

Fire Damaged Properties Get Tax Break -- in 2012

Little Changes in Tax Values for 2011

by Doris Cherry

Property taxes on residences and other properties that are damaged by fire and have lost value will be adjusted for the 2012 tax year, according to Lincoln County Assessor Paul Baca.

The 2011 property taxes, however, will not change, Baca said, because the property improvements were listed in the tax rolls as

of January 1, 2011.

THE NEWS contacted Baca to inquire whether the owners of residences and properties destroyed by the White Fire in the Lincoln County and Ruidoso Downs areas would have any property tax break.

"After the fire settles down, I'll send my staff to assess the damage to the properties," Baca said. "But any changes in value cannot appear until the 2012 Property Notices of Valuation are sent to the property owners." "They will be responsible for paying the full 2011 property taxes, as determined by

their 2011 Property Notice of Valuation," Baca said of the fire damaged properties.

As for the 2011 Property Notices of Valuation, Baca continued, they were mailed to property owners on March 29. The notices are not a tax bill, rather are a notice of valuation that provide information about the value of property and improvements as of January 1, 2011. The values listed on the notice will be a factor in determining the 2011 property tax bill for that property. Property owners can protest the notice, or make any

changes, such as change of mailing address for the owner, or to sign up for the exemptions for Head of Family, Veteran and Disabled Veteran, Churches, or Charitable/Educational organizations.

"Property owners should look at their notices of valuations," Baca said. "This is to check for any possible errors, and to see whether they are receiving an exemption." "Most of the property values did not change," Baca said. "Values are not up from last year, however, values change if a property sells, or if

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EAGLE CREEK that carries run off from Sierra Blanca, is bone dry this spring, and there is almost no snow left on the mountain. Village of Ruidoso has rights to limited amounts of surface water from Eagle Creek when it is flowing, and has rights to pump its four wells that are located next to the creek about two miles up from Highway 48. The US Forest Service in its draft Environmental Impact Statement is now recommending that Ruidoso drastically reduce the amount of water pumped from the wells because of the impact downstream. The county supports the recommendation, but Ruidoso is alarmed it could lose a major portion of its water supply. (Photo by Doris Cherry)

Village of Capitan to Sponsor July 4 Parade

by Doris Cherry

The village of Capitan for years has been providing funds to the Capitan Chamber of Commerce, to insure and produce the annual July 4 Smokey Bear Parade. But the dissolution of the Chamber in March left the parade without a sponsor, or manpower to produce the 2011 parade -- it's 56th annual event.

Rather than let the long standing tradition die, Capitan village clerk Kay Strickland and village finance officer Shirley Pavlovic decided to try to produce the 2011 parade.

During the regular Capitan village trustees meeting Monday night, Strickland asked the trustees to give their permission for the village to sponsor the 2011 Smokey Bear Parade, and to allow the employees to provide manpower.

Strickland said in addition to

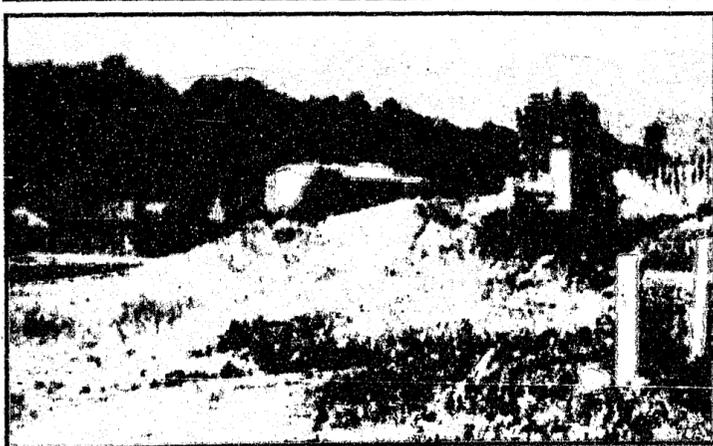
herself and Pavlovic, several other employees had volunteered to help.

Trustee Diane Riska asked if they volunteered to help, without pay.

Strickland confirmed this and further explained that the village for several years had provided funds to the chamber. (Strickland told *THE NEWS* earlier that the funds are used to cover the cost of the liability insurance required because the parade is on a state/federal highway and for prizes/awards and advertising.)

In 2010, the village provided \$2,400 to the chamber for the parade, Strickland said. However, this year it might require up to \$3,000 since the village has to start the parade from "square one."

The decision on how much to budget for the parade costs will be considered during the upcoming fiscal year 2011-2012 budget workshops, Pavlovic said, because the



CAPITAN VILLAGE STREET CREWS work on the Highway 48 alternative trail, designed to provide a safe place for bicyclists and pedestrians to walk. Motorized vehicles such as ATVs will not be allowed to drive on the trail, portions of which will be chip sealed. The trails runs from the village downtown core to Aspen Street on the southern limits of the village. (Photo by Doris Cherry)

Carrizozo Man Arrested for Alleged Murder in Oscuro

A 26 year old Carrizozo man is incarcerated in the Lincoln County Detention Center charged with murder and tampering with evidence.

On Monday, April 11, Lincoln County Sheriff's Deputies took James Luke Miller, Jr., 26, of Carrizozo into custody without incident from a residence at 1106 Fifth Street in Carrizozo on an open count of murder and a count of tampering with evidence.

