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## WHAT'S HAPPENING

November 9

### Ruidoso Middle School salute to Veterans

In the Common Area from 1:30 - 2:30 p.m. All area veterans and their families are invited and encouraged to attend.



November 11

### Veteran's Day tribute at No Scum Allowed Saloon

Free BBQ and live music at this historic saloon. White Oaks, N.M. 12-5 p.m. No cover.

November 11-13  
Christmas Jubilee

Ruidoso's favorite shopping experience with something for everyone. Bring the kids to meet Santa and shop for unique gifts and get a head start on Christmas. Ruidoso Convention Center, Friday 12-6 p.m. Saturday 10 a.m. - 6 p.m. Sunday 11 a.m. - 4 p.m.

November 12  
R & R in Ruidoso Block Party

A celebration for our active and retired military personnel with two stages of entertainment, a Taste of Ruidoso with food from our local restaurants, Kids' Zone, booths and vendors all in Midtown between Chase and Center Streets. 12-4 p.m. [www.ruidosomilitarydiscounts.com](http://www.ruidosomilitarydiscounts.com).

Movie & Canned Food Drive

Ruidoso Rotary once again partners with Sierra Cinema to show feature movies for the price of one canned food item per child and two cans per adult. Movies begin at 9:30 a.m. (3-D movies excluded.) The non-perishable food items go to Lincoln County Food Bank.

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## Lincoln County residents salute Vets



### In Flanders Fields

By: Lieutenant Colonel John McCrae, MD (1872-1918)  
Canadian Army

*In Flanders Fields the poppies blow  
Between the crosses row on row,  
That mark our place; and in the sky  
The larks, still bravely singing, fly  
Scarce heard amid the guns below.*

*We are the Dead. Short days ago  
We lived, felt dawn, saw sunset glow,  
Loved and were loved, and now we lie  
In Flanders fields.*

*Take up our quarrel with the foe:  
To you from falling hands we throw  
The torch; be yours to hold it high.  
If ye break faith with us who die  
We shall not sleep, though poppies grow  
In Flanders fields.*

McCrae's *In Flanders Fields* remains to this day one of the most memorable war poems ever written. It is a lasting legacy of the terrible battle in the Ypres salient in the spring of 1915. Here is the story of the making of that poem: Although he had been a doctor for years and had served in the South African War, it was impossible to get used to the suffering, the screams, and the blood, and Major John McCrae had seen and heard enough in his dressing station to last him a lifetime. As a surgeon attached to the 1st Field Artillery Brigade, Major McCrae, who had joined the McGill faculty in 1900 after graduating from the University of Toronto, had spent seventeen days treating injured men — Canadians, British, Indians, French, and Germans — in the Ypres salient.

It had been an ordeal that he

had hardly thought possible. McCrae later wrote of it: "I wish I could embody on paper some of the varied sensations of that seventeen days... Seventeen days of Hades! At the end of the first day if anyone had told us we had to spend seventeen days there, we would have folded our hands and said it could not have been done."

One death particularly affected McCrae. A young friend and former student, Lieut. Alexis Helmer of Ottawa, had been killed by a shell burst on 2 May 1915. Lieutenant Helmer was buried later that day in the little cemetery outside McCrae's dressing station, and McCrae had performed the funeral ceremony in the absence of the chaplain.

The next day, sitting on the back of an ambulance parked near the dressing station beside the Canal de l'Yser, just a few hundred

yards north of Ypres, McCrae vented his anguish by composing a poem. The major was no stranger to writing, having authored several medical texts besides dabbling in poetry.

In the nearby cemetery, McCrae could see the wild poppies that sprang up in the ditches in that part of Europe, and he spent twenty minutes of precious rest time scribbling fifteen lines of verse in a notebook. A young soldier watched him write it. Cyril Allinson, a 22 year old sergeant-major, was delivering mail that day when he spotted McCrae. The major looked up as Allinson approached, then went on writing while the sergeant-major stood there quietly. "His face was very tired but calm as we wrote," Allinson recalled. "He looked around from time to time, his eyes straying to Helmer's grave."

When McCrae finished five minutes later, he took his mail from Allinson and, without saying a word, handed his pad to the young NCO. Allinson was moved by what he read: "The poem was exactly an exact description of the scene in front of us both. He used the word blow in that line because the poppies actually were being blown that morning by a gentle east wind. It never occurred to me at that time that it would ever be published. It seemed to me just an exact description of the scene."

In fact, it was very nearly not published. Dissatisfied with it, McCrae tossed the poem away, but a fellow officer retrieved it and sent it to newspapers in England. *The Spectator*, in London, rejected it, but *Punch* published it on 8 December 1915.

Repost from <http://arlington-cemetery.net>

## History steams through Lincoln County

Contributed by David Tremblay

Steam locomotive No. 844 roared through Lincoln County Saturday, reminiscent of days of old when railroading was a significant part of the Lincoln County and New Mexico economy. The steam engine rolled down the Union Pacific tracks along side of Highway 54 through the Tularosa Basin. A few miles north of Carrizozo several people attended a traditional whistle stop for about a half an hour. No. 844 then departed for Alamogordo as several cars raced the train to get ahead to photograph it in operation along the route.

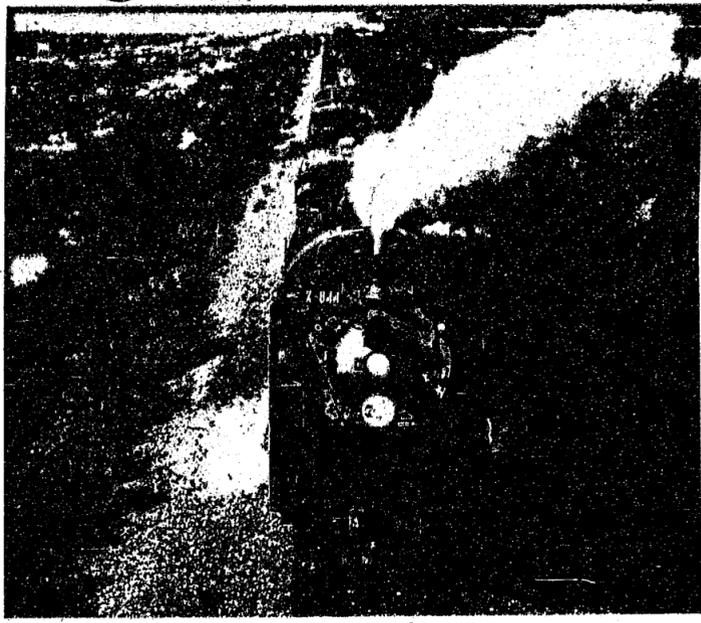
Steam Locomotive No. 844 is the last steam locomotive built for Union Pacific Railroad. It was delivered in 1944. A high-speed passenger engine, it pulled such widely known trains as the Overland Limited, Los Angeles Limited, Portland Rose, and Challenger.

When diesels took over all of the passenger train duties, No. 844 was placed in freight service in Nebraska between

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Photo courtesy of David Tremblay

Steam Locomotive No. 844 continues a historic run heading south from Carrizozo near Tularosa towards the next scheduled stop in Alamogordo Saturday.



## Low income residents cut from Habitat for Humanity agreement

By Patrick Rodriguez

Reporter  
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Lincoln County commissioners have agreed to submit a letter of support for a request by an out-of-area nonprofit organization seeking funding from the New Mexico Mortgage Finance Authority to begin fixing homes in the county, but only after the letter was changed to just serve two specific demographics.

During a county commission meeting last month, officials from Otero County, Habitat for Humanity say that they have been asked by a homeowner in Ruidoso to do rehabilitation

on his home, which has been tested positive for black mold. The homeowner, the officials said, has been displaced and is currently living in Otero County.

Joe Chambers, president of the Habitat board, said his organization provides two services: building homes for low-income families and acquiring federal home funds from the NMMFA to conduct rehabilitation in low-income owner-occupied housing. The latter would apply to the homeowner in Ruidoso, he said.

Otero County Habitat for Humanity is a Community Housing Development Organization, which addresses affordable housing

needs at the local level, administered by the NMMFA.

"There is no organization in Lincoln County that's working with the home funds or the NMMFA to do rehabs," said Chambers, "and the basic premise is that we're here today to ask for your support in doing that."

Chambers said the homeowner in Ruidoso falls within the very low-income guidelines, below 50 percent of the area median income, designated by the Housing and Urban Development Department.

Ultimately, commissioners approved the

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**COMMUNITY CALENDAR**

**Lone Tree fundraiser**

The 10th annual Lone Tree fundraiser auction and dinner will be this Sunday from 4:30-8 p.m. at Fort Lone Tree located near Capitan. Auction items and event hosts are needed. For more information, or to make a reservation, call Eric McNamara at 354-4265.

**Rifle raffle**

American Legion Post 79 in Ruidoso is raising funds with its annual rifle raffle and membership drive. Tickets are being sold for the chance to win a Weatherby 30.06 Vanguard package or a 42-inch high definition television.

Tickets are \$10 each or three for \$25. Post 79 will also participate in the Military 365 R&R block party this Saturday in front of Dream Catchers. For tickets or information, call Vic Currier at (575) 802-5293.

**Red Feather play**

The Red Feather Theatre Company presents "The persecution and assassination of Jean Paul Marat, as performed by the inmates of the asylum of Charenton under the direction of the Marquis de Sade, Nov. 18 and 19 at 7 p.m. each evening at the Ruidoso Schools Performing Arts Center.

The performance, produced by special arrangement with the Dramatic Publishing Company, is not suitable for young children, and those wishing to attend are advised the content is considered controversial and disturbing. Admission is \$5.

**Altrusa home tour**

Join Altrusa for a tour of some of the area's most beautiful homes all decked out for Christmas. All proceeds benefit the Lincoln County Medical Center Foundation mammogram matching grant to support Altrusa's 2012 annual low-cost mammogram program.

The tour will be Dec. 4 from 3-5 p.m., with door prizes and refreshments to follow at Casa Feliz. Tickets are \$20 in advance. Call 336-7473 for more information or to purchase tickets. For complete details, visit [www.altrusaruidoso.com](http://www.altrusaruidoso.com).

**Mardis Gras contest**

The Cloudcroft Chamber of Commerce invites artists to participate in this year's celebration poster contest, search-

ing for the image which will grace this year's official Cloudcroft Mardis Gras in the Clouds poster.

Entries should be submitted to the chamber office no later than Dec. 1 by 5 p.m., or mailed to the Cloudcroft Chamber of Commerce, Attn: Mardis Gras Committee Poster Contest, P.O. Box 1290, Cloudcroft, NM, 88317.

For more information, call Lisa King, chamber director, at 575-682-2733 or email at [lisa@cloudcroft.net](mailto:lisa@cloudcroft.net).

**Mayhill Christmas fair**

The Mayhill Community Center Board is sponsoring a craft and Christmas goodies fair, Dec. 3 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., at the Mayhill Community Center. Vendor tables are available for \$10.

For more information or to register, call (575)-687-3334 or (575)-687-2003. The Mayhill Community Center is located at 15 Civic Dr. in Mayhill, 18 miles east of Cloudcroft.

**Low-cost yoga**

"Yoga Joy" is taught every Friday from 5:30-7 p.m. at a reduced rate through Dec. 16. There will also be a Christian-inspired yoga class beginning Dec. 19, for those who wish to experience the benefits of yoga in a setting which supports Christian principles. The class will be taught Saturdays from 9-10 a.m.

All classes are held at 2810 Sudderth Drive, Room 207 above Schlotzsky's. Wear light clothing and bring water. Mats and props are provided. For more information, call instructor Marianne Mohr at 802-3013.

**Fort Stanton volunteers**

Anyone interested in becoming members of Fort Stanton to preserve its history can call Charlotte Rowe, 336-4015 or Peggy Whittemore at 336-1436. They would welcome your assistance.

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 49 years or older. For more information, call 258-2120 or visit [www.sacmntvillage.org](http://www.sacmntvillage.org).

**The Arid Group of 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 Saturday and Sunday at 7 p.m. There is also a Monday 6:30 p.m. women's open meeting and beginners and young peoples' big book study Fridays at 7 p.m.

**The Sunny Spirit Group of Alcoholics Anonymous** meets Monday and Thursday at noon and Friday at 5:30 p.m., while the women's group meets Wednesdays at noon in the parish hall of the Episcopal Church of the Holy Mount at 121 Mescalero Trail,

**Al Anon of Ruidoso** - for family members of alcoholics - meet at 1216 Mechem Dr. Tuesdays at 6:30 p.m. and Saturdays at 10:30 a.m. For more information, call 258-8885.

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

**The Democratic Women of the Sacramento Mountain Area** meet the third Saturday of each month at 11:30 a.m. For more information, visit [www.dwsma.org](http://www.dwsma.org).

**The Federated Republican Women of Lincoln County** meet the fourth Monday of each month Cree Meadows Country Club at 11:30 a.m. Bring a brown bag lunch. For more information, call 430-7258 or visit [222.frw.rplcnm.org](http://222.frw.rplcnm.org).

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

**The Lincoln County Garden Club** meets on the third Tuesday of each month at the Otero County Electric co-op, on Highway 48 in Alto, at 9:45 a.m. Visitors

are welcome. The Garden Club's purpose is to encourage community beautification and conservation, and to educate members in the arts and sciences of horticulture. For more information, call 973-2890.

**The Lincoln County fibromyalgia and chronic pain support group** meets on the third Thursday of each month from noon-1 p.m. at the Ruidoso Physical Therapy Clinic, 439 Mechem Dr. For information, contact Mary Barnett at 257-9810.

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

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

**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.

**A grief and bereavement group**, offered by the Ruidoso Home Care and Hospice Foundation, begins meeting today and will meet every Tuesday from 6-7 p.m. at the organization's headquarters at 592 Gavilan Canyon Road. The focus of the group is on education about managing grief and developing a network of support with others who have experienced loss. For more information, call Lyn Shuler at 258-0028.

**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.



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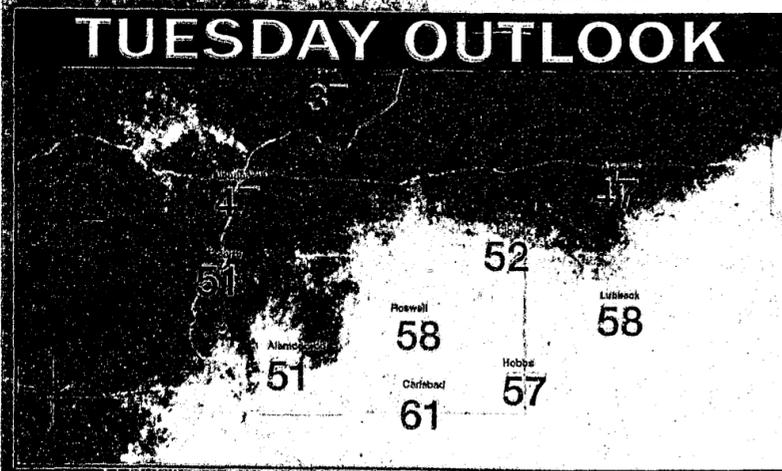
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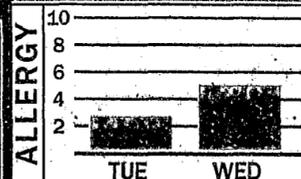
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# History of VETERANS DAY

**1918:** World War I, then normally referred to simply as The Great War (no one could imagine any war being greater!), ended with the implementation of an armistice [temporary cessation of hostilities-in this case until the final peace treaty, the infamous Treaty of Versailles, was signed in 1919] between the Allies and Germany at the eleventh hour of the eleventh day of November, 1918.

**1919:** On Nov. 11, President Wilson proclaims the first Armistice Day with the following words: "To us in America, the reflections of Armistice Day will be filled with solemn pride in the heroism of those who died in the country's service and with gratitude for the victory, both because of the thing from which it has freed us and because of the opportunity it has given America to show her sympathy with peace and justice in the councils of the nations." The original concept for the celebration was for the suspension of business for a two minute period beginning at 11 a.m., with the day also marked by parades and public meetings.

**1920:** On the second anniversary of the armistice, France and the United Kingdom hold ceremonies honoring their unknown

dead from the war. In America, at the suggestion of church groups, President Wilson names the Sunday nearest Armistice Day Sunday, on which should be held services in the interest of international peace.

**1921:** Congress passes legislation approving the establishment of a Tomb of the Unknown Soldier in Arlington National Cemetery. Nov. 11 is chosen for the date of the ceremony. On Oct. 20, Congress declares Nov. 11, 1921 a legal Federal holiday to honor all those who participated in the war. The ceremony was conducted with great success.

**1926:** Congress adopts a resolution directing the President to issue an annual proclamation calling on the observance of Armistice Day. Throughout the 1920s and 1930s, most states establish November 11 as a legal holiday and at the Federal level, an annual proclamation is issued by the President.

**1938:** Congress passes legislation on May 13 making November 11 a legal Federal holiday, Armistice Day. The United States has no 'actual' national holidays because the states retain the right to designate their own holidays. The Federal government can in fact

only designate holidays for Federal employees and for the District of Columbia. But in practice the states almost always follow the Federal lead in designation of holidays.

**1941-1945, 1950-1953:** World War II and the Korean War create millions of additional war veterans in addition to those of the First World War already honored by Armistice Day.

**1954:** On June 1, President Eisenhower signs legislation changing the name of the legal holiday from Armistice Day to Veteran's Day.

**1968:** Congress passes the Monday Holiday Law which established the fourth Monday in October as the new date for the observance of Veteran's Day. The law is to take effect in 1971.

**1971-1975:** The Federal observance of Veterans Day is held on the fourth Monday of

October. Initially all states follow suit except Mississippi and South Dakota. Other states changed their observances back to Nov. 11 as follows: 1972 - Louisiana and Wisconsin; 1974 - Kentucky, Arkansas, Connecticut, Georgia, Maine, South Carolina, West Virginia; 1975 - California, Florida, Idaho, Illinois, Iowa, Kansas, Missouri, Montana, Nebraska, New Hampshire, Oklahoma, Oregon, South Carolina, Utah, West Virginia, Wyoming.

**1975:** Legislation passed to return the Federal observance of Veteran's Day to Nov. 11, based on popular support throughout the nation. Since the change to the fourth Monday in October, 46 states had either continued to commemorate Nov. 11 or had reverted back to the original date based on popular sentiment. The law was to take effect in 1978.

**1978:** Veteran's Day observance reverts to Nov. 11.

## History of military commitment in New Mexico

By Eugene Heathman

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New Mexico has a long history of veteran service and sacrifice since the service of Kit Carson and Charles, William Bent and General Stephen W. Kearney in the mid 1800's. New Mexicans fought on the westernmost frontier of the American Civil War in the battles of San Augustin Springs in 1861 and Valverde, Peralta and Glorieta in 1862. Fort Stanton was built in 1855 to protect settlements during the Apache wars of the late 1800's and is now a state monument. In 1917, nearly 70 percent of male students were part of some 17,251 New Mexicans who served against Germany in World War I and whose deaths exceeded the national average per capita losses for the 48 states (2006 Roberts & Roberts, New Mexico). New Mexican National Guards-

men were among the first to see live combat in World War II, defending the Bataan Peninsula and enduring what is known as the Bataan Death March and subsequent captivity under the Japanese Army. Of the 1,800 New Mexicans serving in the Philippines, only 900 returned home. In fact, New Mexico had the highest casualty rate of the 48 states as 49,579 New Mexicans served and had the highest volunteer rate of any state during World War II, (2006 Roberts & Roberts, New Mexico). White Sands Missile Range and Holloman Air Force Base in Alamogordo has been a longtime home of military technological development from the very first atomic bomb explosion at Trinity Site, through the Cold War and onward into the evolving battlefield in the War on Terror. New Mexicans have continued dedicated service through Korea, Vietnam, Desert Storm, Iraq and Afghanistan.

