

Commission Renews Manager's Contract

Manager Tom Stewart Starts 14th Year With County

by Doris Cherry

Lincoln County Manager Tom Stewart starts his 14th year with the county this week, his contract renewed by the county commission. With Stewart's annual contract with the county expiring

May 19, county commissioners at their regular meeting Tuesday, May 17, briefly discussed renewing the county manager's contract for another year.

County attorney Alan Morel said Stewart requested no change in salary from the previous year -- \$110,000 plus two months severance pay. If he is terminated at will, three weeks paid vacation per year, seven paid personal days per year and provi-

sion to carry over unused leave from the previous year, and all other benefits afforded to all other county employees such as health insurance and Public Employees Retirement Association (PERA).

"I am happy to report that Mr. Stewart has agreed to stay for another year," Morel told commissioners.

Stewart offered to forfeit 10 days of unused paid vacation leave for this

year, but county commissioner Kathryn Minter, who made the motion to approve the contract, said she wanted him to take that time off.

County commissioner Mark Doth, who seconded the motion, wanted to know, for his planning purposes, what Stewart plans to do after one year. "Will you continue or what?" Doth asked.

Stewart said for the 13 years he has been coun-

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HOWDY! Hungry elk make themselves at home on the greenish grass near drip irrigated fruit trees on a residence on the west side of Capitan. Motorists need to take special care in the mountain areas as elk and other wildlife are drawn to feed on the green grass along the highways. (Photo by Doris Cherry)

Capitan Trustees Give Raises to Three Employees

by Doris Cherry

Capitan Village Trustees are hurrying to complete their budget cycle before June 1, when the 2011-2012 preliminary budget is due to the New Mexico Department of Finance and Administration (DFA).

At their meeting Tuesday, May 10, presided over by mayor pro tem Diane Riska, trustees scheduled budget workshops to review the proposed preliminary budget for the 2011-2012 fiscal year that begins July 1.

Village clerk Kay Strickland and finance officer Shirley Pavlovic urged the trustees to set the workshops soon, in order to provide time to adjust figures on the preliminary budget, and to post notice of a special meeting to adopt it before the end of the month.

For the current fiscal year, which ends June 30, the village had budgeted to receive \$1,197,962 in general fund revenues and proposed to spend \$1,260,965.

However, as of April the village had received only \$893,012 and had expended only \$882,699 in general funds.

A portion of the village budget goes for employee salaries, and the trustees will have to figure in the 50 cents an hour raises they gave to David Swanner, Troylene Wood and

Kevin Kennedy. Trustees voted unanimously to accept the employees' evaluations and the subsequent raises after they came back into open session from a closed to public executive session to discuss limited personnel matters.

Also at the meeting, trustees awarded a \$369,885.63 bid, which includes the gross receipt tax, to MAXTEK Contractors, Inc of Albuquerque for improvements to the wastewater treatment facility, as recommended by Dennis Engineering the firm hired to direct the project.

This was a re-bid as trustees at their April meeting, rejected all original bids because they far exceeded the budget of \$367,000 for the project. The MAXTEK bid included a list of deductibles that could bring the cost down, Strickland told trustees. Funding for the project comes from a state loan.

Because the village participates in and receives funding from the federal Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) program, trustees adopted a resolution that confirms the village complies with the plans and policies required by the Housing and community Development Act.

The resolution includes information on the citizens participation plan, residential anti-displacement and relocation assistance plan; Section 3 Plan; and Fair Housing Policy.

Strickland said there were no changes to the forms or information from the previous year.

Trustee Jim Davis made the motion to approve the resolution, but grumbled that it was "expensive crap that we should not have to do every year."

"This is bureaucratic crap at it's most, yet it's federal law," he said,

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Lodger's Tax Funds Awarded

by Patrice Brazie

Since taking office in January, two new members of the Lincoln County Board of Commissioners have been asking a lot questions about how the county spends and allocates its resources. One fund that has recently come under scrutiny, especially by county commissioner Kathryn Minter, is the county's lodger's tax fund.

During the April meeting of the county board, county commissioner Eileen Sedillo complemented the "excellent" work of the Lincoln County Lodger's Tax Committee (LTC) in closely reviewing funding requests and keeping her informed of its activities.

County commissioner Jackie Powell raised some questions about the LTC's recommendation to award the AspenCash Motorcycle Rally only \$3,000 of the \$5,000 requested by Patric Pearson of CP6 Solutions, L.L.C., while approving the full amount of \$5,000 requested by the same promoter for the Golden Aspen motorcycle rally. She compared the funding of the motorcycle events to a running event, the Ski Run Road Challenge, which the LTC recommended receive \$3,500 of its \$5,529 request.

"It's just a hard decision for me," Powell said. "The Ski Run Road Challenge is important; they do a good job, but they don't bring in near the amount of people that this bike

rally, it's in May and that's a critical time of year for our economic diversification," she said, referring to the AspenCash rally.

Sedillo remarked that the LTC had based its decision partially on a report that attendance at the May bike rally had fallen by 50 percent from the previous year.

"That was their reason of dropping the advertising amount," Sedillo said.

"They may have had a drop but there's still a lot of people that come," Powell rebutted, suggesting that some changes to the methods used to advertise the rally might be in order. "But I don't think they should be hit," she added.

Minter pointed-out that the lodger's tax committee more often than not approved funding at amounts less than what was requested by the event promoters. "It almost seemed like they cut all of them a little bit," Minter said. "Are they learning to inflate their requests?"

Sedillo answered that the LTC almost always awards less than the full amount requested for promoting events.

"Really, the people that come asking don't know what they need, so sometimes they give them the full amount; sometimes they don't," Sedillo said.

Powell said that she didn't feel comfortable giving the May motorcycle rally less funding than the October runners' events, and recom-

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New Boiler Approved for New Horizons

by Patrice Brazie

Following a recommendation from the county manager and an appeal from administrators of the New Horizons Developmental Center in Carrizozo, the Lincoln County Board of Commissioners recently authorized a \$9,100 contribution to the purchase of a new boiler at the center.

According to county manager Tom Stewart, the county leases the building and grounds of the former county hospital in Carrizozo to the developmental center with a contract that designates the responsibility for repairs to the lessee.

"The 20 year old boiler at the facility is on its last legs and New Horizons has been looking for a way to fund a replace-

ment," the manager explained during a recent meeting of the county commissioners.

Stewart said that the center had been successful in securing some funding for a replacement boiler through a U.S. Department of Agriculture program, but the funding would fall short of the full cost by about \$9,100. He recommended that, because the county owns the building, the county commissioners make an exception to the lease agreement and authorize an expenditure of \$9,100 to cover the remaining costs of the boiler replacement.

Chris Schneider, executive director of the New Horizons facility, and residential services coordinator Laura Rose addressed the county board dur-

ing its regular meeting on April 19th to talk a little about the center and answer questions from the commissioners.

