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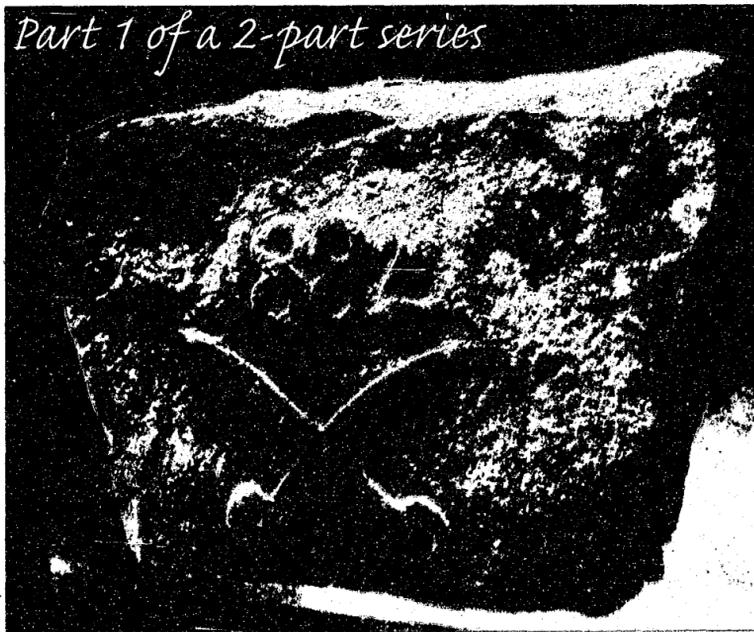
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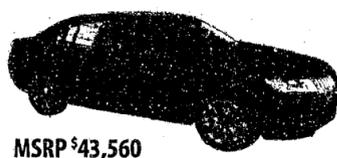
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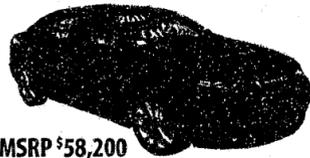
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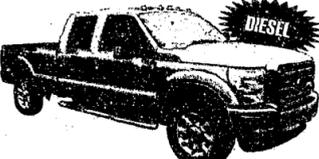
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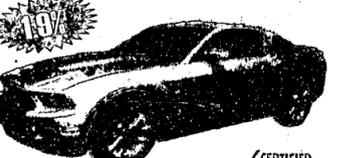
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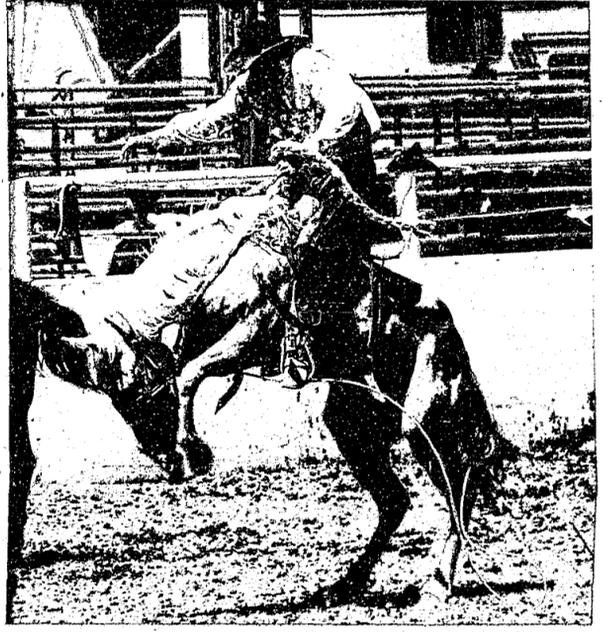
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Summer art program

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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.

American Legion Post

American Legion, Ruidoso Post 79 will hold its regular meeting Saturday, July 16 at 11 a.m. The Legion hall is located at the corner of US Highway 70-East and Spring Road in Ruidoso Downs. For more information, call the Post Adjutant, Vic Currier at 575-802-5293.

Search and Rescue

The White Mountain Search and Rescue team will hold its regular meeting Monday, July 18, at 7 p.m. upstairs at the First Christian Church, 1211 Hull Rd. The public is welcome to attend. Topics include discussion of the mock search exercise on June 25 and mounted team activities.

There will also be an informational meeting on the mounted team activities, and there will be a rider orientation exercise Aug. 13. A certification test is planned for Sept. 10. Certification is mandatory, and team members assist all applicants with the minimal training requirements.

For more information on the mounted team, contact Matt Midgett at 354-0088. For more information on White Mountain Search and Rescue, call Tony Davis a 336-4501 or Mark Younger at 808-2982.

Book sale

The Friends of Ruidoso Library is having a clearance sale, July 18. Nothing will sell for more than \$1. Bring a bag to tote away some great bargains, all benefiting library programs. The sale will be at the Ruidoso Public Library, 107 Kansas City Road, from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.

FriendRaiser

The Sacramento Mountain Village has scheduled its annual FriendRaiser and Auction for July 24 at Cree Meadows Country Club from 2 to 4 p.m.

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Wilderness Camp

The Ruidoso Parks and Recreation department is in the middle of its Wilderness Camp summer schedule, which runs through Aug. 12. The camp meets every weekday from 7:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. to take part in nature hikes, fishing, boating, horseback riding, archery, swimming and other outdoor sports.

The camp schedule also includes attendance at Ruidoso Osos professional baseball games. Wilderness Camp is open to kids ages 6-13. Registration forms can be found online at www.ruidoso-nm.gov - Parks and Recreation tab - or visit the office at 801 Resort Drive. Cost is \$95 for the first child and \$85 for siblings. Call 257-5030 for additional information.

HEAL benefit tournament

The second annual HEAL charity golf tournament - dedicated to prior board member Deacon Bob Racicot and now known as the Deacon Bob Racicot Open - will be held Aug. 13 at the Inn of the Mountain Gods. All proceeds from this tournament benefit the Nest Domestic Violence Shelter in Ruidoso Downs.

To sign up for this event, visit healgolftournament.eventbee.com.

Warehouse fundraiser

The Southern New Mexico Tribe of Survivors MC will host a lottery and benefit run for the Community Youth Center Warehouse, Aug. 20, starting with 9:30 a.m. registration at the 200 Church Dr. The escorted 1-hour scenic motorcycle ride leaves at 11 a.m., and cost is \$10 per bike, \$15 with passenger.

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.

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

Relay For Life



Courtesy
Participants in this year's Relay For Life met at All American Park in Ruidoso Downs over the weekend, raising funds and awareness for Cancer survivors and research to find a cure.

Alcoholics Anonymous meets at 1216 Mechem at 7:30 a.m., noon and 5:15 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.

The Carrizozo Roadrunners Chapter of the Lincoln County Extension As-

sociation meetings are held on the third Thursday of every month at 1 p.m. at the Otero county Electric Cooperative community room on 12th Street in Carrizozo. Chapter meetings are open to anyone interested. For more information, call Barbara VanGorder at 575-648-9805 or Doris Cherry at 354-2673.

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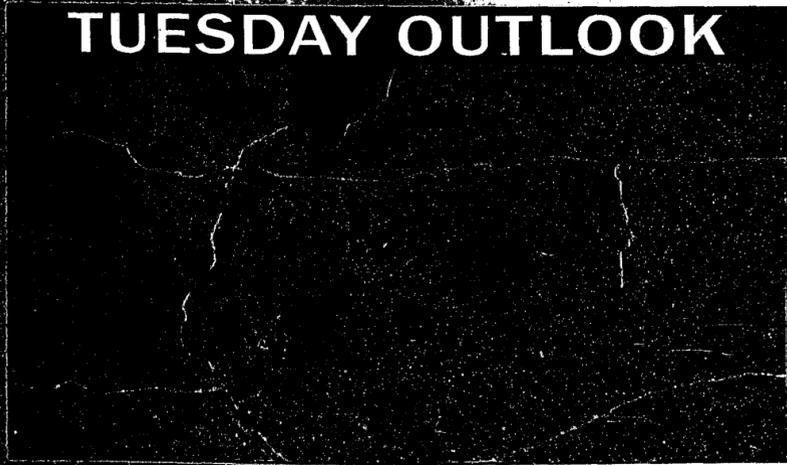
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Sunset	8:14PM	8:14PM	8:13PM	8:13PM	8:12PM	8:12PM	8:12PM
Avg High	81°	80°	80°	80°	80°	80°	80°
Avg Low	48°	49°	49°	49°	49°	49°	49°
Avg Precip	0.04"	0.04"	0.04"	0.04"	0.04"	0.04"	0.04"

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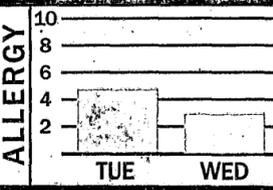
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The Federated Republican Women of Lincoln County meet the fourth Monday of each month at the Ruidoso Senior Center at 11:30 a.m. Bring a brown bag lunch. For more information, call 430-7258.

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

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

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

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 encour-

age community beautification and conservation, and to educate members in the arts and sciences of horticulture. For more information, call 973-2890.

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

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

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 Monday 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.

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 infor-

mation.

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.

Activities at the Community Youth Center Warehouse:

Mondays – Afterschool club from 3:30-5:30 p.m. Chess club 4-5:30 p.m. Zumba classes 6-7 p.m. Classes are \$5 per session. A 10-session card can be purchased for \$40.

Tuesdays – Afterschool club, 3:30-5:30 p.m. Closed Wednesdays

Thursdays – Martial arts class, 4-5:30 p.m., \$20 per month. Zumba class 6-7 p.m.

Fridays – After school club, 3:30-5:30 p.m. Zumba class 6-7 p.m.

For more information on Warehouse activities, contact Victor Montes at 630-0318, 808-3267 or by email at director@ruidosoyouthwarehouse.org. Visit www.ruidosoyouthwarehouse.org for schedules and events. The Ruidoso Community Youth Center Warehouse is located at 200 Church Drive, Ruidoso.

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Local bike shop saves the day for riders

By Eugene Heathman
Reporter

When a group of bicyclists riding from San Francisco to Washington, D.C. for charity encountered severe mechanical equipment breakdowns, Ruidoso Outdoor Adventures, owned by Cody and Michelle Griffing-Thurston was the only shop between Belen and Roswell with the ability to get the cyclists back on the road by providing the emergency repairs.

The group, riding for Push America, a 501 (c) (3) nonprofit organization established in 1977 by the Pi Kappa Phi Fraternity, is geared at mobilizing its members in support of people with disabilities.

College students Graham McMillan of Texas Christian University; Michael Chang of the University of California, Berkeley; Kevin Lin of Washington State University and Alex Everline of Virginia Tech embarked on their cross-country "Journey of Hope" 25 days ago from San Francisco.

They plan on arriving in Washington, DC Aug. 13.

Each summer, members of the Pi Kappa



Eugene Heathman/Ruidoso Free Press

Graham McMillan, Michael Chang and Kevin Lin of the Push America, Journey of Hope cross-country bicycle ride, look on as Cody Thurston, owner of Ruidoso Outdoor Adventures repairs groups' bicycles July 6, which were severely damaged by key component failures due to perils on the road during their Journey of Hope, cross country bicycle ride.

Phi Fraternity cycle the 4,000 miles from San Francisco and Seattle to Washington, DC raising funds and awareness for people

with disabilities. Participating in various activities along the way, team members are able to spread the

message of friendship and understanding for people with disabilities across the country. Through fundraising and sponsorships, the event raises more than \$500,000 annually.

As the group was cycling in the central New Mexico heat, tire blowouts and stressed components caused numerous equipment breakages, essentially stopping the riders in their tracks. "We are sure happy to find a bicycle shop with the capability to handle these difficult repairs. The only bike shop we were sure of was in Socorro but the owners relocated the business to Silver City, we were in a jam," McMillan said.

The damage to one bicycle was so severe; parts from Ruidoso Athletic Club owner Joe Coakley, road bike were harvested to get the road weary crew back in action. The group usually stays at local high schools along their route. July 6, the group stayed at Carrizozo High School before embarking to Roswell early the next morning.

