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## Come on over

Sierra Blanca Ski School instructors Gary Vogel and Samara Garner display the feeling of the season. The ski school offers a variety of lessons, from "first day-ers" to pro.

## Police report broken glass

Someone has something against windows, and the actions during the Christmas holiday of that someone have been causing a lot of destruction to property.

Ruidoso police are investigating a series of at least 11 separate events in which automobile, home and business windows have been broken by being struck by a pipe, rocks or BB or pellet gun projectiles.

The incidents apparently began December 21 and all have occurred in the afternoon or evening, according to police investigator Sergeant Mike Lovelace. Incidents seem to be continuing to happen sporadically, mainly on the west side of Ruidoso.

According to police incident reports, the windows apparently are being broken by blunt instruments, rocks or BB or pellet guns.

"It's just ridiculous," Lovelace said of the damage. "There's no rhyme or reason to it."

Police are on the lookout for the driver of an older model orange Ford Pinto or a 1981 to 1983 orange Chevrolet Citation. The driver is described as being a white male with a long thin face and long scraggly hair.

And a motive to the apparent crimes?

"Maybe Santa didn't bring him what he wanted," Lovelace theorized.

## SKI REPORT

### Sierra Blanca Ski Resort

Undisturbed snow depth midway on the mountain is 70 inches.

Surface conditions are machine-groomed, fast with a good edge. Skiing conditions are good to excellent. Geronimo, Sierra Blanca Trail, Moonshine, the beginner areas and Apache Bowl were machine-groomed Wednesday night. All lifts and trails are open, weather permitting.

The weather is overcast at report time and chains are not required on the road to the ski area this morning. However, they could be required later in the day if it snows.



## WEATHER REPORT

Wednesday's low	36
Wednesday's high	58
Thursday's low	27
Thursday's predicted high	around 55
Friday's predicted low	near 35
Friday's predicted high	around 61

The National Weather Service in Roswell has predicted increasing cloudiness with a chance of showers today. Chances of precipitation are 20 percent today and 30 percent tonight. Winds will be south-southwesterly at 10 to 20 miles per hour.

Tonight there is a chance for rain and snow. The snow level will lower to 6500 feet.

Friday the chance of precipitation remains at 30 percent. Winds will be southwesterly at 5 to 15 miles per hour. Friday will be windy with a chance for showers. Snow level will be lifting to 8000 feet.

The extended forecast Saturday through Monday calls for dry weather and near normal temperatures. Lows are predicted from 10 to 20s and highs in the mid 30s to mid 40s.

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## TODAY

Everything the high school and middle school varsity sports fan needs to know about basketball and wrestling can be found on pages 6A through 9A today, courtesy of News sports writer Gary Brown.

# Water find raises questions

by DARRELL J. PEHR  
News Staff Writer

The spectacular "100-year" water find by the Village of Ruidoso on Forest Service land near Sierra Blanca has raised many questions in people's minds around the village.

Will the find mean we no longer need Grindstone Canyon Dam? How did they know where to look for water? Why did the village have to look for water? Will the village get the rights to use the water?

According to assistant village manager Frank Potter, the Grindstone Canyon Dam project will continue—unchanged by the new find. He explained that although the new well field will provide a lot of water for the village, the wells will not provide water fast enough to meet expected demand during the busiest use days.

Potter said the key to meeting the need is to have enough water stored above ground to be available for pumping when the demand increases.

"We have to fill Grindstone," he summarized.

The ever increasing demand is why the Ruidoso Village Council authorized the search for water, according to water engineer Jim Landfair, of the firm Atkins and Landfair, the engineers who helped make the find.

"They are just flat running out of water," Landfair commented of the village. He predicted that the village may use water at a rate so fast this summer that demand will exceed supply.

Landfair said the credit for the water find goes largely to the council, for taking the risk that water would be found.

"It was taking a chance," he said. The chance paid off, though, in quantities of water that no one expected. Landfair said they did expect to find water in the Sierra Blanca area, but not nearly so much.

Potter said his studies of underground formations in the Ruidoso area were somewhat stymied by a lack of previous information. He said few wells had been drilled as deep as he thought the water might be found. Potter said it took two years of study of the formations to really figure out what to do.

Because the Sierra Blanca area has volcanic origins, Potter theorized that water was to be found there. After arriving at that conclusion, it took the open-mindedness of the present village council to take a chance and invest in a \$380,000 exploratory well project. Another ingredient necessary for success of the project

was "a lot of luck," Potter said.

Landfair said other wells in the area of the Sierra Blanca well field offered no clues as to what would be found. He said those wells, the nearest of which is two miles away, produce water of a different type and are situated in different types of geologic formations.

Landfair said the newfound water is in a closed-off basin and is unconnected with the flow of the Rio Ruidoso or any other drainages. Supporting that claim is the artesian flow of some of the wells, which indicates there is pressure on the water. That pressure indicates that the water is being held back, probably by an underground dike.

The engineer said the well field area was picked because it is an area out of the jurisdiction of the State Engineer's Office. That means a find in the "open territory" there would not be subject to other claims, since it had never been tapped.

"Through work we've done, we feel we have very stable ground to defend that area," Landfair said.

Jack Atkins, another member of the firm, explained that since no previous use of the discovered water had been made, the Ruidoso use is the first. Atkins said since a water right is created through use, the Ruidoso

right to the water will be primary to all others.

As far as protests of the use of the water by the village, Atkins said it will be up to the protestant to prove that the Ruidoso use is affecting the protestant's supply. Since the basin appears to be sealed off from any other users, such a claim would be extremely unlikely, Atkins said.

He predicted no legal problems over the use of the water found.

Atkins called the quality of the water found "some of the best in the entire area—we were surprised."

According to Landfair, probably the only way to get the water down off the mountain will be the construction of a pipeline. Landfair said the pipeline will be gravity fed, and will probably lead to Alto Lake or other storage facilities. Most of the actual plans for utilization of the find, he said, still await completion.

"The city needs to do some long-range planning," he said.

Early estimates of the cost of such a system have been set at \$6 million, but some village officials have indicated that the project could probably be completed for much less.

Completion of the exploratory phase of the five-well field is scheduled for the second week of January.

# Public property flood damage appears minimal

by DARRELL J. PEHR  
News Staff Writer

Damage from the recent flood is probably so minor that the Village of Ruidoso will not qualify for state or federal funding, village manager Jim Hine indicated Wednesday.

"We sustained very little damage," Hine said of the flooding late last week. The manager said the worst damage was sustained by a sewer line near Ruidoso Downs Race Track, which is administered by the Joint Use Board. Repairs for that line will cost about \$4,000, Hine estimated.

The village water system remained undamaged throughout the flood. The Paradise Canyon Drive bridge was washed out again, but was reopened soon after the flooding.

Also damaged were Reese Drive, Robin Road, Tomahawk Trail and the road to the hot mix plant. Hine said the bulk of the damage, especially in the Carrizo Canyon area, was to private property.

"We can't do anything about that," Hine said of the private property damage.

The manager reported that he was in contact with the state Civil Emergency Preparedness Division. He said he was expecting a representative from that division to come to Ruidoso and conduct an inspection.

Aid from the state or federal government sources will be based, however, on the amount of damage sustained, Hine said. Since the damage appears to be very low, so will the aid.

Hine said the Ruidoso Village Council's declaration of a state of emergency was necessary, especially due to the road closures.



The muddy waters of Carrizo Creek overflow Arvel Nash's front yard on Carrizo Creek Road during flooding last week. The yard was similarly flooded in August.

"When we have to block roads, we play it by the book," he said of the declaration.

Hine reported that the ruptured sewer line is expected to be repaired by this afternoon. Hine said repairs were delayed since a road had to be

built to the site of the break before repairs could be effected.

The council will probably request advice from the Army Corps of Engineers on how to handle future flooding problems, especially in the areas of Carrizo Creek and the Rio

Ruidoso east of Two Rivers Park, Hine said.

He said those same problem areas seem to develop each time conditions are ripe for flooding, and that steps should be taken to rectify the problem.

# Happy Holidays Drive deemed a big success

"We had a super response from the whole doggone town," said Danny Garcia of the Happy Holidays Drive. The annual drive, sponsored jointly by the Ruidoso Fire Department and the Ruidoso Police Department, culminated with the delivery of 65 food baskets on Christmas Eve.

"It was really super," Garcia said. He explained that this year's donations started out very slowly. That slow start—along with the fact that the firemen's fruit sale fund-raiser fell through—had him worried.

"After a couple of articles came out in the newspaper, things really picked up," he said. Toys and clothing were given to 75 families.

The Fire Department raised more funds just before Christmas with a drawing. Winners were R. Gull and Daryl Crumbley, who each won a cord of wood. Richard Mound won the Jim Beam fire truck decanter.

"We thought we were going to be short of money, and then all these clubs started giving checks," Garcia said. He said that some individuals donated money, too.

Happy Holidays had more than \$2,000 by the end of the drive, and used most of it for the food baskets. Some money is kept in reserve for emergencies.

Garcia said so many organizations and individuals helped make the drive a success that he couldn't name them all.

"One person who needs special thanks for donating a lot of food is Karl Franzer of Safeway," Garcia said.

"One family lost their whole house Christmas Eve," Garcia said, "and we were able to help immediately with toys and clothing we still had from the drive." He said the town responded to that need, too.

"People were bringing in food and clothing (for the family whose home burned) until eight or nine on Christmas Eve," Garcia said. "It was great."

"It's a lot of work ... we were up until 11 p.m. making food baskets. We put in a lot of hard work sorting clothes and toys. It's a lot of extra hours for all the guys, don't think it's not," Garcia said.

"When you see a family with kids that wouldn't have anything for Christmas come in and get toys and clothes for those kids, it makes it all worthwhile," he added.

"It's a good deed, and we'll do it again."



Elmer Pirelli (left) of the Ruidoso Valley Noon Lions Club and Safeway head clerk Arnold Cantu display one of the Happy Holidays food baskets distributed to needy families at Christmas.

# Parks and Rec head outlines ideas

by DARRELL J. PEHR  
News Staff Writer

Increased participation is the primary goal of newly hired Ruidoso Parks and Recreation (P&R) Department director Bobby Bailey.

"I think we can really broaden outside participation," he said of non-local involvement in the department's activities. Bailey said he also would work to increase the participation level of local residents.

Bailey became director of P&R December 7, after the resignation of previous director Pam Graves. Bailey noted his broad background in athletics as qualification for his new job.

"I think I'm very capable of doing it," he said. Bailey's background includes recent experience as a teaching pro at a racketball club in Carlsbad. In that role, he was responsible for the scheduling of racketball tournaments—experience he believes will come in handy in his new post.

Also, Bailey ran a basketball and volleyball league and taught a weightlifting and fitness course. He taught "fitness through racketball" at New Mexico State University at Carlsbad. He organized a junior racketball program and was part of a committee that formed the first slow-pitch softball league in Carlsbad.

In addition, Bailey was treasurer of an adult flag football league in Carlsbad. As treasurer, Bailey said, he gained valuable experience in scheduling of games and hiring of

referees. Bailey himself has experience officiating.

The director also was involved with a municipality when he worked with the Carlsbad city junior tennis program.

Bailey said he had enjoyed his experiences with athletic organizations, especially the "working with people" aspect of the field.

Initially, Bailey said, the effort to increase participation will be his major focus. He spoke of the possibility of organizing major sports tournaments which could draw as many as several thousand people to Ruidoso during weekends.

An idea of Bailey's is to have a major marathon run in the Ruidoso area. The race would be designed to attract top runners from throughout the Southwest.

"It would give some people an excuse to get up here," he said of the events.

A key to the success of many of the future tournaments in Ruidoso will be the completion of the Eagle Creek Sports Complex, Bailey indicated.

"We're definitely going to get going on it," he said of the 22-acre field. The land has been leased from the Eagle Creek Intercommunity Water Supply Association and is awaiting construction of the complex.

According to assistant village manager Frank Potter, funds for the complex currently include \$30,000 from the federal Land and Water Conservation Department, \$40,000 in the

village general fund and \$63,000 in lodgers' tax monies.

Potter also noted that money from the sale of unused village park sites will go back to the P&R budget for capital improvement projects. The assistant manager said a \$452,000 engineer's estimate of the cost of the complex can be cut back in several places. Potter said the project probably will be done in five phases.

Bailey predicted that the complex, when completed, will be a major attraction for visitors to Ruidoso. He noted that many other cities around Ruidoso are attracting people with the scheduling of tournaments.

"All the adjoining cities are doing them," he said.

Bailey said all present programs of Parks and Recreation will continue as they were before he became director. He said employees of the department will remain active, noting that the staff is "very capable."

The new director also said he was looking forward to working with the Parks and Recreation Commission and the Ruidoso Gymnastics Association (RGA).

Bailey praised the success of the gymnastics program in the department and the participation in RGA. He said the programs are doing very well, with over 100 participants signed up.

Other activities the department is currently engaged in include upgrading and landscaping work at local parks.



Newly hired Ruidoso Parks and Recreation Department director Bobby Bailey takes over the helm of the department with a pledge to increase local and out-of-town participation in Parks and Recreation Department-sponsored events.

One area he would like to improve, Bailey said, is the attendance at the village swimming pool. He said bad weather last summer resulted in low

attendance figures. The director proposed increasing the concession area of the pool to attract more people and income.

Bailey is enjoying working as director of the department.

"We can make Parks and Rec exciting," he said.



## The Silver Lining

by Daniel Agnew Storm

Eve Ball

Our beloved Eve Ball, who had become like a mother to all of us through the years, was called home on the morning of Christmas Eve.

A few days before, Joe and Louise Welch, two of her dearest friends, called me up saying that they had visited Eve and she had asked: "Is Dan Storm all right? He hasn't been by for quite a while."

Every day I planned to rush up and have a visit, but things kept getting in

the way; and I tried to push aside the feeling inside that Eve's time here among us was not long.

Then on Christmas Eve morning there, in The Ruidoso News, was the face with the angelic expression and the brief story of her life. It was a sudden blow, even though we all had half expected it; and it was as if this was one of my own people who had been called home.

And yet I did not feel sad; instead there was a feeling of peace and

thankfulness that this great lady had lived such a long and worthwhile life; and the many years of her fond friendship returned all in a moment as an abiding blessing on that morning of Christmas Eve.

All of her countless friends felt the same.

Up at the home of Paul and Nellie Ruth Jones, on Christmas Day, I was talking to Edith Coe Rigby, one of Eve's very close friends.

"I am happy," said Edith, "that Eve had such a good life, and so many years of service and friendship for so many. She had accomplished so much, and the best part of it was that she left when she was right at the top."

It is true that Eve never stopped working and doing good, working on a book with her steadfast helper, Linda Sanchez.

Bill Pippin said, "I loved her dearly. She gave me a little pioneer thirty-eight pistol for a keepsake. She was a wonderful lady."

Jeannette Browning, another long time friend, expressed sorrow, but also was comforted that Eve had lived so long and so happily.

"She sent me a Christmas card every year," Jeannette said, "and I had just mailed her one a few days ago. I hope she received it. She will always be a blessing in my life."

Eve Ball's Writing Is of Lasting Value

Every one of Eve's books is a treasure, and the countless articles and stories she wrote for True West, Frontier Times, Old West, and other Western magazines, were not something just to read and then forget. Everything she wrote was her very best, and had a spark of her own genius in it, and was something of permanent value.

Among the local people about whom she wrote are: Joe Welch, Elmer Hepler, Bob Crosby, Herald Tully, Ike Wingfield, and a hundred or more others.

Although Eve is most widely known for her books about the Apache In-

dians, she wrote several other classic stories of the Southwest.

One of the outstanding of these was "Ma'm Jones of the Pecos." In the story Billy the Kid, after a brush with the Indians, in which he was left afoot somewhere near Cloudcroft, worked his way down the Penasco and staggered up to the Jones home at Seven Rivers, hardly more alive than dead.

Ma'm Jones told him to take a large spoon full of medicine, and the Kid balked, and Ma'm said, "Are you going to take this medicine, or do you want me to force it down you?"

The Kid, later to lead a charmed life by learning to do the safe thing in a crucial moment, quickly gulped down the "bitter draught."

"My Girlhood Among Outlaws" is one of a kind in a class by itself. It is about a Lincoln County pioneer, Lilly Casey Klassner, an extremely colorful and much-admired lady, "A legend in her own time," who could outstride most men, and made the toughest outlaws of the frontier give ground. In addition she was a

schoolteacher, and was active in local politics.

Eve Ball was one in a million. The pioneer folks about whom she wrote could tell instinctively that here was one person who would give them a square deal, and tell their story right.

This was particularly true of the Apache Indians. It was her destiny to be the one and only person to whom they would give their precious traditions, histories, and customs to be handed down to generations yet unborn. If it had not been for Eve, the valuable story of these great people would never have been told.

In all of Eve's books her own large mind, compassionate nature, keen insight, and her soul full of charity for all mankind come shining through. She has left much of her noble self here with us, and she will hold a dear place in our hearts always. And we all rejoice that she has gone to her great reward with our Lord in Heaven. I would like to say a little more about Eve after the services the 27th.

# Firewood: You can buy a little or a lot, of different kinds

by FRANKIE JARRELL  
News Staff Writer

Picture yourself sitting by a warm roaring fire while snow gently falls and banks outside your door. Sounds great, right?

That idyllic evening doesn't happen without lots of preparation.