Lincoln County Sheriff's Office responded to a call at 5:30 p.m. Monday, April 11, about a shooting at 10795 Highway 54 in Oscuro, south of Carrizozo.

Deputies arrived on the scene to find that an adult male had apparently been shot and killed at that location,

according to a press release from Undersheriff Robert Shepperd.

New Mexico State Police Crime Scene Unit also responded to assist in gathering evidence after deputies executed search warrants on the properties in Oscuro and Carrizozo.

Miller was incarcerated in the Lincoln County Detention Center on a \$100,000 cash only bond.

Charges against Miller were filed in Magistrate Judge Martha Proctor's court on Tuesday.

Shepperd told *THE NEWS* on Tuesday, that the investigation is continuing, and the name of the victim is being withheld pending notification of next of kin.

Capitan Clerk, Police Officer Get Raises

by Doris Cherry

Capitan Village Trustees, at the end of their regular meeting Monday, April 11, were not in agreement about giving an immediate 50 cent per hour increase to village police officer Sean McGarry, but they all agreed that village clerk Kay Strickland deserved an immediate two percent salary increase.

Trustees voted unanimously in favor of giving clerk Kay Strickland the two percent salary increase, but when the vote came to give McGarry a 50 cent an hour raise, trustees Jim Davis and Ricky LaMay voted no, and trustees Diane Riska and Lilly Bradley voted for the raise. That left it to Mayor Sam Hammons to break the tie -- and he did, in McGarry's favor.

Meeting Monday because Strickland and finance officer Shirley Pavlovic were leaving the following day for Las Cruces to attend the week long New Mexico Municipal League clerk's and finance officer school, trustees granted the raises following a 45 minute closed to public session to discuss personnel -- police and administration -- and threatened or pending litigation, Kelly Cable of New

Mexico.

When trustees returned to open session, they wanted to take action on the two employee evaluations and subsequent raises at the same time, but village attorney Zack Cook advised them to act on each individually.

Concerns about McGarry came to light at the beginning of the meeting, during the

public comment item on the agenda.

Capitan resident Alex Trujillo and a resident of Nogal whose child attends school in Capitan, requested trustees to consider all complaints about the police officer, especially if trustees were considering a salary increase.

Trujillo said what he wanted to know was public infor-

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TIM THOMPSON was sworn in by Carrizozo Municipal Judge C.O. Rominger Monday evening after having been selected to fill the vacancy on the Carrizozo Town Council. Former council member Wesley Lindsay resigned for health reasons. Thompson has lived in Carrizozo for five years. He and his wife Cindy have owned the Sign Studio for four years. (Photo by Rose Kractovill)



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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.

TODAY, THURSDAY, APRIL 14

--Child Find developmental screening for infants through five years old, kindergarten registration and Head Start registration, Cummins Gymnasium at Capitan School 9:00 a.m. to 12 noon Bring child's birth certificate and immunization record.

SATURDAY, APRIL 16

--Carrizozo Renaissance Festival on historic 12th Street 8:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. The public is cordially invited to this inaugural event. Come as you are or in your fancy or fantasy wear. There will be performances, artisans, crafts and food. Free booth and vendor space for those creating a Renaissance atmosphere.

MONDAY, APRIL 18

--Special meeting of Carrizozo Town Council 10 a.m. Agenda to include public hearing for an amendment to the zoning ordinance.

TUESDAY, APRIL 19

--Lincoln County Commission 8:30 a.m. --Carrizozo Planning Commission 6 p.m.

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 20

--Child Find developmental screening for infants through five years old, kindergarten registration and Head Start registration, Carrizozo High School gym 9:30 a.m. to 12 noon Bring child's birth certificate and immunization record.

THURSDAY, APRIL 21

--Lincoln Historic Preservation Board 7:00 p.m. at Community Church in Lincoln.

FRIDAY, APRIL 22

--Good Friday, most governmental offices closed.

SUNDAY, APRIL 24

Easter.

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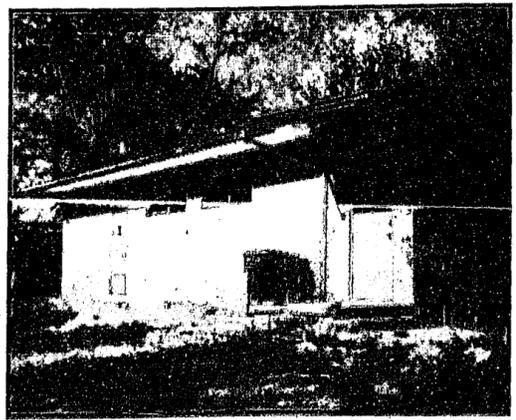
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THE OWNERSHIP OF THIS SMALL BUILDING, constructed for a church then purchased by Capitan Chamber of Commerce, is uncertain as chambers members in March voted to disband the organization. (Photo by Doris Cherry)



Capitan Clean Up Day is Saturday, April 30

Saturday, April 30 is the annual Capitan Village Clean up day.

Capitan Village Trustees at their meeting April 11, approved the clean up day for April 30, the only day the large roll off dumpsters and grapple truck from the Greentree Solid Waste Authority will be available. The roll off containers and grapple truck will be located at the Lincoln County Fairgrounds, instead of the senior center location as in the past.

Capitan residents can utilize the free service upon showing a water bill. No yard, household or electronic waste will be allowed. White goods—old appliances—will be taken.