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# OPINION

## LETTER TO THE EDITOR

To the Editor:

On Oct. 29, 123 runners took part in the fifth annual Ski Run Road Challenge 12M & 3M runs benefitting Ski Apache Disabled Skiing program. The run was held on a gorgeous day, starting at Eagle Creek Sports Complex and finishing at Ski Apache plaza. We would like to give credit and thanks to all the local organizations, sponsors, volunteers and runners that supported this event.

**Corporate sponsors & individuals sponsors:** Therapy Associates, Dr. Frank Dimotta and Dr. Frederick French; Landlocked Bar & Restaurant, Lincoln County Medical Center, Eastern NM University Campus of Ruidoso, Ruidoso Outdoor Adventures, Bear Sky Graphics, Ruidoso Ford, Zia Gas, The Wild Herb Market, Brunell's, Grindstone Graphics & Marketing Services Inc, EJ Signs, Thriftway Supermarket, Ski Apache, High Country Agency Inc, Fusion Medical Spa, Michael Spence MD, Lawrence Brothfingers IGA, Foxworth Galbraith. Support Services: Lincoln County Transit, USA

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Last but not least, we would like to congratulate all the runners that demonstrated great courage to climb this road that a lot of people are afraid to drive on. We hope that you will be our ambassadors to promote the Ski Run Road Challenge 12M & 3M Runs and Ruidoso as a new destination in New Mexico for outdoor sports. If we have missed anyone who helped, please accept our apology now and know that without your help, this wonderful event would not have been possible. See you next year, Saturday, Oct. 27, 2012.

Frederic Moras  
Race director

## Commissioners' disdain for low income residents is unacceptable

By Eugene Heathman  
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Once again, Lincoln County commissioners, with the exception of Tom Battin, have thumbed their noses at the county's low-income residents. The disdain is obvious when our county leadership won't even sign a simple letter of support for a Habitat for Humanity project without specifically excluding "low-income residents" from the letter. Yes, a simple letter of support, bearing no financial commitment without restructuring the letter to support only low-income elderly or disabled residents.

Habitat for Humanity International is so much more than what was once a photo opportunity for then-Chevron employee Commissioner Kathryn Minter. Granted, not every Habitat for Humanity, Rebuilding Together, or similar project has a 100 percent success rate; but Habitat projects are far from being house handouts for perpetual bums. I have worked side-by-side with several potential Habitat for Humanity and Rebuilding Together homeowners from Denver to El Paso, and have no photos on my wall to show for it. I do have the memories and experiences to share with others of the goodwill demonstrated by humankind. I have seen these people work and sweat. I have also seen them cry when they are given the keys to their new home.

Now, I have seen our civic leaders on the county commission continually demonstrate a disdain for the low-income residents of the county and find their actions unacceptable. Stray dogs and cats are worthy of food and care while low-income residents continue to lose out, all in the name of being

lectured to just pull up their bootstraps and get to work. Although "it's not the government's job" to provide for low-income residents, as said during a commission meeting when all but a select few local nonprofits, including the Lincoln County Food Bank, were denied even minimal assistance but belittled about how they need to quit leaning on the county for support. This occurred even after they were advised in advance to prepare reports and plans for how the funds would be used.

Once again, it's understood that it is not the county's sole job to "provide" for low-income folks and nonprofit organizations, but it is the commissioner's job to provide leadership for their constituents, low-income ones included, without rubbing their noses in what are generally acceptable and humanitarian requests.

Rather than create a few more local jobs, county commissioners are actively pursuing the outsourcing of building permits, which could quite easily become a small department here in Lincoln County, to a Colorado-based company, for the sake of saving a few bucks. Heck, why not outsource all the county departments to other states to save a few bucks? County commissioners have also determined there is not one local website company - or in New Mexico for that matter - worthy to provide that service.

The last election ballots did not distinguish county residents as low-income, disabled, middle-class, retired or elderly. With that being said, the sworn oath each commissioner committed to did not partition the income levels of citizens to serve and support, nor will future election ballots.

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## I was there - My thoughts

By Bob Brophy

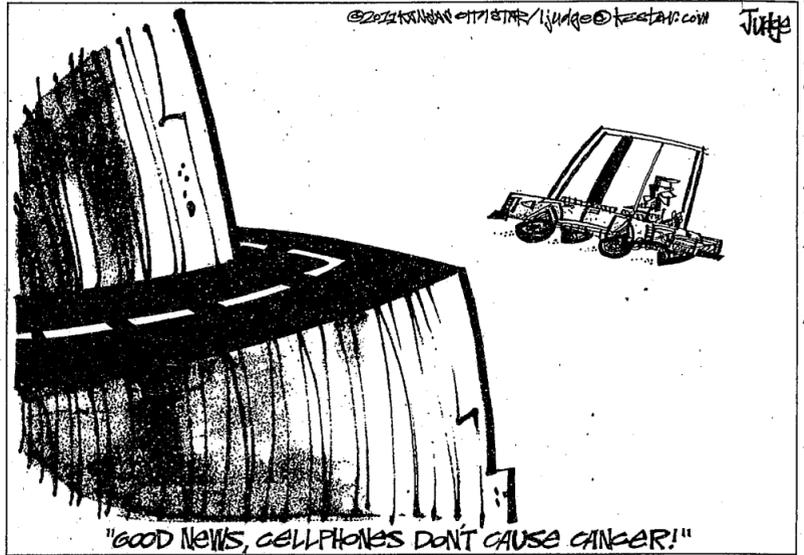
Next month we will be celebrating the 70th anniversary of the start of World War II; a war that changed the world as we knew it. It changed family life as we had known it. Sons and daughters were going into the different services all over the country. Mothers and fathers who had never been more than a few hundred miles from home were sending letters and packages to children thousands of miles away. Literally changing our lives and the way we had lived forever. Now we can never go back because it's a different world we live in now.

World War II was believed to be the war to end all wars because of the unbelievable cost in lives and equipment. It is estimated that 10 million people around the world, mostly in Europe and Asia, lost their lives in this conflict. On December 7th and in the following four days our world in the United States came apart. On December 7th Japan declared war on the U.S.

On December 8th the U.S. declared war on the Japanese and on December 11th Germany and Italy declared war on the United States. And of course, we declared war on them. Russia came into the conflict at a later date after Germany invaded them.

When this monumental conflict due to the stupidity of man came to an end on V.E. Day and V.J. Day in 1945 the world had been changed forever. The oceans and seas were the grave yards of uncounted ships and men - we had come close to ruining our planet; our home.

Just one more comment and it's about an event that takes up the smallest area, but is really the biggest monument to change the world and our way of living and that is Trinity Site, NM. If you have never gone to Trinity Site; please go. Just to stand on that little piece of earth and realize what the significance of those few seconds has meant to our world. Please not a World War III in the future. Maybe our little planet could not stand it.



## Super Crossword HOG WASH

- ACROSS**
- 1 Off-the-wall
  - 6 Ukrainian city
  - 11 Peepers, to Pope
  - 15 Arrange type
  - 18 Repeated
  - 20 French spa
  - 21 Rain heavily
  - 22 Gob
  - 23 Start of a remark
  - 25 Earmark
  - 27 Asian holiday
  - 28 Annual award?
  - 29 Shake (hurry)
  - 30 Hurries
  - 31 Depraved
  - 33 Pile up
  - 36 Squirrel's stash
  - 38 Snake-charmer's crew
  - 41 Outcast
  - 43 Globule
  - 44 Riyadh religion
  - 45 Damone or Dana
  - 46 Part 2 of remark
  - 51 Neighbor of Fla.
  - 52 Rice dish
  - 55 Walkie wing-ding
  - 56 Salute for Caesar
  - 57 Unaware
  - 59 Wee serving
  - 61 Poe crow
  - 63 Ain't right?
  - 64 Type of cabbage
  - 66 Part of NB
  - 67 High-rise building?
  - 69 Part 3 of remark
  - 70 Know-it-all
  - 73 Semester
  - 74 Prickly plant
  - 75 Hellman's "The Little"
  - 76 Marsh sight
  - 78 It should be square
  - 79 Put an end to
  - 83 Carnival site
  - 84 Dentist's directive
  - 86 "The Kid" ('84 film)
  - 87 Meyers of "Kate & Allie"
  - 89 Part 4 of remark
  - 94 Corn portion
  - 95 Broadcast in July
  - 97 Bates or Rickman
  - 98 Cheerless
  - 100 One of the Waughs
  - 101 Elegant
  - 104 - terrier
  - 105 Salchow kin
  - 106 Sludge
  - 107 Bloomsbury buggy
  - 109 Bookstore section
  - 112 Actress Cassidy
  - 115 Managers
  - 117 End of remark
  - 121 Be human
  - 122 MD's area
  - 123 Riser's relative
  - 124 Home on the range?
  - 125 "So there!"
  - 126 Man, for one
  - 127 At daybreak
  - 128 Gushes
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- 1 "Miss Lonelyhearts" writer
  - 2 Dull pain
  - 3 Atkins or Huntley
  - 4 Holyfield stats
  - 5 "Definitely!"
  - 6 He's abominable
  - 7 Rara -
  - 8 One-dimensional
  - 9 Label
  - 10 Whichever
  - 11 Idescent stones
  - 12 Hamlet or Herman
  - 13 Where to spend leva
  - 14 Smash letters
  - 15 Flight segment
  - 16 Consumed
  - 17 Lock
  - 19 Name of a Day
  - 24 "My Gal" (1905 tune)
  - 26 Butcher-shop display
  - 29 '75 Wimbledon winner
  - 31 Age
  - 32 Garlic hater
  - 34 Bad start
  - 35 Contented sigh
  - 37 - d'Alene, ID
  - 38 Spy org.
  - 39 '52 Winter Olympics site
  - 40 Spill the beans
  - 41 Navigate
  - 42 Bill of Rights grp.
  - 43 - major
  - 45 Like some leaves
  - 47 Chew out
  - 48 Sheltered spot
  - 49 Happening
  - 50 Russo of "Get Shorty"
  - 53 Maintain
  - 54 Beset
  - 58 Delibes opera
  - 59 "Rusalka" composer
  - 60 Ely or Darling
  - 62 Disconcert
  - 65 "Stroker" ('83 film)
  - 67 Get cracking
  - 68 It's kept in a quiver
  - 69 Bikini part
  - 70 Opposite
  - 71 Way out
  - 72 Merit
  - 73 Hatcher of "Lois & Clark"
  - 74 Crooked
  - 75 Raid
  - 77 Adz and awl
  - 78 Chow - Parley
  - 80 Actor
  - 81 Viscount's better
  - 82 Cart
  - 85 Nursery items
  - 88 Hotel
  - 90 Desert refugees
  - 91 Dutch town
  - 92 - Lanka
  - 93 - the fields we go ...
  - 96 Smoked delicacy
  - 99 Response
  - 100 Be
  - 101 Sheep sheds
  - 102 "M" man
  - 103 Blue hue
  - 104 Social group
  - 105 Sternward
  - 108 TV's "People"
  - 110 Barbecue fuel
  - 111 The 500
  - 112 Mature
  - 113 From the top
  - 114 Gets by (with "out")
  - 116 Mal - suffix
  - 117 Ideologue's syllable
  - 118 Singer's
  - 119 Cock and bull
  - 120 Dem.'s opponent

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letter of support after the words "low income families" was changed to "low income disabled or elderly." Commissioner Kathryn Minter provided the only dissenting vote.

Minter said that she was once involved in the building of some houses through Habitat for Humanity in Houston while working for Chevron Corporation, explaining that her involvement amounted to little more than a photo opportunity for the company. "I often wondered what happened to those houses. Were they sold? Were they maintained?"

"Affordable housing is a great idea but it's just there are ramifications that go everywhere. There was a story last year in Capitan where some guys got together and put a new roof on somebody's house, and that's the way we should do it."

Commissioner Tom Battin asked if mortgage money may be applied in home rehabilitation.

Pam Clarke, a program officer for Otero County Habitat for Humanity, said that the program is available to those earn up to 80 percent of the median income for the area, and if their income is 50 percent or lower than the median income, then a lien is put against their property to keep them from selling the rehabilitated home right away. However, she said that there is a 100 percent mortgage with a low-interest rate for those whose median income falls between 50 percent and 80 percent.

Battin then asked if the organization performs inspections or monitors the maintenance or condition of the rehabilitated home. Clarke said that there is no requirement for the organization to perform those tasks, as that would be done by NMMFA because they are the responsible entity. But Clarke said that her organization does perform follow up inspections on the homeowners they work with "to ensure that they maintain the property."

Commissioner Mark Doth initially brought up the issue of rewording the letter of support.

"I would personally feel better if this letter of support stipulated either elderly or disabled families, rather than the stipulation of just low-income families," he said. "It kind of just sits wrong with me."

Clarke said that her organization has worked only with those considered elderly or disabled. "That seems to be where the need is," she said. "When they go on SSI (supplemental Security Income), they can barely afford utilities and food."

Doth said his reasoning in asking for the change in the letter of support was due to a fear that the program might expand to include those who don't need the financial assistance.

Chambers said that the homes his organization deals with are owner-occupied, "so it's pretty unusual that someone would own the home, that's a younger individual or a younger family. They have to own the property free and clear - not with a mortgage - and must keep it up."

Minter asked if any of the people who would need to have their home rehabilitated could just ask their families for support.

Said Clarke: "Most of the time these are isolated people without much family who can't do much."

# Local shelter advocates nominated for national award

Help End Abuse for Life (HEAL) is proud to announce two employees who were nominated for the national advocacy recognition, the Unsung Shero Award. A Shero is a woman who is an advocate for empowering other women, or supporting positive change for women, and who may have experienced or been a victim of domestic abuse. It is an annual campaign sponsored by Johnson Products Company.

## Patricia Thompson

Patricia Thompson radiates energy. After nine years in the field and one attempt at retiring, she remains in the forefront of the fight against domestic violence as one of the Nest's Shelter Supervisors. Thompson, who has been with the Nest for three years, spent the six previous years working with COPE in Alamogordo.

Thompson's career as an advocate began while she was living in her own domestic abuse nightmare. Although Thompson had gotten away from her abusive partner, she continued to live in fear. "I had to work, but I never felt safe." Thompson, a licensed cosmetologist, owned her own salon for many years until fear caused her to close it down. "I felt like I was living in a fishbowl. The door could open and anyone could come right in. When I saw the advertisement for the position at the Shelter, I have to say my first instinct was self-preservation. I knew that at least for the time I was on the clock, I would be in a safe place and my abuser wouldn't be able to get to me."

The passion to help others was ignited and Thompson has been unable to shut it off. According to Coleen Widell, Executive Director for HEAL, "Terry has been a marvelous addition to our team at the Nest. I remember when she came to interview with us. I asked her why she wanted to work at the Nest and she said, 'This is where I am supposed to be.' I believe she was right. We have watched her grow from a nervous Advocate in a new system to a solid, confident Supervisor, whom her staff looks up to and the shelter residents run to for support."

Since beginning her work in the domestic violence field, Thompson has seen many changes, most of them not good. "I remember shelters being emptier back in the day. Women would come and stay for a few days and leave. These days, the shelter is always at or near capacity and the abuse has escalated to unimaginable levels." However, Thompson remains optimistic. "In the past six months, I have worked with at least 10 survivors who permanently left their abusers and put their lives back together," she says with a warm, knowing smile.

Thompson counts herself lucky to live in Ruidoso. "Our community supports us and as the financial crisis threatens to cut still more funding from domestic violence shelters, we need this. We need people to get involved, whether by volunteering at the Nest, donating clothing, household goods or furniture to Sweet Charity or just spreading the message about the Nest. People need to know we are here to help."

Thompson believes abuse continues when the abusers are suc-

cessful at isolating their victims. "If you hear a scream, report it. The abuser is counting on you not to get involved. Get involved."

## Celina De La Garza

Celina De La Garza's experience as a bridal consultant at Robinson May helped her to shape Sweet Charity Resale Boutique, the Nest's resale shop, into a bustling boutique. It is De La Garza's own experience as a domestic violence victim that fuels her passion to help victims of domestic violence.

Seven and a half years ago, De La Garza was in the throes of a turbulent domestic violence relationship. After a police officer witnessed her then husband beating her in a parking lot, De La

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Courtesy photo  
Patricia (Terry) Thompson  
Nest Shelter Supervisor

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1957 and 1959. The locomotive was saved from being scrapped in 1960 and maintained for special service.

The engine has run hundreds of thousands of miles as Union Pacific's ambassador of goodwill. No. 844 has made appearances at Expo '74 in Spokane, the 1981 opening of the California State Railroad Museum in Sacramento,

the 1984 World's Fair in New Orleans and the 50th Anniversary Celebration of Los Angeles Union Station in 1989.

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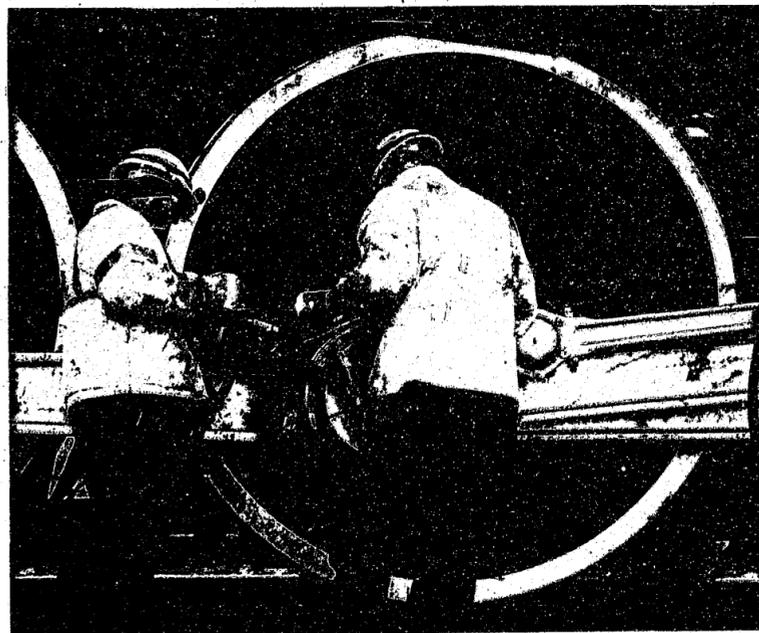
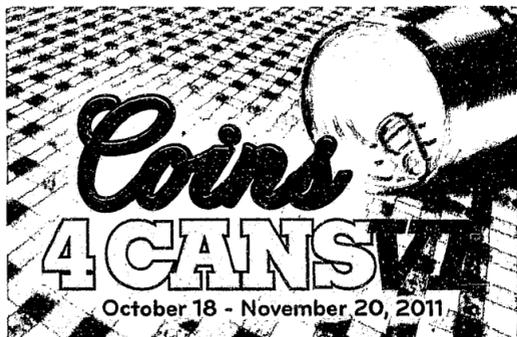


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Two maintenance men use a large grease gun to lubricate the eight drive wheels on Steam Locomotive No. 844 during a whistle stop in Carrizozo.



