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Hundreds battle White Fire

10,346 acres burned,
 five homes destroyed

By Eddie Farrell

Editor

With the White Fire now 95 percent contained, firefighting personnel have been reduced to 100.

The White Fire burned 10,356 acres and claimed five homes and numerous other structures since it burst into flames Sunday afternoon.

Officials have yet to announce a cause of the fire. A total of 539 local, state and federal firefighters were assigned to the fire over the course of the week.

The Burned Area Emergency Response (BAER) Team initiated a field assessment today to determine natural resource damage, potential problems and mitigation. Falling trees were reported in the burned area as the result of fire damage and gusty winds.

The fire did most of its damage Sunday, fueled by 40 mile an hour winds with gusts above 60, the blaze initially caused evacuations in several residential neighborhoods, including Gavilan Canyon, before shifting winds turned the fire on Ruidoso Downs, where it burned right up to the parking lot at the Race Track and Casino and raged through the Spaghetti Flats area, claiming several homes.

The leading edge of the fire eventually reached the Glencoe and Fox Cave areas. Most of the burned area, according to authorities, is U.S. Forest Service land.

Swirling winds caused the fire to switch directions several times before prevailing winds pushed the fire north of Ruidoso Downs to the Glencoe and Fox Cave areas.

Ruidoso Downs Mayor Tom Armstrong praised the response of firefighters who converged on the blaze from throughout the state.

"They were able to do a lot to save homes," Arm-

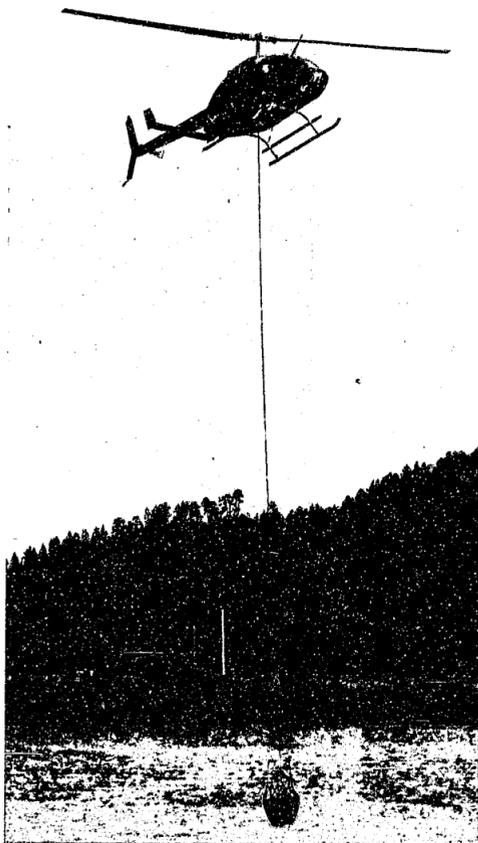


Photo courtesy of Terry Porter
 A helicopter battling White Fire lifts water from Alto Lake Tuesday, April 5.

strong. "And it was really touch-and-go there for awhile. There was one point where we could have lost 250 homes."



Eugene Heathman/Ruidoso Free Press
 Gov. Susana Martinez consoles Faye Randolph of Ruidoso Downs April 6 while touring the White Fire operations center at the Ruidoso Convention Center.

Martinez tours White Fire area

By Eugene Heathman
 Reporter

Governor Susana Martinez toured the fire command center and areas stricken by the White Fire in Ruidoso today, providing comfort to those forced to flee their homes when the raging wildfire threatened their homes in the Spaghetti Flats area, just east of the Ruidoso Downs Racetrack and Casino.

"I am absolutely impressed with the operations team fighting this fire and amazed with how strong this community is with the way you have come together during this horrific event," Martinez said.

Martinez consoled longtime Spaghetti Flats resident Faye Randolph in the fire operations center upon her arrival. Randolph described her plight as she was forced to flee her home.

"I was just enjoying a typical Sunday when my phone started ringing with friends telling me a large fire had started and was heading my way," Randolph said.

"I stepped outside and never in my life have I seen anything like what was coming, the fire was terrifying. Twenty minutes later, we were being evacuated."

Martinez assured civic leaders and fire operations team members funding has been al-

located for local disaster relief but gave no specific amounts.

"In advance of what is turning out to be a very active fire season, we have funds shored away on the state level to handle incidents like this and we will also encourage federal assistance so you can get back on your feet," Martinez said.

Smokey Bear District Ranger Dave Warnack praised advance preparation and the cohesiveness of the many entities involved with successfully managing the White Fire.

"The communication and response from the county volunteer fire departments, village firefighters and our local crews is the true success story with getting the upper hand on this fire. I am very impressed with the execution of the agencies involved and it proves to show that practice makes perfect," Warnack said.

Warnack was referring to the fire academies, joint training workshops and countless planning hours needed to expertly tackle various fire situations in the Lincoln National Forest surrounding Ruidoso.

Increasing winds during Martinez's tour of the fire stricken area served as a grim reminder that the danger of flare-ups still exist in addition to the existing fire danger caused by recent drought.

Community opens arms during crisis

By Patrick Jason Rodriguez

Reporter

Not long after the first firefighting crews were called out to the scene of the White Fire that broke out near Gavilan Canyon on Sunday afternoon, Pastor Alan Stoddard and some of his fellow members of the First Baptist Church of Ruidoso were welcoming those whose residences were close to the path of the blaze and in need of a place to get away for a while and possibly spend the night.

"We wanted to provide people with food and a place to stay warm," said Stoddard. "We were just looking to help out in any way that we could."

Volunteers at Gateway Church of Christ, likewise, spent much of that afternoon setting up tables with food and drinks, preparing to provide displaced individuals with temporary shelter and a warm meal.

These are a couple of examples of how mem-

bers of the Ruidoso and Ruidoso Downs communities have offered their support during this most recent calamity. And by no means was the outpouring limited to only First Baptist Church and Gateway, both of which were designated by Lincoln County as relief shelters.

The Angus Church of the Nazarene, for instance, provided shelter, meals and security for the staff and residents of The Nest, a domestic violence shelter in Ruidoso.

Hotels such as Comfort Inn and Hotel Ruidoso offered discounted room rates, and Whispering Pines chipped in with complimentary cabin stays. The Lodge at Sierra Blanca offered free rooms Sunday night for fire evacuees. Restaurants like Circle J Bar-B-Que and Robel Tacos brought food and drinks to firefighters and other personnel. And ordinary people from across the area have offered their

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MAW to feature Cannon working dogs

By Eddie Farrell

Editor

Flying objects are a common sight at Cannon Air Force Base in Clovis.

But for one special squadron, the flyers are of the four-legged variety, and come armed with their own ordnance to fulfill their duties.

Teams from 27th Special Operations Security Forces Squadron (SOSFS) will participate in Military Appreciation Weekend, April 29-30 in Ruidoso.

USAF SSgt Kenneth Holt,

and his "working dog" Suk, will give demonstrations on what a fully trained canine is capable of doing.

In Suk's case, Holt said, the Belgian Tervuren is trained to detect explosives for work in combat zones.

"Our dogs are trained in explosive ordnance, but some are trained exclusively for narcotics," Holt said. "But they're all dual-certified in that they all do patrol work ... the bite work, so to speak."

Holt said all of Cannon's working dogs have been deployed to combat, but not neces-

sarily with the same handler.

The Air Force, he said, assigns dogs to bases while their handlers are subject to relocation.

In Holt's case, however, his recent assignment to Cannon means he will likely be teamed with Suk for as long as three or four years.

At Lackland Air Force Base in San Antonio, Texas, the Air Force operates its own breeding program, as well as advanced training for prospective working dogs and their handlers.

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Courtesy photo
 Staff Sgt. Adam Wylie, 27th Special Operations Security Forces Squadron, catches Military Working Dog Suk after a high jump during training at Cannon Air Force Base, N.M.

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Participants are asked to predict how long it will take them to cover a short or long course without wearing a watch in a competition against yourself. The participant closest to their predicted time receives a T-shirt. Staff from parks and recreation will time all individuals.

Races are run at the Links Sierra Blanca Trail every Wednesday evening starting at 5:15 and 6:15 p.m. The even is open to all ages. For more information, call 257-5030.

Peter Pan is here

By special arrangement with Samuel French, Ruidoso High School's Red Feather Theatre Company will present *Peter Pan* at the school's Performing Arts Complex, April 14-16. Show times are 7 p.m. April 14-15, and there will be two showing at 1 and 7 p.m. April 16. Tickets are \$12 at the door and \$10 in advance at High Country Lodge and the Ruidoso Chamber of Commerce. Tickets are available for advance purchase.

A dress and technical rehearsal will also be open for \$5 April 14. Curtain time is 7 p.m.

Football fundraiser

A full contact football game to benefit the Ruidoso High School athletic program, will be played April 15 at 7 p.m. at Horton Stadium.

All equipment, including helmets, shoulder pads, leg pads and uniforms, will be supplied. Insurance will also be provided.

Cost to play is \$75 and practices are held Sundays at 1 p.m. at the RHS practice field. You do not have to be an RHS graduate to play.

All presale tickets go directly to the RHS athletic program and cost \$10. You may purchase them from Kief Johnston at 808-3076 or Erik Padilla at (505) 331-0353. Interested players may also sign up at www.alumni-footballusa.com.

For more information, contact Adam Delanda at (575) 491-8540 or Erik Padilla at (505) 331-0353.

Shredding day

Ruidoso Lincoln County Crimestoppers is hosting the first annual identity theft Shred Day, April 30 from 8 a.m. to noon at the Lawrence Brothers IGA parking lot at 721 Mechem Drive. Bring your sensitive, outdated documents – such as bank and credit card statements, tax information and anything else that has sensitive personal information – to IGA so they can be shredded and your identity remain safe.

There is a suggested donation of \$5 or more for shredding, and all proceeds benefit Lincoln County Crimestoppers.

Hospice fundraiser

Get ready for the annual Ruidoso Home Care and Hospice Foundation fundraiser, to be held April 30 at Flying J Ranch. Doors open at 6 p.m., and admission is \$25 for adults, \$15 for kids 12 and under. There will be a

CORRECTION

In a story on the release of a special audit of the Ruidoso Downs Police Department read before the Ruidoso Downs City Council, the amount of money that had been misappropriated from a DWI grant

was incorrectly reported.

The actual amount was \$1,600, not the \$600,000 mentioned in the story. "I don't think the DWI program gets that much money in three years," said new Ruidoso

Downs Police Chief Doug Babcock.

It should also be noted all the money misappropriated has been paid back – or will be paid back – to the grant.

silent auction, chuckwagon supper and an old west stage show put on by the Flying J Wranglers.

The annual fundraiser assists Lincoln County residents with the cost of end of life care.

Ruidoso Fiesta

Organizers of the Ruidoso School Fiesta, to be held May 6, are looking for middle and high school students to join. Practices are held in the Horton Cafeteria at Ru-

idoso High School at 6 p.m. Monday through Thursday. There is no charge to perform, but dancers much provide their own dress or charro outfit, dance shoes or boots. Parents are also encouraged to volunteer decorating the gym and concession stand at Ruidoso High School.

The Ruidoso School Fiesta is a scholarship program, and seniors who have participated since their freshman

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year will receive a college scholarship. Those interested in dancing should contact Debbie Jo Almager (505) 660-6652 or Naomi Brady at (303) 905-9354.

Self defense seminar

A self defense class for women and girls will be held May 14 from 8:30 a.m. to Noon at the Community Youth Center Warehouse. Cost is \$20 to preregister, or \$25 at the door, space permitting.

Tim Coughlin, 3rd degree Black Belt in the Tri Martial Arts Federation, will teach the class. Check in is from 8 to 8:30 a.m. Because of the subject matter of the class, it is not recommended very young girls be enrolled.

For more information or to pre-register, call Victor Montes at 630-0318, Tim Coughlin at 973-5469, or stop by the Community Youth Center Warehouse at 200 Church Dr.

Search and rescue

The White Mountain Search and Rescue team, located in Ruidoso, is looking for new members. The team, in cooperation with police and sheriff's department's statewide, helps to search or rescue people who are sick, injured or just plain lost in the mountains, deserts or even underground. Searches are conducted on foot, horseback, aircraft, skis or snowshoes.

Anyone interested in joining can call 336-4501 for more information.

Al Anon of Ruidoso meets at Cornerstone Center, 1216 Mechem at 6:30 p.m. Tuesdays and 10:30 a.m. Saturdays.

Alcoholics Anonymous meets at Cornerstone Center, 1216 Mechem at 7:30 a.m., noon, 5:15 p.m. and 8 p.m. daily.

Altrusa Club International meets at 5 p.m. on the third Tuesday of the month at First Christian Church, 1211 Hull Road.

The Capitan Women's Club meets at the Capitan Library at 101 E. Second St. in Capitan. Meetings are held 6:30 p.m. on the first Wednesday of each month. Refreshments are served. For more information, call 354-6026

The Carrizozo Roadrunners Chapter of the Lincoln County Extension Association meetings are held on the third Thursday of every month at 1 p.m. at the

Otero county Electric Cooperative community room on 12th Street in Carrizozo. Chapter meetings are open to anyone interested. For more information, call Barbara VanGorder at 575-648-9805 or Doris Cherry at 354-2673.

The Democratic Women of the Sacramento Mountain Area meet the third Saturday of each month at 11:30 a.m. This month's meeting will be at Sacred Grounds. For more information, visit www.dwsma.org.

The Federated Republican Women of Lincoln County meet the fourth Monday of each month at the Ruidoso Senior Center. Bring a brown bag lunch. For more information, call 430-7258.

The Kiwanis Club of Ruidoso meets every Tuesday at noon at K-Bobs.

