 911 rural addressing department.

-Approved a resolution requesting \$100,000 to chip seal Buck Drive for 2011-2012 COOP road project with the New Mexico Department of Transportation.

Fairgrounds Rodeo Arena to Get New Livestock Pens

by Doris Cherry

New livestock pens for the Lincoln County Fairgrounds rodeo arena should be installed in time for the start of the county youth rodeo season.

Lincoln County Commissioners at their meeting Tuesday, March 15 in the courthouse in Carrizozo, accepted the low bid of \$70,917.25 for livestock pens from WW Manufacturing in Thomas, Oklahoma. Roswell Livestock was the other bidder coming in at \$80,070.

County manager Tom Stewart said funds to pay for the pens will be taken from the fairgrounds paving project.

County commissioner Mark Doth asked if the bid figures were different than those quoted by the Fair Board members at the Feb. 15 county commission meeting.

Stewart said the bids were close to the amount cited by the fair board members. Stewart said he took the fair board's specifications for drafting the bid request. At the Feb. 15 meeting, officers of the Lincoln County Fair Association Board approached the county commission asking the county to purchase portable livestock pens for the rodeo arena, because the old pens were deteriorating, and the location of the pens was so low rainwater pooled creating unsafe conditions for the livestock.

Fair board officers offered two quotes for the pens. At that meeting, the county commission authorized bids be requested for the pens and ordered Stewart to have the road department help with dirt moving. The dirt portion of the project was completed within two weeks of the Feb. 15 county meeting.

At the March 15 meeting county commissioner Kathryn Minter asked if the bids came from the same firms presented by the fair board members in February.

Stewart said there are very few companies that sell such livestock pens, that being the reason for only two bids.

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THOUGHTS

From the Editor's Desk
by Ruth Hammond

Is Spring All You Hoped It Would Be?

The first day of spring may or may not have been all you hoped, but it was accompanied by wind, wind and more wind, which was less than pleasantly anticipated by most people. Yesterday was less windy but today it is gusty, gusty, gusty.

Anyway, spring has sprung and some major battles are underway. It appears a certain village is sparring with the county and some residents are complaining about schools, and some people are concerned that the state will decrease Medicaid even for terminally ill patients. Which of these situations are most important and why?

Not all plans by the state are being openly publicized even to the very people who may be affected. During the legislative session there was much hoopla over things that shouldn't have been treated as importantly as they were. And yet there is an important meeting tomorrow that has received little publicity and terminally ill patients may be cast aside with no compassion at all.

Governmental officials have a tendency to forget they are public officials, not working for the private sector. They often try to slip things by, all in the guise of "doing what is best for the people" when they are actually trying to prolong their jobs.

Instead of doing governmental business out in the open, too much is conducted behind closed doors, and people will die because of it. Some will say that the meeting tomorrow is not really governmental business, but if they plan to reduce medical services to terminally ill patients what would it be? It certainly isn't compassion.

But the matter of residents complaining about schools is quite different. These are not complaints about poor teaching, but about the lack of communication between parents and schools. One school in another state had the reputation of punishing a student if parents questioned any part of the school curriculum. Is that happening here?

Listening and discussing should be the main gist between school officials and parents. The process is supposed to be to teach students, not use the school for personal gain. And if used for personal gain, will students' education suffer?

Evidently, personal feelings abound any time an individual does not receive anticipated, if not deserved, results. Hopefully villagers will be aware that spring winds blow both directions.

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* Inside the Capitol

by Jay Miller, Syndicated Columnist

SANTA FE --Is one of the few documents involving the world's best-known New Mexican in serious danger?

Yes, we're talking about Billy the Kid. Had Bill Richardson become president, or if Susana Martinez does, perhaps that changes. But until then, The Kid is still on top.

No one may ever have as many books written about him or movies made about him as Billy. From the rankings I have seen, Smokey Bear comes in second.

What's unfortunate about Billy the Kid's life is that there are precious few vestiges of what he was really like. Despite all the books and movies, almost nothing tangible has survived. Billy traveled light, might we say. He didn't have a place to keep his stuff.

By far the best evidence we have about the real Kid is the letters he wrote Gov. Lew Wallace. Wallace carefully saved all those letters and they remained in his collection, at the Indiana Historical Society, in Indianapolis.

In the 1980s, great-grandson William N. Wallace provided two of Billy's 9 known letters to the Lincoln County Heritage Trust. Subsequently, the holdings of that trust became the property of the Hubbard Museum of the American West.

Later, that museum was taken over by the state. At that time, the letters were in a safe in Ruidoso. Concerned about conservation of the letters, author/historian Dr. Gale Cooper and others urged they be transferred to the Fray Angelico Chavez History Library in Santa Fe.

The transfer was accomplished in August 2009 and the letters, in good condition, went on display then safe archiving amid front-page articles calling them an absolute treasure.

And they are just that. Up to that time, historians seemed to be the only people who did not regard The Kid as just an illiterate thug. The letters cast an entirely new light on Billy. He was obviously

articulate, intelligent, polite and well-schooled in penmanship.

The most famous of the letters, written in 1879, was Billy's first correspondence to Gov. Wallace. In it, he sets up the deal in which he would testify in a murder case involving the Lincoln County War aftermath in return for the state dropping charges against him for murder indictments from that war.

But trouble struck that famous letter. While researching her next book on Billy's writings, Cooper learned it had been put on "indefinite display" since last March. And now, Cooper claims it is seriously deteriorating after light exposure for months longer than federal guidelines for paper documents allow. She says it should be taken off display. Museum staff are taking their time.

Cooper says professionals can make exact copies of the letters to put on display, while the originals are preserved in temperature and humidity-controlled darkness. She has offered to pay for the foremost paper conservator in the United States to perform repairs on the original.