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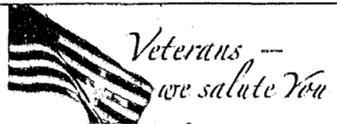
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# BUSINESS



## County's jobless rate rises despite growth in NM

By Patrick Rodriguez

Reporter  
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The seasonally unadjusted unemployment rate in Lincoln County was 4.8 percent in September, up two-tenths of a point from August, according to figures released last week by the Department of Workforce Solutions.

The county's labor force declined by nearly 500 from August to September. According to the department, 10,309 of 10,825 individuals were employed last month.

The county's jobless rate stood at 6.1 percent in September 2010.

Across New Mexico, the unemployment rate remained unchanged from August to September at 6.6 percent. However, compared to last year, figures show a 1.2 percent job growth statewide.

The state's jobless rate had fallen for

six consecutive months after peaking at 8.7 percent in February. The rate of over-the-year job growth was 0.2 percent, representing an increase of approximately 1,700 jobs. This gain marked the fourth consecutive month of continued growth, following 32 straight months of losses.

Although a number of industries have seen job growth, there is ongoing evidence of restraint. The latest employment figures show that eight industries have grown while five are on the decline.

Educational and health services, the largest private sector industry, added 5,500 jobs in September, growing at a rate of 4.6 percent over the past year.

The retail trade reported a gain of 4,000

jobs for September, while the wholesale trade had 1,600 additional jobs. The mining industry continued an upward swing, up 1,700 jobs, following 14 months of losses that ended in 2010.

The financial activities industry posted a gain of 1,900 jobs in September, following three years of job decline that ended earlier this year. The transportation, warehouse and utilities industry netted 300 jobs, up 1.4 percent. Gains were also reported in the county's largest industry, leisure and hospitality, up 400 jobs.

The remaining four private sector industries, though, recorded rises in unemployment. The professional and business services industry reported a loss of 7,400

jobs since September 2010. Construction employment was down 4,300 jobs over the past year.

The information industry reported employment levels that were down 200 jobs from last year. Likewise, manufacturing dropped 100 jobs.

Public sector employment registered a net decrease of 1,900 during the past year, with those losses concentrated at the local level. Federal employment was up by 400 jobs, while state government employment was unchanged from last year.

The national unemployment rate decreased one-tenth of a point to 9 percent in October, adding roughly 80,000 jobs, according to the U.S. Labor Department.

## Racetrack conducts on-site survey

By Sandi Aguilar

For the Ruidoso Free Press

Visitors to the Ruidoso Downs Race Track seem to be drawn to the area specifically for horse racing. In an on-site survey conducted at the racetrack this past summer, more than 86 percent of the respondents visited Ruidoso multiple times and came to the races almost on a daily basis. In other words, these visitors were here to go to the track.

The survey was used to determine the characteristics of the racetrack visitor during the summer season. The surveys were both in-person and printed questionnaires completed on various days throughout the meet, including Fridays, Saturdays, Sundays and Mondays. The survey was conducted by the racetrack with the purpose of assisting in marketing decisions.

The average visitor to the Ruidoso Downs Race Track and Casino is overwhelmingly from various smaller towns in West Texas and between 56 and 65 years old. The visitor enjoyed the cool weather and mountain surroundings of Ruidoso. The Ruidoso Downs visitor came with friends and family in a group of 3.7 people. The groups, which ranged from 1 to 15 people, come to the track as their parents and grandparents have done and planned to continue the tradition with their friends and families.

The results of the track survey were similar to one conducted by the Ruidoso Tourism Department in 2008, which concluded Ruidoso visitors were repeat visitors from West Texas, spending an average of four days and enjoying the area's cool mountain weather and special events. The Ruidoso visitor came in groups of 4.2 people and found the top rea-

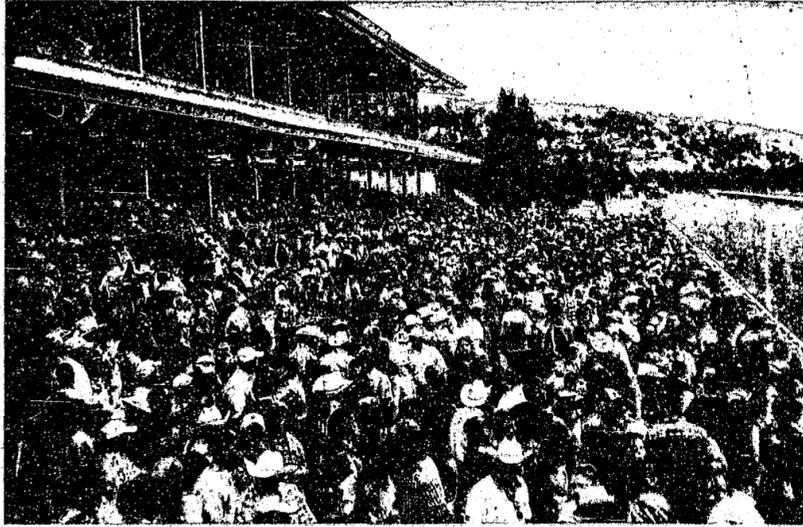


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Near-capacity crowds flocked to the racetrack during the All American Derby and Futurity weekend in September.

sons for visiting Ruidoso were scenic beauty and local flavor. Activities the visitor rated the highest (4.3 out of 5) were outdoor recreation and horseracing. This survey also indicated the average visitor to Ruidoso is a non-Hispanic white, college-educated, male in his 50s with an income of \$75,000 and lives in Texas.

A majority of the Ruidoso racetrack visitors made the decision to visit the racetrack before they arrived in Ruidoso and not only enjoyed the live races, but more than half also came on non-racing days to go to the casino, restaurant, simulcast and special events. The draw for the visitor to come to the racetrack was the thrill of live entertainment and the tradition of going to the races. An estimated 227,000 visitors came to the racetrack during the 2011 racing season.

## White Mountain Medical leads NM in childhood vaccination rates

White Mountain Medical Clinic in Ruidoso recently earned an immunization award for exceeding the 90 percent childhood immunization rate. It is the only clinic in New Mexico that has received this recognition for the past eight years.

Childhood immunizations are when children have received all of their scheduled immunizations by age 2. White Mountain's immunization rate for 2011 was 98 percent.

"We're extremely happy about this accomplishment," said Gisela Jewell, RN and clinical lead for White Mountain. "This achievement is a real testament to our commitment of improving the health of those patients we serve, especially children."

Jewell added that maintaining at least a 90 percent childhood immunization rate

helps safeguard children from vaccine preventable diseases.

"The success of this accomplishment is defined by every member of the staff," said Terry Riehl, practice administrator at White Mountain. "They have developed and maintained a tracking system which creates a work list each month so our patients do not fall behind or inadvertently forget to have the appropriate vaccinations completed on time."

Riehl said patients are encouraged to make their next immunization appointment before leaving the office.

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# Customer loyalty versus satisfaction

By Marla Lewis

RVCC Executive Director

I recently attended a conference for New Mexico chamber of commerce executives, where one of the most outstanding speakers was Cathi Hight, a former chamber executive director, who now runs her own business as a retention specialist in Boulder, Colo.

She made an informative presentation about member "loyalty" as it pertains to satisfaction, or on the other hand, dissatisfaction. I could not help but draw my own conclusion about how much we as business owners or service providers take this for granted.

To illustrate her point, Hight asked the question: Who are you loyal to and why? While formulating our own answers to her question, we each wrote down those businesses and affiliations which we are the most satisfied with, hence the most loyal to. Her best example was an airline she had traveled with over the years and which occasionally went out of its way to let her know, without a doubt, that they valued her business. Recognizing her in front of other passengers on flights, sending her personalized thank-you cards, the pilots would often come back and talk to her on flights, knowing how many years she

had been in their rewards club. They wanted to let her know they appreciated her business and loyalty.

Now, I don't know the last time you have been treated anything like this on a recent airline flight, but I certainly have not had the pleasure. But what if you were? Would you remember the gesture and would that effort increase your loyalty to that airline? Just what would it take to turn you from a "satisfied" customer to a "loyal" one?

So let's look at what the difference is, and how to move from one to the other. First, "apathy" is at the bottom rung of the "loyalty versus satisfaction" ladder. An apathetic customer (or member) is essentially an absent one — they are as good as a lost customer. They have (or will) discontinue doing business with you — you just don't know it yet. They may not know it yet, but they are totally disengaged with your service or product.

On the other hand, a "satisfied" customer (member) is



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still engaged, but their commitment to you is status quo.

They may support what you do or offer, and from time to time they may even promote you to others. They will use your service/product if it is priced right and if it is convenient, but you may or may not be meeting their needs. To get them to use your product/service, you may have to entice them with a special offer to sweeten the deal. And it may take many contacts for you to engage them to purchase from you.

Somewhere between "satisfied" and "highly loyal" is a trust and commitment that draws potentially satisfied customers (members) into a mutually beneficial relationship that has a lifetime value to you both. Loyal customers are, and will be, your champions, and will promote your goals because it benefits them as well. Loyal customers will tell the whole village about your accomplishments and programs (spelled: products/services) because they believe

in you as a business and a partner. Loyal customers will also refer you to as many people as they know, because their satisfaction level is at its highest. In essence, you are the first place they will go when they need your product or service. And this relationship continues until you can no longer satisfy their most intimate needs.

So the ultimate question is: Where are you on your customer's satisfaction list? Are you status quo? Are you even on their ladder? Or do you rate at the "highly loyal" status? As the Ruidoso Valley Chamber of Commerce is reviewing our strategic direction for the coming years, you can be assured that these questions will be top of mind for our members. What can we bring of value to our business relationship with you — our valued members, to make business a win-win situation for the whole Valley? I also challenge you to have this discussion with your management and staff. What level of satisfaction are you at with your customers? The answer may surprise you.

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## County to switch to consolidated voting sites in 2012

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Lincoln County commissioners have approved a plan to have consolidated voting sites in each of the six largest communities in the county, ditching the old standard practice of precinct-based voting.

The six voting sites will be located in Corona, Carrizozo, Capitan, Ruidoso, Ruidoso Downs and Hondo. The consolidated polling places will be available for use during the 2012 primary voting season, and any registered voter in the county may use any of the new sites regardless of which precinct they reside in.

County Clerk Rhonda Burrows said the reason behind the switch to consolidated voting was due to greater numbers of voters choosing to vote absentee and at early polling sites during past election cycles, as turnout on Election Day has dropped significantly and in some cases precinct workers serve very few voters.

"It's a significant change, it really is," Burrows told commissioners at a regular commission meeting on Oct. 18. "Our election system has been based on precinct voting since time immemorial."

During the last legislative cycle, the New Mexico Legislature approved the idea for allowing counties to have consolidated voting sites.

Burrows said another reason for imple-

menting the idea of consolidating voting sites is that the total number of precincts in the county have increased from 19 to 21, requiring more polling places if precinct voting were to still be used.

"The idea that you would go on Election Day and cast your vote in the presence of people who know you and in a convenient location to where you lived was a cultural part of the election system," said Burrows.

But Burrows also said that those choosing to vote early or by absentee mail-in have increased in recent election cycles. "Early voting was implemented to allow people another, more convenient way to vote," she said. "A lot of ideas have tried to encourage people to vote."

Burrows said as many as 33 percent of those who voted in the most recent primary election (2010) had already voted prior to Election Day. Likewise, she said, 53 percent had already voted when it was time to cast a vote in the most recent general election last November.

"I consider it not so much a response to a need to motivate people, but as a response that they have changed the way they vote," said Burrows.

"This is an excellent plan for the future of Election Day voting," she added.

Burrows said the idea of consolidated voting was not done as a cost-saving measure, suggesting that up front costs might

be a little higher.

"There are some uncertainties going into this, unfortunately those smaller uncertainties will not be resolved for numerous months, and we're under state statute to adopt this resolution at this time," she said.

Burrows, however, said that the number of poll workers will be reduced, as she doesn't expect the county to hire more than 60 people for the six consolidated sites for Election Day. She also said that the exact number of workers at each polling place would vary, depending on the expected traffic flow at each site.

The new consolidated voting sites will not affect absentee or early voting. Burrows said letters of explanation will be sent out to registered voters in the county.

The proposed consolidated voting sites are:

- Corona Village Hall in Corona (Precincts 1 and 19)
- Lincoln County Courthouse in Carrizozo (Precincts 2, 13 and 17)
- Capitan High School in Capitan (Precincts 3, 4, 14 and 20)
- Ruidoso Convention Center in Ruidoso (Precincts 5, 6, 7, 8, 9 and 21)
- Ruidoso Downs Zia Center in Ruidoso Downs (Precincts 10, 11 and 18)
- Hondo High School in Hondo (Precincts 12, 15 and 16)

## A new health clinic in Hondo Valley will have to wait

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Claiming that the procedure wouldn't be completed adequately on time, Lincoln County commissioners on Tuesday (Oct. 18) denied a proposal by La Casa de Buena Salud Inc. to submit a Community Development Block Grant for a new clinic building in the Hondo Valley.

In order to apply for the grant, the county must have any existing CDBG projects closed out by Dec. 15, in addition to holding three public hearings and submit an application before Jan. 15, 2012.

"There's a lot of work to be done in a very short period of

time, and I'm not sure it can be done," said County Manager Tom Stewart. "Not this cycle, anyway."

The county's current CDBG project, a new health clinic in Capitan, is expected to be completed soon.

The maximum grant amount that La Casa could have applied for is \$500,000, according to the CDBG application requirements. Further making the CDBG proposal for La Casa more complicated to understand is that the site of the current health clinic building in Hondo is located on the local school district.

Due to a joint powers agreement, Hondo Valley Public Schools and the county

own the building. After La Casa opened 10 years ago, the school district leased the land and the building to the county, and then the county subleased the property to the clinic.

Seferino Montano, CEO of La Casa, told commissioners that he had spoken with representatives from CDBG and the New Mexico Department of Finance and Administration surrounding ownership of the building the clinic sits on. He said NMFA had told him that it was possible for the county and the school district to work together through a joint powers agreement, to be able to construct a clinic on school property.

Montano said he asked

NMFA if a \$150,000 in legislative appropriation could be used as a way to levy the funds to CDBG, "and that answer was also yes."

The current clinic in Hondo is about 900 square feet. Montano said the building was moved from Corona and some renovations were able to be done on it. He said there wasn't much of an architectural design to the building, that it was more or less put together by a contractor, however he was able to find a way to open the clinic.

"But in reality it's an old building that needs to be replaced, and I think the residents of the Hondo Valley deserve better," said Montano, adding

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# VETERAN PROFILE: Charlie McMahon

## We were soldiers, forever

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Charlie McMahon, a veteran U.S. Army medic who served one tour during the Vietnam War, is a hero. At least that's how his friend and fellow Vietnam veteran Hugh Niles puts it, nearly 40 years after the last American troops were airlifted out of what was then called the city of Saigon.

McMahon, who was a member of the 1st Battalion, 7th Cavalry, spent two years in the army, receiving six medals, including a Purple Heart. He grew up in El Paso, but now resides in Carrizozo.

Niles, a former Marine, who served four years in the service, also lives in Carrizozo. The two men did not know each other while in Vietnam and only became friends two years ago. Still, the bond the two men share as Vietnam veterans, and especially Niles' deep admiration for McMahon's service as a medic, has strengthened in the short time they've known each other.

The *Ruidoso Free Press* caught up with both McMahon and Niles recently to ask them about their time in the service.

**Charlie McMahon:** Do you want to know the truth? When I went into the service I had never even heard of Vietnam. I didn't know it existed until I arrived there. And then it wasn't very pretty.

**Ruidoso Free Press:** You'd never heard of Vietnam?

**McMahon:** Nope.

**RFP:** The U.S. was involved over there before you went into the service.

**McMahon:** That's right.

**Hugh Niles:** I had never heard of it until I was - I mean, I went in - what? - three years after you did, and by then it was on the news everyday. And I lost a couple of my older friends who went over there and got killed. So I knew what it was, they didn't. They went into it blind. I mean, they had no idea. We had an idea because we used their unit's actual radio calls and the film that they had of them and the pictures they used to train us, the marines, to go over there. They said this is what you're going into. And I heard it, the radio calls, they were outnumbered over 100 to one. And the North Vietnamese had one thing in mind and that was to wipe them out, to kill them all. They couldn't do it. These suckers fought hard.

**RFP:** What year was that battle?

**McMahon:** 1965.

**RFP:** How old were you when you went into the service?

**McMahon:** I was still a teenager, about 19. Look, there was a big draft back then, a big build up. I got drafted right out of high school. I went into the service. I had nothing against it. I went in. I was proud of myself.

**RFP:** Was there at that time a big backlash against the Vietnam War?

**McMahon:** They say there was here in this country, the people protesting it and everything.

**RFP:** Where did you grow up?

**McMahon:** I grew up in El Paso. I had just gotten out of high school when I was drafted. El Paso Technical. It was a vocational school. I quit for a year, after my dad died, I went to work. But then the rest of the family convinced me to go back and finish high school, which I did right before I went into the service. I had to go to a summer school to get my diploma. But once I got through with that, I went right into the service.

**RFP:** Where did you go for Basic Training?

**McMahon:** Fort Polk, La. It was three months of basic training and then they sent me to Ft. Sam Houston, Texas, for medical training. And then after it was over I was shipped off to Vietnam.

**RFP:** As a medic, what did you do in the army?

**McMahon:** My job was to take care of my people, make sure they got their pills, if they got wounded I would make sure they were evacuated.

**RFP:** How did you become a medic?

**McMahon:** They picked it. They tell you what you are going to be. They decided this after training.

**RFP:** They just figured you'd be pretty good as a medic?

**McMahon:** Yeah. I loved the training they gave me for that. It came in handy.

**RFP:** I know it's a sensitive issue, but would you mind sharing a story about what you saw in Vietnam?

**McMahon:** I saw a lot of death. (pause) I guess I went crazy over there like everybody else.

**RFP:** What do you mean by that?

**McMahon:** I was scared but you didn't show it. You had to be there, you couldn't go AWOL because there was no place to go. You just stood your ground. And I guess we all took care of each other. You know, it was very prejudiced back in those years - the blacks, the Mexicans, the whites. We had no choice but to rely on each other.

**RFP:** How long were you in Vietnam?

**McMahon:** Eleven months. I almost made my tour when I got hit. I got hit in January 1967 and I was supposed to rotate in February.

**RFP:** When you say you got hit, do you mean you got shot?

**McMahon:** I got shrapnel from an explosion. I got shrapnel in my abdomen, my leg. I got sent back to An Khe, the home base for the 7th Cavalry. That's when I first had surgery. They shipped me to the Phillipines for a

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Members of the 1st Battalion, 7th Cavalry unit based in An Khe during the Vietnam War in 1966. Charlie McMahon (back row, second from the right) is shirtless and holding up the California state flag.

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couple of days, and from there I went to Okinawa for about a month, and from Okinawa they shipped me up to Japan, and finally they put me on a plane and sent me home. And then I had to have surgery again.

