

# Fire Threatens Ruidoso

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## Wind Driven White Fire Blackens 10,000+ Acres, Destroys 5 Homes

by Doris Cherry

Federal firefighting crews continue their attempts to contain the 10,000+ acre White Fire, that started around 1:30 p.m. Sunday, April 3, in the midst of a spring wind event. By Tuesday firefighters had the fire 20 percent contained, helped by lighter winds and cold temperatures on Monday, and moderate winds and temperatures again on Tuesday.

It was a different story on Sunday, April 3, when winds up to 60 miles per hour quickly drove the small fire that started on the east side of the 400 block of Gavilan Canyon Road near Ruidoso (locat-

ed in the county), into a conflagration.

Winds from the southwest quickly drove the fire up out of Gavilan Canyon into the dry hillsides, burning east into the old Cree Fire scars, and down into the canyons behind the Ruidoso Downs Race Track and Casino.

Reports are that the paved parking lot at the track stopped the fire, kept the facilities from being destroyed or damaged.

Five residences were not so lucky, as three homes, outbuildings and stables in the Ruidoso Downs area were destroyed, in addition to two homes west of the Fox Cave area on Highway 70.

The fire caused both mandatory and voluntary evacuations of several residential areas along Gavilan Canyon, in Ruidoso Downs and along Highway 70 to Fox Cave.

Shelters were set up at the Gateway Church of Christ in Ruidoso and Angus Nazarene Camp, in Bonito.

Gavilan Canyon Road and Highway 70 in the Ruidoso Downs area were closed on Sunday, but were reopened by Monday morning.

Ruidoso Schools were closed on Monday as a precaution.

Lincoln County Manager Tom Stewart told *THE NEWS* that

Travis Atwood, Lincoln County Emergency Services manager and his assistant Joe Kenmore heard the report of the fire on their police scanner and were the first to arrive at the scene. They tried to put out what was then a small fire, but high winds quickly whipped the fire beyond what the men could contain, and they requested assistance.

Firefighters from Bonito Volunteer Fire Department, Ruidoso Fire Department, and Ruidoso Downs Fire Department, and the New Mexico State Forestry Division responded.

At the request of Atwood and Kenmore, who are also certified fire investigators, the county's

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### County Under Temporary Fire Ban

No outdoor burning is allowed in County at this time

Lincoln County Manager Tom Stewart advised *THE NEWS* that he and county emergency manager Travis Atwood have issued a temporary ban on all outdoor burning in Lincoln County, because of the extreme fire danger created by drought, high winds, warm temperatures, and recent wildfire.

Under the ban,

the county will not issue permits for any outdoor open burning for any purpose, Stewart said.

On April 19, Stewart will request the Lincoln County Commission approve a resolution formally imposing a ban on outdoor open burning in the unincorporated areas of the county.

However, Stewart is concerned about the resolution's provision for permitting outdoor burning. "I will advise the county commission that I plan on not issuing any permits for outdoor open burning," Stewart added.

The county has citing authority under the temporary and the formal resolution imposed fire restrictions for anyone caught conducting an open outdoor burn.

### Humane Society Shelter Spared Fire Damage

There were 70 cats and dogs in the Humane Society of Lincoln County shelter on Gavilan Canyon Road last Sunday, who spent the night at a different sort of shelter that night.

Shelter managers Emily Parker and Trish Watson were called Sunday afternoon and asked to evacuate the shelter because of its proximity to the White Fire that broke out around 1:30 p.m. on the 400 Block of Gavilan Canyon Road.

"We got to the shelter around 2 p.m.," Parker said. "And with the help of the society board members, shelter volunteers, Ruidoso animal control and just volunteers we got about 70 cats and dogs packed into crates by 2:30 p.m. and we evacuated to the Angus Church (in Bonito)."

They remained at the Angus location that night, Parker added, because they had too few volunteers to help and because the animals were agitated.

By the next morning, they had returned to the shelter, which had not been damaged.

Parker said when they were evacuating Sunday, the smoke at the shelter was not too thick, as the winds had shifted the fire from blowing to the north, to blowing to the east. But smoke was thick down Gavilan Road. "It was pretty scary," Parker said. "The fire was moving so fast."

### OCEC Back To Normal

Otero County Electric Cooperative (OCEC) is thanking its customers for their cooperation in conserving electricity because of damage to poles from the White Fire.

OCEC manager of member services Clint Gardner told *THE NEWS* that OCEC crews have restored all of its poles burned in the White Fire on Sunday, and had switched the Alto area back through the Biscuit Hill substation on Hwy 70.

Gardner said burned poles were located in forest areas between Alto and Biscuit Hill substation, a rough location in the middle of the fire.

Burned poles caused a 3-4 hour power outage for Alto Sunday.

In order to restore power to the Alto area, OCEC switched Alto onto the Capitan substation. With the single substation carrying the load for Alto, Capitan, Nogal, and Carrizozo areas, OCEC requested its customers in those areas to conserve electricity.



Lincoln County Clerk Rhonda Burrows updates the County Commission about redistricting, and advised that in the future the County will most likely have "vote centers" that consolidate voting polls as a way to reduce election costs. (photo by Doris Cherry)

## Vote Centers May Be Coming To County

by Doris Cherry

A bill was approved by the state legislature to allow counties to consolidate precincts into election day "vote centers" as a way to cut election costs.

County Clerk Rhonda Burrows told Lincoln County Commissioners at their meeting March 21, that the majority of the state's county clerks support the vote center idea because 30-50 percent of voters do early or absentee voting.

"It is burdensome to staff, and to provide supplies for a precinct that gets only nine to 12 voters on election day," Burrows said. "The vote center will work just like the current Early Vote site, which uses technology to prevent over voting."

"I personally am a strong proponent for the voting centers," Burrows said. "I foresee six or seven vote centers for Lincoln

County."

Corona would still have a voting site because of its location, as would the Hondo area, Burrows said. There would also be voting centers in Capitan, Ruidoso Downs, Ruidoso, Alto and Carrizozo.

"We will have to look at how many miles people would have to travel to vote, and for suitable locations," Burrows continued. "We should look at this as a potentially great thing."

Rio Rancho will be using voting centers in its municipal election, which will give an opportunity to see how the voting center concept works, Burrows said. She used the multi-voting sites within the Ruidoso Civic Center as an example of a situation in the county that is already almost a voting center.

With recruitment of poll

workers becoming harder to do, Burrows said the vote centers will reduce the number of poll workers, who will be allowed to work in split shifts. Currently, poll workers are not allowed to leave the poll once the polls open.

In answering a question on whether the voting centers will impact how results are reported, Burrows said state statutes require election reports be done by precinct, so that will not change.

Another advantage of the vote centers is in the very small precinct where the "secrecy of the vote" is not so good, because the poll workers know all the voters, Burrows said.

"On the other hand," county commissioner Kathryn Minter responded. "When you walk into the polls, they know you."