Also during the meeting, trustees voted unanimously to reject the three bids submitted for construction of the new wastewater treatment facility lagoon, because the apparent low bidder made an error on his proposal even though the final number was the lowest, the second lowest bid-

der had a lack of experience with local government projects and the third had negative feedback from references.

Project engineer Tappan Mahoney from Dennis Engineering of Edgewood, NM, said rebidding is a viable option and would only set the project back about two weeks.

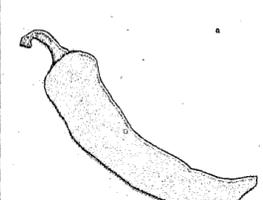
A recommendation from the village water board to allow a hardship water hook up at 100 Island Road requested by John

Carpenter, who plans to bring in an RV as living quarters while he cares for his mother, was unanimously approved by trustees.

After returning to open session after an executive session to discuss threatened or pending litigation — Kelly Cable of New Mexico, trustees unanimously authorized the village attorney to settle the case as discussed in closed session. The issue deals with subcontract work for a village project.

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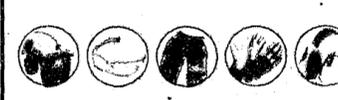
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THOUGHTS

From the Editor's Desk
by Ruth Hammond

Spring makes it all worthwhile!

Not to worry, the federal government did not shut down as was feared last week, and things are back to normal with the debt limit higher and higher. Living within a budget appears to not be what is uppermost but future generations will have the enormous budget shortfall ahead of them.

Evidently some federal officials believe they have a right to spend, spend, spend. But what about the youngsters who will have to pay, pay, pay the debts that are being accumulated?

Gee, does anyone care? Do we have to accept what the officials are doing? Time will tell.

One thing we do know is that in another week it will be Easter, the unofficial start of spring. Some people believe spring starts at the start of April but this year the winds are keeping some of the standard spring activity slower in starting.

There appear to be reasons for delays in when seasons start. The earthquake and tsunami on the other side of the Pacific Ocean certainly has affected the weather in the US. There has been no statement as to when this adverse weather will change back to what had been normal.

Instead of complaining, how about being thankful that the earthquake and tsunami were on the other side of the ocean? If it had been in the continental US then Lincoln County could be part of the oceanside property. We prefer to be in the midst of the mountains, not the Pacific Ocean.

Anyway, eventually the earth may adjust to being tilted on the axis and resume activity that will be more or less normal for this time of year. If not, people will have to accept weather changes.

The thing now is to get ready for some of the activities that help make spring enjoyable. The wind will lessen, hopefully, and activities Saturday will be pleasant. And planting time will begin.

It seems there is always something, if not time to bring plants in before winter, it is time to set out plants for spring blooming. And speaking of blooming, have you noticed trees branching out?

Of course you have. Some trees are lush green while others have yellow foliage. Pretty.

Nature has a way of bringing smiles out, even on windy days. And regardless of how much the national debt increases, we can enjoy these beautiful spring days and be thankful that we live in Lincoln County. Enjoy spring before the hot summer.

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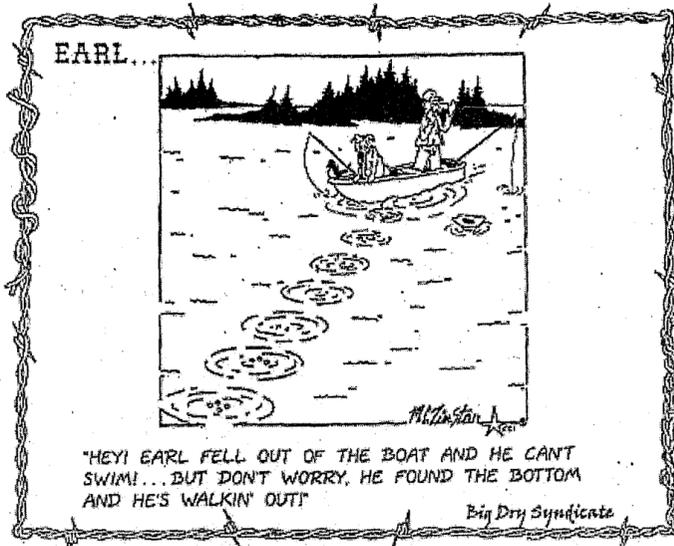
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* Inside the Capitol

by Jay Miller, Syndicated Columnist

Former Gov. Cargo May Donate Bust

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SANTA FE - Former Gov. Dave Cargo may soon be memorialized with a bust somewhere in the capitol. This isn't a bust for which taxpayers will have to foot the bill. This one was sculpted 44 years ago, early in Cargo's administration.

According to Senate Bill 70, our former governor wants to give it to the state. That's a switch for Lonesome Dave, who always has been known for being tight with a buck, both his bucks and taxpayers' money.

When Cargo ended his term in 1970, he is said to have cleaned out both his office and the Governor's Mansion. Bruce King, who followed Cargo as governor is quoted as saying all Cargo left was "that woodpecker over on the desk." At least it means he left the desk too.

But he did take an antique piano, which became a bone of contention. It turned up in someone's home in Northern New Mexico and eventually was donated back to the state, where it sat in the governors' reception area for several years during a subsequent administration.

The piano may have been in the Governor's Mansion while Cargo was governor. I was never in the mansion during Cargo's term. And I've never heard anyone else mention having been in the residence during that period.