The Lincoln County Garden Club meets on the third Tuesday of each month at the Otero County Electric co-op, on Highway 48 in Alto, at 9:45 a.m. This month's meeting is April 19 and visitors are welcome. The Garden Club's purpose is to encourage community beautification and conservation, and to educate members in the arts and sciences of horticulture. For more information, call 973-2890.

The Lincoln County Regulators, members of the Single Action Shooters Society, hold matches the second Saturday of every month at the Ruidoso Gun Range located on Hale Lake Road. Registration is at 9 a.m., matches start at 10 a.m. The public is welcome to participate or watch the action. During the shooting matches, all other shooting is suspended. For more information, call Avery (AKA Rowdy Lane) at 937-9297.

Optimist Club meets at noon every Wednesday at K-Bobs in Ruidoso.

The Photographic Society of Lincoln County - dedicated to the advancement of digital photography - meets the second Thursday of each month at 7 p.m. in the Region IX offices at 237 Service Road. Annual dues are \$15 per family which includes lectures and field trips. Contact Leland Deford at 257-8662 or Herb Brunnell at 258-4003.

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County eyes tougher fire restrictions

By Patrick Jason Rodriguez
Reporter

With the benefit of hindsight, it might be safe to say that Tom Stewart certainly didn't ignore the research regarding the prevention of wildfires.

The Lincoln County manager last week drafted a resolution calling for a ban to open burning that he intends to propose to the county Board of Commissioners at their April 19 meeting.

In the wake of the White Fire that ignited on Sunday afternoon and has to date

burned more than 10,000 acres in the Lincoln National Forest, Ruidoso and Ruidoso Downs, it's expected that the board will pass it unanimously.

Stewart said he will also present studies done by the National Interagency Fire Center based in Boise, Idaho, and the National Weather Service that have determined that the county has suffered from conditions of prolonged drought resulting in very high fire danger, as evidenced by the rapid growth in the ensuing hours following the eruption of the White Fire.

The resolution calls for a ban on all burning of open flames, fires, campfires (not including those in designated areas), trash and shrubbery, except by permit. The proposal also asks that the sale and use of display fireworks, aerial spinners, stick-type rockets and ground audible devices within affected unincorporated drought areas be prohibited.

Stewart said that feedback from commissioners has been positive. Commissioner Kathryn Minter, a public information officer with the Bonito Volunteer Fire Department, said she would not only vote for its passage but believes the proposal should have been presented to the board sooner.

"This business where you're allowed to burn one day, then you can burn three

to four days is ridiculous," said Minter, adding that having a ban on open burning throughout the county "might be an inconvenience, but we live in an area that's very dry most of the year. ... People can still hike in the woods and have barbecues in the backyard - they would just have to use a propane grill."

Minter also said that the proposal by Stewart should go further in addressing how to decrease the chances of a fire. For instance, she mentioned that Bernalillo County prohibits the use of motorized vehicles in areas dominated by tall grass.

Stewart said that his proposal includes input from both Travis Atwell and Joe Kenmore, county emergency services director and county emergency services coordinator, respectively.

A restriction of open burning in the county has been ongoing for the past month. A resolution on the matter passed by the board of commissioners, said Stewart, would more or less establish a formality and basically "tell the people that we won't grant any permits to burn and introduce a declaration of an emergency."

Stewart added that he would like to have the ban extended until monsoon season, which in New Mexico typically begins in the middle of July.

MAW DOGS

"We have our own tracts with selected breeders as well. Upon weaning, the dogs go to foster families where they live for six



Courtesy photo

Staff Sgts. Kenneth Holt and Adam Wylie, 27th Special Operations Security Forces Squadron, conduct controlled aggression training Military Working Dog Suk March 23, 2011 at Cannon Air Force Base, N.M. The Military Working Dog section provides the capability to enforce laws and regulations, suppress illegal drug use, detect explosives and protect military personnel resources.

to eight months. When we bring them back, we put them through a rigorous testing process."

Those that make the cut, Holt said, are advanced to Dog Training School where they learn the basics necessary of a military working dog - obedience and patrol work.

Potential handlers also go through training at Lackland.

Holt said he and Suk constantly train, and the pair spend as much time as possible together.

It's a relationship built on trust, Holt said.

"We have a saying around here: 'In dog we trust,' and we mean it. I trust my dog implicitly. If he tells me there's something wrong, I believe him. To not listen could get us both killed."

Holt said two working dog teams from Cannon will give demonstrations on Saturday at the Sierra Blanca Regional Airport.

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MAW 2011 Demonstration Field Schedule



- Thursday, APRIL 28**
GOLF TOURNEY, The Links
- Friday, APRIL 29**
- 10:00 AM Holloman AFB convoy arrives. (Parade) Sudderth to Mechem to Airport Rd. to Sierra Blanca Regional Airport, ETA 10:30 AM. Begin erecting Military City
 - 11:30 - 1:30 Lunch - Feed The Troops shelter School children will eat their sack lunches with the Airmen.
 - 11:30 AM NM National Guard, Cannon AFB, and Roswell contingency arrives at Airport.
 - 1:00 PM Ft. Bliss & WSMR convoy arrives. (Parade)
- **Public, there to watch Military City going up, will be allowed in only certain areas.**
- 5:00 PM Close Demonstration Field - Night Security on duty - 2 golf carts
 - 6:00 PM FLYING J RANCH
 - 6:30 PM Gun Fight
 - 7:00 PM Complimentary chuck-wagon dinner for all troops, their family members, honored guests and their family members and all-MAW volunteers and their family members.
- Saturday, APRIL 30**
- 7:30-8:30 AM Breakfast - Feed The Troops shelter
 - 10:00 AM OPENING CEREMONY - Demo Field
HAFB Steel Talons Present Colors - 44th Army Band Ensemble plays - Marilyn Orr sings National Anthem as CAFB C-130's Fly-Over
 - 11:30 - 12:30 Lunch - Feed The Troops shelter
 - 4:00 PM Close Demonstration Field - Night Security on duty - 2 golf carts
 - 5:30 PM All Banquet attendees are asked to be seated for ceremony
 - 6:00 PM **MAW Awards Banquet & Community Covenant Signing**
Ruidoso Middle School, 123 Warrior Drive. \$12 Dinner Tickets
 - 8:00 PM Ceremony is Over
- Sunday, MAY 01**
- 7:30 AM Breakfast - Feed The Troops shelter. Sack lunches distributed for lunch
 - 8:30 AM Worship Service
 - 9:30 AM Break Camp - Hugs, Hand-shakes, Convoy out of town - Thank you for your service!

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BUSINESS

Local business honored for innovation

Rod Dakan, owner of Royal Fiber Spinnery in Ruidoso, N.M., wanted an economical method of baling fleece from small, scattered alpaca herds for transport to the mills, so he turned to the New Mexico Small Business Assistance (NMSBA) Program for help.

Royal Fiber was one of 339 small businesses in 27 counties that participated in 2010 in the NMSBA Program, a public-private partnership among Sandia National Laboratories, Los Alamos National Laboratory and the state of New Mexico that connects small business owners with scientists and engineers who provide assistance to their companies. The program provided \$4.6 million worth of technical assistance to small businesses last year.

Ten projects that achieved outstanding innovations through the NMSBA Program in 2010 were honored April 10 at a 10 Years of Innovation Celebration in Albuquerque. The program also marked its 10th anniversary by including small business owners it has helped since its inception.

"The NMSBA Program has been bringing together small business owners with world-class scientists, engineers and other experts at Sandia and Los Alamos national laboratories and other partner organizations for more than 10 years. These partnerships have not only resulted in the successful innovations we've celebrated over the past decade, but also have brought jobs and economic growth to our state," said Jackie Kerby Moore, manager of Sandia's Technology & Economic Development Department.

Royal Fiber, the largest alpaca fiber processor in the country, spins on average 12,000 pounds of fleece into yarn every year, Dakan said. Yet, because alpacas are raised in scattered herds of 20



Photo courtesy of Sandia National Laboratories
 Rod Dakan and his wife, Marilyn, asked the New Mexico Business Assistance Program for help to design a baler to economically bring alpaca fleece to their processing facility, Royal Fiber Spinnery, in Ruidoso.

animals or less, traditional 700-pound wool and cotton balers aren't an effective way to package and ship the fiber to processors like Royal Fiber.

Through the NMSBA Program, Dakan met Bob Winters, who retired last year from the Organic Materials Department's Manufacturing Science and Technology Group at Sandia. They discussed how to design a baler that could pack 50-70 pounds of fleece into a 1.5-foot square box suitable for shipping.

Winters, who has provided his design expertise to several successful NMSBA projects, said he tried a manual press to bale the fleece, but it broke the box the fiber

was to be shipped in, so he switched to a hydraulic press. He also used a machine in the lab that applied 5,000 pounds of force to compress small amounts of alpaca fleece to prove that his concept worked.

In an animation of the design, the shipping box is inserted under a chute. The alpaca fiber comes down the chute, is compressed into the box, and a fork holds it in place as the ram retracts. If more fiber is added, the fork retracts as the fiber is being compressed.

Winters provided Dakan with a detailed design, a 3-D model and specifications for parts, materials and welding instructions, which Dakan can use to have a prototype built, a project Dakan said he's pursuing.

Dakan said he wants to expand his business to include selling balers to alpaca farmers. He also hopes the baler can one day increase the domestic market for alpaca fleece, which wicks 80 percent better than wool and is three times warmer.

Small business owners have big ideas, but often are short on money to pursue them, so they need programs custom designed for them, Dakan said. "This program in that regard is awesome," he said. "Their attitude is 'Tell us what the problem is and let's see if we can fix it.' That's the kind of thing that made this country great in the first place."

Since its inception, the NMSBA Program has provided 1,736 small businesses with \$25.2 million worth of research hours and materials. For further information about the NMSBA Program, entrepreneurs may call Genaro Montoya at (505) 284-0625 or visit www.nmsbaprogram.org.

Energy efficiency reaching us all

By Sandi Aguilar

Executive Director, Ruidoso Valley Chamber of Commerce

The Ruidoso Valley Chamber of Commerce jumped at the opportunity to help PNM spread the word about how to become more energy efficient. "PNM is an incredible partner for our community. Not only do they continue to provide us with valuable information, but sponsor various events and provide volunteers for our emergencies. It is wonderful to see a company so active in helping its customer," said Sandi Aguilar, executive director.



Sandi Aguilar

At first glance, it might seem counterintuitive for PNM to educate the public on how to save energy. In reality, they are trying to keep their costs down by not having to invest in huge infrastructure projects. The demand for energy continues to rise and PNM is looking at smart ways to meet that demand.

Four Ruidoso electric contractors have become certified for the PNM Energy Efficiency Rebate program in an effort to build partnership and grow more business. "The PNM program allows us to go in and quote a commercial building on retrofitting for new equipment. All of the old systems use a lot more energy. In most cases, PNM's rebates allow the cost to be made in back within 2 years and then the energy savings still continue! Becoming certified allows us to offer more services and products to help our customers," remarked Justin Sergeant with AE Electric at the recent PNM Energy Efficiency workshop held for commercial businesses.

The shift toward energy efficiency is apparent with the increase in PNM programs, the recent NM Green Energy Conference in Las Cruces, and the upcoming Lincoln County Renewable Energy Conference on April 22. NM Department of Economic Development, Cabinet Secretary, Jon

Barela says, "I see great potential to grow a wide variety of energy jobs in New Mexico, including alternative energy, and especially in solar and biofuels. New Mexico is a state with a long tradition as an energy exporter and we must work to build on that history of success. We are poised to leverage our world class alternative energy assets to create jobs and wealth in the state by developing and exporting electric power and biofuels to major markets across the U.S."

The next opportunity for residents and business professionals to glean more information about how they benefit from the shift to energy efficiency is at the Lincoln County Renewable Energy Conference on Friday, April 22. The conference is free to the public and will address how residents can put solar on their homes, how ranchers can invest in wind, and how businesses can expand into this market. Everyone is invited to come the Ruidoso Convention Cen-

ter between 8 a.m. - 5 p.m., walk through the trade show and attend a seminar or two or twelve. For more information, contact ENMU at 257-3012.

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Long distance help for White Fire

By Eddie Farrell

Editor

Jay Bertek, head of a 20-man "hotshot" crew from California looked every inch a worn out man.

"I'm telling you, I've been doing this for 35 years, and these conditions are the worst I've ever seen," Bertek said Wednesday while working out a logistical problem along with crewmember Andrew Minor at the Ruidoso Convention Center.

"Unless conditions change, we're in for a long summer."

Bertek and Minor were called out from Arizona, where their U.S. Forest Service "Type I" team, called El Cariso Hotshots, was working a fire.

Their home base is in Riverside County, Calif., and travelling from fire to fire, and being considered amongst the best, is what this pair and their team does.

The team arrived in Ruidoso Monday, part of a multi-state call-out for firefighters and equipment to help contain the White Fire, the now more than 10,000 acre fire that erupted Sunday afternoon in Ruidoso Downs.

Minor said the team has been deployed continuously since March 4 "bouncing around to fires in Arizona and New Mexi-



Andrew Minor, left, and Jay Bertek were called off a fire line in Douglas, Ariz. to assist in the fight on the White Fire. The pair are members of the El Cariso Hotshots from Riverside County, Calif.

Read more: RuidosoFreePress.com: Firefighters from all over fight White Fire

The pair were coming off the line from a fire in Douglas, Ariz., when their dispatcher told them "we've got another assignment for you," he said. Hours later, the crew was in Ruidoso.

Minor said he is part of a

saw crew, a front-line firefighter whose job it is to reduce fuel.

Type I crews, Minor said, are selected for their experience, stamina and the absolute willingness to go toe-to-toe with fire.

"We go where most crews can't because of our ability to

hide in," he said.

The relatively high winds Wednesday had both men exhausted coming off the line.

"With this fire, the wind is the biggest thing," Minor, a firefighter since 2006, said.