Information regarding Push America can be found at www.pushamerica.org, 704-504-2400 and Ruidoso Outdoor Adventures, www.ruidosooradventures.com, 575-257-4905.

Six arrested in \$125,000 burglary spree

By Patrick Jason Rodriguez

Reporter

Six men and women from Alamogordo have been charged with a variety of counts in connection with a string of residential burglaries in Otero and Lincoln counties that occurred between May 14 and June 1, said Otero County Undersheriff David Hunter.

The suspects stole an estimated \$125,000 in jewelry, firearms, computers, and various electronics equipment, said Hunter.

Otero County Sheriff's deputies along with officers from the Alamogordo Department of Public Safety, New Mexico Department of Correction Adult Probation/Parole, Ruidoso Police Department and agents from the U.S. Border Patrol assisted in the investigation.

Beau M. Hirsch, 21, and his wife, Brittany Hirsch, 19, have been charged with three counts of aggravated burglary, six counts of larceny, three counts of larceny of a firearm, three counts of burglary, two counts of breaking and entering, seven counts of conspiracy to commit burglary, five counts of receiving stolen property, two counts of disposing of stolen property, four counts of conspiracy to dispose of stolen property, one count of attempting to commit a felony burglary and one count of tampering with

evidence.

Justin A. Williams, 23, has been charged with one count of aggravated burglary, two counts of larceny, one count of larceny of a firearm, two counts conspiracy to commit burglary, one count of receiving stolen property, one count of disposing of stolen property, one count of burglary, one count of attempting to commit a felony and one count possession of a firearm by a felon.

Raquelle Pena, 21, has been charged with one count each of breaking and entering, larceny, conspiracy to commit burglary, aggravated burglary, larceny of a firearm, receiving stolen property and disposing of stolen property.

Chad Milligan, 21, has been charged with two counts of disposing of stolen property and one count of conspiracy.

Chad R. Funk, 21, has been charged with one count each of aggravated burglary, larceny, larceny of a firearm, conspiracy and receiving stolen property.

Beau M. Hirsch, Williams, Funk, and Milligan were on probation for previous convictions from similar crimes at the time of their arrests, said Hunter.

The six suspects had been living in a halfway house in Alamogordo and

have also been charged for various crimes by the Ruidoso Police Department.

The suspects are currently being held at the Otero County Detention Center in Alamogordo. Beau and Brittany Hirsch are being held on a \$370,000 bond. Williams and Pena are each being held on a \$100,000 bond. Funk is being on a \$60,000 bond. Milligan is being held on \$15,000 bond.

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'Zozo struggles to find new top cop

By Patrick Jason Rodriguez

Reporter

The town of Carrizozo has been without a chief for its police department since the start of the year, and the situation doesn't look to the change any time soon.

Ron Bishop, the top prospect for the job, told Mayor Dennis Vega last week that he has declined an offer for the position because of concerns regarding housing and compensation. A posting for the position online lists the starting salary at \$19 per hour.

Bishop is a former police chief in Cordova, Alaska.

Vega, who was sworn in as mayor on June 13 following the resignation of Mike Petty, has been a long time proponent of the town to hire more officers for its police department. The town currently only has one police officer, Steve Barnett, who began on June 27.

The town has dealt with high turnover for the position of top official in the police department. The next person to be hired

for the job of police chief will be the seventh such since 2005.

The next chief of police for Carrizozo will also join alumni that consist of an alleged felon. Former chief Angelo Vega was one of 12 that were arrested in March on federal indictment alleging a gun-smuggling operation and is currently still in jail without bail.

Nonetheless, during an interview shortly after he was sworn in, Vega said hiring a police chief and least a couple more officers were priority. He had pointed to a recent string of break-ins at businesses and homes throughout the town as proof that the town needs to bulk up on law enforcement without relying too much on other agencies.

"We appreciate how the (Lincoln County) sheriff's department and the (New Mexico) state police have helped us out," he said, "but we really need to take care of our own business."

Rachel Weiser, who last held the position of chief of police in Carrizozo, resigned in January.

Court: Complaints against cops are public record

A New Mexico Supreme Court order says citizen complaints against police officers are public records and must be released on demand.

The ruling ends a five-year battle by the state Department of Public Safety to withhold records from Charles Cox, a former state police captain.

Cox's attorney Cindi Pearlman applauded the outcome.

"The Supreme Court gave the Department of Public Safety every opportunity to show why citizen complaints about the on-duty conduct of officers should not be disclosed to the public," she said. "It was unable to do so, because there simply is no good reason to conceal observations about how public servants carry out their duties to the public from the folks who pay their salaries."

The Supreme Court heard oral argument from both sides in April, and it also accepted friend-of-the-court briefs from the New Mexico Foundation for Open Government and the American Civil Liberties Union of New Mexico.

The court declined to issue its own opinion. Instead, the final word rests with

the state Court of Appeals, which ruled in 2010 that the Department of Public Safety must release the requested records.

"The Court of Appeals opinion is now a good law, and we can refer to it when people request similar documents in the future," said Sarah Welsh, executive director of the New Mexico Foundation for Open Government.

The Court of Appeals opinion was hailed by FOG when it arrived as a victory for public access. The opinion found that citizen complaints against police officers do not fall under an exemption for "matters of opinion in personnel files," in part because they arise from the officer's role as a public servant, not their employment relationship with a public agency.

"We are pleased that the New Mexico Supreme Court allowed the decision of the Court of Appeals to stand," FOG Attorney Susan Boe said. "We always believed the ruling by the lower court was correct and was a victory for open government, by informing the public of actions by its public officials which draw complaints from the people they are pledged to serve."

OBITUARY

Karita Morris Dean 1936-2011

Karita Lyn Morris Dean has passed from this earth to her homeland in the heart of God on Thursday, July 7, 2011.

Karita was born November 19, 1936 in Dumont, Texas. She lived in Ruidoso 49 years, working in Banking, Real Estate, Mortgage and as Church Secretary for 10 years. She was an accomplished pianist, playing for the First Christian Church for 26 years.

Survived by her husband, Bill Dean, daughters, Karita Jonine Sullivan and Gena Beth Whitlock and her husband John, step-sons Will Dean and John Dean and wife Dianna, grandchildren Erin Sullivan, Meagan Kirby and husband Matt, John D. Whitlock, De-sara Boehm and husband Adam, Dara

Whitlock, Serena Reiersgaard and husband Jud, great-grandchildren Jayden and Blake Reiersgaard, Lydia Whitlock, Beau Kirby and Griffin Boehm, a sister Ann Nell Smith and numerous nephews, nieces, cousins and extended family.

She is preceded in death by her parents, Bill and Viola Dillard Morris, daughter Lara Steen and grandson Wesley Parker.

Memorial service will be held at the First Christian Church, Saturday, July 16 at 10 a.m.

In lieu of flowers, the family has requested donations be made to HEAL, Ruidoso Hospice Foundation or First Christian Church.

Condolences may be sent to the family at lagroneruidoso.com.



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LETTER TO THE EDITOR

To the Editor,
... and a thank you. I was able to turn to the *Free Press* for the current status of the Donaldson Fire. Other than social media, your site seemed to provide the most up-

to-date information. Especially with state media concentrating almost exclusively on Los Alamos, the *Free Press* site proved my primary source of reliable information.
Pat and Bob Fraser

Pearce: Raising taxes kills jobs

Congressman Steve Pearce Thursday addressed the need to face the national debt without tax increases, which he said will kill jobs.

"The president wants to tax the buyers of corporate jets to balance the budget," said Pearce. "When he raises taxes on corporate jets, fewer corporate jets will be bought, fewer jets will be built, fewer workers are needed to build jets. Tax increases kill jobs.

"Tax increases will not balance the budget. In fact, CNN's Brianna Keilar reported recently that tax increases—the ones the President claimed would affect only millionaires and billionaires—would in fact target Americans making far less. The same report pointed out that the President's proposed tax increases on corporate jet owners—which he mentioned six times in a recent address—would only bring in about \$3 billion over 10 years, "a drop in the bucket" compared to the trillions we need to save.

"Meanwhile, taxes like this one will hurt businesses and kill jobs across America. Clearly, the tax increases proposed by the White House are not serious solutions to high unemployment

and a staggering national debt.

"We are spending \$3.5 trillion for every \$2.2 (trillion) we take in," Pearce explained. "You cannot tax enough to make up that difference. Tax increases will kill jobs, cripple our economy even further, and drive us deeper into debt. Any increase in our debt limit must be accompanied by a plan that includes spending cuts and solutions to the fraud and waste that run rampant in Washington.

"Most importantly, we must ease the tax and regulatory burdens that are crushing our small businesses and killing jobs. Allowing our small business owners to create jobs is the only way to fix America's debt problem."

At town hall meetings on July 2, Pearce was applauded when he emphasized the importance of job growth, and promised not to vote for a debt ceiling extension without a plan to end the national debt. Numerous constituents have contacted Pearce in support of this promise. Pearce has consistently argued that job growth—his top priority in Congress—will both reduce spending and increase revenues, and is the only true solution to the national debt.

Feds offer mortgage relief program

New Mexico homeowners at risk of losing their homes to foreclosure might be eligible for an interest-free loan that will pay a portion of their mortgage for as much as two years.

A total of 352 homeowners will receive as much as \$50,000 each through the Emergency Homeowners' Loan Program. The \$1 billion program, part of the Dodd-Frank Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act, is administered by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development.

The Emergency Homeowners' Loan Program, or EHL, is targeting homeowners who are behind on their mortgage payments because of job loss or unexpected medical bills. For many, it could be the last chance to save their homes.

"Many responsible homeowners in our state

have been hit hard by the financial crisis and personal hardships," said Jay Czar, executive director of the New Mexico Mortgage Finance Authority. "This program could be the boost that is needed to help people get back on their feet."

MFA will oversee the administration of 102 of the state's emergency homeowner loans, which will be made through four partner agencies. Applications must be submitted no later than July 22.

To qualify for the program, homeowners must have had a decrease in income of at least 15 percent as a direct result of involuntary unemployment, underemployment or a medical emergency. Homeowners must be at least three months delinquent, have a monthly mortgage payment greater than 31 percent of their income and have received a

notification of foreclosure. Also, applicants must earn less than \$75,000 or 120 percent of the area median income and have a reasonable likelihood of being able to resume mortgage payments when they are once again employed.

Qualified applicants will be selected to receive EHL funds through a lottery. If chosen, homeowners will receive an interest-free forgivable loan that will bring them current on their mortgage and subsidize their mortgage for 24 months or up to \$50,000. After that, the loan will be forgiven over five years if the homeowner stays in their home and keeps current on payments.

To apply for the EHL program, contact the Southwestern Regional Housing and Community Development Corporation at 546-4181.

PNM looks to turn up electricity rates

By Patrick Jason Rodriguez Reporter

Rates could soon increase for the customers of New Mexico's largest electric utility company, including those in Ruidoso and Ruidoso Downs.

How much of an increase, however, still remains to be seen.

Under a two-phase \$85 million rate increase plan supported by a hearing examiner with the Public Regulation Commission last month, the average homeowner would see a smaller electric rate increase than under the stipulated plan supported by Public Service Company of New Mexico.

The recommendation by the hearing examiner, Carolyn Glick, would raise PNM's base revenues 5.7 percent, or \$45 million, in August and another 5.1 percent, or \$40 million, in January.

The overall average rate increase sought by PNM for all usage levels is 10.8 percent. For a customer using 600 kilowatt hours in a month, the increase would amount to about \$6.32.

The company also seeks a one-time \$20 million recovery of capital improvement costs that would appear as a monthly \$1.54 charge only during 2013.

But other fees already listed on customer bills to pay for energy-efficiency programs, renewable-energy projects and the cost of fuel also will go up in the next couple of years.

Taken as a whole, the charges mean the average PNM customer could see bills increase by about 18 percent, from \$67 a month to \$78 a month.

"The evidence shows that the \$85-million revenue increase is just and reasonable," Glick wrote in her evaluation of the case.