When Cargo threw a party, it usually was a spur of the moment affair after some political event. Cargo would hit up one of the liquor lobbyists for some beer and everyone would go around the house into the back yard for a little party.

Cargo was well known as a low budget campaigner. During his first campaign, he traveled the state alone in a beat up Volkswagen, painting his name on every roadside rock he could find. He never bought an ad, saying "Why pay for the back

page when you can get the front-page free."

Cargo knew how to get on the front page. His biting quips always carried a strong message and the media loved him for it. When he ran for reelection two years later, Cargo got a few good sized donations, which caused him to observe: "I have \$56,000 to spend this time and I'm afraid I won't know what to do with it."

Cargo also prided himself on a small staff. He had only one state policeman, Red Pack, who mainly served as his chauffeur. Cargo says he enjoyed doing most of the driving while Pack slept in the back.

Our former governor even tells the story of being asked to speak in Southern Colorado. On the way up, Cargo told Pack no one up there had ever seen or heard him so he talked Pack into delivering his speech since he had heard it so many times.

Pack did reasonably well until it came to question and answer time. Someone asked Pack a question he couldn't answer so he said, "That question's so easy, I'm going to ask my chauffeur in the back of the room to

answer it." You have often seen me refer to Dave Clary, a reader from Roswell, who also is a very successful writer for national publishers. Twelve years ago Cargo spoke at the legislative prayer breakfast. Cargo is what one might call well read. Among other accomplishments, he claims to have read all 54 volumes of Vladimir Lenin.

Wanting to show off his vast vocabulary, Cargo observed "Sometimes a Sabbatarial zeal can lead us into a moral Coventry and a Tractarian disaster." Obviously, no one in the news business could make heads or tails out of that statement.

So I appealed to my erudite readers for help. I received numerous entries and passed them on to Gov. Cargo for grading. Clary was the winner - hands down.

Both gentlemen have written books recently, using words the rest of us can understand. I commend them both for your consideration. Cargo's book is called "Lonesome Dave." Clary's book is "Washington" First War."

WEATHER REPORT

by Jeff Hammond

The forecast last week was about a day off, the rain that was supposed to hit Wednesday night didn't hit until Thursday night, so let's see if I can't get it a little better this week.

The forecast for the upcoming week is WIND, wind and more wind and when you get tired of the wind you can always look forward to some more wind.

Daytime temperatures will be from the mid 60s to the mid 70s, nighttime temperatures will be from the mid 30s to low 40s at all elevations.

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

Today, Thursday, April 14

Mostly sunny, with a high near 70, windy, with a west wind 10 to 15 mph increasing to between 25 and 30 mph, winds could gust as high as 45 mph, night: Mostly clear, with a low around 35, breezy, with a north wind 20 to 25 mph decreasing to between 5 and 10 mph, winds could gust as high as 35 mph.

Friday, April 15

Mostly sunny, with a high near 71, night: Mostly clear, with a low around 39.

Saturday, April 16

Sunny, with a high near 71, night: Mostly clear, with a low around 43.

Sunday, April 17

Sunny, with a high near 78, night: Partly cloudy, with a low around 46.

Monday, April 18

Mostly sunny, with a high near 76, night: Partly cloudy, with a low around 45.

Tuesday, April 19

A slight chance of showers and thunderstorms, mostly sunny, with a high near 69, night: Partly cloudy with a slight chance for showers and thunderstorms, with a low around 38.

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

Today, Thursday, April 14

Areas of blowing dust, sunny, with a high near 61, windy, with a west wind between 25 and 35 mph, with gusts as high as 50 mph, night: Mostly clear, with a low around 35, 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 15

Mostly sunny, with a high near 64, night: Mostly clear, with a low around 46.

Saturday, April 16

Sunny, with a high near 63, night: Mostly clear, with a low around 49.

Sunday, April 17

Sunny, with a high near 71, night:

(Con't. on P. 8)

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Think Rain!!

Fort Stanton FACTS and FICTION

by Betty Joiner

Where does time go?? Mother has been gone a year. I have been retired a year and you wonder how did you ever get up and go day after day to work. Do think you get more accomplished by having a job.

The basketball game between Tularosa and Capitan recentl was a tough one to watch. The girls tried hard but didn't ever get ahead. My opinion was the coach needed to try other players. Kersti and Jamie Fields were exhausted and Haley and Dusti Rae might have been some help.

As with life it is so hard to sit and watch someone else make decisions that you think you might have better answers for.

Also I think when the parents and grandparents travel so far and support these girls they should at least get a few minutes on court. Mary Nell Washburn was so kind to offer to take me to see the girls play. Sure did appreciate the ride.

CowBelles Meet

Called Willa to get the new officer names for CowBelles. She was good enough to tell me Kimberly Stone is the president, vice president is Ruth Wold, secretary is Nicki Bowen and treasurer is Sherry Huddleston. Willa said they have nearly 55 members and meet at the new Church of Christ building. I have them on one of my blocks and may try to go to the meeting on Tuesday at 6:00.

Willa said she had not heard if Nathalie's husband had ever got the book to the publisher. Sure hope he did and hope it will be out soon.

Info about Hattie Phillips

I was reading some articles in the book by Clarence Adams and found a letter in the book from a man by the name of David A. Berry. The letter says he is from a town close to Portland, Oregon and was raised at Farwell, Texas.