She says the museum has refused her offer. She is now getting the Library of Congress and the National Archives involved in the dispute.

The March 1879 letter, Cooper says is the most important of Billy's letters to Wallace, and arguably a national treasure. And it is now in danger of being lost to future generations of aficionados.

And as we know from her eight years of fighting the Billy the Kid Case hoax, she does not give up.

In other New Mexico history news, the Alamogordo Daily News reported Alamogordo historian Dr. Dave Townsend as saying incoming Secretary of State Dianna Duran of Alamogordo was only the second statewide official ever to be elected from Otero County.

Murray Morgan served as commissioner of public lands from 1957-1960. He was elected to two two-year terms.

Former Gov. Ed Mechem was born in Alamogordo and was a playmate of my father's about the time New Mexico became a state. But both moved on to Las Cruces, from where they launched their careers.

WEATHER REPORT

by Jeff Hammond

It will be windy today and windy or breezy tomorrow. The weekend should be sunny and nicer.

The main concern is that the fire danger is extremely high during the windy and breezy days. Please be careful with fire.

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

Today, Thursday, March 24

Sunny, with a high near 71. Windy, with a south wind 10 to 15 mph increasing to between 25 and 30 mph. Winds could gust as high as 40 mph. Night: Mostly clear, with a low around 40. Breezy, with a southwest wind 20 to 25 mph decreasing to between 10 and 15 mph. Winds could gust as high as 35 mph.

Friday, March 25

Sunny, with a high near 68. Breezy, with a southwest wind 10 to 15 mph increasing to between 20 and 25 mph. Winds could gust as high as 35 mph. Night: Mostly clear and breezy, with a low around 37.

Saturday, March 26

Sunny, with a high near 67. Night: Partly cloudy, with a low around 40.

Sunday, March 27

Mostly sunny, with a high near 62. Night: Partly cloudy, with a low around 35.

Monday, March 28

Mostly sunny, with a high near 67. Night: Partly cloudy, with a low around 37.

Tuesday, March 29

Sunny, with a high near 70. Night: partly cloudy with low of 35.

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

Today, Thursday, March 24

Sunny, with a high near 62. Windy, with a southwest wind 10 to 15 mph increasing to between 25 and 30 mph. Winds could gust as high as 40 mph.

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Have A Great Weekend!!



COUNTY COMMISSIONER MARK DOTH (standing) visits with Capitan area resident Duane Williams during a break in the March 21 county commission meeting in Carrizozo. Commissioners appointed Williams to the county Road Review Committee. Williams had previously served on the committee, earning the comments that he was an excellent choice because he was always the one to show up at a road review. (Photo by Doris Cherry)

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TWELFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT
No. CV-10-326
Div. III

CITY BANK NEW MEXICO, a New Mexico
Banking Corporation,
Plaintiff,

-v-
ROBERT GONZALES and MIRNA GONZALES,
Defendants.

**SUPPLEMENTAL
AMENDED
NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE**

NOTICE IS GIVEN that on April 6, 2011, at 10:00 A.M., at the front entrance to the Village of Ruidoso Municipal Building located at 313 Cree Meadows Drive in Ruidoso, New Mexico, the undersigned Special Master will offer for public sale the following described real property to the highest bidder for cash:

Lots 20 and 21, Block 1, RANCHO RUIDOSO VALLEY ESTATES, Lincoln County, New Mexico, as shown by the plat thereof filed in the office of the County Clerk and Ex-officio Reorder of Lincoln County, New Mexico, November 30, 1982, in Cabinet D, Slide Nos. 99 to 103, both inclusive.

The real property described above is unimproved.

The Special Master's sale will be conducted pursuant to the Default Judgment, Decree, Order of Sale and Appointment of Special Master entered by this Court on November 18, 2010, in an action for collection of Plaintiff's Promissory Note and foreclosure of Plaintiff's Mortgage.

Plaintiff's Default Judgment directed foreclosure of the real property to satisfy the following Judgment liens:

Principal, interest and late fees through 04/06/11-----	\$50,491.30
Costs of suit-----	584.85
Attorney fees-----	2,394.15
Special Master's fee-----	325.87
	\$53,796.17

In addition to the judgment liens referred to above, there will be accruing costs, including costs of publication of this notice.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that the Special Master may continue the date of sale without republishing the Notice of Sale by appearing on the date and at the time designated in this notice and announcing the postponement to another specific date.

/s/ Sarah Prothro
Sarah Prothro, Special Master

LEE GRIFFIN & ASSOCIATES, P.C.

By: /s/ Lee Griffin

Lee Griffin
1044 Mechem Drive
Ruidoso, New Mexico 88345
(575) 258-9404
Attorney for Plaintiff

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LEGAL NOTICE

STATE OF NEW MEXICO
COUNTY OF LINCOLN
TWELFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT
Cause No. CV-2010-317 Div. III
Honorable Karen L. Parsons presiding

BONNIE O'LEARY, CONNIE HEWITT,
and ANNA BOSTIC,
Plaintiffs,

v.

SHARA D. GURULE,
MARY JANE MOSELEY,
THE ESTATE OF CHARLOTTE M. BARLOW, a/k/a
CHARLOTTE M. MOSELEY,
and
THE ESTATE OF ALAN W. MOSELEY, Deceased,
Defendants.

NOTICE OF SALE

Notice is hereby given that on the 5th day of April, 2011, at the hour of 9:00 a.m., the undersigned Special Master will, at the main entrance of the Twelfth Judicial District Court located at 300 Central in Carrizozo, New Mexico, sell all right, title and interest of the Defendants, SHARA D. GURULE, MARY JANE MOSELEY, THE ESTATE OF CHARLOTTE M. BARLOW, a/ka/ CHARLOTTE M. MOSELEY, and THE ESTATE OF ALAN W. MOSELEY, Deceased, in and to the hereinafter described real estate to the highest bidder for cash.