The two newest members of the county commission, Kathryn Minter and Mark Doth, admitted that they were unfamiliar with the facility which has been in operation in Carrizozo since 1979.

Schneider explained that New Horizons is a non-profit organization and receives its funding from Medicaid and Medicare reimbursements. The facility has a staff of about 30 employees. Seventeen developmentally challenged adults currently reside there; at least one of those residents has lived there for two decades.

"Technically, we're a rehabilitation

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CAPITAN MAYOR PRO TEM Diane Riska presides over the Village Trustees meeting Tuesday, May 10, attended by trustees (from left) Jim Davis, Ricky LaMay (Riska), Lilly Bradley. (Photo by Doris Cherry)



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--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.
- TODAY, THURSDAY, MAY 19**
--Lincoln Historic Preservation Board 7:00 p.m. Community Church in Lincoln.
- TUESDAY, MAY 24**
--Greentree Solid Waste Authority public hearing at 10:00 a.m. on proposed rate increase. Regular meeting to follow.
- TUESDAY, MAY 24**
--A representative of City Bank will be at the Carrizozo School multipurpose room at 3 p.m. to explain why the bank is being closed in Carrizozo.
- WEDNESDAY, MAY 25**
--Bible study and Christian Faith Formation program will be offered at Santa Rita Parish church hall 7 p.m. to 8 p.m. All welcome.
- SATURDAY, MAY 28**
--Veteran's and Merchant Marine Memorial Service at Fort Stanton Cemetery at 11:00 a.m.

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facility," Schneider said. "We take folks that have developmentally disabled situations. Many of them are mentally retarded, but some also have physical disabilities, such as cerebral palsy and other afflictions, and it is our mandate from the federal and state regulations to try the best that we can to train these folks to live as independently as possible under their limitations," he said.

"If you'd come and visit our facility, you'd realize that most of our residents would never be able to live independently on their own. However, it's our goal to make them feel as independent as they can under the circumstances that they're living in right now."

County commission chair Eileen Sedillo commented that there are few facilities like New Horizons operating in the United States, and added that, while the residents of New Horizons might not be able to live independently, some are occasionally hired for odd jobs around Carrizozo.

"I think it's a really good program, and there's not very many of them around," Sedillo said, adding that the New Horizons residents are part of the Carrizozo community often visit local restaurants and attend events.

Doth asked if a new boiler for the facility would also become the property of the county.

"Everything on that facility is the property of the county," Stewart answered.

"That's why I think the county should feel an obligation to make sure that everything's up to code. This goes a little bit beyond repairs; we have a similar agreement with the fairgrounds. If anything significant comes up, we look at kind of a cost-share, and in this case it is the boiler and

air conditioning. I think that's an obligation that we should take on."

The board of county commissioners agreed with Stewart and unanimously voted to fund the necessary \$9,100 to assist the developmental center in fixing the building's heating and air conditioning problems.



HORNED FROG OR A TOAD? Whatever it is it's a nice photo taken by Tim Brazie in the mountains near Nogal. Thought maybe it was the state reptile, but turns out the state reptile is the Whiplash Lizard.

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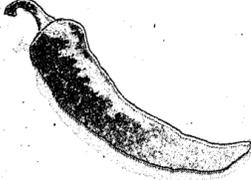
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Looking Back

'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, December 21, 1956

Ramblin' Around Lincoln County

Tape Recorded Interviews With People Who Helped Build Lincoln County

Mrs. J.A. Simpson

(Continued from last week)

This country was full of herds of sheep. Some of the herds had burros and some had wagons that made tracks. We found wagon tracks coming into what is now Corona. We followed the tracks and found a lake full of water, and land with grass so high it would almost hide a sheep. We went back to Seven Lakes, but decided to return to the lake where the grass was so high.

Naturally we realized the lake wouldn't supply us with water the year round. My husband had had experience with well drilling. He thought it would be no trick at all to drill a well before the lake went dry. The first thing he did was order a drilling machine from St. Louis, Missouri. We used to go to Las Vegas for our groceries. It was the nearest railroad and we went there to get the machine. But it came with no horsepower attachment. At that time we didn't have engines. It was a horse going round and round that ran the well-drilling rig. We stayed in Las Vegas three weeks until the horsepower attachment came in.

We started to drill the well not too far from the lake. At about a hundred feet he struck rock that was almost granite. There was a big chain that went up over the rig. In some way it became worn, broke and went over the rig and down into the drill stem and fastened itself in that hard rock. My husband worked and worked and couldn't move it, so he had an expert, supposed to be, a Mr. Carper from Roswell came over. He worked quite some time but he never could get the chain loose. Naturally we ordered another set of tools. I think it was in the seventh well that we finally got water, and it took over a year.

In 1901 when we came here, the railroad had been surveyed. Mr. DuBois had come here in the spring or summer of 1901 and put in a store where the Trading Company is now. By that time they were making ties in the Gallinas mountains and saving lumber. Mr. DuBois bought some raw lumber and built a one-room place and put in some groceries for the people who had started working on the railroad. That was Corona's first store.

I had what you might say was the first restaurant in Corona. When Mr. DuBois put in his store, naturally he had to have a place to have his meals and after the railroad started building we had everything in the way of tramps and so forth. We had a tent and a big log cabin right under the hill the other side of Gallo Lake, a little southeast of Corona. Mr. DuBois came down for his meals and slept at the store. He would put the store money in a canvas bag and bring it down to our place in the evening. Then, when the days got shorter and it would be dark before he closed the store, he didn't feel it was safe because there were all kinds of people on the road.

My husband and the hired help were still drilling the well and Mr. DuBois wanted me to come up and prepare his meals. He said he would build a lean-to next to his store and put a stove in. Well, I thought that as long as my husband was working on that well land was only able to be home weekends, I and the children might as well be there as down at the tent. We moved up on Thanksgiving Day 1901.

By that time the railroad had a sub-station in Corona, run by Mr. Bloodgood. The first evening he came over and asked if I would fix lunch for him. One more didn't amount to much, so I told him it would be all right. The next day, or the next, the people on the work train who were accustomed to buying lunch stuff at the store from Mr. DuBois asked him if there was a place around where they could get something to eat. He told them that I might fix them something to eat. They came over and asked me if I'd fix them a lunch and I did. After that so many railroad people, including officials from El Paso, came to eat that we almost had to cook night and day.

In April of 1902, when my husband got some water two miles down the canyon, we gave up the restaurant and went down there to make a home. An old gentleman and his daughter took over the restaurant.

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Obituary

Bobby Dan Crenshaw

Robert D. 'Bobby Dan' Crenshaw, 1944-2011

Bobby Dan Crenshaw died at his ranch in Carrizozo on May 11. He was 67 years old. Memorial services were held at the White Oaks schoolhouse on May 15.