He goes on to say he was researching his family history of the Berry family from MD, VA and Tennessee. In doing so he had found that he was bound by relation to enter his mother's family, the Phillips line. His grandfather Joseph Patrick Phillips, homesteaded some 25 miles west of Roswell in the late

1800s. His ranch of some 8,000 acres joined what was then the Diamond A ranch. He was born at Weatherford, TX in 1869 and died at Roswell in 1929. His grandmother died around 1894 and was buried at Weatherford, TX.

Joseph remarried Eliza Mc Pherson there in the Capitan Mountain country. They had one son Edgar Phillips, who lived all his life around Lincoln and Carrizozo along the Hondo River. He worked many years for Bert Pfingsten and the railroad. He says he believed that Mr. Pfingsten ran cattle.

Edgar's wife was Hattie Phillips and was postmistress at Lincoln for several years. Hattie was my second PM who I loved working for, I believe one of their sons was Richard Phillips, and still had a butane gas business at Hondo and at one time owned the café bar station there.

He goes on to write that seemed to be some people named Freeland connected to this family in some way. Maybe they were from around the Weed area.

Edgar's wife Hattie, was a Hendricks, somewhere of an old timer in the Lincoln - Carrizozo country. All this to say was this true that Hattie was a Hendricks and was her family from the Weed area or were they from the Hendricks North of Capitan?

In all the pictures I am going through of Bessie and Milt Jones, there are so many taken on the Hendricks ranch. Just curious to know if Hattie and Edgar ever worked where Mother and Daddy evidently worked.

Lisa would you or Richard let me know if you read this. I would like to add the history of Hattie to my post office books I have going on all the Lincoln County postmasters. Thanks to anyone else that might be kin to Hattie please write me at box 222 Capitan.

This book has so many people I have heard Mother and Daddy talk about. It is in this book, a letter from Willie Hobbs talking about the Hagee family from Bonito keeping her when she was a baby, and an article about when Chalk and Mrs. Norton had to move to Alamogordo.

Does anybody know when the old Timer's Review started? Johnson Stearns and Herbert Lee

Traylor and Jack Forester along with my dear friends husband Gerald Tully are in this book. So interesting to read.

Think of Dan Storm every morning when my neighbors go into water. Four little Angus baby calves and their mom's always stop and stare at me when I stick my head out the door and say Moo. There is nothing sweeter than these little calves.

Ed Williams had a big surprise at church last week with cards and an unusual birthday. The cake was made but the wind had blown the decorations off. Ed has done so much to help our little church be a good place to meet on Sundays. He lights the stove, cooks all kinds of dishes, plants flowers and makes sure the driveway is where the mud won't be a foot deep. Just a little thank you to Ed who also is the one who is responsible for the Memorial to the Veterans of the White Oaks area.

Dave Spencer gave the sermon on trials and tribulations and two kinds of wisdom on Sunday. We had a small group but many missed a great message.

Evelyn and I will plan to get a special day together to celebrate four years of this small church on April 23.

Amazing what blessings we have had. I started writing them down the other day and there are just too many to keep track of.

When I called Lisa Crenshaw to ask her if she might give me a ride to get my pickup in Ruidoso, she was not around but had gone to El Paso with Kaitlyn to be present when Bobby Dan got some kind of award with his horses. She said that he is doing some better and might be home soon. We were all so glad to hear this good news.

Lisa said she had had some bad luck and got stuck in a snow drift recently just like I did. Some good neighbors were able to come along and get her out.

Has anyone noticed the Smokey metal sign on the pole by Riska's house? George and Ricky LaMay are responsible for this with the FFA doing the cutting with the torch. As Ricky said we all have a gold mine with Smokey here and no one seems to know this.

Deborah Abingdon, my friend who came from Oregon with the red border colie has a new puppy that is a ridgeback breed. She is having a lot of fun trying to train this breed as it is nothing like our beautiful colies. Deborah had just lost five of my dogs kin and decided to try a new breed. He is a sweet dog but will be so big.

Noticed the bank has once again changed the name from First Federal to Washington Federal. I can't keep up with these changes, so poor Jo has to remind me of theall.

Til next time.

The Mayor's Corner

Hope everyone is enjoying the weather although, I know most of you wish we had more wind.

At the regular Council meeting Monday night, I presented the name of Tim Thompson to the trustees as a replacement for Wes Lindsay. They voted unanimously to accept my recommendation. Mr. Thompson was sworn in by Municipal Judge C.O. Rominger and took his place on the council. I think you will find Tim to be an independent thinker and very approachable with any town business. Welcome aboard Tim.

We are gearing up for the pool season. The last I checked, there had not been any applications for lifeguard or cashier. If you are interested in becoming a lifeguard, I suggest you check with Alamogordo or Ruidoso for lifeguard and CPR certification classes.

A reminder of the Town cleanup on Saturday May 14 from 8:00 a.m. till noon. The dumpsters will be located at McBride well on the south end of E Avenue. If you want the town to pickup items, call City Hall to be placed on the list. The pickup will be the week before the cleanup.

We are in the process of working with FEMA for reimbursements to the town for costs incurred during the big freeze. We had a "kick off" meeting with them Tuesday morning. There will be two representatives working with the local communities to make the appropriate applications and over see the project. Foreman Joey Thornton will be the lead contact person for the town.

The skirting project for the Airport will be starting in the near future. The Federal and State Aviation Divisions assisted the town with our application. They were able to decrease our match because the state was able to increase their match. The town's portion was .five percent or just over \$1,100. The cost of this phase is \$260,000.