The property to be sold is situate in Ruidoso, Lincoln County, New Mexico, and is more particularly described as follows:

Lot 75A, Block 1-A, PALMER GATEWAY SUBDIVISION, Ruidoso, Lincoln County, New Mexico, as shown by the Replat of Lot 75, less and excepting the West 12.0', Block 1-A, Palmer Gateway Subdivision, filed in the office of the County Clerk of Lincoln County,

**PLEASE BE
CAREFUL
WITH
FIRES!**

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New Mexico on August 1, 2000 in Cabinet G, Slide No. 714, as amended by Affidavit recorded January 7, 2003 in said records in Book 301, page 1023.

The Special Master's sale will be conducted pursuant to the Judgment, Decree of Foreclosure, Order for Sale, and Appointment of Special Master entered by this Court on the 2nd day of March, 2011 in an action for collection of a Foreclosure of a Mortgage.

Plaintiff's Judgment directed foreclosure of the real property to satisfy the following Judgment liens as of the date of sale:

Principal and interest through September 13, 2010	\$135,433.86
(Interest accrues at the rate of \$39.62 per day from 9/13/10)	
Cost of suit	\$ 813.21
Attorney's fees (through 2/28/11)	\$ 3,028.70
Special Master's fee	\$ 200.00
TOTAL	\$139,475.77

In addition to the Judgment liens referred to above, there will be accruing costs and interest, including costs of publication of this notice.

The Plaintiff has the right to bid at the sale and to apply all or any part of its respective judgment to the purchase price in lieu of cash.

Notice is further given that the purchaser at such sale shall take title to the above-described real property subject to a one (1) month right of redemption.

PETER BACA
P.O. Box 215
Carrizozo, New Mexico 88301
Tel. (575) 648-9925

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TWELFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT
STATE OF NEW MEXICO
COUNTY OF LINCOLN
No. CV-10-278
Div. III

CITY BANK NEW MEXICO, a New Mexico
Banking Corporation,
Plaintiff,

-v-

MONROE LAND COMPANY, LLC, a New
Mexico Limited Liability Company,
Defendant.

NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE

NOTICE IS GIVEN that on April 20, 2011, at 10:00 A.M., at the front entrance to the Village of Ruidoso Municipal Building located at 313 Cree Meadows Drive in Ruidoso, New Mexico, the undersigned Special Master will offer and sell at public sale the following described real property to the highest bidder for cash:

Tract 18, COPPER CANYON, 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, July 7, 2004, in Cabinet I, Slide No. 87.

The real property is unimproved and has no physical address.

The Special Master's sale will be conducted pursuant to the Stipulated Judgment, Decree, Order of Sale and Appointment of Special Master entered by this Court on March 15, 2011, in an action for collection of a Promissory Note and foreclosure of a Mortgage securing the Note.

Plaintiff's Judgment directed foreclosure of the real property and improvements to satisfy the following Judgment liens:

Principal, interest and late charges through 4/20/11	\$144,659.37
Costs of suit	459.31
Special Master's fee	325.87
Attorney fees	5,068.93
	\$150,513.48

In addition to the Judgment liens referred to above, there will be accruing costs, including costs of publication of this 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.

/s/ Sarah Prothro
Sarah Prothro, Special Master

LEE GRIFFIN & ASSOCIATES, P.C.

By: /s/ Lee Griffin

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(505) 258-9404
Attorney for Plaintiff

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LEGAL NOTICE

IN THE TWELFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT
STATE OF NEW MEXICO
COUNTY OF LINCOLN
PROBATE NO. PB-2011-01

IN THE MATTER OF THE
LAST WILL AND TESTAMENT

OF

BLAIR B. HALLADAY,
DECEASED

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned has been appointed Personal Representative of the above estate. All persons having claims against this estate are required to present their claims within two (2) months after the date of the first

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publication of this Notice or the claims will be forever barred. Claims must be presented either to the undersigned Personal Representative at the Offices of Heidel, Samberson, Newell, Cox & McMahon, Post Office Drawer 1599, Lovington, New Mexico 88260, or filed with the District Court.

DATED 3/4, 2011.

Terry Keith Halladay
Personal Representative
c/o Heidel, Samberson, Newell,
Cox & McMahon
Post Office Drawer 1599
Lovington, New Mexico 88260
Telephone: (575) 396-5303

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LEGAL NOTICE

STATE OF NEW MEXICO
COUNTY OF LINCOLN
TWELFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT
Cause No. CV-2011-29 Div. III
Honorable Karen L. Parsons presiding

FNF NEW MEXICO, LLC
a New Mexico Limited Liability Company,
Plaintiff,

v.

DON MURPHY, Individually and as a
Member of Avalon-Construction Ruidoso, LLC
and
AVALON-CONSTRUCTION RUIDOSO, LLC
a New Mexico Limited Liability Company,
Defendants.

**SUMMONS AND NOTICE OF
PENDENCY OF ACTION**

THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO: TO ALL OF THE ABOVE CAPTIONED/NAMED DEFENDANTS:

GREETINGS: You are hereby notified that FNF NEW MEXICO, LLC, a New Mexico Limited Liability Company, the Plaintiff herein, has filed an action in the District Court of Lincoln County, New Mexico wherein you are named as Defendants and wherein said Plaintiff seeks to obtain constructive service upon you.

The general subject of said action is to Foreclose a Mortgage which is secured by that certain real estate which is the subject matter of the above-captioned and numbered cause of action and is described as follows:

TRACT 7, THE AVALON TRACTS, RUIDOSO DOWNS, LINCOLN COUNTY, NEW MEXICO AS SHOWN BY THE PLAT OF THE AVALON TRACTS, LOCATED IN SECTION 30, TOWNSHIP 11 SOUTH, RANGE 14 EAST, N.M.P.M., RECORDED IN THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY CLERK OF LINCOLN COUNTY, NEW MEXICO ON MAY 24, 2005, IN CABINET 1, SLIDE NO. 304, TOGETHER WITH ALL TENEMENTS, HEREDITAMENTS, AND APPURTENANCES THEREUNTO BELONGING, AND THE RENTS, ISSUES, AND PROFITS THEREOF.