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## LINCOLN COUNTY NEWS CALENDAR OF EVENTS

**MONDAYS and WEDNESDAYS**  
--Free GED classes 6 to 8 p.m. Carrizozo School Library

**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, APRIL 8**  
--Child Find developmental screening for infants through five years old, kindergarten registration and Head Start registration, Tularosa Elementary School

8:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. Bring child's birth certificate and immunization record.

**MONDAY, APRIL 11**  
--Carrizozo Town Council 6:00 p.m.  
--Capitan Village Council 6:30 p.m.

**TUESDAY, APRIL 12**  
--Child Find developmental screening for infants through five years old, kindergarten registration and Head Start registration, Corona Schools auditorium 9:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. Bring child's birth certificate and immunization record.

--Carrizozo Chamber of Commerce 12 noon Four Winds.

--Ruidoso Village Council 4:30 p.m.

--Corona Village Council 5:30 p.m.

--Corona School Board 6 p.m.

## US Navy Volunteers at Fort Stanton State Monument

Fort Stanton State Monument was honored to host troops from Navy Headquarters NSWC PHD DFT WS based at White Sands Missile Range during the weekend of March 11th.

Volunteers dedicated their weekend to cleaning and repainting the Nurses' Quarters, a building on the Fort's quad that dates to the early 1940s.

Once cleaning and repairs to the Nurses' Quarters have been completed, the facility will be used to host volunteers to the site.

Representatives from the Navy have been organizing their volunteer efforts to assist the Fort since last fall, their initiatives being temporarily postponed by the winter season.

The Navy has been collaborating with Ranger Bill Rogge (Lincoln State Monument) and members of Fort Stanton, Inc. to create a list of tasks that they can work on at the Fort.

The volunteers took advantage of warming temperatures to finally begin their work.

The Navy volunteers were so pleased with their experience at Fort Stanton that they have committed themselves to continue working on other projects at the site.

Their hard work was rewarded by a Friday supper and Saturday

lunch sponsored by Fort Stanton, Inc., the official friends group to the Monument.

Many volunteers have dedicated much time and effort to supporting the preservation of the Fort.

It is through relationships and networks, such as the one created with the Navy, that will help ensure that the Fort will be a great place to visit and enjoy.

Local organizations interested in learning about volunteer opportunities at Fort Stanton State Monument, should contact Bennie Long, 575-653-4468; [bennie.long@state.nm.us](mailto:bennie.long@state.nm.us).

To learn more about becoming a member of Fort Stanton, Inc. or becoming a financial supporter to the site, please contact Clinton Smith, 575-258-5702, [pscsm58@windstream.net](mailto:pscsm58@windstream.net).

Learn more about Fort Stanton State Monument at [www.fortstanton.com](http://www.fortstanton.com).

Fort Stanton was established in 1855 as a U.S. Military Fort, the site was built to protect settlers along the Rio Bonito.

Kit Carson, John "Black Jack" Pershing, Billy the Kid, and Buffalo Soldiers of the 9th Cavalry and 24th and 25th Infantry regiments all lived here.

Fort Stanton has an extensive

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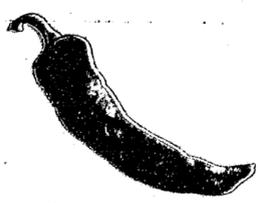
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# Looking Back

## '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, November 16/23, 1956

### Ramblin' Around Lincoln County

Tape Recorded Interviews With People Who Helped Build Lincoln County

(An account of territorial life at Fort Stanton, Tularosa and the Mescalero Indian Agency, in a tape recording made at the Old Lincoln Court House Museum. It has been learned to the NEWS through the courtesy of John Boylan, curator.)

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### NELLIE ZAMORA

My second husband was Feliz Zamora. After we were married we went to Tularosa where my husband lived. My second husband wasn't born in Tularosa, but his family was an old family there.

Lots of people had come to Tularosa when I first went there. Some of the families were the Montoya, Martinez, Maes, Gileses, Chabarría, Rivera, and two families of Duran.

Pablo Duran, my husband's grandfather. Sesrio Duran was the father of Pablo and also the father of my mother-in-law. Sesario Duran laid out the streets of Tularosa by marking them with a plow. He made a kind of a street as straight as he could. The lots were in four blocks and they called that the Manzana. When he marked the town, I think there were seven streets.

At first they had lots of trouble with the water rights, because the people living in the canyon wanted the water and Tularosa wanted the water. Finally they settled everything and began to take water out of wells. Everybody worked hard, planting trees -- peaches, plums ad pears, also a little wheat. People used to ocme from everywhere to buy fruit.

When I first came to Tularosa the historic church wasn't finished. It didn't have any floors or seats. My first husband put in the floors and built 16 long seats. The church in Tularosa is made like a cross you know. There is an altar here, an altar there, and an altar where the father makes his service.

The houses in Tularosa were all adobe when I first came. Some of the houses had windows as small as a 10 lb. or a 5 lb. can because they were so afraid of intruders. And they made the walls thick. In the 16-inch walls they put the adobe in double first cross ways and then cross ways again.

My father-in-law, Mr. Gomez, was the one who did the carpentry. He made the doors two and three inches thick, and they had iron cross bars. Sometimes they put the little windows way up near the ceiling. The doors had bolts so they could them goo on the inside. Then they commenced to make wider windows with lumber because ti was faster, but they had iron cross bars on them.

Wagon trains coming up from El Paso stopped at Tularosa and went on to Mescalero. The Indians used to come to the outskirts of Tularosa to tgrade moccasins, baskets, beads and such. The Spanish people liked those baskets. The baskets were made like the plates they put their corn tortillas in. They put fruit in the bigger baskets.

I was employed to be a cook at the Indian agency in Mescalero. We had to cook everything the old way -- boil everything on woodstoves and bake ourbread. I baked three-times week. We used 600 lbs. of flour a week, 75 pounds of beef a day and beans, tomatoes, sugar, coffee, syrup and milk. We baked pies and cookies once a week. I worked in that kitchen from 6 in the morning until 6 at night.

### Folklore Corner

by TED RAYNOR

### "La Llorona"

One time there were four men coming home from a dance in Buena Vista, a little village about 13 miles from Mora. As they approached a bridge, they heard someone crying. It sounded like a small child, and they stopped to investigate. One of the men saw a little girl about two years old running towards him and she was crying. He got off his horse and picked her up. She was very pretty and she was dressed in white. He decided to keep her

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# Wind Driven White Fire . . .

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"mobile command post" was mobilized and set up in the parking lot of Ruidoso High School, located just off Gavilan Canyon Road.

In ordering evacuations, Stewart said Atwood in concert with the Ruidoso and Ruidoso Downs Fire Departments, determined the need for the evacuations.

"We utilized the Code Red, reverse 911 calling system to make 1,100 calls advising residents of the fire and evacuations," Stewart said. "The system worked very well!"

