

# Winter Sports, Beauty Bring Visitors to Ruidoso



SCENES OF SEASON—Christmas is a time of beauty and excitement at Ruidoso, the southwest's winter wonderland. At left, is the busy lodge and restaurant at the Sierra Blanca Ski Area. The center photo shows the quiet loveliness of the Ruidoso River in the Upper Canyon. At right, skiers on the deck of the lodge watch the activity on the slopes.

Weather: Cold front scheduled to reach New Mexico late Thursday (Dec. 26); possibility of snow showers.

## The Ruidoso News

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### OFF THE BEAT

With Barney

It took a lot of time and trouble but we now present our Christmas edition. At least we think we are presenting it. At the time this was written, we had considerable doubt if it would ever go to press. We decided to get the paper out early so our loyal crew could have more than one day off for Christmas. As a result, everybody had to turn around and get a second paper cut over the week-end. Along about Sunday afternoon everybody started to get a little grumpy. In fact even the usually mild mannered H. B. Flanagan was heard to mutter something that sounded suspiciously like, "Bah, humbug." Anyway we hope you like it and all of us here at the Ruidoso News join with our fine advertisers in wishing each and all of you a Merry Christmas.

One thing about this New Mexico winter, it has taught us the value of good neighbors. Except in our case we might be overdoing a good thing. Dwelling next door to us in Palo Verde Slopes is Marvin Ratliff, gas heating specialist. We're afraid Marvin is getting a little tired of being called on for expert advice. He has gotten our balky furnace to run several times, supplied us with water when our pump wasn't working and, along with Mrs. Ratliff, supplied neighborly encouragement.

As you may have noticed, the editor has started a series of articles on the ministers of Ruidoso. It is hoped this will eventually grow into a regular church page.

Unfortunately only three firms, the Ruidoso State Bank, Keeth Gas Company and Chapel of Roses, are sponsoring the church directory. A little more help from church minded firms or individuals would be a great boost.

It never fails to amaze us, the wide circulation of the Ruidoso News.

One of the local realtors brought in a note from a reader in Arkansas complaining about our changing the flag at the top of Page 1.

He said he liked it better when it had the pictures of the bowler, fishermen and other sports activities available in the Ruidoso area.

CARRIZOZO — Mayor Johnson Stearns has received word that the contract for a new Carrizozo Post Office will be let in February.

## Montoya to Speak At Dedication

RUIDOSO DOWNS—United States Senator Joseph Montoya (D-New Mexico) will be the principal speaker at the public dedication of the Ruidoso Downs Post Office at 12:30 p.m. Saturday. Frank Anderson, assistant to the regional director, of the U. S. Post Office department, will arrive here from Denver for the event. The recently completed, \$50,000 structure was built as part of the Post Office's new lease construction program, Mrs. Dorothy Parnell, postmaster said. Under this program, investment financing is used to obtain federal facilities which remain under private ownership, pay local taxes, and are leased to the federal government.



SENATOR JOSEPH MONTOYA

Mrs. Parnell said the dedication ceremonies will be held inside the Post Office because of the possibility of inclement weather. The fact that Ruidoso Downs has been chosen for a new post office reflects community growth, Mrs. Parnell said.

"Mail business in this area has gone up," she noted. For example, 10 years ago the annual revenue was approximately \$20,000. Today it is approximately \$20,000.

When the Ruidoso Downs post office was first established in 1947, under the name of Green Tree, its receipts were about \$1500 a year.

Mrs. Parnell was appointed acting postmaster when the post office was first established. She received her commission as postmaster in 1948, and has served in that capacity ever since.

Ten years ago there were two employees at the post office. Now there are four.

Mrs. Parnell expressed the appreciation of the post office to the Ruidoso Racing Association, the Ladies' Auxiliary of the Village of Ruidoso Downs, and the Women's Missionary Union of the Baptist Church of Ruidoso Downs for their cooperation in arrangements for the dedication.

The lease program for postal facilities gives the department added flexibility in adapting its building program to changes in mail volume, transportation and population, Mrs. Parnell said. Need for large outlays of money from the federal treasury for construction purposes is eliminated, she added.

"Our patrons will find doing business here more pleasant. Their mail will be handled more efficiently, and this building with its up-to-date equipment will enable our postal employees to work under the best of conditions," the postmaster commented.

## Proclamation

WHEREAS, The people of Ruidoso have been good . . . at least as they should, and, WHEREAS, 'Tis the Season to be Merry and Jolly, and, WHEREAS, By the Governing Body, and By Golly, WE PROCLAIM that all our Citizens and Visitors enjoy a VERY MERRY CHRISTMAS and a MOST WONDERFUL NEW YEAR filled with all the ingredients to make Ruidoso more Fine in Sixty-nine, PROCLAIMED at Ruidoso, New Mexico, this HOLIDAY SEASON of 1968. /s/ Lloyd L. Davis, Jr. Herbert H. Brunell, Jr. James A. Boall Wayne Estes Elmer Pirelli ATTEST: All Village Employees.

## Three Children Perish in Blaze; Investigation Starts Into Case



WHERE CHILDREN DIED—Three small children perished Saturday night in this gutted shell of a house. It was one of six units in the Old Mill Lodge, an apartment complex on Sudderth Drive, Ruidoso's main street.



SITE OF TRAGEDY—Clothes and belongings spill from the windows and lie on the ground at the site of the Old Mill Lodge apartment where the three children of Police Sgt. and Mrs. Fred Yockey died in flames Saturday night.

The three little children of Police Sgt. and Mrs. Fred Yockey of Ruidoso were buried in Forest Lawn Cemetery Monday afternoon as an investigation began into the cause of the flash fire that burned them to death Saturday night.

Dead are Ricky Lynn, 8; Shawn Lyle, 2, and Rhonda Oak, 11 months.

The children were alone in the family's apartment at the Old Mill Lodge on Sudderth Avenue when neighbors heard "a dull thud—like a car hitting a curb" and looked out to find the building in flames.

Ironically, their father was enroute up the canyon to pick up a baby-sitter with Patrolman George Escalante at 6:40 p.m. Saturday when he heard the report on the police radio that there was a fire at the Old Mill Lodge.

Neighbors reported that the police car "flew" to the scene only to find the structure engulfed in flame.

Mrs. Yockey was at work at her job as a waitress at the Nob Hill Restaurant when the fire broke out. She had left the children alone for only half an hour.

"We were up at at restaurant having a cup of coffee when Linda said to go get a sitter," Escalante said.

Firemen at the scene were not aware that there was anyone in the building until Yockey and his wife arrived. Both parents were treated for shock and grief at Ruidoso-Hondo Valley General Hospital.

They are now staying at the Jess Barber residence in Ruidoso. Friends reported they lost not only their children but all the possessions in the fire.

"All they have left is the clothes on their backs," one said.

The report of the "dull thud" came from Mr. and Mrs. Les Crews, who operate a motel across the street. One youth said he was driving past the lodge when the flames burst from the front of the building.

He said he went to the side and back of the building to determine if anyone was inside, but heard nothing.

"By that time the flames were coming from everywhere and it was too hot to get closer," he said.

Friends of the Yockeys have started a fund to help the grief-stricken parents pay for the funeral for their children. Funds are being received at the Ruidoso Police Station at the Municipal Building.

Hank Graf, proprietor of the Nob Hill Restaurant, announced that all proceeds of the restaurant for (Continued to Page 2—Sec. A)

## State Fights BLM Over Cave Ruling

The State Park and Recreation Commission is going ahead with its efforts to buy the Fort Stanton Caves from the Bureau of Land Management despite BLM rejection of its request. Director James L. Dillard notified the BLM office in Roswell his department intends to pursue the effort to obtain title to the caves through New Mexico's Congressional delegation.

In a letter to William W. Campbell, BLM district manager, Dillard said the BLM's rejection of the state's request was "about as ridiculous and absurd as anything I have heard of."

The federal agency said it had its own plans for development of the caves and of the surrounding area for recreational purposes.

Dillard said that even if BLM did not reinstate the application, several months would undoubtedly be lost through inaction, and then "we would probably be faced with another reason, no doubt as ridiculous as the ones stated by you in this last rejection," Dillard said.

"You may, if you wish, consider this a protest, and for the record, it definitely is," he added. "However, during the interim, it is our intention to pursue the obtaining of title to these lands through our Congressional delegation rather than through your office."

He pointed out that the Recreation and Public Purposes Act was passed by Congress so various public agencies could acquire BLM lands for recreational purposes.

The state is sending its complete files on the Fort Stanton Caves issue to New Mexico's two Congressmen-elect and U. S. senators, Dillard said.

He added he thinks they may "be able to straighten out this mess and clear the way for the State of New Mexico to acquire the above-mentioned 40 acres of land" and develop them properly.

County Farm Advisor Ralph Dunlap, who made the letter public, said the BLM has had the caves

since 1956, but has yet done nothing to develop them. About one and three-fourths miles of the caves have been explored, but many experts feel that man has yet seen less than half of the caves, Dunlap said.

"They say each cave has a personality, and these caves would not compete with Carlsbad but would supplement them," Dunlap said. "These aren't as big, but they have more color."

Man has known of the caves since 1860, Dunlap said. Evidence for this is the names of soldiers found on the walls.

The Lincoln County Development Association, headed by Tommy Perceot of Ruidoso, has strongly supported acquisition of the caves by the State Park and Recreation Commission. It passed a resolution denouncing the BLM decision to hang onto them.

## No Room at Inn In Ruidoso

There was no room at the inn in Ruidoso on Christmas Eve, jubilee motel owners reported.

Bill Patterson of Cree Manor, secretary of All-Seasons, Inc., reported that nearly every motel and lodging house in town was completely filled for the Christmas holidays.

"There have been few cancellations, and the earliest openings are for Dec. 31," Patterson reported.

The Chaparral in Ruidoso Downs reported a waiting list of over 20, and All-Seasons, an organization of local motels, had a waiting list of 150.

"It's our best year yet," Patterson said. "We're getting long distance calls on the All-Seasons phone from Indiana, Chicago and all over. It's amazing. It's great."

Ski shops reported business has been so good they are getting low on rental skis. For tourist businesses, it was a Merry Christmas.

## SKI REPORT:

The report of skiing conditions at Sierra Blanca Ski Area for Tuesday morning, Dec. 24, stated that the snow base depth was 22 inches, with 10 inches of new snow during the past week. Skiing was fair to good on the upper slopes and excellent on the lower, beginners and the intermediate slopes. All lifts would be in operation during the holidays and the weather was clear and sunny at report time.

## Commission Rejects Small Subdivision

The Ruidoso Planning Commission last week turned down a request by Don Hancock for a 10-lot subdivision in the vicinity of the TV tower.

Chairman Elmer Pirelli said the rejection was for technical reasons. Hancock failed to indicate utility easements on his plat, he said he was told to put in the easements, and resubmit it for approval.

SEASON'S GREETINGS



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Dr. J. R. Kuhn of Hobbs who is planning to move his practice to Ruidoso soon, is in Ruidoso to spend the Christmas holidays with his family in their home on Mechem Drive.

Merry Christmas Old Mill. Carman - Leona Mae Delena. Southwestern Christmas cards, Indian made jewelry, squash blossom necklaces, old pawn jewelry, Navajo rugs, Bennett's Indian Shop west on Highway 70.

Annual Christmas Party Is Held For Bank Staff

The annual Christmas dinner party for the staff of the Ruidoso State Bank and husbands and wives of staff members, was held Saturday night, Dec. 21, at Naisy Water Lodge. About 35 persons enjoyed a steak dinner, and later gifts were exchanged. All the gifts were given to Fort Stanton Hospital patients.

Telephone Company Christmas Party Held Dec. 20

The annual Christmas party for the staff of the Ruidoso Telephone Company and their wives and husbands was held at Naisy Water Lodge on Friday, Dec. 20 with a prime rib dinner being served to more than 20 persons. Also attending the dinner in addition to the local staff were Mr. and Mrs. Wiley Andrews who manage the Melrose exchange; State Engineer and Mrs. William Alexander of Truth or Consequences, and Regional Traffic Engineer Jim Miles from Phoenix, Ariz.

Southwestern Christmas cards, Indian made jewelry, squash blossom necklaces, old pawn jewelry, Navajo rugs, Bennett's Indian Shop west on Highway 70.

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Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year

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PARTY TIME Next Door To Rodgers' of Ruidoso

WARRIOR BOOSTER CLUB

Extension Club Has Holiday Party

The Ruidoso-Hondo Valley Extension Club held its Christmas meeting and party at the Nob Hill Restaurant Dec. 18.

The tables were decorated beautifully by the committee, consisting of Mrs. Ethel Jay, Mrs. Louella Counts and Mrs. Inez Bond. Individual favors of miniature manger cups were at each place. The gift exchange was handled by drawing numbers. The short business meeting was conducted by the president, Mrs. Edna Dunn. The installation of new 1969 officers was by Louella Counts.

New officers are: Edna Dunn, president; Mrs. W. D. Patterson, first vice-president; Mrs. Joe McKnight, second vice-president; Zoe Glassmire, secretary; Nina Nelson, treasurer; Louella Counts, parliamentarian; Kathleen Doering, reporter; Opal Butts, scrapbook and historian. Mrs. T. J. Frank stood in for Mrs. McKnight, who was ill with the flu.

Thirty-nine women were present, including eight guests. Guests were Mrs. Wilma Swingle; Elizabeth Gray of Waco, Tex.; Mrs. Melvin Knox, Mrs. Della Hale of Chama, Mrs. Robert Larson, Mrs. Elma Rogers, Mrs. L. L. Davis, Sr. and Isla McLeod. The last three joined the club.

SCHOOL MENUS Jan. 2 and Jan. 3 Monday and Tuesday - End of Christmas Vacation. Wednesday - New Year's Day - holiday. Thursday - Breaded steak with brown gravy, whipped potatoes, vegetable salad, chocolate cake, hot rolls, milk. Friday - Hamburgers on buns, lettuce, tomatoes, onions, buttered corn, apricot pie, milk.

Mrs. Bertha Oldham has left for Temple, Texas, where she will spend about three months with her son and family, the O. N. Okhama.

