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Making The Difference

Woods strikes out; Osos turn to Page Woods removed from Oso management Page Sports assumes control of Osos team

By Todd Fuqua
Sports Editor

Just days after the Ruidoso Osos took three of four games from the Pecos League leading Alpine Cowboys, league commissioner Andrew Dunn has confirmed the removal of Clyde Woods from management of the team.

Woods, who came on board as the team's general manager and owner just two months before the start of the season, was removed Tuesday morning, according to Dunn.

"This is a move for the better, and will not affect what happens on the field," Dunn said. "This will not affect what is happening on the field. The Osos are in great shape, and we want the team locally run and operated."

Dunn also confirmed that Woods — who lives in Truth or Consequences and has been commuting on a regular basis to Ruidoso — was involved in the shooting death of a man while a Park Ranger at Elephant Butte State Park in August of 2005, but denied that information had any bearing on his decision.

"If I had known about his past, I would have done a lot of things differently," Dunn said. "But that past had nothing to do with my decision."

"I appreciate the work Clyde did while

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he was here, and I wish him the best of luck, but this move is what's best for the Osos," he added.

Debbi Jo Almager, director



Clyde Woods

By Todd Fuqua
Sports Editor

With the departure of Clyde Woods as the general manager



Billy Page

of the Ruidoso Osos, the question now is, who will run the team?

That question was answered June 2, when Billy Page of Page Sports Promotions announced his organization would take on day-to-day operations.

"We will take care of salaries, operating costs and overall management," Page said. "We'll also try to honor any sponsorship agreements already made with the team."

Talk of the Village of Ruidoso taking on management of the team was incorrect, as the facility use agreement between the village and the team only states that the Osos will pay

Ruidoso a fee for use of White Mountain Athletic Complex, and that Parks and Recreation employees will maintain the field during and between games.

Parks and Recreation director Debbi Jo Almager, who is Page's sister-in-law, has been heavily involved in the promotion of the team — even naming the team's mascot when the Pecos League announced it would be bringing a team to Ruidoso — but Page said she receives no extra compensation from the team for that work.

"She wants to see the team prosper, but it's on her own time," Page said. "She represents Parks and Recreation, not Page

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Village: 'Full speed ahead' on Eagle bridge

By Eddie Farrell
Editor

Work to replace the Eagle Drive bridge in Midtown Ruidoso, which was destroyed in the July 2008 flood, is now able to proceed "full speed ahead," according to village Special Projects Manager Justin King.

King said June 1 the last issue needing to be resolved — a minor shift in property lines given erosion of the Rio Ruidoso banks required a small property swap — has been cleared up.

"Our contractor, FNF, was given the go-ahead to proceed immediately," King said.

According to King, preliminary work should begin by the end of the week, consisting primarily of erosion control and "drying out the river," in preparations for the concrete "footers" that will support the pre-cast structure.

Last February, the village council approved a payment of \$260,436 to purchase the bridge, with the stated hope that the new structure would be in place by Memorial Day.

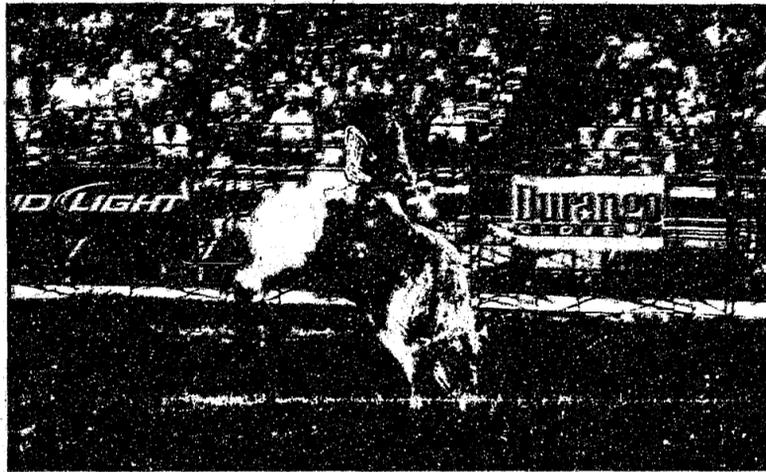
That plan, however, was derailed when a consortium of Upper Canyon residents petitioned the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) that a portion of the \$35 million awarded to the village for flood repairs should go toward an evacuation route for residents living in the outlying, upper elevations of the village.

While the evacuation route bid failed, it cost the village several weeks of preparation time, making the pre-Memorial Day deadline unattainable.

King said all indications now are that the new bridge will be in place "within three to four

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The longest 8 seconds in sports



Eugene Heathman/Ruidoso Free Press

Steven Lyle of Clever, Mo., sets a heated pace for the rest of the competition with an acrobatic performance upon the agile, world-class bull, "Rick James." The first-ever Billy the Kid Chute Out drew an estimated crowd of 5,000 bull riding enthusiasts during the two-night event held June 3 and 4. Fourth ranked PBR bull rider, L.J. Jenkins, from Porum, Okla., took home the prize money with a spectacular and crowd-pleasing final ride, scoring 90 out of a possible 100 points and a combined 172 points. For more on this story, go to Sports, page 11.

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Carrizozo, Cloudcroft eye 4-day school week

By Patrick Jason Rodriguez
Reporter

A couple more public school districts in the area are moving toward a four-day week schedule beginning this fall, in a shift intended to close widening budget holes, stave off teacher layoffs and salary cuts, and provide better continuity with nearby school districts that already have a shortened scheduled week in place.

Last month, the Carrizozo School Board and the Cloudcroft Municipal School Board each approved the implementation of a four-day school week set to begin with the upcoming 2011-2012 school year, joining school districts in Capitan, Hondo and Corona.

However, while Carrizozo will go on a Monday-through-Thursday school week, Cloudcroft opted for the less traditional Tuesday-through-Friday schedule. Both school districts are members of the Region IX Education Cooperative.

This is all about saving money, said Robert Cobos, superintendent of Carrizozo Schools, a proponent of the idea.

Because many of the 143 students in Carrizozo schools live in rural areas, this new mea-

sure is expected to cut down on fuel costs generated from bus usage, Cobos said. The savings would also cut into the costs of utilities for the district's two buildings, he added.

Cobos projected that his district's conversion to a four-day school week would save between 16 percent and 18 percent in costs, though, he added, savings theoretically should be closer to 20 percent. And although no teachers would lose their jobs and that their salaries would not be affected for the upcoming school year, he could not say for certain that pay cuts and staff layoffs will not be an issue the following year.

"Right now we're just taking it one year at a time," he said.

Multiple attempts to reach Tommy Hancock, superintendent of Cloudcroft Municipal Schools, for comment were unsuccessful. No other school districts in the state are on a Tuesday-through-Friday schedule.

The new four-day week schedule in Carrizozo will affect students entering kindergarten through 12th grade. The first classes will begin at 7:50 a.m. and the last class will end at

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COMMUNITY CALENDAR

Summer art program

An art program benefiting the children of Capitan begins today and runs every Tuesday and Thursday from 1-3 p.m. every Tuesday and Thursday at the Capitan Public Library.

The program is free to all Capitan children and is sponsored by the Capitan Women's Club. To sign up, or to get more information, call Ivy Wrye at 973-1349 or email at cwcl@windstream.net.

Film fundraiser

Voorhees Films, the company that produced the all-New Mexico film Billy Shakespeare, will host a four-person golf scramble to raise funds for film students at Eastern New Mexico University, June 18, at Cree Meadows Country Club.

There will be two shotgun starts at 8 a.m. and 1 p.m., and a \$75 entry fee includes green fees, cart, lunch and prizes. There's also a \$15 guest lunch.

To enter, stop by Cree Meadows at 301 Country Club Dr., or call 257-2733.

RHS reunion

Attention - all classmates and graduates from Ruidoso High School class of 1991. Our 20-year reunion has been set for June

24-25 in Ruidoso. For more information, contact Elyn Clarke at 575-532-6872 to be added to the mailing list, or visit our Facebook page at 1991 Ruidoso High School Reunion.

Tennis fundraiser

The first annual "Raise a Racket" senior doubles tennis tournament - to benefit the Ski Apace Disabled Skiers' Program - will be held June 27-July 1 at Alto Lakes Golf and Country Club; Kokopelli Golf, Tennis and Social Club; and the Ruidoso Parks and Recreation courts.

The tournament is for players ages 50 and over and will feature tournaments for women's doubles, men's doubles and mixed doubles. Entry fee is \$40 per event. To obtain an entry/donation form, email Janice Fisher at fisheta@aol.com. The entry deadline is June 15.

Outlaw scramble

Local athletes looking for a challenge are welcome to take on the Ruidoso Outlaw Scramble and Shootout, July 10 at 9 a.m. at Wingfield Park. The scramble, which raises money for the Community Youth Center Warehouse, will feature a 400-meter obstacle course race with a tire scramble, bales of hay hurdles, mud crawl, log

run and the dreadful wall climb.

There will be awards for male, female and co-ed relay teams, as well as prizes for ages 13 through 60 and up. A \$20 entry fee includes an Outlaw bandana if registered by 5 p.m., June 24. Registration on race day is \$40.

For more information or to sign up, contact the Youth Warehouse at 630-0318 or Ruidoso Parks and Recreation Department at 257-5030.

Warehouse fundraiser

The Southern New Mexico Tribe of Survivors MC will host a lottery and benefit run for the Community Youth Center

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Youthful leaders



Courtesy photo

With the great success of the Leadership Lincoln program, designed to educate and inspire potential leaders in our community, a youth program was developed in 2009. Class 2 of the 8th graders from Ruidoso Middle School graduated at a celebration at Pizza Hut June 2. Twenty-six students spent two hours a month learning about themselves and the benefit of having diverse leadership skills. In one session, the students interviewed business leaders in the community such as the mayor, tribal leaders and company executives. In another class, the students formulated changes they would like to see in their school and presented them to their principal, George Heaton. The students have expressed such value in the program, plans are underway to take the program to all of the middle schools throughout Lincoln County. Pictured are Angelica Sanchez, Amber Crow, Elizabeth Lindsey, Natasha Salas and Deana Sanchez.

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There will be live music by the Home Grown Boys, lottery poker prizes for high and low hands, bike washing and door prizes. For more information, call (915) 355-6145, (575) 494-1033 or (575) 808-3267.

Sacramento Mountain Village is a network of older adults in Ruidoso and surrounding communities who support independent living by offering services and activities that keep seniors healthy and happy in their own homes. Benefits of membership include art and yoga classes, weekly walking and discussion groups, social functions and monthly member breakfasts at Cree Meadows Country Club, on the fourth Saturday of the month at 9:30 a.m. Membership is open to any Lincoln County resident 55 years or older. For more information, call 258-2120 or visit www.sacmntvillage.org.

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 Van-

Gorder at 575-648-9805 or Doris Cherry at 354-2673.

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

Alcoholics Anonymous meets at 1216 Mechem at 7:30 a.m., noon, 5:15 p.m. and 8 p.m. daily; Thursdays at 6:30 p.m. and Friday, Saturday and Sunday at 7 p.m.

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

Daughters of the American Revolution meet at 11 a.m. on the third Thursday of every month at the Ruidoso Library.

The Democratic Women of the Sacramento Mountain Area meet the third Saturday of each month at 11:30 a.m. at Piza Hut on North Mechem. For more information, visit www.dwsma.org.

The Federated Re-

publican Women of Lincoln County meet the fourth Monday of each month at the Ruidoso Senior Center at 11:30 a.m. 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. 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.

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

Rotary Club of Ruidoso meets at Cree Meadows Country Club noon every Tuesday.

Ruidoso Federated Woman's Club meets every Monday at 11 a.m. at 116 S. Evergreen Dr. A pot luck lunch is at noon followed by cards, Bridge and Mah Jongg. The Quilters group meets 2nd and 4th Thursdays; Yoga every Wednesday. Call 257-2309 for further information.

Ruidoso Evening

Lions Club meets each Tuesday at 7 p.m. at 106 S. Overlook.

The Ruidoso Noon Lions meet at 11:30 a.m. each Tuesday at Cree Meadows Country Club.

Ruidoso Masonic Lodge No. 73 meets first Monday of each month, 7:30 p.m. If the first Mon-

day is a national holiday, the meeting will be held on the second Monday. Dinner is at 6:30 p.m. For more information, call 973-0953.

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Sports Promotions.”

While it had been reported that Woods was an owner of the team, in reality he was only leasing the Osos from the league, according to commissioner Andrew Dunn.

“The team was always under league ownership, and now will take on insurance and liability payments,” Dunn said. “All non-baseball related payments are assumed by the league.”

Dunn said Page Sports Promotions will assume payments for the team’s payroll, payment for um-

pires and upkeep and improvements to the field.

“Billy has full control of the gate and concession sales,” Dunn said. “That’s where that money comes from.”

The Pecos League has six teams, some of which are more successful than others at drawing fans to the game. While the league does own every team, Dunn stressed that the league cannot take revenues from a successful team and use them to prop up a struggling franchise. Each team must succeed based on its own ticket, concession and

advertising sales.

Page Sports Promotions has been involved with softball tournaments at Eagle Creek Complex for several years, running USSSA-sanctioned events which bring in numerous teams from New Mexico and Texas to play in the cooler temperatures of the mountains during the summer months.