"Wind is always the most dif-

ficult thing to deal with when it comes to fight fires."

At the time the fire erupted Sunday, there were sustained winds over 40 miles per hour with gusts in the 60s.

Just about the time it looked like the White Fire would burn its way up Gavilan Canyon, the wind shifted, turning the blaze in a northeasterly direction, straight at Ruidoso Downs.

But both Minor and Bertek said working the burn zone already told them the story.

Looking at a topographic map with the fire area on it, the pair note the long, stretched area of destruction, trademark of a fast-moving wind-driven fire.

"There's still lots of fuel out there," Minor said.

Bertek, however, said the quick response of local firefighters, volunteers and professionals, was what most likely kept the White Fire from causing even more destruction than just five houses and numerous outbuildings.

"You've just got to give all of the local units credit for their work in the first 24 hours," Bertek said.

"When you're out there, you can see all the training they do put to action. Without their work, this could have been a lot worse."

Budget crisis averted; area still feels threat

By Patrick Jason Rodriguez

Reporter

Although Republicans and Democrats in both houses of Congress reached an agreement Friday night on the US budget to stave off the first government shutdown since 1995-96, the debate on federal spending is far from over.

The House and Senate must still hash out the final details of this latest resolution. Reductions in spending are a report of more than \$38 billion by the end of the week, and already there have been reports of a possible long battle ahead in Washington regarding the 2012 federal budget, meaning that a federal stoppage could still be in the cards.

All of this no doubt has some close to home worried and confused.

How Lincoln County, like all local governments across the country, would be affected by a shutdown depends mostly on how long such a thing lingers. The stoppage in 1995-96 was the longest in history and lasted for 21 days. The county is home to 137 federal workers, according to most recent figures released by the US Department of Labor and the Bureau of Labor Statistics, and how many of these would be furloughed - issued mandatory unpaid time off - or otherwise is unclear.

Federal workers whose jobs are not needed to safeguard public health and safety and to protect life and property would be furloughed. Military personnel, air traffic controllers, the border patrol, the FBI, prison guards, health care personnel, law enforcement personnel and bank overseers, though, would be required to work without receiving their regularly scheduled paychecks on the first and 15th of each month; however, they would receive all pay that not issued during a shutdown once the president and

Congress agree on a budget.

Lincoln County Manager Tom Stewart on Friday afternoon, hours before the deadline, was optimistic, saying that in the event of a federal government shutdown the county could handle such a thing without too much of a strain no matter how long it would last.

"I feel certain that we can survive a federal shutdown a number of months," he said.

Aside from some federal workers feeling the brunt of a shutdown, a stoppage could have a trickle-down effect that would reach non-government personnel.

Payments for entitlement programs such as Social Security, Medicare, Medicaid and unemployment insurance would be unaffected by a shutdown. Some agencies, however, might not have personnel on duty to process new applications or resolve disputes; a shutdown that lasted for months would increase the chances of a delay in medical payments to doctors and hospitals.

But government-run benefit systems such as the Office of Veterans Affairs would remain open during a shutdown. Likewise, the US Postal Service would continue to function and operate as though nothing will have changed.

Republican Rep. Steve Pearce, who represents New Mexico's 2nd Congressional District, which includes all of Lincoln County, voted against Friday night's budget agreement. In a statement issued shortly after the agreement, the congressman said, "I voted against tonight's agreement because our goal must be greater than to merely avoid a shutdown. ... I voted against tonight's plan because it is not enough. For decades, both parties have tolerated rampant fiscal irresponsibility. Tonight's outcome does little to demonstrate that Washington has listened or changed course."

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OPINION

A well-deserved thank you

The intent of this was to give a well-deserved thank you to all of the firefighters, local and from far way, who converged on Ruidoso to assist in the White Fire fight.

From the first moments after smoke was reported Sunday afternoon through Saturday when all that was really left was to mop up ... and pray for the five families who lost their homes and the three firefighters who received injuries over the past week, bravery and professionalism were the hallmarks of each and every day.

And thanks, as in many instances, doesn't just belong

to the men and women on the ground.

While praying for the victims of the White Fire, add a big thank you to God himself; but for a shift of wind in the fire's earliest hours, the blaze could have shot right up Gavilan Canyon and the devastation could have been immense in terms of homes and possibly lives lost.

As we have learned, under the extreme conditions we're under, the smallest fire can turn into a raging conflagration in minutes, which is why we just have to question the following two examples.

Despite seeing the evidence

of danger all around them, and apparently ignorant of the risks, two Ruidoso men each pleaded guilty to, and paid fines of \$500 for "improperly handling fire."

While neither man had anything to do with the start of the White Fire, engaging in such activities as smoking outside and using a fire pit are ridiculous given such extreme fire dangers.

Perhaps it's time to revisit the fines for such cases; or enhance the penalty with long, purposeful stretches of community service, such as helping to remove forest waste and fuel for the next fire.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

To the Editor

Thank you everyone:

First, can I say a huge thank you to every firefighter, police, sheriff and emergency personnel for coming to our aid so quickly in Spaghetti Flats. I wish I could do more than this, but I did pray more in 24 hours for people I didn't know trying to save our home than I've ever done.

Second, thank you to the people of the Ruidoso Downs Senior Center and individuals who thought to bring water and food for these EMS people. I was so scared from the frantic traffic, and was finally sitting in our camper with our dogs and water/food, that it never occurred to me. Thank you all for giving them food and water quickly. I'm proud of our community.

Thirdly, thank you to the employees and volunteers who evacuated the Animal Shelter so quickly, smoothly and provided a dinner for them that evening as the Humane Society is dear to my heart but I was helpless to assist.

Lastly, thank you to all the friends and people who just cared to see if we were okay, and the offering of housing or help was so appreciated.

Thanks to the firefighters who are still here watching and walking those hills three days later for hot spots - thank you from the bottom of my heart - what heroes.

Susan Carter-Hoffer
Spaghetti Flats homeowner

Dear Editor,

It has now been officially one month today since I was sworn in as a new Ruidoso School Board Member. In this short time I have participated in rigorous School Board Training and had my first Board meeting.

I attended my first school visitation to Ruidoso Middle School where I listened to a fine saxophone player, studied labeled frog parts with seventh graders, enjoyed observing the talented artists in Ms Raborn's class and sampled some delicious fresh-baked bread. I also had the privilege of visiting lots of darling children and amazing teachers at Nob Hill. This has been a rigorous and intriguing month.

As I take a few minutes this morning to catch my breath and reflect, I now understand why those who came before me served so faithfully for so many years. There is great joy in serving the children of our community. Thank you, Susan and Frank, for your sacrifice, commitment and years of unselfish service to our district. You ran the race well. Thank you, Marc, for your enthusiasm, courage and passion.

Even though I have felt as though this past month has been intense training for a long distance race, I am encouraged by the fact that those who went before me ran their race well. On March 8th, I held up my hand and made my public vow to serve this district. The vow ended with the words, "so help me God". That day, I knelt at the starting blocks and began a two year, long distance race, praying all the while that I might hold tight to the baton which was passed to me and together with this new team, run to win! Thank you, Ruidoso, for the confidence you have placed in us, and thank you, former School Board Veterans for all you did during your years of service to our district.

Sincerely,
Devin Marshall
School Board President
Ruidoso Municipal School District

Chief Vincent refutes rumor

Editor's note: The Ruidoso Free Press does not engage in rumor mongering, but in the case of the apparent public repetition of a rumor involving Ruidoso Assistant Fire Chief Harlan Vincent regarding the still-burning White Fire, we felt it was important for Vincent to have the opportunity to clear the matter up.

By Eddie Farrell

Editor

The pain was evident on Harlan Vincent's face.

"Believe me, there's no one out there that wants a determination of cause more than I do."

Vincent, Ruidoso's assistant fire chief, was talking about the delay in attributing a cause to the White Fire, the 10,000-plus acre blaze that started Sunday afternoon, and so named by Vincent himself because the fire erupted near his father-in-law, Tommy White's property.

Naming a fire quickly is a necessary tradition; it allows local responders to have a landmark, but Vincent is experiencing deep regrets in this case.

"There's a small handful of people out in this community that are trying to be ugly about this whole thing, and it's wrong," Vincent said.

He was referring to a Facebook posting that attributed the start of the fire to Vincent's father-in-law supposedly burning trash on the property.

"That's so ridiculous it doesn't even warrant explaining, but now I've got this hateful thing out there against me and my family and it needs to stop."

The Facebook posting was quickly removed, but was out there long enough to get the rumor circulating through the community.

Vincent explained that Sunday morning he was very nervous; the continued dry conditions combined with forecasts of winds in excess of 60 miles per hour had the career firefighter on edge.



"I called (Village Manager) Debi Lee and told her I was concerned and would be driving my unit that day," Vincent said.

"Then I went to church. While there, I invited my father-in-law out to lunch because we weren't able to celebrate his birthday earlier in the week. So my family and I, including my father-in-law, were out eating when I was dispatched to a fire alarm in the Camelot area."

Vincent said he left his family still eating at the restaurant and upon arriving in Upper Canyon was notified of a plane crash at the Sierra Blanca Regional Airport. While en route to that call, he received yet another dispatch about "smoke in Gavilan Canyon."

Vincent said as soon as he learned the two men on the plane survived and there was no pressing need for his presence, he immediately proceeded to the smoke call.

Before he arrived, he received a call from his father-in-law.

"He told me there was smoke coming up near his property," Vincent said.

"I had just been with him a couple minutes earlier and I'd already been dispatched by 911," Vincent explained.

As for the "White" designation, Vincent said as soon as he reached the scene he told dispatchers "the fire's right near Tommy White's house."

The name stuck, and the rumors began.

Now the rumor has expanded that the entire firefighting fraternity, local, state and federal, are covering up the true cause to protect Vincent.

"That's just ridiculous," he said. "I want that cause determined and publicized more than anybody."

COMMUNITY

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assistance, too.

"We've had an abundance of individuals from the community asking what they could do to help," said Margo Whitt, a public information officer for the Type II incident management team. "There's no way I could encompass a list because there have been just too many calls."

The gymnasium inside the First Baptist campus, enough room to accommodate 40 people, was transformed into a makeshift shelter with cots and food. Nine people stayed overnight on Sunday, and though the church was also prepared to house people the following night, Stoddard said that no one stayed overnight on Monday.

Don Gibson, a service coordinator at Gateway, estimated that between 60 and 70 people showed up at his church by Sunday evening. The church provided water, snacks and pizza.

"We had several people calling and asking if they could help volunteer," he said. "It was a little overwhelming."

The hospitality was also extended to animals in area.

The Humane Society of Lincoln County office, located on Gavilan Canyon Road, was told to evacuate their premises on Sunday afternoon. The animals were transported to Bonita Park, a camping and conference center located near the bottom

of Angus Hill. Once there, the animals were given food and water, and an RV was brought in to put up the staff for the night.

Sharon Yocum, guest services director at Bonita Park, said that between 10 and 20 people volunteered to help with the animals. By Monday morning the animals returned to their kennels at the humane society.

"(Bonita Park) was extremely accommodating and very helpful toward us," said Trish Watson, an assistant manager with the Humane Society of Lincoln County.

Coleen Widell, executive director for The Nest, the domestic violence shelter, said she and other from her organization reached out to Pastor Rick Hutchinson of the Angus Church of the Nazarene last week to talk about using the church's facilities as an evacuation site in the event of a disaster. Residents and staff were uprooted to the church's gymnasium on Sunday night.

"With the conditions the way they have been, with the dry winter and windy spring, we wanted to implement a route to take to an off-site location in case a fire did break out," said Widell. "Pastor Rick and the others at Angus have been great with helping us out and we really appreciate what they have done for us."

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EDUCATION

Developmental screenings scheduled for April 14

By Dahn Freed

In a child's first five years of life, the child will acquire communication, problem solving, self-help, daily living, motor, and socialization skills. These developmental skills are a fundamental basis of learning that will continue throughout life. Monitoring children's development at an early age can play an important role in setting a solid foundation for successful student outcomes later in school.

Developmental screening through child find is established by federal law and is a national program designed to identify children aged three to twenty-one who may have special needs or require early intervention services. Child Find teams partner with school districts, health care providers, service organizations, childcare centers, and individuals to conduct free developmental screenings in the community for all children under the age of five, including infants and toddlers. Child find screenings in Lincoln County and part of Otero County are coordinated through Region IX Education Cooperative, an educational service agency supporting families, schools, and communities. Region IX service areas include Capitan, Carrizozo, Cloudcroft, Corona, Hondo, Ruidoso and Tularosa.

Children may be referred to child find by anyone including parents, teachers, childcare providers, physicians, friends, or family members. All initial screenings begin with a first level screening, the Ages

and Stages Questionnaire. The Ages and Stages Questionnaire is a 30 item survey which is completed with parents to assess their child in communication, gross motor, fine motor, problem solving, and personal/social skills. Based on the survey and parent interview, recommendations can be given to families to support the child through community programs and home-based interventions provided by the family and other care-givers.

Children, suspected as having a delay or disability in a developmental area, may be referred for a full and individual evaluation completed by trained professionals. Developmental needs for children can range from a mild speech delay to intensive cognitive and physical disabilities. If a developmental disability is determined, a child may be referred for early intervention services

and special education. A team of individuals, including the parents, design a program plan for the child identified as having a disability.

Early intervention, based on the jointly developed program plan, can assist families in supporting the growth and development of their children. Services may be provided in various settings with other children who are typically developing. For children ages birth to three years, Region IX Developmental Services provides

intervention in Lincoln County. In Otero County, Zia Therapy provides the early intervention services. The local school districts provide support services for children who are three, four, and five years of age.