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Best Wishes for a Happy Holiday Season

Margaret's Cafe Mr. and Mrs. Ed Winans



SANTA ARRIVES - Santa Claus arrived at White Mountain School in one of the Ruidoso fire trucks. He visited with the children and handed out sacks of sweets.

Awards Presented At Garden Club Meeting Last Week

Attendance awards were presented to several members of the Ruidoso Garden Club at the Christmas meeting held Tuesday, Dec. 17 in the home of Mrs. L. L. Davis, Sr. Personal gifts were presented by the club president, Mrs. Zoe Glassmire, who had kept the roll call since the club was organized in June 1967. Those receiving awards were Mrs. Ike Kennedy who had only missed one meeting; Miss Kathleen Doering, only missed one, and Mrs. T. J. Frank, only missed two meetings. The president herself had not missed a single meeting.

New officers for 1969 were elected with Mrs. Glassmire being re-elected president; Mrs. Ellen Sanders, first vice-president; Mrs. Louella Counts, second vice-president; Mrs. Isla McLeod, secretary; Mr. Melvin Knox, treasurer, and Mrs. T. J. Frank, parliamentarian.

An interesting program enjoyed by the group was presented by Earl E. Blain of the Ruidoso Ranger Station who showed a nature film "In The Film showed trees, wildflowers and streams as well as birds in their native habitat; and nature trails at Audubon Society Centers conducted by Forest Service Rangers for school children.

The Davy's home was beautifully decorated for the holiday season, as was the refreshment table with coffee and tea being poured by Mrs. Glassmire. The assisting hostesses were Mrs. Isla McLeod, Mrs. Melba Frankum, Mrs. Ellen Sanders, Mrs. Carl Erickson and Mrs. Jimmy Cooper.

Guests at the meeting were Mrs. Roy Be from New Jersey, Mrs. V. H. Smothers from Ft. Myers, Fla., and Mrs. Eva White and Mrs. W. E. Hartman from Ruidoso.

B. P. O. Does Elect New Officers

New officers were elected by the B. P. O. Does Drove 152 in a meeting held Thursday, Dec. 10 in the Jim Strong home. New officers include Mrs. Frita Christian, first counselor, Mrs. Frank Gardner, president, Mrs. Bob O. Walker, senior counselor, Mrs. Van White, junior counselor, Mrs. Harry Eckert, conductor, Mrs. Louise Runnels, secretary, Mrs. Dan McCowen, treasurer, Mrs. George Romero, inner guard, and Mrs. Jim Strong, Mrs. Charles March and Mrs. Lloyd Coe, trustees.

Honeymoon Club

Mr. and Mrs. Adrian Morley of Rt. 1, Box 5711, Roswell spent their honeymoon at High Country Lodge on Dec. 21. The bride is the former Decole Almyard and is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Almyard of Roswell. The bridegroom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Jeff Morley of Roswell. The couple was married in the Berrendo Baptist Church in Roswell on Dec. 20.

Xi Psi Chapter Exchanges Gifts

Xi Psi chapter of Beta Sigma Phi had its Christmas party and meeting in the home of Mrs. Dan Swearingin on Dec. 16. Mrs. Wayne Estes was the co-hostess. A short business meeting was held and members exchanged gifts. Names of secret pals for the past year were revealed, and names were drawn for new secret pals. The hostesses served refreshments of shrimp tarts, date cake and punch.

University Offers Music Scholarships

LAS CRUCES - High school students in the state who have marked talent in singing or playing a solo instrument may compete for in-state tuition scholarships at New Mexico State University.

The new awards were announced by Dr. John M. Glowacki, head of the Department of Fine Arts, NMSU. The young artists may write to the department at Box 3F, Las Cruces, for further information about auditions Sunday, Jan. 19, in the Little Theatre on campus.

'Parent' College President Plans Ruidoso Visit

Frank DiPietro, president of the Franklin Pierce College of Rindge, New Hampshire, will visit Ruidoso, Jan. 9-11 to help plan a \$2.5 million fund-raising drive for a branch in Ruidoso.

To be known as High Mesa College, the branch would be located on a 100-acre site which rancher Robert Scribner has offered to donate.

Paul Wrye, president of High Mesa College, Inc., said plans for DiPietro's visit include public meetings to answer questions on the college project and business meetings to map the fund-raising drive.

Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Westall and children, Rick and Kyle, from Wichita Falls, Texas arrived early this week here to spend the Christmas holidays with Westall's parents, Mr. and Mrs. George Westall of Ruidoso Downs.



WE HOPE SANTA'S SACK HOLDS ALL THE GOOD THINGS YOU AND YOUR FAMILY ARE EXPECTING AT THIS HOLIDAY SEASON. The Walter Meekers BROASTED CHICKEN

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At the Hospital

Visiting hours: 2 to 4 p.m., 6 to 8 p.m.

Admitted Dec. 17 - Jana McClellan, Hollywood; Edna Romero, John Bell, Stella Clifton, Ruidoso. Dismissed - John Zamora, Florida Sanchez, James Madden, Betty Tully.

Admitted Dec. 18 - Bertha Noriega, Alamogordo; Mary Ann Quick, Ray Nell Quick, Katy Sue Quick, LaLux; Cons Dutton, Captain. Dismissed - Fatsy Myers, Roman Sanchez, Marlee Hasler, Esther Gool.

Admitted Dec. 19 - Gepeyevie Romero, Captain; Hazelle Lane, Kenneth Myers, John McLaughlin, Ruidoso; Bonnie Duran, Freddie Duran, Alamogordo. Dismissed - Manfred Chavez, Lora Thompson, Marlon Spears, John Bell.

Admitted Dec. 20 - Albert Carrell, Ruidoso; Maud Ethel, Corona; Stana Martin, Roswell; Larry Greenwood, Hollywood. Dismissed - Donald Marshall, Jana McClelland, Elme Romero, Mary Ann Quick, Ray Nell Quick, Kathy Sue Quick.

Admitted Dec. 21 - Cheryl Hull, Linda Yockey, Fred Yockey, Ruidoso; Margaret Mauger, Mesquite; Ida Richardson, Hollywood. Dismissed - Father Eugene Dolan, Frieda Hyatt, Genevieve Romero, Albert Carrell, Stana Martin.

Admitted Dec. 22 - Jeanine Vick, Sally Vail, Ruidoso; Lawrence Clayton, Bichopp, Texas; Sonja Heiley, Tulla, Tex.; Tricia Parks, Fresidio, Tex. Dismissed - Bonnie Duran, Freddie Duran, Cheryl Hull, Ida Richardson, Linda Yockey, Fred Yockey.

For ALL the news, read the News. Thanks and Best Wishes For A Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year

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Mr. and Mrs. George Romero, Ruidoso, parents of a son, born Dec. 17, wt., 6 lbs., 4 oz.

Mr. and Mrs. Willie G. Romery, Captain, parents of a son, born Dec. 19, wt., 7 lbs., 13 1/2 oz.

Mr. and Mrs. Santiago Noriega, Alamogordo, parents of a son, born Dec. 19, wt., 6 lbs., 4 oz.

Mr. and Mrs. Melvin C. Vick, Ruidoso, parents of a son, born Dec. 22, wt., 7 lbs.

GIRLS BORN - 44 BOYS BORN - 47

Warrior Booster Club meets each Thursday 7:30 p.m. High school library. Be there.

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MERRY CHRISTMAS Greetings May your Christmas shine anew with the brightness of His love and may abundant joys come your way for a most joyous Christmas occasion. THE RALPH PETTY FAMILY and all the employees at... Gambler

Cheery Greetings, Folks! Folks, we hope Old Santa spends extra time unloading good things from his pack when he comes to your tree. Because we've had the pleasure of your friendship we say: "Christmas couldn't happen to nicer people!" HANCOCK'S SHOPPING CENTER SERVING ALL THE FAMILY - We Give Frontier Stamps - Highway 70 Ruidoso Downs

## Santa Letters

Nob Hill School  
 Ruidoso, N. M.  
 Dec. 10, 1968

Dear Santa,  
 I want you to get me a bike for Christmas and a gasoline engine airplane.

Love,  
 Buddy Shew

Dear Santa,  
 Thank you for last year. I would like it very much if you would bring me an electric racing set.

Sincerely yours,  
 Billy Morrison

Dear Santa,  
 How are you and your elves? Would you tell me what do you want for Christmas? I want these toys: An Operation game, a Fun Flower set, and a tether ball, Tippy Toes, and a Monopoly game.

Love,  
 Diana Gent

Dear Santa,  
 How are your reindeer, Santa? I wish you a Merry Christmas. I want a Hands Down, Operation and Baby Tubsy and a Grab-A-Loop. Thank you.

Love,  
 From Shanara Dobbs

Dear Santa,  
 Thank you for the things last year. How are Rudolph and all the other reindeer? I will be glad when Christmas is here.

I want some Ho: Wheels and a Walkie-Talkie and a Sting Ray bike, and Bill Blast Off and a camera.

Love,  
 Greg Mobley

Ruidoso, N. M.  
 Dec. 10, 1968

Dear Santa,  
 I have been good this year, and I would like for you to bring me a cookie cake set.

Love,  
 Tom

Ruidoso, N. M.  
 Dec. 10, 1968

Dear Santa,  
 I have been good this year, and I would like for you to bring me a record player and Hands Down.

Love,  
 Ellen Ezzell



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## Meanest Thieves Rob Teenager

An Alamogordo teenager was the victim of a brutal robbery near Ruidoso Downs early Saturday morning.

The boy told officers he was hitch hiking on Highway 70 and, when he failed to obtain a ride, started a bonfire to keep himself alive in the sub-freezing temperatures.

While warning himself by the fire, the boy saw a green Mustang stop and two young men got out. They knocked him down, took his shoes and coat and drove away.

The boy walked to the Villa Motel and called Ruidoso police. Officer Carl Jorren supplied the boy with socks, shoes and a sweatshirt and members of the Ruidoso police force chipped in to buy him breakfast.

The juvenile officer then contacted the Salvation Army, which purchased the boy a bus ticket to Alamogordo.

Dear Santa,  
 How are you doing? This year I would like a Tippy Toes and a Fun Flower.

Love,  
 Lynda Jansen

Ruidoso, N. M.  
 Dec. 10, 1968

Dear Santa,  
 I have been good this year, and I would like for you to bring me a transistor radio. Thank you.

Love,  
 Kristi Perryman

Ruidoso, N. M.  
 Dec. 10, 1968

Dear Santa,  
 I have been good this year, and I would like for you to bring me a doll and sewing machine.

Love,  
 LaLoe

Ruidoso, N. M.  
 Dec. 10, 1968

Dear Santa,  
 I have been good this year, and I would like for you to bring me a saddle, saddle blanket, chaps, car set.

Love,  
 Steve Temple

Ruidoso, N. M.  
 Dec. 10, 1968

Dear Santa,  
 I have been good this year, and I would like for you to bring me a skirt, moon bus, clock, radio and crayons.

Love,  
 Ruth Guthrie

Ruidoso, N. M.  
 Dec. 10, 1968

Dear Santa,  
 I want a camera, and a Little Kiddle, and a coat, an Easy Bake and a night gown, a Hands Down game, a dress, Tippy Toes a typewriter and a play telephone.

Love,  
 Cheryl Richardson

Christmas cards with a South-west flavor, fine collector's items in old Indian made jewelry, pottery, baskets, etc., also Navajo rugs, Indian dolls, key chains, many other ideas for gift giving at Bennett's Indian Shop, west on Highway 70.

## Hondo School Offers Counsel

HONDO—Not only does Hondo School educate its students; it also helps them with personal and vocational counseling, testing and guidance.

Q. T. Schullis, counselor, said the school's counseling center helps students plan their programs, and offers both individual and group counseling.

"If a student faces problems of choice, planning or adjustment, the counselor may assign tests that would be helpful," Schullis said. "Or, for career and educational planning, he may wish to consult the center's library of educational and vocational information."

The center's reading and study skills laboratory offers credit courses to Hondo students interested in self-improvement. Reading courses stress such skills as vocabulary improvement, comprehension development and speed flexibility.

Study skills include effective techniques for remembering text-book material, note-taking, test-taking and budgeting time.

The center is also responsible for most of the national school testing programs.

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**CANDIDATE** — Richard Parsons, Ruidoso attorney, has announced his candidacy for a six-year term on the Ruidoso Municipal Schools Board of Education in the Feb. 4 election. There are two openings.

**Grants Offered For Art Projects**  
 The New Mexico Arts Commission reminds anyone planning to apply for a Federal grant that January 1, 1969, is the deadline for mailing applications. February 1 is the last date for changing or altering an application already submitted.

No forms are necessary. Applications will be accepted in letter form, telling: What the project is... When it will be performed... and How it will function. All Federal funds must be matched equally, or more, by local or state funds. Federal funds cannot be matched by Federal funds.

A specific sum must be requested for a specific project. Each application must include an itemized budget of proposed expenditures. Federal funds will not be granted for construction of buildings, nor for remodeling or renovation of buildings.

Federal grants are made to art and/or cultural projects in the fields of theatre, painting, sculpture, crafts and folk art, plastic art, music, architecture and youth apprentice programs and workshops.

Letters of application should be mailed to The New Mexico Arts Commission, Room 118, Old Capitol Annex, Santa Fe, New Mexico, 87501.

Collector's items in old pawn Indian-made jewelry, Navajo rugs, Indian dolls, pottery, baskets, mechanicals to fit all the family, also Southwestern Christmas cards, Bennett's Indian Shop, west on Highway 70.

**SPECIAL HOLIDAY HOUSE SEASON'S GREETINGS! APPETIZERS AND RELISHES**

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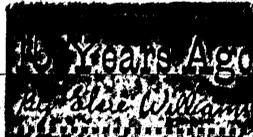
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Years Ago  
 News Items From Ruidoso News Issue of Dec. 24, 1953.

Ruidoso City Council decided today for the time being, a proposal curfew for teen-agers in its meeting Monday night. Several parents attended the session and pressed for abandonment of the idea of a curfew in Ruidoso.

## Standards Adopted --Or Were They?

By MARY BARNETT (See Editorial Page 4)

Were the design and construction standards for new subdivisions, adopted by the City Council last week?

Or weren't they? It all depends on who you talk to. Village Clerk-Manager James Hine says no. He says they are to come before the City Council for approval when it meets at 7:30 p.m., Dec. 26 at the Village Hall.