Bobby Dan was born to Robert A. 'Bud' Crenshaw and Orene Kennedy Crenshaw in Fort Sumner, NM on March 4, 1944. His dad was a rancher in White Oaks and his mom delivered mail to residents in the area.

Bobby Dan graduated from Carrizozo High School where he was an outstanding athlete, setting several high school track records and receiving a football scholarship with the New Mexico State Aggies. He was inducted as a High School All-American football player in 1963. He participated in many rodeo events during his high school years. Bobby Dan received professional football invitations from a variety of teams, eventually choosing to play for the Philadelphia Eagles.

Bobby Dan earned a Bachelor of Science in Agricultural Biology from NMSU and a Master's degree in Psychology from New Mexico Highlands. He worked in a variety of settings including playing semi-pro football for the Texarkana Titans.

He also taught and coached high school in Arkansas, was the assistant administrator at Fort Stanton Hospital and Training School, ran for state senator, was appointed and served as the mayor of Carrizozo from October 27, 1976 until March 1978. He was elected Carrizozo Town Trustee March 8, 1982 and served until he resigned January 9, 1984. He became a NM horse trainer. His most recent job was that of rancher.

Bobby Dan served on the state board of the NM Horseman's Association of which he was a long time member and supporter. He was awarded the lifetime achievement award for service in the Horseman's Association in February of 2010.

Obituary

HAROLD GLENN GARCIA

Harold Glenn Garcia, 64, of Carrizozo, died May 14. He was born February 2, 1947 in Alamosa, Colorado.

He earned a Masters in Agriculture and Plantology from New Mexico State University in Las Cruces and worked in Lincoln County for several years before buying a business in Carrizozo. He had worked with the US Forest Service and was the farm director at Fort Stanton Hospital and Training School for four years.

Harold and his wife Faye were married September 16, 1977. They bought the Outpost in Carrizozo in 1981.

Garcia was elected Mayor of Carrizozo on March 8, 1982 and served as mayor until March 1986. He was elected as Carrizozo Town Trustee in March 1988 and served two terms in that capacity until March 1996.

Survivors are his wife Faye; three sons, Miguel, Carlos and Andres; and three grandchildren, Noah, Julian and Nala, all of Carrizozo; a brother Vernon Garcia and his wife Angel of Rio Rancho, and his mother Selenia Garcia of Corrales.

A private family service was held after cremation.

Corriente CowBelles Scholarships

The Corriente Cow-Belles will be offering \$1,000 in scholarships for the 2011-2012 academic year.

High school seniors, college upper-classmen and graduate students majoring in agriculture, education with an agriculture background, or a field of study that could benefit the beef cattle industry are eligible.

One scholarship is named in memory of Ken Schear, a local ranch manager and the other is named in memory of Janice Eldridge Herd, a long time Corriente CowBelle and local rancher.

Candidates must be a Lincoln County resident, and must be a graduating high school senior, college student, or graduate student in agriculture or a related field. They must currently have a cumulative grade point average of 2.5 or better.

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The scholarships will be awarded at the Corriente CowBelle picnic in July.

He was preceded in death by his parents and his only brother, Kenneth Loren Crenshaw. He is survived by his wife Darla, his daughter Lisa Crenshaw of White Oaks, his son Kenneth C. Crenshaw and wife Robyn of Chandler, AZ, Chuck Goodman and wife Joanna of Missoula, MT, and Cash Spanhanks and wife Laura of Walters, OK; grandchildren Kaitlyn Vega, Wacy Crenshaw, Wyatt Crenshaw, Dustin Crenshaw, and Lily Jean Goodman.

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Capitan Trustees Give...

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adding that he agreed with comments from State Representative Dennis Kintigh about excessive federal bureaucracy.

Kintigh met with trustees, village staff and one member of the public and THE NEWS prior to the meeting.

Of all subjects Kintigh discussed, he was most animated when he discussed his efforts to prevent the listing of a certain lizard and the greater prairie chicken as endangered species because the listings might hinder oil and gas exploration in the sand dune areas of eastern New Mexico.



STATE REPRESENTATIVE Dennis Kintigh greets State Representative Zack Cook (standing) prior to the Capitan Village Trustees meeting Tuesday, May 10. Kintigh's district includes Capitan and Carrizozo and the north end of Roswell. Cook's district includes most of Ruidoso. Cook is attorney for the Village of Capitan. (Photo by Doris Cherry)

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EDITORIALS and OTHER STUFF

THOUGHTS

From the Editor's Desk
by Ruth Hammond

Law enforcement officers were called.

All kinds of problems and accusations are surfacing about the four day school week. A few people insist it might as well be publicized as a three day school week because with all the field trips that is the amount of time students may be in the classroom. Oh well, what do we do now that requests for public information are being ignored?

Unless something drastic has changed, state law is that the public has a right to know about what is happening and how money is being spent; that is public money. But some of the higher ups are trying to keep that information from the very public that has a right to see it. A request last week for school salaries has not actually been denied, however the statement was that the request had to be in writing. Translated, that means that the school has 15 days to respond, and if the school chooses to keep that information private, the school only has to respond that it will be whenever, before that info will be available.

Getting answers can be impossible. We heard that our editorial a week ago caused such an uproar that the school had two law enforcement officers guarding the door at the supposedly public meeting on May 19. With that criteria, we wonder if the two badges and guns were to keep a senior citizen out of the school? If so, we rebut that it appears we are not welcome at the school.

However, our concern is for what is best for the students, not which pockets are lined with whatever. If the school has nothing to hide, why are public records being denied? Years ago most of what happened at school was publicized and the school was rated highly statewide. Now things are different. Announcements are confusing and the public is regarded with disdain. How did such changes come about? Is this a public school or is it a detention facility? Were the badges and guns merely to show students how they will be treated?

This situation should be resolved, not kept over a blazing fire. We asked for information in a respectable manner and the answers were refused. According to previous administrations the information we requested was public info. Now that has changed. Why? State law says we have a right to get the info but school officials appear to disagree. Will we need a law enforcement officer to escort us to the school for future requests?

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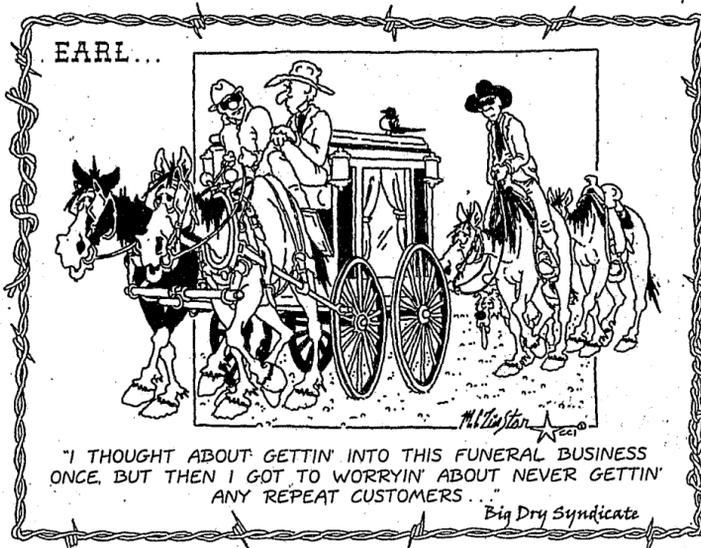
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* Inside the Capitol

by Jay Miller, Syndicated Columnist

SANTA FE -- Education may have been the biggest item of discussion in the 2011 Legislature. That is as it should be. New Mexico's constitution identifies public schools as the state's most important service. And it's almost half the budget.