The new rate structure would affect roughly 50,000 customers of PNM South, which serves the municipalities of Alamogordo, Lordsburg, Ruidoso, Ruidoso Downs, Silver City and Tularosa.

Glick advised the PRC to adopt a residential rate design proposed by the Western Resource Advocates, Coalition for Clean Affordable Energy and Southwest Energy Efficiency Project.

The design proposed in the stipulation signed by PNM and six other parties is structured to have generally the same level of impact for all customers, regardless of usage.

"The proposed new design would have

a disproportionate impact for some residential customers depending on usage," PNM said in a statement following the hearing examiner's recommendation.

Glick called the alternative "superior" for several reasons, including lowering the increase for those who consume between 350 kilowatt hours a month and 1,000 kilowatt hours, the usage range of the average residential PNM customer and many low-income customers.

The alternative would change the existing blocks of usage levels and thresholds at which rates would increase.

The stipulation blocks are 0 to 200 kilowatt hours, 200 to 700 and over 700. The alternative proposes blocks of 0 to 450 kilowatt hours, 450 to 900, and above 900. For example, someone who uses about 600 kilowatt hours a month — what the average PNM customer uses — would see an increase of about 7.6 percent under the alternative and 10.4 percent under the stipulated plan.

Glick also suggested eliminating a one-time \$20 million additional charge requested by PNM for capital projects.

The additions rider, which would allow PNM to recover up to \$20 million for capital projects between June 30, 2010, and Dec. 31, 2012, was one of the principal objections raised by the Commercial Energy User Coalition — which represents retailers, restaurants, building owners and others. The group contended the proposal amounted to piecemeal rate-making, which it said is contrary to PRC policy. PNM estimated that would have added about \$1.54 to an average monthly utility bill.

"We are disappointed that the recommended decision does not accept the stipulation in its entirety," Pat Vincent-Collawan, PNM Resources president and CEO, said in a statement. "The agreement we reached in February effectively balances the need to keep PNM bills affordable while still providing adequate funding for improvements needed for reliability. The additions rider was a key element in the stipulation that supported PNM's agreement to a certain rate path extending through 2013. We wish we did not have to ask for a rate increase, but we have an obligation to make improvements to our system to serve our customers."

The fate of the rate increases rest in the hands of the five-member elected commission. No date has been set for PRC consideration.

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EDUCATION

'One World, Many Stories' continues through July

Summer Reading Program – "One World, Many Stories" – continues through the end of July at the Village of Ruidoso Public Library. Kids can still sign up through July 16 to participate in the reading logs, activities, programs and prizes! Below is the list of programs through the month of July. Come join us at the library for lots of reading and lots of fun!

Preschool & children 2-5 years of age program schedule:

- July 13: Fairytales from Around the World. Craft: Make a sombrero (10:30-11:15 a.m.)
- July 19: "Zoo to You" (10 a.m. & 2 p.m.)
- July 20: Movie: *Alice in Wonderland* w/ popcorn & juice (10:30 a.m.)

Children 6-12 years of age program schedule:

- July 12: Family Movie: *Story of Equus – Story of 3 Horses* (2 - 3 p.m.) Popcorn & juice served
- July 14: Chinese Calligraphy for 12 & older. (2 - 3 p.m.)
- July 14: Simple origami for 6-11 year olds. (2 - 3 p.m.)

- July 19: "Zoo to You" (10 a.m. & 2 p.m.)
 - July 21: 10-12 year old Movie: *Beverly Hills Chihuahua II* (2 p.m.) Popcorn & juice served.
 - July 22: 6-9 year old Movie: *Diary of a Wimpy Kid* (2 p.m.) Popcorn & juice served
 - July 27: Popsicle End of Summer Party for ages 2-5 and 6-9. Winners of large prizes announced for each 2-5 and 6-12 age groups. (10:30 - 11:30 a.m.)
 - July 29: Pizza End of Summer Party for ages 10-12 and for teens: (2 p.m.) Drawings for the three large prizes for each age group.
- All reading & activity logs must be turned in by July 22 in order to be eligible for the grand prize drawings.
- Three prizes awarded in the drawing for each age group at the end of summer. Completing reading logs and the activity log are the way you get your name in the drawing.
- The 2-5 and 6-9 age groups receive small incentive prizes for every two books read. Completing reading logs and the activity log are the way you get your name in the

drawing.

2-5 grand prizes: Bicycle and two \$25 certificates.
6-9 grand prizes: Bicycle and two \$25 gift certificates.

The 10-12 year olds receive an incentive prize when they complete 12 books. 10-12 grand prizes are: e-reader and two \$50 gift certificates. Twelve year olds also have the option of registering with the teen program.

Teen program is structured different with several of the activities requiring internet access, which is available on the teen computers at the library. Teen grand prizes: MP3, flip-camera and a netbook.

Show support for the Children's Library by visiting and voting for your favorite two international monument/structure that the kids made in June for the Summer Reading Program. Your vote counts! While here – make a donation to support a child in the Summer Reading Program through the Friends of the Library.

As part of the Summer Reading Program, we are asking everyone when on their vacation (or on their staycation), to send a postcard to Ruidoso Public Library, 107 Kansas City Road, Ruidoso, NM 88345.

Donaldson Fire currently ranks 2nd in state's history

By Eddie Farrell

Editor

Sitting in the incident command post at Hondo School Thursday afternoon, Pecos Zone Type III Team Incident Commander Eddie Tudor looked tired, but satisfied that his firefighters were all but through fighting their week-plus long effort to extinguish the Donaldson Complex Fire.

With 101,563 acres burned, the Donaldson is now considered the second largest wildfire in New Mexico history, runner-up only to the still burning Las Conchas Fire in northern New Mexico, which has claimed 136,955 acres and is still only 40 percent contained.

"We're pretty close to the end here," Tudor said, a whiteboard on the wall proclaiming the fire to be 98 percent contained, with complete containment becoming official on Friday.

Tudor said crews will remain in the area, largely performing rehab work for damage caused both by the fire and the efforts of more than 800 firefighters to knock it down.

"There's still some smoke in the area, and likely will be until we get some rain," Tudor said.

The Donaldson, Tudor said, was a stubborn, difficult fire to fight from the very beginning – one of the toughest fires he's ever had to deal with in a 23-year career capped by what he called "hands down, the worst fire season" he's ever seen.

Sparked by lightning strikes shortly after midnight on June 28 – one of a string of fires all ignited by the same lightning "bust" – the Donaldson initially was two fires, one on the ranch of newsman Sam Donaldson and the second, some nine miles to the south, dubbed the Game Fire.

Fueled by tall, dead grass and tinder-dry conditions, the flames advanced so fast, Tudor said, by 3 p.m. that afternoon, the two fires merged into one, hence the term "complex" was appended.

Widely acknowledged as one of the best firefighters and commanders in the state, Tudor said he knew right away the Donaldson was going to be a tough fire to put down.

Accessibility to the most active areas was limited, he said. "There just aren't a lot of roads-out here and it was difficult to gain access."

Adding to the difficulty was the sheer number of fires burning across the state – the same lightning that sparked the Donaldson and Game fires also caused a fire in Capitan and another on the Mescalero Reservation. The Little Lewis Fire near Mayhill was another blaze ignited by lightning from the same storm.

Because of its proximity to the Los Alamos National Laboratory and its nuclear waste hazards, the Las Conchas Fire, which was already burning, was designated the No. 1 priority fire in the entire nation, and was the top need when it came to the allocation of resources, Tudor said.

"We were competing for assets," Tudor said. "There were a lot of priorities to be considered when it came to the assignment of firefighters."

"I wouldn't say the potential for loss (in the Las Conchas Fire) was greater," Tudor said. "No structure is ever considered more valuable, nor is any community considered more important. That fire was simply a different type of fire with different types of fuels than we had down here."

And Tudor insisted that even if he would have had more firefighters in the earliest hours of the fight, there is a high likelihood, given the terrain and critically dry conditions, the Donaldson would have proved to be overwhelming.

"This one definitely put us to the test," Tudor said, "there was just so much country and not a lot of resources. Our crews – and we had crews from as far away as Montana, Oregon, Alaska and Minnesota – worked a lot of hours trying to get this fire contained and couldn't do it."

There were, he said, initially some problems with communications and getting fire crews assigned to the right places as quickly as possible – a glitch that led to one of the rarer issues Tudor said he's had to deal with: criticism.

"There was some miscommunication, and there were some resources that did not immediately engage in the fire, and there were some landowners that were upset," Tudor said.

"I understand that," he said. "When landowners see their property burning, there are expectations to see all resources fighting the fire. We can't always address every individual expectation, be we always try to do the best we can."

If the terrain wasn't bad enough – Tudor said some areas were so hazardous that he would not risk the safety of

firefighters to try to get hand crews in some places – even the little things firefighters count on, such as cooler temperatures and higher humidity that normally come with darkness, failed to appear.

"This fire burned just as heavily at night as it did during the day," Tudor said.

Tudor said he watched as the flames climbed over a ridge and swept down into Alamo Canyon, despite the entire area having just received at least six full tanker loads of retardant.

"It was so hot and dry, even the retardant would last only about 10 minutes and the fire would just burn right through it. And 10 minutes isn't even enough time for the tanker to land, reload and return to the scene."

Still, Tudor credited the aerial attack on the fire as being critical in containment.

"We've spent \$1.2 million just in aircraft costs alone on this fire," he said.

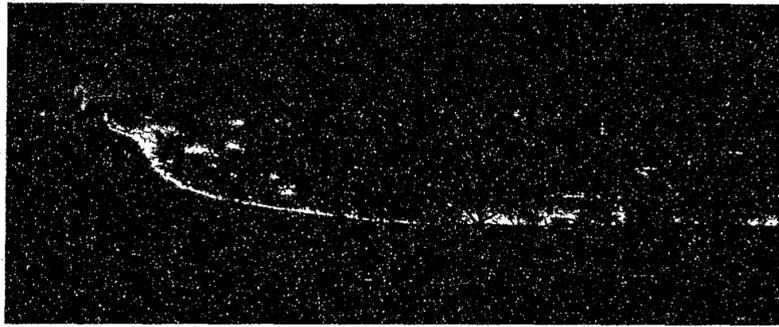


Photo by Coda Omness

Ruidoso Free Press reader Coda Omness submitted this picture of the flames of the Donaldson Fire encroaching on her property.

With the long-awaited monsoon rains hopefully within days of arriving, Tudor said it was important people still remain cognizant about fire dangers.

Creating and maintaining defensible space around homes, he said, is the most important thing a resident can do, be it a small lot or large expanse of open range.

"That's the big thing," he said, "Be vigilant about the use of fire, and maintain that defensible space."

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Episcopal Church sets fundraiser for July 16

An annual fundraiser organized by the St. Anne's Guild of the Episcopal Church of the Holy Mount in Ruidoso will take place between 8 a.m. and 3 p.m. July 16.

The Christmas in July Bazaar will consist of a garage sale, bake sale, a boutique, silent auction, and an arts and crafts fair. Items for sale will include Christmas decorations, books and furniture.

There will also be a briskeet luncheon at 11:30 a.m. The cost for the luncheon is \$10 for adults and \$5 for children 12 and younger.

Proceeds from all sales will benefit the Lincoln County Food Bank, the HEAL domestic violence shelter, the Sacramento Mountain Village, along with various local college scholarships programs and other charitable causes in southeastern New Mexico.

Josie Powell, president of the St. Anne's Guild and one of the organizers of the event, said the Christmas in July Bazaar started about 40 years ago as a fundraiser to keep the Episcopal Church of the Holy Mount afloat.

At the time, she said, the bishop of the Episcopal Diocese of the Rio Grande based out of Albuquerque demanded that the Episcopal Church of the Holy Mount find a way to raise funds or else cease operations.

"The church needed a way to pay the bills," said Powell, "and it's just evolved over the years. As the church became more

HEAL names golf tourney after local Deacon



Deacon Bob Racicot

Deacon Bob Racicot has been honored by Help End Abuse for Life (HEAL) for his outstanding commitment to survivors of domestic violence.