You are further notified that unless you enter your appearance, plead or otherwise respond in said cause on or before the last date of publication of this Notice which has been published once a week for three consecutive weeks, judgment will be rendered against you by default and the relief prayed for in the Complaint will be granted to Plaintiff in conformity with the allegations of the Plaintiff's Complaint.

The name and address of the attorney for the Plaintiff is as follows: Alan P. Morel, Alan P. Morel, P.A., Post Office Box 1030, Ruidoso, New Mexico 88355-1030.

WITNESS my hand and seal of the Twelfth Judicial District Court of Lincoln County, New Mexico on this the 15th day of March, 2011.

JAN PERRY
Court Administrator/
District Court Clerk

(Seal)

By: Margie Lueras
Deputy

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LEGAL NOTICE

C.O. Rominger Company, Inc. closed. New company name is ROMCO, LLC, real estate sales and appraisals. Effective 03-01-11.

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Weather . . .

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Night: Mostly clear, with a low around 37. Windy, with a west wind between 20 and 30 mph, with gusts as high as 40 mph.

Friday, March 25

Sunny, with a high near 57. Windy, with a west wind 15 to 20 mph increasing to between 25 and 30 mph. Winds could gust as high as 40 mph. Night: Mostly clear and windy, with a low around 36.

Saturday, March 26

Mostly sunny, with a high near 57. Night: Partly cloudy, with a low around 36.

Sunday, March 27

Mostly sunny, with a high near 54. Night: Partly cloudy, with a low around 32.

Monday, March 28

Mostly sunny, with a high near 58. Night: Partly cloudy, with a low around 38.

Tuesday, March 29

Sunny, with a high near 62. night: partly cloudy with low of 32.

The above information was taken from the National Weather Service Website.

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pumping (by Ruidoso) may have on hydrologic resources in the North Fork Basin, including potential cumulative effects downstream in the larger Eagle Creek watershed," the county's comment letter begins.

The letter goes on to state that "since a large part of the growth of the (Ruidoso) area was based on the water rights numbers (for the Eagle Creek watershed) which have been proven to be erroneous and the Village of Ruidoso's past ability to abuse the watershed to its current state of negative impact, Lincoln County is greatly concerned about the outcome of the Forest Service EIS."

The comment letter also states that due to the lack of infrastructure planning for the village for the past 20+ years, Ruidoso has "put the whole area in a precarious position" with a recent statement by the village manager that supplying the village with water was more important than having water in the stream.

"That does not sound like an applicant that understands the necessity to protect and enhance water for the area," the comment letter states.

Lincoln County agrees that a new permit, if issued, should include additional terms and conditions

for adaptive management to insure management objectives are met. However, Lincoln County does not believe that the applicant should do its own monitoring. The Forest Service is charged to do that."

March 21 was the deadline published in the federal register for comments on the EIS.

County commissioners discussed the letter at their March 15 meeting, but tabled action on the letter at the request of county chair Eileen Sedillo who asked that the meeting be recessed until March 21 due to a family emergency.

Also on March 15, Battin had asked that Ruidoso officials be given time to speak on the issue before the county commission made a decision.

On Monday, March 21, when county commissioners continued their meeting, Sedillo only allowed two officials from Ruidoso to speak to the issue.

Ruidoso Mayor Tom Alcorn said the county commission's official comments supporting the reduced pumping and other recommendations in the EIS will impact "all residents of southern Lincoln County."

"More than 60 percent of the Village of Ruidoso's water supply comes from its Eagle Creek wells," Alcorn said. "If the village loses its ability to use the wells it will have to go downstream (to purchase water rights) and that will create a negative impact."

The mayor was concerned that there were two versions of the county comments, the first which was very unfavorable toward the village, and the second which was more favorable.

"The first letter, (signed by county manager Tom Stewart), was released to the media," Alcorn said. "That did us a big favor because now the citizens of Ruidoso and the county can be aware of what is going on."

Alcorn then requested that the county commission work with the village to file comments "jointly with Ruidoso to address the needs of all residents in Lincoln County."

He said that due to the complexity of the issue, the village requested more time to file comments. "We want all the information to be available for everyone to see both sides of the issue," Alcorn added.

At the meeting with Alcorn were Ruidoso water team members retired judge Alvin Jones, Roger Perry, Jack Atkins and Frank Potter.

Jones was the only other person to speak for Ruidoso. Jones said hydrology in Eagle Creek is very complex, and statements that the pumping of the wells negatively affecting the surface flow of water in the stream were not proven to be accurate.

Also, if Ruidoso is required to reduce the number of acre feet of water from the wells as proposed in the EIS, the village will have to replace these water rights at a cost of \$15-

18 million. "500 acre feet is enough water to supply 1,500 homes for a year", Jones said.

Jones concluded his comments by saying that the village had contacted Congressman Steve Pearce about the issue, and the congressman was requesting the Forest Service extend the comment period.

"We ask that the county commission allow the village of Ruidoso to provide input in the comments," Jones concluded.

County commis-

sioner Sedillo thanked the Ruidoso officials for their input on the "very important issue," and suggested the county and Ruidoso conduct a water forum to help people better understand the issues about water. Then she called for a motion to table the comment letter until later in the meeting.

Battin questioned why they should take action on the comment letter, rather than discussing it then.