But every year, state lawmakers get embroiled in discussing social issues. The media add to the distraction by pushing open government legislation that will help us tell you what is going on up here.

And education becomes an afterthought. Actually Gov. Bill Richardson talked a great deal about public schools. Discussions of Richardson's legacy seldom mention the subject but he may have spent more time dealing with education than any other topic.

Richardson took office in 2003 with soaring popularity ratings. His first move was a big tax cut that former Gov. Gary Johnson never had been able to get passed. Next came a railroad and a spaceport.

Everyone remembers those "bold initiatives." But many have forgotten the boldest initiative of all. Richardson convinced the Legislature to call a special election for the following September for voters to consider amending our constitution to dedicate a larger share of the state permanent fund to public schools.

Never had the Legislature been willing to do such a thing. And

never had voters been willing to approve. Richardson spent a good deal of political capital traveling the state speaking to public meetings about the necessity of moving New Mexico schools from one of the lowest expenditures per child to a higher ranking.

Richardson also requested another constitutional amendment to move public school oversight from an elected state board of education to a department under the governor.

New Mexicans are not fond of abolishing elected offices but they passed both constitutional amendments. Public schools now have more money and the governor has more power over them.

Schools soon were doing more testing, teacher qualifications and pay were raised, dropout programs were enacted and so were programs to get parents more involved and to identify the special needs of Hispanic students. And it didn't do much, if any, good.

New Mexico, despite its efforts, hasn't been putting its money into changes in the education system that make a difference in student achievement.

So, Gov. Susana Martinez plans to try some different changes. She has recruited Hanna Skandera, a nationally recognized authority on school improvement. Skandera has been a top state education official in Florida and California, plus the U.S.

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Letters to the Editor

EDITOR: As a supporter of the Carrizozo Schools, defender of the teachers and school board members, and most of the administration, I attended the hearing for the possibility of going to a four day school week fully believing that it really was just a hearing. Not long into the meeting, it was evident, as rumor had it, that the decision had already been made, although not officially.

Those present at the meeting, mostly teachers and staff were in the majority, and obviously all for the idea of four days a week, as I would have been also, if in their shoes. The elaborate and in-color printed schedule for the following year seemed to be proof enough that the decision had been made, and the meeting was merely to explain why one day per week of school had to be abolished.

Many questions were unanswered, such as will this hurt the education of the students? Was the budget looked at with any other options? Will adding a few minutes per day per class really replace a full day of school? How will this impact the community as well as the students? These questions may of have been asked because of the humiliating and intimidating applause after the response to one of the questions by one in the audience.

Whatever decision is made, we all hope it will be best for the students with no hard feelings toward the board.

OPAL HILL
Carrizozo, NM 88301

Editor: I would like the county commissioner to consider de-funding the predatory control program since you have not funded the spay and neuter program. Let nature take its course. And if a \$19,000 financial cushion above and beyond the state required reserve is good, then more must be better.

DIRK NORRIS
Lincoln County Resident

WEATHER REPORT

by Jeff Hammond

I saw on the morning news where some of the weathermen believe New Mexico is entering the normal "Windy Season". Not to cast aspersions but what have we been getting here in Lincoln County for the last 7-10 days?

The forecast for the upcoming week is for mostly clear skies both day and night at all elevations, with nighttime lows from the mid 40's to mid 50's.

Oh, and more wind...

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

Today, Thursday, May 19

Mostly sunny, with a high near 71, windy, with a west wind between 20 and 30 mph, with gusts as high as 40 mph, night: Partly cloudy, with a low around 44, windy, with a west wind 25 to 30 mph decreasing to between 5 and 10 mph, winds could gust as high as 40 mph.

Friday, May 20

Mostly sunny, with a high near 69, night: Partly cloudy, with a low around 50.

Saturday, May 21

Sunny, with a high near 76, night: Mostly clear, with a low around 53.

Sunday, May 22

Sunny, with a high near 82, night: Mostly clear, with a low around 53.

Monday, May 23

Sunny and breezy, with a high near 78, night: Mostly clear and breezy, with a low around 48.

Tuesday, May 24

Mostly sunny, with a high near 75,

(Con't. on P. 7)

When You Have the Means

No matter how hard one tries to stay away from certain subjects, sometimes it just keeps coming back to you, and the way certain groups/people decide on how to handle certain situations.

Heard that the special meeting held last Thursday was sparsely attended except for the school staff and some police security. That was not hard to figure out when the meeting was first scheduled -- although I didn't figure on the police security thing. Insurgents/terrorists in Carrizozo maybe? Anyway, like I mentioned before, that meeting was just a sham, also easy to figure out.

Also, heard (I really don't have any trouble finding out what's happening anywhere in town -- usually the next morning), about the fiasco that went down at the Grizzly sports banquet last night. Like junior high coach forgetting to recognize some of the team members. Maybe this school has so many student athletes it's just too hard to keep up with all of them. A suggestion, if that is the case -- write all the team members names and carry it in your pocket or purse or list them on your cell phone. For junior high age kids to go through that kind of humiliation is inexcusable.

Heard that some of the school board members were in attendance at the sports banquet -- wonder what they thought of that or will they just bury their heads in the sand and dismiss it like they have so many other things?

The \$\$\$ problems at this school began when it went to an "open check book" policy and started trying to solve problems by just adding more and more staff, and finally deciding that 4 is better than 5 (only in golf). Maybe it's the new math that they are teaching nowadays.

peter aguilar

LEGALS

LEGAL NOTICE

STATE OF NEW MEXICO
COUNTY OF LINCOLN
TWELFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT
CV 2010-368

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

vs.