Each spring, Region IX coordinates developmental screenings with member school districts in conjunction with the schools kindergarten registration. Chil-

dren registering for kindergarten will also be screened in development and classroom readiness. Early kindergarten registration allows the school district adequate planning for children entering kindergarten in the fall, including proportionate classroom placements and teacher coverage. Early registration allows parents time to work with their children on any lacking pre-requisite skills and obtain any required immunizations before school begins in the fall.

In addition to developmental screening for all children, vision, hearing, nutrition, and dental screenings will be provided. School nurses will be checking immunization records for required immunizations. Even if there are no developmental concerns for a child, child find screenings offer families the chance to monitor their child's development and a one-stop opportunity to screen other vital areas important to the health and development of children.

The upcoming screening dates Corona, April 12; Capitan, April 14; Ruidoso, April 18; Carrizozo, April 20; Cloudcroft, April 28; and Hondo, April 29. If you have a concern for a child, an individual screening can be set up at any time. For more information about developmental screening contact, Shelly Layher or Dahn Freed, at (505) 257-2368 or in the Child Find office at Region IX, 237 Service Road, Ruidoso, NM, or visit the Region IX website at www.rec9nm.org.



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Shelly Layher of Child Find Tech is shown providing hearing testing at Region IX

ENMU STUDENT COMPOSITIONS

Meet the designing twins of Ruidoso

By Bethany Sweat

English 102, ENMU-R

As I arrived at Martha's Fabric Store that afternoon and strolled around the shop, one would see every type of woman in the store. The women that quilt, the women that can't sew but like to dream, and then there were the hard-core sewers that were on a mission with their flexible measuring tapes around their necks. I was there to get an interview with the twins, Clarissa and Cassandra. As I was walking around, I would see one of them briskly walk around the store on a mission to help one of their many customers. I finally was able to wrangle the busy ladies into a corner of the store. Sitting in that corner surrounded by bolts and bolts of fabric, we settled in for them to tell me their story.

Being twins, they were dressed exactly alike and being designers I knew that it was their own design so I had them start the interview off with a description. Cassandra described the top of the outfit as a taupe vintage baroque jacket; they saw the same design in Bergdorf Goodman in New York City. The Twins explained their love for true vintage patterns and how truly timeless vintage really is to them. Clarissa made the colored skirts they were wearing, it was a ruffled praline taffeta in rows with a huge satin bow around the waist, and to top the outfit off they added a chiffon blouse and a matching handbag. In their passionate and special way of speaking and conducting themselves, Clarissa and Cassandra went on to speak about their true love: fabric.

"Fabric is truly endless, and can go as far as your imagination. Like the fabric, our skirts are made out of, our niece made a dress out of it for a wedding, and the other day a woman bought the same fabric for a baby suite. The beautiful thing about fabric is that there are no limits," Clarissa said.

I went on to ask them what led them to want to become designers, and Cassandra answered my question.

"Growing up in Mom's fabric store at an early age, we would always look at the Vogue pattern book, and even at such a young age we would find something we loved and say, we are going to wear that with this certain fabric. Back in those days in the Vogue book, it would say Vogue Paris Original with a picture of the designer and we just thought it was incredible! We couldn't wait to get to the store and flip through the new Vogue pattern book; it was a hot item between my sister and myself."

A month after graduation from a fashion college in LA, Clarissa landed a dream job at SAY, a cashmere house in LA as head designer. Turning cashmere into a fashion with beautiful colors and shapes, instead of your basic blacks, grays and tans turned the industry around. Believing that this newfound job would be a wonderful place to grow and become the designer she is today, the other job offers she had were very LA based and that was great, but it didn't have the level of designer that Clarissa really wanted. Clarissa stayed at SAY cashmere for seven years when Cassandra brought up a new beginning for both of the twins.

Growing up with ranching heritage on not only their daddy's side but their Mother's as well, the girls would go in and help momma at the fabric store during the week, and on the weekend be everyday ranch hands for daddy at the ranch near Lake Arthur, New Mexico.

"We grew up listening to country music, and we loved every bit of it". In 1980 Cassandra went to a Hal Ketchum concert at the fair in Lubbock, Texas. Cassandra ended up meeting Hal Ketchum, after meeting Hal, Cassandra ruff sketched a few stage designs for him. Cassandra presented her sister with this idea "We both love Hal Ketchum, how would you feel about doing a wardrobe for him?" Clarissa responded, "I would most certainly love to". And with that, along with many late nights and tons of phone calls to Nashville, the twin sisters got rolling in their designing career for not only the everyday woman, but also many Nashville stars.

In 1994, the Designing Twins label switched gears and went into the interior designing business having all American made products, the Twins made a name for themselves in the interior business, not only in Ruidoso and Artesia, but statewide. Walking into the store, anybody would look at it and say, "Wow, this place is a wreck" but it is how these women work, I have tried organizing for them and so has my mother, but we believe that it's the true nature of a designer to be messy. Color swatches, bolts of fabric, strings and fringe everywhere, these women are truly a work of art!

The Designing Twins recently returned from a trip to New York City during fashion week. Getting to look at all the new designs not only in the stores, but on the street as well was quite inspiring to them, having not been designing fashion for some time now. They were constantly recognized for See DESIGNING TWINS, pg. 9

Screening dates set for kindergarten registration

Children who are birth through five years of age are invited to a screening for development, vision, hearing, dental, immunizations and nutrition.

Kindergarten Registration for children who will be five before September 1, 2011: Birth Certificate, Immunization Record

Head Start Registration: Birth Certificate, Immunization Record, Last 12 Months of Income, Medicaid or Insurance cards

All other children: Immunization Record

CORONA, Tuesday, April 12, Corona Schools, 9 a.m. - 11 a.m.

CAPITAN, Thursday, April 14, Cummins Gymnasium, 9 a.m. - 12 p.m.

CARRIZOZO, Wednesday, April 20, Carrizozo High School, 9:30 a.m. - 12 p.m.

CLOUDCROFT, Thursday, April 28, Cloudcroft Elementary, 3 p.m. - 6 p.m.

HONDO, Friday, April 29, Hondo School Multi-Purpose Room 9 a.m. - 11 a.m.

For information contact Child Find Services at Region IX Education Cooperative (257-2368) or the elementary school in your area.

Niños desde recién nacidos hasta los cinco años son invitados a una evaluación de desarrollo, vista, escuchar, dental, nutrición y inmunizaciones.

La inscripción de kinder es para los niños que cumplen cinco años antes de 1 Septiembre, 2011: Acta de Nacimiento, Boleta de vacunas.

Para la inscripción de Head Start: Acta de Nacimiento, Boleta de vacunas, Doce meses de ingresos, Tarjeta de Medicaid o Aseguración.

Para todos los demás niños: Favor de traer la boleta de vacunas.

RUIDOSO: Lunes, 18 de Abril, Centro de Convenciones en Ruidoso, 11 a.m. - 2 p.m.

CORONA: Martes, 12 de Abril, Escuela en Corona, 9 a.m. - 11 a.m.

CAPITAN: Jueves, 14 de Abril, Cummins Gimnasio, 9 a.m. - 12 p.m.

CARRIZOZO: Miércoles, 20 de Abril, Carrizozo High Gimnasio, 9:30 a.m. - 12 p.m.

CLOUDCROFT: Jueves, 28 de Abril, Escuela de enseñanza primaria en Cloudcroft, 3 p.m. - 6 p.m.

HONDO: Viernes, 29 de Abril, Hondo eduque el espacio multiuso, 9 a.m. - 11 a.m.

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County illiteracy levels contribute to high unemployment rates

By Eugene Heathman

Reporter

Lincoln County unemployment, according to the NM Workforce Connection in Lincoln County now stands at 7.3 percent which is better than the overall 8.9 percent unemployment rate for New Mexico.

However, Susan Morss of the Lincoln County Literacy Council cautions against too much optimism with that figure because of adult literacy numbers in Lincoln County. "Eighteen percent of adults in Lincoln County would be considered functionally illiterate and ranked at level one, the lowest level on a scale of one to five. Individuals at level one, for example, have difficulty locating simple information in a news article or applying basic math to determine the total on a sales receipt," Morss said.

According a study performed by the Milkin

Institute provided by the Lincoln County Literacy Council, as a benchmark, nearly two-thirds of all jobs today require literacy skills above level two. Level two is generally defined as fifth through seventh grades reading and comprehension skills.

"Twenty five percent of Lincoln County residents are classified at level two, as marginally literate that nearly parallels the 22.9 percent rates of Lincoln County residents who have not completed high school and 21 percent of Lincoln County adults and children speak limited English" Morss said.

Since 2005, the Literacy Council has provided tutors and paid instructors for more than one thousand adult learners studying English language skills, citizenship, reading, writing and math. The Literacy

Council provides family literacy classes, computer literacy classes and workplace literacy classes which currently provide eighteen trained, volunteer tutors.

According to U.S Bureau of Labor Statistics unemployment rates for persons 25 years and older by

educational attainment, people who do not have a high school diploma or GED face unemployment rates 5 percent higher than those who have at least graduated high school with no college.

Through partnerships with ENMU-R and the New Mexico Workforce Connec-

tion, a one-stop for clients seeking assistance with education, training or employment, The Lincoln County Literacy Council provides free GED programs which include supplies/materials, one-on-one tutoring, and small classes in reading, writing, social studies,

science and math. The programs are highly individualized, focusing on student goals consisting of dedicated professionals focused on student achievement.

The Lincoln County Literacy Council is located at 707 Mechem Drive in Ruidoso, 575-630-8181.

OBITUARIES

Dorothy (Dottie) White (1925-2011)

Visitation for Dorothy (Dottie) White, 86, of Odessa, was at Frank W. Wilson Funeral Home on Sunday, April 3rd. Services were Monday, April 4 at the funeral home. Burial was at Sunset Memorial Gardens.

Dottie passed away March 30, 2011 after a brief illness. She was born on January 11, 1925 in Stamford, Texas to John Garland and Artie Mae Swint who both preceded her in death.

During her married life to Bill White, they owned multiple vacation homes in Ruidoso, New Mexico and built their dream home here in 2002. Health issues forced them to return to Odessa. Bill preceded her in death in 2007.

Dottie loved music and played the organ and piano for various churches throughout her life. She was an avid needle pointer, loved to read, play tennis, golf and enjoyed water sports.

Dottie is survived by her son Ross Ritz and a sister Pat Smith. A brother George Swint and a niece Debra Worley preceded her in death. She is also survived by two nieces, Denise Dean of Ruidoso, Carol Thomas and a great nephew Trey Thomas.

Dottie was deeply loved by her entire family and friends and will be greatly missed.

Memorials may be made to the First Baptist Church Building Fund, 709 N. Lee, Odessa, TX 79761

Gloria P. Inman

Graveside services for Gloria P. Inman, 84 of Alto, NM, were held 3:00 P.M. on Tuesday April 12, 2011 at Memorial Park Cemetery in Amarillo, TX.



Gloria was born on August 19, 1926 in Amarillo, TX to Paul A. and Marie (Lane) Pyeatt and passed away on April 9, 2011 at Mesalero

She is survived by her husband, Harold Inman of Alto, NM, and her sisters, Patricia Walls and husband Maurice of Ruidoso and Jeanne Johnson of Amarillo, TX.

Condolences may be made at www.lagroneruidoso.com.

Max A. Zischkale, Jr.



On April 4, 2011, Max A. Zischkale, Jr. left to meet the Creator of this beautiful world that has fascinated him since childhood days spent collecting fish and frogs in Dallas' White Rock Creek. Rarely has lived a man so in love with nature, so devoted to protecting and preserving life. Born on September 19, 1927, the only child of Max, Sr. and Gladus (Klein), Max grew up in the Bryan St area of Dallas, forming friendships to last a lifetime. He graduated Crozier Tech in 1945, spent a year in the Navy, and graduated SMU with a Masters in Biology in 1951. After a year

in marine biology (Rockport), he changed careers to work with Crosby Valve & Gauge discovering a second passion, selling valves. Although a good salesman, his primary gift was "conversation", vividly recalling decades-old details with astounding accuracy, from personal to political. Max deeply cared about the people he met throughout his life. He found Bonnie Claire Reilly so loveable that he married her on August 13, 1955 in All Saints Episcopal Church, where they served for many years. They had two children, Robert Max (Denison) and Philo Marie (Espanola, NM). Max later had a long career in sales with Groth Equip Corp, making dozens of lifelong friends. Throughout life he studied animals and plants, raised millions of tropical fish, and served as a true advocate to protect our environment. When Bonnie passed, he moved to Ruidoso, NM, enjoying the last 9 years in the mountain pines. Other immediate family includes Gayle Crews Zischkale (daughter-in-law), Aaron Max Zischkale (grandson), and Patricia Reilly Gunter (sister-in-law). Please, Lord, give him a corner of Your garden, with maybe a fish pond or two. Donations may be made in Max's honor to Save the Chimps www.savethechimps.org or The Elephant Sanctuary www.elephants.com.

DESIGNING TWINS

From page 8

the outfits they made because of one thing, they were originals from their collection and it didn't matter if it was a new piece or one from five years ago, that is how truly timeless their designs are.

"We miss fashion design, that is what our hearts are in being mixed in with all the fashion and the city it was all overwhelming," Clarissa said.

While walking around the store with them, we ran across a sheep pelt, and I couldn't help but ask "What in the heck are ya'll planning to do with this?" They both got this look in their eye and I could just tell, they had something up their sleeve.

I asked them one simple question at the end of our interview "Where you're new is line going to go, when ya'll get back into the business?" They responded in "Twindom" as they call it. "We can't reveal that at this time, but Bethany, it's going to be great!"

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RUIDOSO POLICE REPORTS

Vocal disagreement

Following an altercation, March 31, at a business on the 1200 block of Mechem Drive, Ruidoso Police issued Gary Garland, 53, of Alto, a citation for verbal assault, and further issued a criminal trespass warning to Garland and his wife.