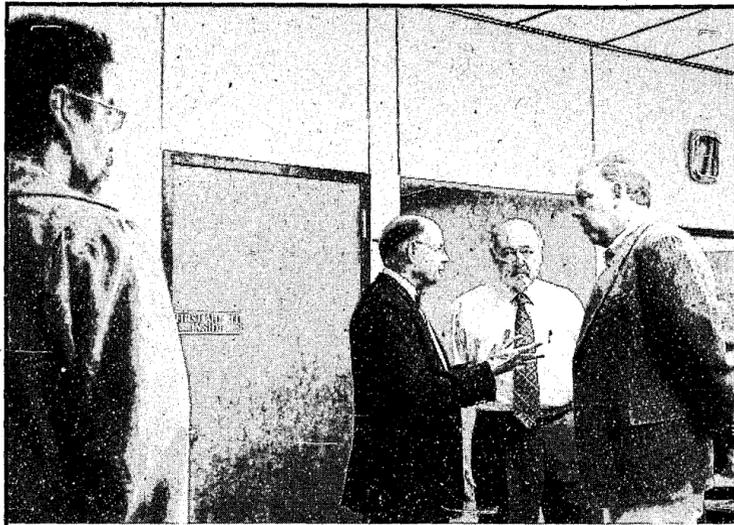
Sedillo said it was to consider the

comments from Ruidoso, and information that Powell had brought from a RC&D Forum in Utah she attended the week prior.

"If the purpose of tabling this is to consider additional information and time to digest it," Battin continued. "I'd rather schedule a special meeting just for this issue, if we are comfortable about the extension on the deadline date."

Sedillo though was not comfortable with just word that the

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COUNTY COMMISSIONER TOM BATTIN talks with Village of Ruidoso mayor Tom Alcorn, and retired Judge Alvin Jones as Ruidoso Village Councillor Rafael Salas looks on during a break in the March 21 county commission meeting, where Battin was the only no vote in a motion to approve comments regarding the extension of the special use permit for the village's Eagle Creek wells. (Photo by Doris Cherry)

THE MAYORS CORNER:

I hope everyone is enjoying the warm weather. Now if we could just have some wind that would make it perfect. Remember the town cleanup is scheduled for Saturday May 14, mark your calendar.

Town foreman Joey Thornton told the council Monday night that during the "big freeze" they replaced 42 water meter plates. He was not sure how many meters they thawed out and did not require the meter replacement. They are still working on meter problems and busted lines so please bear with us. He said we were without Bonito water for approximately one month because of a valve that froze. When this happens the water supply comes from the town's wells. The water meets or exceed EPA standards and is constantly monitored.

Linda Zamora spoke to the council about the Alumni football game scheduled for 7:00 p.m. April 8th. The Carrizozo Grizzlies will take on the Capitan Tigers. There is much planned in preparation for the event. There will be no parking allowed on 10th Street between B and C Avenues. In support of the Grizzly's, Friday the day of the game, it is requested that everyone wear the school colors of red and white. If you buy the tickets to the game before game time, the money will go back to the school and the athletic department. The current football team and the Alumni football team are selling the tickets. You can also contact Pat Ventura at 575-973-4970 and he will get you some tickets. They are \$10 each and children under five years old are free. If you have any questions or need help decorating, contact Linda at 575-973-8690 or Kelly at 648-3277.

Remember the Fire Department is having their Enchilada Dinner from 4:00 to 7:00 p.m. Friday 3/25. The proceeds go to the annual fireworks display and any other projects the fire department does for the town.

There was discussion on the town supporting the Film tax Credit Incentive Economic Impact Study Resolution. This resolution was not presented in time to put on last month's agenda. The legislative session is over and this bill passed with some changes. The trustees voted unanimously not to endorse this resolution.

I presented the name of John Parker for appointment to the position of Chief of Police. The council voted unanimously to support my recommendation for appointment. Mr. Parker most recently was Chief of Police in Dillingham, Alaska. He has approximately 30 years experience in Law Enforcement as an officer, Chief of Police and college professor. Mr. Parker will assume those duties during the week of March 28th.

Planning and Zoning have been very busy. There are rules when major construction or renovation takes place within the town. As residents we are required to follow those rules. A packet containing those requirements is available at City Hall. Contact numbers are contained in the packet. If you are planning a project, pick up a packet and save yourself delays.

I want to thank Rose Wheeler and Michael Kassel Sr. for helping us prepare for our presentation for a grant to make Central Avenue ADA compliant. Internationally known photographer Richard Bryant contributed his expertise and Ray Dean assisted in developing the presentation. I appreciate all that they did. To refresh your memory, we are seeking \$300K from the New Mexico Department of Transportation. This is phase 1 of a \$900K project. ADA compliant sidewalks, streetlights, benches, trash receptacles, paving of Central Avenue and improvements on 12th Street are the goals of this project.