He says the reason they weren't adopted last week, along with a subdivision regulation ordinance, is that they had not yet been approved by the City Planning Commission.

He said the City Planning Commission approved them at their meeting Wednesday. However, Chairman Elmer Pirelli of the City Planning Commission was under a somewhat different impression. He said there was "a little discussion" of the subdivision standards at the meeting, but mentioned no approval of them by the commission on that occasion.

Pirelli said they were adopted as part of the ordinance, which was not altogether to the liking of the planning commission. "We would prefer that the Planning Commission could change them," he said. "We thought there should be some reference, that these were part of a resolution. It will probably come up before the Council meeting Thursday, and be discussed with the village attorney."

Pirelli said he thought it would be best to have the standards in resolution form so it would not be necessary to publish a public notice and hold a public hearing to

change them. This procedure is required for changes in an ordinance.

City Attorney John Thompson also said the design standards were adopted as part of the ordinance.

"However, in the ordinance, the governing board has powers to deviate from the strict wording of the ordinance, in the hardship clause," he said.

This clause says, "Where the Planning Commission finds that extraordinary hardships may result from strict compliance with these regulations or design standards, they may vary parts or portions thereof, provided that such variations will not have the effect of nullifying the intent and purpose of the general community plan of these regulations."

Thompson's summary of this clause was, "It will allow them (the Planning Commission and Council) to do anything they want to."

The standards, he said, are only a "guideline."

But what does it mean when it says "No subdivision of land shall be approved without complying with the following minimum required land improvements?"

"It's a requirement until someone says they can deviate from it," the attorney replied.

The City Council on Dec. 12 adopted ordinance No. 68-B, on motion of Trustee Elmer Pirelli, chairman of the City Planning Commission.

It was described in the official minutes of the council, signed by Hine as village clerk, as "An ordinance establishing regulations, standards, requirements, procedure and provisions of enforcement."

I am a boy. I am in the first grade. For Christmas I would like to have a Johnny Ace car. Thank you.

Love,  
 Jimmy Archer

Dear Santa,  
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Love,  
 Jill Blackwelder

Dear Santa,  
 I am a boy. I am in the first grade. For Christmas I would like to have a bike. Thank you.

Love,  
 Greg Pippin

Dear Santa,  
 I am a boy. I am in the first grade. For Christmas I would like to have a bike. Thank you.

Love,  
 Danny Wagner

Dear Santa,  
 I want a G. I. Joe, motorcycle and soccer, and a football uniform. And a Star Track car. And an ant farm, and an electric train.

Love,  
 Gina Worden

Dear Santa,  
 What are you making for all the good little boys and girls? It snowed quite a lot on old Baldy. You know what I want for Christmas? I'll tell you. I want a talking Barbie and a Tripp Toes with her horse.

Merry Christmas.  
 With love,  
 Gina Worden

Dear Santa,  
 How is Mrs. Santa Claus? I want a thing maker or an alarm clock. It doesn't make any difference to me. I have been a good girl. Will you bring my sister Kim and brother Matt, please.

Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

With love,  
 Julie Gooch

Dear Santa,  
 I'm Tawnya Carpenter. I want a Little Miss Tussy and her two dippers and her cute dress. And I want a Susy Homemaker, and it's things too. And I want some blankets and a pillow. And a baby basket.

Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

With love,  
 Tawnya Carpenter

Dear Santa,  
 I want a Barbie doll and with clothes. I want two Barbies. And a toy truck for my brother. And dolls for my sister. And a car for my brother. And Merry Christmas, Santa.

I'm nine years old. Good-by Santa.

With love,  
 Lorena Herrera

Dear Santa,  
 I want a B-B gun and a watch and my brother wants a B-B gun.

With love,  
 Johnny Salan

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ment for the subdivision of land in the village of Ruidoso, New Mexico, and its environs, as provided by New Mexico Laws and Statutes presently in effect or as may from time to time be amended."

Pirelli said that at a public hearing on the ordinance held Oct. 30 no objections were received.

Because the "ordinance has been pending for a while," as the minutes said, it was read in summarized form.

Then, according to the minutes, the trustees suspended rules which otherwise would have prevented final passage at the time.

This reporter failed to hear anybody move to suspend the rules. The ordinance was quickly adopted by unanimous vote without discussion.

Questioned later, Hine said the rules which were suspended were those requiring a third reading of an ordinance before passage. Since it was the second consideration of the ordinance, the rules calling for a second reading were also suspended.

Because the council had earlier read and approved the ordinance, the reading was suspended as a meaningless formality.

However, there seems to be a difference of opinion as to just what the council adopted on Dec. 12.

The portion of the ordinance which Hine says was adopted sets up procedures for approval of subdivisions by the Planning Commission and the Council. The actual standards for sewers, water, storm drainage, streets, easements and special design provisions are in the section he says will be adopted as a resolution. They will thus be subject to change without public notice.

To have a Hot Wheel set. Thank you.

Love,  
 James Wimberly

Dear Santa,  
 I am a girl. I am in the first grade. For Christmas I would like to have a bike. Thank you.

Love,  
 Karri Sears

Dear Santa,  
 I am a girl. I am in the first grade. For Christmas I would like to have a Cindy doll. Thank you.

Love,  
 Dana Chrisman

Dear Santa,  
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Love,  
 Sharon Wilson

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## Probing a Riddle

The latest riddle at the Village Hall seems to be, "When is an ordinance not an ordinance?"

The answer, according to Village Clerk James L. Hine, seems to be, "When it is a resolution."

How an ordinance can be both an ordinance and a resolution is one of those semantic mysteries it seems are best understood by those skilled in the intricacies of municipal politics, and it is presumptuous for a mere mortal to question it all.

Some people innocently thought that the village fathers had adopted a subdivision ordinance last week. Well, it seems they did, but the ordinance they adopted didn't really include the STANDARDS for subdivisions. That comes Thursday. They are going to be adopted by resolution so the council can change them at will without all the nuisance of a public hearing.

We may be accused of self-interest in pointing out that if subdivision ordinance had been published ahead of time in a newspaper of general circulation (such as this one) there wouldn't be any confusion about what was adopted. The new state law that permits such ordinances to be published in "summary" form seems to have contributed to the confusion.

Also, the decision of the council that public reading of ordinances, as required by law, is a mere meaningless formality, seems to have added to the mixup. Because, obviously, if the ordinance had been read, everybody, even the dumbest newspaper editor, would have known what was being adopted.

To set aside the question of confusion over what was adopted, the question still remains: Is it a good idea to adopt the standards governing subdivisions in the village of Ruidoso in resolution form, so they can be changed without notice and without a public hearing?

We question it very seriously. We think these old-fashioned formalities have a certain logic to them. Changes can be made TOO easily sometimes. Pressures can be brought to bear on public officials, maybe the general public deserves a right to exert counter pressures.

There are other problems. If the actual standards for land properly be said to have a subdivision ordinance at all? Yet development are in resolution form, can the community it is our understanding that subdivision ordinances, as well as building ordinances, and zoning codes, are essential before a community can qualify for certain types of federal grants.

One distressing tendency we have noted is for people to say, regarding subdivision regulations, "Oh, well, the state takes care of that anyway."

To which we reply: Any state that allows cesspools to be built in residential areas isn't taking care of things very well, and by this is exactly the attitude that is making people lose faith in local government and transferring it to the state and federal levels.

## Santa Letters

Nob Hill School  
 Ruidoso, N. M.  
 Dec. 10, 1968

Dear Santa,  
 Bring me a B-B gun and a watch and my brother wants a B-B gun.

With love,  
 Johnny Salan

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 Ruidoso, N. M.  
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Dear Santa,  
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I'm nine years old. Good-by Santa.

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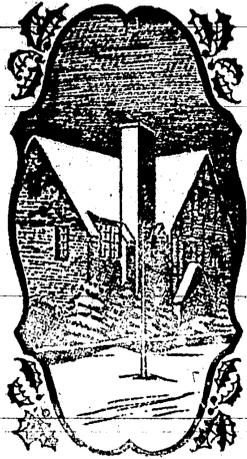
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Season's Greetings

**Santa Letters**



The Abiding Joy of Christmas is Yours This Happy Season!  
**CREE MEADOWS GOLF COURSE**

Ruidoso, N. M.  
 Dec. 10, 1968  
 Dear Santa,  
 I have been good this year, and I would like for you to bring me an Easy Bake oven, a night gown and a Tip-It game, and a Hands Down, Twist and Turn doll.  
 Love,  
 Shannon Bryan

Ruidoso, N. M.  
 Dec. 10, 1968  
 Dear Santa,  
 I have been good this year, and I would like for you to bring me Mattels new strange thing maker.  
 Love,  
 Wyman

Ruidoso, N. M.  
 Dec. 10, 1968  
 Dear Santa CLAAS,  
 I have been good this year and I would like for you to bring me a pig, hippopotamus.  
 Love,  
 Carr Chico



**LANDMARK TO FALL**—Lindy's Country Store and Alto Post Office is doomed to fall as a victim of progress in the Alto area. However, Postmaster Aileen Lindamood doesn't

know when she is going to move her post office—now boosted to third class rating—to new quarters.

Ruidoso, N. M.  
 Dec. 10, 1968  
 Dear Santa,  
 I have been good this year, and I would like for you to bring me a doll, dresser, dog, clothes, bed, pencil, desk, duck, deers, peacock, puppet, puzzle, chalk, scissors, dishes, sewing machine, clock, pillow, and lamp.  
 Love,  
 Nancy Jane Rustler

Ruidoso, N. M.  
 Dec. 10, 1968  
 Dear Santa,  
 I am a girl. I am in the first grade. For Christmas I would like to have a Coke maker. Thank you.  
 Love,  
 Elma Randolph

Ruidoso, N. M.  
 Dec. 10, 1968  
 Dear Santa,  
 I have been good this year, and I would like for you to bring me an Easy Bake oven and Baby Elmi Step and a Talking Barbie, and a record player.  
 Love,  
 Annette

Ruidoso, N. M.  
 Dec. 10, 1968  
 Dear Santa,  
 I am a girl. I am in the first grade. For Christmas I would like to have a Santa Claus doll.  
 Love,  
 Charla Danley

Ruidoso, N. M.  
 Dec. 10, 1968  
 Dear Santa,  
 I am a girl. I am in the first grade. For Christmas I would like to have a Sucke Homemaker. Thank you.  
 Love,  
 Terry Montoya

Ruidoso, N. M.  
 Dec. 10, 1968  
 Dear Santa,  
 I am a girl. I am in the first grade. For Christmas I would like a Talking Doll. Thank you.  
 Love,  
 Terry Gonzales

Ruidoso, N. M.  
 Dec. 10, 1968  
 Dear Santa,  
 I am a boy. I am in the first grade. For Christmas I would like to have a fire truck. Thank you.  
 Love,  
 Bob Bruton

Ruidoso, N. M.  
 Dec. 10, 1968  
 Dear Santa,  
 I am a girl. I am in the first grade. For Christmas I would like a Sucke Homemaker. Thank you.  
 Love,  
 Robin Nunley

Ruidoso, N. M.  
 Dec. 10, 1968  
 Dear Santa,  
 I am a boy. I am in the first grade. For Christmas I would like to have a bike. Thank you.  
 Love,  
 Vince Birdwell

Ruidoso, N. M.  
 Dec. 10, 1968  
 Dear Santa,  
 I am a girl. I am in the first grade. For Christmas I would like to have a Cindy Doll. Thank you.  
 Love,  
 Kim Bennett



**LOOKS TO FUTURE**—Mrs. Aileen Lindamood, Alto postmaster, is looking forward to continuing her career in new quarters for her picturesque Alto postoffice is leveled to make way for a new development planned by International Development Co. of Texas on the site.

**Alto Postoffice Plans Up in Air**

ALTO People keep asking Mrs. Aileen Lindamood, Alto postmaster, when she is going to move her new postoffice.

"I just have to tell them they know as much about it as I do," said the postmaster, who has prepared over the picture que postoffice since 1964.

Now that Alto is a third class postoffice, it needs bigger quarters than the little frame country store on State Road 37 at the turn-off to Sierra Blanca. The area is owned by International Development Co., a subsidiary of Terra Inc., of El Paso, has purchased the five-acre site on which the postoffice is located from Eagle Creek Inter-Community Water Supply Association for \$10,000 an acre.

It will be part of a new commercial and cultural complex planned in the area by the firm IDC paid a total of \$127,000 for the parcels offered for sale by Eagle Creek, and has an option to buy 127 more acres for an additional \$310,000.

It's all part of the growth picture for the little community located some five miles northwest of Ruidoso. The area's pine, mesquites, and year-round recreational opportunities have attracted a variety of residential and resort developments.

The Post Office department made a survey of the Alto area to see if there was sufficient potential there to make Alto a third class postoffice. It decided there was.

This of course pleased Mrs. Lindamood, because her salary as postmaster is based on the class of postoffice she operates.

"I just hope to be able to stay third class," said Mrs. Lindamood, whom many would maintain is a first-class postmaster regardless of postal receipts. "The prospects are good. I'm a born optimist, and anyway, if the postal receipts are going down again, there's nothing I can do about it."

Mrs. Lindamood suspects that when the time comes for the government to install her in quarters in a third-class postoffice, construction of the building will be left up to bid.

"I like the new way of doing it," she said. "Then the government can get it back."

With the new building, the said her husband, Lindy, who is retired, will no longer have the little store that accompanies the present building.

With the growth of Alto, the store has been constantly getting smaller and the postoffice getting bigger.

The postoffice used to be a little store just up to here," Mrs. Lindamood said, indicating a tiny area about as big as a shelf. "Now look at it."

**Santa Letters**

Nob Hill School  
 Ruidoso, N. M.  
 Dec. 10, 1968

Dear Santa,  
 I want a Green Bay Packer helmet and uniform, size 8 and some metal bars for football goals. Santa I like you very much. How old are you? Well I like you.  
 With love,  
 Eric Annala

Dear Santa,  
 I am a boy. I am in the first grade. For Christmas I would like to have a steam shovel. Thank you.  
 Love,  
 Jodie Rao

Nob Hill School  
 Ruidoso, N. M.  
 Dec. 10, 1968

Dear Santa,  
 I want an Easy Baker oven and a Little Miss Fussy, but I want a game called Tip It and a Barbie and a bag that has some dolls and a Bug-A-Loe, too, and a car that talks, too, and a light for

my bike, too, and a game that's gun and holster, action hiway, called Merry Christmas. With love, Norma West

Nob Hill School  
 Ruidoso, N. M.  
 Dec. 10, 1968

Dear Santa,  
 I want a toy to play with. I want a Talking Barbie and an Easy Baker.