The HEAL at the INN Charity Golf Tournament is now officially named "The Deacon Bob Racicot Open." This event, held each August at the Inn of the Mountain Gods Championship Golf Course as a fundraiser for the Nest Domestic Violence Shelter, was the brainchild of Racicot.

According to HEAL Executive Director Coleen Widell, "Bob was a member of the HEAL Board of Directors for four years. During his last two years of service, Bob persistently lobbied the Board to start this golf tournament. Thanks to his efforts, golfers from New Mexico, Texas and Arizona come to our community and support the Nest."

The HEAL Board presented the Racicots with an appreciation plaque at the May board meeting.

For further information on The Deacon Bob Racicot Open, please visit the online registration site at heal.golftournament.eventbee.com or call Don Ratay at 575-973-1385.



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Crochet towels and an advent calendar blanket - items sold at last year's Christmas in July Bazaar fundraiser event at the Episcopal Church of the Holy Mount in Ruidoso.



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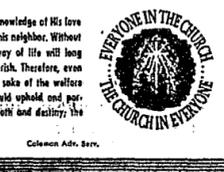
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Hubbard Museum plans "Wild, Wild West" fundraiser

For nearly two decades, the annual gala at the Hubbard Museum of the American West has been the most important fundraising event, and the biggest social event held at the Museum. Held each year in conjunction with the Rainbow Futurity at Ruidoso Downs Race Track, the area's "party of the year" is the mainstay in raising funds dedicated specifically to the Museum and its ongoing endeavors. Through this funding effort, the Museum has been able to provide the SE New Mexico with traveling exhibits such as the "Arte en la Charrería" which opened July 1, among many others throughout the years.

Organized by the Museum's fundraising arm, the Hubbard Museum of the American West Foundation, the July 23 event is themed "Wild, Wild West - Journey to Statehood" in celebration of New

Mexico's centennial. The gala includes a great dinner, hosted bar and dancing to the music of local favorites, the Graham Brothers. Reservations for the event are just \$130 per person or \$1,250 for a table of 10, and can be purchased by calling (575) 258-5919 or (575) 378-4142, ext. 223.

The "Wild, Wild West - Journey to Statehood" gala also includes live and silent auctions and a raffle. A list of auction items, which will be updated frequently, can be found on the Museum's website at www.hubbardmuseum.org. Bids on any item can be phoned in to (575) 378-4142, ext. 223 up to July 22. Only 500 raffle tickets (\$200 per ticket) will be sold and the winning ticket holder will receive \$50,000. Raffle tickets can be purchased at the Finish Line gift Shop at Ruidoso Downs Race Track or by calling the phone numbers above.

9th Annual Furr Ball was purr-fect



Photo courtesy of Kathleen McDonald

Among the 350 rich and famous and not-so-rich-and-famous of Lincoln County attending Saturday night's 9th annual Furr Ball, was famed former ABC newsman Sam Donaldson, who, like most in attendance at the Lincoln County Humane Society fundraiser, had adopted his beloved dog from the shelter on Gavilan Canyon Road. He's pictured here with Sharon Christiansen, an ICU nurse at Lincoln County Medical Center, and Patsy Parker, who heads the staff at the hospital's ICU. The festive ball, which featured a silent and live auction, dinner,

drinks and dancing, was held at Alto Lakes Country Club.

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BUSINESS

Chamber names new Executive Director

The search for a new Executive Director of the Ruidoso Valley Chamber of Commerce is over. Marla Lewis, a Marketing Executive from Cheyenne Wyo., was offered and has accepted the position, and will begin working in Ruidoso on August 15.

Lewis is currently the Director of the Business Leadership Network in Cheyenne, a nation-wide non-profit comprised of business, government and community leaders promoting employment opportunities and community access for people with disabilities.

Prior to this leadership position, Marla served as Marketing Manager and Director for two large non-profit financial institutions.

Her presence, her 20-plus years of marketing and event planning experience and her background in strategic planning and business development comprised the combination of experience that solidified her hire.

"We are thrilled to be able



Marla Lewis

to attract a person with Marla's qualifications in our search for a new Executive Director," said Glenda Duncan, Chamber President. "It is not easy to stand out in a field of outstanding candidates, but Marla did just that, and we are looking forward to her joining our team".

Marla was one of three finalists for the leadership position of the Chamber. Joan Zagone, who led the RVCC for 10 years,

and Becky Brooks - Interim Director and Finance Manager for three years - were the other finalists.

"I am very excited to join the RVCC as Executive Director to work with and lead community efforts to ensure that Ruidoso is a proud place to live, work and play for all of us. Ruidoso is a beautiful area and my husband and I are pleased that we will be moving here to a vibrant community rich with history, seasonal recreation and world-class art and entertainment. I look forward to meeting and working side by side with the Board of Directors, the Chamber staff, local business owners, organizations and families who call Ruidoso home."

Marketing Director changes at the Racetrack

In an effort to diversify the offering at the Ruidoso Downs Racetrack and Casino, Eric Alvarez was hired to aggressively promote group event opportunities. "The Racetrack is an incredibly unique space for groups, parties and catering. I am charged up for taking my skills to some place other than a traditional resort and creating such a unique offering here at the Racetrack," Alvarez said.

Alvarez was hired this April and brings more than 12 years of experience in the hospitality industry. In the past, his primary re-

sponsibilities have been catering and conference planning at several Five Diamond resorts including the Four Season Dallas at Las Colinas and the Phoenician Resort at Scottsdale. Eric credits his mentor, Beni Vines at the Phoenician for developing his eye for details in the execution of large and small events and the essentials of customer service. Alvarez hopes to share this knowledge with the racetrack staff to make the Racetrack the single best location for groups in the Ruidoso area.

"I have found many people only think of the track for a

weekend family trip. They don't realize we can cater banquets for up to 250, provide meeting space in Billy's with podiums and A/V, and be a fun (and inexpensive) way to hold a family reunion." Alvarez said.

Plans to increase group meeting and tour bus business to the Ruidoso area are also underway.

Rachel Weber, Director of Marketing at the Ruidoso Downs Racetrack and Casino for the past three years, has been instrumental in the development of the group business and is handing

the reigns over to Alvarez. Weber resigned effective July 8 to pursue an alternative career. Her duties will not only be assumed by Alvarez, but other staff.

"I've truly enjoyed working with Ruidoso Downs Race Track and Casino. I have many friends at the track, and I am so grateful for the experience and the friendships I've developed. The race track is an important part of Ruidoso's history and charm, and I'm proud to have been a part of the organization," Weber said.

Alvarez can be reached by calling (575) 378-7208.

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Real estate market goes high-tech

By Eugene Heathman
Reporter

QR codes and APP's for real estate purposes bring the smart phone users quick and detailed real estate market information. Real estate advertising is taking on a whole new look with QR (Quick Response) codes that can be easily scanned with a smart phone using free scanner applications.

A QR code looks much like a UPC (Universal Product Code), a bar code found on all consumer products. A QR code can be easily scanned into the phone, taking consumers directly to real estate listings without the need for complicated web addresses.

According to *Homes and Land Magazine*, "US sales of smartphones are expected to grow from 67 million in 2010 to 95 million in 2011. In addition, smartphones are now made up 54 percent of all mobile phone sales in the US. So, QR codes are making it easier for homebuyers to have a lot more information, real fast, right at their fingertips."

In February 2011, Baltimore public relations firm MGH, Inc. surveyed 415 smartphone users on QR Code usage. Here are a few of their findings: fifty-two percent of respondents have used a QR Code to access additional information, seventy percent will likely use a QR Code again and seventy-two percent are more likely to remember an ad that contained a QR Code

"QR Codes create an opportunity for a consumer to quickly and easily access

information," said RISMedia contributor Nick Snoot. "Even if you think they will fade away down the road, now is the time to capitalize on QR Code technology."

Bob Moroney, owner of BuyRuidoso.com agrees with the efficiency of incorporating QR codes into the real estate marketplace. "The real estate industry as a whole has generally been the leader of agent and consumer technology applications as evidenced by the quick and widespread use of QR codes to market property and capture clients," Moroney said.

The mobile APP markets for I-phone and Android (registered trademarks) have accumulated a large selection of real estate related application for consumers, real estate brokers and mortgage industry professionals. Real estate professionals now have the ability to analyze commercial property cash flows, perform comparable sales, access detailed property records and perform mortgage related scenarios onsite, without the need for a laptop computer.

Moroney recently launched a free Ruidoso real estate APP and believes his company is the first in Lincoln County to do so. "I have been working with our APP developer for several months to create an agent- and consumer-friendly smartphone application. Today's consumer is demanding the efficiency and convenience of mobile APP's and agents in the field can quickly obtain property information," Moroney said.

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FORT STANTON

nearby settlements and ranches.

By most accounts, the fort and its occupants succeeded from its earliest days in drawing people to the area, as ranches, farms and entire communities sprung up in the vicinity of the outpost. But it would be more than 30 often brutally bloody years before real success could be achieved in containing the neighboring Mescalero Apache, and only then after Fort Stanton soldiers finally forced the tribe to accept reservation life.

Over the years Fort Stanton's mission changed from cavalry outpost to tuberculosis hospital to internment camp to prison to drug treatment center and finally, in its present incarnation, as a New Mexico State Monument.

Now largely deserted, a volunteer organization, Fort Stanton, Inc., operates a museum and offers guided tours of the facility. Fort Stanton Live, a two-day living history event, is held at the fort each August.

On a recent weekend, Mike Bilboe, a Fort Stanton Inc., board member and retired U.S. Army Sergeant Major, offered a handful of visitors a personalized tour of the historic grounds.

Clad in a recreation of a late 1800's U.S. Army infantryman's uniform – similar to what was worn by many troopers of the era at Fort Stanton – Bilboe gave a spirited walk around the buildings surrounding Fort Stanton's original parade ground.

The buildings themselves tell an unusual story as some are original to the fort's earliest days and some are relatively recent, constructed as late as the 1970s, to accommodate the fort's constantly evolving mission.

According to Bilboe, the post's first buildings were commissioned to be of adobe, but the raw materials in the area made poor blocks. There was, however, ample sandstone, hence the walls of the oldest Fort Stanton buildings are made of stone, not adobe.

The majority of the buildings on the main ground trace their beginnings to the days when Fort Stanton was selected by the Marine Health Service – a forerunner of the U.S. Public Health Service – selected the fort to be the first federal hospital dedicated exclusively to the treatment of tuberculosis.

The fort's status as a TB hospital outlasted its original mission as a military post by more than a decade.

Fort Stanton served as an active military post from its creation in 1855 until its closure in 1896. Reopened as a hospital designed initially to care for merchant seaman with what was termed "consumption," the Fort Stanton Marine Hospital remained operational until 1953 improvements in the treatment of tuberculosis made virtual isolation no longer necessary.

The military outpost almost didn't survive the opening days of the Civil War.

Faced with a depleted company of troops, the fort's commander, Lt. Col. Benjamin Roberts was forced to abandon Fort Stanton on Aug. 2, 1861. Roberts ordered the fort to be set aflame, to spare the facility capture by raiding Confederate troops from Texas, but a monsoon rain squelched the flames, leaving the fort largely intact. The Confederates, faced with the same difficulties of trying to control hostile Apaches, eventually abandoned Fort Stanton after less than a month of occupation.

By late 1862, federal troops again reoccupied the fort, although little repair work to the fire damaged buildings was completed, and pictures of the era show chimneys sticking up out of roof-less buildings that housed, among others, the camp hospital.

Still, some of the fort's most colorful history occurred during that period shortly before and during WWII, when more than 400 German merchant seamen – the crew of the luxury liner SS Columbia – found themselves beached in the United States when their captain, Wilhelm Daehne, under orders from Germany to not allow his ship to fall into British hands, scuttled his vessel off the East Coast in 1939.

The Germans, never officially considered prisoners of war, spent WWII in relative comfort across the Bonita River from the TB hospital in barracks they built themselves, along with a gymnasium and a swimming pool.



Several of the foundations of buildings erected by the German detainees are still visible through the trees as one stands on the Fort's parade ground.