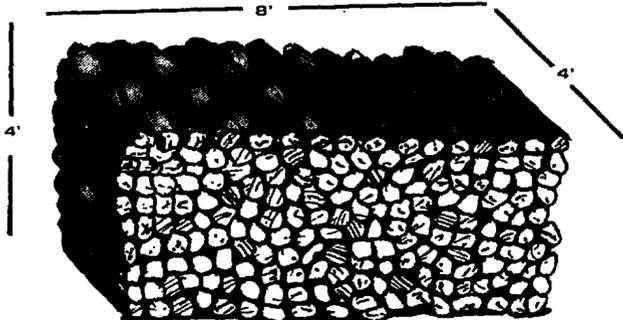
Assuming you have a fireplace and the fireplace is clean and ready to go, just buying wood can be a big deal.

The cost of wood in Ruidoso varies from \$3 a bundle at Three Bee's (a bundle contains six sticks of wood, or one good fire) to \$190 a cord from one seller who advertises in The News classifieds.

If you're just in the mountains for the weekend, no problem. Just buy a couple of bundles from Three Bee's or 7-11 and you're set.

Deciding what kind of wood to buy for the winter is more of a problem. Looking through the classifieds and talking to a couple of woodcutters showed that there are a variety of woods to choose from. Each species of wood provides a different sort of heat.

According to the Texas Agricultural Extension Service, heavier woods burn hotter than lighter woods. White oak and mesquite have the highest heat value, but even wood of the same species will vary according to the amount of moisture in the log.



A CORD OF WOOD  
(4' high, 4' deep, 8' long)

Woods are quite variable in density, burning characteristics and moisture content. According to a New Mexico State University Extension Service publication, there is little difference in heating value, pound for pound, between various woods.

Some woodmen say that elm, pine, cedar, juniper and pinon give off less heat than the denser oak and mesquite.

Beth Miller and her husband, Blaine, of Capitan have been cutting and selling wood for eight years. They cut pine, fir, juniper, cedar, walnut, oak and pinon.

Beth feels oak provides a really warm fire. Some pinon makes a warm, radiant fire.

"If it's cut with the pitch in it, with sap in it, it's real flammable and radiates a lot of heat."



Small bundles of wood are available at various locations for short-term visitors. They usually contain enough wood for one good fire. Buying by the cord is a better deal for residents.

Doris Cherry and her husband have a woodcutting business near Ruidoso. They sell alligator juniper. Many of their customers buy it especially for woodstoves.

"It's real solid, not all twisty like two-seed juniper," Cherry explained. It is particularly good for woodstoves, because of its size and shape.

Cherry uses alligator juniper in her woodstove, and says it provides plen-

ty of heat.

Cherry said that alligator juniper not only provides a good warm fire, it stacks nicely, unlike the stringier two-seed juniper.

"You get a lot tighter cord"—in other words, more wood for your money, according to Cherry. She sells the alligator juniper for \$145 a cord. That is split, delivered and stacked.

"We sell a good honest cord of

wood," said Miller. She agreed with Cherry that some species are more uniform and stack into a tighter cord. Miller said she and her husband are particular that the wood they sell stacks into a good cord without odd branches and twigs sticking out.

Another consideration in buying wood is moisture. Moisture in wood reduces heat output from the wood and affects burning characteristics. Wet wood does not burn as well, and burning wet wood may result in a greater accumulation of creosote in the chimney.

It takes a long time for wood to dry. Extension services recommend air-drying wood undercover for a season. Even then, the wood might contain considerable moisture.

The final word to wood buyers would be to know what kind of wood you want, and find a reputable wood dealer to deliver it to your door.

Check the cord's dimensions carefully, and be sure that the seller has delivered an honest tight cord.

Provide some storage to keep at least part of your wood supply good and dry for easier ignition and warmer fires.

If you decide to cut your own wood, check prices on equipment carefully, and consider the wear and tear on vehicles and equipment to be used in woodcutting excursions.

But that's another story.



## 'Caliente' sponsor

Pioneer Savings and Trust joined the ranks of "Caliente" sponsors for the All-American Pro Ski Classic. Pictured from left are Ruidoso Valley Chamber of

Commerce president James Paxton, Pioneer manager Grant Gist and Chamber of Commerce acting executive director Tommy Morel.

## Traffic accidents result in minor injuries

Area police investigated two traffic accidents with injuries during the Christmas holiday, one near the intersection of Sudderth and Paradise Canyon drives and the other at the intersection of Gavilan Canyon Road and Highway 37.

The Sudderth Drive accident involved three vehicles. According to Ruidoso police, the accident occurred at about 1:49 p.m. Wednesday in front of Roundup Realty.

According to police, the driver of the first vehicle, Eric Bertramsen, 26, of Ruidoso, was traveling west on Sudderth Drive when he "looked to the side of the roadway for some unknown reason." When he turned to look in his direction of travel, police reported, the Bertramsen vehicle collided with the rear of a second vehicle, driven by Becky Sparks, 28, of Ruidoso. Also in the Sparks vehicle were Jessica Sparks, 7, and Melissa Sparks, 4.

The Sparks vehicle then struck the back end of a third vehicle, driven by Jose Lopez, 40, also of Ruidoso. The Lopez vehicle was stopped at the time of the accident and was attempting to make a left turn into Roundup Realty. Also in the Lopez vehicle was Robert

Chavez, 35, of Ruidoso. Injured in the accident were Bertramsen and the occupants of the Sparks vehicle. All were treated and released at Ruidoso Hondo Valley Hospital.

Bertramsen was cited for following too closely. Becky Sparks was cited for child restraints.

In the Gavilan accident, State Police reports said Steven Gale, 27, of Capitan, was attempting to make a

left turn off Highway 37 onto Gavilan Canyon Road Tuesday at 3:45 p.m. when he failed to yield the right of way and collided with a vehicle driven by Andy Willingham, 18, of Capitan. A passenger in the Willingham vehicle was Tammy Dean, 17, also of Capitan.

Gale was cited for failure to yield the right of way. He was treated and released at Ruidoso Hondo Valley Hospital.

## Crime of the week

Sometime between November 25 and November 28, Camelot Condominium unit 7 was burglarized. The thieves returned the night of December 1 and burglarized units 4, 5, and 6. From the four condominium units the following was stolen: G.E. 18-inch color TV; 2 Sony 19-inch color TVs; another 19-inch color TV (make and model unknown); an Intelelevision computer game; a Sanyo stereo system; a Fisher stereo system with equalizer; a Panasonic recorder; and,

2 pair of Nordica ski boots sizes 8 and 7 1/2.

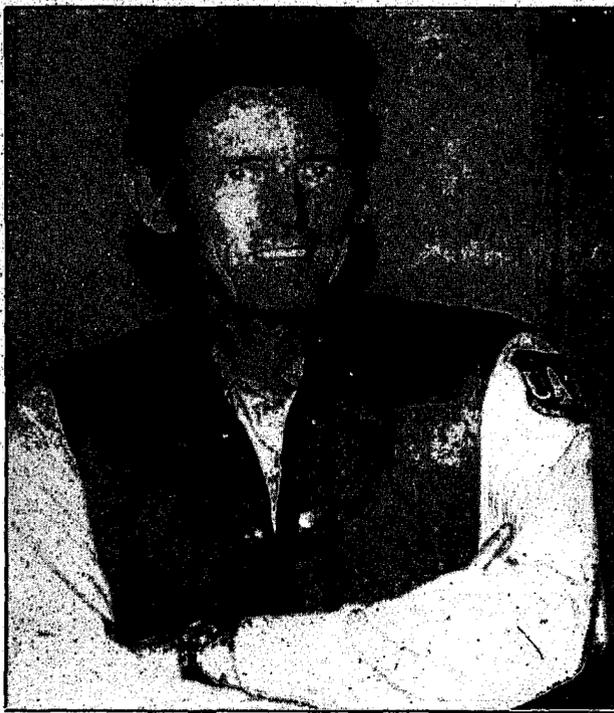
Crime Stoppers will pay cash rewards to anyone who calls Crime Stoppers and provides information that leads to the arrest and Grand Jury indictment or Magistrate Court bind-over of the person or persons who committed this crime.

Anyone who has information on criminal activity is urged to call Crime Stoppers at 257-4545.

# The Capitan Range

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TOM GUCK



A family of owls (adult shown above, chicks below) became a project for the Capitan foresters. The owls made themselves at home in a nest the foresters built for them.



TIM LIVINGSTON

## Forest Service office looks after large area

by SHARON MAKOKIAN  
News Capitan Bureau

Although the main office of the Smokey Bear Ranger District of the U.S. Forest Service is in Ruidoso, the Capitan work station provides service for the north side of the district.

According to Steve Makowski of the Ruidoso office, there are 375,000 acres of land in Smokey Bear Ranger District. The district extends from the Capitan Mountains to the Jicarilla Mountains through the White Mountains in Ruidoso. More than half of that Forest Service land lies north of Highway 380. In Capitan, two dedicated, long-term foresters - Tom Guck and Tim Livingston - staff the substation. Guck is in charge of fire prevention and Livingston is the engine foreman.

During the winter wet months, the two men work alone in Capitan. In the summer, they increase their staff to six. As a substation of the

main Ruidoso office, they always have access to the work force and equipment there.

As fire prevention foreman, Guck (an 11-year forester) investigates the cause of every fire in his part of the district. Over the past five years, the leading causes, were campfires, equipment and smoking (dropped cigarettes).

To prevent fires, Guck and his crews thin the trees from fire-prone, people-concentrated areas. He also spends time educating the public on fire danger by talking to campers and speaking in the schools.

Guck represents the second generation of foresters in his family. His father, Ed, was one of the rangers involved when Smokey Bear was found in a forest fire near Capitan.

In the dry, fire-prone months, Guck and his staff patrol the area, keeping a close watch for smoldering lightning fires. The substation had a helicopter, but it was removed in past budget cuts.

Now, the firefighters must depend on lookout towers and their knowledge of the area to find the wilderness fires.

Oftentimes, they have to hike all day and camp out at night.

"We're good at camping out," said Guck with a laugh.

Since they cannot bring a fire engine into the wilderness, they must fight the lightning fires by hand, cutting down the affected trees and using dirt as an extinguisher.

"Sometimes your feet get hot," said Livingston.

In larger fires, air tankers are flown in from Alamogordo. They drop slurry (a chemical fire retardant) to temporarily stop the fire until the patrol can make their way to it.

"We've been here so long that once there's a lightning storm, we know where to look (for fires)," said Livingston. He has been a Capitan forester for 13 years.

As engine foreman, Livingston maintains the equipment, making sure it is always fire-ready. The Capitan substation has a model 700 engine that holds 600 gallons of water and a model 20 that holds 200 gallons.

Livingston outlined the procedure he follows when fighting a fire.

"First, I size it up - that shouldn't take but a minute," he said, snapping his fingers for emphasis. Then he calls the dispatcher for help if needed, and checks the hotspots (danger areas).

If there is a fire in Ruidoso, Livingston heads the team towards Alto hill. If they are not needed at that fire, they usually wait on the hill. If another fire breaks out on either side, they are ready to go.

In the dry summer months, fires tend to occur simultaneously.

Guck and Livingston cite the summer of 1974 as the worst they have seen. One lightning storm produced 14 local fires and 22 in the Sacramento-Mayhill area.

"It was what we call crisis management," said Livingston. That summer, many large fires in also burned in Lincoln.

In the non-fire months, Guck and Livingston work on various projects in the Bonito area. Livingston builds little dams along the creek to use for water storage ponds. Those have helped in putting out fires in that area. The two also maintain campgrounds.

This month, the department is involved with the yearly cutting of Christmas trees. Guck designated a dense area south of Glencoe that needed to be thinned. A ranger has been stationed there on weekends to assist people who received Christmas tree permits.

"We're here to help people, not to harass them," said Livingston.

He was disdainful of the nickname, "tree-pig," which he said is often given to foresters. As part of their job, foresters do give citations for fire and timber violations, carelessness and littering.

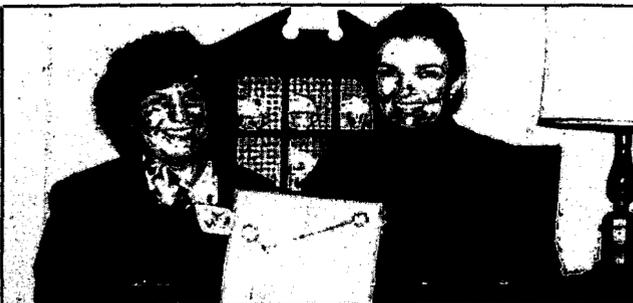
"We're caretakers of public land," said Livingston. As more and more people use the land, it becomes harder to manage it, he said.

One of the rewards of the job is being able to enjoy wildlife in its natural wilderness habitat. One day, Livingston and his crew found a tree that someone had tried to cut down. The tree was leaning against another tree that had broken its fall.

When Guck and his crew loosened the tree and cut it down, a nest fell out and three baby owls fell to the ground.

Livingston and his men climbed a nearby tree and built a new nest, which the owls quickly adopted as their own.

"We watched them all through the summer. One day we went back and they were hopping around. It was neat to see them from newly born to flight," said Livingston.



## CowBelle honored

Inez Marrs (left) recently was named "CowBelle of the Year" by the Corriente CowBelles. Vice President Shirley Goodloe presented her with the award at the December meeting.

## Low income apartments for rent in Capitan, Carrizozo

by SHARON MAKOKIAN  
News Capitan Bureau

Low income housing is now available in Capitan and Carrizozo.

To qualify for the housing, applicants must meet two sets of requirements. For a single person, the gross (before taxes) yearly income cannot exceed \$6,888. For two people, the combined income must not exceed \$7,750; for three people, \$8,750; and for four people, \$9,700.

Besides meeting the income scale, applicants must meet one of the following three criteria: applicants must be 62 or older; or be handicapped or disabled; or have dependents living with them.

Housing manager Charles Grosseclose said that the application process takes about two months. The process is lengthy because he must verify income, check bank accounts

and gather all related information.

According to Grosseclose, a survey was done by the federal department of Housing and Urban Development last year to determine the needs of the area. The survey revealed that low income housing was needed in Capitan and Carrizozo.

Monthly rent is based on 30 percent of the renter's income. Residents must pay their own utility bills.

The apartments opened in August. They are on Main Street in Capitan (across from the El Paisano Restaurant) and on B Street in Carrizozo.

Grosseclose said he still had units for rent in both towns. In Capitan, four of the units are available. In Carrizozo, 12 of the 18 apartments are open.

One-bedroom units are usually given to elderly applicants. A single person with one child would qualify

for a two-bedroom dwelling. There are also special units for handicapped people.

Applications for the low income apartments can be obtained from the welfare office in Carrizozo and the village hall in Capitan. Grosseclose

can be reached at the Regional Housing Authority office in Roswell at 347-2041.

Grosseclose also said that a 48-unit moderate income structure is being planned for Ruidoso Downs.

## Capitan water brown but safe

by SHARON MAKOKIAN  
News Capitan Bureau

Last week's flooding rains have turned Capitan's water brown, making it look more like weak coffee than water.

According to village clerk Gini Spall, Eagle Creek and Bonito Lake (Capitan's water suppliers) are very muddy due to the storm. Spall assures

Capitan residents that the water is "perfectly drinkable."

"Just don't look at it," she said. Spall said the water is being chlorinated and filtered. Garrison McCaslin of the state Environmental Improvement Division (EID) said the water "should be all right as long as they are maintaining the chlorine level."

McCaslin said Capitan has had the characteristic brown water problem before. He said EID has not been able to determine whether to attribute the problem to the source or to the water treatment plant. Capitan recently received a grant to build a new treatment facility.

Capitan village worker Dona Runnels has been inundated with calls regarding the water.

"We don't know how long it will be (brown)," she said. "Someone told me that Bonito Lake looks like it's full of chocolate pudding."

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# Sports

## Ruidoso should be at full strength for Lovington tilt



### Here's how

Ruidoso High School freshman basketball coach Mike Speck (center) shows his players how to pass the ball during a recent practice. Watching are Cliff Sears (left), former Warrior star Bordie Williams and Don Denny. The freshman Warriors are 1-0 on the season, having beaten

the Hondo junior varsity 45-34 last Thursday. Clint Bob scored 14 points to lead the Warriors. Jeff Arvizu added 12 points and Eric Ford scored six. Eli Polaco led Hondo with 10. The Warriors will play Capitan Tuesday, January 8, in Ruidoso.

## Artesia, Aztec on slate for round-robin event

by GARY BROWN  
News Sports Writer

The Ruidoso High School boys varsity basketball team should be at full strength when the Warriors compete in a Lovington round-robin event Friday and Saturday.

Ruidoso will play Lovington at 8 Friday night; take on Artesia at 10:30 Saturday morning; and tangle with Aztec at 6 Saturday night.

The Warriors are 0-3 on the season, but will have 6-2 junior Russell Easter available for the first time this campaign.

Easter broke his collarbone during football season and missed the first three basketball games. He made All-District 3-AAA honorable mention last season along with teammate Patric Pearson.

"He's looking good," said Warrior head coach Gene Segura of Easter. "His shooting still isn't quite up to snuff, but he's done well in everything else."

"His shooting will improve with game experience."

But Easter probably won't start against Lovington.

Segura's tentative starting lineup will consist of Ricardo Garcia, Dion Lopez, Pearson, Tracy Gann and Trent Tolbert.

Other players who could see some action in the tournament include Jeff Willingham, Carl Luera, Kirk Ryan,

Brian Davis, Garrett Henson and Justin Shaw. Ryan is the only freshman on the team.

Gann leads the Warriors in scoring after three games with 22 points. Lopez has scored 20 and Pearson has tallied 18.

Segura sees Lovington as the favorite in the four-team competition. "They're supposed to be good," he said. "Some people have told me they could be better than Hobbs this season."