**RFP:** Aside from the Purple Heart, what other medals have you received?

**McMahon:** I have a combat medical badge, I got two Bronze Stars with accommodations, and a Silver Star.

**Niles:** He didn't even know he had the Bronze Star until the first of the year—

**McMahon:** When I went into the V.A. hospital to get some compensation. I'm still fighting them right now.

**RFP:** Fighting with them?

**Niles:** He's only rated — his disability with the V.A. — he was rated 80 percent, and he was expected an upgrade to 100 percent, but they dropped him 20 percent. He's been fighting with them since 1967.

**McMahon:** I started collecting compensation in '67, they gave me a percentage because of what had happened to me. They never told me I had a right.

**Niles:** They never informed him or followed up on it with him.

**RFP:** Why do you think that is? That they never told you.

**McMahon:** They just didn't want us to know.

**Niles:** They don't like paying. You know, veterans — when we went in there, they told us we were expendable. We no longer had a mom and daddy, they were our mom and daddy and we were a number. And we were a replaceable number. That's the mentality they gave you: If you want to go home, you go over there and you fight like a mad dog or you ain't coming home. Somebody else will replace you, you're just a number.

**RFP:** They told you guys that from Day 1?

**Niles:** Oh yeah. You see how they treat their veterans nowadays and we were never treated like that. He hid out for 10 years after he got back, didn't tell nobody, didn't take no checks for payment, took it all as cash, and stayed off the grid, and stayed doped up, drunk, because that's all we had. I lived in Mexico with a bunch of Vietnam vets that left this country because of the way we were treated when we came back. And we just did our job.



Charlie McMahon stands next to a makeshift shrine dedicated to his military service. He served in the U.S. Army from 1965 to 1967 as a medic, including one tour in Vietnam.

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We just did what we were told.

**RFP:** Why do you think that was, though? Why were Vietnam vets treated so harsh? Compared to, say, World War II vets?

**Niles:** World War II had an end to it. We declared victory over our enemy. With Vietnam, they said we lost it. We were winning when we were there. We didn't lose the war. It was the American people pushing on our government to stop the war, and they made it such an ugly war that when the veterans came back we got spit on, they got dog crap thrown on them. I personally had dog crap thrown on my dress blues. We didn't deserve that. And we couldn't tell any employers that we were veterans. If you told them you were a Vietnam vet, they wouldn't hire you. Flat straight out wouldn't hire you.

**Niles:** We were expendable. They don't want to give us what is rightfully ours. We earned it. We have to go fight them tooth and nail. Well, I've got him attorneys right now. These same attorneys have taken 56 guys and got their 100 percent, because the V.A. kept screwing with them and screwing

with them. You only get three appeals. If you let these organizations do it for you, they don't know the legal steps that can be taken in between each appeal.

**McMahon:** I had to have proof of my service in country over there. I had to show them that. And I'm lucky I had some friends that put me on the First Calvary Association, so I called them up and told them I needed some help, some information, and they went down to the archives and got all the information for me. I turned it all in to my psychiatrist and they said that's all the proof we'll ever need.

**Niles:** I have seen these guys do things that will make your heart explode. It chokes me up to tell people about guys like him, because he's a hero, man. (His eyes begin to well up.) I saw our corpsmen jump up and run through hell. I was froze, I couldn't move. There was so much (expletive) blowing up around me, and these guys like him run right through it, like it's not even happening. They would throw their lives away for their brothers.

**McMahon:** A lot of us didn't come back.

A lot of us didn't come back the same way we were before going over there.

**Niles:** We look back at pictures and stuff from when we were there. We were kids, just little kids, running around in the jungle with guns.

**McMahon:** I read an article somewhere that said the majority of the soldiers over there were between the ages of 18 and 20 years old.

**Niles:** We were just punks.

**McMahon:** Yeah, we would say things like, "Hey, do you know where they sent me on my senior trip, right after high school? They sent me to Vietnam."

**RFP:** When you were in the service, were you told why the Vietnam War was going on?

**Niles:** All we were told was where we were going, what we were being trained for, and if you didn't pay attention—

**McMahon:** You're going to die.

**Niles:** And you will not come back. I was lucky. I guess I was one of the lucky ones.

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that a new building would provide for more space. He estimated that with the amount sought for the construction of a new building, the size of the facility would be between 1,300 and 1,400 square feet.

Stewart asked Montano when the legislative appropriation expires, but Montano said he did not know but that the sponsor of the bill would most likely introduce legislation to reauthorize it, adding that the most recent legislation was approved three years ago. Stewart said that legislative appropriations typically last between two and four years.

Although commissioners said that the county wants to help in building a new health clinic building for Hondo, the prospect of receiving from the county any time soon was bleak.

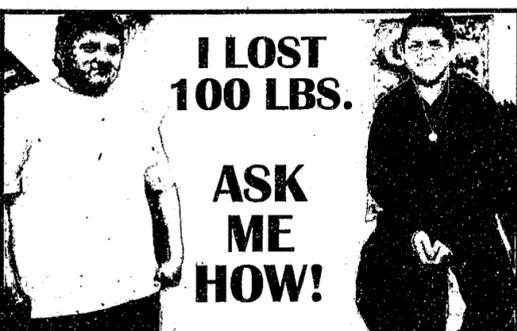
Commissioner Jackie Powell said the timing for a new Hondo clinic was "harsh," noting that the legislative appropriation might have already expired and the deadline on CDBG submissions was looming.

"On a tight deadline, to be ready by Jan. 15 — I've never completed a CDBG, but I've seen the paperwork," she said. "So rushing something through ... it's doomed to fail."

"We want to try to do something, and we've got it on our radar," added Powell. "We've got it on our ICIP (Infrastructure Capital Improvement Plan) list."

Commissioner Mark Doth agreed. "We have to take our time and do this in a methodical way," he said. "And as Commissioner Powell has mentioned, let's get the option on the table."

Stewart said that a public hearing to discuss all potential CDBG projects would take place at the next county commission meeting on Nov. 15.



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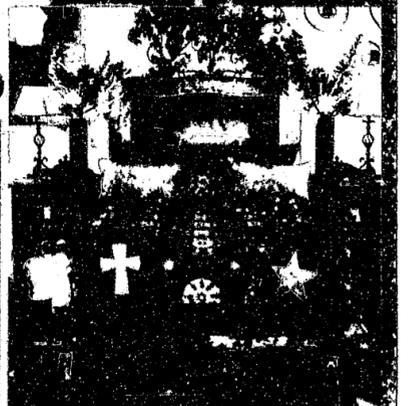
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# EDUCATION



## Coughlin named youth center director

By Todd Fuqua

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Tim Coughlin made his decision to step down as president of the board of directors for the Community Youth Center Warehouse with some reluctance, but he'll still be involved with the organization.

As of last week, he is the center's director.

"The only issue was salary," said Coughlin. "But I won't accept one until we get a Boys and Girls Club here, and then I'll only accept 75 percent of the pay. Whatever we can do to get this going, that's where I'm at right now."

Coughlin—who replaces Victor Montes as the center's director—said he was pretty much doing the job anyway after Montes had stepped down more than a month ago, and the board figured it was time to make it

official with a vote.

He and the board have been working toward making the center a Boys and Girls Club since June, and they're very close to their fundraising goal. The national Boys and Girls Club organization requires a certain amount either raised or pledged before a new chapter can be chartered.

Coughlin said the center has reached 73 percent of its fundraising goal, still needing about \$39,000. "We're close and getting there, and we'd like to be opened by January," he said.

While raising \$39,000 in less than a month seems like a lot, Coughlin explained the money merely needs to be pledged to the club, and those pledges can be honored with small payments over time.

"A lot of people are realizing they don't have the money right now," said Coughlin. "We have a pledge form that states how

people can pay in the future, and that gives us something we can give to Boys and Girls Clubs to show we'll get there. People can give \$10 a month, so it's affordable for a lot of people."

Membership fees to the club are also \$10 a month, making the center seemingly affordable for families with children to support the club as well.

The center itself, located at 200 Church Drive, is too small in size to host a full Boys and Girls Club, but Coughlin said the

organization is very close to securing part of the old Ruidoso Middle School on Horton Circle as its home base.

"We're still working on the details, but we're about 99 percent there," Coughlin said. "The school district has been fantastic working with us."

Anyone wishing to donate time or money to the founding of a Boys and Girls Club may contact Coughlin at (575) 973-5469, or email him at [tim@realwestservices.com](mailto:tim@realwestservices.com).

## Ruidoso welcomes new choir teacher

Ruidoso Middle School and Ruidoso High School recently welcomed Jeff Owens as the new choir teacher. Owens, who lived in South Dakota before making his way to Ruidoso, recently took some time to share some thoughts about his background and his experience as a teacher.



Jeff Owens

a community of singers is such a positive, enriching and unifying experience. The biggest challenge is always the human ego and convincing individuals to contribute their best to that musical community.

**What advice would you give to a first-year teacher?**

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**Anything funny happen your first year?**

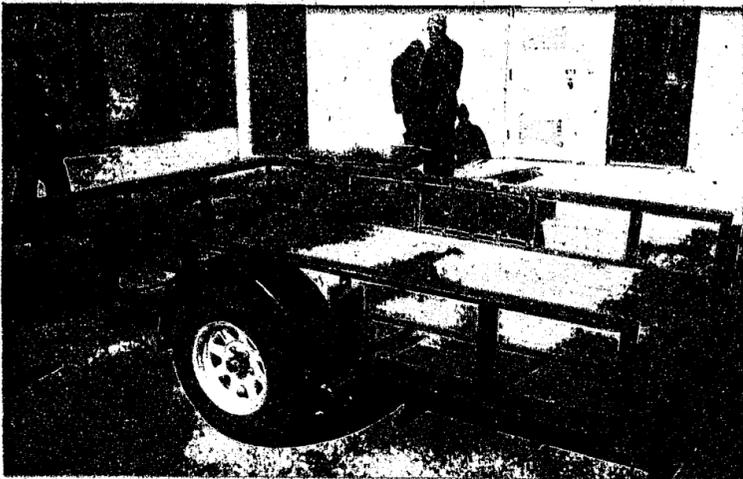
I was directing a musical version of Dickens' *Christmas Carol*, and to re-create the foggy streets of London we had a couple of fog machines. Well, the parent in charge backstage got distracted by something and those middle schoolers took great delight in just letting the machines run and run and run. By the time I got backstage, the gymnasium had gotten so thick we could hardly see and we had to stop the show for a time! Everybody had a good laugh about that one!

**Why did you become a teacher?**

My mother was a music teacher for over 40 years and undoubtedly influenced my choice. My whole family was immersed in music and I was given many gifts of training and being exposed to the arts. When it came to choosing education as a career, it was rather simple: I wanted to be immersed in music as much as possible, and I wanted to give back and share the gifts that I had received.

**What have been the biggest joy and the biggest challenge?**

The greatest joy is being thanked for my efforts in giving young people the opportunity to express themselves. Music allows the body, mind and spirit to synchronize in a way that few other disciplines can offer. And to come together in



## RHS welding trailer raffle

By Marie Gomez

On Halloween, Iris Molina stuck her hand into a can filled with...tickets! Raffle tickets that is. Over the course of the first quarter, the welding classes at Ruidoso High School designed and built a beautiful 10 feet by 6 feet tilt bed trailer to raffle off. This trailer is definitely a workhorse of a trailer. With its 3,000-pound towing capacity and a treated wood deck, it's capable of hauling just about anything that moves.

The raffle tickets were sold by welding students and their teacher, Dave Mader,

during the past month. Mader made selling the tickets into a contest for the students, awarding the seller of the winning ticket with an originally-designed welding helmet. Much to the students' chagrin, the winning ticket, which belonged to Stacy Atwell, was sold by Mader.

This trailer production and raffle provided the students not only with job applicable welding skills, but some marketing skills as well. All proceeds went to the welding program, providing some of the expensive materials needed to maintain the course at RHS.



Courtesy photo

Student Iris Molina pulls the winning raffle ticket with assistance from teacher Dave Mader for the trailer built by Mader's welding class.

## What's happening at the Ruidoso Library

At the Village of Ruidoso Public Library, the following programs, classes, closures & holidays are scheduled:

**Let's get Technical:** Thursday, Nov. 10 at 10 a.m. Learn how to access your library account online, reserve or renew a book, check your fines, & update your address. In the library conference room.

The Library will be CLOSED Friday, Nov. 11 for observance of Veteran's Day. The library will be open on Saturday, Nov. 12, 10 a.m. - 2 p.m.

**Let's go to the Galapagos,** Thursday, Nov. 17 at 4 p.m. Large format movie, 40 min. In the downstairs classroom. **Please note: This is a date & time change because of the carpet replacement on the 18th.**

The Library will be CLOSED Friday,

Nov. 18 and Saturday, Nov. 19 to replace the carpet. We apologize for the inconvenience, but the new carpet will be great.

The Library will be CLOSED: Thursday, Nov. 24 through Sunday, Nov. 27. Regular hours resume on Monday, Nov. 28.

**Let's get Technical:** Tuesday, Nov. 29 at 3 p.m. Learn how to access your library account online, reserve or renew a book, check your fines and update your address.

Ruidoso Public Library is located at 107 Kansas City Road. Normal library hours are Monday through Thursday 9 a.m. - 6 p.m., Friday 9 a.m. - 4 p.m. and Saturday 10 a.m. - 2 p.m. [www.yousee-more.com/ruidosopl/](http://www.yousee-more.com/ruidosopl/) or <http://ruidosopubliclibrary.blogspot.com/>

## Youth of the Week

Destini Taylor



Destini Taylor is a freshman at Capitan High School and a member of the school's volleyball team.

Most people she knows have no idea she is extremely afraid of the dark.

Her advice to others is to make wise decisions in life so you can get far.

She admires her mom's boss, Valerie, who works at Lincoln County Mercantile. "Anytime I need assistance I can go to her and she helps me," said Destini. "I can go to her for anything

that I need. She is so happy and bright."

"If I was a fruit I would be a mango," said Destini. "They are very good and very hard to break through."

Destini said *iCarly* star Miranda Cosgrove would be the actress to play her in a movie. "She is so pretty and has a fun personality."

If a song was written to describe Destini, the chorus would start with - "She is very happy all the time, her voice sounds like a jingle chime." Taylor laughed as she described words of the chorus.

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# Every day is Veterans Day

Contributed by  
Galen Farrington

The morning air at over seven thousand feet was crisp even in early summer as I rode my bicycle towards Sunset Crater National Monument. The climb to the plateau where the entrance to the monument would merge with the highway was invigorating but not because I was out of the saddle and drinking in the chilled air with tasty gulps but because I was reflecting on the conversation with the RV park owner I had had the night before. He was describing an embarrassing incident of judgment.

The owner was observing the haste with which I was registering and I explained that my wife and three dogs were eager to roam free of the truck confines due to the many hours

it took to get there. He thanked me for my efficiency and related a story of one of his guests. It seems that there are some RVers who tend to dawdle in the entrance drive and this can lead to a backup of RVs to the highway which usually annoyed the park owner.

One evening a camper van parked in front of the office and the owner waited patiently for the vacationer to arrive at the front counter. The owner was getting upset with the lingering van and was about to go outside to tell the RVer to move his rig when he heard the door open and a slow shuffling sound; he waited a few moments more. The vacationer rounded the wall that prevented the owner's vision from witnessing the ordeal the man was enduring to attain forward motion.

The owner gasped inwardly and was immediately ashamed of his judgmental thoughts. The man ambled forward toward the check-in counter with labored swaying on his two lower prostheses. As he shuffled the final twenty feet, the owner noticed the Air Force insignia on his jacket. He looked more closely out the window at the van and noticed another piece of Air Force identification. The veteran asked if there was space for his van for one night and was assured there was one near the park's restroom facilities. He took off his hat and dark glasses and the owner noted the left eye patch and privately thought of the sacrifice this man had made in defense of his country's ideals and responsibilities.

To finish the registration process, the veteran had to sign

his name. He took off his gloves and explained that he was still learning how to use his new hands which were flesh colored prostheses. The park owner was now truly stunned, embarrassed, and ashamed for his initial impatience and signed the registration for him. The man put his gloves on again and his hat and dark glasses. The park owner asked if he needed any help as he now scrutinized the veteran and realized his twenty-something youth; the man said he was fine, he just need time.

The park owner had to ask, "Air Force veteran?" "Yes," the man replied. "Combat?" Again, the answer was, "Yes." "Is that how you lost your limbs and your eye?"

The man replied, "I spent



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six years in harm's way and was able to come home for leave. While driving home I was hit head on by a drunk driver."

On this Veteran's Day, when you give thanks to one who has served in service to others without question in the most violent of environments, let us provide not only a well-deserved welcome but a safe homecoming as well.

## County attorney advises revision of Buck Mountain agreement

By Patrick Rodriguez

Reporter  
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Although it's still likely that a new communication tower on Buck Mountain, a joint venture involving multiple entities, will be up and running by the beginning of next summer, Lincoln County Attorney Alan Morel has brought up a concern regarding legal responsibility.

In August, Holloman Air Force Base, Otero County and Lincoln County agreed to enter into a memorandum of agreement to build the tower with the idea that they would share enhanced communications capability to contact and receive emergency services.

Lincoln County commissioners at a regular meeting last month were given an opportunity to look over the proposed memorandum of agreement. It was at this meeting that Morel said that the agreement needed to be revised.

"Normally when you're going to put up a tower you need to know exactly what equipment people are going to put on the tower to know what the load is and to

know which tower you're actually going to buy," said Morel, adding that the agreement isn't clear on which entity would be liable and carry insurance.

The agreement designates Lincoln County as the owner of the tower and is responsible for all permitting and administration required for maintenance. The county will also donate sufficient resources to build the foundation for the tower. The county had pledged to give \$40,000 to start the project.

Otero County will conduct site maintenance and establish and pay for the utilities cost associated with the site.

Holloman will donate \$100,000 to purchase and install the communications tower, a self-contained communications shelter, and a 20kW propane generator. In return for these donations, Holloman would receive sufficient space on the tower and in the equipment shelter.

Morel said it was unclear as to which level each entity would go on the tower. "They have to be appropriately spaced," he said. "Who's on top? They always have the best spot."

County Manager Tom Stewart said that the U.S. Forest Service might want to be included in the agreement, but that this has yet to be confirmed. He said Travis Atwell, county emergency management director, has submitted a special use per-

mit to the Forest Service and has been assisting with a request for proposal (RFP).

Holloman has said that it wants the project done by June 12, 2012.

Morel said that he would work with whomever to revise the agreement.

## Upcoming events at ENMU-Ruidoso

**Brain Stretching Forum Extended** - Roger Cole's open forum on topics facing the world today has been extended through the end of November. The discussions take place on Mondays from 10 a.m. to noon in Room 105. Topics range from the role of technology to the definition of consciousness, but are not confined to any one subject. Participants are encouraged to share their life experiences and ideas in a welcoming environment. The discussions are free and open to the public.

**Bankruptcy: No Shame... It's Business and 16% Solution: Tax Liens and Notes** - Vic Carrier, former fraud coordinator and COO in the banking industry, discusses the role of bankruptcy, different types of bankruptcy available and where to obtain proper legal advice in a two-day seminar on Nov. 8 and 15 from 5:30 - 7:30 p.m. The fee is \$30 for an individual or a couple. On Nov. 10 and 17, investors will learn how to take advantage of property tax liens. The fee for this workshop is \$50 for an individual or a couple and includes a textbook.