Also still present are the graves of four of the German detainees, interred alone in a far corner of the Fort Stanton Cemetery. Actually the four – Freidrich Steffens, Heinrich Renken, Hermann Neuhoff and Otto Zeitsch – rested alone for 60 years until joined by U.S. Merchant Seaman and WWII veteran Otto Joseph Ernst, who was said to have been raised in the Capitan area and got to know the German detainees during his youth. Upon his passing in 2004, Ernst was interred alongside the four detainees.

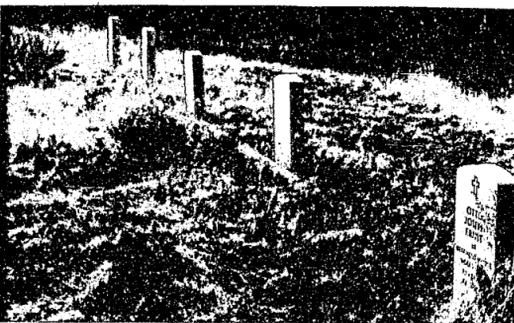
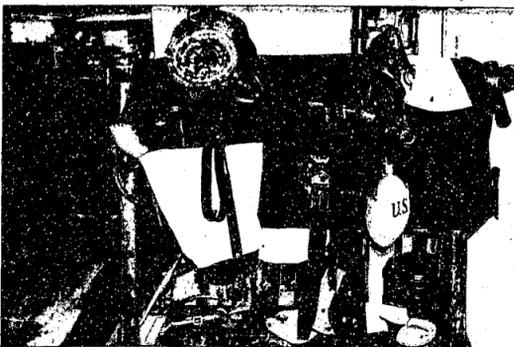
It's all part of the unique history of Fort Stanton.

Look for Part 2 of this series in our July 19 edition.

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Eddie Farrell/Ruidoso Free Press

Mike Bilboe points to an old map of Fort Stanton made during its active military days. Below, Cavalry troops would have patrolled riding a saddle of this type, complete with all of the accoutrements. At bottom, four German internees – Freidrich Steffens, Heinrich Renken, Hermann Neuhoff and Otto Zeitsch – who were crew members of the SS Columbia, are buried apart from other graves at the Fort Stanton Cemetery. In 2004, they were joined by U.S. Merchant Marine Seaman and WWII veteran Otto Joseph Ernst, who chose to be buried near the Germans, whom he had gotten to know during his youth.



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SPORTS



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RESULTS

July 3

Pro baseball

Roswell 7, Ruidoso 2

July 4

Pro baseball

Roswell 12, Roswell 8

July 5

Pro baseball

Roswell 12, Ruidoso 5

Little League baseball

Minor League District 2

Tournament at Roswell

Ruidoso 10, Tularosa 0

July 6

Pro baseball

Ruidoso at Las Cruces, 7:05 p.m.

Little League baseball

Minor League District 2

Tournament at Roswell

Ruidoso 25, Roswell Eastside 4

Major League District 2

Tournament at Tularosa

Ruidoso 4, Alamogordo 0

July 7

Pro baseball

Las Cruces 12, Ruidoso 6

Little League baseball

Major League District 2

Tournament at Tularosa

Roswell Lions Hondo 5, Ruidoso 3

July 8

Pro baseball

Las Cruces 6, Ruidoso 2

Little League baseball

Minor League District 2

Tournament at Roswell

Noon Optimist 18, Ruidoso 5

Major League District 2

Tournament at Tularosa

Ruidoso 11, Valley 8

July 9

Pro baseball

Ruidoso 6, Las Cruces 4 (12 innings)

Little League baseball

Minor League District 2

Tournament at Roswell

Valley 7, Ruidoso 6

Major League District 2

Tournament at Tularosa

Ruidoso 4, Rotary 2

July 10

Pro baseball

Pecos League All-Star Game at Alamogordo

Zias 9, Mountaineers 8

Little League baseball

Major League District 2

Tournament at Tularosa

Lions Hondo 13, Ruidoso 4

SPORTS UPCOMING

July 13

Pro baseball

Alpine at Ruidoso, 4:05 p.m.

July 14

Pro baseball

Alpine at Ruidoso, 4:05 p.m.

July 15

Pro baseball

Alpine at Ruidoso, 4:05 p.m.

Horse racing

Zia Futurity trials at Ruidoso Downs, 1 p.m.

Softball

Last Chance Qualifier at Eagle Creek, TBA

July 16

Pro baseball

Alpine at Ruidoso, 4:05 p.m.

Horse racing

Zia Derby trials at Ruidoso Downs, 1 p.m.

Softball

Last Chance Qualifier at Eagle Creek, TBA

July 17

Pro baseball

Carlsbad at Ruidoso, 4:05 p.m.

Horse racing

Rio Grande Senior/Senorita trials at Ruidoso Downs, 1 p.m.

Softball

Last Chance Qualifier at Eagle Creek, TBA

July 18

Pro baseball

Carlsbad at Ruidoso, 4:05 p.m.

Horse racing

Maiden, claiming and allowance racing at Ruidoso Downs, 1 p.m.

July 19

Pro baseball

Carlsbad at Ruidoso, 4:05 p.m.

July 20

Pro baseball

Las Cruces at Ruidoso, 4:05 p.m.

Rainbow Futurity field set

By Todd Fuqua

Sports Editor

Horse racing is a fickle sport, just ask Jackie Riddle.

The trainer of Silver For Me, this year's winner in the Ruidoso Futurity and the only horse eligible for the Quarter Horse Triple Crown, had to look on in frustration as a 6 mph crosswind kept her charge from even qualifying for this year's Rainbow Futurity.

The sorrel gelding won his trial against a lineup of horses trained by a murderer's row of talent Friday – including All American Futurity winners Paul Jones and Heath Taylor. But his time of 19.795 seconds wasn't enough to crack the top 10 fastest horses on the day.

"Please Dear Lord, let us have the time," Riddle was heard imploring while waiting for the time to be posted at the end of the race.

Silver For Me was up against more than just a cross wind, he was also fighting to at least equal or better times set by such horses as Feature Mr Bojangles – this year's Four Corners Futurity winner at Sunray Park in Farmington – and a trio of horses selected by a familiar face at Ruidoso Downs.

Retired trainer Jack Brooks – an eight-time winning trainer of the All American Futurity and four-time winner of the Rainbow Futurity – has come out of retirement, sort of, to choose three of the top-10 horses to make it.

The trio – Mighty B Valiant, Jess Cuervo and YM Quick – were all trained by Raymond Vargas – a longtime assistant of



Ty Wyant/For the Ruidoso Free Press

Trainer Raymond Vargas, left, leads Mighty B Valiant to the winner's circle after jockey G.R. Carter led the colt to a convincing victory in the trials to the Rainbow Futurity Friday at Ruidoso Downs. Mighty B Valiant had the fastest time on the day.

Brooks. They were also all in the first eight races of the day, when the wind was at most of the contestants' backs.

Still, one can't deny the training talent that went into preparing those horses for the trials.

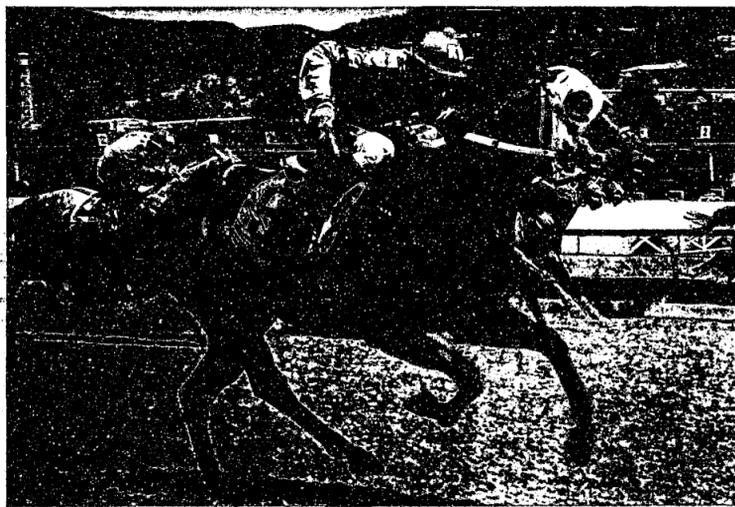
"Raymond trained for me for years, and when I see him training, I see him doing things the exact way I did it," Brooks said. "I was a hands-on trainer and so is he. I'm so

proud of him and what he's done."

Brooks was approached by You and Me Partners – for whom he trained for several years – to pick some of the best horses to run in these trials from their stable, and the only three he chose all made it to final.

Mighty B Valiant, in particular, was the best of the bunch, turning in a time of 19.414

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Todd Fuqua/Ruidoso Free Press

Cold Cash 123, ridden by Roy Baldillez, flies to a victory in the first trial to the Rainbow Derby Saturday at Ruidoso Downs. The gelding, trained by Dwayne Gilbreath, almost set a new track record for 440 yards with a time of 20.762 seconds, the fastest on the day.

Gilbreath horse is fastest Rainbow Derby qualifier

By Todd Fuqua

Sports Editor

Trainer Dwayne "Sleepy" Gilbreath showed you should never count him out in the trials to this year's Rainbow Derby Saturday at Ruidoso Downs.

Gilbreath trained Cold Cash 123, who started off the trials with a bang, taking advantage of a stiff tailwind which kicked up right before the start and coming within 3/100th of the track record at 440 yards with a time of 20.762 seconds.

"He loves running the 440 yards," said Gilbreath, who won last year's All American Juvenile with Cold Cash 123. "His big deal is getting away from the gate good. If he does that, he can win anywhere"

Cold Cash 123 didn't have a bad break, but it wasn't the best. Once he got clear, though, he powered to the front and stayed there to win by 2 1/4 lengths.

Even more impressive is the field against which Cold Cash 123 was running. It was a group that included JLS Bigtime – second in last year's All American Futurity – and Paul Jones-trained American Runaway, winner of last year's Ruidoso Futurity and second in the Rainbow Futurity.

Jones wasn't shut out of the final, as he and jockey Ramon Sanchez led Royally Sandra to victory in the final trial of the day. Royally Sandra's time

of 21.16 seconds was fast enough to knock out the bottom two horses left, including JD Baccarat, another horse trained by Jones and owned partly by Ruidoso Downs owner R.D. Hubbard.

"This wasn't a surprise for us," Hubbard said of Royally Sandra's run. "This was a good filly that ran in the Ruidoso Futurity last year and got hurt. We're happy to be in there, but I still feel bad for my connections with JD Baccarat."

Royally Sandra didn't have to contend with the wind, just a bad break from the gate – in which she got bumped every which way before finding a lane and accelerating to the front.

"It's been a long time coming for this horse," Jones said. "Everything was on our side for this one, and I feel good for Mr. Hubbard to get her in."

Bodacious Dash, owned by Johnny Trotter and trained by Blane Wood, needed a burst of speed to catch up to and pass the field in the second trial race of the day. The sorrel colt just nicked DM Streakn Thru Fire – trained by Michael Joiner and owned by Telling No Lies Partnership – at the wire to win by a nose in 21.076 seconds.

"Joiner's horse had us, and we had to catch up to him," Wood said. "This horse just runs different every time. We're glad we won and hope we have the time."

DM Streakn Thru Fire's time of

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Zias win first-ever Pecos League All-Star game

By Todd Fuqua

Sports Editor

ALAMOGORDO – High scores and home runs have been the hallmarks of the inaugural Pecos League season, so it stood to reason fans were expecting a lot of fireworks at the first-ever Pecos League All-Star game Sunday.

But it seems the players got all their home runs out of the way early during the home run derby held before the game. White Sands' Ruben Sanchez was the only one to put the ball out during the game – a two-run shot over the left field fence that got his team on the board in the third inning.

The Zias – made up of players from White Sands, Las Cruces and Carlsbad – won the war of attrition, winning 9-8.

The Mountaineers – Ruidoso, Roswell and Alpine – drew first blood in the top of the second with four runs on four hits, including a trio of doubles by Roswell's Josh Cakebread and Clifton Thomas and Alpine's James Kono.