The Department of Transportation met with Planning and Zoning on Tuesday afternoon. The purpose of this meeting was to address the complaints about the signs along US 380 and US 54. DOT received 16 complaints about signs by the highways and within the city limits. These complaints were filed in August 2010 by "Concerned Citizens." As a result of this meeting, each of these violations was inspected by P&Z and the Department of Transportation together. There will be a P&Z meeting Tuesday April 19 at 6:00 p.m. in the council room to address these findings.

Peter and Suzie Wolf will be providing a BBQ dinner at the Fourth of July fireworks this year. The proceeds will go to the annual Christmas Luminaries' display. There will be other fund raisers and publicity as we get closer to the event.

Have a Safe and Fun Weekend

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 Hutchinsons, 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.

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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

Published in the Lincoln County News on March 24, 31; April 7 and 14, 2011.

**NOTICE OF SPECIAL MEETING
AND PUBLIC HEARING**

NOTICE is hereby given that the Lincoln County Board of Commissioners will hold a Special Meeting to consider appropriate business and to consider a Public Hearing beginning at 9:00 a.m. on Tuesday, May 3, 2011, to be held at the Lincoln County Courthouse (Commission Chambers), in Carrizozo, New Mexico. The purpose of the Public Hearing is to consider the following items:

- A. Preliminary Budget Fiscal Year 2011-2012
- B. Infrastructure Capital Improvements Plan (ICIP)

All parties and interested citizens will have the opportunity to be heard. Copies of the agenda and proposed Budget and ICIP may be obtained from the County Manager's office at the Lincoln County Courthouse in Carrizozo, twenty-four (24) hours prior to the meeting. 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

Published in the Lincoln County News on Thursday, April 14, 2011.

LEGAL NOTICE

**CAPITAN MUNICIPAL SCHOOLS
NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING**

Notice is hereby given pursuant to 22-8-10 NMSA, 1978 that the Board of Education of Capitan School District #28, County of Lincoln, State of New Mexico will meet on April 27, 2011, 5:30 p.m. M.D.T., in the board room of the administration building, 150 Forest Street, to present and publicly review the budget for the 2001-2012 fiscal year.

This is a public hearing and all school patrons are invited to attend.

Done at Capitan, New Mexico, this 29th day of March, 2011.

**CAPITAN BOARD
OF EDUCATION**
Robin Parks,
BOARD PRESIDENT

ATTEST:
Steven Dirks,
SECRETARY

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Think Rain!!!!

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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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**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

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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@littledrantel.com

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LEGAL NOTICE

**STATE OF NEW MEXICO
COUNTY OF LINCOLN
TWELFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT
No. CV-2011-089**

**LEONARD MCCUTCHEON, CHERYL
LYNN MCCUTCHEON-BRADLEY, LEONARD
RAY MCCUTCHEON, DAVID TULL
MCCUTCHEON and MARY LYNN
MCCUTCHEON BROWNING**

Plaintiffs

vs.

**GROUP I
ANY AND-ALL UNKNOWN CLAIMANTS
OF INTEREST IN THE PREMISES
ADVERSE TO THE PLAINTIFF**

Defendants.

**SUMMONS AND NOTICE OF PENDENCY
OF PROCEEDING**

THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO

To: Unknown persons who may claim a lien, interest or title adverse to Plaintiff

GREETINGS:

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that the above named Plaintiffs have commenced a proceeding against you in the above entitled Court and Cause, the object thereof being a Complaint for Quiet Title with respect to the real property described as:

Tull Stansell Estate located within Sections 15, 21, 22 and 28, Township 11 South, Range 14 East, N.M.P.M., Lincoln County, New Mexico.

YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that, unless you serve and file a responsive pleading or motion in said Cause on or before the 6th day of June, 2011, judgment will be rendered against you in said Cause by default.

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

WITNESS my hand and seal of the District Court of Lincoln County, State of New Mexico, this 1st day of April, 2011.

JAN PERRY
CLERK OF THE DISTRICT COURT

By: Margie Lueras
Deputy Clerk

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**SHERIFF'S
REPORT**

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

January 14

10:55 p.m. Welfare check requested at mile marker 279 on Hwy 70 in Hondo, deputy dispatched.

11:12 p.m. Disturbance/loud music reported at residence on FR 120A in Alto, deputy dispatched.

January 15

10:11 a.m. Civil dispute reported at residence on CR C006 in Capitan, deputy dispatched.

10:19 a.m. Harassment reported at location on 10th Street in Carrizozo, police dispatched.

12:34 p.m. Medical call at Ski Apache, ALS ambulance dispatched.

12:48 pm. Fraud reported at location on Comrey Loop in Carrizozo, deputy dispatched.

1:21 p.m. Medical call at Ski Apache, ALS

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Corona's Future Authors' Projects on Display at Village of Corona Public Library

The Corona Public School elementary students recently participated in writing projects for World Literacy Day, March 3.

Students wrote and illustrated books and made posters from search projects then invited friends and family to the school to see their work. The Village of Corona Public Library supported the students' Literacy Day projects by presenting each student author with a pencil, a bookmark, and a book bag.

VOCPL is now hosting a display

of the students' projects in the Library, entitled "Corona's Future Authors". The books and posters will be on display in the library through the month of April. The VOCPL staff invites the community, the parents and friends to visit the library, see the display and read the books and posters.