Hobbs is a traditional AAAA-division powerhouse and is the defending District 4-AAAA champion.

Lovington finished second in District 4-AAA last season, making the state tournament. It is a traditional AAA-division power. Earlier this season, the Wildcats defeated Roswell 70-58. Roswell topped the Warriors 80-37 in the season opener.

What is the Warriors' game plan for the three opponents?

"Our play will depend on what they give us," answered Segura.

Segura thinks Aztec will pass the ball around a lot. Artesia may be rebuilding this season, he said.

After the Lovington competition, the Warriors will be idle until Saturday, January 5, when they will host Socorro in varsity and junior varsity competition.

The same day the Warrior girls will travel to Socorro for varsity and junior varsity contests.

## Bowling Report

### TUESDAY NIGHT MIXED EARLY LEAGUE

December 14  
at Jerry Dale's Bowling Center  
High Individual Men's Series  
Denny Scott, 605.  
High Individual Women's Series  
Jo Cunningham, 469.  
High Team Game  
Western Auto, 622; M&W Rock, 593; Butch's Appliances, 570.  
High Team Series  
Western Auto, 1,916; Butch's Appliances, 1,656; M&W Rock, 1,655.  
Team Standings: Western Auto, 23-13; A&A, 23-13; M&W Rock, 21-15; Butch's Appliances, 20-16; ECT, 18-18.

### TUESDAY MORNING LADIES LEAGUE

at Drumm's Holiday Bowl  
High Individual Game  
Rose Bernard, 198.  
High Individual Series  
Laura Proffit, 509 (192, 160, 157).  
High Team Game  
Hughes Body Shop, 525; (Billie Scroggins, 163; Norma Phillips, 164; Rose Bernard, 198).  
High Team Series  
Hughes Body Shop, 1,288 (Billie Scroggins, 358; Norma Phillips, 445; Rose Bernard, 198).

### TUESDAY NIGHT MIXED LEAGUE

December 11  
at Jerry Dale's Bowling Center  
High Individual Men's Game  
Ted Brazie, 280; Steve Stillman, 278; Henry Means Jr., 272.  
High Individual Women's Game  
Gayle Martin, 303; Barbara Smith, 270; Mary Means, 268.

High Individual Men's Series  
Steve Stillman, 749; Henry Means Jr., 736; Hank Means, 722.

High Individual Women's Series  
Gayle Martin, 771; Barbara Smith, 724; Merri Gandy, 714.  
Team Standings, Colorado Geologic Inc., 26-10; R.B.C. Corp-Pinbusters, 25-11; Draperies, Inc., 24-12; Morgan's Mountain Sports, 20-16; Sully's Food Market, 18-18; Neeley-James, 15-21; Beulah Willie Wildcats, 15-21; True Value Hardware-Little Rascals, 13-23; Virgil's Carpet Service, 13-23; House of Shoes, 9-27.

### TUESDAY PM RESTAURANT LEAGUE

December 11  
at Jerry Dale's Bowling Center  
High Individual Men's Game  
Hal Cliff, 223; Bob Cathers, 219; Richard Dix, 215.  
High Individual Women's Game  
Nancy Fleharty, 185-177; Dee Shannon, 168.  
High Individual Men's Series  
Pat Wais, 534; Hal Cliff, 533; Richard Dix, 531.  
High Individual Women's Series  
Nancy Fleharty, 485; Dee Shannon, 460; Kathy Belcher, 431.

High Team Game  
Texas Club, 814-797 (Richard Dix, Abbie Gilbert, Maggie Seelbach, Hal Cliff, George Cliff) Pin Busters, 737.  
High Team Series  
Texas Club, 2,224-2,090-2,082.  
Team Standings, Nottingham's, 23-9; Texas Club, 21-11; Kent Kreamers, 21-11; Cousins', 17-15; Coehner, 17-15; Jerry Dale's, 17-15; Pin Busters, 12-20.

### WEDNESDAY NIGHT MIXED LEAGUE

at Drumm's Holiday Bowl  
High Individual Men's Game  
Chuck Drumm, 231.  
High Individual Men's Series  
Chuck Drumm, 508 (175, 231, 162).  
High Individual Women's Game  
Martha Ford, 169.  
High Individual Women's Series  
Martha Ford, 452 (153, 169, 130).  
High Team Game  
M&S Discount Liquor, 635 (Jo Perryman, 154; Kathy Sandoval, 95; Bill McCutchen, 219; Richard Sandoval, 167).

High Team Series  
Butch's Refrigeration & Appliances, 1,841 (Shirley Fitzer, 378; Dianna Ballard, 404; Chuck Drumm, 508; Weaver Ballard, 491).

### KING & QUEENS LEAGUE

at Drumm's Holiday Bowl  
High Individual Men's Game  
Rick Cliff, 211.  
High Individual Women's Game  
Laura Proffit, 167.  
High Individual Men's Series  
David Hoffer, 561 (199, 163, 199).  
High Individual Women's Series  
Laura Proffit, 461 (199, 163, 199).  
High Team Game  
Win, Place and Show, 819 (Jack Kannady, 199; Ed Miller, Judy Miller, Annie Keith, 144).  
High Team Series  
Hughes Body Shop, 1,808 (Bob Proffit, 476; Laura Proffit, 461; Linda Clements, 376; Jim Clements, 495).

### WEDNESDAY NIGHT MIXED LEAGUE

December 5  
at Jerry Dale's Bowling Center

High Individual Men's Game  
Gary Scott, 184; Chuy Castaneda, 178.  
High Individual Women's Game  
Maggie Seelbach, 190; Ginger Castaneda, 180.  
High Individual Men's Series  
Chuy Castaneda, 476; Ron Buckner, 445; Nelson Buck, 441.  
High Individual Women's Series  
Maggie Seelbach, 498; Ginger Castaneda, 480.  
High Team Game  
Lela Easter Real Estate, 636; Jackie Covington Strikers, 603; Ruidoso News, 795.

High Team Series  
Jackie Covington Strikers, 2,306; Coulston Insurance, 2,233; Aspen-Aire Carpet, 2,225.  
Team Standings, Bank of Ruidoso, 25-7; Aspen-Aire Carpet Care, 24-8; Coulston Insurance, 24-8; Lela Easter Real Estate, 20 1/2-11 1/2; Outlaws, 19 1/2-13 1/2; The Judges' Delight, 15-17; Glover Plumbing, 15-17; Jackie Covington Strikers, 12-20; Ruidoso News, 8-24; Bye, 4-26.

### TUESDAY JUNIOR PREPS LEAGUE

December 18  
at Jerry Dale's Bowling Center  
High Individual Game  
Jackson McIntosh, 130; Patrick Means, 123; Jeffrey Bigham, 126.  
High Individual Series  
Jackson McIntosh, 225; Patrick Means, 225; Jeffrey Bigham, 224; Eddie Hill, 212.  
High Team Game  
Team One, 485; Team Two, 485-484; Team One, 478.  
High Team Series  
Team Two, 969; Team One, 963; Team Three, 929.  
Team Standings, Team Two, 6-3; Team Four, 6-3; Team One, 6-3; Team Three, 0-9.

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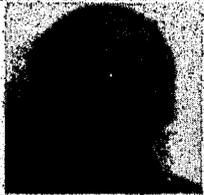
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# Around Sports

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Now the National Football League (NFL) playoffs go into high gear.

There will be four conference games this weekend.

San Francisco will host the New York Giants Saturday and Chicago will travel to Washington Sunday, in National Conference tilts.

In the American Conference, the Miami Dolphins will take on the visiting Seattle Seahawks Saturday and the Denver Broncos will host the Pittsburgh Steelers Sunday.

All four games should be interesting, but the Washington-Chicago game looks like the closest.

It will be the Bears' defense against Washington's excellent offense, spearheaded by quarterback Joe Theismann, wide receiver Charley Brown and fullback John Riggins.

Riggins may be the key to the game. If he's healthy and in top form, the Redskins can control the ball and wear the hard-nosed Bears down.

If Riggins does not do well, Chicago could win. The Bears have the top-rated defense in the league and have running back Walter Payton to move the ball on the ground.

Chicago's passing attack leaves something to be desired, and that should work to the Redskins' advantage.

Look for Washington to win 21-17.

The San Francisco-Giant matchup doesn't look to be close. However, the Giants topped the Los Angeles Rams in the wild-card game last weekend after losing a 33-12 decision to the Southern California team during the regular season.

New York also lost a one-sided decision to the 49ers during the regular season (31-10), but San Francisco has a more balanced offense than the Rams do.

Los Angeles' offense is basically hand the ball off to Eric Dickerson and let the big Ram line block for him.

Now Dickerson is probably the best running back in the league, but even he can't do it all.

If the Giants stop the 49ers' running game, quarterback Joe Montana can kill New York with his passing.

The 49ers have also stopped Giant "all-world" linebacker Lawrence Taylor in the past. Offensive guard John Ayers has done a great job keeping Taylor out of the 49er backfield.

The Giants' offense is too erratic with a mediocre running game not helping quarterback Phil Simms' passing enough.

Look for San Francisco to win, but it will be closer than the regular-

season contest. Let's say the 49ers by a 27-16 score.

In the American Conference, Miami will be looking for revenge when the Dolphins play the Seahawks.

Seattle upset the Dolphins in the conference semi-finals last season in Miami, but it's awfully hard to beat the Dolphins twice in a row on their home field.

The Dolphins' "Killer Bees" defense should shut down the weak Seattle rushing game and not give up any big plays to the Seahawk passing attack.

Seattle ran the ball well against the Los Angeles Raiders last week, but the Seahawks caught the defending Super Bowl champions by surprise and probably won't be able to do it against a hot Miami club.

Miami quarterback Dan Marino won't have the best game of his career Saturday against the tough Seahawk defense, but he won't have to.

Look for Miami to emerge on top by a 24-10 score.

The Denver-Pittsburgh game should be close, with the Broncos' home-field advantage perhaps being the decisive factor.

Denver's defense is as tough or better than it has been (and the Broncos have always been tough defensively), and the offense has improved gradually behind the passing of second-year quarterback John Elway and the running of Sammy Winder.

But Pittsburgh is on the way back. The Steelers still aren't the "Steel Curtain" of old, but they've been very tough defensively in important games this season.

They defeated the Raiders and 49ers on the road this season (the latter game San Francisco's only loss of the campaign). They held the Raiders to seven points and gave up just 17 to the high-scoring 49er machine.

Look for a low-scoring game with the breaks deciding the issue. Since Denver has won a lot of close games this season, there's no reason to believe the Broncos won't do it again.

Look for Denver to prevail 14-10.

So it should be the Broncos and Dolphins playing in Miami for the American Conference championship, and the 49ers hosting the Redskins for the National Conference title.

But I wouldn't be surprised if I'm wrong on at least one of my picks. I picked both the Raiders and Rams last week, and they promptly awarded my "wisdom" with sub-par efforts.

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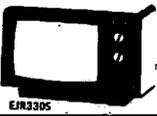
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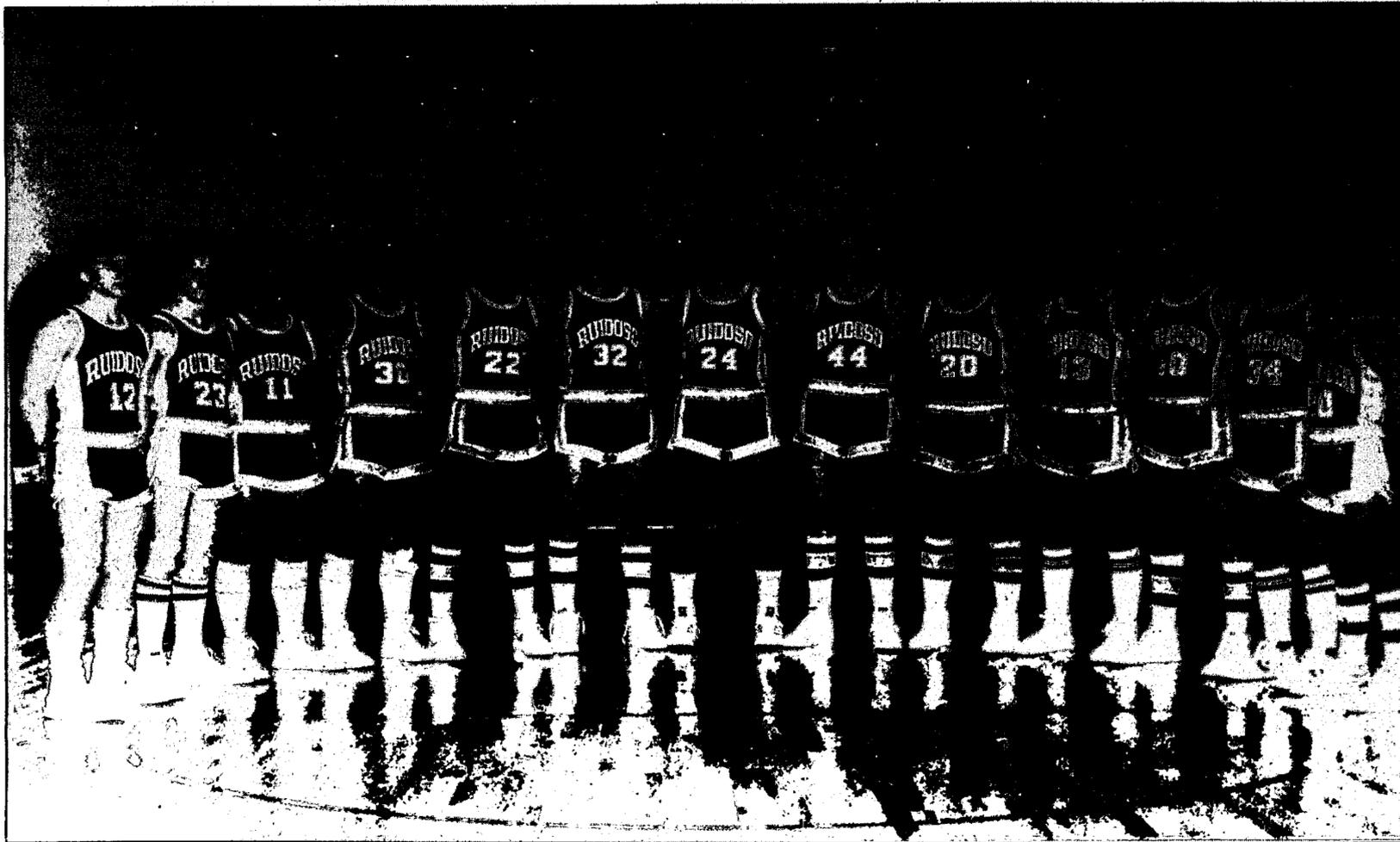
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# Gradual improvement key for Ruidoso boys



These are the members of the 1984-85 Ruidoso High School boys varsity basketball team. From left are Justin Smith, Eric Hamm, Jeff Willingham, Russell Easter, Brian Davis, Trent Tolbert, Tracy Gann, Carl Lueras, Patric Pearson, Justin Shaw, Garrett Henson, Dion Lopez and Ricardo Garcia.

Improvement as the season goes along should be the key to the Ruidoso High School boys varsity basketball team's chances this season.

Ruidoso, which had a 4-17 record last season, has a new coach in Gene Segura and a fairly young team overall.

Several of the Warrior players came out late because of the football playoffs and Ruidoso has suffered in the early going, losing its first three games.

"We expect to improve," Segura said. "This week off (December 17 to 21) helped us a lot. We were able to work a lot of fundamentals."

Junior Russell Easter broke his collarbone in the latter part of the football season, but the 6-2 athlete should be ready for the Lovington Tournament this Friday and Saturday. He was a consistent rebounder and scorer for the Warriors last year.

Easter will join with senior Tracy Gann (6-3), junior Trent Tolbert (6-3), sophomore Carl Lueras (6-2), and sophomore Brian Davis (6-2) to give the Warriors decent height.

Patric Pearson and Dion Lopez add experience to the Warrior lineup. Both are seniors and played on the varsity last season. Pearson, like Easter, made the All-District 3-AAA honorable mention list last season. Lopez is a swingman and a fine all-around player.

Junior Ricardo Garcia, sophomore Jeff Willingham and freshman Kirk Ryan are top guard prospects.

Ryan, who was an outstanding player for the middle school team last season, is the younger brother of former Warrior all-state star Glenn Ryan.

"We're going to have to be patient in developing the team this year," Segura said. "We got a late start because some of the players came out late from football."

The district should be tougher than it was last season.

District tournament champion Silver City has several returnees back from last season's team while Hot Springs and Deming have most of their players back.

Deming tied for the district regular-season championship with Cobre and Silver City, but was the top-seeded team in the tournament.

Hot Springs was the only team Ruidoso beat in district play last season but has a lot of height and experience this season.

The Warrior junior varsity will be coached by Ridge Bowden and Mike Speck will be the freshman mentor.

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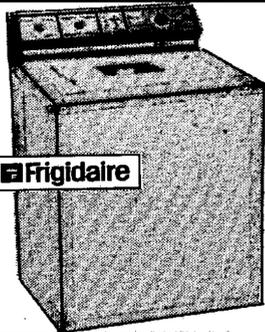
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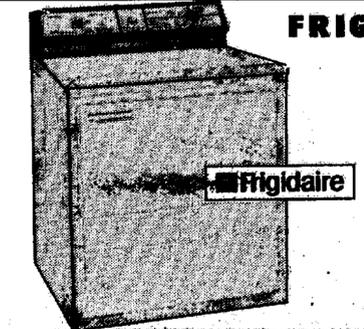
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# Guards may be key to girl cagers' hopes

## Inside game, depth should be Warriors' strong points this season



These are the members of the Ruidoso High School girls varsity and junior varsity teams. Back row (from left) are head coach Sergio Castanon, Lillian Duffy, Ellen Graham, Zeba Morris, Judy McCoy, Lisa Chino, Stacy Ivy, Diane McClure, Katherine Sanchez, Susan Davis, Mavis Geronimo, Amanda

Samuels, Shella Espinosa, Lori Walker and assistant coach James Sanchez. Front row (from left) are Berdife Smith, Sonja Urialdes, Millette Cochise, Misty Strickland, Edie Rose, Gia Rose, Donna Peso, Brandi Snodgrass, Veralyn Platta and Candi Makowski.