By Monday, the mobile command center was moved to the soccer field parking lots, near White Mountain Schools off Hull Road, because school was set to be back in session on Tuesday morning.

"The mobile command post served as the operation center for the fire. until the Forest Service took over at 6 p.m. on Monday," Stewart added.

Up until 6 p.m. Monday, the fire efforts were by Type III teams, made up of local and state fire crews, under the command of State Forestry Division.

"Everything went as well as we could hope," Stewart added, praising the work and cooperation of fire and police crews from the Village of Ruidoso, City of Ruidoso Downs, State Forestry Division and the county. Other Volunteer Fire Departments from the county and out of the county also responded, Stewart said.

"Lincoln County gets an A in this kind of event," he added. "Our people were top notch!" Stewart commended Eddie Tudor, incident commander and District Forester for the Capitan District of the New Mexico State Forestry Division for his leadership with the Type III Team, and who was working with the Type II Federal team.

After handing over of the Type III attack to

the Type II Forest Service teams, state forestry and volunteer departments were freed to focus on other areas of need, Stewart said.

That came on Monday when a house in Rancho Ruidoso Valley Estates caught fire and burned. Bonito Fire, Ruidoso Fire and Capitan Volunteer Fire Department responded. No wildfire resulted from that structure fire.

As of Tuesday, the US Forest Service incident information office advised the fire, that had burned 10,008 acres, was 20 percent contained. There were 401 personnel in the US Forest Service Type II team, with its staging station is at the Ruidoso Convention Center and White Mountain Soccer Fields parking lots.

Evacuations that had been ordered on the night of Sunday, April 3, were lifted at 3 p.m. Monday, and continued to be lifted on Tuesday.



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## County Grew 5.6% in the Last Decade

by Doris Cherry

The 2010 census figures are being released this month that show Lincoln County grew only 5.6 percent since 2000.

The 2000 census showed Lincoln County population at 19,411. The 2010 census shows Lincoln County population at 20,497, an increase of 1,086, said Lincoln County Clerk Rhonda Burrows who presented the census information to the Lincoln County Commissioners at their continued meeting April 21.

Burrows was seeking authorization to pursue a professional demographer to assist with the 2011 redistricting for county, state and federal voting districts.

"We won't have big changes," Burrows said.

As an example she said Corona has a population of 375 with 267 registered voters. But districts are not based on registered voters, rather population, communities of interest and other factors, she added.

The county will have 21 precincts, including the new Precinct 18 carved out of Precinct 3, which will have a population of 45, Burrows said.

She told of how she went to the Secretary of State office in Santa FE to discuss the proposed precinct boundaries with Bobbie Shearer, election bureau chief.

"The proposed precinct boundaries are fixed for now," Burrows said of her meeting with Shearer.

With consensus of the commission at their Feb. 15 meeting that the county needed outside help, Burrows provided a short list of three New Mexico based professional entities who provide redistricting services: New Mexico Demographics, owned and operated by State Senator Rod Adair, who assisted Lincoln County in the 2001 redistricting; Research & Polling, Inc

of Albuquerque, president Brian Sanderoff, which has the state contract to help map the precincts prior to the census, and has been involved with state level redistricting since the 1980s; Williams Demographics, sole proprietor Jim Williams, PhD of Las Cruces, who assisted Lincoln County in 1991. Research & Polling, Inc however is doing the large counties, Burrows said, and "might be swamped."

Burrows said there are computer programs that would do demographics, but the program seemed to provide more than what the

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# EDITORIALS and OTHER STUFF

## THOUGHTS

From the Editor's Desk

by Ruth Hammond

### Will government really shut down?

The National Zoo may close if there is a shut down of the federal government because there has not been an agreement on the budget. Reports are that the animals will be fed, and we wonder if food for the animals will be obstinate legislators. It may be considered in future budget debates but chances are that this year legislators and their salaries are quite safe. However there is the possibility that legislators may have to turn off their government issued Blackberries, too bad.

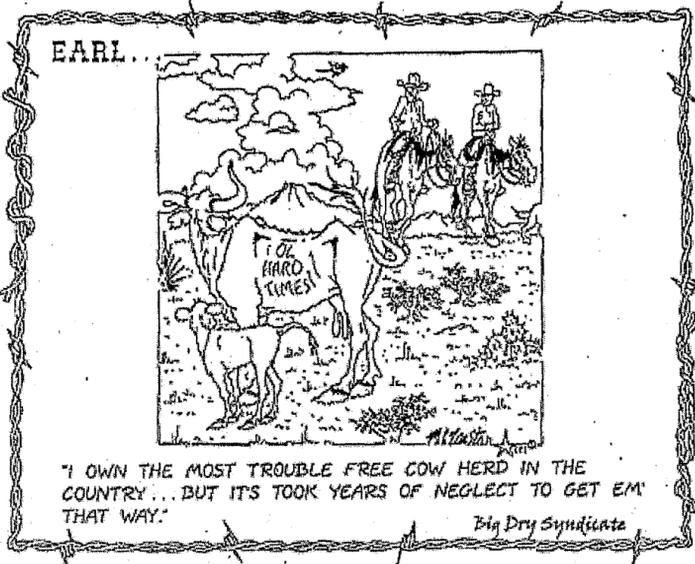
Actual debates about the budget may be in progress but the main thing being said publicly is that the other political party is responsible. It matters not which party you are affiliated with because the OTHER party is at fault. But you may note that legislators will continue to receive pay, regardless of which party. Even though their pay will continue, federal legislators are trying to cut services to the very people who elected them.

Considering that the suggested cuts do not include cutting federal legislators salaries or their benefits that continue for life even when they are no longer in office, something is wrong. Many times through the years people have objected to federal legislators increasing their own salaries but objections were ignored. And this year, even with the hoopla about how government may shut down, nothing will change at the legislator level.

The possibility of the government shutting down appears to be more blackmail than fact. The government won't actually shut down, but some services will be cut, including closing the National Zoo, with no explanation as to which animals will be endangered. Will it be the lions and tigers or will it be the federal legislators? National parks will be closed, punishing only the public populace.

It could also be possible for some people to realize that a few decades ago the national budget was in the millions but now is in trillions. How did billions get whizzed over so quickly? And have we gained anything other than publicity about how terrible the OTHER party is? And will there be any agreement? Probably not very soon.

Choosing a party affiliation at one time was important, with lifelong implications. One person said her party affiliation was determined when she was in the cradle and she has never wavered. Others are waiting to see if either party will falter.



## \* Inside the Capitol

by Jay Miller, Syndicated Columnist

### New Mexico -- The Birthplace of Modern Rocketry

**SANTA FE --** On December 17, 1903, Orville and Wilbur Wright got their plane into the air long enough to constitute a recognized flight.

The feat was of such significance that the site is a national memorial, maintained by the National Park Service.