Love,  
 Ginger

Nob Hill School  
 Ruidoso, N. M.  
 Dec. 10, 1968

Dear Santa,  
 I am being good. Would you get me a Frankstein? My brother thinks you are old. He thinks you are 99. Are you 99? How many reindeer pull the sled?  
 With love,  
 Peter Hines

Dear Santa,  
 I have been good Santa and I want a Easy Baker oven and a Tapp Toe doll. And I want a ring with a blue heat diamond. And my brother wants a race track. And I want a watch for Christmas. And I want a Spirograph.  
 With love,  
 Kelly Fisher

Nob Hill School  
 Ruidoso, N. M.  
 Dec. 10, 1968

Dear Santa,  
 How are you and your elves doing? Have any of your elves been sick? Santa I want only two things. And they are a curli-magic and a doll. That is all I want. And I was good this year, too. Santa, have a Merry Christmas.  
 Love,  
 Karen Marshall

Dear Santa,  
 I am a girl. I am in the first grade. For Christmas I would like to have a toy pig. Thank you.  
 Love,  
 Cynthia Silva

Nob Hill School  
 Ruidoso, N. M.  
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Dear Santa,  
 I want a Tippi Toes and a watch, and a crib for Christmas. My brother wants a Captain Laser and a hot wheels, and my sister wants a talking Barbie for Christmas. I am 8-years-old. I like you very much.  
 With love,  
 Pam Parker

Dear Santa,  
 When you come down the chimney will you put some candy in my stocking, and toys, horse and corral and a rope and a man? That's enough.  
 I have a duple like yours. I'll Robert H. Stevens  
 Leon Botz

Ruidoso, N. M.  
 Dec. 10, 1968

Dear Santa,  
 I have been good this year, and I would like for you to bring me

Love,  
 Rathie Gipson

Dear Santa,  
 I love you.  
 I want a star.  
 I want a robot.  
 Give you a little tiny shoe.

Nob Hill School  
 Ruidoso, N. M.  
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Dear Santa,  
 I would like a mixer with beaters. And a live monkey. I went to Roswell yesterday and I wanted to see you. But you had come back to the North Pole. Have I been good or bad? Write me and tell me, O. K. I hope I am good.

With love,  
 Paula Baird

Nob Hill School  
 Ruidoso, N. M.  
 Dec. 10, 1968

Dear Santa,  
 I want a bite for Christmas. My sister wants a doll. My brother wants a car. I do not know if I

have been good. And I want a watch, called Merry Christmas. With love, Billy Glascock

Nob Hill School  
 Ruidoso, N. M.  
 Dec. 10, 1968

Dear Santa,  
 I want a Barbie doll. I have been good. I help my mother. I like to get toys. Christmas is the funnest time.

With love,  
 Lisa Hawpe

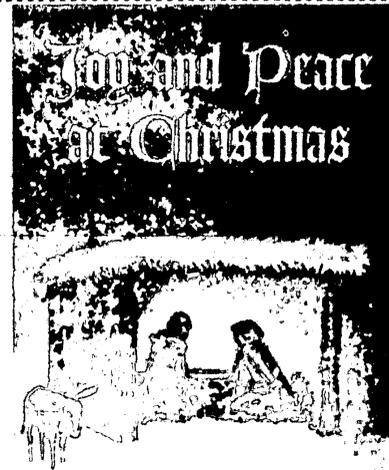


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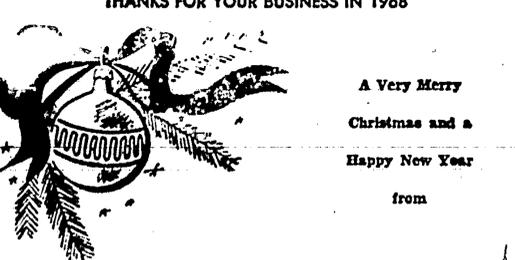
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Friday, December 27, 1968

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## Santa Letters

Dear Santa Claus,  
Please bring me a spaceman with  
a white suit, and one with a red  
suit. My sister wants everything,  
and I want some of it.  
Love,  
Rowan Edwards

Dear Santa Claus,  
Please bring me a Strange  
Change machine. I have been a  
good boy all the time.  
Mark Scarborough

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Dear Santa Claus,  
I want Tippy Toes on the top foot,  
and I have been a good girl.  
Deborah Bruton

Dear Santa Claus,  
Please bring me a Tippy Toes  
doll, and candy in my stocking. I  
have been a good girl.  
Merry Christmas  
Cathy Jones

Dear Santa Claus,  
Please bring me a candle, and  
a red balloon. Merry Christmas to  
you. I have been a good girl.  
Kelly Richardson  
P. S.: I also want a Baby Crawl  
Along.

Dear Santa Claus,  
I want a doll house and dishes  
and a Tippy Toes, and a kite, and  
a TV. I love you and I have been  
a good girl.  
Shelley Hester

Dear Santa Claus,  
Please bring me some toys. I  
want a gun, belt-and-holster, and  
a steam shovel to put dirt in the  
dump truck. I love you.  
Marc Delbota

P. S.: Please bring me a cowboy  
jacket.

Dear Santa Claus,  
Please bring me a dump truck  
and a jeep and a steam shovel, and  
some motor boats and a tiger truck.  
I have been a good boy.  
Danny Carpenter

Dear Santa Claus,  
Give me a little doll, and a little  
car for me to ride on, and a fish  
(green one, please). Also I would  
like a boat. I have been a good girl  
all the time.  
Belen Bennett

Dear Santa Claus,  
I want a Sergeant Storm and a  
new pack for Major Matt Macon,  
and a tractor, and a Space Station,  
and a Space Crawler, and that big  
gun, and get my sister a little doll  
that talks, and I think that's all.  
Merry Christmas  
Bever McClellan

Dear Santa Claus,  
Please bring me a Barbie house  
and a Barbie robe, and some Bar-  
bie clothes, and please bring me a  
Rudolph toy, and a Baby Tippy  
Toes. I love you, Santa.  
Shawn Holly

P. S.: I want a tape recorder.

Dear Santa Claus,  
Please bring me a Baby Tippy  
Toes, Baby First Step, and a Baby  
Bath, and a Baby Small Talk, and  
some cowgirl clothes, and a nurse  
kit and boots.  
Love,  
Jenny Delbota

P. S.: I want a talking Barbie  
most of all I like Baby Small Talk.

Dear Santa Claus,  
Please bring me an electric foot-  
ball game, a tractor, a hot wheel  
truck and some silly sand. I am a  
good boy all the time.  
Todd Perfect

Dear Santa Claus,  
Please bring me a Major Matt  
Macon, a candy cane, and a play box.  
Thank you.  
Nancy Haake

Dear Santa Claus,  
I want a doll and a farm, and a  
piano. I have been a good girl.  
Deborah Herrera  
P. S.: I also want a walkie-talkie.

Dear Santa Claus,  
Please bring me a long blonde  
girl, a bike (training wheels), and  
Baby Grow-A-Tooth, and a little  
car. I want my headbands and a  
kite.  
Stacey Sparks

I want a Baby Tippy Toes, and a  
bicycle and a horse that goes all  
by itself, and a kitchen with a grill,  
and a real coffee pot and a buggy.  
I have been real nice.  
Mary Lou McCarty

P. S.: I want a little blitty TV.

Dear Santa Claus,  
I want a Baby Giggle and a TV.  
I love you.  
Coralee Whit

Dear Santa,  
I hope you have a nice year.  
Thank you for what you brought  
me last year. I hope you have a  
Merry Christmas. I would like to  
have a walkie-talkie, camera, toter



**READY FOR CHRISTMAS**—The Ruidoso-Hondo Valley Hos-  
pital has three Christmas trees decorated this year for pa-  
tients and visitors, including this one at the nurses' station  
complete with manger scene. Showing it off are, left to  
right, Margaret Booher and Delma Peper of the hospital  
staff.

ball, Kooky Kakes, Incredible Edi-  
bles Operation game and an Easy  
Bake oven.  
Love,  
Lea Ann Jones

Dear Santa Claus,  
I want a bicycle, dishes and a  
Baby Tippy Toes and a baby house.  
Merry Christmas. I have been a  
good girl.  
Natalia Perry

P. S.: I love you.  
Dear Santa Claus,  
I want a Tippy Toes and a T. V.,  
and a doll house, and I love you.  
Lea Shaw

Dear Santa Claus,  
I would like a robot, and a kite,  
and something for my daddy, and  
some hairpray for my mother, and  
some trucks and a space gun.  
I have been a good boy. I would  
like a training wheel bike.  
Steven Parks

Dear Santa,  
Please bring me a pretty house  
and purse. I want a sack full of  
goodies.  
Love,  
Mickie Padilla

Dear Santa,  
Please bring me a race car set  
for Christmas. Also a bike and a  
sled.  
Love,  
Charles Wieland

Dear Santa,  
Please bring me a gun, a football  
and a car.  
Love,  
Cody Bill Browning

Dear Santa,  
Please bring me a bike, a doll,  
and doll house. I want a purse.  
Love,  
Glacy Saum

Dear Santa,  
Please bring me a pretty doll and  
doll house. I would like a teddy  
bear. I also want a cock full of  
goodies.  
I love you,  
Alicia Pirelli

Dear Santa,  
I want a cock full of goodies, a  
Twenty-Turn, Barbie doll and some  
books.  
Love,  
Tracey Cole

Dear Santa,  
Please bring me for Christmas a  
doll house. I want a new purse.  
Love,  
Marilyn Spear

Dear Santa,  
Please bring for Christmas a  
doll and house. I want a purse.  
Love,  
Rosemary Robinson

Dear Santa,  
How are you and your reindeer?  
I hope you have a happy Christmas.  
I would like a real live monkey and  
a Baby Tubby.  
Love,  
Kendra Newton

Dear Santa,  
How are you? How is Rudolph?  
Thank you for the things you gave  
me last year. How are the other  
reindeer? How is your cold winter?  
Love,  
Doana Keith

you a Merry Christmas. How is  
Rudolph and how are you? And  
how are your reindeer? And I want  
some skis.  
Love,  
Lairy Darden

Dear Santa,  
How are you? How is Rudolph?  
Is he fine? I like what you brought  
me last year. I hope you have a  
Merry Christmas. I want you to  
get me a B-B gun and rifle, 6.8,  
Cargano and a punching bag.  
Love,  
Hector Aguilar

Dear Santa,  
How are you and your deer, too?  
When you would get me a B-B gun  
and a pellet gun.  
Love,  
David Heckman

Dear Santa,  
How are you and the reindeer  
and Rudolph and your wife? And  
will you give me a Tippy Toes and  
a Hands Down?  
Love,  
Dana Driver

### Legal Notice

**NOTICE OF  
FORECLOSURE SALE**  
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN  
that in accordance with the judg-  
ment and Decree of Foreclosure  
entered on the 19th day of Novem-  
ber, 1968, in Cause No. 6206 in the  
District Court of Lincoln County,  
New Mexico, entitled "Ruidoso  
State Bank, Plaintiff, vs. G. D.  
McCarthy, Jr., also known as Glover  
D. McCarthy, and Helen E. McCarthy,  
his wife, Defendants," which was  
an action to foreclose a mortgage  
dated October 30, 1967 and filed for  
record on November 13, 1967 and  
recorded in Book 63 at pages 340  
and 870 of Mortgage Records of  
Lincoln County, New Mexico, given  
by the Defendants G. D. McCarthy  
and Helen E. McCarthy, his wife,  
to the Ruidoso State Bank, covering  
the real estate below described,  
the undersigned Special Master will  
sell at public sale on the 23rd day  
of January, 1969, at 10:00 a.m., on  
the steps of the North entrance of  
the Municipal Building at Ruidoso,  
Lincoln County, New Mexico, to  
the highest and best bidder for  
cash, the following described real  
estate situate in Lincoln County,  
New Mexico, to-wit:  
Lot 3 — Block 4,  
Lot 14 — Block 5,  
of COUNTRY CLUB ESTATES,  
Ruidoso, Lincoln County, New  
Mexico, as shown by the map there-  
of filed in the office of the Lincoln  
County Clerk on June 9, 1960; and,  
Lot 8 — Block 3 of HIGHWOOD  
ADDITION, Ruidoso, Lincoln Coun-  
ty, New Mexico, as shown by the  
revised plat thereof filed in the  
office of the Lincoln County Clerk  
on August 12, 1964; and,  
Lot 4 — Block 5 of HIGHWOOD  
ADDITION, Ruidoso, Lincoln Coun-  
ty, New Mexico, as shown by the  
map thereof filed in the office of  
the Lincoln County Clerk July 6,  
1964;  
all subject to covenants and re-  
strictions of record.  
That out of the proceeds from  
the sale of said property, the  
undersigned will first pay the costs  
of the sale including a fee of \$60.00  
to the Special Master; and out of  
the remainder of such proceeds, the  
undersigned shall pay to the Plain-  
tiff Ruidoso State Bank, the amount  
of its judgment lien in the sum of  
\$9,612.21 which includes all interest,  
attorney's fees and costs due to  
the date of sale; then any remain-  
ing proceeds of such sale shall be  
paid into the Court for its further  
order.  
That the Plaintiff Ruidoso State  
Bank is authorized and permitted  
to bid at said sale and, if the high-  
est and best bidder, to become the  
purchaser at said sale, and it shall  
not be required to pay cash up to  
the amount owed it, but shall be  
required to pay the expenses of ad-  
vertising and sale including the fee  
of the Special Master.  
That the redemption period after  
sale shall be one month in lieu of  
nine months.  
DATED this 23rd day of Decem-  
ber, 1968.  
/s/ Richard A. Parsons  
Special Master  
12-27; 1-3-10-17

Dear Santa,  
How are you and your reindeer?  
I love what you gave me last  
year. This year I want a camera  
and Tippy Toes. And Kooky Kake.  
Love,  
Cindy Durham

Dear Santa,  
How are you and the reindeer  
and Rudolph? I want the Easy Bake  
oven, the Game Operation, some  
skis, a Whirly-Twirlly, Hands  
Down, Fun Flowers and a set of  
Kooky Kakes. Also a Tippy Toes  
doll.  
Love,  
Barbara Ann Clements

Dear Santa,  
I like what you brought me last  
year. My dog got torn up. How are  
you and Mrs. Santa Claus doing?  
Are you ok? I hope so. How are  
your reindeer? Please do not bring  
any dolls. I hope you have a Merry  
Christmas. And I hope your rein-  
deer have a Merry Christmas, too!  
Love,  
Gena

Dear Santa,  
Thank you for the things you  
gave me last year.  
I would like some skis and a sled  
and Hot Wheels and tether ball.  
Love,  
Kenneth Johnson  
Merry Christmas.