How the guards do could determine how well the Ruidoso High School girls varsity basketball team performs in the 1984-85 campaign.

"We've had a good inside game so far but we need improved shooting from our guards," said Warrior head coach Sergio Castanon. "They've done fairly well in other aspects of the game but they need to improve their shooting."

Still, the strong inside game and decent depth could make the Warrior girls strong contenders in the District 3-AAA race this season. Ruidoso is 2-3 so far in non-district action and had a 6-17 record last season.

Seniors Diane McClure (6-0) and Stacy Ivy (5-9) have been consistent performers in the early season games.

McClure made the all-district first team last year and has improved this season. Ivy is perhaps the most improved player on the squad, having done well in all phases of the game so far this season.

Sophomore Katherine Sanchez should also help out in the front line. The 5-11 athlete will probably split playing time between the varsity and the junior varsity.

The Warriors have also improved at the free throw line, making over 50 percent of their charity attempts in several contests.

But the play of the guards will probably determine the Warriors' fate this season.

Senior Gia Rose has done well for the Warriors for three seasons and gives Ruidoso experience and talent at guard.

Other guard prospects are Sheila Espinosa, Judy McCoy, Lillian Duffy, Veralyn Platta and Mavis Geronimo.

Castanon and assistant coach James Sanchez also have a number of fine junior varsity players who should help the Warriors in the next couple of years.

Castanon sees Hot Springs and Cobre as the favorites for the District 3-AAA championship with Silver City close behind and Deming possibly bringing up the rear.

He looks on his team in a spoiler's role with a chance to do better and qualify for the state AAA-division tournament, particularly if the Warriors improve their overall shooting.

After a week off for the holidays, the Warriors will resume play next week and will travel to Socorro for non-district varsity and junior varsity games Saturday, January 5.

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Date	Opponent	Place	Time
Jan. 5	Socorro AB	Away	5:45
Jan. 8	Goddard AB	Away	5:30
Jan. 12	Lovington AB	Home	4:30
Jan. 19	Hatch AB	Home	3:00
Jan. 26	Lovington AB	Away	4:30
Jan. 29	Roswell AB	Away	6:00
Feb. 2	Deming A	Away	4:00
Feb. 5	Tularosa AB	Away	5:30
Feb. 8	T or C A	Home	4:00
Feb. 9	Silver City AB	Away	6:00
Feb. 12	Tularosa AB	Home	5:00
Feb. 15	Cobre AB	Away	4:00
Feb. 16	Silver City A	Home	5:30
Feb. 22	Deming AB	Home	4:00
Feb. 23	T or C AB	Away	4:00
Mar. 2	Cobre A	Home	5:30



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December 19	52	37	0	0
December 20	47	40	1.04	0
December 21	49	22	0	0
December 22	51	16	0	0
December 23	60	15	0	0
December 24	58	26	0	0
December 25	59	22	0	0
Precipitation this month	— 4.63"			
Precipitation this year	— 27.53"			
Snow this year	— 39"			

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# Brave cagers should continue winning ways

## Boys possess height, depth

Coach Dean Hood's Ruidoso Middle School boys basketball team has a history of winning, and this season should be no different.

Ruidoso, which had a 10-3 A record and an 11-1 B record last season, is currently 8-1 in A action. The B team is 2-3 on the year against tough competition.

Several players returned from last year's team. Dusty Beavers (5-11) and Matt Bailey (6-0) are two returnees with good height and ability. Ron Sanders, a 5-10 transfer, is another player with good shooting and rebounding ability.

Charles Smith adds excellent shooting and playmaking ability to the Brave lineup. He scored 16 points in one early-season contest.

Chris Long, Matt Beatty and Dusty Skellett are other top prospects.

The Braves have good depth as usual and should be tough foes for their opponents the rest of the season. Depth has been one of the trademarks of Hood's teams.

Ruidoso will resume the season after the Christmas break with a home game Saturday, January 12, against Hatch.



These are the members of the Ruidoso Middle School boys A and B teams. Back row (from left) are Bubba Lane, Hays Allen, Tom Abernathy, Peter Gable, Matt Bailey, Ron Sanders, Dusty Skellett, Sergio Morales and David Mitchell. Front row (from left) are Craig Sears, Larry Geronimo, Chris

Long, Matt Beatty, Reese Garner, Houston Geronimo, Henry Kayatah, Mark Reynolds, Leonard Sanchez, Roger Marshall and David Montez. Not pictured are Dusty Beavers, Charles Smith, Sam Chee and Winston Cochise.

## Coach optimistic about girls team

Ruidoso Middle School girls basketball coach Jim Hofstad is optimistic about his team's season this year.

The Brave girls are currently 7-1 and should win a lot more games this season.

"We're quick—quicker than last season but not as big," Hofstad said. "We like to play man-to-man defense to help the kids prepare for high school ball."

Ruidoso won the title in a recent round-robin tournament at the White Mountain School gymnasium. The Braves defeated Capitan, Tularosa and Hagerman for the championship.

Jennifer Jimenez, Mikki Roller and Linder Rad are top guard prospects for the Braves. Bertha Chavira and Norma Murillo are good front-line personnel.

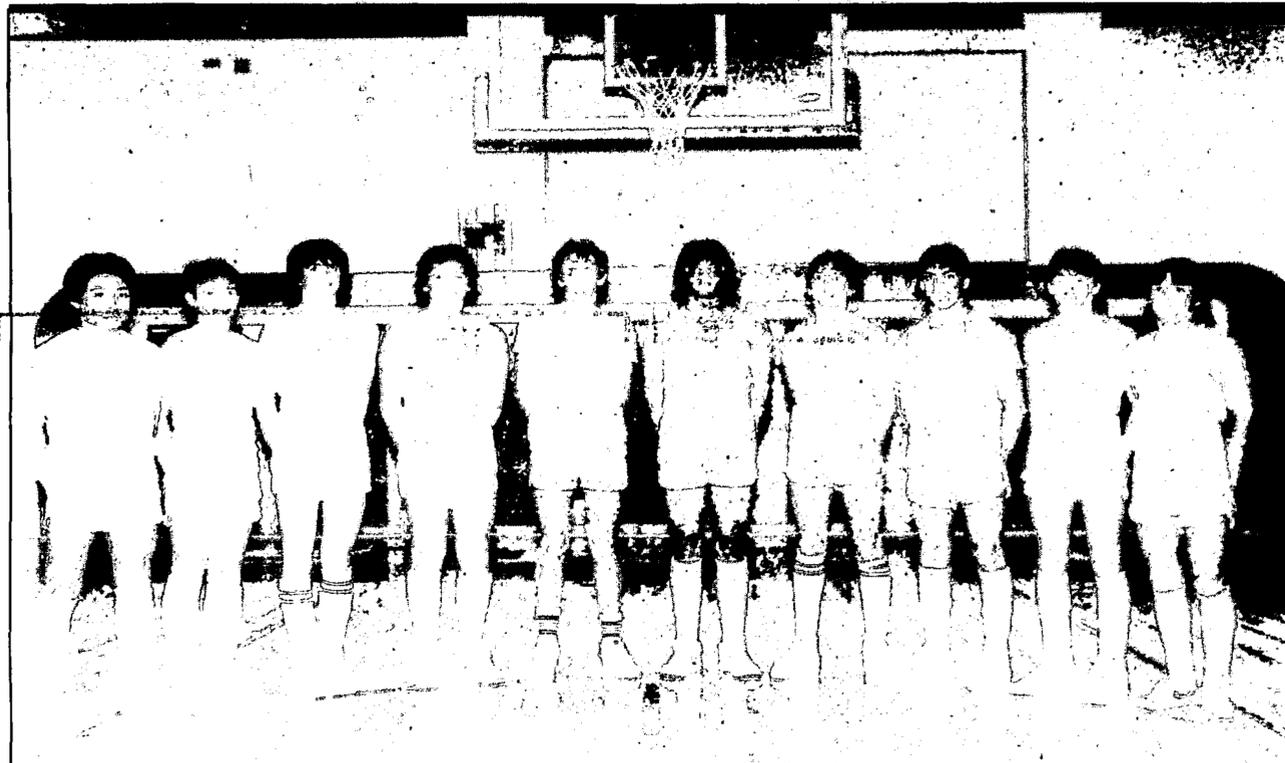
One thing Hofstad is concerned about is his bench.

"We don't have that much depth," he said. "Most of our reserves are seventh graders."

Jimenez has been perhaps the Braves' top player so far. She has been a good scorer, playmaker and rebounder. She is also a fine all-around athlete, having made the Ruidoso Little League baseball All-Stars squad in 1983.

The Braves will be idle over the holidays, and will resume action Saturday, January 12, against visiting Hatch.

No team picture of the Ruidoso Middle School girls basketball squad was available at press time. A team photo will be published in the near future.



This is the Ruidoso High School boys junior varsity basketball team. From left are Alan Kirgan, Emitt Autrey, Jeremy

Lane, Bryan Richardson, Hamilton Carter, Ivan Scott, Jody Pillar, Ramon Buchanan, Kirk Ryan and Toby Rue.

RUIDOSO HIGH SCHOOL BOYS BASKETBALL SCHEDULE 1984-85				
Date	Opponent	Place	Time	
Dec. 28-29	Lovington Tournament			
Jan. 5	Socorro AB	Home	5:30	
Jan. 8	Goddard AB	Home	5:30	
Jan. 11	Lovington AB	Home	5:30	
Jan. 19	N.M.M.I. AB	Home	5:30	
Jan. 25	Portales AB	Away	5:30	
Jan. 29	Tularosa AB	Home	5:30	
Feb. 2	Deming AB	Away	4:00	
Feb. 8	T or C AB	Home	4:00	
Feb. 15	Cobre A	Away	7:00	
Feb. 16	Silver City AB	Home	4:00	
Feb. 19	Tularosa AB	Away	5:00	
Feb. 22	Deming A	Home	7:00	
Feb. 23	T or C A	Away	7:00	
Mar. 2	Cobre AB	Home	4:00	
Mar. 8	Silver City AB	Away	5:30	

RUIDOSO MIDDLE SCHOOL BOYS AND GIRLS BASKETBALL SCHEDULE 1984-85				
Date	Teams	Opponent	Place	Time
Jan. 12	Boys A & Girls	Hatch	Home	2:00
Jan. 14	Boys A & Girls	Alamogordo	Away	3:30
Jan. 17	Boys A&B & Girls	Capitan	Away	2:30
Jan. 19	Boys A&B & Girls	Moriarity	Away	1:00
Jan. 22	Boys B & Girls	Carrizozo	Away	4:00
Jan. 26	Boys A&B & Girls	Cloudcroft	Away	10:00
Feb. 5	Boys A&B & Girls	Capitan	Home	3:30
Feb. 6	Boys A&B & Girls	Tularosa	Away	1:00

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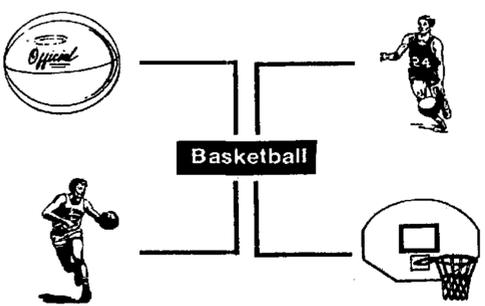
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# Warrior matmen have experience, depth



These are the members of the Ruidoso High School wrestling team. Back row (from left) are Kyle Jameson, Don Eder, Dustin Voicquardsen, trainer Richie Sanchez, Kevin Jameson, Phillip Herrera, Don Jones, Jimmy Frost, Jason Hill, Kerry Jameson and James Herrera. Second row (from left) are

Robert Harris, Lance Willard, Scott Thornton, Augustine Apache, Cory Garner, Bronson Rue, Tony Breault, Zach Swalander and Jef Sherwood. Front row (from left) are Mark Langston, Scott Yeatman, Jeff Schmidt, Ruben Herrera, Manuel Montano, Mathew Griego, Al Holt and Clint Walker.

If quantity and experience mean anything, the Ruidoso High School wrestling team should be very competitive this season.

The Warriors have depth and experience in almost every weight class, something they haven't had in previous seasons.

"We've definitely got more depth," Warrior head coach Gerald Ames said. "We should develop into a fine team."

"The other thing is we're older now. We're juniors now (a lot of the Warrior wrestlers are juniors) and we're more experienced."

Ames is assisted by Ed Davis this season.

When Ruidoso wrestles in varsity competition, the Warriors should be able to fill every weight class except 112 pounds. About 25 wrestlers are out for the team.

Ruidoso did receive a big blow, however, when state runner-up (155 pounds) Gervase Peco was declared academically ineligible.

But the Warriors should still have plenty of candidates for the state AAA-division championships.

James Herrera at 167 pounds took fourth in the district 3-AAA meet last season and has done well this season, notching a 4-1 record by the Christmas break.

Zach Swalander at 132 pounds, Jeff Schmidt at 98 pounds, Kevin Jameson at 185 pounds and Phillip Herrera at heavyweight all saw lots of action last season.

Phillip Herrera was possibly the best heavyweight in the district outside of teammate Joe LaRue, who finished third in the state.

The Warriors got a late start this season because many of the wrestlers were on the football team, which reached the state semi-finals.

But by the time district competition rolls around, Ames expects his team to be tough. Ruidoso finished fifth in the District 3-AAA Tournament last season, but could do a lot better this time around.

"Silver City and Deming are always tough," he said. "Cobre has been coming on a lot lately and NMMI (New Mexico Military Institute) has four really good wrestlers."

"If everything goes right, we've got a chance to take first, but I'm not predicting it."

The District 3-AAA tournament will be Saturday, February 23, at Silver City. The state AAA-division tournament will be the following weekend.



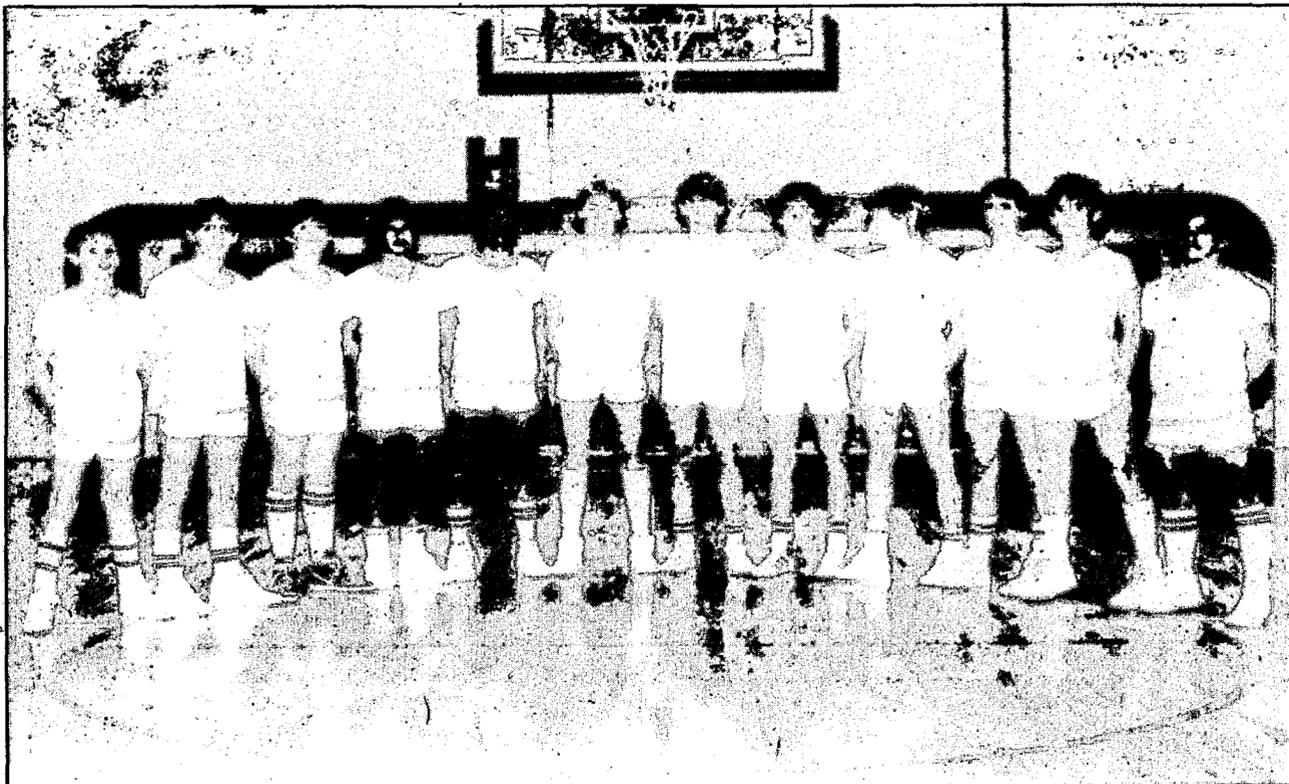
Robert Harris (left), Mathew Griego and Lance Willard do some warmups before a recent Ruidoso High School wrestling practice. The Warriors got a late start on full wrestling

practice because several of the matmen were on the state semi-final football team.