“We know how to bring people into town, now we just have to apply that to the Osos,” Page said. “We’re here to stay, but we need the help of the community to survive.”

WOODS

of Parks and Recreation for Ruidoso, has been instrumental in bringing the team to Ruidoso – even coming up with the mascot. She welcomes any volunteers or fans that want to get more involved with team management to contact her.

“The biggest thing is to keep this team going,” Almager said. “It’s a pretty quick transition, with Alpine coming in for a series, but the Osos are playing such great baseball right now. The team is awe-

some, we just have to get people to come to the games.”

Anyone interested in joining with Oso baseball can call Almager at the Parks and Recreation office at 257-5030 or at 505-660-6652.

“This is a non-profit, local movement to keep the Osos at the top of the standings,” Dunn said. “We want the team to stay in Ruidoso, but we also want them to be successful.”

SCHOOL WEEK

Cobos said these hours meet the state mandate of 1,080 hours of classroom instruction per student per academic year.

Three school districts in Lincoln County – Capitan, Corona and Hondo Valley – in the area are already on the four-day week schedule. “This is a great way for us to share resources with them,” said Cobos, adding that he first thought about proposing a Monday-through-Thursday school week eight years ago.

Cobos said that selling the idea of a four-day week to parents wasn’t easy, the most pressing issue involving what full-time working parents were supposed to do with their children, especially those students in elementary grades, on Fridays.

“I know that’s going to be tough for some parents,” Cobos said of students having Fridays off from school, adding that he would advise parents to adjust their work schedules as in the same way they did in the past when students had Fridays off due to a mandated holiday.

In attempt to assuage some parents’ concerns about a four-day week, Cobos said that the extended hours of a regular school day could be a benefit because some students that use bus service would arrive home about the same time as their working parents, cutting down on after-school childcare costs.

Shirley Crawford would agree with that strategy. She’s been the superintendent at Capitan Municipal Schools for the past four years, beginning one year after the district converted over to a four-day school week.

“From what I’ve heard, parents aren’t spending as much on sitter costs, because the need to have someone watch their kids after school isn’t there,” she said. “The four-day week schedule works really well in small, rural communities.”

The idea of a four-day school week is hardly a new phenomenon, especially in New Mexico. Located in Colfax County, Cimarron Municipal Schools was one of the first education districts in the United States to convert to a four-day week schedule in 1972, officials at the time cit-

ing the need to cut transportation costs during a countrywide fuel crisis.

Soon after, the idea spread throughout the state and across the country, though most of the states that have at least one school district currently on a four-day school week are west of the Mississippi River, the exceptions being Georgia and Virginia. In all, about 120 school districts in 17 states are currently on or will soon start a four-day week schedule, including some in nearby Arizona and Colorado.

The Texas state legislature is expected to take up a measure that would mandate public school districts to go on a four-day week. The state’s Board of Education is facing a budget shortfall of about \$27 million over the next two fiscal years.

The original intent of school districts converting to a four-day week schedule had to do with combating growing energy prices in rural districts. However, with many states now gripping with education budget shortfalls, the idea may soon

Twenty-five of the 89 public school districts in New Mexico now have at least one school currently or soon to begin a four-week schedule, according to the state Department of Public Education. Last month, the department announced that it would slash more than 20 percent from its budget.

However, monetary savings from a four-day school week are not always a sure thing.

The perception is that if the school week is reduced by one day, one-fifth of the schedule, school expenses will also be reduced by 20 percent. This assumption is far from reality, according to Michael Griffith of the Education Commission of the States, in an analysis written last month regarding the four-day school week.

Promises of savings by moving to a four-day school week are overstated, according to Griffith. Using national and school district data, he finds that doing so produces a maximum savings of only 5 percent from a school systems’ total budget – meanwhile, districts that implemented a four-day week schedule expe-

BRIDGE

weeks,” depending on how much preliminary work must be accomplished.

“Within a week residents should be seeing traffic control measures” at the existing temporary bridge, King said.

Once work has progressed to the point where traffic must be rerouted, King said there will be ample signage – most with a colorful bear-theme – directing motorists on a detour route to bypass the construction.

“I’ve driven the route myself just today,” King said. “It took exactly two minutes to make the trip, so we feel the impact to motorists will be very minimal.”

Village Manager Debi Lee said there has been some sentiment among business owners to delay replacing

the bridge until after the summer tourist season was over, but King insisted the optimum time to proceed was now, when water levels in the river were at a minimum.

Given the need to work in a water-free environment, King said the cost savings in proceeding now as opposed to when the Rio Ruidoso is heavy with runoff, “are considerable.”

According to King, nine bridges were destroyed or damaged enough to warrant replacement during the flood.

The village is already negotiating to purchase two more pre-cast structures to replace Upper Canyon spans damaged in the flooding, and the remaining six bridges will be replaced when impacts to tourism are at a minimum.



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rienced actual savings of between .4 percent and 2.5 percent.

In some cases, though, Griffith said that even a little bit of savings are better than none. When faced with a choice of reducing the school week by one day or letting teachers and other staff go, he said, it’s easy to see why some administrators have chosen to propose the four-day school week.

Nonetheless, the school districts in Lincoln County that have already moved to a four-day week have any plans to convert back to a traditional schedule.

Hondo Valley Public Schools have been on a four-day school week since 1992. Andrea Nieto, who’s been the superintendent of the district since 2004, said it would be a huge detriment to the community to change. “Because our current schedule has been in place for so long, the big fear (if Hondo Valley moved to a five-day week) is that attendance would go down.”

Crawford, the superintendent for Capitan schools, agrees, adding the four-day school week in her district is just too popular, and the only reason she would propose changing the current schedule would be due to a negative impact on academics.

Otherwise, she said, “I would probably be tarred and feathered if it changed.”

Cobos, the superintendent in Carrizozo, said that he’s optimistic about the four-day week schedule change for his district going into the upcoming school year.

“And if it’s something that we feel we need to change again,” he said, “we will.”

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Hubbard Foundation celebrates \$220,000 in grants

The R.D. and Joan Dale Hubbard Foundation celebrated the awarding of its 2010 Southeast New Mexico Grant Program with a reception for recipients Saturday at the Ruidoso Downs Race Track's Turf Club.

Joan Dale Hubbard was on hand to assist Foundation Executive Director Robert Donaldson in awarding more than \$220,000 in grants to 45 different programs across five southeastern counties.

Lincoln County led the list with both most agencies to receive awards and total grant money allocated, with the largest single grant – \$14,776 – going to the Ruidoso Police Department to assist in purchasing computers for patrol cars and other equipment.

The Foundation awarded a total of \$83,776 to Lincoln County agencies.

Another Lincoln County organization received the second-largest grant, with Chaplain Darrell Winter of the Ruidoso Downs Racetrack Chapel being awarded \$12,000.

Other Lincoln County grant recipients, with the person on hand to receive the award in parentheses, include: Capitan Public Library (Pat Garrett) – \$2,500; Chamber Music Festival (Mary Lee Lane) – \$1,500; Santa's Helpers (Stacey Miller) – \$2,000;

Hubbard Museum of the American West (Jim Kofakis) – \$7,000; Humane Society of Lincoln County (Emily Parker) – \$7,200; Lincoln County Food Bank (Bill Bartlett) – \$4,000; New Horizons Development Center (Sara Gnatkowski, Laura Rose) – \$5,000; Region IX Education Cooperative/Lincoln County Head Start (Melinda Rovero) – \$8,000; Southwestern Arts Alliance (Duane Evans) – \$4,300; Ruidoso Downs Police Department (Chief Doug Babcock) – \$7,500; and The Spencer

Theater for the Performing Arts (Charles Centilli) – \$8,000.

Chaves County organizations, which received \$23,000 in grant funding, include: Alzheimer's Association of New Mexico (Megan McCormick) – \$2,500; Assistance League of Chaves County (Susan Goodman) – \$3,000; Assurance Home, Inc. (Ron Malone) – \$2,000; Harvest Ministries of Roswell (Pastor Rubie Rubenstein) – \$3,000; New Mexico Cancer Center Foundation (Colleen Harris, Bill Boykin) – \$2,500; Roswell Jazz & Arts Festival (Duane Evans) – \$2,500; SENM Vietnam Veterans No. 968 – \$2,500; and Wings for L.I.F.E. (Jennifer Peralta) – \$5,000.

Three Curry County agencies received \$2,520 in grants, including: Clovis Special Olympics (Dave and Garrett Dodson) – \$2,000; Food Bank of Eastern N.M. (Nancy Taylor) – \$10,000; and Melrose Municipal Schools (Jamie Widner) – \$8,520.

Eddy County agencies received \$21,600 in funding, including: Assistance League of Carlsbad (Beverly Watson) – \$4,000; Boys & Girls Club of Carlsbad (Sylvia De Los Santos) – \$5,000; Carlsbad Community Kitchen (Terri Able) – \$7,000; Girl Scouts of the Desert Southwest (Rebecca Sherwood) – \$2,000; and St. Edward School (Rita London, Jack Litschke) – \$3,600.

Lea County agencies split \$21,000 in funding, including: Boys & Girls Club of Hobbs (Paula Methola) – \$5,000; Casa of Lea County – \$2,000; Lea County Cowboy Hall of Fame (Jim Davis) – \$2,000; Junior Service League of Hobbs (Vanessa Galindo) – \$5,000; and Stone Elementary (Sara Miller, Maggie Macias) – \$7,000.

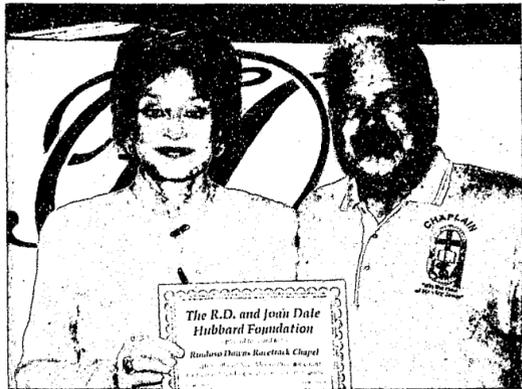
Otero County agencies received \$24,300 in grant funding, including: Center of Protective Environment (Kay Gomolak) –

\$2,500; Legacy Christian Academy (Cindy McKee) – \$6,000; Sacramento Mountains Senior Services (Kathy Swope) – \$4,000; Tularosa Public Library (Rayanne and John Northrup) – \$4,000; and Zia Therapy Center (Peggy Denson) – \$7,800.

Roosevelt County agencies received \$26,500 in funding, including: Angel Ministries (Sheila Savitz, Debbie Martinez, Martha McNeal, Viola Burke) – \$5,000; ENMU Foundation (Albert Flinn) – \$5,000; Helping Hands Ministry (Michael Marshall) – \$2,000; New Mexico Christian Children's Home (Charles Anderson) – \$10,000; and Portales Recreation Center (Jodi Kibbe) – \$4,500.

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Ruidoso Downs Racetrack Chapel



Chaplain Darrell Winter receiving award.

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Village Council considers revamping ETZ

By Eddie Farrell

Editor

Unchecked, and apparently unregulated, development in the one mile extraterritorial zone – a boundary around the village of Ruidoso extending into Lincoln County – sparked considerable debate at the Village Council's May 31 meeting.

An Extraterritorial Zone Commission exists, councilors were told, but the panel hasn't met in more than a year and given the county's lack of zoning or enforcement, unapproved development has begun appearing within the zone.

The transition area is important to the village as it is designed to ensure areas that should ultimately annex to the village conform to village design and zoning regulations.

Even though the ETZ Commission has not met, applicants that were once rejected by the panel have pressed forward with their developments, some of which have alarmed village residents, councilors

were told.

Specifically development along Gavilan Canyon Road was attributed to a developer whose project was denied by the joint village-county panel, but who has proceeded with no adverse action.

"The way the (ETZ ordinance) is written, we can't enforce it," said Acting Planning Director Bob Decker.

While Decker initially recommended the village abandon the ETZ Commission, several councilors and other village officials said it was to the village's benefit to work closer with Lincoln County to see the buffer-zone panel functioned properly.

On other action, the Village Council also approved an amendment to an ordinance regulating itinerant vendors and outdoor sales.

Essentially, in most cases, only two outdoor sales events are allowed annually, with limitations based upon the square footage of the business conducting the sale, or dependent upon location.

The amendment clarified specific business districts and what can or cannot be done inside their boundaries, under the terms of the ordinance, but also allows for applicants to take their case to the village's Planning and Zoning Commission to seek conditional use permits to hold additional outdoor events.

The village delayed action regarding declaring a structure at 154 Spruce "ruined, dangerous, hazardous or dilapidated," pending a formal inspection and certification by a structural engineer.

Building Official Shawn Fort said, to his knowledge, the village has never formally condemned a property, but given the dangerous state of the building in question, he was prepared to move forward.

Fort said he also had "several" more properties he would like to move forward with the condemnation process.

Village Attorney Dan Bryant cautioned that keeping property owners notified of the process was critical, and

pressed for the need to have the structural engineering analysis conducted prior to condemnation.

Fort and Decker said the village currently has both the authority and expertise – Decker is a licensed structural engineer – to move forward.

The council, however, agreed to delay action until modifications to the ordinance authorizing such actions, can be updated to include the structural engineer inspection element.