Nob Hill School  
Ruidoso, N. M.  
Dec. 16, 1968

Dear Santa,  
Please get me a doll. Her name  
is Thirty Walker, and an Easy  
Bake oven for my little sister.  
With love,  
Dianna Lopez

Dear Santa,  
I would like a B-B gun. And I  
would like a rifle, too. And I wish

Dear Santa,  
How are you and your reindeer?  
Thank you for last Christmas. I  
want a bike, a Kooky Kakes, a B-B  
gun, walkie-talkie set and a Hot  
Wheels. Do you want anything?  
Love,  
Eddie Taylor

**MERRY CHRISTMAS**  
and  
**A HAPPY NEW YEAR**  
To All Our Wonderful  
Customers and Friends.  
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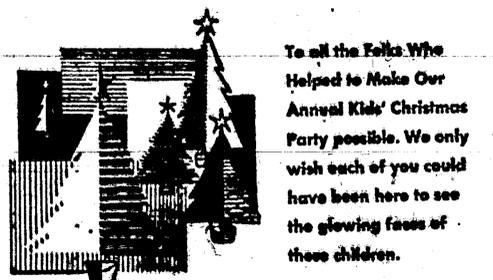
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We've Had A Very  
Wonderful Year—  
and we can give you credit for it for  
your fine treatment of us. We appre-  
ciate your courtesies and your pat-  
ronage very much.  
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most Joyous New Year!  
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have been here to see  
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these children.  
Thanks Again for Your Part and Here's Wishing You  
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Christmas  
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### Santa Letters

Dear Santa,  
I would like an Easy Bake Oven and a Beauty School Wig. Tell Rudolph hello. Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year to all.  
Love,  
Sarah

Dear Santa,  
I want Mrs. Beasley please for Christmas and a wig and Toggle Toys. Tell Rudolph hello, Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year to all.  
Love,  
Sharon

Dear Santa,  
How are you Santa Claus? May I have two G. I. Joes please Santa Claus? Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.  
Love, your friend,  
Richard

Dear Santa,  
I am a boy in the second grade. May I have a bike for Christmas? Thank you.  
Your friend,  
Lance

WE WISH FOR YOU A MOST HAPPY TIME ON THIS  
**Christmas 1968**  
and we hope you have a Happy New Year, too.

### Thunderbird Curio

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### MERRY CHRISTMAS

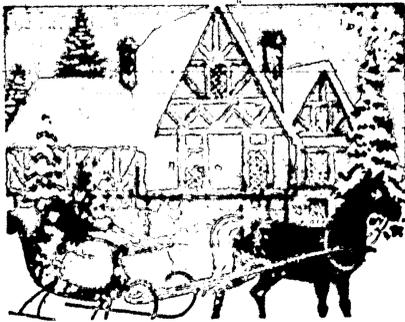
—and best wishes for a very happy NEW YEAR

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### MERRY CHRISTMAS!

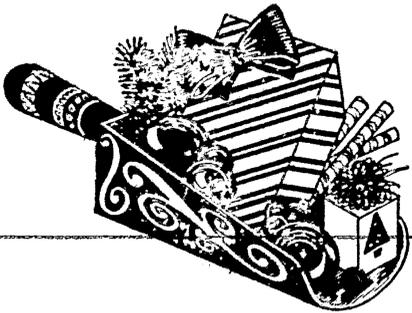
May you enjoy a Christmas filled with happiness beyond measure. We consider it a pleasure and a privilege to say thank you for letting us serve you in 1968!

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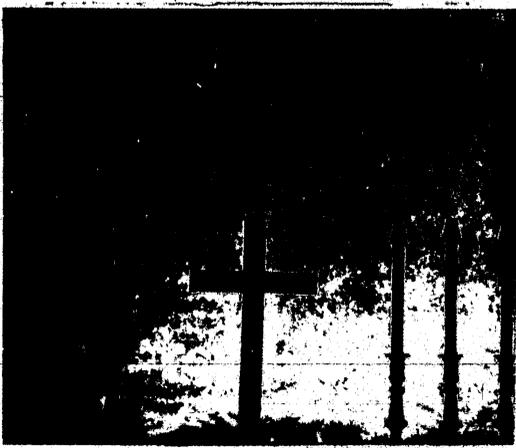
That is the Wish of  
Dutch — Rudy — Wayne — Pete  
Dee and Betty

### Hollywood

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## Churches Plan Yule Services

Several Ruidoso churches plan special Christmas services on either Christmas Eve or Christmas Day. Those planning such services include: **COMMUNITY UNITED METHODIST CHURCH** Christmas Eve services will be held at 7 p.m. at the church, following an open house at the parsonage from 6:30 p.m. to 8:45 p.m. Tuesday. Special music will be offered. Mrs. Barbara Cottle will sing "O Holy Night." Mrs. R. L. LaPine will present a reading entitled "The Littlest Angel." There will be congregational singing. The Rev. Richard F. LaPine, pastor, said all are invited to attend the Christmas program. **EPISCOPAL CHURCH** A midnight mass will begin at 11:45 p.m. Christmas Eve, the Rev. James Eubanks, pastor, announced. At 9:30 a.m. Christmas Day, there will be holy communion at St. Anne's Chapel in Glencoe. **CATHOLIC CHURCH** St. Eleanor's Church in Ruidoso will have a Christmas Eve mass at midnight and Christmas Day masses at 9 a.m. and 11:15 a.m. Wednesday. St. Jude's Church in the Hondo Valley will also have midnight mass



## The Christmas Story

And it came to pass in those days, that there went out a decree from Caesar Augustus, that all the world should be taxed.

And all went to be taxed, everyone into his own city. And Joseph also went up from Galilee, out of the city of Nazareth, into Judea, unto the city of David, which is called Bethlehem (because he was of the house and lineage of David).

To be taxed with Mary his espoused wife, being great with child.

And so it was that, while they were there, the days were accomplished that she should be delivered.

And she brought forth her firstborn son, and wrapped him in swaddling clothes, and laid him in a manger; because there was no room for them in the inn.

And there were in the same country shepherds abiding in the field, keeping watch over their flocks by night.

And, lo, the angel of the Lord came upon them, and the glory of the Lord shone round about them; and they were sore afraid.

And the angel said unto them, Fear not; for behold, I bring you good tidings of great joy, which shall be to all people.

For unto you is born this day in the city of David a Saviour, which is Christ the Lord.

And this shall be the sign unto you: Ye shall find the babe wrapped in swaddling clothes, lying in a manger.

And suddenly there was with the angel a multitude of the heavenly host praising God, and saying,

Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace, good will toward men. —St. Luke 2:1-14.

Dear Santa,  
I hope you are fine. I hope you are happy with the paper. I hope you are happy and I hope you are not unhappy. I want a teddy bear and party.  
Love, your friend,  
Tony Gonzalez

Dear Santa,  
This Christmas may I have a hot wheel track and a train track and a game Operation? Ho, Ho, Ho, Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.  
Love,  
Dabbe

Dear Santa,  
I would like a Tippie Toes and a long hair wig and a Tuggle Toys, Baby Grow-A-Tooth, tape recorder, Operation Thank you Santa, Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year. Say hello to the gang for me Santa.  
Love,  
Dabbe

Dear Santa,  
May I please have a Crazy Car and a talking Barbie doll, a Tippie Toe, a Tippy Tumbler, a teddy bear, a bike, a Baby Grow-A-Tooth, a walkie-talkie, a doctor set? Merry Christmas, Happy New Year.  
Love, your friend,  
Stephanie

Dear Santa,  
May I have a truck? I will come to see you. I am Donnie Riley.  
Love,  
Your Donnie

Dear Santa,  
I am a boy in the second grade. Please may I have a Hot Wheels set, an F-104, F-105, electric football set, football uniform, Rock-em Sock-em Robots?  
Merry Christmas from Mike.

Dear Santa,  
I hope I get a bicycle for Christmas, please. I hope I get a doll for Christmas, please. I hope you do not have to work too hard. Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year. Will you say Happy New Year to Rudolph the Red Nosed Reindeer?  
Love,  
Nina

May I please have a Crazy Car, a baby party, a walkie-talkie, a talking Barbie doll, a Baby Grow-A-Tooth, a wig and a typewriter?  
Love,  
Susan Carrie

two G. I. Joes and a football?  
Love, your friend,  
Augustine

Please thank you, Merry Christmas, Happy New Year. Ho, ho, ho, Merry Christmas.

Dear Santa Claus,  
I want a Volkswagen, gun, and a bicycle, and Hot Wheels, and a TV. I love you and I have been a good boy.  
Kyle Kammady

Dear Santa,  
I want a doll, a ribbon for her and a little stocking. I want a real horse on Phyllis and I can ride it, and a little play house. We need some spoons and plates for the dolly.  
Love,  
Virgilyn Chee

I love you, Jacqueline Lester  
Nob Hill School  
Ruidoso, N. M.

Dear Santa,  
I want a gun and a bike and a horse. Is there a party at the North Pole? If there is a party will you tell me the date it is? I want these things. Will you give me it?  
With love,  
Alex Padilla  
Nob Hill School  
Ruidoso, N. M.  
Dec. 10 1968

Dear Santa,  
I want you to get my brother a

Love,  
Cindy

Love,  
Cindy

Love,  
Cindy

### Last Rites Held For Mrs. Simis

Last rites were held Saturday, Dec. 21, at 2:30 p.m. in Holy Mount Episcopal Church for Mrs. Leined Simis, 67, who died at her home in Ruidoso Thursday, Dec. 19. Father James Eubanks officiated and burial was in Forest Lawn Cemetery of Chapel of Roses of Ruidoso. Mrs. Simis was born on Oct. 21, 1901 and had been a Ruidoso resident for 13 years. She was employed at the Ruidoso Downs race track during the summer months. Survivors include the husband, Charles Simis of Ruidoso and one son, Hoyt E. Simmons of Sacramento, Calif. Two grandchildren also survive.

Dear Santa Claus,  
Please bring me a Baby Tippy Toes, and a horse and her bike. I love you. I also want a training wheel bike.  
Lori O'Conner

Dear Santa,  
I want a dolly and a hat. I want my hat to be white. I need a house for the little doll, and a bed for the little dolly.  
I love you Santa and I'll give you a Coke.  
Love,  
Phyllis Chee

Dear Santa,  
May I have a ball and a dolly and some clothes? I am five. I want toys for my mother's baby, Austin. I want to tell you, "thank you".  
Lorvna Duffly

Dear Santa,  
I want a talking doll I want my talking doll to say "What shall I do tonight?" My sister wants a doll that says "What shall I dress in today?"  
Please bring my grandma come clothes.  
I want a little cooking stove so I can cook for my doll.  
Look on the table for some fried potatoes.  
I love you,  
Jacqueline Lester  
Nob Hill School  
Ruidoso, N. M.

Dear Santa,  
I have been good to my mother and father. I have been good in every other way too. How are you and your elves? I want a weigebord and a corn flower pot and a kerplunk. Have a very Merry Christmas.  
Love,  
Cindy

Dear Santa,  
I want a doll and candy in my stocking. I like brown Sugar Daddy candy. May I have a little house for my dolly and the boys? My grandma needs a little dog. I hope it is brown.  
Love,  
Elber Marie Pena

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### Funeral Services Held Monday For J. D. Turkenkoph

Funeral services were held Monday, Dec. 23 at 10 a.m. at the Chapel of Roses in Ruidoso for Jacob Dewey Turkenkoph, 70, of Ruidoso Downs, who died at his home Saturday, Dec. 21. Rev. Kenneth Cole of the First Christian Church in Ruidoso officiated and burial was in Forest Lawn Cemetery with Chapel of Roses in charge of arrangements.

Turkenkoph was born on July 19, 1898 and had been living in this area for about 45 years. He opened a TV and radio repair shop in Ruidoso about fifteen years ago and had followed that line of work for a number of years. He is survived by his wife, Juanita of Ruidoso Downs.

Pallbearers included Heavy Cunningham, Morris Redmann, Louis Smith, Troy Parker, Roy Stierwalt and Alton Gray.

Read and use want-ads regularly.



### Merry Christmas

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Ruidoso Downs, N. M.  
Pastor: W. Ross, Pastor  
Sunday School—10 a.m.  
Worship Service—11 a.m.  
Young People's Service—7:30 p.m.  
First Wednesday—7:30 p.m.  
(Listen to Harvestime Broadcast Sunday Morning at 8 a.m. KRKR)

**CHRISTIAN SCIENCE SERVICES**  
Sunday School services each Sunday at 10 a.m.  
Every Sunday, 11:00 a.m. in Redwood Woman's Club. Testimony meeting following regular service each third Sunday.

**FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH**  
Ruidoso, N. M.  
Sunday School—9:45 a.m.  
Worship Service—10 a.m.  
Prayer Service—7:00 p.m.  
Wednesday Night—7:00 p.m.

**THE FIRST CHRISTIAN CHURCH**  
Pastor: Kenneth Cole, Pastor  
Ruidoso, N. M.  
Sunday School—10 a.m.  
Morning Worship—10:30 a.m.  
Tuesday Service—7:00 p.m.  
Services in Spanish and English. You Are Welcome

**COMMUNITY UNITED METHODIST CHURCH**  
Rev. Richard F. LaPine, Pastor  
Sunday School—10 a.m.  
Morning Worship—8:30 a.m. & 11:00 a.m.  
Woman's Prayer Group, Wednesday 8:30 a.m.  
Family Night, First Sunday, 8:00 p.m.  
First Wednesday, 7:45 p.m. (General Meeting) WBOC.