Wrestling

RUIDOSO HIGH SCHOOL WRESTLING SCHEDULE 1984-85		
Varsity		
Date	Event	Place
January 7	Roswell	Ruidoso
January 12	Triangular	El Paso
January 19	Triangular	Goddard
January 25-26	Carlsbad Tournament	Carlsbad
February 4	Triangular	Tucumcari
February 9	Quadrangular	Alamogordo
February 16	N.M.M.I.-Pecos Valley Tournament	Roswell
February 23	District	Silver City
Junior Varsity		
Date	Event	Place
January 5		Ruidoso
January 12		Deming
January 19		Gadsden



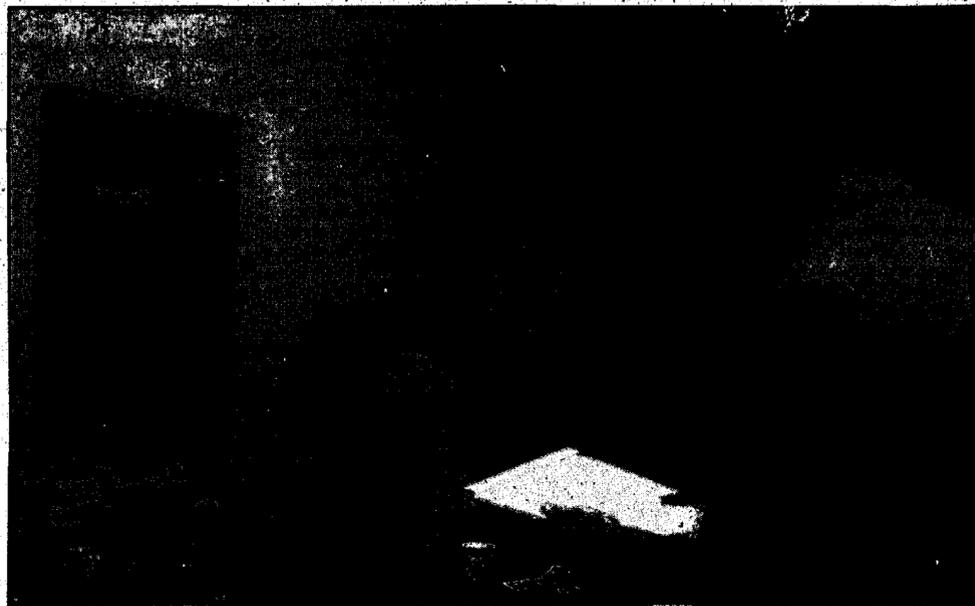
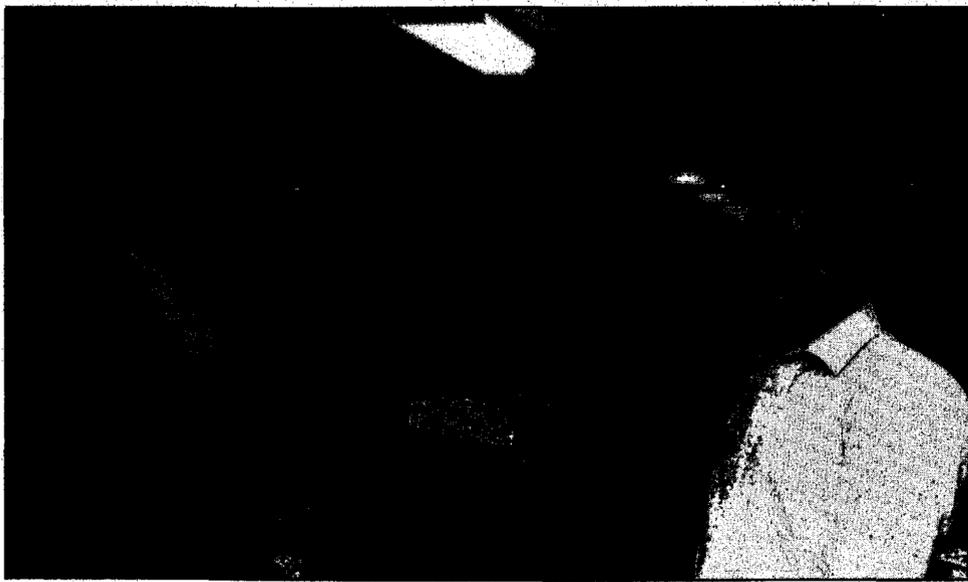
These are the members of the Ruidoso High School boys freshman basketball team. From left are Don Denny, Cliff Sears, Todd Morris, Eric Ford, Clint Bob, Sean Moore,

Sigurd Schmitz, Rusty Shelton, Bobby Lane, Bill Dinkins, Jeff Arvizu and Adolph Herrera.



Will it go in? The ball rolls around the hoop during a recent Ruidoso High School girls varsity basketball game with Bowle of El Paso, Texas. The Warriors are in light jerseys. From left are Judy McCoy, Diane McClure and Stacy Ivy.

# Entertainment



## Ruidoso Little Theatre

Ruidoso Little Theatre recently donated \$100 to the Ruidoso Care Center for the use of rehearsal facilities. Pictured are (from left) FLT President John Rauier-

son; Flick Glenn, director of social services at the Care Center and Carl Mori director of "Night of January 16."

Ruidoso Little Theatre members rehearse at the Ruidoso Care Center, preparing for their upcoming production of "Night of January 16." The show is scheduled to

open on January 25 at the municipal courtroom. Pictured are (from left) Ginger Tracy, director Carl Mori and Dan Barrow.



## Business as usual

Village employees Judy Franzer (foreground) and Tammie Maddox work in the presence of a brightly lit Christmas tree just before the Christmas holiday.



## Fort Worth Symphony

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# Entertainment

## My Sister's Place is Betty's place

by L.J. GRUSHKA  
News Staff Writer

For the first time in many hours, Betty J. Cottrell is alone, relaxed and sitting down. Her many regular customers, most whom call her a friend, do not picture Betty in this fashion. She is usually involved in the hustle-bustle that surrounds her popular diner, My Sister's Place.

She is ready to speak of her past, and the files are a bit dusty, for occasionally she searches the ceiling for exact dates and sequence of facts. But she is sharp, and always finds the requested detail.

"When I got out of the military ... oh, 'bout 1960, I headed up to visit my sister in Oregon. That two week vacation has turned into this 20 year partnership," she tells. She says life in the Marine Corps was not too bad and adds that she was stationed in Quantico, Virginia, working as a club manager and a clerk typist.

"So my sister ... her name? Julie. Julie Phelps. She's older, but just say she's my sister. Well we start up this little mom and pop grocery store in central Oregon. Sheep and cattle ranching around mostly. And logging. We added a tavern, and then a pool table and then a restaurant ... see, we built it up, and we named it My Sister's Place.

"We finally left. We felt like pioneer women...tired of spittin' wood in 20 below. We sold out for what we could get. Left the state and moved to Fort Worth."

Betty, wrapped in her familiar red plaid shirt, looks warm and comfortable in the closed-till-tomorrow diner. She tells of the years in Fort Worth, the restaurant she worked in, her sister Julie's work, their friends. She says she moved on though, the weather was so hot there.

"So we were tired of all that heat

and we are heading up to Las Vegas, Nevada. Our friends told us to check out the horse racing in Ruidoso. Well we was 'bout three weeks early for Las Vegas, so we just stay here and enjoy the races. Then we see this little coffee shop, all closed up ... I think the name of it was Carole's ... so we bought it, bought it dirt cheap. "We opened up on a shoe-string budget. It was where Don Victor's is now. We served dollar breakfast and lunches. But we already had the name...My Sister's Place. Sold it in 1976."

Betty says she was ready to commit herself again a year later and leased the space that is now The Hideout restaurant. My Sister's Place remained at that location she says for 14 months. In April of 1982, Betty and My Sister's Place moved into their present location at 1501 Sudderth Drive.

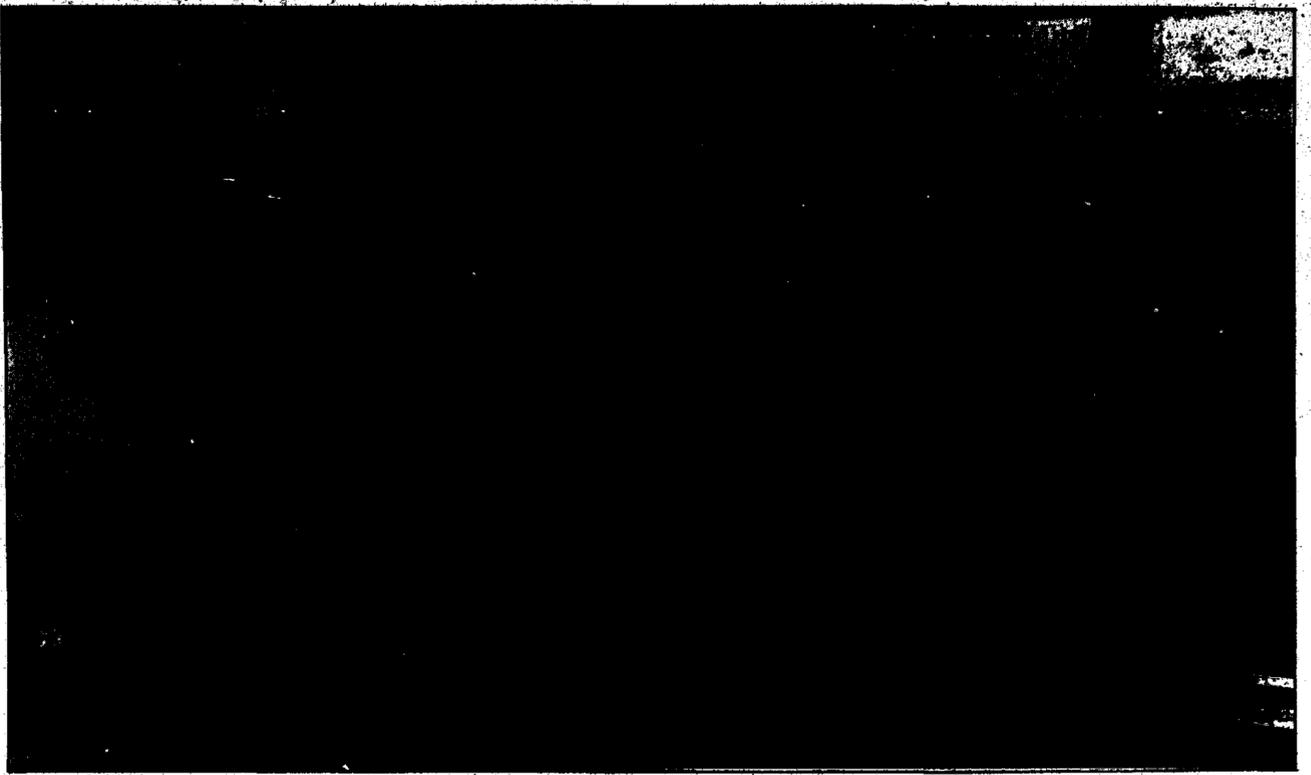
"It's nice here and cozy and informal. It's a good location and everybody knows each other," are her comments on her present, "home."

"I was liberated when I was born," she explains about her commitment to run a business. "For anyone to run a good business you have to love it and work at ... and accept that people are what they are," she adds.

"My loves in my life are the restaurant, horses, sports and my sister ... and not necessarily in that order," she says with care.

She doesn't want to rub it in, she adds, but she won 25 bucks betting against Dallas in a recent game.

Her long hours are just part of the ball game she says. Rising at 4:30 a.m., she admits, is part of the love. She works until closing at 2 p.m. and even then will retire to the kitchen to



Betty Cottrell can be found at My Sister's Place during business hours—Monday through Saturday 8 a.m. to 2 p.m.

and Sundays 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. Betty is owner, worker and, to many of her customers, friend.

prepare favorite dishes her regulars request, like her famed sirloin tips.

Her sister Julie has since retired, but Betty continues to oversee the operation from hot biscuits and gravy to clean silverware for all.

"I can handle the hours the way they are, and if I have to go into the

kitchen to help out, I go into the kitchen," she says.

Betty has seen Ruidoso through many growing pains. She thinks we need a well-placed airport to serve the area, including Mescalero, Capitan and Carrizozo.

She talks of the need for a college, and suggests recruiting light in-

dustry would help secure year-round employment. Would she run for local office? "No! Never. I'm a private person. When my day is done—that's it," she says, while she adds, "I like this community, and I think this community likes me."

The restaurant, even in silence, beckons patrons with chalkboard notices and cardboard signs to try

popular items such as Huevos Rancheros and Chicken Fried Steak.

"Those construction guys sure go for my Chicken Fried Steak ... You know I never even heard of that dish until I lived in Texas," she admits.

Ruidoso is lucky she learned that dish so well.



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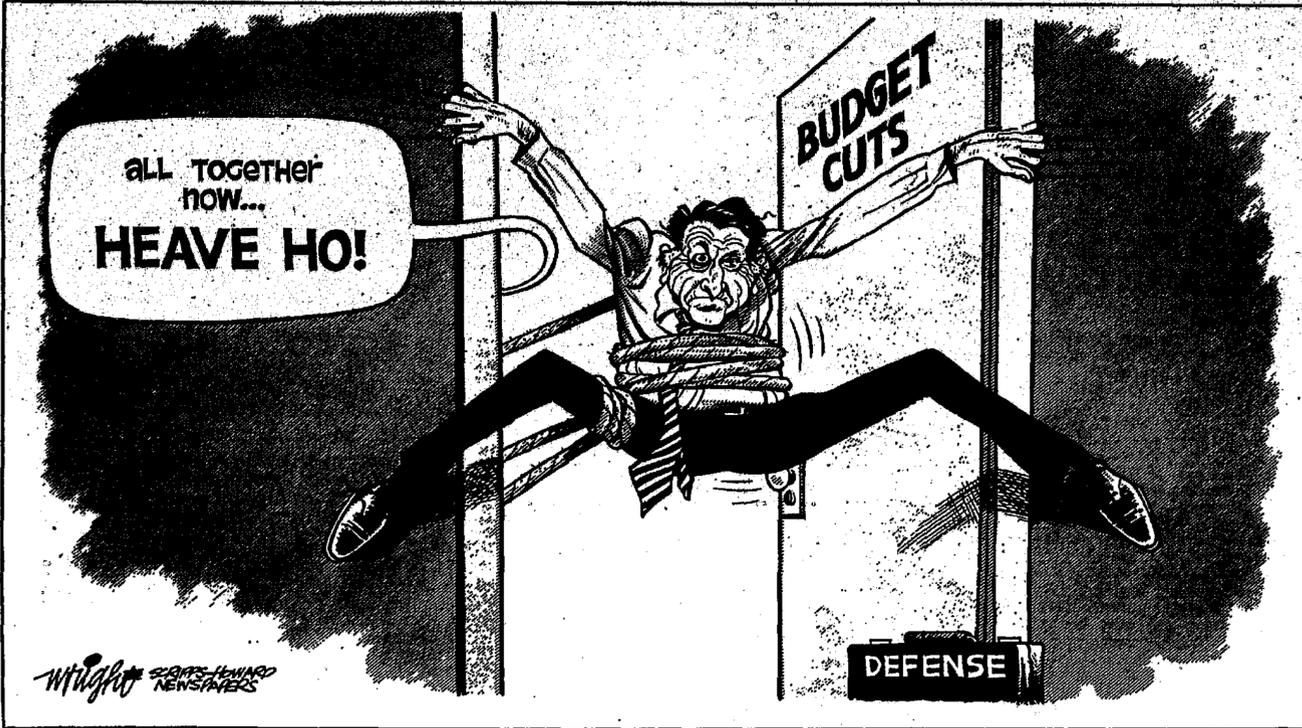
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# Opinion



## Reporter's Round

by Lois J. Grushka



She told few people about her addiction. Hiding the "problem" was all too easy. She talked about it only with people she loved, and those who shared her affliction.

Her appointments were met, her schedule kept in order. As she grew older, her closeted habit remained strong. "It's O.K.," she rationalized. After all, it was not one of the true baddies. It didn't affect her driving. No, not directly fattening, she would say. No rats had recently died of cancer after being injected with mega-doses.

Not long ago, this seemingly well-adjusted person decided time had come to reveal to the world her marred character. She braced herself, and to the next familiar face, she blurted it out.

"Did you know that I really like 'General Hospital'?" she squeaked out.

It was over. The person she spoke to must not have heard. There was limited reaction. No crying or shaking. Hummm ... she tried again.

"You ever watch 'General Hospital'?" Nope, don't care for the stuff, came the walking-away answer.

She evaluated the situation. With indulging curiosity she strolled backwards in time, isolating this love for a daytime drama. How did this habit begin?

Although she often forgets more important dates, she can remember the first time she saw the show. She was 12, and it was summer. One day she was ill, and unable to make the day camp she had been attending. That was the first time.

Over the years, her fondness for particular characters grew. Sixteen and a half years with a soap can do that to a person.

She found out years ago that persons with the passion belong to an unorganized club. The only qualification for membership is a dedication to "keep up."

Often it is those deep, philosophical catch-up, keep-up dissecting conversations that cause stressful relations between watchers and non-watchers.

There were many long-distance and late-night conversations that would include heart-rending predictions regarding the latest dilemmas. After a two-hour marathon talk with her sister, the bulk of which revolved around acting merits to present hairstyles of GH regulars, their wise mother prayed for her talented daughters. She knew, however, their

conversation would eventually turn to politics and religion.