The Mountaineer pitchers, meanwhile, were making short work of the Zia hitters through the first two innings. Starter Alan Gatz of the Ruidoso Osos pitched both innings, striking out the side in order in the bottom of the second.

Even with Sanchez' home run in the bottom of the third – and an additional two runs in the fifth – the Mountaineers were able to stay just ahead, having put a run a cross in the fifth when Oso Case Rigby scored on an RBI single by Cakebread, and scoring another run in the top of the sixth on an RBI single by Oso outfielder Anthony Phillips.

But the wheels came off for the Mountaineers in the sixth. The Zias got to Roswell pitcher Brandon Godfrey for five runs on six hits. Doubles by Las

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Todd Fuqua/Ruidoso Free Press

Alan Gatz got the start Sunday in the Pecos League All-Star game at Alamogordo.

Changes in store for Ruidoso Osos

By Todd Fuqua

Sports Editor

The week hasn't exactly been kind to the Ruidoso Osos, but it hasn't necessarily been bad, either.

Ruidoso came into its four-game series with Las Cruces needing wins in a bad way, having fallen to fourth place in the Pecos League standings and just barely staying ahead of Alpine in the race for the final playoff spot.

The Osos were able to earn a split with the Vaqueros, keeping them a half-game in front of Alpine in the standings. But they also lost a manager.

Kevin Griffin, who has led Ruidoso since the beginning of the season, is no longer the field general as of Sunday, according to general manager Billy Page. He met with the



Cortney Nelson fires to the plate Friday during the Osos' game against the Vaqueros at Las Cruces.

Photo by Niki Rhynes

team Monday one last time before moving on to an assistant coaching position in Amarillo.

Samuel Sanchez has been named as the new manager of the team — according to the Pecos League website, and will join the club today.

"Kevin Griffin is a

very solid baseball person and will make a good coach in a more stable situation, said Andrew Dunn, Pecos League commissioner. "I have no doubt in my mind without Kevin in Ruidoso they would have been 10 games lower in the standings then where they sit.

"It was time to move forward, Kevin had an offer in a higher league," he added. "The Osos appreciate Kevin's work as inaugural manager."

Turning it around

Sanchez will take over a team that has struggled of late, but started to turn

things around with a split with Las Cruces just before the All-Star break.

The Osos were swept by Roswell in a three game series before travelling to Las Cruces, and won the first game 12-11, only to fall to the Vaqueros the following night, 12-6.

Ruidoso then lost 6-2 July 8, but was able to salvage the split with a 6-4, 12-inning decision that featured a run batted in from an unlikely source.

Joey Raubenheimer, who has served as the team's bullpen catcher but had yet to see any game time, was called on in the extra innings with the score tied 3-all and runners at second and third. He hit a sacrifice fly to center field to score the go-ahead run.

"He's worked his tail off and has never com-

plained," Page said of Raubenheimer's contribution. "He came through when we needed it."

The Osos kick off the second half of the season Wednesday, starting a four-game series against Alpine at home. Page said the Osos will be ready to make a run to solidify their spot in the playoffs.

"The guys will play ball and do what it takes to win," Page said. "There's no need to complain about the little things, just take care of them and the big ones will take care of themselves."

"It's not how you start the year in this league, it's how you finish," said outfielder Anthony Phillips. "We have great pitching and good defense as well as great hitting. If we click like we can, no one can stop us."

ALL-STAR

Cruces' Harry Williams and White Sands' Ernie Muñoz and RBI singles by Pupfish Justin Smith and Jerome McCollum.

The Mountaineers got to within a run with two runs in the eighth inning, but it was too little, too late.

Despite the loss, Phillips said his experience being in the All-Star game was

a good one.

"It was nice being a part of something like this," Phillips said. "It was also a lot of fun."

Home run king

Before the game began, the league's best hitters gathered for the home run derby, which saw Ruidoso infielder Case Rigby take the title with 22 dingers in two rounds.

After leading off the first round with 11 shots, he then had to sit around and watch everyone else get a shot before he was finally able to step to the plate as the last batter of the contest.

"I sat around for an hour, but it wasn't that bad," Rigby said. "It's so warm down here, I was able to stay loose."

Rigby needed 10 home runs to tie

Rob Rodriguez of White Sands in the final round. He got 11 to get the victory.

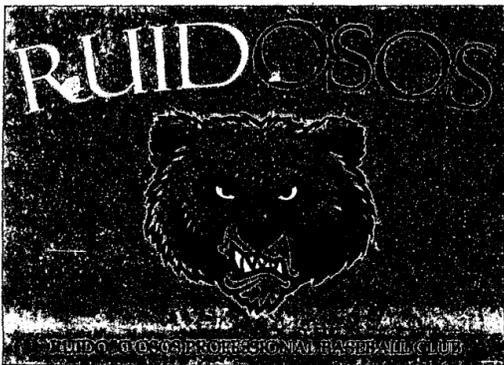
"This was a lot of fun," Rigby said after he was handed the honorary sledgehammer denoting his win. "Especially when everyone's cheering for you."

Zias 9, Mountaineers 8

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MEET YOUR TEAM



It's the beginning of the second half of the season, as the Osos host Alpine starting Wednesday at White Mountain Athletic Complex.

Leo Madrid

Position: Pitcher
Playing experience:

Played two years at Rio Hondo Junior College in Whittier, Calif. and a year at Dickinson State University in North Dakota. Is a solid pitcher from the bullpen for the Osos.



Mike Jackson

Position: Pitcher
Playing experience:

A graduate of Penn State University, Jackson is coming off a good showing in the Pecos League All-Star game, pitching one inning while allowing one hit and no runs. Was in the California Winter League when he heard about the opportunities in the Pecos League. A major in business marketing, Jackson hopes to make it to Major League baseball, whether as a player or as a businessman.



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Ruidoso errors end Major tournament for local team

By Todd Fuqua

Sports Editor

TULAROSA – For three innings, this was a close game.

Ruidoso's Major All-Stars actually had a 3-2 lead after two innings in the consolation round of the District 2 tournament at Tularosa in a rematch of their 5-3 loss to Lions Hondo earlier in the bracket.

For a while, it looked as though Ruidoso would get a measure of revenge and earn a spot in the district title game against Noon Optimist.

But fatigue and errors got the best of Ruidoso, as Lions Hondo scored eight runs in the final three innings to earn a 13-4 win and end the Ruidoso team's season.

Ruidoso was starting its ace – Francisco Mayville – and was prepared to go the distance with him in an effort to get past Lions Hondo and into the championship. But a line drive off his leg took him off the mound and seemed to take some momentum away from Ruidoso.

Ruidoso coach Chris Woodul wouldn't say Mayville was less effective after the hit, but he did concede miscues were his



Todd Fuqua/Ruidoso Free Press

Ruidoso's Donnie Stephens connects for a home run against Alamogordo Rotary during the first round of the Little League District 2 Major tournament at Tularosa July 7.

team's biggest problem.

"It might have slowed his momentum," Woodul said of Mayville's slight injury – but he had only 20 pitches left anyway.

"At that point, it was Donnie (Stephens) or Kyler (Woodul), and we ended up using both of

them," coach Woodul continued. "But we gave them too many runs with our errors."

"I was a little worried coming in, particularly against Mayville," said Lions Hondo coach Joe Carpenter. "But the shot to his leg affected him and his

team. They also had to play so much more ball than us, and it caught up to them."

It's not like Lions Hondo was without its hits. Brandon Renteria put an exclamation point on the game in the top of the sixth inning with a home run over the right field fence, but there's no denying Ruidoso's defense – which had been so reliable through the series – let them down.

The loss overshadowed what had been a successful run for Ruidoso in the tournament – marking the first time a Ruidoso Major All-Star team had made it this far in a long time.

"I'm still proud of my kids," coach Woodul said. "We did better than a lot of people expected."

Strong pitching

Ruidoso used solid pitching and defense to win the first game of the tournament July 6, shutting out Alamogordo Rotary 4-0, riding the arms of Kyler Woodul, Hayden Frierson, Stephens and Mayville.

The foursome combined to hold Alamogordo to just one hit in the game. Ruidoso left a number of runners on base in the

game, but finally broke through in the fifth inning when Stephens hit a two-run home run to really put the game out of reach.

Alamogordo's hitting was never able to get untracked, as the Ruidoso pitchers combined for nine strikeouts and didn't allow an Alamogordo runner past second base.

"Our defense was really good. We've got 10-12 guys that were all shortstops on their team, but can play any position well," said coach Woodul. "The key was getting our guys to bat. Our lineup is designed to be aggressive at the plate."

After losing to Lions Hondo the following evening Ruidoso was up against Valley in the loser's bracket. They used a four-run, three-hit fourth inning to take the lead for good en route to an 11-8 win.

Stephens again hit a two-run homer in that inning, and had two of Ruidoso's nine hits in the game. The locals also took advantage of four errors by Valley.

Ruidoso then met up a second time with Alamogordo, and again relied on pitching and defense to get a 4-2 win to get to the tournament semifinal.

Minors fall in last-inning comeback

Todd Fuqua and Karen Boehler

For the Ruidoso Free Press

ROSWELL – The Valley Minors Little League team appeared to take a page out of the Roswell Invaders playbook Saturday, as they staged a last-inning, come-from-behind victory over Ruidoso to advance to Sunday's title game.

It didn't start well for the local team, though, as Ruidoso pitching was nearly unstoppable.

Valley's first two batters grounded out before Jonah Chavez doubled, David Miramontes singled and Isaac "Tiger" Irigoyen tripled to score two. But after that, Ruidoso starter Lance Baster settled down and didn't allow any hits through the fifth.

Ruidoso, meanwhile, added runs in three of the next five innings of starter Irigoyen.

Rylan Tercero scored in the first when he walked and came home on a groundout and single.

Ruidoso tied the game in the second on another walk, to Jared Guevara, who came home on a triple by Grady Woodul.

After Irigoyen set Ruidoso down 1-2-3 in the third, they came back big in the fourth, scoring three runs on three singles, a double and two walks. Chris Shally, Mason Taylor and Easter each scored.

Ruidoso made it 6-2 in the fifth on a walk to Shelly and triple by Taylor.

But while Valley couldn't do anything against Easter, they made quick work of relievers Tercero and Guevara.

Jacob Amaya was hit to lead off the inning then Chavez and Miramontes both singled. Irigoyen walked and Nick Cobos doubled, tying the score at 6-6. After Jarran Amaro walked, Izak Aguilar doubled in what would be the winning run.

But while he said he felt "excited," after putting his team up, he was also still concerned.

"When Jacob (Amaya) struck out I was a little nervous because I didn't know

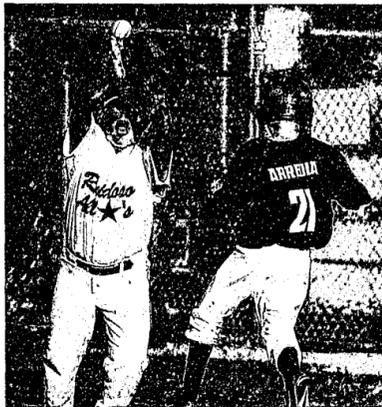


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Ruidoso first baseman Dominic Barela takes the throw to retire an Eastside runner.

if we could hold them again," he said.

He needn't have worried. At least, not too much.

Pitching in relief, Amaro came to the mound and gave up back-to-back singles to Woodul and Dominic Barela, followed by a double by Takoda Moorhead.

But on a heads-up piece of fielding, the throw went to the plate and Woodul was out in a controversial play. After that, Amaro struck out the next to players to guarantee the win.

Aguilar also said he was nervous before his double.

Fighting back tears for his team, Ruidoso coach Russell Easter said the difference was fundamentals.

"We made some defensive errors and it got away from us," he said. "We let them get ahead. We just kind of beat ourselves."

But it was the farthest a Ruidoso squad had gone in some time, which made the loss a little easier to bear.

"This is the first team we've had get to this point to try to play for the championship. I can't be more proud of them," he said.