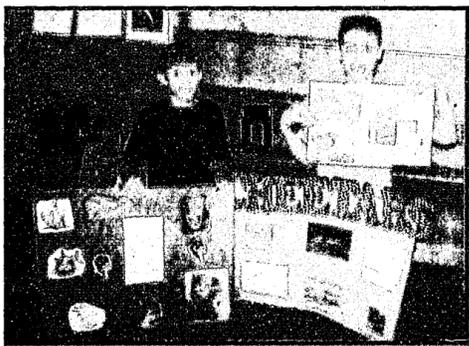
VOCPL is located on Main Street in Corona, directly behind the Village Hall. Please call the Library at 575-849-5513 for more information and operating hours.



Corona's Future Authors, Kindergarten through 3rd graders show off Literacy Day projects in Corona Public Library. (Courtesy Photo)



Corona's Future Authors, 4th graders display Literacy Day posters and books.

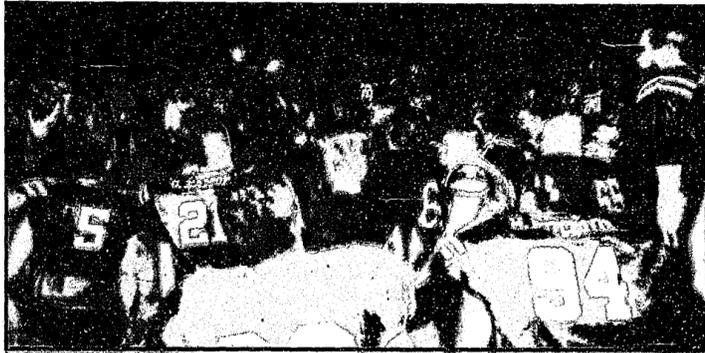


Corona's Future Authors, 5th graders display Literacy Day posters. (Courtesy Photo)



Corona's Future Authors, 6th Graders display Literacy Day books. (Courtesy photo)

Carrizozo Wins Alumni Match with Capitan 20-0



Carrizozo Grizzly alumni players (red) and Capitan Tiger alumni players (black) get a post-game pep talk from game sponsor. Carrizozo came up with a 20-0 win over Capitan in a well attended fun game.



Susan C.E. Carter

Arbitration & Mediation Advisor

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Middle photo shows several Tiger defense converge on Grizzly running back. Bottom photo shows some of the Carrizozo alumni (l to r) Pat Ventura, Brian Bartz (50), Raphael Chavez (24), and Kevin Sheehan (kneeling).

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	Braye Relays	Ruidoso HS	1:30PM
Tues., Apr. 19	Tiger Cub Relays	Capitan	2:00PM

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Looking Back
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FOLKLORE CORNER

by Ted Raynor

When Jesse James Hid Out at Hillsboro

Three men and a boy sat around a campfire at the head of the Mimbres River in the fall of 1898. The men were talking about outlaws they had seen while the boy D.M. (Dan) Miller, then about 9 years old, listened.

That was the night the boy heard Old Spike, who had been a lieutenant with Quantrill's riders during the Kansas-Missouri border warfare in the Civil War years, tell about the time Jesse James, the notorious Missouri outlaw, had hidden out near Hillsboro.

Dan Miller, one of eight persons now living in the ghost mining town of Lake Valley, said that his father D.S. (Sam) Miller, recalled seeing Black Jack Ketchum, the Dalton boys of Missouri, and some of the younger outlaws in Tombstone, Arizona.

"But I never met Jesse James," Miller said.

"Yes, you did, Sam," Spike remarked.

They went back and forth a few times, and Miller began to get angry because he thought his truthfulness was being questioned.

Finally, Old Spike asked:

"Do you remember on the street in Hillsboro in the early 1880's when I introduced you to a Mr. _____?" (Dan Miller could not recall the name he had heard around the hunters' campfire.)

Spike then described what the man wore, and asked Miller if he remembered going in the back of the Keller, Miller and Co. store in Hillsboro with the person to whom he had been introduced. "Yes, I remember that," Miller replied, "but what the hell's that got to do with Jesse James?"

Spike leaned back, laughed and said: "It wasn't anybody else but him."

And he told Miller he had visited and drunk with James on at least two occasions in the back of the store. In those days the whiskey was kept in the back of the store—a barrel of good whiskey on one side of the door and a barrel of cheap liquor on the other side. Whiskey was sold by the quart and gallon or by the drink. The store had no bar.

Old Spike related further to the Millers, and Jim Stuck, the third hunter, how James had disappeared from Missouri and it was believed he had gone to California. Spike then lived right north of Gold Dust on the road between Caballo and Hillsboro. One day while digging in a hole for placer on the flat, he saw a rider coming across the mesa. Spike kept on digging. He had his long Tom handy on the edge of the hole just in case.

Finally, the horseman saw Spike and rode towards him. Spike climbed out of the placer hole. As the rider came close, Spike recognized James, who also had been a lieutenant with Quantrill. They visited for quite awhile.

Spike told how he guided Jesse and his horse to a cave in that area and kept them under cover for about a week to give anyone on James' trail time to show up or go on by.

Miller said he believed James lived at Spike's house at the old placer camp, near Gold Dust, for several weeks after danger of pursuit was apparently over.

James promised him he'd go to California and quit his outlaw career, Spike said. The last time the placer miner saw James he was riding west.

(The outlaw was killed in St. Jo, Mo., by Bob Ford on April 3, 1882.)