The council also authorized an additional payment of \$80,844 to Accounting & Consulting Group, which has been providing the village with audit work since 2008.

According to the village staff report, the firm "did not anticipate the level of hours required" to fulfill the contract with the village, and had accumulated more than \$160,000 in cost overruns. The firm was asking, however, the village only pay 50 percent of the additional cost.

Ruidoso still toiling on FOG rules

By Eddie Farrell

Editor

The Village of Ruidoso's fight against FOG – fats, oils and grease – entering into the wastewater treatment system seemed to bottom out in a test of wills during the regular May 31 Village Council meeting.

Village officials have been talking for months about toughening existing regulations to force non-complying businesses, primarily establishments that prepare food, to install and properly maintain grease traps given the likelihood of FOG products damaging sensitive membrane filters at the recently completed \$36 million Ruidoso Regional Waste Water Treatment Plant.

According to reports, replacement of the membranes could cost as much as \$5 to \$10 million.

Staff, including Village Attorney Dan Bryant, have been directed to draft an ordinance specifically addressing the issue

after years of trying to get businesses to comply with existing measures have failed to yield desired results.

Building Official Shawn Fort told the council, however, that he believes his office has the authority, through the Uniform Building Code, to gain that compliance immediately, including shutting off water service to noncompliant businesses.

"We can actively enforce right now," Fort told the panel. "We're just waiting on guidance from council."

Village Attorney Dan Bryant added that he was confident Fort's research was accurate and enforcement could begin immediately.

"We're loaded for bear and ready to go to bring people into compliance," Bryant said, "and make them meet our standards regarding fat, oils and grease."

While Fort's presentation was technically given during Village Manager Debi Lee's report, his open call for guidance

from the council failed to generate any sort of unanimous response.

Councilor Denise Dean said she was willing to give Fort her own personal go-ahead.

"I don't know why we're messing around with this," Dean said. "Let's move forward now."

Any further delay, Dean said, "is crazy. We need to protect our wastewater treatment plant."

Fort said if directed by council he would propose giving FOG violators 30 days to come into compliance; if the violators failed to bring their operation up to code, the case would be referred to municipal court.

If the violator remained in non-compliance, their water would be shut off, Fort said.

"But I don't want to go around shutting off people's utilities," Fort said.

The first draft of the proposed grease trap ordinance is tentatively scheduled for the council's June 14 meeting.

Man cited for illegal burn

By Eddie Farrell

Editor

Ruidoso firefighters quickly extinguished an illegally set trash fire shortly after 10 a.m. May 31 at a home in the 100 block of Porr Dr.

Ruidoso Police Chief Joe Magill said the resident, who admitted setting the fire to burn off yard waste and pine needles, was cited for improper handling of fire.

Magill said the illegal fire was reported by "an anonymous neighbor."

Flames from the fire were visible from the street and to the many onlookers of the neighborhood before firefighters put out the blaze.

Magill said it appeared that man did take steps to keep the fire contained – the burn area was cleared away from trees and the man did have a water hose nearby – but with the flames clearly visible to the neighborhood, he wasn't surprised that someone re-

ported the activity.

Interim Fire Chief Harlan Vincent said there is "no excuse" for such activity given the village has been under Level III fire restrictions for some time, and it appears the man accused of starting the fire appears to be a year-round resident.

Vincent noted the village routinely picks up yard waste and pine needles; all residents have to do is neatly pile the materials up on the curbside.

"I'm very thankful people have their eyes peeled," Vincent said of the reporting neighbor.

"People have been really edgy given the high winds and all, and this is a situation that clearly could have gotten out of hand very easily," Vincent said.

Vincent said he was particularly pleased with the quick response of Capt. Cody Thetford and Firefighter Randy Eikanger in quickly snuffing the trash fire.

If convicted of the charge of improper handling of fire the man could face fines of up to \$512.

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OPINION

GUEST COLUMN

Pearce: A voice for 'common sense' solutions

Roseanne Camunez of Las Cruces recently said that Rep. Steve Pearce is not entitled to false statements and claims not backed up by facts. Unfortunately, her entire letter was full of false statements and was not backed up by fact. Her underlying claim is that Congressman Pearce says we have to choose between the environment and jobs, but this is exactly what Rep. Pearce has always argued against. Steve Pearce has always said that we need to find common sense solutions that protect our environment and jobs. That's what he did with his logging legislation, and that's what he continues to do. What about the ranchers, farmers and oil companies who agreed to private agreements, giving up thousands of acres of their own accord, to protect the lizard? They were promised that they wouldn't face the burdensome regulations that yes, kill jobs. (Even the most conservative estimates place 4,000 oil wells in the lizard's habitat—do you really think a listing could shut down all these with no economic impact?) But instead, Fish and Wildlife is going ahead with a listing. Even the BLM, another government agency, has opposed this extreme regulation. Thank you, Mr. Pearce, for pursuing balance!

Roseanne Camunez needs to get her facts straight if she's going to criticize Steve Pearce. First, he hasn't "launched an assault," he has responded to the will of the people. He didn't organize rallies, he only attended them. These were all grassroots efforts, and Rep. Pearce has faced a lot of criticism for standing up for what the people of New Mexico want. Well-funded political groups from outside New Mexico hate what he's doing, and want to shut him down. But he's standing with New Mexicans. Over 700 people showed up in Silver City to oppose a plan that would have

locked us out of our wilderness. Another 800 went to Roswell to protest an endangered species listing that will kill jobs. If Ms. Camunez wants to attack someone, she better be prepared to attack all the thousands of hardworking New Mexicans Mr. Pearce is fighting for. But here's another number: More than 1,200 came out to a job fair Steve Pearce held last week. Mr. Pearce is a true statesman, truly helping jobs. There is no hidden agenda behind what he's doing. Like all the other hard work he does for this state, he's only trying to help people.

Let's play pick your policy: A, We can let local stakeholders decide how to protect certain species with careful, plans that also protect the local economy, or B, we can throw power to a federal agency in Washington that admits it doesn't care about our jobs. Thank you, Steve Pearce, for choosing A. I was appalled by a recent op-ed by Roseanne Camunez that paints Steve Pearce as a radical anti-environmentalist. It simply isn't true. Whether we're talking about a wolf, an owl, or a lizard, Steve Pearce has never once taken an all-or-nothing approach. His plan for the lizard is a localized plan that even the FWS once supported, and that BLM still supports. His plan for the spotted owl is to restore timber jobs carefully, while protecting this beautiful creature. And he engages environmentalists to find an effective solution to the gray wolf that doesn't keep our kids in wolf-proof shelters. Roseanne Camunez should know that Rep. Pearce even reaches out to her organization, the Green Chamber. Instead of blasting him in the paper, maybe Ms. Camunez should take a lesson from Mr. Pearce and be willing to sit down at the table with people with different views.

Frances L. Gonzales
Bayard, NM

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

To the Editor,

Congressman Pearce's May 31 op-ed "Time for A Realistic Middle East Policy" was anything but "realistic." He attacked President Obama's "unprecedented suggestion that Israel should revert to its 1967 borders." In fact, President Obama never called for that. Rather, the President said that the 1967 borders should be the "basis for negotiations" between Israel and the Palestinians, a position that both Bush administrations and the Clinton administration maintained, though none of them ever explicitly stated this position. President Obama's public statement simply made public what had been the U.S. position for years - introducing a note of realism in U.S. public policy.

Moreover, Congressman Pearce failed to acknowledge that President Obama also stated that negotiations should involve "mutually agreed land swaps" that would address security and other concerns of both sides, and that the negotiations should take into account "demographic changes."

The reference to "demographic changes" disappointed many in the international community because the phrase refers to Israeli settlements in occupied land, which under international law are clearly illegal. By siding with Israel on this particularly difficult point, President Obama affirmed the long-standing U.S. alliance with Israel.

A "realistic" U.S. Middle East Policy should in fact work to end the decades-old impasse between the Palestinians and Israelis which has left Israel insecure and the Palestinians in poverty-stricken limbo. Unwavering U.S. military, financial and diplomatic support for Tel Aviv has enabled Israel to adopt an uncompromising position

that has precluded progress in negotiations and won it near universal criticism, even from America's NATO allies. For decades only US vetoes in the UN Security Council have spared Israel sanctions by that body. UN General Assembly criticism of Israeli actions and intransigence has been unanimous, save for votes by the U.S. and tiny states such as the Marshall Islands whose support the U.S. has been able to garner.

President Obama's effort to nudge Israeli and Palestinian negotiators into more realistic postures was in fact exceedingly gentle and long overdue.

Edmund McWilliams
White Oaks

To the Editor,

Another Memorial Day has come and gone in Ruidoso and Lincoln County. While other cities and counties across America honor fallen military of several wars with parades and many outdoor remembrances, Ruidoso and Lincoln County shamefully offer casino and horse racing gambling.

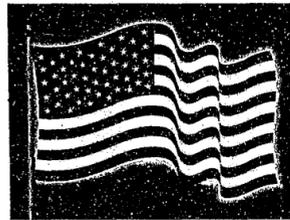
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Flag Day celebration set for Wingfield Park

The Republican Party of Lincoln County has moved its regular meeting to June 14 to urge greater participation at the Lincoln County Flag Day celebration set for 6 p.m. at Wingfield Park in Ruidoso.



maintained beneath its folds. More than 100 flags were retired at last year's event.

Scheduled participants include the Federated Republican Women of Lincoln County, Elks Lodge No 2086, the Veterans' Honor Guard, Pastor Tim and Julie Gilliland, and Cub and Boy Scouts of Lincoln County.

Pearce, Giffords call for border hearings

On May 31, Congressman Steve Pearce (NM-02) and the office of Congresswoman Gabrielle Giffords (AZ-08) requested a field hearing on border security concerns from the House Homeland Security Subcommittee on Border and Maritime Security. Pearce and Giffords' office sent letters to Candice Miller, Chairman of the subcommittee, and Henry Cuellar, the subcommittee's ranking member, requesting a field hearing on the southern border in Arizona or New Mexico.

"The situation at our southern border is perilous," said Pearce. "Constituents in southern New Mexico live in constant fear of drug smugglers and gangsters crossing onto their land, and putting their lives in jeopardy. Just last year, a prominent rancher near Douglas, Ariz., was murdered on his own land by suspected drug runners. Earlier this year, the mayor and police chief of Columbus, N.M., were arrested on suspicion of weapons trafficking. Despite sweeping declarations from

Washington, our border, especially in rural areas, is not secure, and it is jeopardizing the safety of our citizens."

Pia Carusone, chief of staff for Giffords, agreed that a Congressional field hearing on this critical public policy issue is warranted.

"Congresswoman Giffords has long believed that border security is national security," she said. "An essential step in strengthening both is for Washington decision-makers to see the border for themselves and hear directly from the people who live and work in our communities. A hearing on the border - not 3,000 miles away on Capitol Hill - will help us achieve these goals."

Pearce and Carusone added that the field hearing would give members of the committee the opportunity to view firsthand the porous conditions of our southern border, and also allow citizens of New Mexico and Arizona to tell their own personal stories.

Corona-area road work project begins

The New Mexico Department of Transportation (NMDOT) began work on a road construction project the week of May 23 on a 11.9 mile section of US 54 from MP 163.23 to 175.10 which encompasses the Village of Corona.

This roadway reconstruction project will cost approximately \$20 million. The project will primarily consist of roadway realignment, reconstruction of the existing roadway, controlled blasting, rock excavation and rehabilitation of the existing bridge (railroad overpass) approximately four mile north of the Village.

Hamilton Construction Co. is the contractor for the project which will take approximately 14 months to complete.

Miscellaneous work such as fence construction began the week of May 23. Work, which will impact the traveling public, is scheduled to begin in

August. Motorists are asked to please slow down, be aware of construction personnel working in the area, observe detours, observe temporary lane closures, and reduce speed while work is taking place. During the rehabilitation of the existing bridge (railroad overpass) which is scheduled to begin in August, a temporary traffic signal will be in place to direct traffic across the bridge due to one lane accessibility.

For up-to-date information on construction projects in New Mexico, go to the NMDOT road advisory website at www.nmroads.com or dial 511. The Department asks that motorists please use caution and obey posted speed limits in construction zones.

Anyone with questions or comments regarding this project may contact Robert Thomas, Construction Project Manager for the New Mexico Department of Transportation, at (575) 637-7822.

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EDUCATION

Getting graphic at the Ruidoso Library

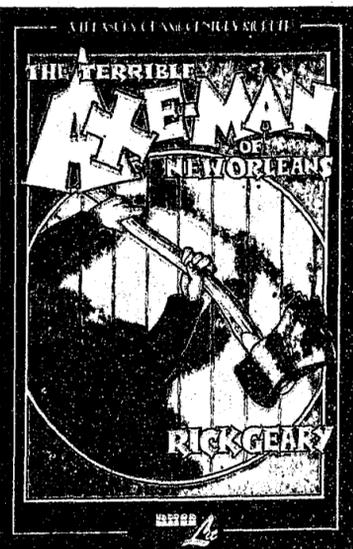
Why are Graphic Novels so hot today? Today's society & movies seem obsessed with this genre. Join us at the Ruidoso Public Library for a discussion about graphic novels with Rick Geary, illustrator/author of more than 20 graphic novels at 2 p.m. on June 14. We'll talk about this genuine American art form.