**Book Signing by Local Writer** - Carol Keys will be on campus on Wednesday, Nov. 9 from noon to 1 p.m. to discuss her book, *Behind Her Smile: A Mother's Walk Through Her Daughter's Anorexia*. Part journal and part prose, the book is a personal account of her daughter's near death experience with the eating disorder. Faced with conflicting ideas and misinformation from friends and the medical establishment, Keys began to write about her frustration. As she notes, much of the research on anorexia focuses on the sufferer as child that little is known about how family members should assist and cope. Her book was written with parents in mind. Copies will be available for purchase at this free and informal event.

**New Mexico Movie Series** - This month's free New Mexico movie is the 1947 *Sea of Grass* starring Spencer Tracy and Katherine Hepburn.

Partially filmed around Magdalena, it is the story of a strong-minded woman who travels to New Mexico to be with her husband. Little does she know that he has a reputation as a tyrant who uses force to keep homesteaders off the government-owned land he uses for grazing his cattle. The movie will be shown on Wednesday, Nov. 9 at 7 p.m. in Room 111.

**Fall Student Art Show** - This semester's art show runs from Nov. 15 through Dec. 5 at the main campus. A reception featuring the artists will be held on Nov. 15 from 6 - 7 p.m. Many of the pieces of art are for sale and include paintings, drawings, photography and ceramics. The reception is free and refreshments will be served.

**The Story of Bottled Water** - Instructors Dinah Hamilton and Quentin Hays will present a short animated film and host a discussion on the myths of bottled water on Nov. 15 at 12 p.m. in Room 105. The presentation is free and open to the public. Participants are encouraged to bring a brown bag lunch.

**AARP Safe Driving**: Free for Veterans for the Month of November - To thank veterans, AARP is offering its Safe Driving class free of charge for drivers age 55 and over. The class addresses the effects of aging on driving. The current rules

of the road, how to operate a vehicle more safely in today's increasingly challenging driving environment and how to make adjustments to common age-related changes in vision, hearing and reaction time are covered. The class takes place on Tuesday, Nov. 15 from 12:45 - 5 p.m. For non-veterans, the fee is \$12 for AARP members and \$14 for non-members. Please have a driver's license number, date of birth and AARP number, if applicable, when registering.

**Customer Service and Time Management** - Rachel Weber teaches two workshops this month to assist employees in competing in today's business culture. "Customer Service" on Saturday, Nov. 19 from 9 a.m. - noon addresses how to maintain customer loyalty and retention and how to deliver a level of service that exceeds a customer's expectations. The fee for this workshop is \$30. "Time Management Skills" introduces tips and tools to organize time wisely, how to keep track of appointments and meetings and how to structure your day for maximum effectiveness. The fee for each of these workshops is \$30.

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# Gold Prospectors Roadshow Coming to Ruidoso

## Wells Fargo Financial Analyst: "Gold bubble burst eminent."

By Ryan Walker  
Roadshow Staff Writer

The remarkably strong performance that gold has delivered during the past 10-plus years is set to suddenly reverse course, a prominent financial services firm noted in a report.

Analysts with Wells Fargo & Company stated the gold price bubble is ready to rupture, according to Bloomberg. Motivated by concern and consideration for gold bugs, the firm's lead analyst stated that serving the warning and making it loud and clear is of vital importance.

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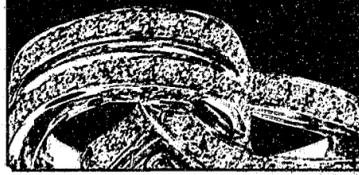
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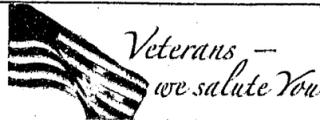
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**Nov. 1**  
**Volleyball**  
 District 4-3A tournament  
 Ruidoso d. Lovington, 3-0  
 District 3B tournament  
 Hondo d. Valley Christian, 3-0  
**Nov. 3**  
**Volleyball**  
 District 4-3A championship  
 Portales d. Ruidoso, 3-0  
 District 7-1A championship  
 Capitan d. Hagerman, 3-0  
 District 3B tournament  
 Hondo d. Lake Arthur, 3-2  
**Nov. 4**  
**Football**  
 Ruidoso 33, Portales 19  
 Six man playoffs  
 Clovis Christian 71, Hondo 18  
**Nov. 5**  
**Football**  
 Class 1A playoffs  
 Jan 27, Capitan 21  
 Lincoln County Little League  
 Minor Championship  
 Sooners 38, Tigers 0  
 Major Championship  
 Tigers 22, Raiders 8  
**Volleyball**  
 District 3B championship  
 Corona d. Hondo, 3-2  
 District 4B/5-1A championship  
 Animas d. Carrizozo, 3-2

## SPORTS UPCOMING

**Nov. 10**  
**Volleyball**  
 State Tournament at Rio Rancho  
 Class 3A  
 Ruidoso in pool play at Santa Ana Star Center, 2 p.m. First round of playoffs at Santa Ana Star Center at 9 p.m.  
 Class 1A  
 Capitan in pool play at Rio Rancho High, 8 and 11 a.m. First round of playoffs at RRHS, 6 and 7:45 p.m.  
 Class B  
 Corona, Carrizozo, Hondo in pool play at Cleveland High, 2 p.m.  
**Nov. 11**  
**Volleyball**  
 State Tournament at Rio Rancho  
 Class 3A  
 Quarterfinals at Santa Ana Star Center, 1:15 p.m.  
 Class 1A  
 Quarterfinals at Santa Ana Star Center, 3 p.m.  
 Class B  
 Quarterfinals at Cleveland High, 10 and 11:45 a.m.  
 Semifinals at Santa Ana Star Center, 6:30 p.m.  
**Nov. 12**  
**Football**  
 Class 3A football playoffs  
 Ruidoso at Albuquerque Academy, TBA  
**Volleyball**  
 State Tournament at Rio Rancho  
 Santa Ana Star Center  
 Class 3A championship, 3 p.m.  
 Class 1A championship, 5 p.m.  
 Class B championship, 1 p.m.

# Warriors punch ticket to playoffs

By Todd Fuqua

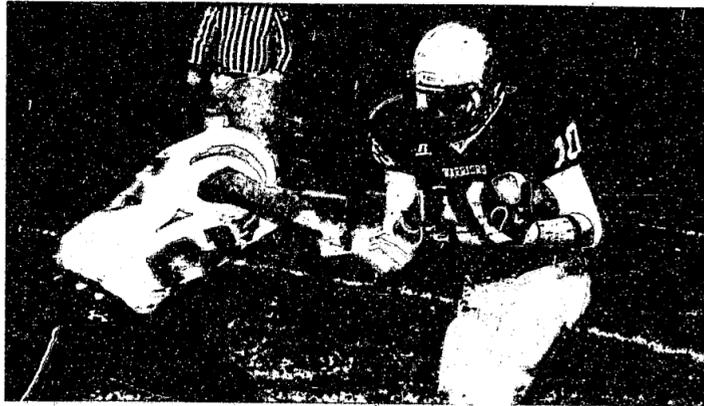
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[todd@ruidosofreepress.com](mailto:todd@ruidosofreepress.com)  
 Ruidoso football coach Kief Johnson knew his team would have its hands full against a team like Portales Friday. The Rams were so similar to Ruidoso in terms of its no-huddle offense and swarming defense, it was like looking in the mirror every time the Warriors took the field.

Portales was similar in one other aspect — they needed a win just as bad as Ruidoso in order to secure a spot in this year's Class 3A playoffs.

The Warriors had the luck and plays on their side, as quarterback Sam Williams threw for 232 yards and four touchdowns and helped to lead Ruidoso to a 33-19 victory.

"They run the ball hard and up the middle, and you'd better be sound and be able to take the running back and quarterback on it," Johnson said. "They gassed us a few times out there, but our offense exploded and Sam made some great throws."

At first, it looked as though the Rams (5-4, 0-2 District 4-3A) would make it a long night indeed for Ruidoso, open-



Ruidoso's Beto Fernandez (10) is met by Portales defender Osbaldo Navarrete Friday at W.D. Horton Stadium.

ing up with a long drive that utilized the running of quarterback Phoenix Russell, running back Collin McAfee and fullback Brenden Caywood.

However, the drive stalled at the Ruidoso 19, and the Warriors (6-4, 1-1) wasted little time getting on the board. After a pair of runs that went nowhere, Williams found Parker Johnson in double coverage for a 79-yard touchdown with 6:40 left in the first quarter.

"That was supposed to be to the outside, but he threw it to the inside," Johnson said. "I just got my hands around it and bounced it outside and ran it in for the touchdown."

The pair connected

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again on a 52-yard scoring strike at the very end of the quarter for a 14-0 lead. Johnson finished the game with three touchdown receptions and 156 yards on six catches.

The Warrior lead increased to 20-0 after another touchdown pass from Williams to Kalamia Davis

in the second quarter before the Rams got on the board on a nine-yard run by Russell. Ruidoso increased its lead to 26-6 on a 2-yard punch-in by Tanner Chavez just before the half.

The second half was more of a struggle for the Warrior offense, and Portales started making a game of it.

The Rams got their running game going, led by Russell with 157 total yards, while McAfee put together a 73-yard night. Portales scored

see FOOTBALL pg. 15

**Warriors 33, Rams 19**

Portales	0	6	7	-	19
Ruidoso	14	12	7	0	-

**First Quarter**  
 Rui - Parker Johnson, 79 pass from Sam Williams (Beto Fernandez kick), 6:40  
 Rui - Johnson, 52 pass from Williams (Fernandez kick), 0:00

**Second Quarter**  
 Rui - Kalamia Davis, 16 pass from Williams (run fail), 10:07  
 Rui - Phoenix Russell, 9 run (kick fail), 6:41  
 Rui - Tanner Chavez, 2 run (pass fail), 3:15

**Third Quarter**  
 Rui - David Rodriguez, 28 pass from Russell (run fail), 11:28  
 Rui - Johnson, 10 pass from Williams (Fernandez kick), 7:28

**Fourth Quarter**  
 Rui - Russell, 16 run (Jonathan Esparsen kick), 10:13

**Team statistics**

	Por	Rui
First downs	22	17
Rushes-yards	37-248	39-107
Passing yards	145	232
Att-comp-int	30-13-0	16-12-1
Total yards	393	339
Punts-avg.	3-32.6	3-36.6
Fumbles-lost	1-1	0-0
Penalties-yards	10-80	7-43

**Rushing:** Rui - Phoenix Russell 18-157, Dillon McAfee 4-18, Brenden Caywood 4-18.  
 Rui - Kalamia Davis 4-30, Tanner Chavez 10-46, Sam Williams 4-13, Matthew Carr 1-4, Manny Ruiz 1-3, Beto Fernandez 1-(minus-2), Devon Carr 12-(minus-8).  
**Passing:** Rui - Russell 30-13-0, 137, Rui - Williams 16-12-1, 232.  
**Receiving:** Rui - Wyatt Legler 2-40, Nathan Tarango 2-32, David Rodriguez 4-30, Collin McAfee 3-21, Miguel Abarca 1-12, Brandon Lovato 1-10. Rui - Parker Johnson 6-156, Davis 2-26, Ismael LaPaz 1-13, Carr 2-17, Brendan O'Connor 1-14.

# Ruidoso best southern team at state

By Todd Fuqua

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 One could look at this year's Class 3A meet as a disappointment for the Ruidoso Warrior cross country team, but coach Trevor Rabourn thinks his team's finish is something to be proud of.

"We had the tightest pack time of any team at state," Rabourn said of the boys' 6th-place finish in Rio Rancho. "It's something we've done really well all season. Also, they're close as a team. Their attitude was so positive."

The Warriors were eight points away from fifth place, and Rabourn had come into the meet hoping for a top three finish.

But Zuni surprised with an 88-point performance to take third.

The state meet was dominated by northern schools, as the Warriors were the highest finishing southern school there.



Ruidoso's Aaron Shalley, center, runs with the crowd during the boys 3A run at the state cross country meet Saturday at Rio Rancho.

"I figured we could run in the top five, and was hoping we could potentially get third," Rabourn said. "But a sixth place finish for us is very good. That's the highest finish we've had since I've been coaching here."

Individually, the first south-

ern runner to cross the finish line was Silver's Michael Lucero, who was 10th with a time of 17:27.25. Ruidoso's Wambli Little Spotted Horse was the next southern representative with a time of 17:29.8 in 14th place.

Rylan Vega was 31st overall,

while Aaron Shalley, Avery Carr and Derrick Montelongo were bunched close together in the middle of the overall standings.

Rabourn was particularly happy with how Shalley and Carr did, having returned the week before for the District 3-3A meet after battling numerous injuries.

"It was a real triumph for them at district last week," Rabourn said. "For them to get to state was fantastic. I was really pleased they did as well as they did under those conditions."

Weather conditions were also a concern, as a stiff cold wind blew all day long, affecting every runner on the course.

"Everyone was hoping to do a bit better, but we ran as well as we could on that day," Rabourn said. "Rylan also had a great day, running his fastest time of the year as a sophomore. He'll do great things for us next year."

Speaking of next year, the Warriors look to have a strong

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# Victory not to be for Lady Warriors

By Todd Fuqua

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 Ruidoso's volleyball team was riding high after its sweep of Lovington in the first round of the District 4-3A playoffs, but that momentum failed the Lady Warriors in the title match at Portales.

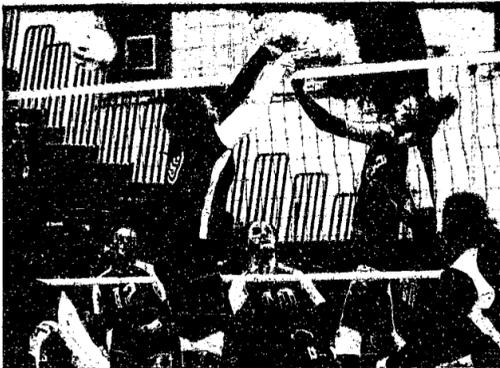
Portales started out strong and the Lady Warriors tried to make a game of it in the end, but ultimately fell 25-10, 25-22, 25-20.

"We were poised to use our momentum, but things can be unpredictable when the team has had the kind of season they've had," said Ruidoso coach Marie Garcia. "I love these girls, but they can get tunnel vision under pressure. Sometimes they forget what they know or learned."

Ruidoso (9-13) actually had a 5-2 lead in the first game, but the Lady Rams (13-8) stormed ahead to a big victory, taking advantage of a number of Lady Warrior errors.

"The girls were heartbroken, because Portales didn't really play that much better," Garcia said. "They made a comeback, but it just wasn't enough."

Ruidoso was still rewarded with a spot in this year's Class 3A playoffs, getting in as the 12th and final seed. The tournament starts with pool play this Thursday at the Santa Ana Star Center in Rio Rancho



Ruidoso hitter Madigan Gonzalez, right, goes for the spike as Portales' Kelsey Laurenz attempts to block it during Thursday night's District 4-3A championship at Portales.

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at 2 p.m., with the first round of bracket play at 9 p.m. "We'll see how we fare," Garcia said. "This team is still young, but they're peaking. It would be great to be among the true 3A elite."

## I'm used to seeing winners

Every time I make the trip to the annual state volleyball tournament, I get a little nostalgic.

The 1999 volleyball championship was the first state tournament I ever attended as a professional sports writer, and I've been privileged enough to see a number of state champions in the sport.

In fact, that tournament marked the start of a pretty remarkable run for me. The first state title match I saw — the Class 2A championship between Dexter and Animas — ended in a loss for the Lady Demons, the team I was following.

Later that evening, I saw Goddard win the first of three straight 4A titles they would win, and that match marked the first of 10 team championships I would witness. After watching Dexter lose in their title

## On the ddot



Todd Fuqua

match, I wouldn't cover another second-place team again.

Until, that is, the Ruidoso Osos lost their bid to win the first ever Pecos League title this past summer.

In that streak, I saw five volleyball wins, two football championships, two baseball titles and two tennis victory. In every instance,

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**VOLLEYBALL: DISTRICT 4B**

**Carrizozo top seed at state tournament**

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CARRIZOZO – No matter what the outcome was in Carrizozo's match against Animas Saturday, the Carrizozo Lady Grizzlies were still District 4B champions, and they're still the No. 1 seed in this weekend's state volleyball tournament in Rio Rancho.

Carrizozo dropped a 19-25, 25-16, 25-23, 23-25, 15-4 decision to the Lady Panthers, giving Animas the bi-district, 4B/5-1A title.

It's "bi-district" because, as the only 1A school in the district that plays volleyball, Animas played every 4B team in order to get them a regular schedule leading up to the state tournament.

Carrizozo, by virtue of finishing first in the regular season and earning the top seed in the bi-district tournament, was named the 4B champion.

None of that matters now, though. When Carrizozo (16-3) takes the court at Cleveland High School at 2 p.m. for pool play Thursday, they'll have to play to win.

"It doesn't matter what our seeding is, we've got to be ready to play at the big dance," said Carrizozo coach Pam Allen.

Carrizozo struggled against the Lady Panthers Saturday thanks to service errors, something Allen said has been a bane



Todd Fuqua/Ruidoso Free Press  
**Carrizozo's Fantasia Dennis sets the ball during the Lady Grizzlies' loss to Animas Saturday. Despite falling to the Lady Panthers, Carrizozo is the top seed in this weekend's Class B state tournament.**

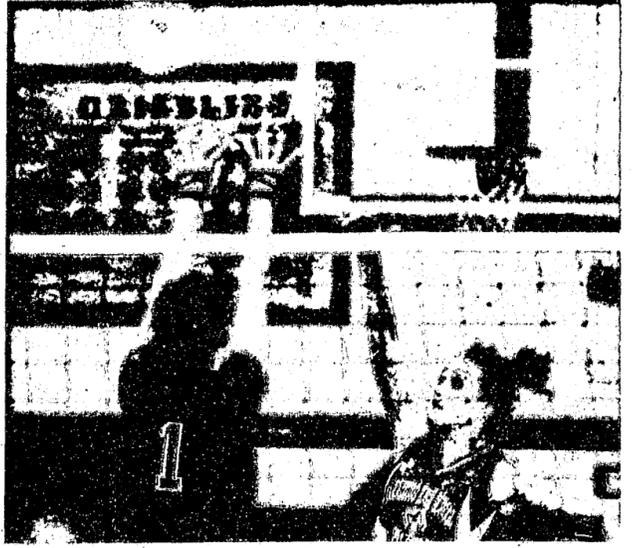
of the Lady Grizzlies all season long.

The only game that didn't really hurt Carrizozo was the first one, although the Lady Panthers weren't exactly playing lights-out either.

"We missed a jillion serves in that game, but so did Animas," Allen said of game one. "We continued to struggle there,

but we're going to be fine. We've got a great ball team and I'm really proud of these kids."

The two squads battled it out to start the match, with Carrizozo barely hanging on to a tenuous lead before Erica Vega got the serve with her team up 14-12. Five-service points later, Carrizozo had a comfortable lead and kept it from then on, thanks



Todd Fuqua/Ruidoso Free Press  
**Carrizozo's Sarah Ferguson, right, hits the ball over a block by Animas Lady Panther Taylor Trotter Saturday at Carrizozo.**

to big kills by Andrea Vigil and Sarah Ferguson at the net.

But the Lady Grizzlies' luck didn't hold after that. Animas won games two and three with more consistent play. Every time Carrizozo got the serve, a serve into the net or out usually ended a rally before it could begin.