Password altercation

An argument over a cell phone password, March 28, led to the arrest of Floyd Linville, 38, of Lubbock for battery against a household member. He was taken to RPD and later posted bond. Linville will have to attend Lincoln County Magistrate Court at a later date.

Don't bully

A 15-year-old juvenile male was suspended from Ruidoso High School for striking another student Feb. 25. The student was also given a juvenile referral with charges of assault and battery.

It's simple, don't drink

Police arrested Stephen Chino, 18, of Ruidoso April 2 after he was found intoxicated in the parking lot

of a business on the 2800 block of Sudderth Drive. Chino was charged with minor in possession and for violating the terms of release for a prior infraction. Chino was booked at RPD and later taken to the Lincoln County Detention Center.

Spilling out

After a 16-year-old male spilled his drink while in class at Ruidoso High School, March 3, the teacher noticed an alcoholic odor coming from the spilled drink. There, the juvenile admitted to having mixed rum with the soda. The youth was suspended from high school and issued a juvenile citation for minor in possession.

Candid camera

Thanks to a video iPod, a pair of Ruidoso High School students were caught on camera getting into a fist fight, Feb. 23, and were both suspended for public affray. The 16- and 17-year-old males were also referred to juvenile probation.

Don't play with fire

Two citations for violation of the current fire code were issued by

police over the week. Beau Allen, 26, of Ruidoso, Juan Hidalgo, 25, of El Paso were cited April 2 and 3 - one for smoking outside, the other for lighting a charcoal grill. Both are to appear in Magistrate Court.

Pits on the loose

A pair of pit bull dogs - reported as "aggressive" - were found in the neighborhood of Hart Street, April 1. Police issued Robin DePalma, 45, of Ruidoso a citation for dogs running loose in the area, and will be required to surrender the dogs to an animal shelter.

Something he heard

A 14-year-old male was suspended from Ruidoso High School and referred to juvenile probation, April 1, for assault on a fellow student after the suspect had heard the victim was "talking trash about him." The victim said he was not saying anything.

Left alone

A 16-year-old male, left alone in a Ruidoso High School administrator's office,

was found to have taken \$120 from the administrator and was suspended from High School for two days. He was also referred to juvenile probation for larceny.

Small-time thief

A 12-year-old male was found to have stolen items from a curio store in Midtown, April 4, totaling \$10. The youth was cited for shoplifting and was required to report to the juvenile parole office with his father. He also took the two items he had stolen back to the store and apologized to the store's manager.

Horse (accessories) thief

Horse stables located on the 500 block of Resort Drive were reported broken into April 6, and

several items - including halters, horse shoeing and leather tools, all valued at approximately \$750 - were stolen. There are no suspects at this time.

Personal argument

An argument over "personal issues" resulted in a citation for battery, March 29, for Jaqueline Benavides, 31, of Ruidoso Downs.

Three times over

After finding he had three outstanding arrest warrants, police attempted to detain Louis McCallister, 22, of Ruidoso while he was walking on the 300 block of North Mechem, March 29. McCallister ran from police and was later apprehended, charged with resisting arrest.

RUIDOSO DOWNS POLICE REPORTS

It's not a race

After a pair of vehicles were pulled over, April 1, on Highway 70 for racing, police cited one driver - Justin Homes, 24, of Las Cruces for possession of marijuana, and cited Jeremiah Butler, 19, of Ruidoso for possession of marijuana, racing on roadways and driving with a suspended license.

LINCOLN COUNTY SHERIFF'S REPORTS

April 1 11:56 a.m., Capitan, East 2nd Street, welfare check 12:52 p.m., San Patricio, 28000 block Highway 70, larceny 6:36 p.m., Rancho Ruidoso, Gavilan Canyon Road, juvenile 7:03 p.m., Alto, Highway 220 mile post 6, suspicious vehicle 8:56 p.m., Rancho Ruidoso, 1200 block Little Creek Road, juvenile	28000 block Highway 70, welfare check 11:13 p.m., Alto, 100 block Placitas, harassment-telephone April 6 8:10 a.m., San Patricio, 100 block McDaniel Lane, larceny	10 a.m., Carrizozo, Highway 380 mile marker 73, animal call 1:20 p.m., Glencoe, welfare check 4:10 p.m., Alto, TR's Market, alarm 4:30 p.m., Alto, TR's Market, accident	4:46 p.m., Carrizozo, 1000 block B Avenue, animal call 7:45 p.m., Alto, 100 block Homestead Acres, minor in possession 9:46 p.m., Hondo, 28000 Highway 70, disturbance	11:33 p.m., Carrizozo, 700 block F Avenue, criminal damage to property April 7 7:19 a.m., Corona, Highway 54, welfare check 9:24 a.m., Ruidoso, Gavilan Canyon / Eagle Creek, animal call	1:35 p.m., Hondo, 100 block Don Pablo Lane, welfare check 3:51 p.m., Alto, Enchanted Forest Loop, welfare check 6:16 p.m., Carrizozo, 100 block 17th Street, disturbance
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12:52 p.m., San Patricio, 28000 block Highway 70, larceny
6:36 p.m., Rancho Ruidoso, Gavilan Canyon Road, juvenile
7:03 p.m., Alto, Highway 220 mile post 6, suspicious vehicle
8:56 p.m., Rancho Ruidoso, 1200 block Little Creek Road, juvenile

April 2
1:16 a.m., Ruidoso, 100 block MaryJo, disturbance
7:21 a.m., Hondo, Highway 70 mile marker 283, animal call
8 a.m., Hondo, 100 block Wapiti Way, missing person
10:33 a.m., Capitan, Fort Lone Tree Road, accident
10:49 a.m., Capitan, 100 block Long Road, fire
12:08 p.m., Bonito Lake area, traffic hazard
3:49 p.m., Capitan, Wanda Lane, opened door
11:11 p.m., Ruidoso, 200 block Eagle Creek Canyon Road, 911 hang up

April 3
8:29 a.m., Capitan, Highway 48, vandalism
10:25 a.m., Oscura, Highway 54 Mile marker 89, traffic offenses
11:13 a.m., Corona, County Road A019, fire
1:28 p.m., 400 block Gavilan Canyon Road, fire
6:03 p.m., 300 block Santiago Circle, peace keeping

April 4
1:53 p.m., Ruidoso Downs, 26000 block Highway 70, welfare check
4:21 p.m., 1400 block Little Creek, fire
7:05 p.m., Nogal, 100 block Loma Grande Road, fire
7:35 p.m., Hondo, 28000 block Highway 70, disturbance
8:05 p.m., 100 block Buckboard, burning without a permit

April 5
8:37 a.m., Carrizozo, 100 block Lava Loop, criminal damage to property
9:08 a.m., Alto, Highway 48, fire
9:54 a.m., Alto, 200 block Pueblo Loop, animal call
11:12 a.m., Alto, 100 block Fire Road, domestic battery
1:42 p.m., San Patricio, 28000 block Highway 70, 911 hang up
6:26 p.m., Enchanted Forest Apartments, disturbance
6:30 p.m., Hondo,

SPORTS

RESULTS

April 5
Baseball
 Ruidoso 19, Tularosa 6
 Ruidoso 25, Tulaorsa 7
 Capitan 12, Gateway Christian 6
Softball
 Estancia 10, Capitan 7
April 7
Softball
 Ruidoso JV 16, Mescalero 16
 Ruidoso 8, Mescalero 3
April 8
Baseball
 Capitan 17, Elida 8
 Capitan 25, Elida 5
Softball
 Loving 19, Capitan 3
 Loving 12, Capitan 1
April 9
Baseball
 Ruidoso 15, Lovington 5
 Lovington 11, Ruidoso 5

SPORTS UPCOMING

April 11
Baseball
 Lake Arthur at Capitan (2), 3 p.m.
Softball
 Ruidoso JV at Mescalero (2), 4 p.m.
Golf
 Ruidoso in Leroy Gooch Tournament. Boys at Alto Lakes, girls at The Links at Sierra Blanca. Tee time 9 a.m.
 Capitan at Dexter Tournament, 9 a.m.
April 12
Softball
 Lordsburg at Capitan (2), 3 p.m.
Tennis
 Portales at Ruidoso, 3 p.m.
Golf
 Ruidoso in Leroy Gooch Tournament. Boys at The Links at Sierra Blanca, girls at Cree Meadows. Tee time 9 a.m.
April 14
Track and field
 Capitan in Buffalo Relays at Melrose, 3 p.m.
Golf
 Capitan at Alamogordo varsity tournament, 9 a.m.
Tennis
 Ruidoso at NMMI, 3 p.m.
April 15
Baseball
 Dora at Capitan (2), 1 p.m.
Softball
 Capitan at Mescalero (2), 3 p.m.
 Lovington at Ruidoso (2), 4 p.m.
Track and field
 Capitan, Mescalero, Carrizozo, Corona, Hondo track in Grizzly Relays at Carrizozo, 3 p.m.
Football
 Deming vs. Ruidoso alumni football game at Horton Stadium, 7 p.m.
April 16
Baseball
 Ruidoso at Portales (2), 1 p.m.
Softball
 Cobre at Ruidoso (2), Noon
Track and field
 Ruidoso, Capitan, Carrizozo in Ruidoso Invitational, 9 a.m.
Skiing
 Ruidoso Youth Ski Team in Loveland Derby at Silverthorne, Colo.
April 17
Skiing
 Ruidoso Youth Ski Team in Loveland Derby at Silverthorne, Colo.
April 18
Baseball
 Capitan at Valley Christian, 3 p.m.
Tennis
 Lovington at Ruidoso, 3 p.m.
Golf
 Ruidoso in Spring River Classic at Roswell, 9 a.m.

Another district split at Lovington

By Todd Fuqua

Sports Editor

Ruidoso remained at .500 in District 4-3A Saturday, defeating Lovington on the road, 15-5, in the first game, then dropping an 11-5 decision in game two.

The Warriors (8-9, 2-2 district) jumped all over Lovington pitching to start the first game, scoring eight runs in the first three innings. The Wildcats were not able to get their bats going against winning pitcher Brendan Flack and never really threatened.

Ruidoso again took an early lead in game two, going up 3-0 after 2½ innings, but the Wildcats came alive in the bottom of the third, scoring five runs, only to see Ruidoso tie things up in the top of the next inning.

Lovington finally took control with six runs in the final two innings, while keeping the Warriors scoreless the rest of the way.

Flack was 3-for-4 with a home run and two runs batted in in the second game.

Ruidoso is again on the road this Saturday, with a 1 p.m. district doubleheader at Portales.



Photo by Brad Cox/Hobbs New Sun

Ruidoso's Kayle Frierson pitches during the second game of his team's doubleheader Saturday at Lovington.

Big wins over Tulie

If the Warriors needed a tuneup before resuming district play, it looks like they got it in a sweep of Tularosa April 5.

Ruidoso defeated the Wildcats 19-6 and 25-7 in a pair of games in which just about everything seemed to be going right for the Warriors.

David Kacena got the win in game one, throwing all six innings.

Offensively, Ruidoso was steady throughout, but the big inning was the top of the sixth. The Warriors put up eight runs

— thanks to five consecutive walks — and brought things to a close in six innings on the 10-run rule.

"They finally wore out, and we found more focus," said Ruidoso coach Gilbert Alvarado.

Despite the big score, game two actually went all seven inning, thanks to a grand slam by Wildcat Joe Ray Chavez in the fifth inning.

"We were up 15-2 up to that point, and after he hit the grand slam, the kids told me,

'that was a mistake, because now we're going to score 30 runs.'" Alvarado said. "They weren't phased at all."

The Warriors responded by scoring 10 runs in the top of the seventh. Everyone had a good day at the plate, amassing 21 hits as a team in game two alone. Kacena had the best day, going 4-for-6, hitting for the cycle and driving in three runs.

Julian Lopez got the win as the starting pitcher, relieved by Ryan Francis in the fifth inning.

Davis qualifies for state tournament

By Todd Fuqua

Sports Editor

Ruidoso's Jared Davis was able to earn his third state qualifying leg and took third place at this year's Spring Invitational April 5 at the Spring River golf course in Roswell.

Davis' score of 73, was just three shots off the lead for the day, and the leg ensures the senior will be at this year's Class 1A/3A state tournament at Las Cruces in May.

"Jared played real well and I was proud of him," said Ruidoso boys coach Eric Eggleston.

Davis was the only Warrior to earn such a low score, as the team finished fourth overall with a score of 346. Brandon Lewis shot 87, Tyler Coleman 88, Sam Freed 98 and Jared Taylor 103.

"The rest of the boys are still struggling, giving a lot of strokes away, and we just can't do that," Eggleston said. "Hopefully we can attack that and be ready to play well on our home courses in the Leroy Gooch."

The Leroy Gooch tournament started Monday, with the boys playing at Alto Lakes and the girls at the Links at Sierra Blanca. The action switches today with the boys at the Links and the girls at Cree Meadows Country Club.

It's a big field — as usual — at the Leroy Gooch, and Eggleston is concerned about the challenge his team will face.

"It will be a tough contest for us, even though it's on our

Photo by Karen Boehler

Ruidoso No. 1 boys golfer Jared Davis tees off during the Spring Invitational at the Spring River golf course in Roswell. Davis shot a 73 to finish third overall and earn his third qualifying leg for the state tournament

home course," Eggleston said. "If Jared continues to play this well, he'll have a fine showing, and hopefully the rest of the team can follow his lead."

Lady Warrior duo competes

Water stopped the two Ruidoso girls at the tournament, and a poor showing at three holes kept them from getting a state qualifying leg.

Allie Thompson shot a 103



Photo by Karen Boehler

Ruidoso's Allie Thompson putts onto the green Tuesday during the Spring Invitational in Roswell.

and Hannah Denny 104 after turning in eight-shot holes around the water hazards at Spring River.