Graphic Classics (Eureka Productions) and many more publications - too many to list.

Be sure to view color illustrations, black and white illustrations, postcards, and portraits by this phenomenally talented illustrator on display in

If graphic novels intrigue you or if you grew up reading comic books, you need to come to this discussion. If you're not into graphic novels, then do you remember *National Lampoon* and *MAD Magazine*? Come meet one of the minds responsible for creating the off-the-wall art dialogs in these magazines.

A very prolific illustrator, Rick Geary is well known for his contributions to *Heavy Metal*, *Dark Horse Comics*, *Disney Adventures*, *Rolling Stone*, the *DC Comics/Paradox Press*, *Harvey Magazine*, *Rosebud*, *POE*,



the upstairs library through the month of July.

Check out Rick Geary's website at www.rickgeary.com/index.html.

Geary's graphic novel series for young adults includes a nine-volume series *A Treasury of Victorian Murder*, *A Treasury of 20th Century Murder* series as well as several other historically-based graphic novels.



els. Geary's graphic novel repertoire includes three children's books based on *The Mask* for the *Dark Horse* and two Spider-Man books for *Marvel*.

During the discussion we will be looking at many different graphic novels, including Geary's publications, as well as discussing the four or more summer movies based on comic book characters. It is a phenomenal how this art form has exploded in popularity.

Geary's graphic novels are available for check out at the library. Also, after the talk, Geary's graphic novels will be

for sale to the public. A small portion of the proceeds go to the Friends of the Library.

Geary and his wife Deborah are now locals of Lincoln County after moving to Carrizozo in 2007. Carrizozo is fortunate to have such a talented individual join their art scene.

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. For more information, go to www.ruidosopubliclibrary.blogspot.com.

Crimestoppers awards scholarships



Courtesy photo
Each year Ruidoso/Lincoln County Crimestoppers awards a \$500 "Detective Jim Biggs Memorial Scholarship" to one senior from each high school in Lincoln County.

This year Crimestoppers awarded five \$500 scholarships to Lincoln County youth. Pictured from left to right; Lincoln County Under-sheriff, Robert Shepperd; Ruidoso Downs Chief, Doug Babcock; Corona High School, Judith Torres; Hondo High School, Felicia Chavez; Capitan High School, Logan Eshom; Ruidoso/Lincoln County Crimestopper Coordinator, Detective Art Nelson. Winners not pictured are from Carrizozo High School, Fernando Najera, and Ruidoso High School, Sonia Badachi.

Pearce opens academy application process

Rep. Steve Pearce has announced the opening of the application process for the United States service academies.

These include the U.S. Air Force Academy in Colorado Springs, Colo.; the U.S. Naval Academy in Annapolis, Md.; the U.S. Military Academy in West Point, N.Y.; and the U.S. Merchant Marine Academy in Kings Point, N.Y.

Students applying to the U.S. Coast Guard Academy in New London, Conn., do not need a congressional nomination, as applicants to this service academy are evaluated on their own merit.

Interested high school students must submit a completed application to the Pearce's office before Oct. 21. Applicants must be at least 17 years old and not older than 23; a citizen of the

U.S.; unmarried, not pregnant and without legal obligation to support children or other dependents; reside within the boundaries of the state's 2nd Congressional District, which includes all of Lincoln County; and meet the medical, physical and academic requirements of the academy to which they are applying.

In November, Pearce will hold Service Academy Selection Board reviews and submit his nominations to the academies.

Students are encouraged to conduct research on the specific academies for further details on the nomination and selection process.

For more information, contact Barbara Romero, deputy district director, at 835-8979. Detailed information, along with a downloadable application, is available at www.pearce.house.gov.

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BUSINESS

County jobless figures drop again

By Patrick Jason Rodriguez
Reporter

The seasonally unadjusted unemployment rate in Lincoln County dropped to 5.3 percent in April, down seven-tenths of a point from March, according to figures released on Thursday by the New Mexico Department of Workforce Solutions.

These latest statistics mark back-to-back periods of unemployment decline in the county, following a 7.4 percent jobless rate in February.

According to figures from the department, 568 of 10,753 individuals in the labor force in the county were unemployed in April. This is a difference of more than 1.5 percentage points from a year ago, when 737 of 10,692 individuals in the labor pool in the county were jobless.

Helped by an increase of about 4,000 jobs in the leisure and hospitality industry over the past year, the largest growing in the private sector in that time, the state unemployment rate fell to 7.6 percent in April, down five-tenths of a point from the previous month.

Luna County had the state's highest jobless rate at 20.7 percent, while Los Alamos County yielded the lowest rate at 2.8 percent.

Employment figures for specific municipalities were unavailable.

Not all the news regarding employment was positive in April. The national unemployment rate, for instance, grew to 9 percent during the month, according to

figures released by the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics, an increase of two-tenths of a point from March, which had been the lowest rate since April 2009.

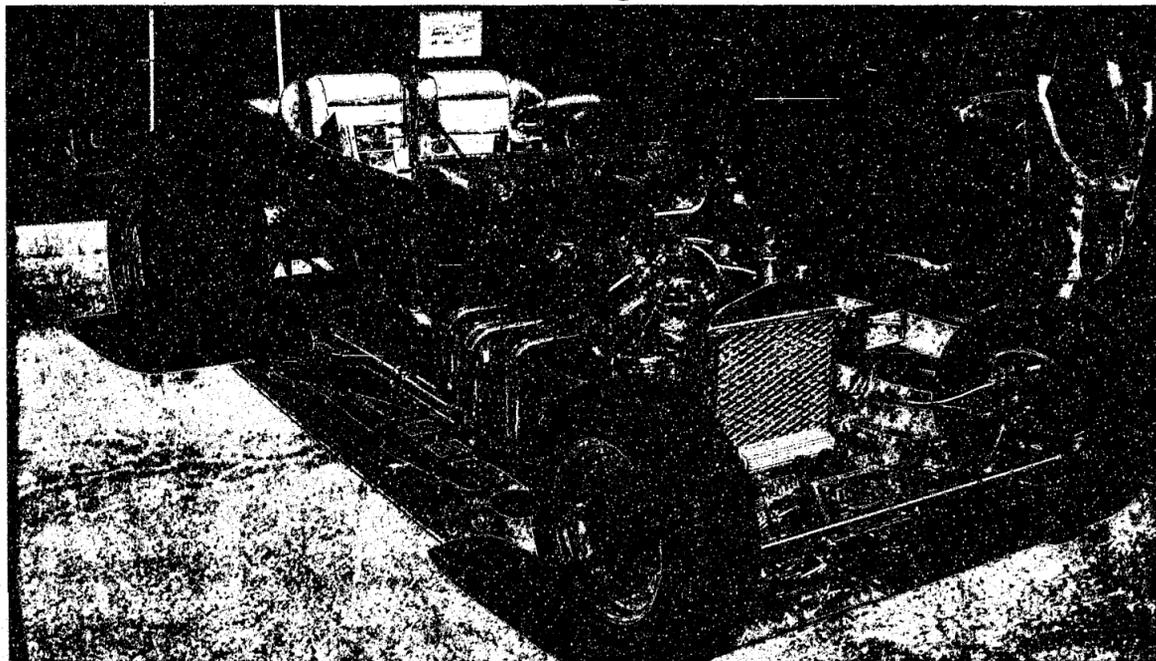
And according to Mark Boyd, director of economic research and analysis with the state Department of Workforce Solutions, the number of people who filed

applications for unemployment benefits was down 24 percent in Lincoln County from a year ago, which he says isn't necessarily a good thing.

"People are leaving the labor force," he said, "either they're going back to school or they've given up looking for work."

Boyd added that it was inevitable that the unemployment rate in New Mexico would eventually decline after February, though he didn't expect it to be so soon. He also said that it was unusual for the state jobless rate, because of its rural status, to be so well below the national average.

Hot cars for a good cause



Eddie Farrell/Ruidoso Free Press

This pink hotrod, owned by Dusty and Lilli Smart of Artesia, began life as a 1923 Ford Model-T. The '23 'T' was on display June 4, along with scores of other classic cars, at the Ruidoso Convention Center for the 1st Annual New Mexico Classic Car Show benefitting the Make-A-Wish Foundation of New Mexico.

Chamber to interview three finalists

Three finalists have been invited to interview for the Ruidoso Valley Chamber of Commerce's Executive Director position.

The previous Executive Director, Sandy Aguilar, resigned in April. A regional and national search was conducted to attract a wide array of applicants.

Candidates selected for interviews include:

- Joan Zagone, Co-owner of

Sears Hometown Store, Ruidoso (June 8)

- Marla Lewis, Director of the Business Leadership Network, Cheyenne, Wyo. (June 14)
- Becky Brooks, Office Manager of the Ruidoso Chamber (June 15)

Interview schedules include a "Meet

and Greet" candidate reception, which will be open to the public, and will be held at the chamber offices on Sudderth Dr, beginning at 5:30 p.m. on the above dates.

Chamber President Glenda Duncan, said "the Directors are very fortunate to have received such a well qualified group of applicants." We look forward to learning more about these outstanding individuals, and their vision for the chamber and the business communities we serve."

USDA approves Pearce CRP plan

The U.S. Department of Agriculture announced that it has approved emergency grazing of CRP lands in a number of rural New Mexico counties. Congressman Steve Pearce requested this approval to help southern New Mexico ranchers alleviate the devastation caused by drought and fire.

"New Mexico and many other western states are suffering from a severe drought," Pearce said in a letter to Val Dolcini, Acting Administrator of the U.S. Farm Service Agency. "Fire has consumed millions of acres in New Mexico and Texas alone. For these reasons, I am requesting that New Mexico be granted Emergency Haying and Grazing of Conservation Reserve Program (CRP) lands in order to provide assistance to producers during these difficult times. Producers have already started liquidating their herds. "CRP Emergency Grazing would help prevent complete herd liquidation that could have a devastating impact on a good livestock market in eastern New Mexico and west Texas."

Salomon E. Ramirez, State Executive Director of the New Mexico Farm Service Agency, reiterated Rep. Pearce's concerns when he approved the emergency grazing. "This authorization provides relief for many livestock producers in these five counties who have suffered through severe

drought conditions," he said. "The drought has depleted hay supplies and affected the growth of hay and pasture in parts of New Mexico. Many livestock producers cannot maintain their current herds without implementation of Emergency Grazing of CRP."

Congressman Pearce has been con-

tacted by constituents in the ranching communities throughout southern New Mexico who are struggling as a result of the virtually nonexistent growing conditions for livestock feed. Continuing drought and constant wildfires spread by unusually high winds are rapidly destroying grazing lands.

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'Taste of the Spencer' set for June 18

Scores of super-cool auction items have been donated to the Spencer Theater for its annual "Taste of the Spencer" Fund Raiser set for Saturday, June 18 at 6 p.m. The money raised during the festive night will bolster the theater's operations and aid it in its mission to expand the cultural horizons of New Mexico residents and visitors.

At just \$50, the "Taste" affair includes scrumptious food and generous pours of fine wine with live and silent auctions.

Steve Talbot, our skilled auctioneer, will steer the rapid-fire live auction held on stage. Bid on your dreams while enjoying table seating, desserts and drinks! There will also be \$1,200 in free giveaway drawings for those bidders present during the live auction.

Among the auction highlights this year is a classic 1986 Jaguar XJ6 III. The four-door sedan is minty forest-green, has a V6 engine, leather seats, sunroof, CD player and new tires.

Additional hot-ticket items are an off-white baby grand piano, lodging packages in the Yucatan and Europe, fly-fishing in Montana, a lodging getaway during the peak of Maine's fall foliage, tickets to the hit Broadway show "The Blue Man Group," signed Marc Chagall lithographs, and package trips (including flights) to Napa Valley Wine Country (with train tickets and limo service), a VIP trip to the Kentucky Derby with prime lodging and finish line seating; a trip to Las Vegas to see Celine Dion, a six-night stay in Ireland, a three-night stay in New York City, a three night stay in Nashville to see the Country Music Awards, a "Sex-in-the-City" tour and stay in NYC; a hands-on two hour experience on Dennis Conner's America's Cup Yacht "Stars & Stripes" coupled with a four night package for two in San Diego, a four night stay with golf at The Sanctuary at Kiawah Island in South Carolina and a three night stay in Canada with a Le Cordon Bleu Ottawa culinary package.

Closer to home the theater is offering two season tickets to El Paso Symphony Orchestra; three hyperbaric oxygen sessions at Pecos Valley Chiropractor; a one night stay for two with a private natural hot spring soak at the Sierra Grande Lodge & Spa; and a classic Nambé candle holder and a lady's Seiko watch from Bullocks Jewelry in Roswell. Up in Santa Fe, the Spencer is offering lunch for four at the

Italian Farmhouse Kitchen il piatto, lunch for two at Tecolote Café and gift certificates to the Blue Corn Café and Bull Ring Restaurant; a two night stay at the Nedra Matteucci Galleries' Guest House; a one night stay in the Picuris Junior Suite at Hotel Santa Fe and a one night stay at the Hilton Santa Fe Golf Resort & Spa at Buffalo Thunder.