The Lady Grizzlies were able to force a game five with a narrow victory in game four, but it was a game that went to game point serve three times before an error by the Lady Panthers finally ended it.

Animas didn't mess around

in the short fifth game, scoring seven straight points to take an 11-2 lead and cruising to the match win from there.

"With rally scoring, service errors always hurt you," Allen said. "It's an automatic point for the other team, but it also stops a rally we might have had. But we still got a first place team, and I feel real good about their chances at state."

"We've got some people that can hit the ball as well as anybody anywhere, any size," she added. "We'll just have to play when we get there."

**VOLLEYBALL: DISTRICT 3B**

**Corona ekes out district title win over Hondo**

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It was a long week for Hondo's volleyball team last week.

The Lady Eagles needed two wins over Valley Christian and Lake Arthur just to make it to the District 3B title match at Corona Saturday, and they needed all but one game to get there.

Hondo defeated Valley Christian in four games Nov. 1, then were taken to five games by Lake Arthur Nov. 3 before winning.

Saturday, the Lady Eagles came within a game of beating Corona for the district title before falling in five.

"It was a great match, one to watch," said Hondo coach Justine Ortiz. "The girls came out ready to play, and I wish they'd played like that all year long. I was very proud of them."

The Lady Eagles (10-14) made a game of it after having fallen to the Lady Cardinals twice before. Corona coach Richard Gage wasn't surprised at Hondo's tenacity.

"This was the best game I'd seen them play all year," Gage said of the Lady Eagles. "My girls played good, but we had some letdowns in there, and that's all it took for Hondo to sneak in there."

After playing four very close games, Corona (15-1) put the hammer down in the fifth, scoring the first five points of the frame and starting this Thursday in Rio Rancho. Pool play Both teams are headed to the state tournament High School.



Todd Fuqua/Ruidoso Free Press  
**Capitan defensive specialist Kayla Padilla digs a hit during the Lady Tigers' win over Hagerman Nov. 3 at Capitan.**

**VOLLEYBALL: DISTRICT 7-1A**

**Capitan wins district title**

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CAPITAN – Hagerman and Capitan's volleyball teams have seen quite a bit of each other lately.

The latest match came Nov. 3, as the Bobcats and Tigers faced off for the District 7-1A championship, a match Capitan won in convincing fashion, taking a 27-17, 25-17, 25-21 victory.

"This is probably the first game that we've had less errors than any of the others," said Capitan coach Rebecca Gonzales. "There were still a few errors here and there, and there's always room for improvement."

Capitan (11-9) came into the match on a roll, having won their last four matches and six of their last seven, and were already guaranteed a spot in the state tournament by virtue of their tie-breaking match against the Lady Bobcats last week.

Capitan is seeded seventh in this year's Class 1A state tournament, and will be in Pool B with second seeded Fort Sumner and 10th seeded Springer.

Pool play will be at 8 and 11 a.m. this Thursday at Rio Rancho High School, with the first round being played at 6 and 7:45 p.m., also at Rio Rancho.

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Tuesday Senior team standings, week 9 of 32

Name	Won	Lost	Avg	Hdcp
The Who?	25½	10½	594	219
Ageless Wonders	21½	14½	580	232
Spud & the Tater Tots	17½	18½	615	201
Larry Larry's	15½	20½	635	183
Serious, Not	15	21	566	245
Old Timers	13	23	518	288

Season high scores

Handicap series – Larry Larry's 2639, Spud & the Tater Tots 2589, Ageless Wonders 2589.

Handicap game – Old Timers 939, Serious Not 867, The Who? 863.

Men's handicap series – Spud Mitchum 740, Jim Clements 706, Larry Caywood 695.

Men's handicap game – Larry Hinds 271, Hubert Lee 267, Gene Nitz 260.

Women's handicap series – Sandi Meek 725, Sylvia Allwein 670, Lucy Servies 660.

Women's handicap game – Ursula Eckersley 270, Lorene Caywood 269, Rose Bivens 238.

Individual high averages

Men – Gene Nitz 195.63, Tom Douglas 192.44, Spud Mitchum 174.44. Women – Sandi Meek 170.76, Lucy Servies 147.3, Rose Bivens 145.93.

Most improved average

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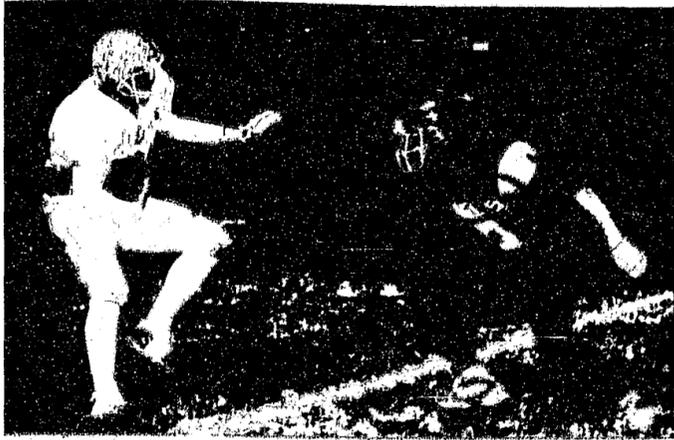
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# Hondo gridders lose big, but coach still proud



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**Hondo running back Christian Guillen makes a move to fight off the tackle of Clovis Christians' Daniel Graham Friday night at CCS's Jim Hill Field.**

**By Todd Fuqua**

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Hondo football coach Brandon Devine was under no illusion that his team wouldn't have it rough in its state-six-man semifinal Friday at Clovis Christian.

The CCS Eagles are the defending state champions, unbeaten this year and came into the game having won 18 in a row.

That win streak was pushed to 19 after Hondo dropped a 71-18 decision to the defending state champs to end the Lincoln County Eagles' season.

"We knew it would be

a tough one going in, but we were super banged up as well," Devine said referring to three starters that were on the sideline for Friday's contest. "We did play them better than the last time (an 80-28 loss on Sept. 23), and we weren't being conservative at all defensively. It did work once in a blue moon, but we knew we'd get scored on if they busted through their line."

Clovis Christian (9-0) got plenty of scores from Kenny Duong, who racked up 285 yards in the game and scored three of the CCS Eagles' first four touchdowns to put his team up 25-0 near the end of the first quarter.

CCS, meanwhile, regularly caught Hondo's defense off-balance with trap plays and gained 505 total yards on the night.

The 58-18 lead by CCS may have seemed insurmountable, but anyone that's seen a six-man football game knows points can be put on the board in a hurry. The only problem was, Hondo didn't get any points in the second half.

"If you can get your momentum going, you can score a lot," Devine said. "But we couldn't get that momentum going after the half."

Clovis Christian didn't exactly have the momentum either, scoring only twice. But it was their last score with 3:10 left in the game — a 23-yard rush by Zech Lucero — that ended things on the 50-point mercy rule.

While the year may have ended in similar fashion to last season — a big loss in the state semifinals to Clovis Christian — Devine believes his team did much better in 2011 overall.

"We have a better record, and the boys left everything out on the field Friday night," Devine said. "I'm proud of them for that."

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corps returning, with only Little Spotted Horse graduating.

"I say we're 'only' losing him, but he's going to be hard to replace," Rabourn said. "He's a good leader and did a lot of things to maintain the team's cohesiveness."

"It may not seem like such a team sport, but the fact that they're so close as a pack shows they're supporting each other," he added. "They'll keep challenging each other and lifting each other up next year."

**Girls run solid**

The only two Lady Warriors at the meet — Tylynn Smith and Darian Magooshboy — finished 71st and 82nd overall in Class 3A, a good showing on a field this size with this much talent.

The two had raced the same course earlier in the year at the Rio Rancho Jamboree, and both improved on their times.

"Darian was 40 seconds faster than she had

been all year, and they were out in pretty abusive conditions for running," Rabourn said.

**Class 3A State Cross Country Championship**



Photo by Karen Boehler

**Ruidoso's Darian Magooshboy runs for the finish line during the Class 3A girls race at the state cross country meet Saturday at Rio Rancho.**

**At Rio Rancho Nov. 5 BOYS TEAM**

- Pojoaque 81, 2. Shiprock 86, 3. Zuni 88, 4. St. Michael's 101, 5. Santa Fe Indian 140, 6. Ruidoso 148, 7. Wingate 149, 8. Silver 228, 9. Robertson 233, 10. Cobre 251, 11. Taos 254, 12. West Las Vegas 306.

**BOYS INDIVIDUAL**

- Herbert Beyale, Ship, 16:30.7; 2. Andres Gonzales, StM, 16:30.8; 3. Sam Roybal, Poj, 16:52.75; 4. Jesse Madelena, SFIS, 16:56.3; 5. Kevin Gia, Zun, 16:58.55; 6. Devin Casamero, Tho, 17:02.05; 7. Eric Williams, Ship, 17:06.05; 8. Nicolas Desiderio, Win, 17:17.75; 9. McKenzie Leekya, Zun, 17:26.6; 10. Michael Lucero, Sil, 17:27.25.

**Other finishers**

- Wambli Little Spotted Horse, Rui, 17:29.8; 31. Rylan Vega, Rui, 18:01.8; 41. Aaron Shalley, Rui, 18:10.05; 44. Avery Carr, Rui, 18:16.35; 46. Derrick Montelongo, Rui, 18:18.65; 56. Raul Orona, Rui, 18:40.15; 73. Chris Estrada, Rui, 19:04.2.

**GIRLS INDIVIDUAL**

- Tylynn Smith, Rui, 21:10.95; 82. Darian Magooshboy, Rui, 24:31.9.

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13 points in the second half and were driving toward what looked like another score midway through the final quarter.

Portales was on their side of the field, but had put together two first downs on two long runs by Russell and were on a roll. That roll ended when Russell was flagged for intentional grounding after throwing the ball in the stands trying to avoid a sack. From then on, Russell threw three incomplete passes, including one that went just over Brandon Lovato's head that would have made a first down and kept the drive alive.

Ruidoso had a chance to really put the game away with a touchdown near the end, but Tanner Chavez — who gained 34 of his 46 yards on the final drive — wasn't able to punch it in from four yards out.

In the end, it didn't matter, as Portales ran out of time, but coach Johnson would have liked to see that last score.

"We get down there fourth and one, it was déjà vu," said Johnson, referring to last week's narrow loss at Lovington. "I'm glad the game wasn't on the line again on that one, but we were up big and wanted to score."

With the win, Ruidoso earned a spot in the Class 3A playoffs, albeit as the No. 9 seed, with a road game at Albuquerque Academy this Saturday. A win in that game would pit the Warriors against top-seeded St. Michael's in the second round.

"I think we'll do pretty good in the playoffs," Parker Johnson said. "We proved we can play with the best last week in Lovington, we're ready."

**Injuries**

Both Davis brothers — Kalama and Keoni — are sidelined with ankle injuries sustained in the past two weeks. Keoni went down against Lovington, while Kalama was hurt Friday. All this comes on top of a broken collarbone that ended the season for receiver Julian Lopez last week.

Things may look difficult for the Warriors headed

into the playoffs, but coach Johnson said things aren't really that bleak.

"It's been a rough season, but we pulled Kalama because we didn't really need him for the rest of the game," Johnson said. "He'll be fine, and it was better not to have him out there and hurt it anymore with the playoffs coming up."

**Super Crossword**

**Answers**

WACKY	YALTA	ORBS	SET
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SHESOSTINGY	ALLOCATE		
TET	RAISE	ALEG	HIES
EVIL	AMASS	ACORNS	
COBRAS	PARIAH	DROP	
ISLAM	VIC	SHEFRIESHER	
ALA	PAELLA	LUAU	AVE
OBLIVIOUS	DRAM	RAVEN	
ARENT	SAVOY	BENE	
BAKERY	BACON	PEDANT	
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EGRET	MEAL	ABOLISHED	
RIO	OPEN	KARATE	ARI
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the team I was following needed only to get to the final match in order to guarantee them a title.

Note, I'm talking about sports that are defined by playoffs — sports that have a definitive final contest to determine the champion. I've also seen track and golf championships, but those are determined by overall points scored over two or three days, not the final point spread in a single game.

I'm not saying I'm the reason those teams won — that's a preposterous thought. It was the talent, dedication and hard work of the players and coaches that got those titles.

But athletes are a superstitious bunch, and if any of the five Lincoln County teams at this year's state volleyball tournament want to count me as a good luck charm, I won't mind.

Just get to the title match, and maybe my luck will hold.

True, it didn't hold for the Osos this summer, but we can always start another win streak, can't we?

**AREA FOOTBALL RESULTS**

District 4-3A			
District	W	L	T
Lovington	6	4	2
Ruidoso	6	4	1
Portales	5	4	0
Six-Man State Playoffs Semifinals Nov. 4			
Clovis Christian	71	Hondo	18
Lake Arthur	58	Dora	32
Nov. 4			
Ruidoso 33	Portales 19	Goddard 48	Lovington 0
END REGULAR SEASON			
Class 3A State Playoffs Nov. 12			
Ruidoso at Albuquerque Academy, TBA			
Raton at Hope Christian, TBA			
Zuni at Hot Springs, TBA			
Portales at Robertson, TBA			
Class 1A State Playoffs Nov. 5			
Jal 27	Capitan 21	OT	
McCurdy 33	Escalante 13		
Lincoln County Little League football playoffs Oct. 31			
at W.D. Horton Stadium Majors			
Tigers 28	Carrizozo 26		
Nov. 1			
at W.D. Horton Stadium Minors			
Tigers 20	Razerbacks 8		
Nov. 5			
at W.D. Horton Stadium Minor championship			
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Major championship			
Tigers 22	Raiders 8		

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# Tigers lose overtime thriller in playoffs

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But for a flag – and some crucial injuries – the Capitan Tigers might be getting ready for the next round of the Class 1A playoffs right now.

The Tigers were leading near the end of their game at Jal Saturday, but the Panthers were able to score late to tie the game at 21-all

and force and overtime. Jal then scored in the overtime period and held on for a 27-21 victory.

“We had that game won,” said Capitan coach Collin Justiss. “We had two significant injuries toward the end of the game, and we ended up with players out of position.”

The Tigers (5-5) lost Tyler Shields and Ruben Mendoza to knee injuries, throwing Capitan’s

entire defense out of whack. That Mendoza was Capitan’s starting quarterback didn’t help matters, either.

Jal (5-5) may have scored first in the extra period, but the Panthers missed the extra point, meaning Capitan could have scored and earned a victory when they got the ball.

Score the Tigers did, but the play was called back on a hold-

ing call. Capitan then fumbled the snap on the next play and turned the ball over to bring the game to a close.

While the end was a disappointment, Justiss believes the Tigers have laid the foundation for a spectacular season next year.

“Hopefully, this is something to remember for playoff season next year,” Justiss said. “I’m

pretty positive we’ve got a great squad coming back. I’ve never been in a situation where the injuries were this bad, but we grew as a team and learned from it.

“We’ll have a great group coming back, but they have to work hard in the weight room in the offseason and really dedicate themselves to winning,” he added. “They realize now they have to play a full game.”

# Little League champions crowned at Horton Stadium

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The Capitan Tigers may have come into the Saturday’s Lincoln County Little League Superbowls at W.D. Horton Stadium dreaming of a sweep, but they had to settle for a split.

The Major Tigers needed a last-second touchdown to tie things at the break with the Raiders, then went on to win the game 22-8. The Minor Tigers weren’t as lucky, getting shut out by the Sooners 38-0.

The Sooners finished off an unbeaten season, wasting little time in getting on the board with an opening kickoff return for a touchdown by Layson Powell.

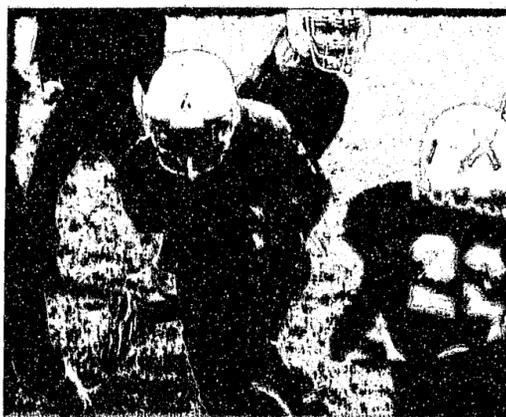
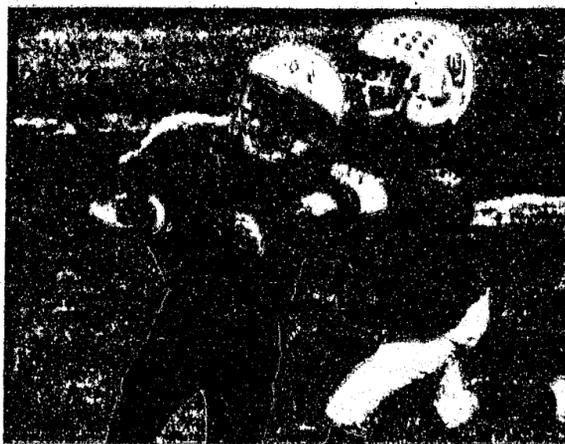
Powell was all over the field for the Sooners, combining with Hunter Edmister and Gage Guardiola for six touchdowns on a cold, rainy day.

In the Major championship, it looked as though the Tigers were heading for a similar fate, as the unbeaten Raiders were running at will, drawing first blood in the first quarter with a 3-yard punch-in

by Isaiah Otero with 2:49 left.

Capitan couldn’t get anything going until the very end of the first half, when Tiger Stephen Ellison got in the endzone from eight yards out with .6 seconds left on the clock to tie things at 8-all.

The Tigers were able to ride that momentum to the victory in the second half.



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Ruidoso Free Press

Top Right: Capitan’s Stephen Ellison scores the extra points during the Tigers’ win in the Major Superbowl Saturday at W.D. Horton Stadium.

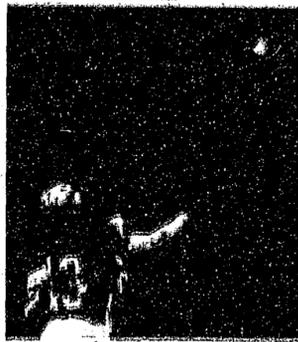
Above: Sooner defender Gage Guardiola, right, drags down Capitan’s Garrison Weems Saturday in the Minor Superbowl.

Left: Raider quarterback Brennan Stewart (4) tries to turn the corner while pursued by Tiger Caleb Hightower Saturday at W.D. Horton Stadium.