TIMOTHY S. and CYNTHIA HARPER PLUNKETT,
LEON A. and BARBARA ELAINE MARTINEZ,
EARNEST G. URIQUIDEZ, CHARLIE and CHRIS-
TINE CHAVEZ, EDWARD and MARY E. KERN,
TIMESHARE SOLUTIONS, LLC, GUY W. and
GEORGIA M. DUININCK, LARRY FERRELL and
LAURA A. BARBER, CHUCK and DONNA LYNN
DODDS, EDWARD LEE and DEBRA LYNN TUR-
NEY, ROBERTO and ADA DOZAL BARAJAS,
MARIO and CECILIA CHAVIRA, FILIBERTO and
ISABEL M. De GARCIA, RODOLFO and ROSALIA
LOPEZ, RUBEN H. And MARINA F. RAMOS,
JORGE H. STILES, TANIA OFELIA TOUCHE
OCHOA, ESTEVAN & ROSA DE LA CERDA,
VIOLA MONTOYA, RALPH RAMOS and VIOLA
MONTOYA, RALPH RAMOS and VIOLA MON-
TOYA and SILVIA MOYA, TIMOTHY And CYN-
THIA B. FINN, NORMAN and HERLINDA B.
HUTCHINS, TIMESHARE HOLDING CO, LLC,
INTEGRATED RESOURCES INC of WISCONSIN,
RAMON CRUZ and VORRATH ALEXJANDRA
DUCKER RODRIQUEZ, ARTURO and CARMEN
DE LA MORA, ENRIQUE GERARDO ESTEVANE
SEGURA and YOLANDA VAZQUEZ DE ESTE-
VANE, ATRURO GRANADOS BALDERRAMA,
ARTURO and LEONOR V. MACIAS, ARMANDO
and ELENA SALINAS DE MARTOS, JUAN MEN-
DOZA MANCHA, GUILLERMO and ROSA M. OLI-
VAS, RAFAEL ANGEL PEREA FERNANDEZ and
SUSANA GRACIA DE PEREA, FLAVIO VENTURA
D. and MARIA DEL CARMEN M DE VENTURA,
GUSTAVO VENTURA DOMINQUEZ and BLANCA
ALICIA JIMENEZ DE VENTURA, FELIX L. LOSA-
DA and LUZ MARIA LEON, ROBERT D. and
SUSAN B. YOUNG, JORGE MENDEZ ORDUNO,
JAMES C. and DOAN M. JORGENSON, THOMAS S.
and JODI C. SWAYT, BRENT and KIM PAULEY
KHADIJAH R. HILL, DANIEL LOPEZ and MAR-
GARITA LOPEZ, ESPIMENIO CABRALES and
GUILLERMINA CABRALES, CARLOS and SANDRA
FLORES, IRENE D. GARCIA, VICTOR M. and
ARCELIA S. OAXACA, LETICIA RODRIQUEZ,
JULIO GONZALES JR. and ERMALINDA GONZA-
LES., D. RODNEY and LORI R. PAYNE, THEO W.
SAGEBIEL, JOHN C. and CHLOE LIDDELL,
MICHAEL ARMSTRONG and SANDRA BOOTHE-
ARMSTRONG, JAVIER E. LOZANO JARMILLO
and MARIA R DE LOZANO, RICHARD E. and
ALICE P. ROBERTS, LETTICA ISABEL VILLARE-
AL-BUSTAMANTE, TERRY J. and ELAINE M.
KALIES, SYLVIA ZEPEDA, JIMMY D. and SHERRY
E. GOLDSTON.

Defendants.

GREETINGS:

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that there
has been filed in the District Court of Lincoln County,
State of New Mexico, a cause of action wherein HIGH
SIERRA CONDOMINIUMS OWNERS ASSOCIA-
TION, a New Mexico corporation is the plaintiff and
you are the defendants, the same being Lincoln County
District Court Cause No. CV-2010-368. The object and
purpose of the said suit is to foreclose claims of lien for
delinquent maintenance fees against the following
described real property:

All of the timeshares are located at High Sierra
Condominiums:

Unit/Interval week	Name
1401-46	Leticia Isabel Villarreal-Bustamante "Integrated Community Resources, Inc. of Wisconsin"
0702-47	Sandra Boothe-Armstrong and Michael Armstrong
1302-40	Roberto B Barajas & Ada Dozal Barajas
1001-16	Espimeno Cabrales & Guillermo Cabrales
1202-32	Charlie Chavez and Christine Chavez
1401-18	Mario H Chavira and Cecilia Chavira
0102-13	Estevan De La Cerda and Rosa De La Cerda
1301-47	Arturo De La Mora & Carmen De La Mora
1002-20	Chuck Dodds and Donna Lynn Dodds
0702-49	Guy W Duinick and Georgia M Duinick
1202-48	Guy W Duinick and Georgia M Duinick
1201-04	Enrique Gerardo Estevane Segura & Yoloanda Vazquez de Estevane
0202-21	Larry W Ferrell and Laura A Barber
0702-35	Timothy S Finn and Cynthia B Finn
0902-22	Carlos R. Flores & Sandra Flores
0901-13	Filiberto Garcia & Isabel M de Garcia
0502-07	Irene D Garcia
0602-28	Jimmy D Goldston and/or Sherry E Goldston
0402-11	"Julio Gonzales, Jr. and Ermalinda Gonzales"
1002-36	Arturo Granados Balderrama
0702-44	Khadijah R Hill
0702-09	"Timeshare Holding Company, LLC"
0702-16	Steven C. Holloway & Theresa Holloway
0801-42	Norman J Hutchins and Herlinda B Hutchins
0301-38	James C Jorgenson & Doan M Jorgenson
0201-40	Elaine M Kalies and Terry J Kalies
0201-48	Edward A Kern & Mary E Kern
0101-40	John C Liddell & Chloe Liddell
0101-26	Daniel Lopez and Margarita Lopez
0901-16	Rodolfo Lopez and Rosalia Lopez
0901-45	Rodolfo Lopez and Rosalia Lopez

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OBSERVE ALL
FIRE
RESTRICTIONS.
BE
CAREFUL
WITH FIRES!**

LEGALS

0401-47 Felix L Losada and Luz Maria Leon
0802-13 Margo Montes Lowder
1402-33 Javier E Lozano Jarmillo & Maria R de Lozano
0801-14 Arturo Macias & Leonor V Macias
1401-38 Leon A Martinez and Barbara Elaine Martinez
0202-51 Armando Martos and Ma. Elena Salinas de Martos
0802-05 Jorge Mendez Orduno
0901-46 Juan Mendoza Mancha
0202-09 Viola Montoya & Sylvia Moya & Ralph Ramos
0101-46 Victor M Oaxaca & Arcelia S Oaxaca
0601-12 Guillermo Olivas & Rosa M Olivas
0301-10 Brent Pauley and Kim Pauley
0302-43 D R Payne & Lori R Payne
0302-14 Rafael Angel Perea Fernandez & Susana Garcia de
Perea
0602-06 Timothy S Plunkett and Cynthia Harper Plunkett
0601-22 Ruben H Ramos and Marina F Ramos
1302-26 Richard E and/or Alice P Roberts
0201-17 Leticia Rodriguez
0602-51 Theo w Sagebiel & Kate Lavender Sagebiel
1201-24 John Salom and Martha Salom
0602-04 Michael Saucier
0802-38 Jorge H Stiles
0901-12 Thomas S Swayt & Jodi C Swayt
0802-24 "Timeshare Solutions, LLC"
1001-11 Tania Ofelia Touche Ochoa
0901-22 Edward Lee Turney & Debra Lynn Turney
0502-16 Ernest G Uriquidez
0902-14 Flavio Ventura D. & Maria del Carmen M de
Ventura
0602-14 Gustavo Ventura Dominquez & Blanca Alicia
Jimenez de Ventura
1001-48 Carlos G Villarreal and Nora A. Villarreal
0601-01 Leticia Isabel Villarreal-Bustamante
0302-04 Ramon Cruz Vorrath and Alejandra Ducker
Rodriquez
0101-06 Robert D Young & Susan B Young
1202-36 Sylvia Zepeda