North Carolina's Outer Banks had been chosen instead of the fields outside Akron because of their steady high winds, a soft, flat landing area and the lack of prying eyes of competitors and the press.

Overall, it was a good choice, but its isolation meant great difficulties getting there. It also meant not having a place to fix or replace a broken part. All the backup had to be brought with them.

They also were far from their bicycle repair shop that was financing this madness about flying. But conditions were good and no one would consider making the trip out to spy on them. It was just too much of a hardship.

The young Wright Brothers were true American entrepreneurs. Neither had quite finished high school. They loved to tinker and figure out how to make things work. So they shunned school in order to devote their talents to starting businesses and making money.

Bicycles were the new craze at the time. They got those figured out and wanted to move on the flying machines. Some people already were experimenting in the United States and in Europe. The problem of lift had been solved and motors had been put on biplanes to provide speed.

But control was a mystery. Various theories developed. One was that with enough speed, stability would be the result. Many died trying to prove that one.

The Wright Brothers' secret was to watch birds fly. Their wingtips bent. So airplane wingtips should bend too. Thus a warped wing was designed. After numerous tries, it worked.

First they used it with kites, then with gliders, taking a long run down Kill Devil Hill at Kitty Hawk.

Then power was added and they tried unmanned flights.

Finally in mid-December, it was time for Wilbur to climb aboard, lying in the middle of the bottom wing. The first flight was 120 feet, lasting 12 seconds. By the fourth flight, the plane covered 852 feet in just under a minute. They had done it.

The first sustained and controlled, heavier-than-air powered flight. The aerodynamic principles used by the Wright Brothers still apply to all airplanes ever since.

The Wrights never accepted any funding from the government or private individuals. They were businessmen and wanted all the fruits of their research and development.

Continued testing was conducted in Dayton, but when the press could come around the planes developed flying problems. Once the Wrights felt they had a plane that was salable, they took it to some flying shows and then began advertising.

But they wouldn't demonstrate a plane to prospective buyers until they had a signed contract to purchase the plane. For two years, they made no sales, while other builders improved their products.

Finally, they signed contracts with the U.S. Army and with a French company. The demonstrations went beautifully and convinced all doubters that the Wrights truly knew what they were doing. Their dream of making it big had come true.

Both Dayton, Ohio and Kitty Hawk, N.C. have museums dedicated to the Wright Brothers and claim to be the birthplace of flight. We've been to both. They both have legitimate claims.

Our choice, however, is the Kittyhawk site. You can view the imposing Kill Devil Hill from which they conducted their

glider tests and the logs stretch of sand (now covered by grass) over which they made their flights, with each of their four first flights marked.

The next great leap into the air was with rocketry. Most of that happened here in New Mexico, beginning with Dr. Robert Goddard, in 1930, at Roswell.

Goddard is known as the father of rocketry but our state hasn't gotten that word out. The Roswell Museum and Art Center has an outstanding display on Goddard and many other locations in New Mexico have rocketry in their history.

When Spaceport America opens, a major effort should be made to promote New Mexico as the birthplace of modern rocketry.

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## WEATHER REPORT

by Jeff Hammond

The earthquake in Japan is having an effect on the weather in New Mexico, particularly the southern part of the state. As a consequence of the quake the earth's axis has changed, the tilt has shifted a couple of inches and redirected the jet stream to flow further north and this shift is affecting the weather patterns for us here in Lincoln County.

The shifting jet stream has brought high winds from the west blowing across Lincoln County, winds that have helped spread the fire that roared through the forest east of Gavilan Canyon Road across 10,000+ acres.

The winds will continue today continuing on through the upcoming weekend. Expect continuous winds out of the west around 20 miles to an hour with occasional gusts up to as high as 50 miles an hour.

Daytime temperatures will be from the mid 50s to the mid 70s at all elevations.

Lincoln County is still under **EXTREME fire danger**, so please be careful with open flames outdoors.

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

**Today, Thursday, April 7**

Mostly sunny, with a high near 71, windy, with a west wind 15 to 20 mph increasing to between 25 and 30 mph, winds could gust as high as 45 mph, night: Mostly clear, with a low around 45, windy, with a south-west wind 25 to 30 mph decreasing to between 10 and 15 mph, winds could gust as high as 40 mph.

**Friday, April 8**

Mostly sunny and windy, with a high (Con't. on P. 8)

## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR POLICY

The Lincoln County News welcomes letters to the editor and acknowledges that any letters printed herein represent the personal opinion of the writer, and do not necessarily reflect the editorial opinion of the Lincoln County News.

To be considered for publication, all letters must be original. No copies or form letters will be used. While preference is given to letters received in digital format, typed or hand-written letters, if legible, are also considered. Letters sent by email as an attached Microsoft Word document are most preferred.

Letters must be signed by the writer with the author's full name, address and telephone number. Only the writer's name and city of residence will be published (exception sometimes apply).

"Thank You Letters" are considered as advertising and will not be accepted as Letter to the Editor.

Consideration will be given to letters of any length, but those of 300 words or less are preferred. All letters are subject to editing for length, grammar, spelling and reader interest.

Electronic submission should be sent to news@tularosa.net. Letters can be hand-delivered in our office in Carrizozo or mailed to:

### LINCOLN COUNTY NEWS

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## County Grew 5.7% . . .

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county needed, and "the mapping part is the difficulty."

County commissioner Kathryn Minter commented if the demographer charged less than \$10,000 it would not be worth staff time to attempt the redistricting and mapping.

Burrows said if staff was to do the redistricting, they would have to create the new precinct maps with correct street names or she would "have voters in the wrong precincts."

County attorney Alan Morel said there are legal concerns about creating districts. "Outside expertise will give a level we won't have in-house," Morel said.

When discussing Adair as the best choice because he knows Lincoln County, and assisted in the last redistricting, county commission chair Eileen Sedillo said redistricting has nothing to do with Adair's senate district. "So there is no conflict of interest," she added.

County manager Tom Stewart said the county clerk can solicit proposals from the demographers listed, and then let him act to select one based on the proposals. Professional proposals of \$50,000 or less do not require a formal "request for proposals", Stewart added.

County commissioners voted to request proposals from the entities and to allow Stewart to make the final selection.

**LEGALS**

**LEGAL NOTICE**

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@littledrantel.com

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**LEGAL NOTICE**

TWELFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT  
COUNTY OF LINCOLN  
STATE OF NEW MEXICO

NO. PB-2011-06

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE  
OF

NORMAN RUSSELL SMITH, Deceased.

**NOTICE TO CREDITORS**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned has been appointed Personal Representative of the referenced Estate. All persons having claims against the Estate are required to present their claims within two months after the date of the first publication of this Notice or their claims will be forever barred. Claims must be presented either to the undersigned Personal Representative or filed with the Lincoln County District Court, P.O. Box 725, Carrizozo, NM 88301.

DATED this 17th day of March, 2011.