"Those eights add up quick,"

said Ruidoso coach Melissa Misquez. "That's what kept them from qualifying."

Misquez expects to have a full team at the Leroy Gooch.

Spring Invitational results at Spring River golf course in Roswell

Boys team
 1, Hobbs, 297*; 2, Roswell, 309*; 3, Goddard, 312*; 4, Ruidoso, 346; 5, Artesia, 349; 6, NMMI, 371

Boys individual
 1 (tie), Kenneth Fadke, HHS, 70*; Chase Searcy, HHS, 70*; 3, Griffen Kunko, Ros, 72*; 4, Jared Davis, Rui, 73*; 5, Reid Mayberry, AHS, 74*; 6, Joe Healy, GHS, 75*; 7, Steven Willis, GHS, 76*; 8 (tie), Isaac Pena, HHS, 77*; Will Liakos, Ros, 77*; Henry Candelaria, Ros, 77*; 11 (tie), Ryan Hawkins, HHS, 80; Truman Haeny, GHS, 80; 13 (tie), Kemp Kuykendall, GHS, 81; Chase Atwood, HHS, 81; J.T. Graham, HHS, 81; 16 (tie), Randy Seiler, Ros, 83; 17, Nathan Fuller, DHS, 86; Trey Craft, AHS, 86; 19, Brandon Lewis, Rui, 87; 20 (tie), Charlie Allen, NMMI, 88; Tyler Coleman, Rui, 88; 22 (tie), Robert Gordon, NMMI, 89; Spencer Duff, AHS, 89; 24, Ian Garcia, GHS, 92; 25, Walter Hinkle, NMMI, 96; 26 (tie), Luke Sands, NMMI, 98; Sam Freed, Rui, 98; 28 (tie), Ethan Hannon, Ros, 100; Carlos Arguello, AHS, 100; 30, Josh Kim, NMMI, 101; 31, Jared Taylor, Rui,

102; 32, Tyler Peterson, AHS, 103; 33, Thomas Snyder, GHS, DQ

Girls team
 1, Goddard, 343*; 2, Lovington, 388*; 3, Hobbs, 412; 4, Artesia, 449

Girls individual
 1 (tie), Sara Garcia, GHS, 80*; Kristen Baker, GHS, 80*; 3, Emily Englehard, GHS, 83*; 4, Lakin Davis, AHS, 89*; 5, Amanda Silvas, Ros, 90*; 6 (tie), Nina Martinez, 93*; Lynsey Wheeler, HHS, 93*; Talyssa Valencia, LHS, 93*; 9, Andrea Aguilar, 94*; 10, Lylee Cunningham, LHS, 96; 11, Alex Williams, HHS, 97; 12, Tracey Ivie, LHS, 99; 13 (tie), Gabby Baker, GHS, 100; Lesley Avila, LHS, 100; 15, Allie Thompson, Rui, 103; 16, Hannah Denney, Rui, 104; 15, Alexis Vasquez, Ros, 105; 16, Salem Ortiz, HHS, 108; 19, Danika Gomillion, GHS, 109; 20, Kennedy Hammond, HHS, 114; 21, Niki Arreola, LHS, 115; 22 (tie), Sali Martinez, Ros, 118; Michelle Perini, AHS, 118; 24, Haley Riggs, AHS, 120; 25, Aspen Brewer, AHS, 122; 26; Kelcee Elston, HHS, 131
 *State qualifying score

Wind whips at Warrior tracksters at Moriarty

By Todd Fuqua

Sports Editor

Only one additional Ruidoso Warriors was able to qualify for the Class 3A State track meet at the Moriarty Invite April 8, but given the conditions, coach Colt Harrelson is very happy with the overall results.

"It was real windy, with a steady wind of 30 miles an hour, and gusts of 40-50," Harrelson said. "To get any qualifying marks in these conditions is pretty impressive."

Jesse Scarafiotti qualified in the long jump, while Devin Carr and Gage Whipple each got within 3/10th of a second of qualifying in the 200-meter dash.

Other top performers were Lady War-

rior Harley Bonnell, leaping 32 feet, 3½ inches for another qualifying mark in the triple jump, while Jordan Ashcraft went 11-foot, 6 inches in the pole vault.

"It's hard to believe he did that in the 40 mile per winds," Harrelson said.

The wind kept the Ruidoso boys 4x100 relay from running as fast as it has in the past, but the Warriors were still fast enough for another qualifying mark, while the girls 4x200 relay turned in a time of 1:59.54, about four seconds off the qualifying mark.

"Again, it was the wind, wind, wind," Harrelson said. "Hopefully we'll have more favorable conditions at our meet."

The Warrior Invite is scheduled to begin at 10 a.m. this Saturday at Ruidoso High School, with the final events scheduled at about 5:45 p.m.



Photo by Ylena Temple
 Ruidoso's Jesse Scarafiotti flies for a state-qualifying leap in the long jump Friday at the Moriarty Invite. Scarafiotti was the only Warrior to add a new qualifying mark to the Ruidoso ranks. A few other Warriors re-qualified in their events.

Tiger baseball cruising through district

By Todd Fuqua
Sports Editor

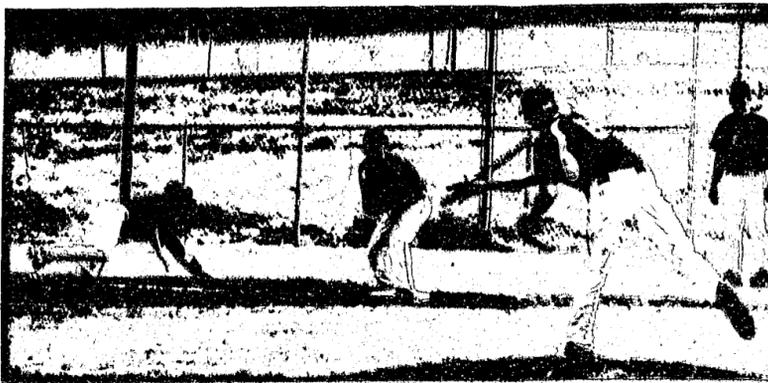
CAPITAN – The race for the District 4-1A baseball crown will likely come down to Capitan, Gateway Christian and Valley Christian – at least that's how Capitan coach James Weems feels.

The Tigers and Warriors faced one another April 5 at Alpine Field – just a few days after the Tigers split with VCA – and Capitan was able to pull out the 12-6 victory.

The teams had the same number of hits – 10 each – but Gateway Christian also committed five errors.

That, and a few plays that could have gone either way, made the difference in the game.

The Warriors (2-5, 2-2



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Capitan pitcher Logan Eshom (8) throws the ball to first baseman Josh Bellin-Ghallager as Gateway's Garrett Gill dives back Tuesday at Capitan.

district) actually led the game through four innings, teeing off of Capitan starter Raul Villegas for three hits and four runs in the first inning. They added two more runs in the top of the third, both with two

But Capitan was able to score two runs in the first and fourth innings to stay close, and the real knockout punch came in the fifth.

"I was very disappointed with our split with Valley, and they broke out

of it today, although I was wondering about it until the fifth," Weems said. "We just had to put the bat on the ball in that inning, and when a player finds success, it tends to feed on itself."

After Chris Taylor had

started for Gateway, Rapp moved Daniel Ramirez to the mound, who then gave up five hits and seven runs in the inning, including a 3-RBI double by Logan Eshom.

The Tigers added another insurance run in the bottom of the sixth, but it wasn't needed. Capitan rode the pitching of Eshom – who replaced Villegas in the second inning – and shut the Warriors down for the final four innings.

Villegas may have been rattled on the mound, but was the Tiger leader at the plate, going 3-for-5 with a double and a run batted in.

Big wins at Elida

The Tigers continued their winning ways at Elida Friday, winning 17-8 and 25-5 to push their record to 8-3 overall, 5-1 in

district.

Rudy Chavez and Logan Eshom were the winning pitchers, as Capitan pounded out 27 hits in the two games.

While it took the Tigers three innings to get going in game one, not scoring any runs until the fourth inning – they wasted no time in game two, pushing across a whopping 22 runs in the first inning.

"They had their better pitcher in that first game, had to get him figured out," Weems said. "But once we started hitting, it wasn't too difficult for us."

Chavez was also the team's leading hitter, going 5-6 with a double, home run and six runs batted in for the two games. Jacob Wilcox also had five hits, including a home run in the second game, and drove in seven runs.

Capitan girls have tough week on the diamond

By Todd Fuqua
Sports Editor

CAPITAN – The bats weren't exactly asleep for Capitan's softball team Friday against Loving, but the Lady Falcons had an airtight defense.

The Lady Tigers' pitching wasn't the best, either, and Loving went back home with a 19-3, 12-1 sweep.

"We were hitting the ball, but they were making the plays," said Capitan coach Rodney Griego. "Sometimes it just happens like that."

The loss came after Capitan dropped a 10-7 decision to Estancia April 5.

Friday's games started out promising enough, with Loving (8-5) held to just one run in the first inning of game one, but then starting pitcher Sidni Hughes control deserted her in the second inning.

Six straight Lady Falcons walked, and 10 straight Loving batters made it to base safely in a five-run inning. Things were even worse in the fourth inning, as the Lady Falcons pushed across 11 runs.

Capitan, meanwhile, was stifled at the plate. Loving starter Halie Tiller held the Lady Tigers (2-9) hitless through three innings, and Hughes was the only Capitan base runner, getting on with a walk in the first inning.

The Lady Tigers finally got on the board in the fourth inning, scoring three runs on three hits – singles by Kymbra Espinoza, Hughes and Maritza Nava – but the Loving lead was just too much at

that point.

Game two started out much the same way, although Griego changed up the pitching, alternating between Hughes and Tara Herrera at pitching each inning. The strategy worked – at least the Lady Falcons were forced to spread their runs out over seven full innings, and scored no more than four runs in any frame.

But Capitan was again shut down offensively. Loving starter Kendra Santilla allowed only one run on five hits, thanks to some solid Lady Falcon defense behind her.

"Our last four or five games have been against very tough competition, and you have to remember our team is young and will come around," Griego said. "They've been playing some of their best softball lately."

Disappointing loss

It's bad enough for Griego that his team lost for a second time to Estancia April 5.

What makes it worse is the Lady Tigers were winning the game until the very end.

Capitan gave up six runs to the Lady Bears in the bottom of the sixth inning on two hits and five walks, as Estancia took a 10-7 victory.

"It's frustrating, we had that game," Griego said. "We had a good game going against them."

Seven Lady Bears in a row safely reached base in that disastrous sixth in-

ning, and almost all of them were on with a walk.

"They had only six hits against us," Griego said. "That's not what hurt us, it was the walks."

The inning was the third time the Lady Tigers had been backed into a corner by Estancia. The Lady Bears had loaded the bases with two outs in the fourth inning, and Capitan got out of it with only one run scored. The Lady Tigers then allowed no runs in the fifth after Estancia had loaded the bases with no outs.

"You can't keep doing that, and our luck just ran out," Griego said.



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Capitan third baseman Tara Herrera makes a throw to first Friday against Loving.

Two coaches



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Former Capitan football coach Ed Davis (right) and current Carrizozo coach Pat Ventura were back on the field Friday during the Carrizozo-Capitan alumni football game at Carrizozo. The Grizzlies earned bragging rights with a 20-0 victory.

Bowling

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Tuesday Senior team standings, week 29 of 32

Name	Won	Lost	Avg	Hdcp
Larry Larry's	33	19	670	151
Old Timers	30	22	547	262
Serious Not	29½	22½	603	218
Twisted Sisters	29½	22½	652	168
Misfit Bowlers	25	27	610	205
The Who?	25	27	548	261
Sus Amigos	24	28	636	182

Season high scores

Handicap series – Misfit Bowlers 2718, Serious Not 2702, Sus Amigos 2672.
Handicap game – Larry Larry's 952, Twisted Sisters 948, The Who? 947.
Men's handicap series – Jim Clements 781, Spud Mitchum 755, Tom Douglas 746.
Men's handicap game – Richard Dixon 299, Tom Bivens 291, Wayne Viltanen 284.
Women's handicap series – Pat Townsend 736, Rose Bivens 713, Donna Viltanen 697.
Women's handicap game – Ursula Eckerley 295, Lucy Servies 274, Lorene Caywood 251.
Individual high averages
Men – Tom Douglas 217.14, Gene Nitz 205.68, Jim Clements 184.33. Women – Lucy Servies 160.89, Donna Viltanen 155.68, Pat Townsend 150.91.
Most improved average
Men – Jim Clements +23.33, Larry Hinds +21.27, Richard Dixon +18.39. Women – Rose Bivens +16.4, Jan Wilson +13.68, Donna Viltanen +13.19.

Tuesday Mixed team standings, week 29 of 32

Name	Won	Lost	Avg	Hdcp
Old Farts & A Kid	36	16	743	89
Rhino Rose	33	19	629	189
Homies	31	21	584	229
Living Energies	28	24	572	239
Pioneer Bank	25	27	536	272
Knight Riders	25	27	540	268
Energy 2 Spare	19	33	593	220
Wild Ride	11	41	443	356

Season high scores

Handicap series – Old Farts & A Kid 2697, Rhino Rose 2681, Energy 2 Spare 2628.
Handicap game – Knight Riders 1008, Living Energies 997, Pioneer Bank 950.
Men's handicap series – Andrew Ramirez 756, Tom Douglas 749, Etienne Turner 730.
Men's handicap game – Max Cimaron 290; Gene Nitz 279; Ronnie Wright 275.
Women's handicap series – Millie Cimaron, Diane Willoughby, Lucy Servies 700.
Women's handicap game – Pam Bernard 284, Brianna Velasquez 274, Christina Wall 271.
Individual high averages
Men – Tom Douglas 213.92, Gene Nitz 205.38, Ronnie Wright 191.27. Women – Pam Bernard 170.67, Lucy Servies 158.87, Millie Cimaron 136.14.
Most improved average
Men – Tom Douglas +19.92, Ronnie Wright +12.27, Gabriel +11.54. Women – Millie Cimaron +9.14, Diane Willoughby +6.57, Pam Bernard +2.67.