Also among the auction items are local favorites like golf and meals at the Inn of the Mountain Gods Resort & Casino; a private, catered dinner party for eight in the posh Alto home of Betty Savage with catering by Bonnie Snyder of Savories; an "Experience Package" at the Sanctuary on the River; a selection from The Olive Oil Shops in Ruidoso; facials & gift certificates from Fusion Medical Spa; radio advertising packages on the radio stations KWES 93.5 FM; teeth Whitening from Summit Dental & Orthodontics; gift certificates to the Village Buttery, lube, oil & filter from Sierra Blanca Motors and a portable air compressor from Western Auto. More gifts are coming in for the June 18 auction every day! Donations are being accepted. (We will accept, with discretion, anything of recognized value). Donation information is available online or call Charles Centilli, the Spencer Theater's Executive Director, at 336-0011.

Doors to "Taste of the Spencer" open at 6 p.m. Enjoy pours of a variety of wines, courtesy of National Distributing Company, Inc. & Kevin Fleharty, and tasty menu samplings from Blue Goose Cafe, Landlocked, Dream Catcher Cafe, Rickshaw, La Sierra Mexican Restaurant, Laughing Sheep Farm, Lincoln County Grill and Bradley D's!

Bid on the silent auction items like resort golf & lodging packages, fine silver & jewelry and original paintings. Thereafter, at 7:30 p.m., Talbot will take the stage to auction more hot items. Be there! Tickets to the "Taste" are just \$50 and are available at the Box Office. Call 336-



4800 or go online to the secure server at www.spencertheater.com.

And please note: the winning raffle ticket for the Chihuly Cobalt Twirl – a swirling, hand-blown glass work mounted in a mirrored display box – will be drawn during the Live Auction. Raffle tickets are \$50 (limited to 200 tickets) and are available at the Spencer Box Office. Raffle ticket buyers need not be present to win.

See you at the party!

Next up in Summer Season 2011 at the Spencer:

• **The Miss New Mexico Pageant**, June 22-25 (times vary, tickets are \$29-\$50). Over 20 of the most beautiful women in New Mexico compete for the crown in this talent and beauty competition. Four nights of performance events; finals at the theater are Saturday June 25 at 7 p.m.

• **An Evening with Pat Boone**, Saturday, July 2 at 8 p.m., (\$79 & \$76). Pre-performance Pork Roast lobby buffet at 6 p.m. (\$20). Singer, actor with boyish charm, this 1950's & 60's chart topper will sing his classics as well as share behind-the-scenes tales about his stage and screen performance career. Sponsored in-part by Four Seasons Real Estate.

• **The Jan & Dean Show** featuring Dean Torrence & the Surf City All Stars, Friday, July 8 at 8 p.m. (\$69 & \$66). Pre-performance Tilapia Beach Buffet at 6 p.m. (\$20). Together with their pals the Beach Boys, the world famous Surf Music of the doo-wop duo Jan & Dean (an upbeat, closely harmonic and rocking sound) dominated the airwaves from the 50s through the 60s – and still fills concert arenas today. Dean Torrence celebrates their legendary sound with gusto.

• **"Pinocchio" Missoula Children's Theatre**, Friday, July 15 at 7 p.m. (Adults \$15, kids \$7). Free acting workshop for youth culminating in fun-filled musical show. The Monday, July 11 auditions start promptly at 9 a.m. Don't be late! Auditions are open to all youth ages 6 to 17. This event is sponsored in part by Ruidoso Ford Lincoln Mercury.

• **"Shine On!"** A fund raising musical show benefiting Big Brothers, Big Sisters of Lincoln County – Sunday, July 24 at 2 p.m. (\$38) & 8 p.m. (\$45). This "musical with a mission" features pop, country, jazz, R&B and rock tunes performed by outstanding local singers & dancers. For audition information, call Steve Duffy at 575.258.4185.

• **Chamber Music Festival**, Saturday, July 30. Pianist Di Wu at 2 p.m. (\$49 & \$15 for students), and Linden String Quartet at 8 p.m. (\$49 & \$15 for students). Critics gush with accolades for Wu, a Van Cliburn International Piano Competition Finalist, noting her "her glissandos are unbelievable." The Linden Quartet is considered one of the premiere young string quartets in America today. New at the festival this year is a live auction of 12 painted violins, created by Lincoln County artists, which immediately follows the fund-raising party, the Fabulous Festival Fling.

• **Ronnie Milsap** at 8 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 6 (\$79 & \$76); pre-performance Barbeque Brisket Buffet in lobby at 6 p.m.

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Pro baseball
Ruidoso 13, Alpine 12

June 2
Pro baseball
Ruidoso 12, Alpine 10

June 3
Pro baseball
Ruidoso 15, Alpine 3
Alpine 12, Ruidoso 11

June 5
Pro baseball
Ruidoso 8, Roswell 6

SPORTS UPCOMING

June 6
Pro baseball
Ruidoso at Roswell, 7:05 p.m.

June 7
Pro baseball
Roswell at Ruidoso, 4:05 p.m.

June 8
Pro baseball
Las Cruces at Ruidoso, 4:05 p.m.

June 9
Pro baseball
Las Cruces at Ruidoso, 4:05 p.m.

June 10
Pro baseball
Las Cruces at Ruidoso, 4:05 p.m.

Horse racing
Mountain Top New Mexico Bred TB Futurity Trials at Ruidoso Downs, 1 p.m.

June 11
Pro baseball
Las Cruces at Ruidoso, 4:05 p.m.

Horse racing
Ruidoso Derby at Ruidoso Downs, 1 p.m.

June 12
Horse racing
Ruidoso Futurity at Ruidoso Downs, 1 p.m.

June 13
Horse racing
Ruidoso Juvenile Overnight Stakes at Ruidoso Downs, 1 p.m.

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Red Sox	5	6	.454	6½
Dodgers	5	6	.454	6½
Tigers	0	11	.000	11½

May 31
Cubs 11, Dodgers 7

June 2
Dodgers 13, Rays 4

END REGULAR SEASON

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Red Sox	9	3	.750	-
Blue Jays	8	4	.667	1
Tigers	8	4	.667	1
Phillies	6	5	.545	2½
Dodgers	4	7	.363	4½
Cubs	4	7	.363	4½
Astros	1	10	.090	7½

May 23
Blue Jays 25, Dodgers 7

May 24
Red Sox 18, Astros 8

May 25
Phillies d. Cubs
Tigers 15, Dodgers 3

May 31
Red Sox 8, Cubs 5

June 1
Astros 10, Phillies 7
Blue Jays 11, Tigers 5

June 2
Red Sox 12, Dodgers 0
Blue Jays 21, Phillies 9
Tigers 14, Astros 3

June 6
Astros vs. Cubs, 6 p.m.

June 7
Phillies vs. Dodgers, 6 p.m.

END REGULAR SEASON

Farm playoffs
All games at North Park

June 6
Tigers vs. Rockies

June 7
Pirates vs. Rangers, 5:30 p.m.

June 8
Championship game, 5:30 p.m.

Jenkins wins Chute Out

By Todd Fuqua
Sports Editor

It might not been too much of a surprise that star bull rider L.J. Jenkins won the first-ever Billy the Kid Chute Out on the event's final day Saturday at the Ruidoso Downs Horse Arena, but the fact that he needed two good rides to best a man who had done all his riding the night before was a little unexpected.

Jenkins had one 82-point ride earlier in the evening, but was still trailing Frank Archuleta, who had an 87-point ride on Friday. Ruidoso's Justin Joiner was also ahead of Jenkins with an 85-point ride from Friday.

In fact, six riders were sitting ahead of Jenkins going into the final short round Saturday. But Jenkins was up to the task, taking on a bull named Snap T and becoming the only finalist — the only rider over two days, even — to stay on a bull twice in the same day. His 90-point ride gave him 172 points and the Chute Out title.

Jenkins, a veteran of the Ford Tough series of



Jenkins

bull riding, said having to ride twice to earn the top prize wasn't too much of a hardship for him.

"In those events, you have to ride twice to place, so this wasn't that big a deal," said Jenkins, whose final ride had the crowd of 3,000 on its feet.

The fact that 3,000 rodeo fans had crammed themselves into the horse sale pavilion near the Ruidoso Downs Race Track is a testament both to the popularity of bull riding and the job that J.K. Productions did promoting and putting on the event.

"We started putting this together more than a year ago," said Shaun Hubbard, assistant manager at Ruidoso Downs.



Eugene Heathmann/Ruidoso Free Press

Frank Archuleta rides in the short go Friday during the first day of the Billy the Kid Chute Out at the Ruidoso Downs Sports Arena. Archuleta had the lead up until the very last rider Saturday night, but L.J. Jenkins' 90-point ride at the end knocked Archuleta into second place.

"They sold me on the deal, but then laughed when they heard we wanted to sell 1,000 tickets to this. But they came through."

"Most track facilities wouldn't be able to do this," Hubbard added. "We definitely are look-

ing to doing this annually. The race track staff did a great job helping to put this together. Without them, this wouldn't have happened."

Jenkins, who owns and lives on a ranch in Oklahoma but is originally from Texico, N.M.,

said the Chute Out is an event he'll return to in the future.

"This was a great event for Ruidoso, and as long as they have this here, I'll be back," Jenkins said. "This is an event that was a long time coming here."

Osos continue their winning ways

By Todd Fuqua
Sports Editor

The Ruidoso Osos keep on winning, and finished the week just a game and-a-half back of the Pecos League-leading Las Cruces Vaqueros after taking three of four games from Alpine at home.

Ruidoso proved to be true heart-attack kids in their first two games against the Cowboys, winning both with walk-off home runs by Anthony Phillips and Kip Masuda. They had an easier time of it in the first game of a double header June 3, winning 15-3 before falling 12-11 in the series finale.

With the series win, the Osos were able to take six wins from Alpine over two weeks, dropping the Cowboys from a tie for first to fourth place.

Ruidoso began a three-game series with Roswell Sunday, holding off a late-inning comeback by the Invaders to win 8-6. They were in Roswell Monday and will host the Invaders at 4:05 p.m. today at White Mountain Athletic Complex.

A big series begins Wednesday, when league-leading Las Cruces comes to town.



Todd Fuqua/Ruidoso Free Press

Members of the Ruidoso Osos stream from the dugout in celebration after teammate Kip Masuda had hit a walk-off home run to win their game against Alpine, June 2, at White Mountain Athletic Complex. Looking on in dejection is Alpine catcher Zach Welch.

Exciting finishes

Phillips and Masuda proved to fans June 1 and 2 that you should never count the Osos out of any game.

Phillips hit a two-run walk-off home run off Alpine closer Reed Alfieri in the bottom of the ninth to give his team the 13-12 Wednesday. The Osos again found themselves down at the

start of the ninth inning the following evening, but got the runs they needed on a two-out walk-off home run by Masuda in a 12-10 victory.

"I was just trying to stay calm in that situation, it had never worked out for me before," Masuda said of his thoughts as he approached the plate in the bottom of the ninth. "I just wanted to keep the inning going."

The Osos entered the last inning Thursday trailing by just a run in a game in which no lead was safe. Ruidoso had opened the game with seven runs in the first two innings, knocking out Cowboy starter Stephen Szkotak after a two-run homer by newly-acquired Sam Dimatteo.

Masuda's shot over the right field fence to win the game may not have surprised his teammates or fans — who were treated to a similar feat the day before by Anthony Phillips — but it did surprise Masuda.

"That's my first walk-off hit for me," Masuda said. "I hadn't hit a home run in a long time, and when I hit the ball, I didn't



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Ruidoso catcher Kip Masuda connects for a three-run home run to win his team's game against Alpine June 2 at White Mountain Athletic Complex.

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Ruidoso reliever Josue Iniguez fires to the plate Sunday during the Osos win over Roswell at White Mountain Athletic Complex.

Photo by Josh Bellin-Gallagher

OSOS

From page 11

think it was going over. I just saw it was going to the gap, so I knew I at least had a hit."

It was a similar situation the day before, as Alpine scored seven runs in the top of the ninth to take a 12-8 lead and seemingly sew up the victory.

The big blow in the inning for the Cowboys was a grand slam home run by pinch hitter Cody Jones. That was followed by a two-run shot by James Kono to give the Cowboys a seemingly insurmountable lead.

It was a lead Ruidoso waited until two outs to finally do something about, capped by Phillips' two-run shot off Alpine Closer Reed Alfieri to end the game.

"We'd been hitting well the whole game, and so I knew we had a shot at winning it at the end," Phillips said after his game-ending hit. "We had seen (Alfieri) three times in Alpine, and I knew what he threw. He just got one hung up over the plate and I hit it."

Cleaner game

There weren't nearly as many errors Monday against Roswell - compared to the teams' season opener against each other on the same field a month ago - but the outcome was the same, with Ruidoso earning the two-run win.

Ruidoso survived a late-inning comeback by the Invaders, as Edgar Correa came on in the ninth inning, gave up two runs and eventually shut the Invaders down to save an 8-6 victory.

Roswell committed just one error in the game - in the eighth inning which allowed a run to score - and scored four runs in the last two innings on two hits. The Invaders took advantage of three Ruidoso errors in those two frames.