**RUIDOSO BAPTIST CHURCH**  
Worship Service, Pastor  
Palmer Galloway  
Sunday School—10 a.m.  
Worship Service—10:30 a.m.  
Wednesday Night Bible Study, 7:30 p.m.

**CHURCH OF JESUS CHRIST L.D.S.**  
Ruidoso, N. M.  
Sundays at 10:30 a.m.  
Sunday School and Sacramental Meeting

**Jehovah's Witnesses**  
Kingdom Hall—Captain  
Congregation—Ruidoso, N. M.  
Sunday Bible School—10:00 a.m.  
Sunday Watchtower Study—11 a.m.  
Tuesday Group Bible Study—7:30 p.m.  
Thursday Ministry School—7:00 p.m.  
Thursday Service Meeting—6:00 p.m.

**ARSENAL'S BOD CHURCH**  
Pastor: Galloway, Ruidoso  
Sunday School—9:45 a.m.  
Morning Worship—11:00 a.m.  
Evening Evangelistic Service—7:00 p.m.  
Wednesday Evening, 7:00 prayer time and Bible Study.

**FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH**  
Rev. Frank O'Donnell, Minister  
Church School—9:45 a.m. to 11:00 a.m.  
Morning Worship—11:00 a.m.  
OATWAY CHURCH OF CHRIST  
Pastor: J. T. Lamb, Minister  
Bible Study—7:30 a.m.  
Worship and Communion—10:30 a.m.  
Sunday Evening Worship—6:00 p.m.  
Wednesday Prayer Meeting—7:30 p.m.  
Ladies' Bible Class, 9:30 a.m. Wednesday.

**FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH**  
Rev. Hugh Stiles, Minister  
Ruidoso Downs, N. M.  
Sunday School—10 a.m.  
Morning Worship—11:00 a.m.  
Training Union—6:00 p.m.  
Wednesday—7:00 p.m.  
Wednesday Night Service—7:00 p.m.  
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**CATHOLIC SERVICES**  
Pastor: James Eubanks, Pastor  
Sunday Masses  
St. Eleanor's Sunday School—7:00 a.m., 9:00 a.m. and 11:15 a.m.  
St. Jude (Ruidoso) in San Patricio—1:00 a.m. and 9:00 a.m.  
Confessions in Ruidoso every Saturday and the day before Holydays and first 30 days from 7 to 8 p.m. in both churches upon request.

**MISCALMO REFORMED CHURCH**  
Pastor: Love, Pastor  
Worship Service—11 a.m.  
Church School—10 a.m.

**EPISCOPAL SERVICES**  
Rev. James Eubanks, Vicar  
Ruidoso Holy Mount  
Sundays 8 a.m. Holy Communion, 10:30 a.m.

Holy Communion Informal Office time, Stoney Hall, Wednesday, 4 a.m. to 11 a.m. Communion in Anne's Chapel, Glencoe, 8 a.m. to 9 a.m. Prayers for Christians, St. Anne's Chapel, Glencoe, 11 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. St. Paul's Church, Glencoe, 11 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Church of the Holy Spirit, Glencoe, 11 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Church of the Holy Spirit, Glencoe, 11 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

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### IDC Proceeds With Planning

Preliminary work on the master plan for the International Development company project on Eagle Creek is proceeding rapidly according to William D. Sanders, president of IDC.

Sanders said he expects to disclose his company's full development plans in the near future. The plans are being drawn up by John M. Carson, International Development Company architect and chief planner, Sanders said.

The project is a joint venture by IDC of El Paso and Pineda of Dallas. The companies have purchased outright or taken options on seven parcels owned by the Eagle Creek Inter-Community Water Supply Association. Final details in the transaction have been completed according to Tom L. Jones, president of the water users association.

### Pilot's Paintings To Be Exhibited

Recent paintings by Roy E. Butler will be exhibited by 121 West Third, a new Roswell gallery, between Dec. 22 and 29.

The Butler exhibitions will open with a reception from 1 to 7 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 22.

Butler, a graduate of San Jose State College, is a Roswell resident and an equipment check pilot for Pan-American Airways.

Get the message across with a wanted in the Ruidoso News.



MUTE EVIDENCE—The head of a child's toy horse lies outside the fire-gutted apartment of the Fred Yockey family at the Old Mill Lodge, as bedding still smolders the morning after the tragic blaze that killed the family's three children.



SMOKING RUINS—The burned-out shell of the home of Sgt. and Mrs. Fred Yockey, destroyed by fire Saturday night, was still smoking Sunday morning when this photo was taken. All three of their children perished in the blaze.

### Three Children

(Continued from Page 1—Sec. A) Friday, Dec. 27, will go toward the Yockey fund. Also, all employees of the restaurant will donate their wages for the day to the fund.

Mr. and Mrs. Franz Hawpe, owners of the Park Motel, have set aside Friday as "Yockey Day". Donations will be received at the lobby desk, and proceeds from a "Yockey suite" will be donated to the fund.

Bill McDade, owner of the Old Mill Lodge, was at his home in Lubbock, Texas when he received word of the tragedy. He immediately left for Ruidoso, arriving at 4 p.m. Sunday.

On Monday, he informed the Ruidoso News office he was closing the lodge for the winter. Meanwhile, an investigation began into the cause of the fire, which is as yet undetermined.

First investigator on the scene was A. V. Peterson, an inspector for the State of New Mexico Liquefied Petroleum Gas Commission. Officials at the Santa Fe office said that Peterson's report will be rendered Thursday. It will be made public, and a copy is to be forwarded to the Ruidoso News.

At 10 a.m. Tuesday, Sgt. L. G. Raney of the New Mexico State Police arrived at the Ruidoso Fire Station to begin an investigation into the cause of the fire.

The State Fire Marshal's office in Santa Fe said Raney will conduct the investigation for the Fire Marshal. Raney is one of two qualified arson investigators for the State Police, it was reported.

However, the Fire Marshal said, there is no reason to suspect arson in this case.

Raney will send his report to the State Fire Marshal who will make a public report on the cause of the fire that killed the three small children.

The State Fire Marshal's office said the reason it did not conduct its own investigation of the fatal fire was that its investigators were "out sick". The state has two such investigators, it was reported.

Immediately following the fire, Chief Jack Kannady, Jr. of the Ruidoso volunteer fire department made an official report to the Fire Marshal of the occurrence of the fire. This is required in the case of multiple deaths.

Raney conferred on the fire with Chief Kannady and Sheriff Leandro Vega Tuesday morning before going to the scene of the tragedy.

Funeral services for the three children were held at the Chapel of Roses in Ruidoso at 2:30 p.m. Monday, Dec. 23 with Rev. Hugh Siles officiating. The children were buried in one casket.

Palbearers were Dave Bonnell, George Escalante, Bill Smith of Dallas, Texas; Jack Burner, Ray Nunley and Wayne Estes. Honorary palbearers included Lloyd L. Davis, Jr., Ed Lane, Sam Nunnally, Jim Hino, O. G. Montez, Jack Kannady, Jr., Austin Pritchett and Turner Pirelli.

The VA will inaugurate a new pension system on January 1, 1969 which will raise income limitations \$300 and key pensions to \$100 variations in income. Thus, the VA must have your completed income questionnaire in order to determine how much of a pension under this new system you are entitled to receive.

Your questionnaire must be returned to VA by January 15 if you are to continue receiving your pension.

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The H. H. Shier Family at  
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### Morrison Fund Reaches \$1626

Charles Morrison, 21, of Ruidoso, was still in an El Paso hospital this week awaiting transfer to the University Hospital at Salt Lake City as a community fund to help the Morrison family meet expenses of his illness reached \$1626.50.

Mrs. Mary Jo Morrison, Ruidoso Downs waitress, has been accepted as a donor of a kidney for her son, who is seriously ill with a kidney ailment.

Charles, a graduate of Ruidoso High School, will undergo dialysis on an artificial kidney machine after he is transferred to Salt Lake. Following an undetermined period of such treatment, the transplant operation will be performed, friends here reported.

Mrs. Morrison, meanwhile, has returned to her job.

It was erroneously reported last week that C. J. Flota, an attorney who donated \$25 to the Morrison Fund, was a resident of Las Cruces. He lives in Truth or Consequences.

Donations to the fund are being accepted at the Ruidoso Downs

Fund, will be held at 7:30 p.m. Dec. 28 at the Ruidoso High School Gym. Contestants will be the Ruidoso Warriors and the Exes, made up of former Ruidoso High School players.

Those who have contributed to the fund in the past week were: The Estes, \$10; Gene Horn-Olds-Mobile, El Paso, \$5; Jack Trice Equipment, Hobbs, \$5; Achin' Acres Trailer Park, \$5; Richard A. Sharp, Baton Rouge, La., \$10; Mary M. Gieche, \$10; American Legion Post No. 79, \$15; Ruidoso Valley Ambassadors, \$25; Freshman Class, \$200; Mr. and Mrs. Bob Richardson, \$10, and Mrs. Nell all proceeds to go to the Morrison Rayburn, \$5.

### State To Test Job Applicants

Examinations are being scheduled throughout the State on Saturday, Jan. 18, 1969 for applicants for positions with the State government.

To be admitted to these examinations, interested and qualified applicants must have their applications on file with the State Personnel Office on or before the date noted on each job announcement.

Applicants are needed for the following: Director in - Service Training in Las Vegas; Volunteer Services Coordinator in Los Lunas; Social Service Aide IV in Taos; Alcoholism Counselor III, and Secretary II in Albuquerque; Administrative Officer III, Secretary III, Stenographer III in Roswell; Probation Parole Officer Trainee in Las Cruces. Positions open in Santa Fe include Bank Analyst, Day Care Consultant, Health Scientist I, Statistician II, and Right of Way Trainee. Needed state-wide are Social Service Aide I, II, III, Accountant Assistant, Account Examiner, Account Technician, Nurse Anesthetist, Sanitarian I, and Typing I, II and III.

These are all interesting and challenging career positions that include many fringe benefits. Complete information about salaries, necessary qualifications, geographical locations, etc. are available at the Roswell office of the New Mexico Employment Service as well as the State Personnel Office in Santa Fe.

### UNM To Present Prize Musical

"Man of a Mancha," chosen as the best musical of the year by the New York Critics Circle, will be presented Jan. 10 and 11 in Popejoy Hall at the University of New Mexico.

The musical will be presented at 8:15 p.m. each day with a 2:15 p.m. matinee on Jan. 11.

The winner of five Tony awards will star David Atkinson as Cervantes-Don Quixote and Patricia Marand as Aldonza.

In this musical version of the Don Quixote classic, the hero sails forth into the world like a true knight errant, prepared to defend the oppressed and undo wrongs. When he is told that knightlyhood has been dead for 300 years, he replies, "Facts are the enemies of truth."

The musical will also feature Louie Cricuolo, Seymour Penner, Ronn Carroll, Richard Frock, Mark Roca, Lynn Carroll, Marise Counsell and Edmond Verrato. Best known of its songs is "The Impossible Dream."

Tickets for the evening performances have been sold out. Tickets are \$8.50, \$6, \$5.50, \$4.50, \$4 and \$3.50. Group school students' tickets in groups are half price for the matinee.

### Mexico Orchestra To Give Concert

The National Orchestra of Mexico City will present a concert at the University of New Mexico's Popejoy Hall Jan. 21 at 8:15 p.m.

Tickets for the concert, priced at \$5.50, \$5, \$4.50, \$4 and \$3.50 will be available by mail or at the box office starting Jan. 2. Tickets for students and children are half price.

Warrior Booster Club meets each Thursday 7:15 p.m. High school library. Be there.

### Harry Whiteley Has Lung Surgery

Harry Whiteley of Ruidoso, former operator of the Whiteley Gas Co., is reported recovering satisfactorily from an operation performed last Thursday morning in an El Paso hospital.

Doctors successfully removed a malignant tumor from his lung, it was reported.

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FROM THE DIRECTORS, MANAGEMENT AND STAFF OF  
**RUIDOSO-HONDO VALLEY GENERAL HOSPITAL**

Winners Announced In Local Christmas Lighting Contest  
The Ruidoso Valley Chamber of Commerce early this week announced the winners in the Christmas Lighting Contest which was judged Monday night, Dec. 23. Judges were four out-of-town persons, Mr. and Mrs. Dale Graham of Dallas, Tex., and Mr. and Mrs. Bill Cagle of El Paso, Tex. Van White was chairman for the contest this year.

Veterans! Here's Your Answer

Q—Am widows of World War II servicemen who died on active duty from service-connected disabilities still eligible to file applications for GI home loans.

A—Yes. Entitlement for these widows will not expire until July 25, 1970.

Q—I am a widow of a veteran and received pension benefits for myself and my children. I am planning to get married soon. I understand that I will lose my benefits, but will the children lose their pension too? What if they should be adopted by my future husband?

A—Your children will not lose their benefits when you remarry even if they are adopted by their stepfather.

Q—I receive a pension from the Veterans Administration. With my November check I received a questionnaire regarding my income for 1968 and 1969. Since my income is what I estimated on last year's questionnaire, must I return this new questionnaire?

A—Yes, it is particularly important that you return the questionnaire you received in early November.

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**SKIERS' CROWD SLOPES** - Hundreds of skiers from Texas, New Mexico, and other southwestern states visited the Sierra Blanca Ski Area over the week-end and hundreds more will be there over the Christmas holidays. Ten inches of new snow fell Saturday, bringing the base snow depth to 22 inches. Skiing was reported fair to good on the upper slopes, and excellent on the lower and beginner slopes.

## Hagerman Wins Ruidoso Tourney

The Hagerman Bobcats, topped back the Ruidoso Warriors 61 to 47 and captured the North Central Ruidoso Invitational Basketball Tournament Saturday night.

The Bobcats jumped into a 22 to 5 first quarter lead and were never headed although Ruidoso pulled within four points midway in the final frame.

John Creek, a deadly jump shot artist, was hot in the opening frame and poured in eight of his 20 points before the Warriors could bring him under control.

Late in the second quarter, Warrior Coach Curtis Kelley ordered a full court press and the Bobcat attack slowed down under the pressure.