CHURCH DIRECTORY

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| <p>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.</p> | <p>ANGUS CHURCH OF THE NAZARENE
Serving All of Lincoln County
Rick Hutchingson, 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
and
Children's Church . . . 10:30 a.m.
Family Workshop . . . 6:00 p.m.
WEDNESDAY
Community Dinner . . . 6:00 p.m.
Adult Classes, Youth Games and Study,
Kids Klub . . . 7:30 p.m.</p> |
| <p>RUIDOSO DOWNS
FIRST SOUTHERN 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
Wednesday Community Dinner
6:30 p.m.
Kids Activities . . . 5:30 p.m.</p> | <p>UNITED METHODIST CHURCHES
1000 D Avenue, Carrizozo
648-2893
Jean Riley, Pastor
Worship Service . . . 11:00 a.m.
2nd Sunday Breakfast . . . 10:00 a.m.
4th Sunday Fellowship Dinner . . . 12:00 p.m.</p> |
| <p>ANCHO COMMUNITY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
Worship . . . 9:00 a.m.
Sunday School . . . 10:00 a.m.</p> | <p>CAPITAN
3rd and White Oaks
575-354-2288
Jean Riley, Pastor
Worship Service . . . 9:00 p.m.
Fellowship Time . . . 10:15 a.m.
Adult Sunday School . . . 11:00 a.m.
3rd Sunday Fellowship Dinner</p> |
| <p>CORONA UNITED PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
Sunday School . . . 10:00 a.m.
Worship . . . 11:00 a.m.</p> | <p>CAPITAN CHRIST COMMUNITY FELLOWSHIP
420 Lincoln Avenue
Joshua Watkins, 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.</p> |
| <p>CARRIZOZO FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH
Hayden Smith, Pastor
314 10th Avenue
648-2968 Church or 648-207
Sunday School . . . 9:45 a.m.
Worship Service . . . 10:55 a.m.
Sunday Evening . . . 6:00 p.m.
AWANAS . . . Wednesday 6:00 p.m.
(September - April)</p> | <p>CAPITAN CHURCH OF CHRIST
420 Lincoln Avenue
Joshua Watkins, 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.</p> |
| <p>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.</p> | <p>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 . . . 1st Sunday of Month</p> |
| <p>SANTA RITA CATHOLIC COMMUNITY
Carrizozo / Capitan / Corona
213 Birch - Carrizozo, NM 88301
575-648-2853
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 a.m.</p> | <p>GRACE FELLOWSHIP IN CHRIST
Corona, New Mexico
Terry Aiello, Pastor / 849-0105
Worship . . . 9:30 a.m.</p> |
| <p>CARRIZOZO ST. MATTHIAS EPISCOPAL CHURCH
Corner of E Avenue and 6th
Rev. Canon Peter Sanderson,
Priest in Charge
Holy Eucharist . . . Sunday 9:30 a.m.</p> | <p>CLAUNCH COMMUNITY CHURCH
Tony Scaccia, Minister
849-1402
Second Saturday of Each Month 9:00 a.m.</p> |
| | <p>WHITE OAKS COMMUNITY CHURCH
(Non-Denominational)
Sunday Worship . . . 11:00 a.m.</p> |

Looking Back

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Ramblin' Around Lincoln County

Mrs. Amelia Church

jailer to give it to the little boy that was in the jail. He never knew who sent it, or anything about it.

There was half a vacant lot between our house and Juan Patron's house. I think Billy the Kid had been in jail about three weeks when one night my mother woke me up and said, "Listen! Listen to the horses!" They were going through this half lot, between our house and Juan Patron's. We wondered what had happened. In about 15 minutes they came back and went up over the mountains to Ruidoso. They evidently came down and went back over the same trail. The next morning we hear his friends had taken the Kid out.

Who the men were we don't know, but they had the jailer to open the jail and they took the Kid out and took him home.

The Kid had been brought up to Lincoln from the Chisum ranch. He had worked for Chisum and they had fallen out in a settlement. That was before the Lincoln County War.

I don't think there was ever anybody in that jail but the Kid. He was the first one. Oh, there was lots of talk about drowning people in there and they talked about drowning the Kid. They didn't have any water there, but it ran along the edge of the mountains. A big ditch at the foot of a hill supplied water for the whole town. We could cut a trench any place in the ditch and water our gardens and everything, and we were higher than the jail. The jail was down at least ten feet from where our foundation was. And they used to talk about it that they could turn the ditch and drown anybody in there.

We left Lincoln about five years afterwards and the jail was standing then. About five years later, I went through Lincoln and the jail was gone. It was all leveled.

A marker put up by the Old Lincoln County Memorial Commission identifies the site of the pit carcel.

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deadline was extended, because there was nothing in "black and white."

Powell dismissed any further discussion when she "called for the question" on the motion to table the comments.

Minter said she did not want the discussion about the comment letter to dominate the meeting.

When the 4-1 vote came with Battin voting no on the table, Ruidoso officials left the meeting room.

Some Ruidoso officials stayed until after lunch when county commissioners took up the issue again.

Powell made the motion to approve the comments on the EIS, Minter seconded the motion. Again Battin asked for more time, as the new forest ranger David Warnack who had been introduced before lunch had assured them that the comment period would be extended.

"I suggest we take more time because this is an extremely important issue and it could have devastating effects on the whole of Lincoln County," Battin said.

County attorney Alan Morel advised commissioners that he could only go by what is published in the federal register, and that deadline was March 21. "There is no reason to disbelieve the others," Morel said. "But as an attorney I recommend you go with the published date."

Minter thanked everyone from both sides who contacted her about the issue. She said she had been "working in water" since she had moved to Lincoln County and had served on the Ranches of Sonterra water board. "I'm ready to vote today," she said.

As with the motion to table, the motion to approve the comments and submit them to the forest service that day was approved with Sedillo, Powell, Doth and Minter voting yes, and Battin voting no.

Morel said if the comment period was extended officially, the county could provide supplemental or amendments to its response comments.

Greentree Opens New Collection Center

The Greentree Solid Waste Authority (GSWA) has opened its new Loma Grande collection center for all residents in the Highway 37 - Nogal Mesa area. The site, known as the Loma Grande Collection Center, takes the place of all solid waste dumpsters which have now been removed from along Highway 37 at the insistence in 2007 of the New Mexico Department of Transportation (NMDOT).

The exact location of the compactor is next to the intersection of Highway 37 and the Wolf Springs Loop county road. A sign with three-step compactor operating instructions sign are posted on the compactor compartment door as well as other instructions posted on the site fence.

The site is a one-way drive-in, drive-out site directing residents to drive onto the site pad, stop, toss trash sacks into the compactor compartment and then, to drive off and out of the site. The compactor is to be used for household trash and garbage from inside the house only.