DERBY

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21.137 seconds was still fast enough to get the gelding owned by Telling No Lies Partnership into the final as the fifth-fastest horse.

Llano Teller, the winner of this year's Ruidoso Derby, had a time of 21.171 seconds, good enough for seventh-fastest when he won the fifth trial. Even with a 10-mph tailwind, Llano Teller had a tough time getting a faster time and erasing any doubt he'd make it to the final.

"He's so laid back, but the gate crew did well," said jockey G.R. Carter, who rode the brown gelding to a win for Wootan Racing and Reed Land and Cattle. "I was concerned a little about the wind and whether it would turn around on us, but he finished well. He's a fun little horse to ride and he's so intelligent."

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seconds in winning his trial by more than three lengths. Jess Cuervo turned in the second-fastest time on the day, winning his trial by a length in 19.448 seconds.

That Brooks chose these horses shouldn't come as too much of a surprise, as he had trained a number of their ancestors.

"I trained the mothers and daddies of

these colts," Brooks said. "They looked good as one-year-olds and were ready from the word go."

Champion trainer Paul Jones will also be represented in the Rainbow final, having led Jess Sass Dash and Big Daddy Cartel to the sixth- and ninth-fastest qualifying times. Jones had seven winners overall in Friday's trials.

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Pecos League standings				
	W	L	Pct.	GB
Roswell Invaders	29	15	.659	-
White Sands Pupfish	29	16	.644	½
Las Cruces Vaqueros	25	20	.556	3½
Ruidoso Osos	23	21	.523	6
Alpine Cowboys	23	22	.511	6½
Carlsbad Bats	5	40	.125	23½

July 3
White Sands 7, Las Cruces 1
Alpine 5, Carlsbad 4
Roswell 7, Ruidoso 2

July 4
Roswell 12, Ruidoso 8
White Sands 4, Las Cruces 1
Alpine 16, Carlsbad 8

July 5
Las Cruces 12, White Sands 4
Alpine 11, Carlsbad 5
Roswell 12, Ruidoso 5

July 6
Ruidoso 12, Las Cruces 11
Roswell 7, Carlsbad 4

July 7
Las Cruces 12, Ruidoso 6
Roswell 15, Carlsbad 8

Alpine 8, White Sands 1

July 8
Las Cruces 6, Ruidoso 2
Roswell 7, Carlsbad 6 (13 innings)
Alpine 13, White Sands 12

July 9
White Sands 5, Alpine 4 (13 innings)
White Sands 3, Alpine 1
Ruidoso 6, Las Cruces 4 (12 innings)
Roswell 13, Carlsbad 8

July 10
Pecos League All-Star Game
Zias 9, Mountaineers 8

July 11
Alpine at Carlsbad, 7:05 p.m.

July 13
Alpine at Ruidoso, 4:05 p.m.
Roswell at Las Cruces, 7:05 p.m.
Carlsbad at White Sands, 7:05 p.m.

July 14
Alpine at Ruidoso, 4:05 p.m.
Roswell at Las Cruces, 7:05 p.m.
Carlsbad at White Sands, 7:05 p.m.

July 15
Alpine at Ruidoso, 4:05 p.m.
Roswell at Las Cruces, 7:05 p.m.
Carlsbad at White Sands, 7:05 p.m.

July 16
Alpine at Ruidoso, 4:05 p.m.
Roswell at Las Cruces, 7:05 p.m.
Carlsbad at White Sands, 7:05 p.m.

July 17
Roswell at White Sands, 1:05 p.m.
Carlsbad at Ruidoso, 4:05 p.m.

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Carlsbad at Ruidoso, 4:05 p.m.
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Las Cruces at Alpine, 7:05 p.m.

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Spencer takes a ride on the wild surf

By Eddie Farrell

Editor

Time stood still Friday night in Alto, as the Spencer Theater for the Performing Arts was transformed into Surf City, and the packed house all took a thrilling ride in a '34 Woody, grabbed their boards, donned their baggies and bikinis and took that one last ride on that oh-so elusive absolutely perfect wave.

A rare slice of rock and roll history was laid before the appreciative audience who literally rocked the house and danced in the aisles to the classic rock sounds of Dean Torrence and the Surf City All-Stars.

The show, of course, was billed as The Jan and Dean Show, but Jan Berry, the creative force behind the duo's many chart-topping successes, passed on in 2004, the last 40 years of his life living with effects of severe brain damage caused from a 1966 automobile accident.

Left behind was Torrence, who for decades continued to take the stage — often at great personal cost — to bring Jan and Dean's music to legions of fans, many of whom never had the chance to see a pre-aphasia Jan Berry sing his intricately constructed ballads of surf, sun, fast cars and beautiful girls in his always youthful vigor, but instead were treated to a wrenching show of a man succumbing to countless physical ailments that ultimately left him seated on stage, yet still adored, for the duo's last performances.

"The fans loved him," Torrence said Friday of his late partner and friend. "No matter what ... even if he was just sitting there ... they loved him and would give him ovation after ovation."

Well, no one was seated for long Friday at the Spencer, as a Torrence, still looking remarkably young, promised to take the audience on an unforgettable, waxed-up long-board ride of their lives.

Backed by The Surf City All-Stars — Gary Griffin on keyboards, Don Raymond on guitar, "Kowalski" on drums, Chris Farmer on bass and an astounding Philip Bardowell on guitar — Torrence opened the show with one of J&D's biggest hits, "Ride the Wild Surf," with its alluring premise that was at the core of so many of the duo's most common theme — a great time of smiles, laughs, and riding that last perfect wave into the shore for yet another party to begin.

After a fast quarter-mile dash to "Drag City," in which Torrence needlessly alerted the audience that this was a "sing-along" show — at times it seemed everybody in the audience knew every word as well as the man who recorded them — it was more fast cars with "Little Deuce Coupe," "409," "Shut Down," and "I Get Around" — all ported-and-relieved classics made famous pri-



The Surf City All-Stars and Dean Torrence gave a spectacular performance Friday at the Spencer Theater for the Performing Arts in their presentation of The Jan and Dean Show. Pictured are, from left to right, Chris Farmer, bass guitar and vocals; Don Raymond, lead guitar and vocals; Dean Torrence of Jan and Dean; Philip Bardowell, guitar and vocals; and Gary Griffin, keyboards and vocals.

marily by fellow Southern California rockers The Beach Boys, but several of which also made it on to J&D records of the early 60's.

The surfari then returned back to the beach with several Beach Boys numbers — performed with a certain gusto attainable only because of Torrence's great respect for the band, as well as several of the All-Stars, at various points, being members of the Beach Boys — such as "Surfer Girl," "In My Room," and the truly beautiful Brian Wilson composition, "Don't Worry Baby," featuring Farmer on lead vocals.

Unlike the early J&D days, when Torrence provided the distinctive falsetto vocals so unique to Jan and Dean — and in later shows was forced to carry the lead given Berry's faltering memory and shaky ability to remember his own songs — on Friday Torrence seemed happy to allow his band mates to carry most of the lead vocal burden, pitching in when necessary, but seemingly "completely" happy as a rhythm guitarist and backing vocalist.

Never really a strong lead singer, Torrence was wise to allow Bardowell — who spent several years touring with the Beach Boys — handle the bulk of the lead vocal work in a stunning fashion that led audience members to shed their seats to dance in the Spencer aisles.

It wasn't all sun and surf; a number of songs touched on other big 60's and 70's rock and roll hits, "I Can See Clearly Now," "Let's Dance," "Gimme Some Lovin'," "Margaritaville" and "Runaround Sue," and more Beach Boy classics like "Do You Want to Dance," "Dance, Dance, Dance," "Let's Do it Again," and the timeless "Kokomo."

Torrence himself delivered the lead vocals to the landmark J&D classics "Little Old Lady From Pasadena," and the haunt-

ing life imitates art anthem, "Dead Man's Curve," which predated Berry's near fatal collision by several years, but literally forecast, almost exactly, the spot of the songwriter's near demise, and the tongue-and-cheek "Sidewalk Surfin'."

Perhaps feeding on the love flowing from the audience, The All-Stars continued to add more songs to their already burgeoning set, going heavy on the Beach Boys' "California Girls," "I Can Hear Music," "God Only Knows," and the ever-popular

"Help Me Rhonda," which again brought the audience to their feet, hands in the air, the aisles filled with dancing.

From that point on, the Spencer seats were vacant as Torrence again sang a fantastic lead on "Surf City," with its promise of "two girls for every boy," and the Beach Boys' wildly popular "Surfin' USA," and "Barbara Ann," which Torrence himself provided vocals on the original recording.

Fittingly, the amazing show ended with "Fun, Fun, Fun," which perfectly summed up the response, from an exhausted, but delighted audience, many of whom expressed it was one of the better shows they had

ever attended at the Spencer. But clearly, the man who had the most fun during the night was Torrence, who looked remarkably at ease and genuinely comfortable as he greeted a long line of admirers after the show.

Freed from the responsibility of tending after Berry before, during and after shows, Torrence performed like a man who finally, in an act of joyful bliss, had actually found that perfect wave, and was determined to let "that one last ride" never end.

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Gabriel Iglesias has been described as unbelievably funny, electrifying, and a gifted performer who has the ability to consistently deliver a quality comedy experience in every venue he performs in. His high-octane show is a hilarious mixture of storytelling, parodies, characters and sound effects that bring all his personal issues to life. Gabe's clean, animated comedy style has earned national crossover appeal. Ask anyone who has seen him in concert and you will probably hear the same thing, "He was so funny!"

Known as the "fluffy" comic in a Hawaiian shirt, the 33-year old funny man often riffs about his girthy middle - whether it's talking about how little dancing it takes for him to work up a sweat at the nightclub, or how hearing his girlfriend coo the words "chocolate cake" over the telephone works for him like phone sex, he evokes laughter.

Gabriel's mass appeal opened the door to a rare opportunity to film a second one hour special and DVD. The new special entitled "I'm Not Fat... I'm Fluffy" Live from El Paso premiered on Comedy Central No-



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Gabriel's credits include *Last Comic Standing*, ABC's *My Wife & Kids*, Showtime's *Resurrection Boulevard*, *Jimmy Kimmel Live*, *The Tonight Show with Jay Leno*, *Good Morning America*, *The Late Late Show*, FOX TV's *The Family Guy*, *Showtime at the Apollo* and BET's *Comic View*.

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Classical music in the mountains

Painted Violins on display prior to July 30 live auction

Eight Painted Violins are now on display throughout Lincoln County, before being auctioned on July 30 as part of the Seventh Annual Chamber Music Festival in Ruidoso.

Lincoln County artists, each using a full-sized violin as their canvas, created works of art using oil and acrylic paints, cow horn and specialty papers. Sponsors selected designs and underwrote the cost of producing the violins.

Photos of the violins can be seen at www.ruidosochambermusic.com. They can be seen "in person" at: Capitan Public Library July 12 - 19; Ruidoso Public Library July 20 - 29.

On July 30 the violins will be sold at a live auction at the Spencer Theater for the Performing Arts at approximately 6:15 p.m. There is no charge to attend the auction. Phone bidding can be arranged in advance by calling 575-

973-0880. The proceeds of the auction benefit the nonprofit Chamber Music Festival, Inc. which holds an annual classical music festival in addition to bringing professional musicians to area schools. This summer's concerts feature pianist Di Wu and the Linden String Quartet.

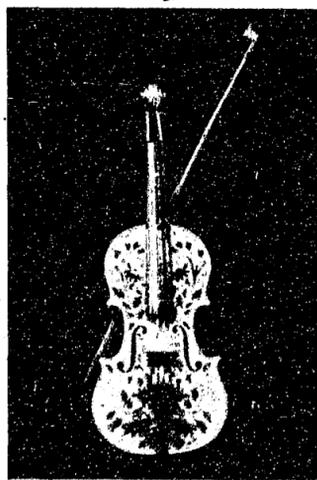
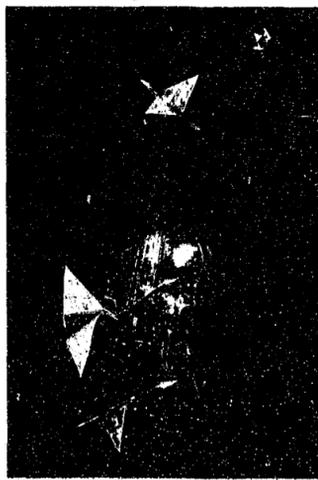
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From left to right, "On Wings of Song" by Ardis R. Hood, "Fantasy Flowers" by Mary Lea Lane and "Mountain Majesty" by Anita Keegan.