However, the tight defense cost the Warriors at the free throw line as the inevitable fouls in a press took their toll: Rick Scott with 14 and Jack Vallant with 10 led the Ruidoso scoring.

Ray Miles, usually the big gunner for Hagerman, was held to 11 counters by the Warriors.

However, Miles' all around play gave him a spot on the all-tournament team.

Others named to the first five were Vallant and Scott of Ruidoso, Jack Alvarez of Hatch and Creek of Hagerman.

Named to the second five were Steve Bramblett of Dexter, Mike West and Manuel Roybal of Ft. Sumner, Bob Buehler and Frank Trejo of Jesuit.

While the Bobcats were winning the tournament, the Fort Sumner

Bobcats won the consolation championship by beating Hatch 51 to 48.

Hagerman opened its championship drive by beating Canutillo 57 to 41. Other first round results saw Dexter beating Hatch 46 to 47, Ft. Sumner dropping a 53 to 51 verdict to Jesuit and Ruidoso edging Hondo 68 to 66.

In the second round, Ruidoso turned back Dexter 54 to 51 while Hagerman was beating Jesuit 68 to 64.

In the opening consolation round, Hatch beat Hondo 78 to 67 and Ft. Sumner turned back Canutillo 48 to 35.

Other results saw Dexter beat Jesuit 57 to 55 and Hondo drop Canutillo 68 to 53.

Three Captain Players Picked

Three Captain football players were named first string on the Class C All-State football squad this week.

Tackle Jim Leake, back Ervin Aldaz and defensive back Arthur Chavez were picked for the mythical squad.

The team was dominated by Cloudercroft which placed six men on the squad.

Cloudercrofters on the offensive first team were Allen Wimsell, center; Dean Vaughn, guard and James Hayes, back.

Defensive first stringers were Charles Housinger and Robert Poindexter, both ends; and Robert Cope, back.

**CAPTAIN HIGH SCHOOL 1968-69 Basketball Schedule**

Jan. 3 - Ruidoso, at Captain, 8:30 p.m.

Jan. 4 - Open.

Jan. 10 - Hondo, at Captain, 8:30 p.m.

Jan. 11 - Open.

Jan. 17 - Open.

Jan. 18 - Ruidoso, at Ruidoso, 8:00 p.m.

Jan. 24 - Eunice, at Captain, 8:00 p.m.

Jan. 25 - Jal, at Captain, 8:00 p.m.

Jan. 31 - Carrizosa, at Captain, 8:30 p.m.

Feb. 1 - Dexter, at Captain, 8:30 p.m.

Feb. 8 - Open.

Feb. 7 - Open.

Feb. 8 - Dexter, at Captain, 8:30 p.m.

Feb. 14 - Carrizosa, at Captain, 8:30 p.m.



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## Alumni Face Warrior Tilt

Old Warrior stars will return to the basketball tepee Thursday night for a game against the high school varsity.

The contest is scheduled for 7:30 p.m. with all proceeds going to the Charlie Morrison fund. Admission will be \$1 for adults and 50 cents for students.

Some of the former Ruidoso stars slated to see action against this year's squad are Mack Cook, Tommy Vallant, David Scott, Andrew Hale, Alfred Lane and Gene Scott.

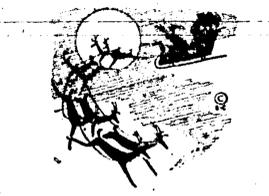
It was reported Coach Curtis Kelley is planning to test the

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alumni's physical condition by using a fast break.

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Kenny Fisher



John Hall

## The Weather

(Information Provided by Ruidoso Airport)

Date	Hi	Lo	Snow	Fall	Precip.
18	30	17	15	2.00	
19	40	12	0	0	
20	45	20	0	0	
21	35	20	15	2.00	
22	35	-2	0	0	
23	45	1	0	0	

Precip Since Jan. 1 17.37  
Precip This Month .45  
Snowfall Since Nov. 1 33.00

## SEASON'S GREETINGS

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# NEWS OF FARMS, BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONS

**SALES INCREASE** PAGE TWO SECTION 2  
The New Mexico Department of Development reported that October sales for Ruidoso-Ruidoso Downs was up \$196,196.76 over the same month in 1967.

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Completion is expected in spring. Ruidoso Land Sales Co. handled the property transaction, and Wimberly Electric is the electrical contractor. Style will be Bavarian-Alpine.

**Texan Builds 50-Unit Motel On Alto Hill**  
ALTO—A new, \$350,000 50-unit motel is under construction on top of Alto Hill.  
Sam Parker of Fredericksburg, Texas, purchased the site from Ruidoso Land Sales Co. to erect the major new development to the fast-growing Alto area.  
James Wimberly of Wimberly Electric Co., is handling the electrical contract.  
Parker expects completion by spring. The style will be Bavarian, Wimberly said. The site offers a sweeping view of Sierra Blanca and the surrounding country, framed by plateaus.  
Warrior Booster Club meets each Thursday 7:30 p.m. High school library. Be there.



**TOPS IN SALES**—Mrs. Margie Whitlock of Whitlock and Wray this year won the annual award of the Ruidoso Multiple Listing Service for selling the largest gross amount of real estate of any Ruidoso real estate salesman. She was runner-up twice, but this was the first time she has won. Mrs. Whitlock has been selling real estate in Ruidoso for eight years.

**New Mexico AMA Praises**  
The AMA News, weekly newspaper of the American Medical Assn., has recognized New Mexico's success in adjudicating malpractice claims against the state's physicians.  
At a special issue focusing on problems of malpractice liability, the state is singled out as a bright spot in a generally dismal picture of mere frequent suits, letter awards and increasingly limited insurance coverage.  
The joint medical-legal committee of the New Mexico Medical Society and the New Mexico Bar Assn. went into operation in 1964. In 1967, the state's record in the malpractice field was regarded as one of the nation's worst.  
At present, reports the AMA News, New Mexico's record is the nation's second or third best.  
New Mexico's plan is voluntary — attorneys representing medical malpractice complaints are urged to bring cases before the panel, which includes an equal number of doctors and lawyers. However, they are not required to do so.  
The panel concludes that the complainant's case is well founded, the State Medical Society is committed to furnish expert testimony. Arizona also operates a similar program.  
This far, cases involving 39 physicians have been heard by the panel. Thirteen cases have been decided in favor of the plaintiff. Settlement has been the usual conclusion; only one case appears headed for trial in the state's district court.

**Ruidoso Salesmen Pass State Test**  
Two Ruidoso men, N. B. Buckley and Jess Perce, received word this week that they passed their state real estate sales last week in Albuquerque. Both are salesmen for Dan D. Swearingin, Inc.

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### Santa Letters

**Nob Hill School**  
Dec. 10, 1968  
Dear Santa,  
I want a Baby Tubby doll, and a pair of loafers, a new dress, and a spherograph set, and Say-It-Play II, and a Sudio Home Maker oven. Santa I have been good. I want rings and things.  
Judy White  
**Nob Hill School**  
Dec. 10, 1968  
Dear Santa,  
I would like to have a bicycle, and an umbrella. I love you. I will leave some cookies and milk.  
LOVE,  
Shaun Griffith  
I have been good.  
**Nob Hill School**  
Dec. 10, 1968  
Dear Santa,  
I want a punching bag, a sled, a football and pat-a-piece of candy. I will give you a cup of coco. Thank you.  
Byron Carpenter

**Ruidoso, N. M.**  
Dec. 10, 1968  
Dear Santa,  
I have been a good boy and I would like for you to bring me a Hot Wheel and a football club.  
LOVE,  
Borde Williams  
**Ruidoso, N. M.**  
Dec. 10, 1968  
Dear Santa,  
I have been good this year, and I would like for you to bring me a record player.  
LOVE,  
Gena Haffey  
**Ruidoso, N. M.**  
Dec. 10, 1968  
Dear Santa,  
I would like for you to bring me a doll and pans and a rag doll and a horse and a saddle and a record player and a Barbie doll.  
LOVE,  
Deilah Pena

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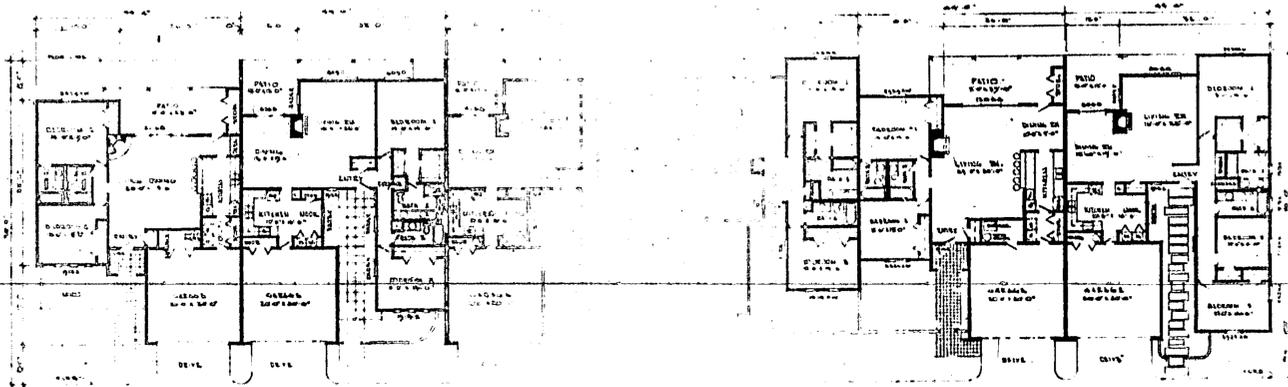
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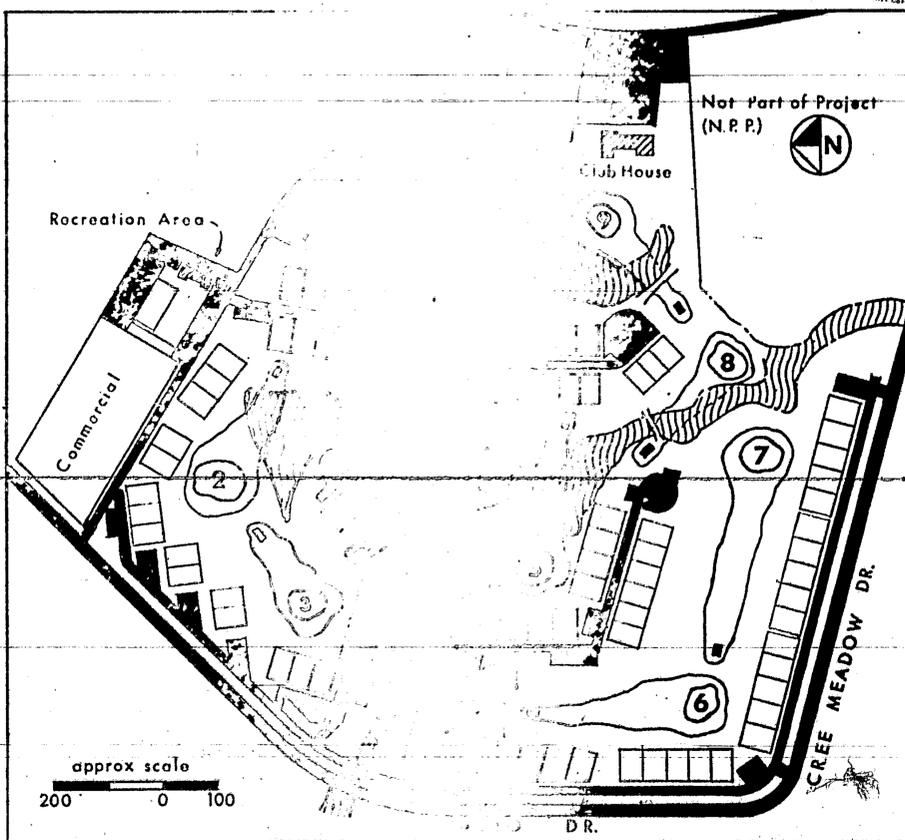
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# Santa Letters

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**Nob Hill School**  
Dec. 10, 1968

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**Ruidoso News**  
Friday, December 27, 1968

**Nob Hill School**  
Ruidoso, N. M.  
Dec. 10, 1968

Dear Santa,  
How are you doing? What are your elves making this Christmas? I want an electric football game and a bike and a hot wheel drag race set. And a doll for my big sister. That's all for me.

Love,  
Rusty Goodman

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**J. C. Day**  
Ruidoso, N. M.  
Dec. 10, 1968

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**Love, Peter Allison**  
Ruidoso, N. M.  
Dec. 10, 1968

**Love, Lester Pinkston**  
Ruidoso, N. M.  
Dec. 10, 1968

**Love, Veda**  
Dec. 9, 1968

**Love, Annetto**

**Love, Andrea**

**Your friend, Wanda**

**Your friend, Liza**

**Love, Analle**

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Things to Do - Where to Shop  
In The Playground of the Southwest

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# Santa Letters

Dear Santa,  
I am in the first grade. I have been good. Please bring me an Easy Bake.

Pam Lozer

Dear Santa,  
Please bring me a bicycle, some candy and nuts. I am in the first grade.

Floyd Duffy

Dear Santa,  
Please bring me a Baby Magic and a Santa Suit, and I've been good.

Love you,  
from Michelle LaPine

Rebecca Coonke

Dear Santa,  
Please bring me a Barbie doll and a purse.

I love you,  
Susan Travis

Dear Santa,  
I love you. I want a Susie Homemaker. I have been good.

Thank you,  
Priscilla Bustamante

Dear Santa,  
Please bring me a doll, a bicycle, some candy. I am in the first grade. I love you. I thank you. I want a Tussy.

Love,  
Linda Scott

Dear Santa,  
Please bring me a bike, a Crazy Car set, typewriter, robot and an electric airplane.

Love,  
Danny Chave

Dear Santa,  
Please bring me a Tippy Toes doll. Thank you. I love you.

Steph Salas

Dear Santa,  
I want a Major Matt Mason Space Crawler.

Love,  
Todd Cottle

Dear Santa,  
I love you. I want a Tippy Toes doll. I thank you.

Gwen Wright

Dear Santa,  
I love you. I am in the first grade. I want a Baby First Step. Thank you.