The Osos scored the first run of the game on an RBI single by Kip Masuda to score Sean Proni, and for a while it looked like that was going to be the only run in the game. Starters Brian Lewis for Roswell and Erick Campos for Ruidoso combined to allow seven hits in the first three innings, with only Proni's run to show for it.

But Ruidoso scored a pair of runs in the fourth

when Campos helped himself with a two-run double. The Osos really broke things open in the fifth on a three-run home run by Ben Gorang.

"I just got a pitch to hit with two outs," Gorang said of the shot. "It was a hanging breaking ball that I got a hold of."

Ruidoso scored two more runs in the seventh and eighth innings, and it turned out they needed

them.

The Invaders started their comeback in the sixth inning with back-to-back home runs by Troy Frazier and Matt Palko, then continued to chip away at the lead in the final two innings.

But middle reliever Josue Iniguez bore down to stop the bleeding, and Correa got some timely defense behind him to bring the game to a close.



Ruidoso's Drew Peterson slides into third base June 3 at White Mountain Athletic Complex.

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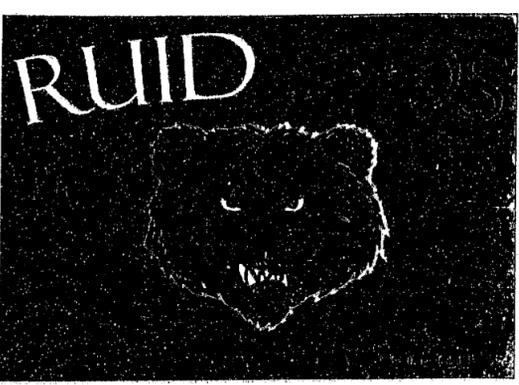
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Ruidoso continues its three-game series with Roswell on the road tonight, and will be at home Tuesday at 4 p.m. A big home series against Las Cruces starts Wednesday.

Eddie Browne

Position: Middle infield
Playing experience: Graduate of Menlo College, came to Ruidoso from the Continental League

As one of three Osos rotating around second base, the 5-foot-9, 170-pound Browne (spelled with an "e") is a gritty, hard-nosed player. He's as much of a veteran as you can be in the Pecos League, having served in the league's predecessor - the Continental League - last year.



Case Rigby

Position: First base
Playing experience: A graduate of Clovis West High School in Fresno, Calif., Rigby played his college ball at Fresno Pacific University.

Raised in Clovis, Calif., the 5-foot-11, 225-pound Rigby has a sweet tooth, listing maple donuts and mint 'n chip ice cream as his favorite foods. He's a St. Louis Rams fan, his favorite superhero is Wolverine, and his dream girl is Carrie Underwood.




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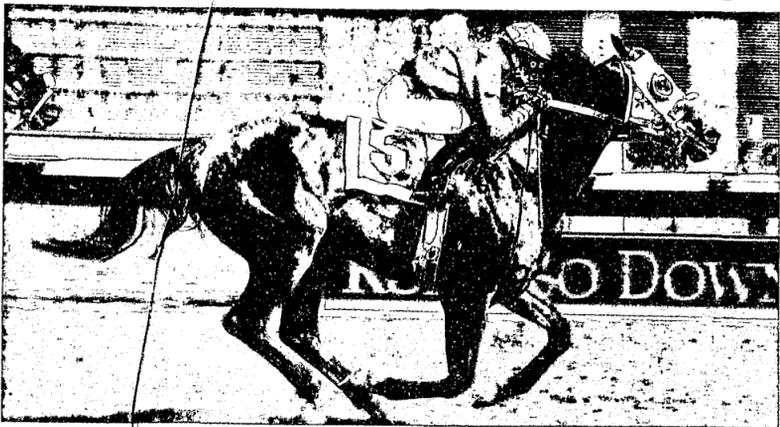
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Quiet Again charges to Free Spirit win



Alejandro Medellin rides Quiet Again to a win in the Free Spirit Handicap Saturday at Ruidoso Downs race track.

By Ty Wyant

For the Ruidoso Free Press

Paul Bruce Thomason's Quiet Again has done his best work at longer distances, however appeared to be a crack sprinter when rallying to win the \$40,000 Free Spirit Handicap over six furlongs June 4 at Ruidoso Downs.

Quiet Again, with Alejandro Medellin aboard, covered the three quarters of a mile in 1:10.64.

Medellin hustled Quiet Again out of the gate in good order and they maintained a stalking position as Tactful set a quick pace heading into the turn. All Man then took the lead on the turn while Medellin put Quiet Again in a determined drive. They reached All Man in the final sixteenth to get up for the win.

A gelded son of Real Quiet from the Jimmie Claridge stable, Quiet Again won by an expanding one-and-one-half lengths over All Man. Tactful saved nearly five lengths behind All Man.

Quiet Again won last summer's Ruidoso Thoroughbred Championship at one-and-one-sixteenth mile and should be in top form to defend that title on Labor Day weekend. He also won the Curribot Stakes and one-and-one eighth mile at Sunland Park in February and was third in the \$100,000 Sunland Park Handicap, also and one-and-one-eighth mile, in his start before the Free Spirit Handicap.

Quiet Again, the 8-5 favorite, returned \$5.20, \$2.80 and \$2.40. All Man was well respected as the 9-5 second choice and paid \$3.00 and \$2.40. Tactful was worth \$4 to show.

Ruidoso Futurity, Derby on tap this weekend

By Ty Wyant

For the Ruidoso Free Press

The first major racing week of the Ruidoso Downs summer season starts this Friday with three trials to the \$136,425 Mountain Top Thoroughbred Futurity.

The top-three finishers in the three trials earn eligibility to the Mountain Top Thoroughbred Futurity for New Mexico-breds June 26. The final spot in the futurity field will be determined by a blind draw from the three fourth-place finishers.

The big races come Saturday and Sunday, as the \$702,000 Ruidoso Derby

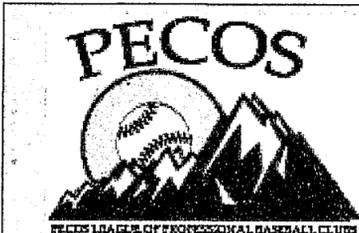
and \$500,000 Ruidoso Futurity go off.

Fastest-qualifier Giorgino meets a strong contingent vying for a Ruidoso Derby purse far exceeding the last year's \$568,000. The winner's share of \$351,000 surpasses the entire purse of the 2009 Ruidoso Derby.

Sunday, the All American Triple Crown series begins with fastest-qualifier Fly First Down heading the Ruidoso Futurity. The series continues with the \$700,000 Rainbow Futurity July 24 and the \$2.4 million All American Futurity on Labor Day.

The first Mountain Top Futurity trial, running as the fourth race, should have Copper Top Futurity winner I Play Dirty as the overwhelming favorite. The second trial features Copper Top Futurity fourth-place finisher

Koufax meeting Scootry onover. The third trial is highlighted by Copper Top Futurity third-place runner My Homey from the Papis Aladavez stable.



Pecos League standings

	W	L	Pct.	GB
Las Cruces Vaqueros	12	4	.750	-
White Sands Pupfish	12	5	.706	1/2
Ruidoso Osos	11	6	.647	1 1/2
Alpine Cowboys	9	7	.562	3
Roswell Invaders	7	10	.412	5 1/2
Carlsbad Bats	0	17	.000	12 1/2

June 1	W	L	Pct.	GB
Ruidoso 13, Alpine 12				
White Sands 13, Roswell 12				
Las Cruces 12, Carlsbad 3				
June 2				
Ruidoso 12, Alpine 10				
White Sands 16, Roswell 6				
Las Cruces 6, Carlsbad 4				
June 3				
Ruidoso 15, Alpine 3				
Alpine 12, Ruidoso 11				
Roswell 16, White Sands 7				
Las Cruces 17, Carlsbad 7				

June 4
White Sands 8, Roswell 3
Las Cruces 11, Carlsbad 1

June 5
White Sands 13, Carlsbad 11
Ruidoso 8, Roswell 6

June 6
Alpine, Texas at Las Cruces (2)
Ruidoso at Roswell
Carlsbad at White Sands

June 7
Roswell at Ruidoso, 4:05 p.m.
Las Cruces at Alpine, Texas, 5:05 p.m.
Carlsbad at White Sands, 7:05 p.m.

June 8
Las Cruces at Ruidoso, 4:05 p.m.
Alpine, Texas at White Sands, 7:05 p.m.
Carlsbad at Roswell, 7:05 p.m.

June 9
Las Cruces at Ruidoso, 4:05 p.m.
Alpine, Texas at White Sands, 7:05 p.m.
Carlsbad at Roswell, 7:05 p.m.

June 10
Las Cruces at Ruidoso, 4:05 p.m.
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Carlsbad at Roswell, 7:05 p.m.

June 11
Las Cruces at Ruidoso, 4:05 p.m.
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Carlsbad at Roswell, 7:05 p.m.

June 12
White Sands at Bisbee, Ariz. (2, exhibition), 5:05 p.m.

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Brooks Eggleston, Ruidoso 56

Landon Turnbow, Peralta 62

Boys 11-12

Noah Anthony Guterrez, El Paso 39

Jared Vigil, Albuquerque 43

Garrett Eggleston, Ruidoso 51

Marshall Spingler, Santa Fe 51

Max Escobedo, Amarillo 52

Taton Yazzie, Bloomfield 54

Matthew Ellis, Albuquerque 59

Nick Arnold, Silver City 71

Ethan Evans, Roswell WD

Girls 7-8

Alexis Escobedo, Amarillo 46

Girls 11-12

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WBU states "History" at Spencer

For the sixth year, Wayland Baptist University will have a presence on the summer season lineup at the prestigious Spencer Theater for the Performing Arts stage in Ruidoso.

With a history that includes high-brow comedies, biographical dramas and classic mystery, the WBU theatre group opted for this year's production to bring a little of all of that together. The one-time performance of *The Complete History of America (Abridged)* will take the Spencer stage on Friday, June 10 at 8 p.m.

Written by the trio that calls themselves the Reduced Shakespeare Company, the piece is one of a series penned by Adam Long, Reed Martin and Austin Tichenor. The recipe for all the RSC works is the same: take all the works of a particular author or era, condense greatly, add humor and lots of funny jabs and let the curtains rise.

Wayland theatre director Dr. Marti Runnels, who is directing this show as well, said fans of comedic theatre will get a real treat in this production.

"This is a very prop and costume-intensive show," he said. "It's one of those shows with people coming on and off stage in costumes or with props where they might be Abraham Lincoln one minute and someone else the next."

Runnels said he first saw a performance of the group's *The Complete Works of William Shakespeare (abridged)* and thought it was hilarious. But he wondered if audiences would be daunted at the thought of 90-straight minutes of Shakespeare.

"This piece has the same comedic style but has a more universal appeal," he said. "It's our own history and these folks are reenacting and poking fun at various things in history."

The show begins before Columbus' discovery of America and ends up at the George H.W. Bush years, when the script was written. But because the play lends itself to some improvisational aspects, Runnels said he plans to insert some more current events for audiences as well. There is music, singing and some audience involvement as well, and Runnels said audiences will definitely "get it" and enjoy the slapstick humor along the way.

"Everyone is getting spoofed in this, on both sides of the political spectrum," he laughed. "No one is left out."

The Reduced Shakespeare Company started in 1981 with a 20-minute version of *Hamlet* performed in Los Angeles and San Francisco. They soon added a short version of *Romeo and Juliet* and then wrote the complete Shakespeare works piece, premiering it in 1987 in Edinburgh. The group begins touring the U.S. in 1988 and becomes a hit. The American history piece premieres as the second RSC production in 1993.

Since then, the trio has added *Western Civilization: The Complete Musical (abridged)*, detailing world history; *Completely Hollywood (abridged)* featuring the 197 greatest films of all time; *All the Great Books (abridged)* with a condensed ride through literature; and their most recent show, *The Complete World of Sports (abridged)*.

The production in Ruidoso is the culmina-



Dr. Marti Runnels

Friday, June 10 • 8 p.m.

tion of an intense rehearsal schedule that began May 19 in Plainview on the WBU stage and then moved in its entirety to Ruidoso on June 1 to begin the final 10 days of rehearsals and staging in the Spencer space. The entire undertaking is a logistics challenge with building of sets - Runnels said this one would be simple and abstract mostly due to the content - and blocking being done in two different locations.

But Runnels said the work is worth it to expose students to a professional space like the Spencer and for the uniqueness of the partnership.

"It's a hallmark for us; no one else has this. It's rare even for larger universities to have this type of program," Runnels said. "To be able to take my students into a professional venue and recruit students from the area as well and use this to increase Wayland's reputation around New Mexico is just so valuable."

Runnels said the city of Ruidoso has embraced the university and its partnership and he sees immediate recognition and appreciation for the efforts each summer. In addition, a large contingency of supporters come from El Paso to see the shows each year.