Highway 37 solid waste disposal sites have been one of the largest illegal dumping locations in Lincoln County for years and have fre-

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Obituary



MARY LEE MORRIS

A memorial gathering for Mary Lee Morris, 82, of Roswell was March 15 at Anderson-Bethany Funeral Home and Crematory in Roswell. Mary passed away March 10.

Mary was born January 1, 1929 to Ernest W. Purcella and Minnie Bell Shears in Littlefield, Texas. She worked as a CNA at Ruidoso Hondo Valley Hospital and Casa Maria Nursing home.

She is survived by three daughters: Ida Fay Hobbs of El Paso, TX, Leona Lee Montoya, of Roswell and Mildred Ruth Morris of Capitan; her brother Ernest Wayne Purcella of Waterflow, NM; five granddaughters: four great granddaughters: two great grandsons and a great grandson.

Mary was preceded in death by her parents Ernest and Minnie Bell Shears and two brothers, Roy Spencer Purcella and Luther Wilson Purcella.

Share your thoughts and memories with the family in the online register book at andersonbethany.com

Services are under the direction of Anderson-Bethany Funeral Home and Crematory.

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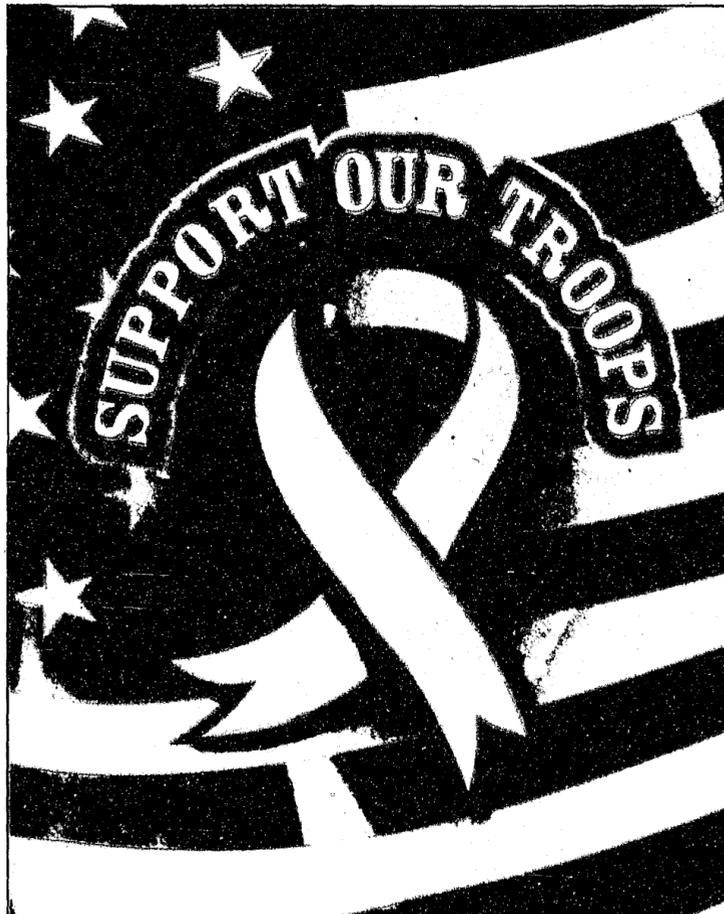
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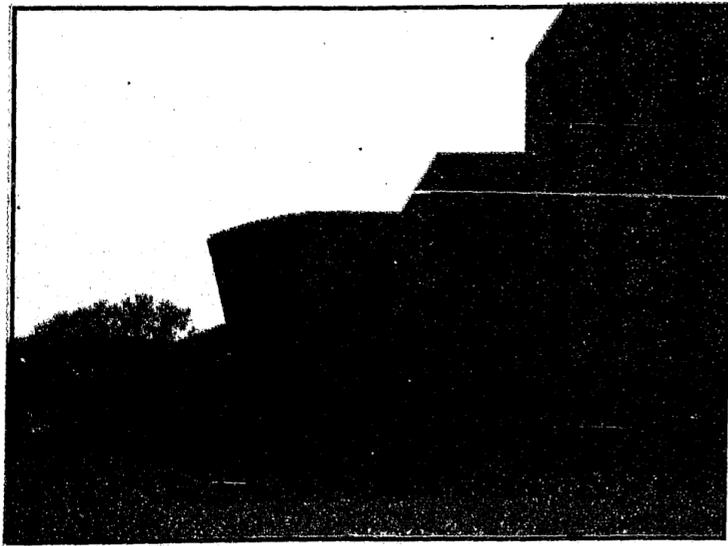
2011 GRIZZLY TRACK SCHEDULE

DATE	PLACE	WHERE	TIME
Fri., Mar. 18	Demon Relays	Dexter	2:00PM
Sat., Mar. 26	Alfalfa Relays	Hagerman	8:00AM
Fri., Apr. 1	Slade Relays	Tularosa	2:00PM
Tues. Apr. 5	Menaul Relays	Albuquerque	2:00PM
Sat. Apr. 9	Cloudcroft Invitational	Cloudcroft	8:00AM
Fri. Apr. 15	Grizzly Relays	Carrizozo	2:00PM
Sat. Apr. 16	Warrior Relays	Ruidoso	8:00AM
Thurs., Apr. 21	Tiger Relays	Capitan	2:00PM
Tues., Apr. 26	Zozo Qualifier	Carrizozo	2:00PM
Sat., Apr. 30	Dist. 7-1A Meet	Carrizozo	8:30AM
May 6 & 7	State Track Meet	Albuquerque	TBD

Jr. High Schedule

DATE	PLACE	WHERE	TIME
Fri., Apr. 1	Magdalena	There	2:00PM
Tues., Apr. 5	Mountainair	There	2:00PM
Tues., Apr. 5	Grizzly Jr. Relays	Here	2:00PM
Thurs., Apr. 14	Brave Relays	Ruidoso HS	1:30PM
Tues., Apr. 19	Tiger Cub Relays	Capitan	2:00PM





JUST TOYS ARE LEFT close to Carrizozo School FFA building, after two 1,250 fuel tanks were moved from a location only 4 feet from the building. The tanks are now located at the Carrizozo Schools FFA farm on Schlarb Road. (Photo by Doris Cherry)

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.
January 9

7:58 p.m. Medical call at residence on Little Creek Road in Alto, ALS ambulance dispatched.
January 10
8:41 a.m. Warrant service at Lincoln County Detention Center (LCDC)

on Airport Street in Carrizozo, deputy dispatched.