/s/ Cynthia L. Miller  
Cynthia L. Miller  
5052 West Country Club Road  
Roswell, NM 88201

Steven P. Fisher  
SANDERS, BRUIN, COLL & WORLEY, P.A.  
Attorneys for the Estate  
P.O. Box 550  
Roswell, New Mexico 88202-0550  
(575) 622-5440

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**THINK RAIN!!!!**

**LEGALS**

**LEGAL NOTICE**

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

Lee Griffin  
1044 Mechem Drive  
Ruidoso, New Mexico 88345  
(505) 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-2011-29 Div. III

Honorabte 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 I, 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.

**LEGALS**

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**

**NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING**

NOTICE is hereby given that the Lincoln County Lodgers' Tax Committee has moved their regularly scheduled meetings at the Council Chambers, Village of Capitan, New Mexico, at 10:00 a.m., to the following dates starting in April 2011:

Wednesday, January 26, 2011  
Wednesday, February 23, 2011  
Wednesday, March 30, 2011  
Tuesday, April 26, 2011  
Tuesday, May 31, 2011  
Tuesday, June 28, 2011  
Tuesday, July 26, 2011  
Tuesday, August 30, 2011  
Tuesday, September 27, 2011  
Tuesday, October 25, 2011  
Tuesday, November 29, 2011  
December 27, 2011 No Meeting

A proposed Agenda will be available at least twenty-four (24) hours before the meeting from the County Manager's Office, Lincoln County Administration Building, Carrizozo, New Mexico.

Changes affecting the date and/or location of a regular scheduled meeting will be mailed to newspapers of general circulation in Lincoln County and notices will be posted on the official bulletin board in the Lincoln County Administration Building, 300 Central Avenue, Carrizozo.

Special meetings of the Lincoln County Lodgers' Tax Committee may be called by the Chairman or a majority of the members upon three (3) days notice. For the purpose of special meetings, notice requirements will be met by posting notices on the official bulletin board in the Lincoln County Administration Building and notifying the news media.

If you are an individual with a disability who is in need of an auxiliary aid or service, please contact 575/648-2385 at least 48 hours in advance of the meeting.

BILLIE-JO GUEVARA  
ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT/  
HUMAN RESOURCES DIRECTOR

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COUNTY OF LINCOLN  
Carrizozo, NM 88301

**LEGAL NOTICE**

REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL  
10-11-008

"Mental Health Contract  
and Electronic Monitoring Services"

DUE: May 4, 2011  
2:00 p.m. Local Time

The County of Lincoln is requesting proposals for a Mental Health Contract and Electronic Monitoring Services. Copies of the Request for Proposal can be obtained in person at the Office of the County Purchasing Agent, 300 Central Ave, Carrizozo, NM or will be mailed upon written or telephone request to Orlando Samora (575) 648-2385 ext. 105.

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

The Lincoln County Board of Commissioners will review and make their final determination during their regular commission meeting scheduled for 8:30 on Tuesday May 17, 2011.

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

Orlando Samora  
Purchasing Agent

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**PLEASE BE CAREFUL WITH FIRES! PROTECT OUR FORESTS, OUR HOMES!!**

# Preston Stone Recommended for State Game Commission

by Doris Cherry

Lincoln County has never had an appointee to the New Mexico Game and Fish Commission, but a former county commissioner is pushing to have a county rancher named to the state board.

At the county commission meeting on March 21, former commissioner and Carrizozo area rancher and resident Stirling Spencer said the county has an opportunity to "make an impact on State Game rules to help Lincoln County."

"Lincoln County has quite a few hunting activities and quite a bit of economic

impact," Spencer said. "It would be prudent for the county commission to write a letter to the Governor to have someone from Lincoln County placed on the Game Commission." Spencer said Governor Susanna Martinez dismissed four game commissioners, and others had terms ending, so there are vacancies on that commission.

"I know a person who attends many of the Game Commission meetings, who is familiar with operations and management of species and understands public lands - Preston Stone," Spencer added. Spencer said one of the biggest issues coming to the

Game Commission is Senate Bill 196 requiring more big game hunting licenses be issued to New Mexico residents. "From my perspective this bill goes against what makes me more money," Spencer said. Spencer previously was allowed to sell permits to hunt antelope on his ranch to out of state hunters. The new bill would reduce the number of permits for non-residents.

"About this issue of having more residential hunting opportunities, there is nothing further from the truth as there are more New Mexico subsidized residential only licenses than are out of state licenses," Spencer continued. "Most of these out of state licenses are on private lands."

"Everyone in New Mexico has the right to tie up these licenses and never provide any out of state licenses," he added. "If 21 percent of the big game licenses were allowed to go to the free market and not be subsidized for residents, we would have opportunity for those out of state hunters here."

He continued that sometimes not all of the New Mexico residential licenses are sold. He went on to say he hoped the governor would veto the bill that

was drafted by legislators "out of ignorance but a good feeling from somebody in Albuquerque who thinks they know wildlife management."

"We need the influence of someone we trust on the Game Commission, as there is a lot of money from hunting in this county," Spencer concluded.

County commissioners voted unanimously to have the county manager prepare a letter of recommendation to appoint Stone to the Game Commission.

Also commissioners voted unanimously to send a letter requesting the Governor not sign SB 196 until there is deeper investigation into what impact it will have on land owners.

Spencer said the current rules for antelope hunts have changed from the past rule determining the number of hunting permits based on the quantity and quality of the species.

"The management situation was taken away and now requests are made before consideration is given to game management areas.

"They are losing the cooperation from the private land owners, and the species is going to suffer," Spencer added. "Lincoln County is the number one antelope hunting area."

Spencer concluded that there is great need to manage the cougars which are proliferating. "If they put the excess cougars in their backyards it's okay with me," he concluded.



STIRLING SPENCER, Carrizozo area rancher and former county commissioner, asks the county commission to write the Governor to recommend Capitan area rancher Preston Stone be appointed to the State Game Commission, during the March 21 county meeting. (Photo by Doris Cherry)

# US Navy Volunteers . . .

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history. Over the years it has served as a federal hospital exclusively for the treatment of tuberculosis by the U.S. Marine Hospital during the late 1890s, a site for the Civilian Conservation Corps during the Depression, an internment camp for German seaman during World War II, and a State Hospital.

Fort Stanton was placed on the State Register of Historic Places in 1969 and on the National Register of Historic Places in 1973. The site became a New Mexico State Monument in August 2007.

Fort Stanton State Monument features an exhibition of the site in the 1855 administration building, scheduled tours, and gift shop.

Admission to Fort Stanton State Monument Museum is free, donations accepted. To schedule guided tours, please call 575-354-0341.

Hours open: April 1 - November 30, open 7 days a week, 11 am - 5 pm. December 1 - March 31, open weekends only, 10 am - 4 pm.