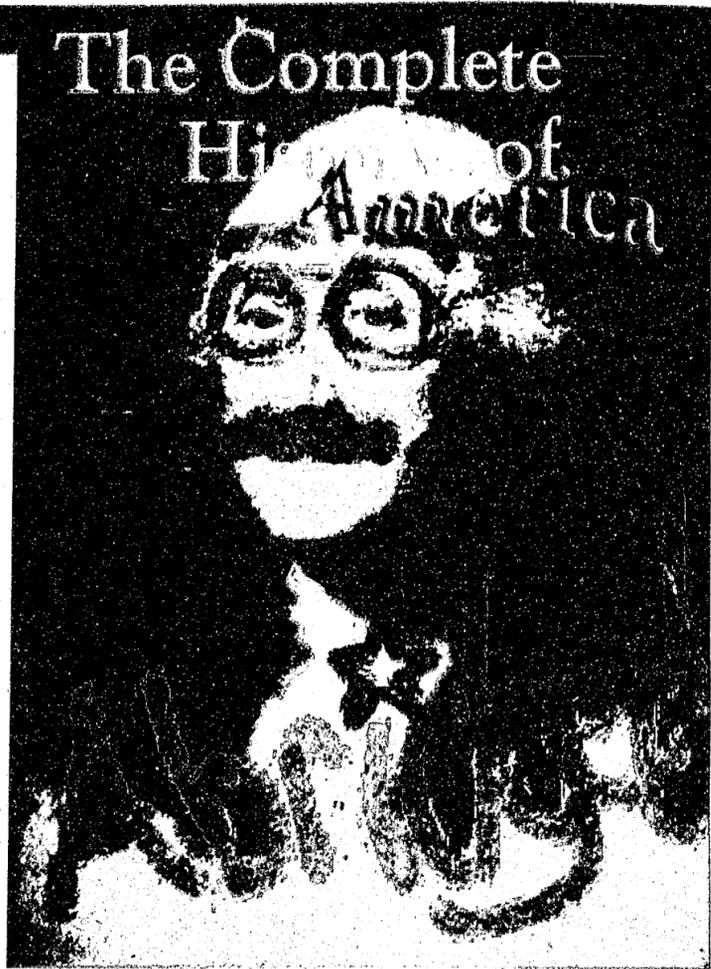
Typically, the production involves actors from the region's high schools along with current and former WBU theatre majors. But this year's show only calls for three major actors and with the intensity that is required, Runnels wanted to give his actors more time to prepare.

That said, the show will feature three of Runnels' newest alumni majors in Amanda Allen, Sarah Buckland and Jake Miser, all of whom graduated on May 7. All three have been involved in numerous productions at Wayland during their time in Plainview and are talented actors. Both Allen and Miser have had roles on the Spencer stage in previous years, and Buckland was stage manager for the Ruidoso production of *Shadowlands* in 2006, the summer before she started her freshman year at Wayland.

Corinna Browning, a senior theatre major from Channing, will serve as a backstage prop and costume mistress for the show and will fill a few small roles on stage as well. Technical theatre director Steven Wood will design the show and will also have a few small roles in the play. Andrew Miller will be stage manager. Runnels said his confidence in this slate of actors makes him particularly excited about the 2011 trip to Ruidoso.

"I don't have to wonder if they can do it or how they'll be on stage," he said. "These kids are like family."

Tickets to the production of *The Complete History of America (abridged)* are \$25 through the Spencer website: www.spencertheater.com,



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Flank steak: A great trade off from burgers



Brendan Gochenour

Here we are, just a couple of weeks into the summer months and several people have already told me, "I am getting tired of hamburgers and hot dogs!" Well, who wouldn't be if you are eating them EVERY time you grill! There are so many more delicious meals that a grill can produce! And just because you are cooking on the grill doesn't mean your meal has to be served on a paper plate. A nice gourmet-style dinner cooked and served out on the patio would be a perfect way to impress summer guests.

This week's recipe is a chili-and lime-marinated Grilled Flank Steak, avocado corn salsa and Chipotle Smashed Potatoes. The cool avocado corn salsa perfectly

complements the hint of Smokey spiciness of the chipotle in the smashed potatoes. All of the flavors are drawn together harmoniously by the flavorful and juicy steak... Yes, my mouth is watering too.

Add a freshly roasted and buttered up ear of corn to your plate and you have a summer meal fit for a king! And don't forget the watermelon!

Chili- and lime-marinated Grilled Flank Steak, Avocado Corn Salsa and Chipotle Smashed Potatoes

1 1/2 lb. Flank steak
Serves four

Chili Marinade

- Ingredients**
- 1/4 cup lime Juice
 - 4 tablespoons dark chili powder
 - 1 teaspoon kosher salt
 - 1 tablespoon granulated garlic
 - Zest of two limes
 - 2 tablespoons honey
 - 3 tablespoon olive oil
 - Dash Worcestershire sauce

Directions

Place all ingredients in a bowl and mix very well; place flank steak and marinade into a ziplock bag and place in refrigerator for at



least two hours before grilling.

Chipotle Smashed Potatoes

- Ingredients**
- 2 lbs. Yukon gold potatoes cut in half
 - 3 tablespoons olive oil
 - 1 cup half and half
 - 1 tablespoon lime juice
 - 1/2 cup grated parmesan
 - 1 tablespoon fresh minced parsley
 - Salt and pepper to taste
 - 1 chipotle in adobo sauce, minced

Directions

Place cut potatoes in large pot. Cover with water and boil for 15-20 minutes. After they are done, drain them, smash them well (skin on!) with a potato masher. Mix all

of the remaining ingredients with the smashed potatoes and set aside until you're ready to plate.

Avocado Corn Salsa

- Ingredients**
- 2 fresh ripe avocados, pitted and cut into large cubes
 - 2 fresh ears of sweet corn-husks and silks removed with corn cut off the cob
 - 2 large tomatoes diced
 - 1/2 red onion diced
 - 1 jalapeño pitted and diced
 - 1/2 pinch fresh cilantro, chopped fine
 - 1/4 cup lime juice
 - 1/2 tablespoon fresh garlic minced
 - Pinch of ground cumin
 - 1/2 teaspoon cayenne pepper
 - Salt to taste

Directions

Wash all ingredients, slice and dice them. No need to cook the corn! It's great raw, but if you must, boil the ears for 5 minutes and then cut the corn off the cob. Add all ingredients in bowl and mix well. Place in refrigerator until you're ready to plate.

Now we are ready to plate and present! Once you have grilled the flank steak to your desired temperature, let it set for about five minutes. Then, you will need to slice the steak against the grain into about 1/2 inch thick slices. It's important to cut the meat against the grain because this will make it so much more tender. Flank steaks have distinct lines that run through them and what you want to do is cut the meat against them not with them.

Next, place a large scoop of the chipotle smashed potatoes on a plate, then take 1/4 of the sliced flank steak and elegantly fan the slices out over the top of the mashed potatoes. Top it off with a large scoop of the avocado corn salsa, garnish with two sliced limes and a fresh spring of cilantro or parsley and enjoy...

Check out my Facebook page at Chef Brendan, or drop me a line at askchefbrendan@gmail.com
Happy cooking

ENTERTAINMENT CALENDAR • 6-7 thru 6-13

TUESDAY JUNE 7

6-12 year old Summer Reading Programs at the Ruidoso Public Library. Movie *Speedway* from 2 - 2:45 p.m. Sign-up continues for Summer Reading Program until July 16. Come by & pick up a brochure. Teen summer reading program available.

Ruidoso Oso Baseball, White Mountain Park, 100 White Mountain Dr., 4:05 - 7 p.m. Roswell Invaders vs Ruidoso Osos. Come cheer Ruidoso's own baseball team! Tickets can be purchased online or at the gate. \$200 for the season or \$6 per game. Contact information: 575-257-5030; www.ruidosoosos.com

Salsa and Waltz lessons at Common Ground, in the Sierra Mall, starting at 7 p.m.

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

WEDNESDAY JUNE 8

DEADLINE FOR REGISTRATION for Saturday's Ruidoso Sprint Triathlon & Kids Triathlon, 5 p.m. NO RACE DAY REGISTRATION. All Athletes are required to show photo ID. NO ID, NO RACE, NO EXCEPTIONS. Every single participant must have a photo ID, including relay participants. Youth athletes without an ID must be accompanied by a parent/guardian with a photo ID. Packet & chip pick up on Friday, June 10 from 8 a.m. to 9:30 p.m. at the Ruidoso Athletic Club. Fee information at www.bicycleruidoso.com.

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

Preschool Story time every Wednesday at 10:30 a.m. at the Village of Ruidoso Public Library. This week is Chinese New Year Story & hat. 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/

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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.

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

THURSDAY JUNE 9

Preschool Story Time at the Ruidoso Public Library from 10:30 to 11:15 a.m. come find out about "Build an International House/Monument/Structure" Contest. 2-3 p.m.

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FRIDAY JUNE 10

Ice Cream Social at the Ruidoso Senior Center, located at Schoolhouse Park on Sudderth Drive, at 2 p.m.

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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 to 11 p.m.

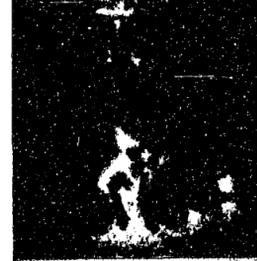
Tomas Vigil performs at Landlocked Restaurant on Mechem Drive from 6 to 9 p.m.

Michael Beyer performs older songs and jazz at Kokopell 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.

The Complete History of America (Abridged), 8 to 9:30 p.m.,



Spencer Theater for the Performing Arts. Wayland University Presents, "The Complete History of America (Abridged)". Marti Runnels summer workshop turns to laughs with a work that has toured worldwide by the Reduced Shakespeare Company (also creators of *The Complete Works of Shakespeare (Abridged)* and *The Bible: The Complete Word of God (Abridged)*). Prepare yourself for a ninety-minute roller coaster ride through the glorious quagmire that is American history, reminding us that it's not the length of your his-

tory that matters, it's what you've done with it! The show tackles such controversial questions as: Who really discovered America? Why did Abe Lincoln free the slaves? How many Democrats does it take to screw in a light bulb? For more information, contact the Spencer Theater: 1-888-818-7872; www.spencertheater.com. Tickets are \$25 and can be purchased online or through the box office.

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.

SATURDAY JUNE 11



Annual Lincoln County "Walk in the Woods" Health and Safety Fair, 8 a.m. - 1 p.m., Wingfield Event Plaza, 501 Wingfield St. Health/Safety Fair, booths will be set up at the Wingfield Park Events Meadow. Health screenings. With over 25 health and safety booths for all ages this FREE event is a great place to take your family. Many incentives and giveaways. Contact information: Aimee Bennett 258-3252 ext. 6720.

Ruidoso Sprint Triathlon & Kids Triathlons, 8 a.m. - 1 p.m., Ruidoso Athletic Club, 415 Wingfield Rd. 3.5M Run, 10M Bike, 400Y Swim. USAT Sanctioned. Limited to 200 entries. NO RACE DAY REGISTRATION.

Late packet pick-up: 6:30 to 7:15 a.m. Bring USAT license, photo ID, sign waiver, body marking, Bike coral opener.

- 7:20 a.m.: Race briefing
 - 7:45 a.m.: Transition is closed
 - 8 a.m.: Race starts
 - 11 a.m.: Bike corral closes
 - 11:15 a.m.: Award ceremony
 - 11:45 a.m.: Kids Triathlon starts
- The Triathlon will be held rain or shine. NO REFUNDS or RETURNS. 11:45 a.m. Kids Triathlon starts. Contact information: Frederic Moras, Race Director: 575-937-7106; www.bicycleruidoso.com.

Masonic Lodge #41, Benefit Poker Run, 9 a.m. - 6 p.m. at Eagle Creek RV Park, 159 Ski Run Rd., Alto. Poker Run, Brisket Dinner, Horse-shoes, Door Prizes, and Award Ceremony. One day poker run. First bike out at 9 a.m. Last Bike in at 3:30 pm. Dinner is at 4:30. Dinner will be held at Eagle Creek RV Park. For more information, contact Carl McDaniel: 575-354-5707. \$25 fee. Includes Poker Run & Dinner. Overnight camping is not included in the registration fee.

2nd Annual Billy the Kid Geofest, 10 a.m. - 5 p.m. Fort Stanton Parade Grounds, Ft. Stanton. This year's event will feature approximately 30 geocache sites spread throughout Lincoln County, honor-

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.

From Parlor to Paddock; A life of collecting at the Hubbard Museum of the American West in Ruidoso Downs. The exhibit will run now through June 12.

Pillow's Funtracker - Open from 10 a.m. to 9 p.m. Sunday through Thursday and from 10 a.m. to 10 p.m. Friday and Saturday. 101 Carrizo Canyon Road just off Sudderth. Pillow's Funtrackers is the premier family fun center in New Mexico. We have been providing fun to thousands of families for over twenty years. Our park includes three gokart tracks, miniature golf, arcade, Mountain Maze, and seasonal attractions such as Bumper Boats, Panning for Gemstones, Rock Climbing Wall, Extreme Air, and Kiddie Bounce

House. 1 and 2 Hour Guided Trail Rides in the Lincoln National Forest from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., from Cowboys Riding Stables in Ruidoso Downs. Call 575-378-8217 to reserve your ride time.

Smokey Bear Park is open in Capitán. The Smokey Bear Historical Park is located on highway 380 (better known as 118 Smokey Bear Blvd.) in the heart of the Village of Capitán 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.

Flying J Chuckwagon Supper and Show at the Flying J, on Highway 48 north of Ruidoso (every day except Sunday). Gates open at 5:30 p.m., Gunfight in the street of Bonita City at 6:45 p.m., Dinner bell rings at 7 p.m., and the Flying J Wranglers take the stage at 7:50 p.m. Dinner and the show is \$24 for adults, \$14 for children 4-12.