Love, Santa,  
Annette Glasscock

Dear Santa,  
I love you. I want a bike, I want a Baby Magto. I have been good. Thank you.

Love,  
Sally Eckert

Dear Santa,  
I love you. I want a robot.

Love,  
Billy Hull

Dear Santa,  
Please bring me a bicycle, some candy and nuts. I am in the first grade. Please bring me a big bike. I love you.

Love,  
Dino McCall

Dear Santa,  
I want Captain Lozer, and a slide. I am in the first grade.

Love,  
Troy Parker

Dear Santa,  
I want a Dallas Cowboy suit and helmet.

Thank you,  
Scott Annala

Dear Santa,  
Please bring me a talking doll, Susie Homemaker and purse.

Love,  
Nina Moquino

Dear Santa,  
Please bring me a Santa Suit, and a play reindeer.

Love,  
Mica Avery

Dear Santa,  
Please bring me a purse, teddy bear and some dishes.

Love,  
Gina McCall

Dear Santa,  
Please bring me a football, a robot, a football and a helmet.

Love,  
Freddy Burns

Dear Santa,  
Please bring me a sack of goodie, and please bring me a Stacy Barbie doll that talks.

Love,  
Dixie Pinkston

Dear Santa,  
Please bring these. I want a

color book and crayons. I'd like a doll.

Love,  
Rosynellie Smith

Dear Santa,  
Please bring me a football helmet and football suit.

Love,  
Joel Bonnell

Dear Santa,  
Please bring me a doll, a bike, a purse, a wagon and sock full of goodies.

Love,  
Alice Coonke

Dear Santa,  
I want a bike for Christmas. I thank you for the things you got for me last year, Santa Claus.

Love,  
Phil Wilson

Dear Santa,  
How are you doing? I sure did like the things you brought me last year. I want an electric football set and Hot Wheels track.

Love,  
Gregg Pertéot

Dear Santa,  
How are you? Soon Christmas will be here and I want all of the things I write. I want a camera and a strange change machine, a Hands Down, tether ball, a 22 gun, a five-speed bike, a Hot Wheels and a shooting gallery.

Love,  
Billy Y.

Dear Santa,  
I thank you for the presents. I want a walkie-talkie and a .30-30 gun and some skis.

Love,  
Bobby

Dear Santa,  
How are you and the reindeer? How are the elves doing? I want a Hot Wheels set very bad. And I want a Strange Thing machine, too. I want a whole set of Major Matt Mason and I want a pellet gun and that is all. I hope you have a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Love,  
Roger Hall

Dear Santa,  
How are you doing? I hope you have a nice year. May I have some Nitrocs?

Love,  
Elaime Gochenour

Dear Santa,  
How are Rudolph and the other reindeer? Will you please get me a Susie Homemaker and a Hands Down and a dress and that is all. Will you please make it a white Christmas Eve?

Love,  
Liz Ruo

Dear Santa,  
How are your reindeer and how are you? I would like a Hands Down and a Susie Homemaker and a play dog.

Love,  
Cathy Wynn

Dear Santa,  
How are you? Thank you very much for the things you brought me last year.

For Christmas I'd like a Whirley-Twirl and an Operation game. Also I'd like a talking Barbie. And most of all I'd like a tether ball. Hope you and your wife have a Merry Christmas.

Love ya,  
Suzie Kaiser

Dear Santa,  
I thank you for the things that you gave me last year and I hope that I get a Sing Ray and how are your reindeer doing and how is Rudolph doing?

Love,  
Pat Wilson

Dear Santa,  
Thank you for the things last year. By the way how are your reindeer doing and how are you? Could I have a wig and a Susie Homemaker and a Tippy Toes and that is all.

Love,  
Tina Flodoy

Dear Santa,  
How are your reindeer? May I have a .22 and a Hot Wheels set, and Sing Ray bike?

Love,  
Howard Hirsch

Dear Santa,  
Please bring me a doll, long strap purse, a bike and a play gas stove.

Jennie Pena

Dear Santa,  
How are the reindeer? I liked the gifts you brought me last year. This is what I want for Christmas, A B-B gun and Operation and Hands Down games. That's all. Good bye and Merry Christmas. Ho, ho, ho, ho.

Love,  
Romnie

Dear Santa,  
How are you and your reindeer? I hope you are alright. I want a Hot Wheels, B-B gun, walkie-talkie, Incredible Edibles, Monopoly, Kooky Kake, Operation, and a tether ball. Thank you.

Love,  
Jerry Garcia

Dear Santa,  
I thank you for the things that you gave me last Christmas. I want a radio and Hands Down and Susie Homemaker.

I love you, Santa Claus.

How are your reindeer?

Love,  
Diana Rojo

Dear Santa,  
Hi! How are you? I liked what you left me last Christmas. Fill my stocking please. How is Rudolph? I would like a Hot Wheels. I guess I better be leaving now, bye.

Love,  
Steven Shaffer

Dear Santa,  
How are the reindeer? I hope Rudolph is ok too.

Santa this is what I want for Christmas. An Easy Bake oven and skis.

Love,  
Lisa W.

Dear Santa,  
How are you? How are your reindeer? I like the presents you gave

me last year. You don't have to phone and Kaboom and Hands Down. Give me all the toys I put down. But I need a Monopoly game, mini-bike, Kooky Kake set, Swinger camera.

Love,  
Kim Kennedy

Dear Santa,  
Would you please bring me a Tiny-but-Mighty train set? Thank you.

Dec. 9, 1968  
Love,  
Greg

Dear Santa,  
I want a Sing Ray bike, I want a walkie-talkie, I want a Teddy Bear, Happy Christmas.

Love, your friend,  
George

Dear Santa,  
How are your reindeer? How are you and have a Merry Christmas, Santa, I want a Baby Topsy, tele-



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Luke 2:11



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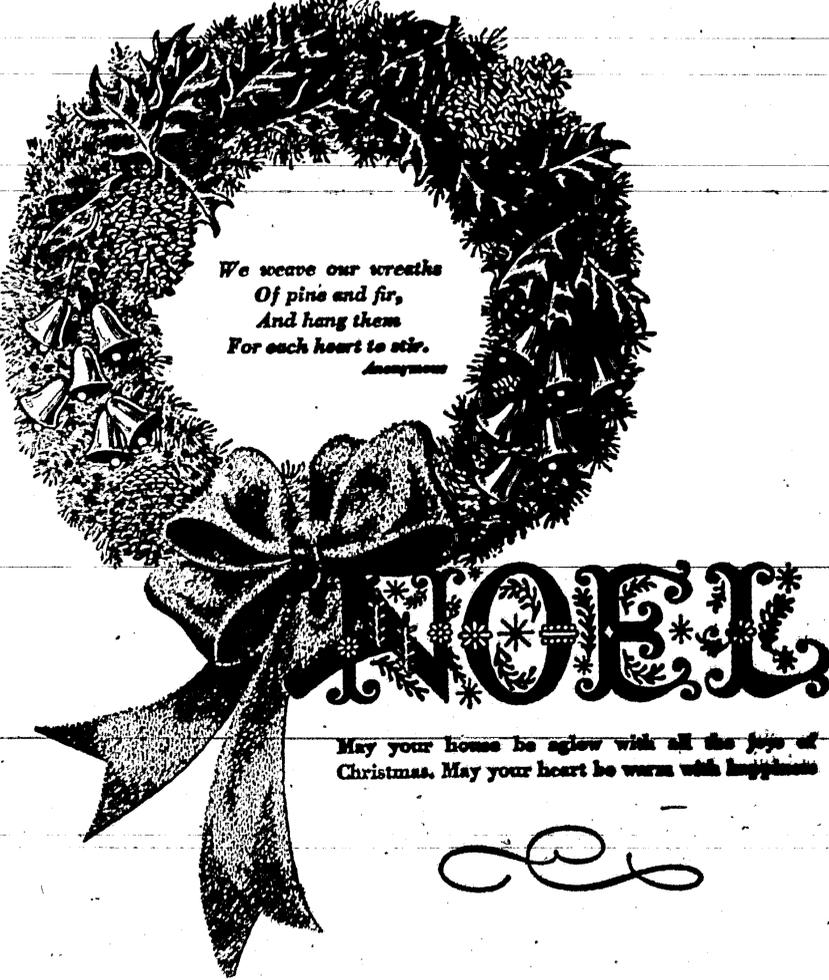


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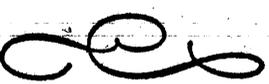
—Thanks for your business in 1968.



We weave our wreaths Of pine and fir, And hang them For each heart to stir.

Anonymous

May your home be aglow with all the joys of Christmas. May your heart be warm with happiness



FROM ALL OF US AT



## Santa Letters

Dear Santa  
I am a boy I am in the first grade For Christmas I would like to have a Hot Wheels set. Thank you.

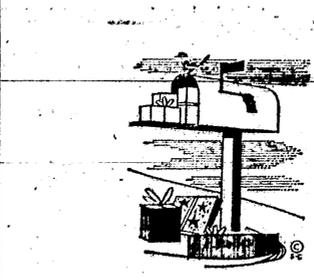
Love,  
Marty Lee

Dear Santa,  
I want a bike and a horse. I'll call my horse and I'll call my truck. I want a bicycle and a horse.

Dear Santa,  
I want a car, a truck, a plane, and a boat. I want a car, a truck, a plane, and a boat. I want a car, a truck, a plane, and a boat.



**SANTA TAKING ORDERS** — Santa Claus is shown in the hall of Nob Hill School talking to some of the children who are telling him what they want for Christmas. On the right is Sid Miller, principal at Nob Hill School.



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from the Herb Gruggersons  
at Carrizo Lodge



**PLAYING GAMES** — Students in the sixth grade at Nob Hill School are shown playing the game of Twister during the Christmas party they had Friday last week. Teacher in this room is Dick Dunagan.

County, New Mexico, Civil Docket No. 6998, wherein you are named or designated as defendants and wherein the said Plaintiff seeks to obtain constructive service of process upon you.

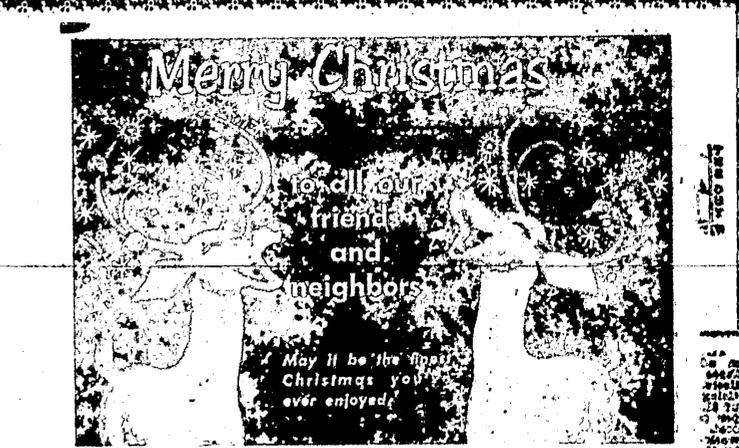
The principal objects of said action are the establishment of the liability of the Plaintiff, in fee simple, to the property described in the Complaint in said cause and the answer claims of the Plaintiff and each of them, and the claims by, through, or for them, and that the defendant, each of them, and every one of them, by, through, or under the said Plaintiff, and forever, shall have or claim, or shall be deemed to have or claim, the title of the said property in fee simple, to be quieted and set at rest, and that certain real estate located in Ruidoso, Lincoln County, New Mexico, to-wit: Lots 402, 403, 404, and the West one-half of Lot 403, SKYLAND, as shown by map thereof filed in the office of the County Clerk and Examiner of Lincoln County, New Mexico, March 30, 1923.

You and each of you are further notified that unless you enter your appearance in the said case on or before the 31st day of January, 1969, judgment will be rendered against you and each of you by default, and the relief prayed for in the Complaint will be granted.

The name and post office address of the attorney for the Plaintiff is RICHARD A. PARSONS, P.O. Box 1000, Ruidoso, New Mexico 88449.

Witness my hand and the seal of the District Court of Lincoln County, New Mexico, on the 17th day of December, 1968.

Edward Penfield, Clerk  
12-29-68, 1-3-10



**Merry Christmas**

For all your friends and neighbors

May it be the best Christmas you ever enjoyed!

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Love,  
Marty Bohannon

Dear Santa,  
I want to have a Christmas party so I can ask my friends. I want to give the girls a broom and a doll and the boys trucks.

I'm going to tell the Santa, "Good Morning."

Love,  
Berhuda Games

**JOHN I. RAINES AND MARY E. RAINES HIS WIFE AND ALL UNKNOWN CLAIMANTS OF INTEREST IN THE PREMISES ABOVE TO THE PLAINTIFF**

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Dear Santa Claus,  
Please bring me a trumpet, and a horse that really moves, with a saddle. I have been a good boy most of the time.

Ben Heckman  
P. S.: I want a bicycle and I love you.

**Legal Notice**  
NOTICE OF PENDENCY OF ACTION

THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO TO THE FOLLOWING-NAMED OR DESIGNATED DEFENDANTS:

GROUP I: THE FOLLOWING NAMED PERSON, IF LIVING, IF DECEASED, HIS UNKNOWN HEIRS; LOUIS A. RAINES;

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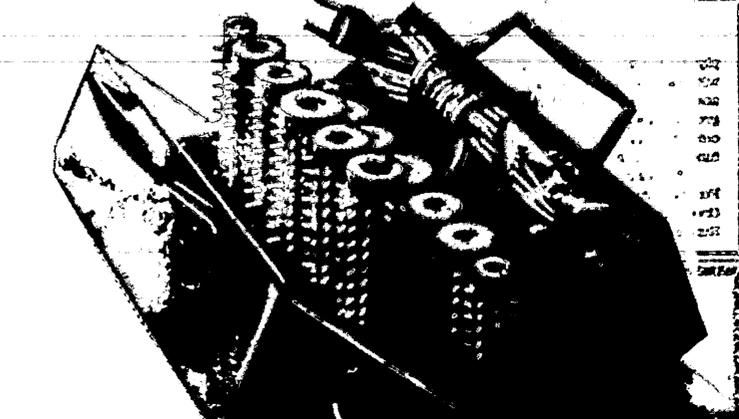
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