## FOUR WINDS RESTAURANT

Will kick-off the Carrizozo High School Alumni Game with authentic Mexican food in the Four Winds parking lot starting at . . . 7:00 pm, Friday, April 8. **Carne Asada, Burritos and Tacos** Hwy 54/380 Intersection CARRIZOZO

STATE OF NEW MEXICO COUNTY OF LINCOLN TWELFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT No. D-1226-CV-2010-00422

CHASE HOME FINANCE, LLC, Plaintiff,

vs.

STANLEY N. LYONS AND MARILYN C. LYONS, Defendants.

### NOTICE OF SALE

Notice is hereby given that on May 3, 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 300 Grindstone Canyon, Ruidoso, New Mexico 88345, (if there is a conflict between the legal description and the street address, the legal description shall control) and is more particularly described as follows:

Lot 2, Block 6 of GREEN MEADOWS ADDITION, Ruidoso, Lincoln County, New Mexico, as shown by the plat thereof filed in the office of the County Clerk of Lincoln County, August 29, 1958, in Tube No. 168,

including any improvements, fixtures, and attachments, such as, but not limited to, mobile homes. Subject to all taxes, utility liens and other restrictions and easements of record, and subject to a one (1) month right of redemption by the Defendants upon entry of an order approving sale. The foregoing sale will be made to satisfy a foreclosure judgment rendered by this Court in the above-entitled and numbered cause on March 28, 2011, being an action to foreclose a mortgage on the above-described property. The Plaintiff's judgment is \$219,471.52, and the same bears interest at the rate of 5.8750% per annum, which accrues at the rate of \$35.33 per diem, commencing on April 11, 2011, with the Court reserving entry of final judgment against said Defendants Stanley N. Lyons and Marilyn C. Lyons for the amount due after foreclosure sale, for costs and attorney's fees, plus interest as may be assessed by the Court. The Plaintiff has the right to bid at such sale all of its judgment amount and submit its bid verbally or in writing. The Plaintiff may apply all or any part of its judgment to the purchase price in lieu of cash. The sale may be postponed and rescheduled at the discretion of the Special Master.

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

NOW, THEREFORE, notice is hereby given that in the event that said property is 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 judgment described herein and decree of foreclosure together with any additional costs and attorney's fees, costs of advertisement and publication, a reasonable receiver and Special Master's fee to be fixed by the Court. The total amount of the judgment due is \$219,471.52, plus interest to and including date of sale of \$812.59 for a total judgment plus interest of \$220,284.11. Sale is subject to the entry of an order of the Court approving the terms and conditions of this sale.

Witness my hand this \_\_\_\_\_ day of April, 2011.

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

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# 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 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.

**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 648-207

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)

**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  
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.

**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.

**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.

**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.

**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

**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.

**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.

**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

**GRACE FELLOWSHIP IN CHRIST**

Corona, New Mexico  
Terry Aiello, Pastor / 849-0105  
Worship . . . 9:30 a.m.

**CLAUNCH COMMUNITY CHURCH**

Tony Scaccia, Minister  
849-1402  
Second Saturday of Each Month 9:00 a.m.

**WHITE OAKS COMMUNITY CHURCH**  
(Non-Denominational)

Sunday Worship . . . . . 11:00 a.m.

# Old Lincoln Town

What a week-end!! I do believe the wind was the worst I have ever seen.

The White Fire in Ruidoso, Ruidoso Downs and the Ruidoso Valley was so devastating. The numerous photos that were on the internet was both beautiful and so heart wrenching at the same time. Our hearts and prayers went out to those who lost their homes and those who had to evacuate, not knowing what they would find when they returned home.

Thanks to all the firefighters and others who fought the fire (still are).

Thanks to all the volunteers who brought their trailers to help rescue the horses and other livestock. It also had to be tragic on the loss of the wildlife.

Also huge thanks to Julie Carter and Linda Gibson for keeping us updated on the fire and the beautiful photos.

\* \* \* \* \*  
Leota Pfingsten's memorial will be this Saturday at the Capitan School gym. It will be at 11:00. Leota was the beloved second grade teacher at the Capitan school for many years. In her early years she had taught at the Hondo school.

Leota and her husband, Peg had a ranch on Loma Grande for many years. It has

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## Lincoln County Extension Clubs Celebrate Spring With Cultural Arts

La Junta Extension Club hosted the 2011 Lincoln County Cultural Arts Show on March 25, at the fellowship hall in Tinnie. The show theme was "Blooms Today! Flowers Tomorrow!"

LaJunta president Loida Garcia welcomed members of the LaJunta and the Carrizozo Roadrunners Extension Clubs to the 2011 Cultural Arts Show in which members entered various handcrafted or produced items.

Participants were treated to tables set with colorful garden-theme baskets, and door prizes.

Keeping to the garden theme, special guest was Lincoln County Commissioner Jackie Powell, who represents the Hondo area. She spoke about her community garden project in the old horse pens at the Hondo Senior Center location, and how the success of the first year in summer 2010 inspired her to keep the project going this summer also. About the community garden, Commissioner Powell said she hopes it can become a place for people to visit, and to provide vegetables for the community. She also said she was going to try a garden at her new home this summer, and encouraged the members to consider having their own gardens.

Briefly, Commissioner Powell spoke about her concerns for the current water issues in the county. Commissioner Powell praised the

Extension members for carrying on handcrafts and other knowledge gained from their experiences living in a rural county. She said she was impressed with the Cultural Arts Show, and the programs the clubs have.

After Commissioner Powell spoke, LaJunta members hosted a pot-luck luncheon, then the Cultural Arts Show was opened for viewing. During the guest speaker, Mary Cooper, Sue Ogden and Gathiel Young judged the cultural arts entries, awarding first, second and third places. Placing items are eligible to compete in the District and State level Cultural Arts Shows, part of the Extension Association of New Mexico. Everyone went away with a placing in the show, and everyone left with a door prize.

The next level of Cultural Arts will be in the District IV meeting and show in Portales April 14-15.

Extension Association of Lincoln County is associated with the Lincoln County Extension Service office, in the courthouse in Carrizozo. A field office of New Mexico State University, the Lincoln County Extension Office traditionally receives one-third of its staffing and operating costs from the Lincoln County Commission. The Lincoln County Extension office provides information to the general public, and works with the county 4-H Clubs, as well as with the Extension Association Chapters /

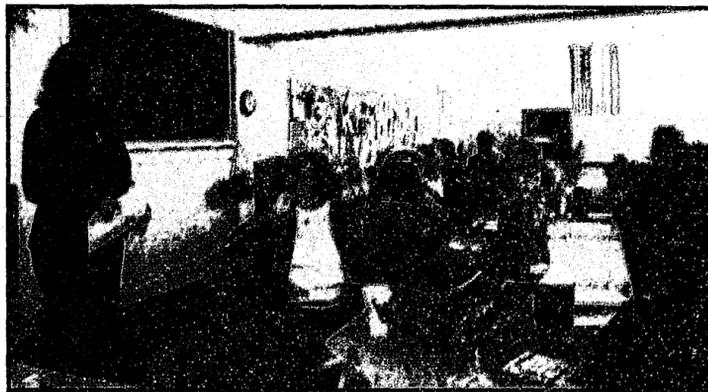
clubs. The Lincoln County Extension field office is an equal opportunity, affirmative action employer and educator. NMSU and the US Dept of Agriculture cooperating.