Many times total strangers united by two words became bonded friends over a grocery counter, or in the TV department at Sears. Personal names and business cards lose importance; children and spouses forgotten. It is a wonderful world. The chaos is so orderly.

Soap operas boil life down to the thick of it. You don't have to wait for Laura Spencer to change a pair of ruined nylons in order for her to have an exciting dinner-date with her husband, Luke. Rarely does Inspector Robert Scorpio take the time to look up an obscure phone number. No, he just dials.

She fell deeper in thought, trying to pinpoint why—with all her own fascinating escapades—such passion could be poured out on a dubious TV program.

In many ways the turbulent winding road of the make-believe characters are amazingly "true-to-life." Many of her friends had married and divorced and married and divorced. Just on TV, the folks usually looked better before and after. Love at first sight, family fights, nosy in-laws, unrequited love, and even sudden, unjustified death had crossed her own daily path. Her own town was often ripe with daytime drama scenes.

After a lengthy work-related or self-imposed hiatus from her noon-hour fix, she would anticipate the return to her routine. Or the "casually ask everyone you meet if they watch," play would be enacted. Sometimes a person who was more information starved than herself would be happy with a scrap or two she threw their way. Sometimes it seemed like work.

The reason she secreted her fondness for tuning in centered on her emotional vulnerability to the show's characters. Here she was, a grown adult, weeping at a death or relationship breakup or misguided jealousy of fictional images. It really is a folly, she told herself!

All the same, it could be worse, she figured. There were a few dedicated plug-ins ready to unload lengthy installments a phone call away. For now, however, she hoped nobody rocked the boat too hard in far-off Port Charles. Her demanding job was serious now; she couldn't rush home in midday for anything less than an important crisis. She had to be responsible.

PSSST ... Did you hear that Laura is pregnant?

## Inside the Capitol

by Fred McCaffrey

**SANTA FE**—We could solve all New Mexico's fiscal problems at a single stroke.

All we need to do is write one law which does away with all presently existing exemptions from the state's gross receipts tax. In other words, we make it mandatory that this tax be paid whenever a purchase of any kind is made inside the state's boundaries.

Closing all loopholes in that basic tax would raise something on the order of a billion and a half dollars a year. That would cure every shortfall now plaguing us.

And it could all be done so simply. Except, of course, for the resistance of every single soul in the state who is at present the beneficiary of one of those loopholes ...

One of the better lines to come out of New Mexico's troubled political affairs in recent weeks was spoken by state Senator Tom Rutherford. In aiming at an explanation, he may have coined an aphorism. He wanted to emphasize that his decision not to run for majority leader was not connected with his recent appearance before a federal grand jury.

He put it this way: "This has nothing to do with anything."

A beautiful thought. Doesn't it sometimes seem to you that nothing in New Mexico politics has anything to do with anything?

A veteran legislator, with the scars to show for it, makes a prediction about problems which will face Republican Senators as they take over control of the upper house for the first time in decades.

"They've served on committees for many years," he says. "They think being chairman of one of them is a relatively easy task. What they will discover is how hard it is to make a committee work. That takes a lot more than simply sitting at the head of the table and asking the secretary to call the roll."

What most citizens don't know, he explains, is how much work goes on behind the scenes to keep the machinery running. Even those who have served in legislative posts may not be aware of how complex that is

when they have only been soldiers in the trenches and not leaders.

Among the jolliest of Yuletide greetings to this columnist were these hearty words from Congressman Bill Richardson: "While I don't always agree with you, I must admit you are a sassy, colorful, off-the-wall, crocheted old curmudgeon, who is extremely perceptive."

We hope Santa Claus was good to you, too, Bill.

The Legislature has two kinds of committees. While it is in session, it has standing committees, whose work is set out in House and Senate rules. Between sessions, it establishes interim committees, with specified and mostly limited tasks. (The Legislative Finance Committee and Legislative Education Study Committee are the only permanent interim committees.)

At the close of the year, before the new legislative session begins, those non-continuing interim committees are expected to wrap up their work by agreeing on the legislation the members want to see introduced. And what is almost inevitably the first piece of such lawmaking they agree upon? Why, none other than the one that provides that their committee will be reconstituted to continue its work during the next interim, of course.

The state has a new Purchasing Code, which many consider so elaborate in its demands on suppliers as to almost bury them under useless work.

For instance, they have to file complicated reports listing all their stockholders, so that the state will know exactly with whom it is doing business.

What does the Purchasing Department do with such reports when they are filed? It piles them, unopened, on the floor in a great heap, because it does not have either the people or the mechanisms to deal with them.

So much for this important step toward "disclosure" some lawmakers were so set upon.

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## Letters to the editor

**DEAR EDITOR,**  
 My neighbor and I wish to thank the men who carried us out of Lee Wimberly's Trailer Park during the recent flood. We also wish to thank the members of the First Baptist

Church who were so kind to us and allowed us to stay in their building until the water went down. God bless you all.

Sincerely,  
 MRS. J. E. (BEA) ADAMS

## Clipped Comment

**Cheap Shot**  
 Television already controls what day football games will be played and what hour they'll start. It controls, to some extent, what teams will play in what bowls. And now, in one of TV's most blatant cheap shots, it is trying to name the No. 1 team in the country. Saturday, during the telecast of the Florida-Florida State game, ABC-TV

conducted a telephone poll asking the fans across the nation whether they thought Brigham Young deserved to be No. 1.

ABC, obviously, is trying to knock, by hook or crook, the Cougars out of the top-ranking. Why? Because it could then advertise the Orange Bowl matchup between Oklahoma and Washington as the battle for No. 1.

—Albuquerque Journal

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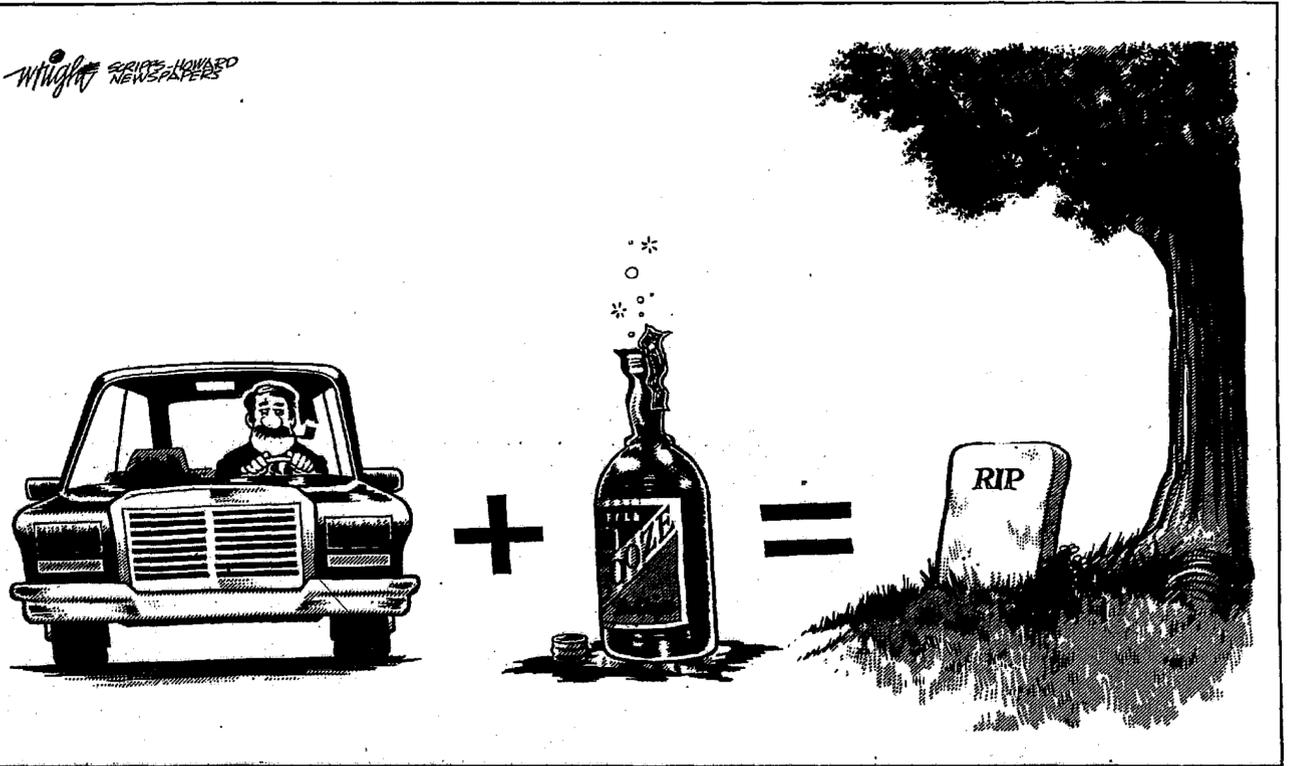
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# People

## Coming Up...

Friday,  
December 28

THE ASPEN TREE will present an autograph party from 1 p.m. until 5 p.m. Friday, December 28. Guest of honor will be Dr. Shirli Brunell, author of "I Hear Bluebirds." Everyone is invited to come by and see the book and visit with the author.

Monday,  
December 31

Frank Sanchez will present a family-style New Year's Eve Dance at 9 p.m. Monday, December 31, in Carrizozo at Nike Hall. The dance is open to the public and tickets will be sold at the door. The cost is \$10 a couple and \$6 for a single.

Sanchez, who performs as a one-man band, will be joined by musicians from Mexico for the dance. A special feature will be the 12-year

old Augustin, who is called "El Yaqui."

Local musicians playing with Sanchez will be Dave Montez and Shorty McKinley.

For further information contact Frank Sanchez in Carrizozo.

Thursday-Saturday,

January 24-26 and

January 31-February 2

RUIDOSO LITTLE THEATRE is rehearsing Ayn Rand's play "The Night of January 16." They will open at 8 p.m. Thursday, January 24, 1985, in the Ruidoso Municipal Courtroom.

The play is written as a courtroom trial, including jury selection each performance from the audience. It will continue Friday and Saturday, January 25-26, and again Thursday through Saturday, January 31 through February 2.

## Shirli Brunell to visit Ruidoso with 'birds'

by FRANKIE JARRELL  
News Staff Writer

Bringing her book to Ruidoso will almost be like coming home for Shirli Brunell. The Alamogordo native, who now lives in Arkansas, will be guest of honor at an autograph party at The Aspen Tree from 1 to 5 p.m. Friday, December 28.

Brunell, a clinical psychologist, spent her summers in Ruidoso as a child. Herb Brunell, Ruidoso businessman, is Shirli's brother. The Brunells' grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Sam Stout, owned a grocery store in Ruidoso and later, Ruidoso Downs.

"Prior to that, in the early, earlies, he'd (Stout) deliver ice to Ruidoso, and we'd come with him," Herb Brunell said. Both Herb and Shirli graduated from high school in Alamogordo.

Shirli Brunell suffered from a learning disability as a young child. She struggled and was able to overcome her affliction, and even became a member of National Honor Society at Alamogordo High.

Her own struggle to overcome a serious disability is closely paralleled by the true story she tells in "I Hear Bluebirds." It is the true journal-style account of Brunell's care of two newborn bluebirds.

The two birds barely survived the attack of marauding sparrows. Brunell tells how she acted as mother and nurse, feeding and caring for the small birds.

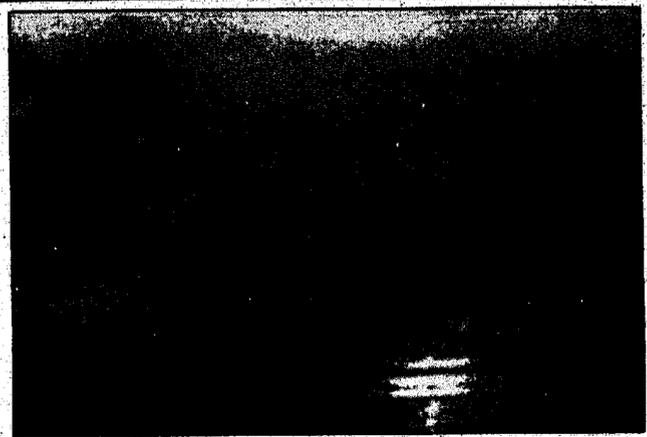
Her plan was to return the birds, whom she named Samson and Baby Sister, to their natural environment. Samson survived to live free again, but Baby Sister didn't.

Another parallel to the bluebird story is Brunell's lifework. As a psychologist, she specializes in the treatment of battered wives and abused children. She is in private practice now, but she has also served as chief psychologist of a local Arkansas mental health-mental retardation center.

Before earning her doctorate in psychology, Brunell's career was headed in another direction that began as a college beauty pageant winner. While an undergraduate student, she was crowned Miss California College Queen of America for two consecutive years.

Brunell also won the title of Miss New Mexico Maid of Cotton. She embarked on a modeling career.

She was the Lee Rider Blue Jeans Girl, Borden's Milk Girl and advertised a variety of other products. She was a part of the Michael Chekov acting group, which was training ground for such famous actors as James Dean, Natalie Wood and Rod-



Shirli Brunell's book, "I Hear Bluebirds," features more than two dozen full-color photographs such as the bluebird picture above. Brunell, sister of local businessman Herb Brunell, will be guest of honor at an autograph party from 1 p.m. until 5 p.m. Friday, December 28, at The Aspen Tree.

dy McDowell.

As an entertainer, Brunell also appeared on the "Ernie Kovacs" television show, and was a hostess on "Queen for a Day."

She wanted to change directions in her career and her life and so she returned to graduate school. Since then Brunell has become an authority on the treatment of emotionally disturbed children and battered women.

Brunell is an avid naturalist and

spends much of her free time in the woods hiking and photographing birds and nature.

Brunell has found a way to integrate her diverse talents and interests into "I Hear Bluebirds," in a way that has been an inspiration to her friends and patients.

Jane Deyo of the Aspen Tree has invited all of Ruidoso to come by and see the author and her book from 1 to 5 p.m. Friday, December 28.



JOHN TAYLOR JR. AND CARMEN WARREN

## Taylor and Warren engaged

Mr. and Mrs. John Taylor of Ruidoso announce the engagement of their son John E. Taylor Jr. to Carmen M. Warren. They are both Ruidoso residents.

George D. Murphy of Houston is the father of the bride-to-be and Mary Lee Wilson, deceased, was her mother.

Charlotte Griswold is the bride-to-be's sister. She and her husband Bill and their 11-month old son are Ruidoso residents.

The couple plans to marry at 1 p.m. Saturday, February 16, in the Episcopal Church of the Holy Mount. They will have a reception in the church immediately following the marriage ceremony.



## Pink gentleman

Carl Ross of the Ruidoso Hondo Valley Hospital Auxiliary, was honored recently for 500 hours of hospital service. Ross, a member of The Ruidoso News staff, said much of his volunteer work is direct service to hospital patients, such as shaving male patients.

## Hamilton joins team

Forrest Hamilton, a 1980 graduate of Ruidoso High School, is a member of the Eastern New Mexico University rodeo team this year. Hamilton is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Hamilton of Ruidoso.

Hamilton, a junior, competes in team roping and steer wrestling. He is a pre-law major.



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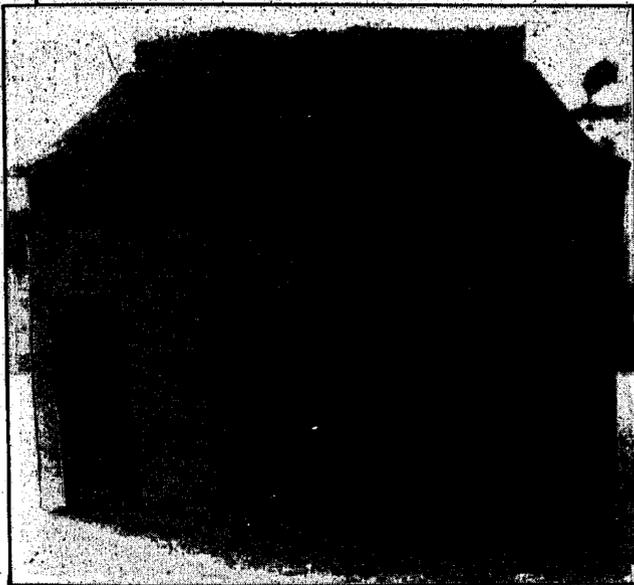
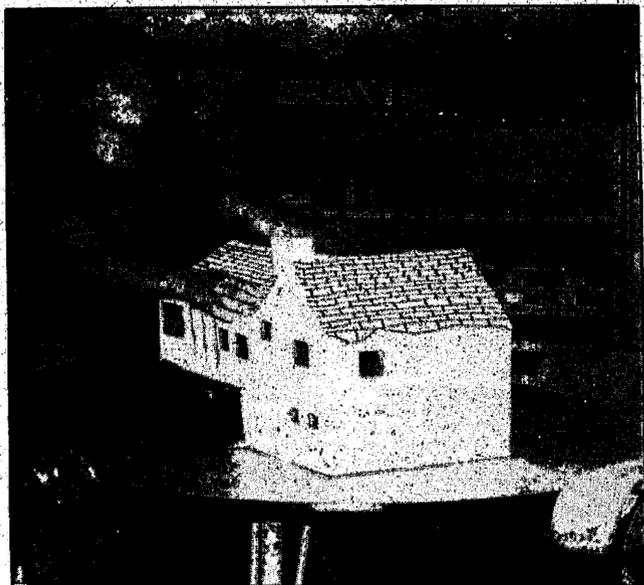
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him about two weeks to make the replica of his house. Jamie Mulholland, Melissa Jones, Zack Cosby and Marc all agreed that a lot of planning went into the houses. Finding the right size boxes for various parts was also a problem they said. Every student in the class did a good job according to their teacher and all their models were on display in the White Mountain Elementary Library before Christmas. The four students pictured said they had learned a lot about homebuilding, but none plan to pursue it as a career.