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Mescalero softball on a learning curve



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Mescalero third baseman Tristine Chicó, top, tags out Ruidoso's Shanna Sandoval during the first game of a doubleheader between the Lady Chiefs and the Ruidoso junior varsity April 7 at Gavilan Canyon Field.

By Todd Fuqua

Sports Editor

For the Mescalero Lady Chief softball program, it's a reboot.

The Lady Chiefs are back on the diamond after a two-year hiatus from the sport, finally having gained enough players to field a team.

It wasn't until the last moment that the decision was made to get back into softball. Coach Cyrus Simmons didn't know he'd be leading a squad until February, and Mescalero has only been playing for two weeks, while most other teams are in their second month of competition.

"It was a spur of the moment thing. We finally had enough girls," Simmons said. "This is really a restart for the program."

As can be expected with a new program, the ride has been a rough one for the Lady Chiefs.

They're currently winless, with their latest setback an 8-3 loss to the Ruidoso junior varsity April 7.

The girls also had a rare tie – something that's allowed in JV softball – with a 16-all decision in the first game.

While there may have been 32 runs scored in that first game, there were only five hits. Most of the runs came as a result of errors, walks and wild pitches.

The same was true of game two, although the pitching and fielding seemed to improve.

Both games illustrate the work Mescalero needs to do this season to re-learn the game, and Simmons is viewing the year as one big long practice.

"The girls are enthusiastic, they just have a lot to learn," Simmons said. "We're a very young team."

Capitan boys second at Mountain Top

By Todd Fuqua

Sports Editor

There may not have been a whole lot of qualifying marks for the Capitan boys track team Saturday at the Mountain Top Invitational in Cloudcroft, but the Tigers still got enough points to finish second as a team.

Capitan was well back of Mountainair, scoring just 96 points to Mountainair's 163, but there were will some finishes of note.

Tyler Neill was the fastest 100-meter run with a time of 12.17 seconds, and he finished second in 200 meters at 24.75 seconds. Tory Padilla won the 400 meter run at 58.04 seconds, while John Goodwin was second in both the 110 and 300-meter hurdle runs.

The 4x200 relay team of Caleb Cleckler, Goodwin, Thomas Fields and Tim Dickinson was first with a time of 1:38.6, while the sprint medley team was first at 4:15.71.

In field events, Tory Padilla had a good day, winning the triple jump with a leap of 36 feet, eight inches and taking second in the long jump at 18-3.

Teammate Caleb Uzziel was right behind Padilla in the standings both times, but he was the best pole vaulter on the day, flying to a height of 11 feet, six inches, good enough to re-qualify him for state.

Another Capitan pole vaulter to requalify was Dusty Rae Eldridge, who had a height of nine feet

even. Georgia Lyn Eldridge won the triple jump with a leap of 31 feet, just six inches short of a state qualifying mark.

Other Lady Tigers to do well were the 4x200, 4x400 and sprint medley relay teams, all of which had the fastest times on the day.

Other schools

Capitan wasn't the only local school at the meet, as Mescalero's Godfrey Cordova was just a few 10ths of a second slower than Neill in the 100 meter dash, good enough for second. He also finished fourth in the 200 meter run and won the javelin with a state qualifying mark of 148 feet, 1 inch.

Carrizozo's Andrea Vigil was second in the girls' 100 meter dash with a time of 14.70, while Jenna Schartz won the 3200 meter run with a time of 14:38.56.

The Lady Grizzly trio of Victory Ventura, Analicia and Andrea Bletran finished 2-4 in the discus throw.

Hondo's Stephanie Gomez was fastest in the 1600-meter run with a time of 6:50 and finished second in the 800-meter run, just 8/10th of a second behind Cloudcroft's Kelsey Proctor.

Gomez was also second in the long jump with a leap of 13-11.

All the local teams will be back in action this Friday in the Grizzly Relays at Carrizozo, scheduled to start at 3 p.m.

Opening day



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Minor Dodger Kylan Sago throws in the fastest pitch contest Saturday during Lincoln County Little League opening day at Gavilan Canyon Park.

State gymnastics



Courtesy

Garrett Eggleston, shown here on the pommel horse, won the Level 6 New Mexico State Championship recently winning the individual events of still rings and floor exercise. Eight year old, Brooks Eggleston finished first place in floor exercise in his division and Isaiah Otero is the Level 7 High Bar State Champion. all three boys, along with level 5 teammates Aaron Forster, Xavier Otero and Hunter Belcher, qualified to compete at regionals, which will be held April 9-10 at the Olympic Training Center in Colorado Springs, Colo. The level 4 team of Carter Beatty, Connor Chase, Gabe Devara, David Marshall and Gavin Garcia took 3rd place.

Downs futurities show increase

This summer's renewals of the Ruidoso, Rainbow and All American Futurities, which comprise the All American Triple Crown, each show strong double-digit growth over comparable figures last year.

Through the March 15 sustaining payment, the \$2.4 million All American Futurity has 689 eligible 2-year olds – up 17.18 percent – the \$700,000 Rainbow Futurity has 462 eligible juveniles – 17.26 percent – and the \$500,000 Ruidoso Futurity has 357 eligible hopefuls – up 13.7 percent.

The Ruidoso Futurity will be run June 12, the Rainbow Futurity July 24 and the All American Futurity is always contested on Labor Day, closing day of the summer season. The winner's check for this year's All American is a guaranteed record \$1.2 million.

There is one more sustaining payment due April 15 for each of this year's 2011 futurities before the

trial-entry payment. The April 15 payment for the Ruidoso and Rainbow futurities is \$600, while the All American Futurity sustaining payment is \$1,000.

Through the March 15 payment for yearlings eligible for the 2012 renewals of the All American Triple Crown futurities, figures are virtually even over last year while showing a

marked increase over the past five runnings. There are 1,288 yearlings eligible for the 2012 futurities compared to 1,289 eligible last year for this year's futurities. There were 1,037 yearlings eligible to 2008 runnings of the All American Triple Crown futurities through the same payment.

The next payment of \$400 is due on June 15 for

yearlings eligible to the 2012 All American Triple Crown. Yearlings may be supplemented to the 2012 All American Triple for \$1,800 by June 15.

The Ruidoso Downs summer racing season starts on May 27 with the daylong trials to the Ruidoso Futurity. Racing will be conducted on a Friday through Monday schedule.

SPORTS IN BRIEF

Golf fundraiser

The Ruidoso Junior Golf Association and the Ruidoso High School golf teams will host a scramble at Alto Lakes Country Club, April 17, with a 1 p.m. shotgun start. To sign up, call Melissa Miguez at Cree Meadows at 257-5815.

Wilderness pacers

The Ruidoso Parks and Recreation Department is challenging Ruidoso residents to walk, run or jog for health.

Participants are asked to predict how long it will take them to cover a short or long course without wearing a watch in a competition against yourself. The participant closest to their predicted time receives a T-shirt. Staff from parks and recreation will time all individuals.

Races are run at the Links Sierra Blanca Trail every Wednesday evening starting at 5:15 and 6:15 p.m. The event is open to all ages. For more information,

call 257-5030.

Football fundraiser

A full contact football game to benefit the Ruidoso High School athletic program, will be played April 15 at 7 p.m. at Horton Stadium.

All equipment, including helmets, shoulder pads, leg pads and uniforms, will be supplied. Insurance will also be provided.

Cost to play is \$75 and practices are held Sundays at 1 p.m. at the RHS practice field. You do not have to be an RHS graduate to play.

All presale tickets go directly to the RHS athletic program and cost \$10. You may purchase them from Kief Johnston at 808-3076 or Erik Padilla at (505) 331-0353. Interested players may also sign up at www.alumnifootballusa.com.

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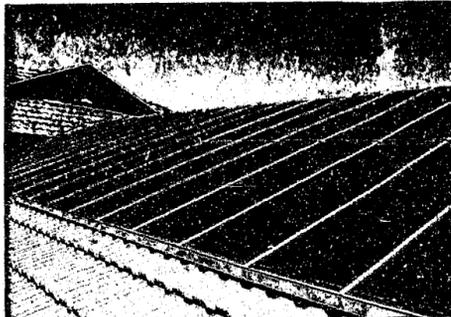
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Third Lincoln County solar and sustainable living tour April 23

Lincoln County and Mescalero residents who missed TV actor Ed Bagley ("Living with Ed" on the Planet Green Channel) and last year's annual national solar tour will get a chance to tour residential and business solar and other sustainable living systems on Saturday, April 23 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. across Lincoln County.

This annual event offers Lincoln, Otero and Chaves Counties and Mescalero residents the opportunity to tour innovative energy efficient homes and buildings to see how solar energy, energy efficiency, rainwater harvesting and other sustainable technologies that reduce monthly utility bills can be implemented. More than 150,000 participants visited some 5,000 buildings in 3,000 communities across the U.S. during the 2010 October national tour. The Lincoln County tour is self-guided and extends from Ruidoso Downs to Corona.



In addition to highlighting solar options available, the focus of the tour is on energy-saving techniques and sustainability through building design, energy efficient appliances, and use of sustainable materials during remodeling. The local tour also provides helpful, real-world examples of costs and how to save money with federal, state, and utility incentives. Residential, small business and public school buildings with solar, wind and other technologies will be featured on the tour.

Maps and information on the event are available through the Ruidoso, Ruidoso Downs and Carrizozo Chambers of Commerce or by contacting tour coordinators Dan Ray at dayray1970@yahoo.com or Jim Miller at jamespmiller@windstream.net.

Community United Methodist Easter services schedule

- 10:30 a.m. Palm Sunday, April 17: Easter Cantata presented by the Chancel Choir
- Children's Celebration Singers Presentation 5 p.m. Wednesday, April 20: Wednesday night meal and worship service with communion
- 7 p.m. Good Friday, April 22: Tenebrae Service (Service of Darkness)
- 6:30 a.m. Easter Sunday, April 24: Sunrise Service at Two Rivers Park
- 8:30 a.m. Easter Sunday: Worship
- 11 a.m. Easter Sunday: Worship

Lenten services at Shepherd of the Hills

The Shepherd of the Hills Lutheran Church, 1120 Hull Rd., Ruidoso, and Pastor Thomas Schoech offers its continuing midweek Lenten services, with the theme "By His Stripes - Healing Wounded Relationships."

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A soup supper begins at 5:30 p.m. with services to follow at 6:30.

April 13: *The Power of Forgiveness* (Jesus' opening of Paradise to a sinner)

Capitan United Methodist sets Easter Services

The public is cordially invited to attend a special Easter Sunrise Service on April 24, 6:30 a.m. at the Smokey Bear State Park pavilion in Capitan. The sunrise service is open to all faiths. Rev. Jean Riley of the Capitan United Methodist Church will preside over the service. Refreshments will be served. The sunrise service will be followed by a breakfast for everyone prepared by church volunteers at the Methodist church, 354 White Oaks Avenue in Capitan. The traditional Easter worship service will be held at 9:10 a.m. at the church.

A Good Friday evening service will be held at the church beginning at 5:30 p.m. April 22.

For more information on the Easter Sunrise Service in Capitan, contact the Capitan United Methodist Church at 354-2288.

Church News

The Ruidoso Free Press will soon be adding a calendar of events to this church page. Pot luck lunches, special singing groups, upcoming baptisms, the Lord's Supper, guest preachers or an old fashioned revival - no matter what you have going on, the Free Press wants to help you tell about it. If your church has a special event or any upcoming event you would like to notify the public about, please call our offices at 575-258-9922. You can also email your events to edie@ruidosofreepress.com

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Get your jester on in Carrizozo

By Patrick Jason Rodriguez
Reporter

Longing for the days of yore? Wishing you could go back in time to a land populated by kings



and queens, romance and chivalry, jesters and artisans?

If you're going to be in the vicinity of Carrizozo on Saturday, you won't have to travel too far.

Three blocks on 12th Street in the town will be transformed into a makeshift Elizabethan village for the day as part of a renaissance festival to take place from 9 a.m. to 8 p.m.

This first-ever festival of its kind in Carrizozo is the idea of local seamstress and musician Jamie Gieb, who has helped organize renaissance-themed festivals in Odessa, Texas. She is getting help organizing this event from her husband and a few of her friends, all of whom being self-described renaissance enthusiasts.

"I've always been interested in the renaissance," said Gieb. "We just thought it would be fun to

have something like this in the area."

Part history lesson, part craft fair and part performance art, the festival will feature food, drinks, music, games and performers relevant to the renaissance era. Lanny Maddox, a former police chief in Ruidoso, will be on hand to perform music specific to the renaissance era.

There will also be a designated children's area with games pertaining to the renaissance era.

More than 20 vendors have signed on for the event, offering all types of medieval and renaissance-themed artwork, handcrafts, food and clothes.

Visitors to the fair are encouraged to get into the act and wear costumes, though Gieb said it's quite all right to come dressed as you wish.

Gieb said she is expecting anywhere between 300 and 500 to show up at the festival.

Admission to the festival is free, though there is a cost for food and beverages.

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Peter Pan

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Peter Pan to open Thursday

The delayed opening of *Peter Pan*, The Red Feather Theatre Company's fourth production this school year, puts the official opening night this Thursday April 14, at 7 p.m.

This delay, experienced by Red Feather and those who purchased tickets for the previously scheduled cancelled performances is due to several factors: weather, evacuations, illness, and a late start with the casting and rehearsal process.