Anyone interested in the Extension Association clubs, or is in need of information can contact the Extension office at 1-575-648-2311.

**2011 Cultural Arts Results:** Cecelia Booky, LaJunta Club - First, Crochet, hat; Second, Crochet, scarf. Joyce Bovee, Carrizozo Roadrunners Club - First, Fine Arts, acrylic, painted umbrella. Marilyn Burchett, LaJunta Club - First and Best of Show, Fine Arts, computer generated, family holiday photo hard-bound book; First, Fine Arts, color photo, "Ellis Store in Fall"; First, Fine Arts, black and white photo; First, Jewelry, beaded necklace. Doris Cherry, Carrizozo Roadrunners Club - First, Best of Lot, Jewelry, set Austrian crystal beaded necklace and earrings; Second, Fine Art, Photography, Color, "Touched by God". Loida Garcia, LaJunta Club - Second, Jewelry, set beaded necklace, earrings and bracelet. Jo Hoeckendorf, LaJunta Club - First, Crochet, hangers. Fidelia Montoya, LaJunta Club - Second, Jewelry, beaded necklace. Amanda Torrez, LaJunta Club - First, Crochet, doll clothing; First, Home Accessories, fabric/yarn, table mat; First, Paper Arts, "Iris"; Third, Jewelry, beaded necklace.



LAJUNTA EXTENSION Club president Loida Garcia (right) has questions for Commissioner Powell during her presentation about community gardening. (Photo by Doris Cherry)



COUNTY COMMISSIONER (left) Jackie Powell tells the members of the Lincoln County Extension Clubs about her community gardening project at the Hondo Senior Center, during the County Cultural Arts Show on Friday, March 25, in Tinnie. (Photo by Doris Cherry)

## Old Lincoln Town . . .

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been developed into subdivisions after the ranch was sold.

After her retirement Leota and Peg built a beautiful home four miles west of Lincoln. She will be greatly missed.

DeeDee Freman

also died about the same time as Leota. De Dee and her husband, Gaylord had the G Bar F ranch up Salazar Canyon. She was such a lovely lady and was loved by all who knew her. She loved coming to the ranch, having friends visit and give

her wonderful parties and other events.

We had breakfast and a wonderful visit with Paul and Elisa Pacheco Monday. Paul had celebrated his 90th birthday recently. It didn't seem possible that it had been so long since they had sold their ranch near Arabella in 1984. After selling their ranch they moved to AZ near Phoenix for 10 years then moved to Las Cruces. We got caught up with all the family and remembering the good times we had.

The Carrizozo Renaissance will be held April 16th. Come and have a good time.

The Creative Memories is having their retreat this weekend. Hopefully we will have nice weather and no wind.

I had internet problems so have not had any news. Computers are great when they work but not so good when they don't.

## Grizzly Bulletin Board

Thursday, April 7  
NMSBA Testing for  
3rd-8th and 11th Grade

Friday, April 8  
NMSBA Testing for  
3rd-8th and 11th Grade

Alumni football game  
(Carrizozo Grizzlies vs. Capitan Tigers)

Laabs Field  
April 8, 2011 at 7:00 PM.

See any Alumni player, Carrizozo High School player, or call Pat Ventura at 575 973-4970 for tickets.

Saturday, April 9  
ACT Test

Students need to report to High School office by 7:45 AM

Varsity Trackmeet  
at Cloudcroft 8:00 AM

Sunday, April 10  
Mal Pais Colts 4-H meeting  
at 2:00 PM

Multi-Purpose Room Carrizozo Schools.  
--Enrollment for this year ends May 1st and there will not be another meeting before then.

Krispy Kreme Doughnut Sale

--National Honor Society and Student Council Members will be taking orders for doughnuts this week. Doughnuts will be delivered Monday, April 11th. Proceeds will go towards scholarships and Afterprom 2011. Please call the school if you would like to order at 648-2346.

Yearbooks are on sell through May 1

--See Mrs. Ball before school, lunch, or after school to purchase your 2010-2011 yearbook.

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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. 12	Grizzly Jr. Relays	Here	2:00PM
Thurs., Apr. 14	Brave Relays	Ruidoso HS	1:30PM
Tues., Apr. 19	Tiger Cub Relays	Capitan	2:00PM

## MAYOR'S CORNER

How many were in Ruidoso Sunday and saw the fire? For some it was a first, for others, they have seen the terrible destruction before. Many of us have been involved in fighting these fires.

The Gavilan Canyon fire was in 1968. It has taken this long to get some trees and brush back. Some of us remember how pretty it was. How long will it take the White Fire area to come back to what it was? Many of us will be long gone before then.

We had a very dry winter and fire conditions are Extremely High all over the state. I saw last week where there had been a fire in Gavilan Canyon near Warrior Drive and the Ruidoso schools. Burned about an acre and was caused by someone throwing a lit cigarette on to the roadside??!##!?!... Fortunately it was extinguished before there was more damage. What was the cause of the White Fire?

Fire Chief Walter Hill is urging everyone to be very careful and to remember the high fire danger. They responded to the White Fire and provided support to potential structure fires if needed. Chief Hill said if you have weeds or potential fire hazards near any of your structures, remove them. He said that a minimum of 30 feet is recommended for a no burn area next to your property. We know what a grass fire can do and we do not want any uncontrolled burns here. If you see a potential hazard or a fire, please report it.

Barbara Culler contacted us Sunday about the fire. There was the potential of emergency placement of shelter animals near the fire. Fortunately evacuation was not necessary. We made emergency concessions in the event it was necessary to temporarily house animals.

Last Wednesday, I received a letter of resignation from Wes Lindsay. Due to health reasons, he will no longer be able to serve as a Trustee for the Town. He thanked all of the people that voted for him and apologized for his decision.

My opinion is that his health and family come first. I have known Wes all of my life. I know he has always had the best interests of the town in his heart. In my time as Mayor, he has always been there for me as well as the council and the town. I wish him the very best and Thank Him for all he has done during my time here as well as all of the other times he served the town.

We have been advised by our attorney, Julie Anne Leonard, of the Termination of Assignment of Golf Course and Clubhouse Lease Agreement between New Mexico Ranch Sales, LLC and Quality Golf Management, LLC dated April 1, 2010. We have not received any official correspondence from Quality Golf Management.

Don't forget the Alumni Football Game will be at Laabs Field Friday beginning at 7:00 p.m.

**Have a Safe and Fun Weekend.**

## Looking Back

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her until he could find out who she belonged to.