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**RUIDOSO HONDO VALLEY ROTARY CLUB**  
Tuesdays at noon at Prime Time Restaurant.



**ALTRUSA CLUB OF RUIDOSO**  
First Tuesday, 7:30 p.m. for program; 3rd Tuesday for lunch meeting, noon, at the First Christian Church, Wilma Sandoval, 378-8030, days or 378-4561, evenings.



**RUIDOSO B.P.O.E. NO. 2086**  
First and 3rd Thursdays at Elks Club building on Highway 70 West. 8 p.m. summer; 7:30 winter.

**B.P.O.E. DOES**  
Second and 4th Thursdays, 7:30 p.m., in Elks Home on Highway 70 West.



**4-H CLUB**  
(Meeting Through Summer)  
Third Monday, 6:30 p.m., at the Ruidoso Presbyterian Church.



**RUIDOSO MASONIC LODGE NO. 73**  
First Monday in the Eastern Star building, Palmer Gateway, 7:30 p.m. Carl Ross W.M.; Alton Lane, Secretary.



**ORDER OF THE EASTERN STAR**  
Ruidoso Chapter No. 65  
Second Thursday, 7:30 p.m., Palmer Gateway. Visiting members welcome.



**ORDER OF THE AMARANTH, INC.**  
Ponderosa Court No. 6  
Fourth Tuesday, 7:30 p.m., in Eastern Star building, Palmer Gateway.



**RAINBOW GIRLS ASSEMBLY**  
Second and 4th Mondays, 7 p.m., in Eastern Star building, Palmer Gateway. Rainbow Advisory Board: 2nd Monday, same place.



**RUIDOSO JAYCEES**  
Second and 4th Tuesdays, 7:30 p.m., at the Deck House.



**OPTIMIST INTERNATIONAL OF RUIDOSO**  
Wednesdays, 7 p.m., at K-Bobs. Craig Whipple, 378-4534 after 8 p.m.



**PILOT CLUB OF RUIDOSO**  
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**RUIDOSO WOMAN'S CLUB**  
Second Wednesday in Woman's Club building. Board meeting 1 p.m., business meeting 1:30; tea at 2, followed by program. Luncheons each Monday, followed by benefit bridge game.

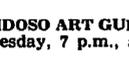


**RUIDOSO SHRINE CLUB**  
Fourth Wednesday, 258-3622, 336-4678 or 257-4818 for current meeting place.

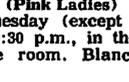


**SIERRA BLANCA SWINGERS**  
Basic and mainstream square dancing at First Christian Church, Hull Road, Thursdays, 8 p.m. 258-3186, 336-4907 or 257-2883.

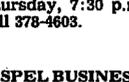
The Space City Squares in Alamogordo dance 1st and 3rd Saturdays at 8 p.m. at the fairgrounds. Visitors are welcome.



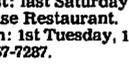
**RUIDOSO ART GUILD**  
Second Tuesday, 7 p.m., at Carrizo Lodge.



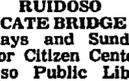
**RUIDOSO-HONDO VALLEY HOSPITAL AUXILIARY (Pink Ladies)**  
First Tuesday (except July and August), 9:30 p.m., in the hospital conference room. Blanche Love, 257-7124.



**RUIDOSO GUN CLUB**  
Third Thursday, 7:30 p.m., at the library. Call 378-4603.



**FULL GOSPEL BUSINESS MEN'S FELLOWSHIP INTERNATIONAL**  
Breakfast: last Saturday, 7 a.m., at Ranch House Restaurant. Luncheon: 1st Tuesday, 12-1 p.m., at K-Bob's. 257-7287.



**RUIDOSO DUPLICATE BRIDGE CLUB**  
Wednesdays and Sundays, 7:30 p.m., Senior Citizen Center, behind the Ruidoso Public Library. All players welcome. 257-5937.

**RUIDOSO GARDEN CLUB**  
Third Tuesday, 1:30 p.m., at the Ruidoso Public Library in the multipurpose room. Visitors and guests welcome.

**DAUGHTERS OF THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION**  
Second Thursday, noon. Anyone interested and eligible, please call 257-7186.

**UNITED METHODIST WOMEN**  
First Wednesday, 7:30 p.m., place to be announced.

**WOMEN'S WORKDAY AT CHURCH OF CHRIST**  
In the Gateway area, 1st Wednesdays, at the church.

**LAMAZE PREPARED CHILD BIRTH CLASSES**  
Wednesdays, 7-9 p.m. 257-4639, 653-4041 or 378-8473 after 5 p.m. Six-week sessions.

**ROBERT J. HAGEE POST 79 AMERICAN LEGION**  
Third Wednesday, 7 p.m., in the Post Home, Highway 70 and Spring Road, Ruidoso Downs.

**RUIDOSO VALLEY CHAMBER OF COMMERCE**  
Third Wednesday in Chamber office on Sudderth. May-September 7 p.m.; October-April 12 noon. Meetings open to the public.

**RUIDOSO PUBLIC LIBRARY**  
Hours: Monday through Thursday—10 a.m. to 7 p.m.; Friday—10 a.m. to 4 p.m.; Saturday—10 a.m. to 1 p.m.

**TOPS (Take Off Pounds Sensibly)**  
Thursdays, 7 p.m., First Christian Church. 258-4273.

**NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF RETIRED FEDERAL EMPLOYEES**  
Lincoln County Chapter 1379  
First Tuesday, 10 a.m., at the new First Christian Church on Hull Road.

**GOLDEN AGE CLUB**  
First and 3rd Wednesdays at noon for covered dish lunches and games at the library. Visitors welcome.

**RUIDOSO DOWNS LADIES AUXILIARY**  
First Tuesday, 7:30 p.m., at the Ruidoso Downs Village Hall Council Room.

**RIO RUIDOSO LIONESSE CLUB**  
General meeting 3rd Tuesday at noon in the Village Restaurant. All members are urged to attend. Visitors are also welcome.

**ST. ELEANOR'S WOMEN'S GUILD**  
Third Monday, 7 p.m., St. Eleanor's Catholic Church.

**RUIDOSO LODGERS ASSOCIATION**  
Second Tuesdays, 2 p.m., at the library.

**ST. ANNE'S GUILD**  
Fourth Thursday in the Parish Hall of the Episcopal Church of the Holy Mount. Holy Communion at noon followed by lunch and the meeting.

**RUIDOSO CARE CENTER AUXILIARY**  
Third Thursday, 7:30 p.m., at the Care Center. Refreshments served and everyone welcome.

**CIVIL AIR PATROL**  
First Tuesday, 7:30 p.m., at City Hall.

**BETA SIGMA PHI**  
Four chapters, 2nd and 4th Mondays, 7:30 p.m., in members' homes. 257-5368 or 257-4651.

**RUIDOSO BOY SCOUTS**  
Troop 69: Tuesdays, 7 p.m., at the First Presbyterian Church. Scoutmaster, Carl Foerster, 258-4284. Explorer Post 67: based with the Ruidoso Downs Police Department. Advisor, Roger Riley, 378-4421.

**LINCOLN COUNTY HOME BUILDERS ASSOCIATION**  
First Tuesday, 7 p.m., at Prime Time Restaurant.

**ASTRA CLUB**  
Second Sunday, 2 p.m., in the First Christian Church. Jan Huey, 257-5963.

**WEIGHT WATCHERS**  
Mondays, 6:15 p.m., at Texas-New Mexico Power Building. Mary Bradley, 257-6961.

**CHRISTIAN SINGLES FELLOWSHIP**  
Supper Thursdays, 6:30 p.m., at Stephen's. Program at 7 p.m. Trent Carver, 257-2966.

**FEDERATED REPUBLICAN WOMEN OF LINCOLN COUNTY**  
Fourth Tuesday, place to be announced. Dorothy D. Smith, 384-2499 or Dorothy Barber, 258-3348.

**WHITE MOUNTAIN SEARCH AND RESCUE**  
Third Tuesday, 7:30 p.m., at Sheriff's Substation. John Ellis, president; Jim Edwards, secretary.

**LINCOLN COUNTY HUMANE SOCIETY**  
First and 3rd Thursdays, 6:30 p.m., at the Chamber of Commerce.

**ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS RUIDOSO ARID GROUP**  
Meets in Holiday House Motel. Use orange door at back. Men & women. AA & Alanon stag meetings Sunday, 8 p.m. Step study Monday, 8 p.m. Alateen Monday, 8 p.m. Alcoholics Anonymous Tuesday, 8 p.m. Alanon Tuesday, 8 p.m. Step Study Alanon Thursday, 8 p.m. Women's AA and Alanon Thursday, noon. Book study Friday, 8 p.m. AA open meeting Saturday, 8 p.m.

**"DOWNS" ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS**  
Back to Basics group, 8 p.m. Wednesdays up the outside stairs at First Baptist Church in Ruidoso Downs. Green Tree Al-Anon meets in members' homes. 378-4709.

**CARRIZOZO AA**  
Saturdays, 8 p.m., in the Rural Electric building.

**COUNSELING CENTER OF LINCOLN COUNTY**  
Personal, family, couples and alcohol counseling, at Sierra Professional Center, Ruidoso, 257-5038. Carrizozo: County Health Office, Courthouse Annex. 648-2412. 24-hour HELpline, 1-437-8690.

**AMERICAN CANCER SOCIETY**  
Fourth Thursday at noon, at Ruidoso-Hondo Valley Hospital.

**RUIDOSO HONDO VALLEY EXTENSION HOMEMAKERS CLUB**  
Fourth Wednesday at the library for a noon covered-dish luncheon.

**SANTA RITA CATHOLIC COMMUNITY LADIES GROUPS**  
Captain: last Thursday, 10 a.m., in Sacred Heart Parish Hall. Carrizozo: Alternate 1st Sundays, 3 p.m., and 1st Mondays, 7 p.m., at Santa Rita Parish Hall. 648-2853.

**KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS**  
Carrizozo  
First and 3rd Wednesdays at Santa Rita Parish Hall.

## ATTEND THE CHURCH OF YOUR CHOICE EVERY SUNDAY

**FIRST CHRISTIAN CHURCH**  
Gavilan Canyon and Hull Roads  
Rev. Ken Cole  
Ross Richardson  
Ruth McGuire  
Sunday School—9:30 a.m.  
Morning Worship—10:45 a.m.  
Sunday Evening Worship—7 p.m.

**FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH**  
R. Winston Presnall, Pastor  
Church School—9:30 a.m.  
Morning Worship—11 a.m.

**NOGAL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH**  
Rev. Richard Schlatter—Interim  
Sunday Worship—11 a.m.

**MESCALERO REFORMED CHURCH**  
Clarence Van Heukelom, Minister  
Church School—9:30 a.m.  
Worship Service—10:30 a.m.

**GATEWAY CHURCH OF CHRIST**  
Thurman Hux, Minister  
Bible Study—9:30 a.m.  
Worship and Communion—10:30 a.m.  
Sunday Public Talk—10 a.m.  
Wednesday Prayer Meeting—7 p.m.  
Ladies' Bible Class—9:30 a.m.  
Wednesday

**CHURCH OF CHRIST**  
Highway 48, Capitan  
Rex Lane, Minister  
Bible Study—Sunday, 10 a.m.  
Worship Service—Sunday, 11 a.m.  
Evening Worship Service—Sunday, 6 p.m.  
Wednesday, Bible Study—7 p.m.

**GATEWAY ASSEMBLY OF GOD CHURCH**  
Palmer Gateway, Ruidoso  
Ed Rimer, Pastor  
Sunday School—9:30 a.m.  
Sunday Services—10:30 a.m.  
Sunday Evening Services—8 p.m.  
Wednesday Adult Choir—6:30 p.m.  
Wednesday Services—7:30 p.m.  
Thursday Youth Choir—6:30 p.m.

**APACHE INDIAN ASSEMBLY OF GOD**  
Mescalero  
Rev. Tommy Good, Pastor  
Phone—671-4747  
Sunday School—9:45 a.m.  
Morning Worship—10:45 a.m.  
Evening Worship—7 p.m.  
Wednesday Service—7 p.m.

**ST. JUDE THADDEUS CATHOLIC MISSION**  
San Patricio  
Served by St. Eleanor Catholic Parish, Ruidoso  
Confessions—Saturday, 4-4:50 p.m.  
Anticipated Sunday Mass—Saturday at 5 p.m.  
Sunday Afternoon Mass—12:30 p.m.  
Office hours in San Patricio—Saturday by appointment, 1-4 p.m. Call beforehand, 257-2330.

**ST. ELEANOR'S CATHOLIC CHURCH**  
Fr. Bernard (Barney) Bissonette  
Confessions—Saturday, 7-7:50 p.m.  
Anticipated Sunday Mass—Saturday Evening, 8 p.m.  
Sunday Masses—8 and 10 a.m.  
Daily Masses—Tuesday through Friday at 5:15 p.m.

**SANTA RITA CATHOLIC COMMUNITY**  
Carrizozo  
Fr. David J. Bergs, Pastor  
Saturday Masses:  
3:30 p.m.—Sacred Heart, Fort Stanton  
5 p.m.—Sacred Heart, Capitan  
7 p.m.—Santa Rita Church  
Sunday Masses:  
7:45 a.m.—San Juan, Lincoln  
8:45 and 9:30 a.m.—Sacred Heart, Capitan  
11 a.m.—Santa Rita Church

**ST. ANNE'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH**  
Glencoe  
Rev. Burdette Stampley, Rector  
Holy Communion:  
2nd Sunday—8:30 a.m.  
4th Sunday—9:15 a.m.

**EPISCOPAL CHURCH OF THE HOLY MOUNT**  
121 Mescalero Trail, Ruidoso  
Rev. Burdette Stampley, Rector  
Sunday—Holy Eucharist 8 and 10:30 a.m. (No 8 a.m. service on 2nd Sunday of the month.)  
Church School (grades 1-6)—9-10:15 a.m.  
Nursery (ages 0-3) Parish Hall—10:30 a.m.  
Youth Group, Parish Hall—5-6:30 p.m.  
Wednesday Prayer Group, Sanctuary—12 noon.

**ST. MATTHIAS EPISCOPAL CHURCH**  
Sixth and "E" Streets  
Carrizozo  
Phone 648-2875  
Rev. Burdette Stampley, Vicar  
Holy Eucharist, 1st and 3rd Sunday—6 p.m.  
Office of Evening Prayer, 2nd and 4th Sunday—7 p.m.

**NON-DENOMINATIONAL BIBLE STUDY**  
7 p.m. Thursday at the home of Jim and Jann Hickerson, 219 Spring Road. Taught by Dennis McKinley of Rodeo Cowboy Ministries.

**HONDO VALLEY BAPTIST CHURCH**  
Just off Highway 70, Hondo  
Cal West, Pastor  
Morning Worship—10 a.m.  
Evening Service—6 p.m.  
Wednesday Bible Study—7 p.m.

**FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH OF RUIDOSO**  
300 Mechem Drive  
Cleve Kerby, Pastor  
Paul Tapp, Assistant Pastor  
Sunday School—9:45 a.m.  
Worship Hour—11 a.m.  
Sunday Night Worship—6 p.m. (winter); 7 p.m. (summer)  
Wednesday Night Service—7 p.m.

**FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH**  
Ruidoso Downs  
Dale W. McClesky, Pastor  
Sunday School—9:30 a.m.  
Worship Service—11 a.m.  
Evening Worship—6 p.m.  
Wednesday—7 p.m.

**RUIDOSO BAPTIST CHURCH**  
Palmer Gateway  
Rev. Wayne Joyce, Pastor  
Sunday School—9:45 a.m.  
Morning Worship—10:45 a.m.  
Sunday Evening Services—6 p.m.  
Wednesday Night Bible Study—7 p.m.

**FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH**  
Capitan  
Rev. Dan Carter  
Sunday School—9:45 a.m.  
Worship Service—11 a.m.  
Evening Worship—6 p.m.

**FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH**  
Tinnie  
Bill Jones, Pastor  
Sunday School—9:45 a.m.  
Worship Service—11 a.m.

**MESCALERO BAPTIST MISSION**  
James Huse, Pastor  
Sunday School—10 a.m.  
Morning Worship—11 a.m.  
Training Union—6:30 p.m.  
Evening Worship—7:15 p.m.  
Wednesday Prayer Service—6:30 p.m.

**FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH**  
Carrizozo  
John Torrison, Pastor  
Sunday School—9:45 a.m.  
Worship—11 a.m.  
Church Training—6:30 p.m.  
Evening Worship—7:15 p.m.

**RUIDOSO WORD MINISTRIES**  
1 Block East of Downs Motel  
Ruidoso Downs  
Sunday School—9:45 a.m.  
Morning Worship—10:30 a.m.  
Sunday Evening Service—7 p.m.  
Wednesday Service—7 p.m.

**CARRIZOZO GROUP CHRISTIAN SCIENTISTS**  
12th Street, Carrizozo  
Sunday Service—11 a.m.  
Wednesday Testimony Meeting—8 p.m.  
Phone: 648-2844, 648-2322

**RUIDOSO GROUP CHRISTIAN SCIENTISTS**  
Sunday Service—11 a.m.  
At the Methodist Church, second building behind sanctuary.  
Phone: 257-7987

**OLD LINCOLN CHURCH**  
Rev. Burdette Stampley  
Evening Prayer—7 p.m. 4th Thursday of each month.  
Holy Communion—2nd Thursday of each month.