The presentation of *Peter Pan*, by special arrangement with Samuel French, is also the most technical show ever attempted at the Ruidoso Schools Performing Arts Center. The high school cast, crew, and fac-

ulty members Inks, Avalos, and Shriver, along with a few dedicated parents and community members, have been working diligently with the students to get the show ready, while encountering many, many production challenges mostly met with big smiles.

With all that said, there is one guarantee. Whatever performance is attended audiences can count on a very entertaining, if not lengthy evening, created by all five acts of J.M. Barrie's brilliant writing with live improvised music, flying actors (guess who), bouncing mermaids, sword carrying pirates, and a host of lost "boys" scrambling around, not to mention Nana the dog, Mr. and Mrs. Darling, Wendy, John, Mi-

chael, and a very tall crocodile are all assembled for your enjoyment.

There is also a real Indian Princess playing Tiger Lily, a real male Peter Pan, and a Captain with a real hook! Come fly with us, fence, dance, and laugh in The Never Land this week.

Come support the performing arts at the high school. There will be four performances: Thursday, April 14, curtain 7 p.m.; Friday, April 15, curtain 7 p.m.; Saturday, April 16, curtain 1 p.m. and 7 p.m. Obtain tickets in advance at The Ruidoso Visitor's Center and High Country Lodge: \$5 Saturday matinee, \$10 evening shows. Tickets at the door: \$10 Saturday matinee \$12 evening shows.

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A free seminar of analysis of operas for this summer season of The Santa Fe Opera 2011. These seminars are meant to make opera user-friendly, to focus on the fact they are only life in another language. The Santa Fe Opera has a very dynamic educational outreach program. Barbara founded the Ruidoso Opera Guild in 2005, and has been an activist for opera companies in Texas, Arizona, and New Mexico. Barbara made her debut at 16 in the same opera being presented this summer, the opera *Faust* by Charles Gounod, under the baton of Dr. Werner Wolff, of Vienna Opera Company.

The operas being discussed will include Puccini's "La Boheme" and "Faust." There will be video clips of opera productions done all over the world in this.

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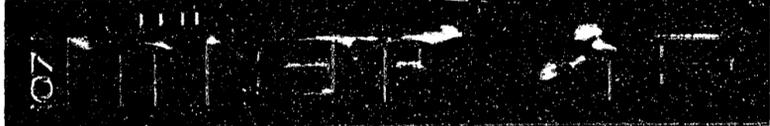
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On the Town

Dining

Potatoes – versatile and delicious!

Potatoes are the biggest selling side dish in America, and why shouldn't they be? There are so many ways you can cook them; roast them, boil them, fry them, smash them, and steam them, all with or without the skins. By themselves, potatoes are very nutritious and low in calories. It's all the cheese, sour cream and bacon you add to them that adds all of the calories.

For this week's recipe, we are going to use russet potatoes. Russet potatoes are best for making french fries, mashed potatoes, potato cakes, and for baked potatoes because they are high in starch. You will need 1 1/2 pounds of Russet potatoes for this recipe, which averages out to be about 3 medium potatoes. Once you get the potatoes, you don't want to store them next to any other vegetables or fruits because they tend to over-ripen and spoil the fruit and vegetables around them. Never store them in the refrigerator because this will turn the starch into sugar. Also, you want to keep your potatoes out of the sunlight because this will turn them green and make

them bitter. Instead, try to store potatoes in a cool dry dark place.

Potato cakes, I'm sure, were one of those recipes invented by using leftover foods, but they are so good that you will find yourself making mashed potatoes just so you will have leftovers to make them with!

Potato Cakes

Ingredients

- 1 1/2 pounds [6 cups] russet potatoes
- 4 tablespoons unsalted butter
- 1 egg
- 3/4 cup AP flour plus 1/4 cup for dusting
- 2 tablespoons sliced chives
- 1 teaspoon minced garlic
- Kosher salt and pepper to taste

Directions

Peel and cut the potatoes and place in a large pot of boiling salted water for about 25 minutes. Drain well and place in mixer or whip them by hand. Add 2 tablespoons of butter, garlic, chives, egg, and salt and pepper and mix well.



Next add 3/4 cup flour and mix, trying to work quickly because you don't want the potatoes to cool too much. Place the potato dough on a lightly floured counter top and roll it out to 1/4 inch thickness. Cut out circular shapes using a 2 1/2 inch cookie cutter.

Place about 1 tablespoon of

butter on a hot skillet and cook four potato cakes at a time, 4 minutes on each side until they are golden brown.

Serve immediately with a little butter.

I want to take a moment of time this week to express a deep and wholehearted appreciation to the men and women, firefight-



Brendan Gochenour

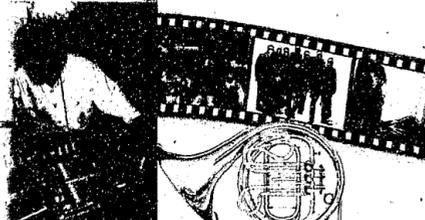
ers, emergency response teams, and the many, many more individuals who worked so hard and risked life and limb to protect our dear community during the White Fire. My Chef's hat off to you! Thank you is not enough, but I do, thank you all!

Have a great week and don't forget to check out my facebook page, Chef Brendan, or drop me an email at askchefbrenda@gmail.com

Happy cooking!

On the Town

entertainment calendar



TUESDAY

APRIL 12

Live Music at WPS in Midtown-Ruidoso from 8:30 p.m. to 1:30 a.m.

WEDNESDAY

APRIL 13

Preschool Story time every Wednesday at 10:30 a.m. at the Village of Ruidoso Public Library. Spring stories — and butterfly craft project! Story time usually ends around 11:15 a.m. Ruidoso Public Library is located at 107 Kansas City Road, Ruidoso. Library hours are: Monday through Thursday 9 a.m. to 6 p.m., Friday 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. and Saturday 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. www.youseemore.com/ruidosopl/

Farmer's Market at SBS Wood Shavings in Glencoe from 9 to 11 a.m.

Karaoke with DJ Pete at Lucy's Mexicali Restaurant in Midtown from 9:30 p.m. to close.

The Sterilizers perform at Casa Blanca Restaurant on Mechem Drive from 6 to 9 p.m.

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THURSDAY

APRIL 14

Alfred Hitchcock's *The 39 Steps* at the Spencer Theater for the Performing Arts, 7 p.m. \$59 & \$56. Winner of two 2009 Tony Awards, two 2009 Drama Desk Awards and London's 2008 Olivier Award for

Red Feather Theater Company Presents *"Peter Pan"* at the Ruidoso High School Performing Arts Complex. Tickets are \$12 at the door. Advance tickets are sold at High County Lodge and the Ruidoso Valley Chamber of Commerce and are \$10. Performance starts at 7 p.m. Come see the play about the boy who doesn't want to grow up. More Info: Ruidoso Visitor Center: 1-877-784-3676 Web: www.ruidosonow.com

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FRIDAY

APRIL 15

Sheng Zhen Qi Gong at the High Mesa Healing Center will be held each Friday and Monday from 9:30-10:30 a.m. during the month of April. Facilitated by Barbara Humble. Everyone is invited to attend. Donations are welcome.

Carrizozo Women's Club Rummage Sale Carrizozo Women's Club, 11th & D Ave. Sat. 12-6, Sun. 9-4. Tables are \$15. More Info: Tona Macken: 575-354-0760

Ruidoso Alumni Football Game at Horton Stadium at 7 p.m. Ruidoso vs. Deming. Click on the link for information or call Brandon Emello at 575-430-4492. For tickets see Keif Johnson at Ruidoso High School. All pre-sold tickets benefit RHS. Gate tickets go to the Alumni Association.

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Cantina Night at Laughing Sheep Farm, 1 mile west of Lincoln, Hwy 380, mm 96, from 5 to 9 p.m. Live music with guitar and fiddle playing Western Swing.

Mike Sanjku performs in Wendell's Restaurant at the

Inn of the Mountain Gods Resort & Casino from 5 to 10 p.m.

Doug Fuqua performs in Wendell's Lounge at the Inn of the Mountain Gods Resort & Casino from 5 p.m. to 11 p.m.

Tomas Vigil performs at Landlocked Restaurant on Mechem Drive from 6 to 9 p.m.

Michael Beyer performs older songs and jazz at Kokopeli Country Club in Alto from 7 to 10 p.m.

Karaoke at The Elks Lodge on Highway 70, next to the Ruidoso Emporium, at 7 p.m. with All For Fun Karaoke.

The Eliminators perform at Casa Blanca Restaurant and Cantina on Mechem Drive from 7 to 9 p.m.

Aaron R. Lacombe and Company perform at Casa Blanca Restaurant on Mechem Drive from 9 to 10 p.m.

Music & Video w/ DJ Mike at Lucy's Mexicali Restaurant in Midtown Ruidoso from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m.

Live Music at WPS in Midtown Ruidoso from 8:30 p.m. to 1:30 a.m.

SATURDAY

APRIL 16

Community Celebration of Young Children, at Nob Hill Early Childhood Center, 103 Sutton in Ruidoso 9 a.m. - noon. The health fair celebrates the Week of the Young Child and features health-related activities for children and families. NMAC will contribute a musical obstacle course and "Living Soil" gardening/science projects course for children, plus nutritional/food security information for families. Kids will learn how to make their own garden soil, view the living soil under a microscope linked to a computer, assemble a worm farm, and plant seeds for their spring gardens.

Renaissance Festival, 12th Street, Carrizozo, from 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. Come as you are, or in your fancy or fantasy wear. This will be a family event featuring performances, artisans, crafts and good food. Free booth and vendor space will be provided to those creating a Renaissance atmosphere. More Info: Jamie Gieb: 575-937-6957 E-mail: sghillied-jhu@yahoo.com

Joan of Arc themes by Joanie Malkerson 16 Malkerson Modern Art Gallery on historic 12th Street. Art exhibition goes til April 16. More Info: 575-648-2598

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Things to do every day

Ruidoso River Museum open at 101 Mechem Drive in the building which previously housed Rush Ski Shop. The museum is open from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Thursday through Monday. Admission is \$5 for Adults and \$2 for Children.

Smokey Bear Park is open in Capitan. The Smokey Bear Historical Park is located on highway 380 (bet-

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Mark Kashmar, acoustic guitars and vocals performs at Zocca Coffee from 2-4 p.m.

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SUNDAY

APRIL 17

Earth Day Picnic at Wingfield Park from 12 to 5 p.m. Thanks to Keep Ruidoso Beautiful, the Village of Ruidoso, and our wonderful volunteers, the picnic is on!! Bring your picnic supplies, friends and neighbors and join us for this free event geared towards strengthening our community and promoting stewardship and social responsibility. There will be music, entertainers, geocaching, games, prizes and surprises. Don't forget to

ter known as 118 Smokey Bear Blvd.) in the heart of the Village of Capitan and is open everyday of the year except Thanksgiving, Christmas, and New Year's day. Entrance fees into the park are \$2 for adults, \$1 for children 7-12. Children 6 and under are free. Smokey Bear Historical Park is operated by EMNRD-Forestry Division.

Simulcast Horse Racing at Billy the Kid's Race Book at Ruidoso Downs Race Track & Casino: Simulcast races are shown live from across the country and betting windows are open to place your wager. Billy's Race Book also serves delicious food and has a full bar. If you love horse racing, it is the place to go every day.

change your old clothes to exchange for new (used) ones at the clothing swap booth. It should be a blast so don't miss it. Volunteers still needed.

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MONDAY

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Super Crossword

Answers

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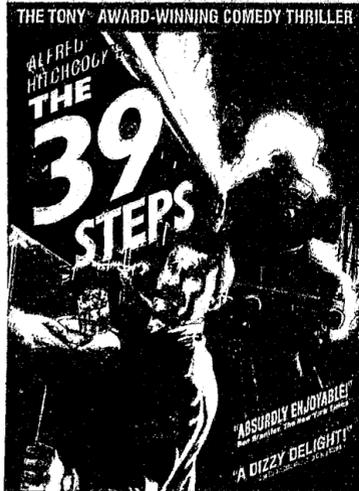
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WWF2
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INVITATION FOR BID

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NOTICE OF ADOPTION

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Governing Body, Village of Ruidoso conducted a public hearing on March 29, 2011 at 3:00 p.m. in a regular meeting and adopted the following ordinance:

ORDINANCE 2011-07: "AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE VILLAGE OF RUIDOSO MUNICIPAL CODE OF ORDINANCES CHAPTER 54, LAND USE, TO APPLY MUNICIPAL ZONING DISTRICTS TO THOSE PROPERTIES ANNEXED AS PART OF RESOLUTION 2008-02."

Copies of Ordinance 2011-07 are on file in the office of the Village Clerk and are available for public review Monday through Friday between the following regular business hours: 8:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. and 1:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.

WITNESS my hand and the seal of the Village of Ruidoso this 12th day

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JOB LISTINGS:
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Salary \$19.30 - \$24.25 Hourly
Depending on Shift and Certification Level. Applications will be accepted until 4:00 pm on Thursday, May 5, 2011.

Library Director
Salary \$61,250 Annually (\$2,355.77 Bi-Weekly).
Applications will be accepted until 4:00pm on Friday, May 6, 2011.

Solid Waste Operator/Driver
Salary \$13.86 hourly. Applications will be accepted until 4:00pm on Friday, April 22, 2011.

Two Temporary Pool Cashiers
Salary \$7.55 hourly. Applications will be accepted until 4:00pm on Tuesday, April 26, 2011.

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Complete job descriptions and applications at the Village of Ruidoso, 313 Cree Meadows Dr., Ruidoso, NM 88345. Phone 258-4343 or 1-877-700-4343. Fax 258-5848. Website www.ruidoso-nm.gov. "Drugfree Workplace." EEOE.

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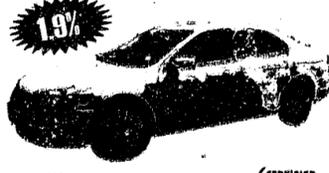


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