No. 43 Parker Johnson

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# October births at LCMC

**Oct. 2:** Mikayla Shea Trujillo, F, 6 lbs., 15.3 oz., 19 1/2 in., Gina & LeRoy Trujillo, Tularosa

**Oct. 2:** Breann Lee Rocha, F, 7 lbs., 11.7 oz., 20 in., DeAnn & Jesse Rocha, Ruidoso

**Oct. 3:** Logan Joel Najar, M, 7 lbs. 14.9 oz., 21 1/2 in., Raina & Miguel Najar, Carrizozo

**Oct. 5:** Keira Rose Marie Apachito, F, 6 lbs. 5.8 oz., 19 in., Ruth Munoz, Mes-calero

**Oct. 7:** Emilio Francisco Guerrero, M, 7 lbs. 10 oz., 21 1/2 in., Kristina & Sergio Guerrero, Ruidoso Downs

**Oct. 7:** Ilyanna Ariya Garcia, F, 7 lbs. 10.2 oz., 19 1/2 in., Valerie Danielle Garcia Ruidoso

**Oct. 8:** Aubree Bernice Dolan Chee, F, 8 lbs. 5 oz., 21 in., Vanessa Thompson & Christopher Chee, Mes-calero

**Oct. 10:** Trenton Cooper Hileman, M, 9 lbs. 5.8 oz., 22 in., Whitney & Sheridan Hileman, Ruidoso

**Oct. 11:** Avery Lynn Brazel, F, 8 lbs. 12.7 oz., 20 1/2 in., Janet & Michael Brazel, Alto

**Oct. 11:** Samuel Pinal, M, 7 lbs. 0.4 oz., 19 1/2 in. Tracy & Rex Pinal, Ruidoso

**Oct. 14:** Cayden Hazel Naelynn Botella, F, 8 lbs. 8.5 oz., 20 in. Heather & Emmett Botella, Mescale-ro

**Oct. 15:** Makailah Amoree Villegas, F, 6 lbs. 15 oz., 20 in., Lilliana Villegas, Ruidoso

**Oct. 16:** Tylee Lean Garcia, F, 5 lbs. 2.6 oz., 18 in., Chloean & Jason Garcia, Tularosa

**Oct. 16:** Andres Sanchez Porras, M, 7 lbs. 15 oz., 21 1/2 in., Joanna & Andres

Sanchez, Ruidoso

**Oct. 16:** Daniel Tre Lo-zano, M, 8 lbs. 5.1 oz., 21 in., Brandi Leckie & Daniel Lozano, Alamogordo

**Oct. 17:** Max Alexander Figueroa, M, 8 lbs. 14.2 oz., 21 in., Nancy & Jesus Figueroa, Ruidoso Downs

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**Oct. 21:** Thomas James Mowell, M, 6 lbs. 12.7 oz., 20 in., Nicole & James Mowell, Ruidoso

**Oct. 23:** Byron Paul Bala-

jadia, M, 9 lbs. 4.4 oz., 21 1/2 in., Sharlene & Bryon Bala-jadia, Alamogordo

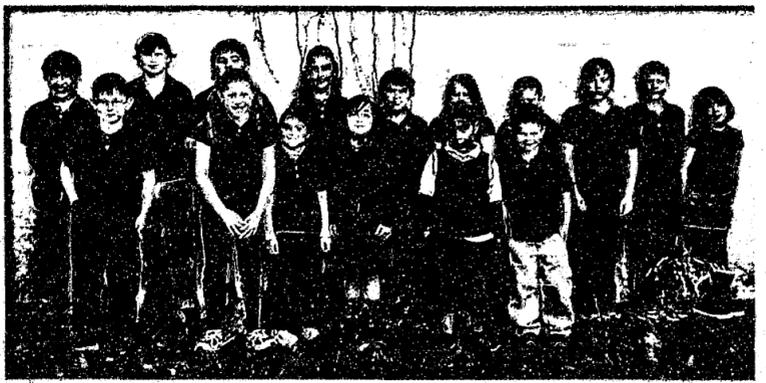
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**Oct. 24:** Ayden Daniel Reyes, M, 8 lbs. 11.4 oz., 21 1/2 in., Lena Reyes, Car-rizozo

**Oct. 24:** Morgan Olivia Nowell, F, 6 lbs. 13.9 oz., 20 in., Michaela Francis & Joshua Nowell, Capitan

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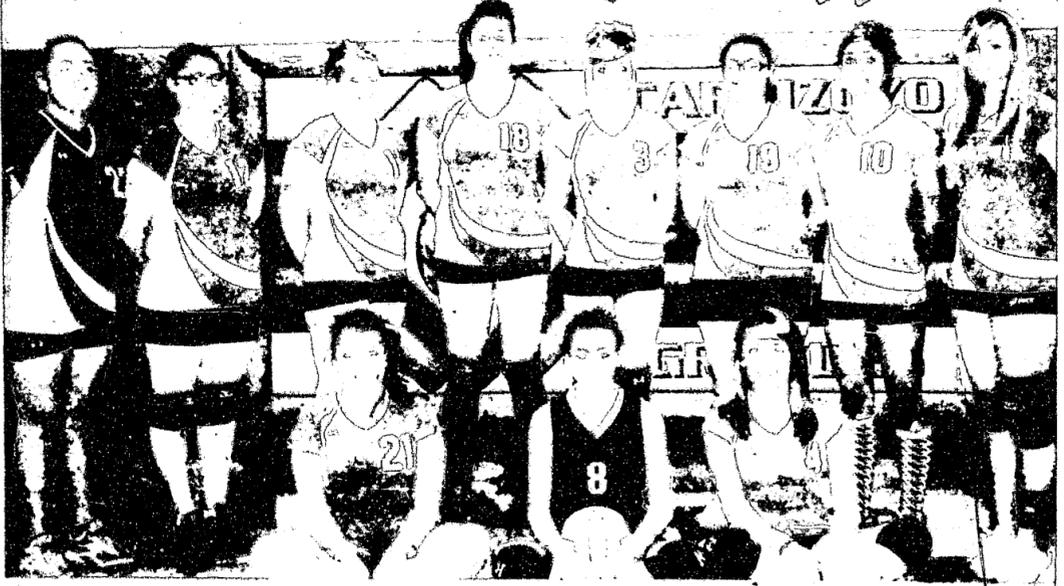
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# Investigation focuses on illegal forest slash dumping in two county subdivisions

Contributed by Jim Miller

A recent investigation by several local agencies has resulted in suspensions of work on more than a half dozen forest thinning projects in Alpine Village and the Ranches of Sonterra. The Capitan State Forestry office, Greentree Solid Waste Authority [GSA] and the Lincoln County Sheriff's office are investigating numerous landowner complaints regarding improper or illegal disposal of thinned forest material, often amounting to hundreds of cubic yards and thousands of dollars. The investigations are on-going and may expand into additional subdivisions.

A preliminary investigation this week revealed problems with some forest thinning contractors thinning private property in Lincoln County and charging the landowner for disposal. The agreement with the thinning project requires contractors to

chip back on to the property or otherwise dispose of the slash properly. Pushing slash onto County or the Village of Ruidoso road right-of-ways, depending on the location, is not proper disposal. GSWA or VOR then assumes, at public expense, the cost of removal by grapple truck and disposal. The contractor then walks away from the job, pocketing all of the fees. The landowner becomes liable for improper disposal, in many cases, for illegal dumping under the penalty of law.

"A number of County residents are tired of paying for illegal dumping by contractors whether it's construction or forest waste," stated GSWA Supervisor Debra Ingle. "We are getting lots of phone calls from landowners wondering if we are going to pick up large amounts of slash for free. We don't." Ingle went on to say, "State Forestry-funded thinning con-

tracts for landowners pay for and require proper disposal. In some cases, this is not happening."

To correct this problem, the advice to homeowners and/or landowners is simple. Continue thinning your land, but do not pre-pay the contractor for disposal until material is disposed of and the contractor can produce a receipt from legitimate disposal sites. There are currently four approved disposal sites in Lincoln County: Bio-Grind Inc., GSWA, Sierra Contracting and White Mountain Composting, all located along Highway 70 east of Ruidoso Downs. Each site will issue a receipt for material disposal that can be presented to the landowner for final payment.

As part of its regular solid waste service, GSWA will pick up and dispose of 12 cubic yards of slash for homeowners that pay a quarterly trash bill and are located

within the yard waste service area. If the slash goes beyond the initial 12 yards or if the clean-up area is on a vacant lot, the landowner must make disposal arrangements by contacting the GSWA office. If material shows up along a County or Village road and is identified as not being from the adjacent property owner, then the landowner and contractor are liable for citations and fines. For more information on slash removal arrangements, call 318-4697, ext. 23, view the GSWA website [www.greentreeswa.org](http://www.greentreeswa.org) or follow slash removal recycling on Twitter @greentreeswa.org

Within the Village of Ruidoso, landowners should follow the Organic Waste Removal requirements on the VOR website, <http://ruidoso-nm.gov>. Landowners can also hire a private company to collect, load and haul forest slash to a legitimate disposal site.

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Garza ended up in an Alamogordo Shelter, but explains, "I just wasn't ready to leave. I believed he would change." De La Garza explains that the change came from within. "It took a while but I finally grasped that I didn't deserve to be abused. Once I internalized that belief, I was ready to make a change, and this is what I hope for all of our residents at the Nest," she says confidently.

Celina has been manager of Sweet Charity since it opened in May of 2010. Her personal story has motivated many folks to volunteer at the store and others to just simply open up to her. "Last week,

a woman came in and asked me for a hug, two minutes later, she was crying on my shoulder sharing her own abuse story, something she had always kept to herself." One of Sweet Charity's regular volunteers is volunteering at the store because of De La Garza's story. De La Garza counts herself fortunate that she is able to give back. "It was the best thing I ever did- to share my story."

Celina was one of the brave women who attended the HEAL Board of Director's Annual Retreat this summer. Celina shared both the horror she had endured, and the great optimism she now holds

in helping other women. Her story brought tears to the eyes of many of the organization's leaders, who had known Celina as their Store Manager but not as a Survivor. "I was absolutely astounded at her story. First, that the violence was so horrendous. Then, that it had even happened to her at all. I had no idea how strong this woman is," said Mike Myers.

Sweet Charity is open Tuesday thru Saturday. Revenue generated from the store supports the Nest Domestic Shelter. Clients at the Nest often leave their abusive situations with just the clothing on

their back. De La Garza enjoys the chance to take a client around the store and pick out clothes, shoes and jackets. "I just had a young woman from the shelter come in who needed black pants, black tennis shoes and white shirts to start her new job. There is no cost to the residents who shop at the Nest, but can you imagine if we weren't here? Many people don't realize that starting a job often requires an investment and many of these women start out with nothing. A job is fundamental towards acquiring independence," De La Garza explains.



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## R & R IN RUIDOSO

*A week of big discounts and great activities*

As Veteran's Day approaches, the newly formed Military 365 Committee is putting the finishing touches on the R&R in Ruidoso celebration that will take place Nov. 7 - 12. Merchants, lodgers and restaurant owners will be offering members of the military - both active duty and retired - a variety of discounts during the week preceding Veteran's Day as a way of showing appreciation for the job that they do everyday to ensure our country's freedoms.

The highlight of the week-long affair will be the R&R in Ruidoso Block Party that will take place on Saturday, Nov. 12 from noon - 4 p.m. in midtown Ruidoso. Sudderth Drive will be closed to traffic from Chase Street to Center Street to make room for a good, old-fashioned street fair complete with a kids' fun zone, a beer garden, eight live bands on two stages, food vendors, a vintage car show and much more.

"Our community wants all members of the military to know how deeply we appreciate what they do. Giving them and

their families a few days of relaxation and fun is the least we can do to thank them for what they do for our country," said Gina Kelley, Director of Tourism for Ruidoso.

There are currently several local bands that have been booked to provide entertainment at the street fair, and they include: Crooked Beaver Creek, New 22, Titled Floor, Cowboy Mafia, Aaron LaCombe Band and Timberwolf. In addition, spectators can enjoy the sights and sounds of the First AD Jazz Combo, a renowned military band from Fort Bliss.

There will be other events taking place in Ruidoso that weekend including the Friday night BBQ at the No Scum Allowed Saloon in White Oaks and a Saturday night performance from the Sons of the Pioneers at Mountain Annie's. The always-popular Christmas Jubilee will also be in full swing at the Ruidoso Convention Center on Friday, Saturday and Sunday.

Please visit [www.RuidosoMilitary-Discounts.com](http://www.RuidosoMilitary-Discounts.com) for a complete listing of lodging discounts that are available.

## Helping service members transition to life back home

*Tools to help with resilience, recovery and reconnecting*

### Family Features

Returning home from deployment can be difficult for any service member. Members of the National Guard and Reserve have a unique challenge balancing their military service with civilian life, and returning to a civilian life that does not include those with whom they served can be especially stressful. However, resources like the Real Warriors Campaign are available for service members who are experiencing challenges associated with transition.

Sponsored by the Defense Centers of Excellence for Psychological Health and Traumatic Brain Injury (DCoE), the Real Warriors Campaign is a public education initiative designed to encourage service members, veterans, and their families to seek care and treatment for the invisible wounds of war.

"Warriors are hesitant to seek treatment for invisible wounds because of a fear that it will affect their career, but

that's a myth," Capt. Paul S. Hammer, DCoE Director, said. "In fact, if you don't seek help, it will affect your career because down the road, symptoms may affect a service member's ability to do his or her job effectively."

To help service members and families with transitions and reintegration, the Real Warriors Campaign website provides tools, tips and resources such as the ones below to encourage service members, veterans and military families coping with invisible wounds to reach out for support.

**DCoE Outreach Center:** The Outreach Center allows anyone to confidentially speak with health care professionals 24/7 by calling 1-866-966-1020, by using the online Live Chat feature, or by emailing [resources@dcoeoutreach.org](mailto:resources@dcoeoutreach.org).

**Video Products:** At the heart of the campaign are Real Warriors who are proving through example that reaching out is a sign of strength. The campaign website includes video profiles and public service announcements featuring these Real Warriors who have reached out for support and are continuing to maintain successful military or civilian

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U.S. Army photo by Sgt. Melissa Shaw/Released

## MUSIC NEWS

By Ty Vinney

Music Reporter.

[www.w105radio.com](http://www.w105radio.com)

**Jace Everett review - Mr. Good Times**



Jace Everett, the man behind True Blood's opening theme song, "Bad Things," returns with a new album, *Mr. Good Times*.

"Normally country rock is something I stay away from, however with Everett that's not the case. He's a sound that I can listen to and for the majority, really enjoy. "Mr. Good Times" can be summed up as a good solid album with its own distinctive charm.

Everett's encompassed a mix of styles and isn't afraid to cross musical boundaries at all. For example, on "The Drugs Aren't Getting It Done," he's channeling The Beatles pretty dang well. On "Autumn," there's a flavor of something like U2 in the mix. All the while the songs hold true to the evolution of his music. Emotions shine in a lot of the songs and he's not shy about letting things out. An example could be the rawness of "Let's Begin Again."

Everett has proven that he's not just a one-hit wonder and that he can go far beyond "Bad Things." As a singer-songwriter with occasional help from band members, he's pretty solid. The more you give the album a listen the more it grows on you. I'm no usual fan of anything that could fall into the country genre, but nonetheless *Mr. Good Times* now happily resides in my music collection.

## KID X 101.5

[www.kidradio.com](http://www.kidradio.com)

**Lou Reed, Metallica review - Lulu**

Lou Reed and Metallica have come together and created the strange album that is *Lulu*. One would expect something pretty high-caliber from such a pairing, right? I was sure interested, so I figured I would give it a good listen over in the car. The album comes in a two-disk set as it runs just under 90 minutes; I figured it must have been good enough to not get too hashed out with editing. Man was I surprised.

The opening track "Brandenburg Gate" runs just over four minutes. It opens with acoustic guitar then goes into the same riff over and over. The opening (and very off key) lyrics of "I would cut my legs and tits off, When I think of Boris Karloff and Kinski, In the dark of the moon," I'm left with a bad taste in my mouth. The best thing

about this song is that it is the shortest on the album. Sadly the rest of the album follows suit. The lyrics don't fit the melodies and are repetitive. A fine example would be the song "Pumping Blood" on which the title of the song is repeated numerous times, lacking any gusto whatsoever.

The album is just one train wreck after another and runs together poorly. The only slight highlight is some of the riffs are pretty awesome and the music as a whole isn't too shabby. But once the novelty of that is exhausted you're all but praying for the current song to be over and to find your way to the end of the album. *Lulu* never picks up, never surprises and does nothing to help either contributing artist's discography. In my personal opinion, it's one of the worst things I've ever heard in my life. I'd rather listen to an hour of cheeky bubblegum-pop like the Justin Bieber or Brittany Spears than another five minutes of this.



[www.1071thenerve.com](http://www.1071thenerve.com)

**Staind review - Staind**

Staind is back and harder than ever. With their seventh self-titled album, the band has let go of their recent trend of soft serve and come back to the harder scene, teeth bared. After releasing their last album, "Illusions of Progress," left me wanting, I approached this new album with caution. I'm left pretty pleased. Gone is the dull and almost whining element and back is the grit and the harshness that the band captivated my attention with when bursting onto the scene back in the mid 1990s.

The opening song "Eyes Wide Open," hits you like an explosion. It's got the most aggressive vocals I've heard from Lewis in a long time. The verses have a bite and the chorus is melodic and heavy. My attention was grabbed immediately and held well. Sounding as if it was torn from their album "Dysfunction," we have "The Bottom." Chalked full of riffs and lyrics like "this ship is sinking, I'll meet you at the bottom, the waves can't wash away all the scars you bare," the song is my personal favorite on the album. "Wannabe" almost sounds as if KoRn had some influence when they were writing the track. It's got a pretty smooth guitar solo but the lyrics have a sort of weak-attempt at nu-metal and seem almost immature to me. It's the only real weak spot the album has for me. Another comparison can be drawn with "Failing." The song sounds like something that could be comfortable on an Alice in Chains album.

If you jumped ship after the last album, jump back in with this one. *Staind* is the band's best album to date and I highly recommend picking the album up. It's got the edge that made me fall in love with the band, plenty of new elements incorporated into it and the baseline sound that is very much Staind.

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## A delicious twist on an old holiday standby

This week's recipe is a nice twist to the old pumpkin pie standby. It's best to prepare this dessert the day before your Thanksgiving feast, along with dips, cranberry sauce (if you're making it from scratch) and most salads. Also, when planning your menu, try to plan to utilize all of your cooking appliances. You don't want to have all of your dishes baked because you will be competing with the turkey, so use the stove top and even the BBQ grill if needed. And if you do have something that needs to be baked, remember the turkey will need to rest a bit after its been cooked, so plan on baking then. If you are deep frying your turkey, be very careful and do it away from your house. Nothing will ruin Thanksgiving faster than a huge grease fire, so be safe...



**Brendan Gochenour**  
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1 ½ cups crushed graham crackers  
½ cup melted butter  
8 inch pie pan

**Directions**

Preheat oven to 325 degrees F.

Mix graham crackers and melted butter together and line a pie pan with them.

In a large bowl, combine cream cheese, ½ cup sugar and vanilla. Beat until smooth. Blend in eggs one at a time. Remove 1

cup of batter and spread into bottom of crust; set aside.

Add pumpkin, cinnamon, cloves and nutmeg to the remaining batter and stir gently until well blended. Carefully spread over the batter in the crust.

Bake for 35 to 40 minutes, or until center is almost set. Allow to cool at room temp, then refrigerate for 3 hours or overnight. Beat heavy cream and 1/3 cup sugar until it becomes whipped and serve a little whipped cream over each slice of pie. Enjoy.