About 1904 or 1905 Spike was fatally injured while driving a team at the Vega Blanca headquarters of the John Cross Ranch, owned by the Los Animas Land and Cattle Co.

Several days before Spike told his story of hiding out near Hillsboro, Sam Miller had taken his son aside and remarked that he noticed the boy was having trouble saying "Mr. Spike" while the men called him "Old Spike." "That's not his real name," Sam Miller said to his son. "But go on calling him Mr. Spike." He then told the boy Spike's true name and cautioned him to say nothing about their conversation.

Few people ever knew Old Spike's real name or that he had ridden with Quantrill, Dan Miller said. To the best of Miller's recollection Spike's name was John McAfee.

Ancho News

Mrs. B. A. Hightower, Mrs. John A. Hightower, Mrs. B. Wilson and Mrs. Walt Wilson attended the coffee given for Mrs. Simms at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Reil in Carrizozo.

Mr. and Mrs. Lee Straley lent a hand in the Straley cattle shipping Sunday.

Mrs. and Mrs. L.Y. Jackson and children of El Paso were Ancho visitors Sunday, guests of Jacke and Jimmie.

Will Ed Harris of Carrizozo make a pleasant visit to Jackie Silvers, and immie Kile one day last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Barnett were home helping ship cattle Sunday.

SHERIFF'S REPORT . . .

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ambulance dispatched. 1:56 p.m. Civil dispute reported at location on Hwy 37 in Nogal, deputy dispatched.

5:42 p.m. Suspicious activity reported at intersection of Gavilan Canyon Road and Hwy 48 in Alto, deputy dispatched. January 16

5:24 a.m. Medical call at residence on Cowboy Court in Rancho Ruidoso Valley Estates, ALS ambulance dispatched.

10:03 a.m. Warrant service at LCDC located on Airport Street in Carrizozo, deputy dispatched.

10:29 a.m. Medical call at location on Ski Run Road in Alto, ALS ambulance dispatched.

12:58 p.m. Medical call at location on Ski Run Road in Alto, ALS ambulance dispatched.

1:21 p.m. Information report at location on Midiron in Alto, deputy dispatched.

January 17

12:05 a.m. Medical call at location on Calle La Placita in Lincoln, ambulance dispatched.

12:34 p.m. Warrant service near intersection of Ironwood and 15th Road in Carrizozo, deputy dispatched.

3:31 p.m. Medical call at residence on Pinehurst in Alto, ALS ambulance dispatched.

7:24 p.m. Welfare check requested for person sitting in car at mile marker 157 on Hwy 54 in Corona, deputy dispatched.

8:56 p.m. Medical call at residence on Pinehurst in Alto, Bonito emergency units and ALS ambulance dispatched.

9:21 p.m. Medical call at business located on Central Avenue in Carrizozo,

ambulance and emergency units dispatched.

January 18

9:44 a.m. Warrant service requested by New Mexico Department of Corrections Adult Probation and Parole Officer (APO) for parolee at large (PAL) Ruidoso, deputy dispatched.

10:23 a.m. Medical call at residence on Mesa Heights Drive in Alto, deputy dispatched.

10:46 a.m. Harassment reported at Ruidoso Downs police headquarters in Ruidoso Downs, deputy dispatched.

12:47 p.m. Warrant service at LCDC on Airport Street in Carrizozo, deputy dispatched.

4:06 p.m. Larceny/theft reported at mile marker 95 on Hwy 380 in Lincoln, deputy dispatched.

5:26 p.m. Accident reported at intersection of Hwy 37 and Red Fox lane in Nogal, deputy dispatched.

6:34 p.m. Disturbance/family dispute reported at residence on Lincoln Hills Road in

Alto, deputy dispatched.

January 19

1:10 a.m. Warrant service at LCDC on Airport Street in Carrizozo, deputy dispatched.

7:38 a.m. Harassment reported at location on Dean Road in Capitan, deputy dispatched.

8:24 a.m. Warrant service at LCDC on Airport St. in Carrizozo, deputy dispatched.

12:58 p.m. Police presence/stand-by requested at residence on Shain Court in Rancho Ruidoso Valley Estates, deputy dispatched.

2:02 p.m. Criminal damage to property reported at mile marker 91 on Hwy 380 in Ft. Stanton, deputy dispatched.

4:04 p.m. Medical call at residence on Main Road in Capitan, ambulance dispatched.

7:08 p.m. Dog reported running loose on Pine Lodge Road in Capitan, deputy dispatched.

8:43 p.m. Disturbance/family dispute

reported at residence on West Cedar in Capitan, police and deputy dispatched.

January 20

0:21 a.m. Agency assistance requested at location on Enchanted Forest Loop in Alto, deputy dispatched.

11:39 a.m. Police presence/stand-by requested at location on Coe Canyon Road in Glencoe, deputy dispatched.

5:28 p.m. Medical call at residence on D Avenue in Carrizozo, ambulance dispatched.

8:33 p.m. Medical call at New Horizons on E Ave. in Carrizozo, ambulance dispatched.

January 21

6:04 a.m. Medical call at residence on Crooked Stick Lane in Alto, ALS ambulance dispatched.

6:34 a.m. Missing or lost person reported at location on Kerr Avenue in Corona, deputy dispatched.

8:54 a.m. Police presence/stand-by requested at Shain Court in Rancho Ruidoso Valley Estates, deputy dispatched.

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