YOU ARE NOTIFIED that unless you enter
your appearance or file pleadings herein on or before
June 8, 2011 the plaintiff will make application to the
Court for a Default Judgment, and a Default Judgment
will be rendered against you as prayed for in the com-
plaint. The name and address of the plaintiff's attorney:

Charles E. Hawthorne
200 Sudderth Drive
Ruidoso, New Mexico, 88345.

WITNESS my hand and seal of the District Court of
Lincoln County, New Mexico this 18th day of April
2001.

JAN PERRY
Margie Luera
DISTRICT COURT CLERK
LINCOLN COUNTY, NEW MEXICO

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LEGALS

LEGAL NOTICE

PUBLIC HEARING

NOTICE is hereby given that the Greentree Solid Waste
Authority Board has called a Public Hearing for discus-
sion of possible Rate Increase which will take place on
May 24, 2011, beginning at 10:00 a.m., immediately
before the regular monthly Board Meeting. The meet-
ing will be held at the Greentree Solid Waste Authority
Office at 26590 US Highway 70, Ruidoso Downs, New
Mexico.

Copies of Agenda may be picked up at the Greentree
Solid Waste Authority office.

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Leadership Lincoln Seeking Applicants for 2011-'12 Year

Student enroll-
ment applications for
the 10th class of
Leadership Lincoln are
available now and due
by May 23, 2011.

Applications are
available by emailing
Todd Russell at leader-
shiplincolnapplica-
tion@yahoo.com or by
calling Todd at (575)
257-5555. Leadership
Lincoln Board members
will also have applica-
tions.

The Leadership
Lincoln student class
will be selected in June
2011 and sessions will
begin on the second
Thursday of every
month from September
2011 through May of
2012.

More than 100
Lincoln County and
Mescalero Apache
Reservation residents

have graduated from the
program in the first nine
years of the program.

Leadership
Lincoln is one of more
than 2,000 nationwide
programs designed to
develop emerging lead-
ers. Our mission is to
identify, enlighten,
encourage, and retain
leaders of diverse back-
grounds, occupations,
and cultures for the pur-
pose of enhancing the
quality of leadership in
our communities. Our
program exposes lead-
ers to the realities, prob-
lems, and opportunities
of Lincoln County, the
Mescalero Apache
Reservation, and, in
general, southeastern
New Mexico.

Generally, our
one day sessions occur
on the second Thursday
of the month. The
February 2012 session
includes an over-night
stay in Santa Fe, NM.

The Leadership
Lincoln program
includes: group dynam-
ics and methods used to
promote teamwork in
any community; identi-
fication and observation
of special interest
groups; how the region
is affected by and con-
tributes to national and
international trends;
how a strong vision can
be created; methods of
identifying and solicit-
ing resources for assis-
tance; methods of deal-
ing with public opinion
and the media; vital
issues impacting our
area; avenues to pro-
mote networking; and
leadership skills devel-
opment.

Graduates of
Leadership Lincoln are
expected to assume
active roles as
Leadership Lincoln
alumni by attending
alumni activities and
supporting Leadership
Lincoln endeavors.

**INVITATION
TO SUBMIT
BID NO. 2011-03
CHIP SEAL
CAPITAN
ALTERNATIVE
TRAIL
(WALKING, BIKE,
AND EQUESTRIAN)
NMDOT CONTROL
L2048**

The Village of Capitan is
accepting sealed bids for
the chip sealing of
approximately 1.8 miles
and 8 feet wide of trail
and base course 1.8 miles
of trail that is 9 feet wide
within the Village limits.
Bids will be accepted at
the Village Hall at 114
Lincoln Avenue, Capitan,
NM until 4:00 PM, June
1, 2011. A complete bid
package may be obtained
from the Village Clerk,
Kay Strickland, by calling
575-354-2247. Bid pack-
ages may be emailed. The
Village of Capitan
reserves the right to
accept or reject any or all
bids received.

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Lodger's Tax Funds . . .

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mended increasing the rally award
to \$3,500.

County commissioner
Mark Doth was opposed to
Powell's idea. "I'm loath to
increase without having full
knowledge of the reasons," Doth
said. "They made the presentation
to the board that they were trust-
ing to advise us. I could see where
you wouldn't want to fund an
event, based on some prior experi-
ence or knowledge, but to increase
it based on paperwork, I just, I'm
leery of doing that."

Minter commented that the
promoters do get paid. "I mean,
they do make money, don't they?"
she asked.

"That doesn't matter to
me," Powell replied. "I know it
matters to you."

County commissioner Tom
Battin, referring to information
provided to the county board mem-
bers prior to each meeting, report-
ed that attendance at the May
motorcycle rally last year was
about 12,000.

Doth said that the October
motorcycle event, the Golden
Aspen Rally, attracted about
30,000 visitors to the area.

Minter made a motion to
fund the Ski Run Road Challenge
with the LTC recommended
\$3,500 and Battin seconded. The
motion passed unanimously.

Promoters of the annual Art
Loop artists' studio tour, which
encompasses much of Lincoln
County, requested \$3,000 of
lodger's tax funding. The LTC re-
commended \$2,000 be awarded.

Minter said she'd like to
know how much money the artists
make during the event. "I guess it's
worth their while or they wouldn't
do it," she commented, then added
that asking of individual incomes
derived from an event might be
inappropriate.

Minter then suggested that
it might be appropriate to find out
how much the Art Loop brings in
to the artists as a group, and check
to see if the gross receipts taxes are
paid. The county commissioners
unanimously approved the \$2,000
funding.

Regarding a request for
\$3,000 from Mary Lea Lane of
Chamber Music Festival, Inc., the
LTC recommended an award of
\$2,000.

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Minter commented that the
musical event sponsored by the
corporation had changed venues
from the Ruidoso High School to
the Spencer Theatre for the
Performing Arts.

Battin said that the venue
was changed before last year's
concert.

"And they still funded it?"
Minter asked.

"The reasoning was that, at
that venue, they would turn out
more people, and I guess they did,"
Battin said.