When he took his leave from the other three men, he started toward his home and was admiring the beauty of this child. He said, "My, you are a pretty little girl. I wish that you were mine." She replied, "Yes, and I also have teeth." This astonished the man and he immediately dropped her and got off his horse. He picked up a stone to throw at her, and she was still muttering, "Yes, and I also have teeth." He threw the stone and she disappeared.

Some time later these men were coming through his bridge again. They again heard the wailing of a little girl. Today, they call her "La Llorona." (This story was told by Natividad Romero to Mora.)

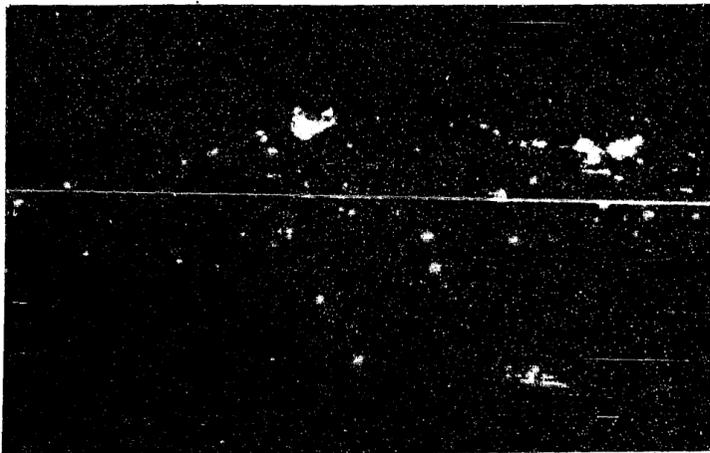
## The Bags of Money

Many years ago a beautiful maiden would appear at the edge of town. The borrachitos (drunkards) would follow her. She would lead them across the cornfields: but when she came to the graveyard and started to walk across it, the borrachitos would lose their nerve and go back into town. Beyond the graveyard was an arroyo. The maiden would go down into the arroyo and disappear. She would reappear the following night. Again the borrachito would follow her as far as the graveyard and then turn back.

Now there was an old man who made his living by preparing (burning) lime in this arroyo. He was asked, "Have you seen the maiden?" He answered "No." He only went to prepare his lime in the daytime.

One day there was a big storm. The water rushed through the arroyo. The following day the old man went to see how his wvns were. (He burned his lime in great ovens.) But when he arrived his ovens were gone. The water had washed them away. He saw a piece of wood which appeared to be the corner of a box sticking up through the earth where his ovens had once been. He started to dig and found that the box was full of money. He took the money and put it in his bags.

Strange as it may seem, the beautiful maiden did not appear again. Many say that many years ago this girl died and left her money buried. She could not rest in peace till someone found the money. That is why she kept appearing, trying to dig up her money. (This is a Mexican story as it was told to Jennie Garduno of Espanola by her stepfather.)



## WHITE FIRE UPDATE

This night shot of the fire that started Sunday, April 3 on the east side of Gavilan Canyon and destroyed five homes and threatened Ruidoso Downs Racetrack and Casino, shows the fury of the fire. By Tuesday, the winds had died down and only a few hot spots were visible. (Courtesy photos)

## Weather Report . . .

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near 70, night: Partly cloudy and windy, with a low around 40.

### Saturday, April 9

Partly sunny and windy, with a high near 64, night: Partly cloudy and windy, with a low around 34.

### Sunday, April 10

Sunny, with a high near 67, night: Mostly clear, with a low around 39.

### Monday, April 11

Sunny, with a high near 76, night: Partly cloudy, with a low around 41.

### Tuesday, April 12

Mostly sunny, with a high near 65, night: Partly cloudy, with a low around 43.

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

### Today, Thursday, April 7

Mostly sunny, with a high near 62, windy, with a west wind between 25 and 35 mph, with gusts as high as 45 mph, night: Mostly clear, with a low around 39, windy, with a west wind 25 to 30 mph decreasing to between 15 and 20 mph, winds could gust as high as 40 mph.

### Friday, April 8

Mostly sunny and windy, with a high near 61, night: Partly cloudy and windy, with a low around 37.

**Saturday, April 9**  
Mostly sunny and windy, with a high near 53, night: Partly cloudy and windy, with a low around 30.

**Sunday, April 10**  
Sunny, with a high near 60, night: Mostly clear, with a low around 38.

**Monday, April 11**  
Sunny, with a high near 68, night: Partly cloudy, with a low around 40.

**Tuesday, April 12**  
Mostly sunny, with a high near 57, night: Partly cloudy, with a low around 38.

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

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.

You can also get up to the minute, in-depth, construction updates by logging in to [www.nmroads.com](http://www.nmroads.com) for any area of the state.

## 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 12

6:52 p.m. Accident reported at business located near intersection of Hwy 48 and Gavilan Canyon Road in Alto, deputy dispatched.

7:09 p.m. Disturbance reported/road rage incident reported at location on Valley Court in Alto, deputy dispatched.

7:18 p.m. Warrant service at Alto Country Club parking lot in Alto, deputy dispatched.

### January 13

7:53 a.m. Medical call at residence on 11th Street in Carrizozo, ambulance dispatched.

10:27 a.m. Agency assistance requested at mile marker 122 on Hwy 54 in Carrizozo, deputy dispatched.

10:33 a.m. Vandalism reported at location on Bonito Park Road in Alto, deputy dispatched.

12:19 p.m. Warrant service at LCDR on Airport Street in Carrizozo, deputy dispatched.

1:58 p.m. Medical call at location on Ski Run Road in Alto, ALS ambulance dispatched.

5:19 p.m. Warrant service at LCDR on Airport Street in Carrizozo, deputy dispatched.

8:16 p.m. Suspicious activity by person(s) in vehicle reported on Badger Court in Alto, deputy dispatched.

9:06 p.m. Disturbance/family dispute reported at residence on Main Road in Capitan, ambulance and police dispatched.

### January 14

6:52 a.m. Suspicious activity by person(s) in vehicle reported at mile marker 273 on Hwy 70 in Glencoe, deputy dispatched.

8:12 a.m. Suspicious activity by person(s) in vehicle reported on Pronghorn Loop in Alto, deputy dispatched.

8:23 a.m. Dog reported running loose on Alpine Meadows Trail in Alto, deputy dispatched.

9:05 a.m. Accident reported on Yellow Pine Road in Ancho, deputy dispatched.

10:51 a.m. Medical call at residence on Skyview in Capitan, ambulance and police dispatched.

12:33 p.m. Medical call at residence on Cedar Creek Drive in Ruidoso, ALS ambulance and deputy dispatched.

2:13 p.m. 911 Hang-Up from residence on CR C006 in Capitan, deputy dispatched.

6:30 p.m. Disturbance resulting in agency assistance requested at residence on Birch Avenue in Carrizozo, police and deputy dispatched.

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