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

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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.

Hubbard Museum of the American West, Ruidoso Downs - the first New Mexico museum to be granted "affiliate" status with the Smithsonian Institution. The Museum is home to an extensive permanent collection of magnificent carriages, wagons, saddles, firearms and Indian artifacts, as well as ever-changing traveling exhibits. Located just east of the Ruidoso Downs Race Track on Highway 70, the entrance to the Museum features the landmark bronze "Free Spirits of Noisy Water," one of the largest equine sculptures in the U.S. with eight larger-than-life horses, representing seven different breeds. The Museum is open seven days a week from 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Admission begins at \$6 for adults with discounts available for seniors, military and youth. The Hubbard Museum of the American West is owned and operated by the City of Ruidoso Downs. To find more information on the Hubbard Museum of the American West, please visit www.hubbard-museum.org or call 575-378-4142.

Colasanti are featured in director Daniel Schmidin's touching documentary about a group of legendary divas who are left singing out their days in a Milan nursing home for retired opera singers. Time and memories have not always been kind to the women, who are left to reflect on their triumphs and failures, their heartaches and disappointments, and their love affair with classical music and performance. In the opera, "Tosca's Kiss" is the kiss of death; but this is a film about living. Don't miss it. For more information, call 575-257-2273; www.sacredgroundscoffeeshop.com/. No purchase is necessary to attend Free Movie Nights. Sacred Grounds Coffee and Tea House will be offering for sale its regular selection of quiches, soups and drinks plus a special selection of new menu items especially appropriate for the movies. All regular coffee drinks, specialty coffee drinks, and teas (now wine and beer, too) will be available for purchase before, during and immediately after the movie. Cookies and other special desserts will also be available for purchase.

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

Aaron LaCombe Band performs at Casa Blanca Restaurant and Cantina on Mechem Drive from 9 to 10 p.m.

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

SUNDAY JULY 17

Ruidoso Oso Baseball, White Mountain Park, 100 White Mountain Dr., 4:05 - 7 p.m. Carlsbad Bats vs Ruidoso Oso. 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.ruidososoos.com

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

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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: The Mixx Band; movie: Jaws. For information, call the Inn of the Mountain Gods, 575-464-7777; www.innofthemountaingod.com/events/sundays-under-the-stars-2/

MONDAY JULY 18

Summer Soccer Camps at White Mountain Elementary Soccer Complex. Led by RHS Soccer Coach Kelly Brown, UEFA Certified Soccer Coach. Ages 2 - 3 Soccer Activities/Games, 1 hr 8:30 - 9:30 a.m. - (max 10) - \$55/child PARENTS MUST ATTEND FULL HOUR. Ages 3 - 5 Beginning Soccer, 1.5 hrs 9:30 - 11 a.m., (max 15) - \$65/child. Parents encouraged to attend. Ages 6 - 10 Basic Improving Skills, 3 hrs, 11:15 a.m. - 2:15 p.m., (max 25) - \$80/child. Ages 11-14 Improving Skills / Intermediate, 3 hrs, 4 p.m. - 7 p.m. - (max 30) - \$80/child. Contact Kelly Brown, PO Box 2074, Ruidoso Downs, NM 88346

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TUESDAY JULY 12

Wilderness Camp, Parks and Recreation Office, 801 Resort Dr. Monday - Friday, 7:30 a.m. - 5:30 p.m., runs through August 12. Sponsored by the Ruidoso Parks and Recreation. "Back to Basics, Back to Nature" Activities include horseback riding, fishing, canoeing, hiking, biking, disc golf, nature walks, nature crafts, archery, outdoor sports, golf, tennis, swimming, etc. Youth ages 6 - 13 (Entering 1st - 7th). Provide your own snacks (2) and lunch. For more information, contact Parks and Recreation: 575-257-5030; www.ruidoso-nm.gov/ParksRecreation/ParksRec.html. Fees: \$95 per week or \$32 a day for the 1st child, \$85 or per week or \$30 a day for additional children within the same family. Registration continues throughout the summer on a first-come basis. Space is limited to the first 36 registrants.

Pinocchio, Missoula Children's Theatre (Auditions and Workshop) at the Spencer for the Performing Arts, 108 Spencer Rd., Alto, through July 14. Missoula Children's Theatre Auditions and Workshop for Pinocchio. The people in charge of the workshop are pairs of actors that depart Missoula, Montana, each year in vans packed with costumes, props, youthful energy and steamer trunks full of patience. They come to villages like Ruidoso and audition children on Monday, and then work and polish them into a stage show, under the spotlights, by Friday night. It's a lesson in the possible for 60-plus children ages 6-16. The idea is that, while all of the world is a stage... everyone ought to have the opportunity to actually perform on one at least once. That's what the Missoula Children's Theatre accomplishes. Please contact the Spencer Theater, 1-888-818-7872, for the workshop schedule. The performance is on Friday, July 15 at 7 p.m. There is no cost to participate in the week-long workshop.

Summer Reading Programs at the Village of Ruidoso Public Library from 2 - 3 p.m. Family movie *Equus: a tale of 3 horses*. Sign-up continues for Summer Reading Program until July 16. Adults are invited to attend.

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

WEDNESDAY JULY 13

Farmer'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 Fairytales from Around the World. Craft: Make a sombrero. 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 JULY 14

Summer Reading Programs at the Village of Ruidoso Public Library from 2 - 3 p.m. Chinese Calligraphy for 12 & older: Simple origami for 6-11 year olds. Sign-up continues for Summer Reading Program until July 16.

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Business After Hours, ENMU-Ruidoso, 709 Mechem, 5 - 7 p.m. Come network and mix with your fellow Chamber Members. Free admission.

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FRIDAY JULY 15

Last Chance Qualifier, USSSA Slow Pitch Tournament, Eagle Creek Sports Complex, Hwy 532, Alto, through July 17. Men's & Women's Open, Men's D & E/E REC. Contact Parks and Recreation 575-257-5030 for more information. See website, www.ussa.com, for registration to participate. Free for spectator.

Ruidoso Federated Women's Club Book Sale, 116 S. Evergreen, Ruidoso, 12 - 5 p.m.; Saturday, 9 a.m. - 5 p.m. Paperback, hardback, books on tape and CD, DVD. Contact Tammy Pritchard: 575-257-2309 for more information. Free.

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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.

Pinocchio, Missoula Children's Theatre at the Spencer for the Performing Arts, 108 Spencer Rd., Alto, 7 p.m. Performance of Pinocchio. The actors who attended the workshop all week have worked hard and will put on a wonderful performance. The story of the puppet who wants to be "A REAL BOY". Contact the Spencer Theater, 1-888-818-7872. \$15 for adults and \$7 for children.

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

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

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

Loretta's Barbed Wire Band performs for Full Moon Nights Summer 2011 at White Sands National Monument at 8:30 p.m. Sounds of classic country and Norteño ballads along with contemporary country songs will fill the moonlit night when Loretta's Barbed Wire Band takes the stage in July. Hailing from El Paso, Texas, this band will take listeners on a country music journey that captures the essence of the borderland. Programs are held in monument's amphitheater and are free. Monument entrance fees apply: \$3 per person 16 years and older. Events may be canceled due to weather and will not be rescheduled. Reservations are not accepted. Visit www.nps.gov/whsa for more information.

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 JULY 16

Christmas in July Bazaar, 121 Mescalero Trail, 8 a.m. - 3 p.m. Luncheon from 11:30 - 1:30. Come buy Christmas decorations or presents early! Looking for "gently used" fur-

niture? The Church will have a Garage Sale, Bake Sale & Arts & Crafts. Sale goods include Christmas Décor, Books, Furniture, and a "Gently Used" Boutique. Silent auction and luncheon. Benefits go to Heal and the Lincoln County Food Bank as well as other Southeastern Charities. Contact Josie at Josie's Framery 575-257-4156 for more information.

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

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

Mike Sanjku performs in Wendell's Restaurant at the Inn of the Mountain Gods Resort & Casino from 5 to 10 p.m.

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

Free Movies at the "Grounds", Sacred Grounds Coffee & Tea House, 2825 Sudderth at 6:30 - 9 p.m. The movie is *Tosca's Kiss*. Sara Scuderi, Della Benning and Irma

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120 LEGAL NOTICES

NOTICE OF CANCELLATION OF PUBLIC HEARING
The Village of Capitan has cancelled the public hearing regarding the proposed ordinance that would amend the subdivision ordinance which was scheduled for Tuesday, July 12, 2011, at 6:30 PM at Village Hall in Capitan, NM.
Kay Strickland, CMC
Village Clerk

VILLAGE OF RUIDOSO NOTICE OF INTENTION TO ADOPT ORDINANCE 2011-13

Notice is hereby given that the Governing Body, Village of Ruidoso shall conduct a public hearing during a regular meeting scheduled on July 26, 2011 at 3:00 p.m. at the Ruidoso Administrative Offices, 313 Cree Meadows Drive, Ruidoso, New Mexico, for the purpose of adopting the following ordinance:

ORDINANCE 2011-13: "AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE VILLAGE OF RUIDOSO MUNICIPAL CODE OF ORDINANCES CHAPTER 1 GENERAL PROVISIONS, SPECIFICALLY SECTION 1-6 AND CHAPTER 78 TAXATION, SPECIFICALLY SECTION 78-40"

Copies of Ordinance 2011-13 are on file in the office of the Village Clerk and are available for public review Monday through Friday during the following regular business hours: 8:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m. and 1:00 p.m.-5:00 p.m.

WITNESS my hand and the seal of the Village of Ruidoso this 12th day of July, 2011.

(SEAL)
Irma Devine, CMC
Municipal Clerk

REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL

The Village of Ruidoso is requesting qualification based sealed proposals for Professional Engineering Services for preparation of a Preliminary Engineering Report for modifications and upgrades to Alto Water Treatment Plant and Alto Lake Pump Station. Sealed Proposals will be received by the Village of Ruidoso, 313 Cree Meadows Drive, Ruidoso, NM 88345, or mailed to Village of Ruidoso, 313 Cree Meadows Drive, Ruidoso, NM 88345, or will be mailed upon written or telephone request to Vicki Eichelberger, Purchasing Agent, at 575/257-2721.

A mandatory pre-proposal conference will be held on July 19, 2011 at 10:00 a.m. in the Council Chambers at the Ruidoso Administrative Building located at 313 Cree Meadows Drive. A completed proposal shall be submitted in a sealed container indicating the proposal title and number along with the Offeror's name and address clearly marked

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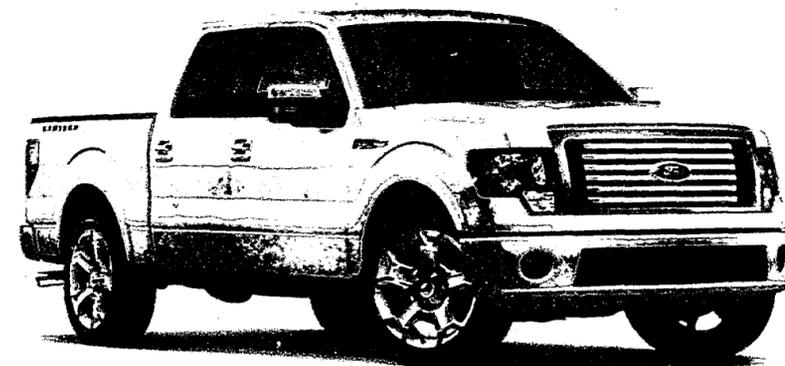
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