Minter said that the organ-
izers of Carrizozo's Music in the
Parks program applied for and
received a grant from an outside
source to help fund an event fea-
turing classical musicians, and said
she questioned whether or not the
event at the Spencer Theater
should receive any county funding
at all.

Doth said that the Chamber
Music festival organizers also have
a number of outside sources that
help with funding.

Minter cast the only oppos-
ing vote to a motion to approve
funding for the Chamber Music
Festival, Inc.

An application for \$2,000
to fund the Sheriff's Posse's Pony
Express Trail Ride was cut in half
by recommendation of the LTC
and thusly approved by the county
commissioners.

A request from the Ruidoso
Valley Greeters for \$1,000 to
advertise the Christmas Jubilee
was cut by 25 percent.

Minter asked if the event
wasn't associated with the Ruidoso
Valley Chamber of Commerce, and
Doth said that it was a fundraising
event for the greeters, who receive
no financial assistance from the
chamber of commerce.

"They're like a social arm
of the chamber," Doth said.

Minter said that the jubilee
event is supported with funding
from the Ruidoso Lodger's Tax.

"But I think this is an event
that fills beds," Battin said, allud-
ing to the whole purpose of the
lodger's tax fund.

Minter said that the
Christmas Jubilee might have
reached a level of success that
negates the need to advertise, but
the motion to approve the \$750
passed unanimously.

New Laboratory Draw Site Opened May 17

Lincoln County Medical Center (LCMC) is pleased to announce a new outpatient laboratory drawing location across from the county-owned hospital in Ruidoso. The new office opened on May 17.

The outpatient laboratory will collect samples during the same hours as the inpatient laboratory, Mondays through Fridays from 7:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. and from 8:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. on Saturdays.

Hospital Administrator Al Santos said this new laboratory draw site will assist in increasing lab efficiencies as well as lowering healthcare costs for patients.

"This new laboratory

draw site is intended for patients with lab orders only," said Santos. "The office has its own registration staff to expedite draws and create more efficiency."

Santos said that patients with multiple physician orders, such as x-ray and lab orders, are encouraged to use the hospital based lab so patients would only have to go to one facility.

Both laboratories are managed by TriCore Reference Laboratories, an Albuquerque-based firm serving several communities in New Mexico and El Paso, Texas.

Lincoln County Medical Center is a county-owned facility leased and operated by

Presbyterian Healthcare Services, New Mexico's only private, not-for-profit healthcare system serving to improve the health of individuals, families and communities.

Presbyterian Healthcare Services was founded in 1908 and has been serving Lincoln County residents since 1972.

Presbyterian offers eight hospitals including Lincoln County Medical Center in Ruidoso, a statewide health plan, and a growing multi-specialty medical group. Presbyterian employs more than 9,500 people, including more than 500 providers, throughout New Mexico with approximately 250 in Lincoln County.

Commission Renews Manager's Contract . . .

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ty manager his contract has been for one year at a time. "When I decide to do something else, I will give you sufficient notice," Stewart said.

While the contract states he will give two months notice, Stewart said it would really take five months to advertise for and select a new manager.

"I am very satisfied with your performance," Doth said.

"I love my job," Stewart responded. "Even though it has its moments."

Doth asked if the county was safe in assuming it has several more years with Stewart, who responded that he just turned 62.

Morel closed discussion by joking that he would even let Stewart beat him in golf.

County commissioners voted unanimously to renew Stewart's contract.

The Mayor's Report

I heard a rumor that the wind will be blowing a little this week. You know how rumors are. Probably, just balmy breezes.

We all have different thoughts when death occurs and we all deal with it differently. I personally believe we "go" to a better place. When I think about those that are "gone", I remember something about them and how they impacted my life. Both Bobby Dan Crenshaw and Harold Garcia served as Mayor and trustee for the Town of Carrizozo. They served because they wanted to make a difference, to help, but mostly because they cared about the town. If you knew them, you know their attributes.

We extend our deepest sympathy to their families.

The annual town clean up day was a success. There were five 30 yard roll offs that were filled. One was metal only and there is enough left to fill another one. That will take place this week. We did not use the grappler this year because of hydraulic problems. I was able to visit with a few folks and we were able to enjoy the wind and dirt together. Some of the fire department went around town picking up stuff for those that could not remove it themselves. Tommy had some of his crew doing the same thing. Johnny ran the backhoe crushing the debris into the roll offs as well as moving some of the heavier items that were deposited. Joey and his family had their trailer and were all over town hauling for people. I want to thank the town employees for volunteering their time. I also want to thank the other volunteers who helped make it a success. It is our town and we must clean it up.

There seems to be a rumor about town (where do these things come from?) that if Central Avenue gets paved, buildings will be destroyed, houses torn down and other destruction to the town will take place.

First, we hope to get the sidewalks along Central replaced so that they are ADA compliant. If and I say IF Central gets paved, it will primarily be where the existing roadway is now. I spoke with the State Highway Department this morning confirming this.

We get plagued with rumors all of the time. The Mayor said this, Trustee so and so said that, the town employees said something so it Must Be True. When you hear something that is negative, questionable, or makes you mad, contact City Hall and ask us. I am here most of the time and try and handle rumor control. If you hear something positive, we like to know about that too.

This week is busy at Carrizozo Schools. Baccalaureate is Wednesday night 7:00 p.m. at the Santa Rita Catholic Church. Graduation is Friday night 7:00 p.m. in the Old Gym. There will be 20 graduates this year. Many of us remember walking across that stage, taking that next step in the journey of life. We Congratulate them and wish them the very best in the future.

The Bike Rally in Ruidoso is this weekend. Several things are planned around the county and this year, the No Scum Allowed Saloon will have live bands and food as part of the rally. Hope you get out and enjoy the festivities and remember to be very careful.

Have a Safe and fun weekend.

Veteran's Memorial Service At Fort Stanton May 28th

A Veteran's Memorial Service will be held at Fort Stanton Cemetery on Saturday, May 28 at 11:00 a.m. The service is to recognize veterans of the armed forces and the Merchant Marines.

The Fort Stanton Cemetery is part of the Fort Stanton State Monument.

Fort Stanton opened in 1855 and operated continuously under the United States Army and for a short time by the Confederate Army.

Fort Stanton was operated as a maritime tuberculosis hospital from 1899 until the mid 1850s, when it became a state TB hospital. Later Fort Stanton was a hospital and training school for people with developmental disabilities. The facility has also been used as a women's correctional facility, a rehab center.

The cemetery has been in continuous use since 1899, providing the final resting place for TB patients, including Merchant Marines, armed services personnel, their dependents and staff from Fort Stanton. The first burial was in 1899 and since that time more than 1,725 veterans, merchant marines, and their dependents and staff from Fort Stanton have been buried there.

The public is invited to attend the Memorial Service May 28.

Lodger's Tax Funds . . .