I can't describe the excitement I feel with Thanksgiving coming so soon! I would love to hear about all your special family traditions and what you are planning to serve for your dinner. Drop me a line sometime at askchefbrendan@gmail.com, or you can find my page "Chef Brendan" on Facebook! *Happy Cooking!!*

**Pumpkin Cheesecake**

**Ingredients**

- 2-8 oz. packages cream cheese left out at room temp
- 1 teaspoon vanilla extract
- ¾ cup granulated sugar
- 2 eggs
- ½ cup pumpkin puree
- ½ teaspoon ground cinnamon
- Pinch ground cloves
- Pinch ground nutmeg
- ½ cup heavy cream

## Recipe reconstruction

An enjoyable way to skip unnecessary calories and add additional nutrients into your body is to redesign your favorite foods. An easy and fun way to accomplish this is to replace healthier, higher calorie items, with foods that contain a higher nutrient density and include foods that digest faster. Thanks to the Internet, finding healthier alternatives is just a click away. But for now, here are a few tricks to try:

When baking sweets, replace the called-for amount of eggs with mashed bananas by estimating the size of the eggs required and match it with an equivalent amount of mashed bananas.

Peel, core, then mash apples (applesauce like texture) to replace the same amount requested for oils when baking.

A great alternative to graham cracker cheesecake crust is to combine



**Angie Fernandez**  
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2 cups of pecans, ½ cup of raisins and 1 tbs of cinnamon in a food processor until they are finely chopped, firmly place in pie pan and add your filling and chill.

Use olive oil or mashed avocados with your favorite spices to liven up a salad instead of higher calorie dressings, which often contain corn syrup.

Bake a spaghetti squash to replace your usual pasta, you might find it makes spaghetti more flavorful.

Layer thinly sliced zucchini as an alternative to lasagna noodles.

Use carrots, celery, cucumber or zucchini slices instead of chips when serving guacamole or dip.

Taco seasonings can be added to avocados or mashed beans in replacement of meats when making tacos.

So take pleasure in the foods you already enjoy, just help your body enjoy them as well.

### Weekly Featured Adoptable Pets

**Chuy** is a handsome black lab mix, about 3 years old. He is solid black and weighs about 50 pounds. Chuy seems like he will be a very loyal dog and is desperate to find a permanent home. He was abandoned here at the animal shelter after hours.



**Willy** is a very cool cat about 5 months old. He is quite the spunky guy and loves to be held.

To adopt one of these featured pets, contact the Humane Society of Lincoln County.

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# Una nueva clínica de salud en el Hondo tendrá que esperar

Por Patrick Rodriguez

Alegando que el procedimiento no se completó adecuadamente en el tiempo, comisionados del condado de Lincoln, el martes (18 de octubre) rechazó una propuesta presentada por La Casa de Buena Salud Inc. de presentar un desarrollo de la comunidad de Subsidiarios Globales para la construcción de una nueva clínica en el Valle Hondo.

Con el fin de solicitar la subvención, el condado tiene que tener cualquier actuales proyectos de CDBG cerró el 15 de diciembre, además de la celebración de tres audiencias públicas y presentar una solicitud antes del 15 de enero 2012.

"Hay mucho trabajo por hacer en un período muy corto de tiempo, y no estoy seguro de que se puede hacer," dijo el administrador del condado, Tom Stewart. "No es este ciclo, dé todos modos."

Proyecto actual del condado CDBG, una nueva clínica de salud en Capitan, se espera que esté terminado pronto.

El importe máximo que La Casa podía haber solicitado es de \$500,000, de acuerdo con los requisitos de aplicación del programa CDBG. Más que hace la propuesta de CDBG para La Casa más complicado de entender es que el sitio de la construcción de una clínica de salud actual en el Hondo está ubicado en el distrito escolar local.

Debido a un acuerdo de poderes conjuntos, Hondo Valle Escuelas Públicas del condado y el propietario del edificio. Después de La Casa abrió hace 10 años, el distrito escolar arrendado el terreno y el edificio a la provincia, y entonces el condado subarrendado la propiedad a la clínica.

Seferino Montano, director general de La Casa, dijo a los comisionados que él había hablado con los representantes de CDBG y el Nuevo México del Departamento de Finanzas y Administración rodean la propiedad del edificio de la clínica se encuentra en. Dijo NMFA le había dicho que era posible que el condado y el distrito escolar para trabajar juntos a través de un acuerdo de poderes conjuntos, para ser capaces de construir una clínica en la escuela.

Montano dijo que le preguntó si un NMFA 150.000 dólares en asignación legislativa podría ser utilizado como una forma de recaudar los fondos necesarios para CDBG, "y que la respuesta también fue afirmativa."

La clínica actual en Hondo es de unos 900 metros cuadrados. Montano dijo que el edificio se movió de Corona y algunas renovaciones fueron capaces de hacer en él. Dijo que no era mucho de un diseño arquitectónico del edificio, que era más o menos elaborado por un contratista, sin embargo fue capaz de encontrar una manera de abrir la clínica.

"Pero en realidad es un edificio antiguo que necesita ser reemplazado, y creo que los residentes del Valle Hondo se merecen algo mejor," dijo Montano, quien agregó que un nuevo edificio daría más espacio. Se estima que con el monto solicitado para la construcción de un nuevo edificio, el tamaño de la instalación sería de entre 1.300 y 1.400 metros cuadrados.

Aunque los comisionados del condado, dijo que quiere ayudar en la construcción de un edificio de nueva clínica para la salud Hondo, la posibilidad de recibir de la provincia en el corto plazo era sombrío.

Comisionado de Jackie Powell dijo que el momento para una nueva clínica Hondo fue "dura", señalando que la asignación legislativa podría ya han expirado y el plazo de presentación de CDBG se acerca.

"En un plazo breve, para estar listos el 15 de enero - Nunca he completado un programa CDBG, pero he visto los papeles," dijo. "Así que correr a través de algo ... está condenado al fracaso."

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careers. Check out the video profile of Staff Sgt. Meg Krause an Army Reservist, who overcame the challenges associated with combat stress and is now sharing the message that it is okay to ask for help.

**Articles:** The campaign website features more than 70 articles for members of the military community at all stages of the deployment cycle, including members of the National Guard and Reserve. Some topics include: How Guard and Reserve Veterans Get Support from VA, Yellow Ribbon Program; Support for Guard and Reserve, and Free Support Program for Warriors in Transition for warriors in transition.

**Message Boards:** Campaign messages boards provide a forum for members of the military community to engage with one another directly. Join the conversation and start your own dialogue with warriors and their families.

**Materials:** Campaign promotional and educational materials can be ordered free-of-charge. Check out the Real Warriors Campaign Brochure for the National Guard and Reserve: 7 Tools that Reinforce Psychological Strength.

**E-Cards:** Service members, veterans, friends and family can share messages of support and thanks by sending electronic greeting cards to their loved ones. Reach out and make a difference today by sending an e-card to your friends and family by sending an e-card to your friends and family.

Every service member should know that they and their families should feel comfortable reaching out to their units and chain of command for support. Reaching out is a sign of strength that benefits yourself, your family and your unit and service.

The Real Warriors Campaign is online at [www.realwarriors.net](http://www.realwarriors.net). For general inquiries, e-mail [dcoe.realwarriors@tma.osd.mil](mailto:dcoe.realwarriors@tma.osd.mil).

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### TUESDAY NOVEMBER 8

**Altrusa Benefit at Schlotzsky's**, 2812 Sudderth, 4 - 9 p.m. Join us for a fun evening with friends and good food and help Altrusa raise funds to match a \$5,000 grant from the LCMC Foundation for the 2012 Annual Low-Cost Mammogram Program. A percentage goes to Altrusa, so... The more you eat the more we match! For more information, contact Altrusa: 575-336-7473; [www.altrusaruidoso.com](http://www.altrusaruidoso.com)

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

### WEDNESDAY NOVEMBER 9

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

**Preschool story time** at the Ruidoso Public Library at 10:30 a.m. Stories about scarecrows, craft: make a scarecrow. Children's Dept is located downstairs.

**Book Signing by local writer Carol Keys** at ENMU-Ruidoso from noon - 1 p.m. Keys will be on campus to discuss her book, *Behind Her Smile: A Mother's Walk Through Her Daughter's Anorexia*. Part journal and part prose, the book is a personal account of her daughter's near death experience with the eating disorder. Faced with conflicting ideas and misinformation from friends and the medical establishment, Keys began to write about her frustration. As she notes, much of the research on anorexia focuses on the sufferer as child that little is known about how family members should assist and cope. Her book was written with parents in mind. Copies will be available for purchase at this free and informal event. For more information or to register for any of these classes, please call 257-3012, 257-2120 or go to the college website at [www.ruidoso.enmu.edu](http://www.ruidoso.enmu.edu).

**Ruidoso Middle School Salute to Veterans** in the Common Area from 1:30 - 2:30 p.m. All area veterans and their families are invited and encouraged to attend.

**New Mexico Movie Series** at ENMU-Ruidoso, 7 p.m. in Room 111. This month's free New Mexico movie is the 1947 *Sea of Grass* starring Spencer Tracy and Katherine Hepburn. Partially filmed around Magdalena, it is the story of a strong-minded woman who travels to New Mexico to be with her husband. Little does she know that he has a reputation as a tyrant who uses force to

keep homesteaders off the government-owned land he uses for grazing his cattle. For more information or to register for any of these classes, please call 257-3012, 257-2120 or go to the college website at [www.ruidoso.enmu.edu](http://www.ruidoso.enmu.edu).

**Business After Hours** at McMillan's Fine Furniture, 1700 Mechem Drive at Gavilan Canyon, just across from Alto Cafe, 5 - 7:30 p.m. A unique Business After Hours at the Shop and Showroom of McMillan's Fine Furniture, one of New Mexico's premier Furniture designers and builders for over 35 years. Stop out and meet Dennis and his wife Zoe, tour a working wood and metal shop and view the unique artistry of their handmade Furniture, Lamps, Mirrors and fabulous copper like wall art. Beer, Wine and hor d'oeuvres will be served. For more information, contact RVCC at 575-257-7395.

**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 NOVEMBER 10

**Cree Meadows Country Club** is hosting a taco bar and DJ.

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

### FRIDAY NOVEMBER 11

**Christmas Jubilee**, Ruidoso Convention Center, 111 Sierra Blanca Dr., Ruidoso, Friday Noon - 6 p.m.; Saturday 10 a.m. - 6 p.m.; Sunday, 11 a.m. - 4 p.m. Join us for Ruidoso's Favorite Shopping Experience. The Annual Christmas Jubilee offers something for everyone. Bring the kids and meet Santa. Shop for unique gifts and get a head start on Christmas. Visit With Santa & Story Telling - Sat: 10 a.m. - 4 p.m.; Sun: 12:30 - 3 p.m. For more information, (575) 336-7632; [www.ruidosochristmasjubilee.net/](http://www.ruidosochristmasjubilee.net/). Admission fee is \$1. 12 and under are free. Military are free with ID.

**Veterans' Day Tribute** at No Scum Allowed Saloon, 933 White Oaks Ave., White Oaks, noon - 5 p.m. Come have fun with a free BBQ and live music at this historical saloon! For more information, No Scum Allowed Saloon: 575-648-5583; [www.noscumallowedsaloon.com](http://www.noscumallowedsaloon.com). Free.

**Cantina Night** at Laughing Sheep Farm, 1 mile west of Lin-

### Things to do every day

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

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

**Smokey Bear Park** is open in 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 every day of the year except Thanksgiving, Christmas, and New Year's day. Entrance fees into the park are \$2 for adults, \$1 for children 7-12. Children 6 and under are free. Smokey Bear Historical Park is operated by EMNRD-Forestry Division.

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

**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.hubbardmuseum.org](http://www.hubbardmuseum.org) or call 575-378-4142.

**"20th Annual Fall American Photography Competition & Exhibition,"** Hubbard Museum of the American West,

coln, 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.

**Cree Meadows Country Club** is hosting a fish fry and live band.

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

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

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

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

**Johnny & The Crashers** (Classic Rock) perform at Club 49 inside Casino Apache at the Inn of the Mountain Gods Resort & Casino at 8 p.m.

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

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

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

### SATURDAY NOVEMBER 12

**Christmas Jubilee**, Ruidoso Convention Center, 111 Sierra Blanca Dr., Ruidoso, Saturday 10 a.m. - 6 p.m.; Sunday, 11 a.m. - 4 p.m. Join us for Ruidoso's Favorite Shopping Experience. The Annual Christmas Jubilee offers something for everyone. Bring the kids and meet Santa. Shop for unique gifts and get a head start on Christmas. Visit With Santa & Story Telling - Sat: 10 a.m. - 4 p.m.; Sun: 12:30 - 3 p.m. For more information, (575) 336-7632; [www.ruidosochristmasjubilee.net/](http://www.ruidosochristmasjubilee.net/). Admission fee is \$1. 12 and under are free. Military are free with ID.

**R & R in Ruidoso Block Party**, Sudderth Drive between Chase and Center Streets, noon - 4 p.m. Ruidoso celebrates its special relationship with our Active and Retired Military Personnel with a block party! Sudderth Drive will be closed between Chase and Center Streets, where we will have live music, a Taste of Ruidoso, a Kid's Zone, and more! To close out the day's festivities, the Sons of the Pioneers will be performing at Mountain Annie's at 7 p.m. For more information, contact Gina Kelley 575-257-7395; [www.ruidosomilitarydiscounts.com](http://www.ruidosomilitarydiscounts.com). Free.

**Movie & Canned Food Drive** Ruidoso Rotary once again partners with Sierra Cinema to show feature movies for the price of

one canned food item per child and two cans per adult. Movies begin at 9:30 a.m. (3-D movies excluded). The non-perishable food items go to Lincoln County Food Bank.

**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.

**The Sons of the Pioneers**, Mountain Annie's Center For the Arts, 2710 Sudderth Dr., 7 - 10 p.m. This event is part of the R & R in Ruidoso. "For over 75 years the Sons of the Pioneers have been proud to perform the music of the American West celebrating the West, its awesome landscape, its people, its culture and the American Cowboy." [www.sonsofthepioneers.org](http://www.sonsofthepioneers.org). There will be an opening tribute by the Flying J Wranglers. For more information, contact Mountain Annie's: 575-257-7982; [www.mountainannies.com](http://www.mountainannies.com). Tickets are \$35. 20% military discount.

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

Hwy 70 E., Ruidoso Downs, runs through Feb. 12, 2012. Now into its twentieth year, the Fall American brings together work by photographers from around the country. Their images present widely differing perceptions of the "American West." More than one hundred photographs are exhibited each year. Almost all photographs are for sale through the Museum's Mercantile Store. The Hubbard Museum will be closed Thanksgiving Day and Christmas Day. For more information, contact Hubbard Museum of the American West: 575-378-4142; [www.hubbardmuseum.org](http://www.hubbardmuseum.org). Admission: Adults - \$6; seniors and military - \$5; ages 6 to 16 - \$2; under 6 - free.

**Pillow's Funtracker** - Open weekends, Christmas Break, and most holidays throughout the year. 101 Carrizo Canyon Road just off Sudderth. Pillow's Funtrackers is the premier family fun center in New Mexico. We have been providing fun to thousands of families for over twenty years. Our park includes three go-kart tracks, miniature golf, arcade, Mountain Maze, and seasonal attractions such as Bumper Boats, Panning for Gemstones, Rock Climbing Wall, Extreme Air, and Kiddie Bounce House.

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**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.

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

### SUNDAY NOVEMBER 13

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### MONDAY NOVEMBER 14

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

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### 120 LEGAL NOTICES

**TWELFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT COUNTY OF LINCOLN STATE OF NEW MEXICO**

MAC H. SMITH, Plaintiff,  
vs.  
MICHAEL G. LAMB and LISA M. LAMB, Defendants.  
CV 2011-00183  
Div. III

### NOTICE OF SALE OF REAL ESTATE UNDER FORECLOSURE JUDGMENT

NOTICE is hereby given that under and by virtue of Decree of Foreclosure entered by the District Court of Lincoln County, New Mexico, on October 24, 2011 in civil cause number CV-2011-00183, the under-signed will offer for public sale to the highest bidder for cash at the front entrance of the Ruidoso Municipal Building at 313 Cree Meadows Drive, Ruidoso, New Mexico on the 16th day of December, 2011 at 10:00 a.m., all rights of the defendants to the following described real property located in Lincoln County, New Mexico;

Lot 3, Block 6, RANCHO RUIDOSO VALLEY ESTATES, Lincoln County, New Mexico as shown by the plat thereof filed in the office of the County Clerk and Ex-officio Recorder of Lincoln County on November 30, 1982 in Cabinet D, Slide Nos. 99 to 103, both inclusive;

(hereinafter referred to as "the Property").

Notice is further given that the court directed foreclosure of the lien on the Property and that the amounts to be realized at said sale from the Property, with interest calculated to date of sale, are as follows:

Amount of Plaintiff's Judgment: .....\$139,069.41  
Interest to date of Sale: ..\$6,234.72  
Costs ..... \$553.75  
Attorney's Fees .....\$2,699.87

In addition thereto there will be accruing interest, and costs of publication of this Notice, and the Special Master's Fee fixed by the Court in the amount of \$300.00.

The terms of this sale are that the purchaser must pay cash at the time the Property is struck off by him, except that the Plaintiff may bid all or any part of its judgment, plus interest without paying cash.

/s/ Jennifer Miller  
Jennifer Miller, Special Master

RICHARD A. HAWTHORNE, P.A.  
1221 Mechem Drive, Suite 2  
Ruidoso, NM 88345  
(575) 258-3483

### RESOLUTION NO. 2011/2012-02

#### ELECTION NOTICE

WHEREAS, the Board of Directors of Alpine Village Sanitation District in the County of Lincoln and the State of New Mexico has determined to submit to a vote selection of one director, Position 1,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE GOVERNING BODY (I.E., THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS) OF ALPINE VILLAGE SANITATION DISTRICT:

Section 1. In compliance with Section 73-21-14 NMSA 1978, an election shall be held in Alpine Village Sanitation District at 114 Alpine Meadows Trail on Tuesday, January 10, 2012, at which time there shall be submitted to the taxpayers electors of Alpine Village a slate of persons interested in becoming a member of the Board of Directors to Alpine Village Sanitation District, Position 1.

Section 2. Position 1 shall have a term of six (6) years beginning January 11, 2012.

Section 3. Nominations for places on the ballot for Board Position 1 must be filed with the Secretary of the Board, Cheryl Knobel, Post Office Box 699, Ruidoso, NM 88355 on or before November 10, 2010.

Section 4. The polls for said election will be opened at 10:00 a.m. on the day of said election and will be closed at 7:00 p.m. Each voter, except absentee voters, will cast his or her ballot at the polling place.

Section 5. The election committee shall receive no ballot unless the person offering to vote is a taxpayer elector of Alpine Village Sanitation District. A "taxpayer elector" means a person, qualified to vote at general elections in the State, who either has paid or incurred a general tax liability on real property within the District in the twelve months immediately preceding the election or who is purchasing real property within the district under a real estate contract where a property tax has been paid or incurred on the real property in the twelve months immediately preceding the election.

Section 6. Absentee voting will be permitted by following the instructions on the absentee ballots sent out to non-resident electors who reside in the State of New Mexico. Absentee ballots will be mailed to all New Mexico residents who wish to vote in the election prior to the January election. However, at 7:00 p.m. on Monday, January 9, 2012 (the day before the election), the secretary is required to destroy all unused absentee ballots. In accordance with Sections 1-6-1 through 1-6-18 NMSA 1978, the completed official mailing envelope containing the absentee ballots will be accepted until 7:00 p.m. on Tuesday, January 10, 2012 so that they can be counted with the election tally on Tuesday, January 10, 2012 (election day).

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/s/ William Hanson, President  
/s/ Cheryl Knobel, Secretary

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