Live Horse racing continues at Ruidoso Downs Racetrack through Labor Day weekend, culminating in the All American Futurity, Sept. 5. Post time is 1 p.m. with the exception of some holidays, special meets, and horse sales. This year the races will be held Friday through Monday, instead of the Thursday through Sunday schedule they have ran in the past, with the exception of Thursday, Aug. 18 through Sunday, Aug. 21 to accommodate the trials for the All American Futurity. Visit RaceRuidoso.com for more information.

SUNDAY JUNE 12

Rag Rug Festival and Design Collective, 10 a.m. - 4 p.m., Hubbard Museum of the American West. Handcrafted rag rugs and other home furnishings, fashions, personal adornments, and gifts of every description. A Women's Cottage Industries program helping to create a more abundant life for New Mexico's women and girls. Hubbard Museum of the American West: 575-378-4142; www.hubbardmuseum.org. Admission to the event is free with the price of admission to the museum.

Flickinger Center of Performing Arts Charity Golf Tournament, The Lodge Resort & Spa, 601 Corona Place, Cloudcroft, 12:30 p.m. Show & 1 p.m. Shotgun Start. This is going to be a benefit to help the Flickinger Center provide excellent entertainment and service to the entire area. 4-person scramble. Long drive contest; closest to the pin. Lots of prizes and lots of fun! For more information, contact Jim Mack with the Flickinger Center at (575) 437-2202; www.TheLodgeResort.com. \$50 per person.

Ruidoso Futurity will be run at Ruidoso Downs Racetrack. Post time for the first race is 1 p.m.

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and driving mandolin picking. Diane Prior's liquid, bluesy voice adds power to the ensemble, while her hammered dulcimer fulfills a longing for simpler times. Ben Prior adds the unique sound of the cello with his rhythmic, pulsing accompaniment and unusual, improvised leads. Lynda Garcia on bass, rounds out the band. Please join us to hear these award winning musicians. The Carrizozo Woman's Club will sell sodas, food and baked goods to benefit the maintenance fund for their 1939 historic clubhouse. The historic galleries along 12th St. will be open before the concert, so come early and browse the shops. Bring a lawn chair and come enjoy a delightful evening in the park. Elaine Brennan: 575-648-2757; www.carriozomusic.org. Free admission.

Sundays Under the Stars Inn of the Mountain Gods. It's summer and we're celebrating with top-notch outdoor entertainment at Inn of the Mountain Gods! Every Sunday night there will be live music starting at 6 p.m., followed by a movie! Did we mention it's free? Make sure to bring chairs and blankets. Weather permitting. Children must be accompanied by an adult. Tonight's Music: Larry Michaels; Movie: *Caddy Shack*. For information, call the Inn of the Mountain Gods, 575-464-7777; www.innofthemountaingods.com/events/sundays-under-the-stars-2/

MONDAY JUNE 13

Kids College at ENMU-Ruidoso. Classes designed for children ages 5 to 11. Runs through Friday, June 24. Activities vary by day. They include cooking, field trips, art, science projects, lessons in computers, kite flying, and physical education. Fee is \$125 for one week or \$350 for the whole month. More Info: 575-257-2120.

Ruidoso Juvenile Overnight Stakes will be run at Ruidoso Downs Racetrack. Post time for the first race is 1 p.m.

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

CLASSIFIEDS

Call 258-9922 or stop by 1086 Mechem (MTD Media) to place your classified ad. Deadline for Legal Notices and Classified Display is Wed. at 5 p.m.; Deadline for Classified Liners is Thurs. at 5 p.m.

100 PUBLIC/SPECIAL NOTICES

Community United Methodist Church
220 Junction Road, Ruidoso (behind Cornerstone Bakery & LaGrange Funeral Chapel)

WWF2
Every Wednesday - Worship - Food & Fellowship
5:00 PM Meal provided by church
6:00 PM Worship - Informal - Come as you are!
Enjoy the band! Be excited by Pastor Todd's "format!"
7:00 PM Youth Group, Bible Studies, Choir
Join us to bring back an old tradition - Wednesday night at church!

120 LEGAL NOTICES

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

The Village of Capitan is accepting sealed bids for the chip sealing of approximately 1.8 miles and 8 feet wide of trail and base course 1.8 miles of trail that is 9 feet wide within the Village limits. Bids will be accepted at the Village Hall at 114 Lincoln Avenue, Capitan, NM until 2:00 PM, June 14, 2011. The bids will be opened at 2:15 PM at Village Hall on Tuesday, June 14, 2011. A complete bid package may be obtained from the Village Clerk, Kay Strickland, by calling 575-354-2247. Bid packages may be emailed. The Village of Capitan reserves the right to accept or reject any or all bids received.

LINCOLN COUNTY CLERK NOTICE OF FEE CHANGE

The fee schedule for recording documents has changed in New Mexico and therefore in Lincoln County. The 2011 New Mexico Legislature passed Senate Bill 369 titled An Act Relating to Public Records. The Governor signed the bill into law on April 7, 2011. **The new fees will become effective July 1, 2011.** The new law sets fees as follows:

Sets a flat fee of \$25.00 for all documents filed in the office that require 10 or fewer entries to the County Recording Index.

Sets a fee of \$25.00 for each additional block of 10 or fewer entries to the County Recording Index from a single document.

Sets a reduced fee of \$10.00 for any document filed in person by an interested person named on any document requiring 10 or fewer entries to the County Recording Index.

Sets a flat fee of \$25.00 for all plats filed that require 10 or fewer entries to the County Recording Index.

If you have any questions, please contact the County Clerk's office at 800-687-2705 ext. 6.

Rhonda Burrow
Lincoln County Clerk

100 PUBLIC/SPECIAL NOTICES

Village of Ruidoso
NOTICE OF ADOPTION

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Governing Body, Village of Ruidoso conducted a public hearing on May 31, 2011 at 3:00 p.m. In a regular meeting and adopted the following ordinance:

ORDINANCE 2011-11: "AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE VILLAGE OF RUIDOSO MUNICIPAL CODE OF ORDINANCES CHAPTER 26 BUSINESSES, SPECIFICALLY SECTION 26-70 AND CHAPTER 54 LAND USE, SECTIONS 54-99, 54-100, 54-101, 54-102, AND 54-144 AMENDING THE RESTRICTIONS ON OUTDOOR SALES."

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Copies of Ordinance 2011-11 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 7th day of June, 2011.

(SEAL)

/s/ Irma Devine, CMC
Municipal Clerk

TWELFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT COUNTY OF LINCOLN STATE OF NEW MEXICO

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF MAX ADOLPH ZISCHKALE, Jr., deceased.

PB 2011-15
Div. III

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned has been appointed personal representative of this estate. All persons having claims against this estate are required to present their claims within two months after the date of the first publication of this Notice or the claims will be forever barred. Claims must be presented either to the undersigned personal representative at 1221 Mechem, Suite 2, Ruidoso, NM 88345, or filed with the District Court of Lincoln County.

/s/ Robert M. Zischkale

Robert M. Zischkale
Personal Representative of the Estate of Max Adolph Zischkale, Jr.

Attorneys for the Personal Representative:
RICHARD A. HAWTHORNE, P.A.
Richard A. Hawthorne
1221 Mechem Drive, Suite 2
Ruidoso, New Mexico 88345
(575) 258-3483

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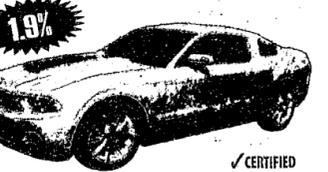
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<p>2011 LINCOLN MKT AWD</p>  <p>Stock #6K013</p> <p>7000 OFF!</p> <p>0% Available</p> <p>MSRP \$59,340 RFL DISCOUNT -\$6,000 OFF FACTORY REBATES -\$1,000 OFF SALE PRICE \$52,340</p> <p>Ecoboost Engine, Navigation, Dual Moonroof, Park Assist, and of course, Lincoln Luxury!</p>	<p>2011 FORD F150 4x4</p>  <p>Stock #8K047</p> <p>5,500 OFF!</p> <p>0% for 60 mo. Available</p> <p>MSRP \$37,320 RFL DISCOUNT -\$2,000 OFF FACTORY REBATES -\$3,500 OFF SALE PRICE \$31,820</p> <p>XLT Package, Full Factory Power, Tailgate Step, Keyless Entry and Satellite Radio</p>	<p>2011 LINCOLN MKS AWD</p>  <p>Stock #5K436</p> <p>6,000 OFF!</p> <p>MSRP \$58,200 RFL DISCOUNT -\$3,000 OFF FACTORY REBATES -\$3,000 OFF SALE PRICE \$52,200</p> <p>Ecoboost, Active Park Assist, Navigation, Dual Moonroof, Thx Audio, Climate Controlled Seats and Much More!</p>	<p>2011 FORD RANGER SUPERCAB 4x4</p>  <p>Stock #7J753</p> <p>\$249/mo.</p> <p>0% Available</p> <p>XLT Package with 4 Door Flexibility, Full Factory Power, and Sirius Satellite Radio</p>

<p>2010 NISSAN XTERRA 4x4</p>  <p>Stock #5669</p> <p>was \$27,350 NOW \$25,950</p> <p>Offroad Pkg., Rockford Fosgate Sound, Step Bars, Hill Descent Control, Full Power, Nice!</p>	<p>2007 CHEVROLET 1500</p>  <p>Stock #8K0341</p> <p>was \$9,975 NOW \$8,877</p> <p>Silverado, Dual Zone Climate Control, V6, Good Economy!</p>	<p>2008 HYUNDAI TIBURON</p>  <p>Stock #8K0305</p> <p>\$239/month</p> <p>SE, Leather, Moonroof, Alloys, Spoiler, Full Power, Summer Fun!</p>	<p>2007 FORD F-250 4x4 CREW CAB DIESEL</p>  <p>Stock #8K0661</p> <p>was \$34,295 NOW \$31,877</p> <p>Lariat Pkg., FX4 Off Road, Grill Guard, Chrome Step Bars</p>
<p>2008 DODGE CHARGER AWD</p>  <p>Stock #5647</p> <p>was \$27,295 NOW \$22,747</p> <p>RT, Moonroof, DVD, Adjustable Pedals, Cylinder Deactivation, Full Power, Like New!</p>	<p>2007 JEEP WRANGLER 4x4</p>  <p>Stock #9K0761</p> <p>was \$22,795 NOW \$21,747</p> <p>Hardtop, X Pkg., A/C, Tilt, Cruise, Power Windows, Locks, Stability Control, Only 31k Miles!</p>	<p>2005 DODGE RAM 2500 CREW CAB DIESEL</p>  <p>Stock #5K4441</p> <p>was \$26,425 NOW \$24,747</p> <p>SLT, 5th Wheel Hitch, Full Power, Only 33k Miles!</p>	<p>2006 MERCEDES 350 AWD</p>  <p>Stock #7K0611</p> <p>was \$25,395 NOW \$22,647</p> <p>Navigation, Moonroof, Harman Kardon Sound, Loaded, Like New!</p>

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<p>2010 FORD ESCAPE 4x4</p>  <p>Stock #5657</p> <p>1.9%</p> <p>was \$24,745 NOW \$22,747</p> <p>XLT, 4 Cyl, Alloys Full Power Great Fuel Economy, Several At This Price!</p>	<p>2008 LINCOLN MKZ AWD</p>  <p>Stock #5639</p> <p>1.9%</p> <p>was \$28,770 NOW \$23,737</p> <p>AWD, Lincoln Luxury!</p>	<p>2011 FORD MUSTANG</p>  <p>Stock #5K4471</p> <p>1.9%</p> <p>was \$27,070 NOW \$25,464</p> <p>Leather, Shaker 500W Sound, Alloys, Traction Control, Custom Exhaust, Cold Intake, Loaded!</p>	<p>2007 FORD EDGE AWD</p>  <p>Stock #5629</p> <p>1.9%</p> <p>was \$25,095 NOW \$21,757</p> <p>SEL Plus, Leather, Vista Roof, AdvanceTrac, 100k Factory Warranty!</p>
<p>2010 FORD FOCUS</p>  <p>Stock #5K4481</p> <p>1.9%</p> <p>was \$14,920 NOW \$13,995</p> <p>SE, Power Windows, Locks, Cruise, A/C, Great Economy!</p>	<p>2008 LINCOLN MKX AWD</p>  <p>Stock #5672</p> <p>1.9%</p> <p>was \$32,995</p> <p>Limited, Navigation, Vista Roof, Power Liftgate, Thx Audio, Climate Controlled Seats, Much More!</p>	<p>2008 FORD EXPLORER 4x4</p>  <p>Stock #5666</p> <p>1.9%</p> <p>was \$23,720 NOW \$21,977</p> <p>XLT, 7 Passenger, Dual A/C, Moonroof, Full Power, Low Miles!</p>	<p>2008 FORD TAURUS AWD</p>  <p>Stock #9K0765</p> <p>1.9%</p> <p>was \$17,745 NOW \$16,747</p> <p>Safety Canopy with Side Airbags, Traction Control, Full Power, 5 Star Safety!</p>

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