9:23 a.m. Warrant service at LCDC on Airport Street in Carrizozo, deputy dispatched.

1:18 p.m. Fire/burning without permit reported at location on Gavilan Canyon Road in Alto, deputy dispatched.

3:24 p.m. Medical call at location on Pinehurst Road in Alto, Advanced Life Support (ALS) ambulance dispatched.

10:04 p.m. Suspicious activity reported at Capitan post office on Smokey Bear Boulevard in Capitan, police dispatched.

January 11

12:47 a.m. Medical call at residence on B Avenue in Carrizozo, ambulance dispatched.

8:52 a.m. Children Youth and Family Department (CYFD) referral from residence on Reynolds Court in Palo Verde, deputy dispatched.

4:19 p.m. Medical call at location on Ski Run Road in Alto, ALS ambulance dispatched.

5:02 p.m. harassment reported at location on Pine Point Trail in Alto, deputy dispatched.

5:37 p.m. Medical call at residence on Coyote Station Lane in Carrizozo, ambulance and deputy dispatched.

5:49 p.m. Medical call at residence on North Gun Powder Road Trail in Ruidoso, ALS ambulance dispatched.

6:38 p.m. Disturbance reported at location on El Valle Loop in San Patricio, deputy dispatched.

8:01 p.m. Warrant service at LCDC on Airport Street in Carrizozo, deputy dispatched.

8:15 p.m. Traffic hazard reported at mille marker 296 on Hwy 70 in Tinnie, deputy dispatched.

9:18 p.m. Dog reported running loose on West Third Street in Capitan, police dispatched.

January 12

12:13 a.m. Information report at location on Eagle Creek in Alto, deputy dispatched.

8:10 a.m. CYFD referral from residence on Elk Trail in Nogal, deputy dispatched.

11:27 a.m. Warrant service at LCDC on Airport Street in Carrizozo, deputy dispatched.

3:05 p.m. Dog reported running loose on West Second Street in Capitan, police dispatched.

4:36 p.m. Domestic battery reported at residence on Little Creek Road in Rancho Ruidoso Valley Estates, deputy dispatched.

5:05 p.m. Accident reported at location on Little Creek Road in Rancho Ruidoso Valley Estates, deputy dispatched.

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STATE OF NEW MEXICO
COUNTY OF LINCOLN
TWELFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT
No. D-1226-CV-2010-00293

KONDAUR CAPITAL CORPORATION,

Plaintiff,

vs.

JERRY A. MEAD, JOAN L. MEAD, WELLS FARGO BANK, N.A., AND ALTO MESA BUILDERS, INC.,

Defendants.

NOTICE OF SALE

Notice is hereby given that on April 19, 2011, at the hour of 10:00 am the undersigned Special Master, will, at the North Side entrance of the Lincoln County Courthouse, at 300 Central, Carrizozo, NM 88301, sell all of the rights, title and interest of the above-named Defendants, in and to the hereinafter described real estate to the highest bidder for cash. The property to be sold is located at 308 Lake Shore Drive, Alto, New Mexico 88312, (if there is a conflict between the legal description and the street address, the legal description shall control) and is more particularly described as follows:

Lot 45, Block 3, of LAKE SIDE ESTATES SUBDIVISION, Lincoln County, New Mexico, as shown by the plat thereof filed in the office of the County Clerk and Ex-officio Recorder of Lincoln County, New Mexico, on June 12, 1964,

including any improvements, fixtures, and attachments, such as, but not limited to, mobile homes. Subject to all taxes, utility liens and other restrictions and easements of record, and subject to a one (1) month right of redemption by the Defendants upon entry of an order approving sale. The foregoing sale will be made to satisfy an in rem foreclosure judgment rendered by this Court in the above-entitled and numbered cause on March 15, 2011, being an action to foreclose a mortgage on the above-described property. The Plaintiff's in rem judgment is \$573,501.95, and the same bears interest at the rate of 7.5000% per annum, which accrues at the rate of \$117.84 per diem, commencing on February 16, 2011, with the Court reserving entry of final in rem judgment as to Defendants Jerry A. Mead and Joan L. Mead for the amount due after foreclosure sale, for costs and attorney's fees, plus interest as may be assessed by the Court. The Plaintiff has the right to bid at such sale all of its in rem judgment amount and submit its bid verbally or in writing. The Plaintiff may apply all or any part of its in rem judgment to the purchase price in lieu of cash. The sale may be postponed and rescheduled at the discretion of the Special Master.

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

NOW, THEREFORE, notice is hereby given that in the event that said property is not sooner redeemed, the undersigned will as set forth above, offer for sale and sell to the highest bidder for cash or equivalent, the lands and improvements described above for the purpose of satisfying, in the adjudged order of priorities, the in rem judgment described herein and decree of foreclosure together with any additional costs and attorney's fees, costs of advertisement and publication, a reasonable receiver and Special Master's fee to be fixed by the Court. The total amount of the in rem judgment due is \$573,501.95, plus interest to and including date of sale of \$7,423.92 for a total in rem judgment plus interest of \$580,925.87. Sale is subject to the entry of an order of the Court approving the terms and conditions of this sale.

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

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