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A request for \$2,000 to advertise the annual Cowboy Ball, sponsored by the Lincoln County Sheriff's Posse, was reduced to \$500 at the recommendation of the LTC.

Sedillo said that there had been much discussion by the LTC regarding the fact that the annual dance does little to attract anyone from outside of the county, but the money raised at the event goes to a good cause.

"I believe the money goes to help somebody in need," Sedillo said.

Lincoln County Undersheriff Robert Sheppard said that some of the money raised by the Cowboy ball is used for scholarships.

Powell added that the sheriff's posse helps out at events throughout the year without any pay.

"This is more their Christmas party kind of thing," Minter said, and cast the only opposing vote to the funding.

Getting back to motorcycle rallies, the county commissioners approved \$5,000 for the Golden Aspen rally as requested, and \$3,000 for the AspenCash rally, as recommended by the LTC.

Carrizozo's Music in the Parks will receive \$400 for portable toilet facilities at this summer's outdoor concerts.

Another \$400 was awarded unanimously to the Alto Artists studio tour.

Inside the Capitol

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Department of Education and the Hoover Institute.

Some grumbling in the education community is being heard but it is hard to argue with success. In the past decade, reading scores in Florida have improved by 20 points while New Mexico scores remain unchanged.

Despite the popular Republican refrain that throwing money at a problem doesn't help solve it, Republicans typically are not stingy when it comes to schools.

It is my belief that given equal amounts of money for a state budget, Republicans will spend more money on schools than Democrats will. The reason is that Democrats have a number of other social programs they also want to fund.

Skandera's advocacy of school vouchers and merit pay will cause some grousing. Martinez found it necessary to reverse her support of vouchers during the general election campaign.

Oldtimers don't especially care to follow Florida's lead. In February 1968, Florida teachers went out on strike. A month later New Mexico teachers did the same.

In the 1970s, Florida adopted a distribution formula for funding schools that New Mexico followed. That formula is now being declared inequitable.

But at least people are talking about education and what causes New Mexico to trail the nation, when the nation badly trails many other countries throughout the world.

One factor that exists in the countries that lead us in student achievement is the amount of government involvement in encouraging high achievement expectations.

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Looking
Back
'Through Our
Old Files'

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Mrs. J.A. Simpson

In 1902 there was Mr. DuBois's store, a butcher shop down a ways and, naturally, a saloon and the railroad company had put up some buildings. The first passenger train came through Corona in March of 1902, and I fed the crew. I remember a Mr. Martin was the conductor.

Once in a while we had some excitement. One day the work rain had just come in. There were a lot of people on it and they built a fire out in the street. Of course at that time we had a saloon and some of the boys were kind of rough. They started shooting into the crowd sitting around it. My brother Amos was with us and he started out with his six-shooter to restore order. When he passed me, I took his gun and when he got over there he didn't have it. They finally settled the riot without any serious trouble, but it was exciting for a while.

In 1903 Corona got its first school. It was a one-room building where the grade school is now. But before that we hired governesses to come to the ranch and teach our children. The first governess was Miss Steele in 1902, then Miss Elkins and Miss Donnie Franks in 1903. The first teacher in Corona was Miss Lena Grumbles. Then Miss Lottie Baca and Miss Donnie Franks. Miss Grumbles came from White Oaks. Mrs. Callie Franks also taught there.

Some of our early day neighbors were Willard and Clark Davidson who lived ten miles below us. And there was Wayne Van Schoyck. Also a Christian minister, with several children, had stopped and were camping over northeast about 20 miles. His name was Rev. Trapp. He married couples after they got enough people that they had weddings.

The Trapp children first went to school at our home, also some children of a family that had settled nearby, the four or five children of Mary Dry. Elwood Bond used to ride his pony down to our ranch to school. The classroom was in our girls' bedroom, which served both as a parlor and a bedroom. My brother made us a table and children would sit around the table and study their reading, writing and arithmetic. Our two older children had gone to school some, but the younger ones hadn't.

We got our mail sometimes at White Oaks and sometimes at Pinos Wells. We'd take the hack and our writing materials and go over to Pinos Wells and answer the important mail and come back. Pinos Wells was about 20 miles northwest of here. The mail came in there on a little buggy, I think twice a week, from Las Vegas.

When our lake went dry we hauled water from Gallinas Springs. Then my husband bought the Gallinas Springs ranch from the Davidsons and we moved up there. After he was successful in getting water again he sold it to the railroad people and they hauled water to their camps all along the way. But the spring was weak and as the railroad had to have lots of water they drilled a well about 10 miles below and plenty of water. Also they leased the water at what is Duran now. The water was hauled by wagons and teams. We had several teams on the road hauling water, groceries and different things to the camps.

(Continued Next Week)

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CONGRATULATIONS Jenna!



We are so proud of you



and we love you very much!
Mom, John Wyatt and James

Scenes from the
LINCOLN COUNTY Rodeo Club Rodeo Fun Day
Saturday and Sunday,
May 14-15
at the
County Fairgrounds
in Capitan.



Dillon Trapp



Deline Arteche



Skyler Jobe



Dane Evans

Next Rodeo
scheduled for June 4-5
Lincoln County Rodeo Club
can be reached on the internet at
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Weather Report . . .

(Con't from P. 4)

night: Mostly clear and breezy, with a low around 45.

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

Today, Thursday, May 19

Mostly sunny, with a high near 59; windy, with a west wind between 25 and 30 mph, with gusts as high as 40 mph, night: Partly cloudy, with a low around 38, windy, with a west wind 25 to 30 mph decreasing to between 10 and 15 mph, winds could gust as high as 40 mph.

Friday, May 20

Mostly sunny, with a high near 59, night: Partly cloudy, with a low around 48.

Saturday, May 21

Sunny, with a high near 66, night: Mostly clear, with a low around 48.

Sunday, May 22

Sunny, with a high near 73, night: Mostly clear, with a low around 48.

Monday, May 23

Sunny and windy, with a high near 66, night: Mostly clear and windy, with a low around 44.

Tuesday, May 24

Mostly sunny, with a high near 64, night: Mostly clear and windy, with a low around 43.

The above information was taken from the National Weather Service Website

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Monthly Rates

	Carrizozo	Cloudcroft-Tularosa
Single Party Residence Service (Unlimited)	\$15.38	\$15.38 - \$17.69
Measured Usage Service (\$0.03 per Minute)	\$6.26 - \$9.56	\$6.26 - \$9.56
Single Party Business Service (Unlimited)	\$35.74 - \$37.26	\$45.40 - \$48.70
Measured Usage Service (\$0.03 per Minute)	\$18.57 - \$21.87	\$18.57 - \$21.87
Touch Tone Service	NO CHARGE	NO CHARGE
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Business	\$3.50	\$3.50
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Each Telephone Number	\$0.51	\$0.51
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Each Single Line Residence & Business Telephone Number	\$6.50	\$6.50
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