**7TH DAY ADVENTIST CHURCH**  
Agua Fria Estates  
Ruidoso Downs  
Floyd Ramsey, Pastor  
J.C. Harris, 378-4396  
Saturday: Sabbath School—1:30 p.m.  
Church—3 p.m.  
Wednesday Prayer Meeting—6:30 p.m.

**PRISON FELLOWSHIP**  
Camp Sierra Blanca, Fort Stanton  
Bill Rawlins, area director, 257-2510.  
Meeting 3rd Sunday each month.

**TRINITY UNITED METHODIST CHURCH**  
1000 D Avenue  
Carrizozo  
Rev. Harry Riser, Pastor  
Sunday School—10 a.m.  
Worship Service—11 a.m. (Nursery provided)  
Wednesday Choir—6:30 p.m.  
Fourth Wednesday Worship Service—7 p.m.

**COMMUNITY UNITED METHODIST CHURCH**  
Behind the Bank of Ruidoso  
Rev. Charles Spooner, Minister  
Sunday School—9:30 a.m.  
Worship Service—10:30 a.m. (Summer Services—8:30 and 10:30 a.m.)

**UNITED METHODIST CHURCH OF CAPITAN**  
Third Street and White Oaks  
Rev. Harry Riser, Pastor  
Sunday Worship Services—9-10 a.m.  
Sunday School—10:30 a.m.

**MISSION FOUNTAIN OF LIVING WATER FULL GOSPEL**  
San Patricio  
Rev. Benjamin Chavez  
Sunday School—10 a.m.  
Sunday Night—7:30 p.m.  
Tuesday—7:30 p.m.  
Friday—7:30 p.m.

**CAPITAN SQUARE CHURCH**  
Cemetery Road  
Harold W. Perry Sr., Pastor  
Sunday School—10 a.m.  
Morning Worship—11 a.m.  
Sunday Evening Worship—7 p.m.  
Wednesday Evening Bible Study—7 p.m.  
Prayer Daily—5 a.m.

**JEHOVAH'S WITNESSES**  
Kingdom Hall—Ruidoso  
Highway 37—1 Block Into Forest Heights Subdivision  
Ken Eberline, Presiding Overseer  
Sunday Public Talk—10 a.m.  
Sunday Watchtower Study—10:30 a.m.  
Tuesday Group Bible Study—7:30 p.m.  
Thursday Ministry School—7:30 p.m.  
Thursday Service Meeting—8:30 p.m.

**BAHA' FAITH**  
Meeting in homes of members. Phone 258-4117.

**CHURCH OF JESUS CHRIST L.D.S.**  
12 Miles North of Ruidoso on Highway 48  
Michael Gray, 336-4359  
Sacrament Meeting—10:00 a.m.  
Priesthood, Relief Society, Primary and Young Women—11:20 a.m.  
Sunday School—12:20 p.m.

**CHURCH OF JESUS CHRIST L.D.S. MESCALERO BRANCH**  
Ray Cavanaugh, Pastor  
Priesthood—8:30 a.m.  
Sunday School—10:30 a.m.  
Sacrament Meeting—11:30 a.m.

**SHEPHERD OF THE HILLS LUTHERAN CHURCH**  
Held at First Presbyterian Church, Nob Hill  
Rev. Leland Stevens, Pastor  
Worship Services—8:30 a.m.  
Sunday School and Adult Bible Classes—9:45 a.m.

**CHURCH OF THE NAZARENE**  
At Bonito Park Nazarene Conference Center, Angus  
12 Miles North of Ruidoso, Hwy. 37  
Dudley B. Anderson, Pastor, 336-4152  
Sunday School—10 a.m.  
Morning Worship—11 a.m.  
Sunday Evening Worship—6:30 p.m.  
Wednesday Fellowship—6:30 p.m.

**FULL GOSPEL HOLINESS CHURCH**  
Entrance Road, Ruidoso Downs  
Sunday School—10 a.m.  
Morning Worship—11 a.m.  
Sunday Evening Service—7:30 p.m.  
Wednesday Evening Service—7:30 p.m.

**TRINITY MOUNTAIN FELLOWSHIP**  
Gavilan Canyon Road near Cedar Creek turnoff  
Rev. Peter Church, Minister  
Combined Sunday School and Worship Service—10:00 a.m.  
Tuesday Bible Study and Fellowship—7:30 p.m.  
Inquiries: 336-4213.

**TRINITY SOUTHERN BAPTIST CHURCH**  
Meeting at the Fairgrounds Building, Capitan  
Sunday School—9:45 a.m.  
Morning Worship—11 a.m.  
For more information call Leonard Hays, 354-2948.

These Business Firms Make This Special Church Feature Possible Each Week  
**Ruidoso State Bank** Member FDIC  
**Ruidoso News** 257-4001  
**PK Real Estate, Inc.** 1102 Sudderth 257-5667

LEGAL NOTICE

IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF LINCOLN COUNTY, NEW MEXICO TWELFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT HIGH COUNTRY AGENCY, INC. Plaintiff, vs. ARTURO LOJERO and THE TEXAS CLUB, Defendants. No. CV-84-285 Div. II

LEGAL NOTICE

STATE OF NEW MEXICO COUNTY OF LINCOLN IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF THE TWELFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT MARY LEONA THOMAS, Plaintiff, vs. JAMES W. THOMAS, Respondent. No. DR-84-187 Div. I

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE is hereby given that on November 30, 1984, Calvin W. and Judy D. Wench, P.O. Box 25, Gleason, New Mexico 88345, filed application number 0184, 0184 & H-248, 0187, H-250 with the STATE ENGINEER for permit to change place of use of 1.92 acre-foot per annum of surface waters from the Rio Ruidoso, tributary of the Pecos River, to the Rio Ruidoso, tributary of the Pecos River, Township 10 South, Range 15 East, NMPM, by ceasing the irrigation of 0.6 acre of land described as follows:

Sold Judgment directed foreclosure of the mortgage on such property to satisfy the following items: Amount of Plaintiff's Judgment \$45,438.47 Interest to date of sale, January 15, 1985 \$1,406.40 Accruing costs for preservation of property \$158.85 Total \$47,003.72

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LEGAL NOTICE

IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF LINCOLN COUNTY TWELFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT STATE OF NEW MEXICO DOROTHY STORM MUNOZ, w/a D.S. MUNOZ, a single woman, and JIMMY D. DOUGLASS and CAROLYN DOUGLASS, husband and wife, Plaintiffs, vs. VERNES FELTS and DORA FELTS, husband and wife, E.V. HOLGUYN, ARTURO MADRICK and RUTH MADRICK, husband and wife, and ABE ELLIION COHEN and MABEL ALLEEN COHEN, husband and wife, and And all Unknown Claimants of Interest in the Premises Adverse to the Plaintiffs, Defendants.

LEGAL NOTICE

TWELFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT COUNTY OF LINCOLN STATE OF NEW MEXICO DANNY E. MCDANIEL, Plaintiff, vs. KATHLEEN L. MCDANIEL, Respondent. Cause No. DR-84-125 Division I

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF PENDENCY OF ACTION TO THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO TO THE FOLLOWING NAMED OR DESIGNATED DEFENDANT: KATHLEEN L. MCDANIEL

LEGAL NOTICE

IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF LINCOLN COUNTY STATE OF NEW MEXICO PIONEER SAVINGS & TRUST, F.A., a New Mexico Corporation, Plaintiff, vs. JOSEPH F. CORFF, JOY S. CORFF, RUIDOSO STATE BANK and SUNWEST SECURITY NATIONAL BANK OF ROSWELL, Defendants.

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LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF COMPLAINT TO QUIET TITLE YOU AND EACH OF YOU are hereby notified that Dorothy Storm Munoz, w/a D.S. MUNOZ, a single woman, and JIMMY D. DOUGLASS and CAROLYN DOUGLASS, husband and wife, Plaintiffs, have filed an action in the District Court of Lincoln County, New Mexico, Cause No. CV-84-350, Division II, wherein you are named or designated as Defendants and wherein the said Plaintiffs seek to obtain constructive service of process on you.

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF PENDENCY OF ACTION TO THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO TO THE FOLLOWING NAMED OR DESIGNATED DEFENDANT: KATHLEEN L. MCDANIEL

LEGAL NOTICE

TWELFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT COUNTY OF LINCOLN STATE OF NEW MEXICO KATHL. BOSTIAN, Plaintiff, vs. ARTURO LOJERO, Respondent. No. DR-84-181 Division I

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF LINCOLN COUNTY STATE OF NEW MEXICO PIONEER SAVINGS & TRUST, F.A., a New Mexico Corporation, Plaintiff, vs. JOSEPH F. CORFF, JOY S. CORFF, RUIDOSO STATE BANK and SUNWEST SECURITY NATIONAL BANK OF ROSWELL, Defendants.

Hanging Tree Enterprises 101 Nob Hill Ruidoso, N.M. 88345 505-257-5388

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LEGAL NOTICE

The general object of said action is the establishment of the estate of the Plaintiff in fee simple to and to the property described in the Plaintiff's Complaint for Quiet Title in said cause against the adverse claims of the Defendants, and each of them, and every person claiming by, through or under them, and that the Defendants and each of them and everyone claiming by, through or under them, be barred and forever estopped from having or claiming any upon or any right, title or interest in or to the said real estate adverse to the estate of the Plaintiff and that the title of the Plaintiff there to in fee simple be forever quieted and set at rest, said property being that certain land situated in Lincoln County, New Mexico, and described as follows:

LEGAL NOTICE

ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS Owner: Mesalero Apache Tribe (25 USC 476) P.O. Box 176 Mesalero, New Mexico 88340

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF PENDENCY OF ACTION TO: ARTURO LOJERO YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that Kathl Bostian, a married woman as Plaintiff, has filed an action in the District Court of Lincoln County, New Mexico, Domestic Relations Docket No. DR-84-181, Division I, wherein you are designated as Respondent and wherein Plaintiff seeks to obtain constructive service of process upon you.

LEGAL NOTICE

IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF LINCOLN COUNTY STATE OF NEW MEXICO FIRST INTERSTATE BANK OF LEA COUNTY, PLAINTIFF, vs. MARJORIE HOFFMAN, DEFENDANT. NO CV 84-284 DIVISION I

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YOU AND EACH OF YOU are further notified that unless you enter your appearance in said cause on or before the 30th day of January, 1985, Judgment will be rendered against you and each of you by default, and the relief prayed for in the Plaintiff's Complaint for Quiet Title will be granted.

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF SALE NOTICE is hereby given that by virtue of Judgment entered in the District Court of Lincoln County, New Mexico, in Cause No. CV-84-96 on the 10th day of December, 1984, wherein First Federal Savings Bank of New Mexico is Plaintiff and James Means, aka James M. Means, Jean Means, aka Jeanne Sue Means, his wife, MONCOR Bank, N.A., formerly First City National Bank and Melvin Means, aka Melvin C. Means are Defendant, the undersigned will offer for public vendue to the highest bidder for cash at the front steps of the Municipal Building of the Village of Ruidoso, in Ruidoso, New Mexico, on the 15th day of January, 1985, at 11:00 a.m., all Defendant's rights in and to the following described real estate located in the Lincoln County, New Mexico, to-wit:

LEGAL NOTICE

IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF LINCOLN COUNTY STATE OF NEW MEXICO FIRST FEDERAL SAVINGS BANK OF NEW MEXICO, PLAINTIFF, vs. JAMES MEANS aka JAMES M. MEANS and JEANNE MEANS aka JEANNE SUE MEANS, Jean Means, aka JEANNE SUE MEANS, his wife, MONCOR BANK, N.A., formerly First City National Bank and MELVIN MEANS, aka MELVIN C. MEANS, Defendants.

LEGAL NOTICE

IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF LINCOLN COUNTY STATE OF NEW MEXICO FIRST INTERSTATE BANK OF LEA COUNTY, PLAINTIFF, vs. MARJORIE HOFFMAN, DEFENDANT. NO CV 84-284 DIVISION I

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF PENDENCY OF ACTION TO: MARJORIE HOFFMAN PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that on October 4, 1984, First Interstate Bank of Lea County brought an action for foreclosure against the above defendant seeking foreclosure of certain mortgage executed by Marjorie Hoffman on March 18, 1982, covering the following described property:

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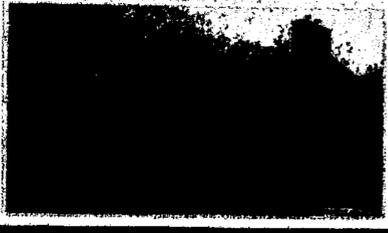
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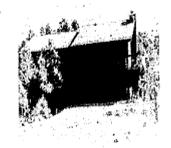
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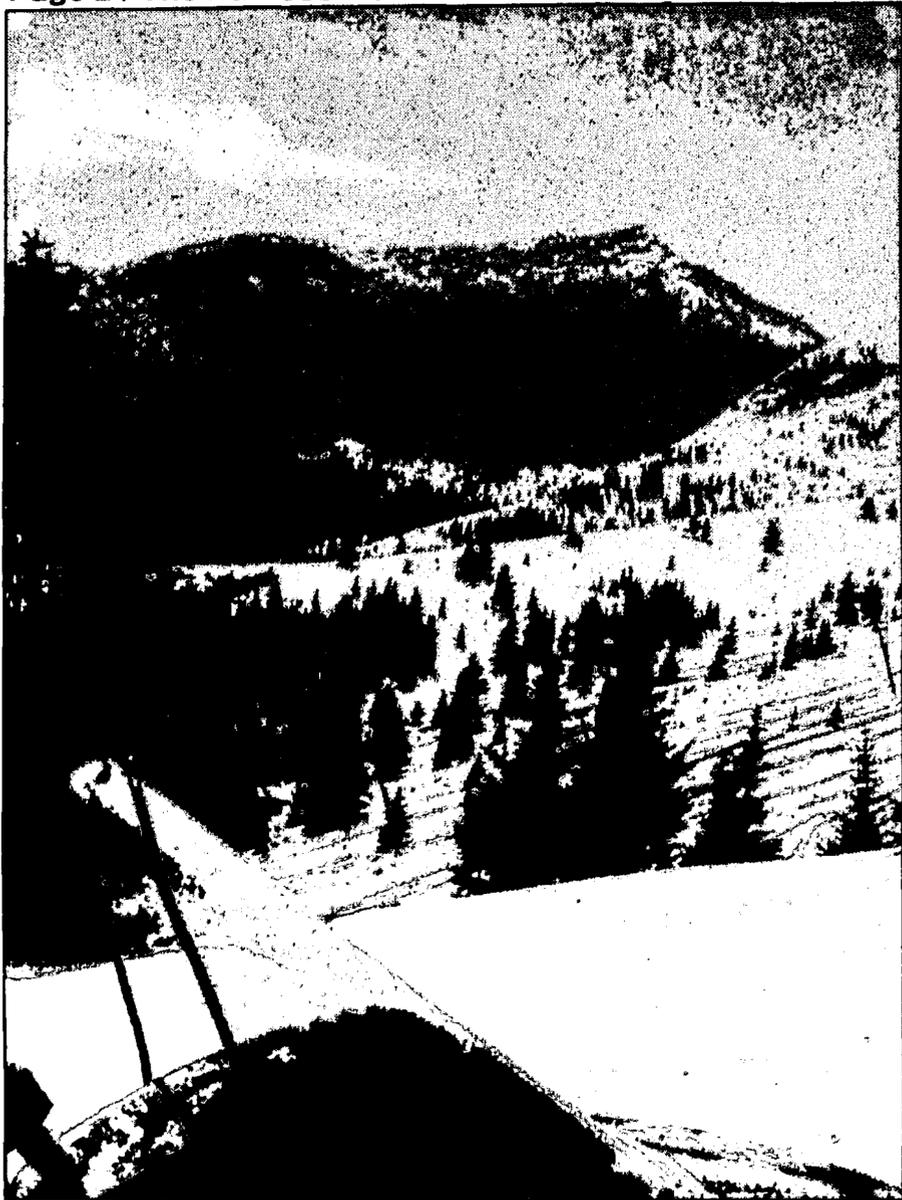
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# Changes improve Sierra

Skiers climbing to the Sierra Blanca Ski Resort this year will enter a world more attuned to challenge and more accessible to beginners than in years past.

Changes and additions made to the resort over the summer and fall have increased the lift capacity, improved the runs and gently altered the face of the mountain.

According to Sierra Blanca manager Roy Parker, the mighty Caliente run, the fastest and most difficult run last year, will be second fiddle this season.

"Caliente will still be tough," Parker said, "but I think Mescalero will have the edge on it."

Mescalero is the new expert trail to the left of Caliente looking down the slope. It starts higher than Caliente and empties out at about the same spot, having incorporated part of Lower Peebles run.

Rover run, an expert trail deeper into the mountain, has been bulldozed and extensively worked. The final result is a widening of the trail to a total width of 120 feet.

Other trails have been groomed and worked on, including the Capitan run, where the All-American Pro-Ski Classic will be staged the first week of February.

At a cost of about \$500,000, a new novice triple chair lift—Chair 7—was added to the resort this fall. Starting near the bottom of the mountain, the lift parallels the lower part of the Sierra Blanca Trail, ending at a point just above the terminal for Double Chairlift 1.

The lift chairs are six inches wider than those of the other lifts and provide more shoulder room. Additionally, because the new lift involves hydraulics instead of

countweights, it requires less maintenance.

With its 150 chairs, the new lift has the capacity of transporting 2,000 skiers per hour. That increases Sierra Blanca's total skier-per-hour capacity to 11,400, or 7,200 more every hour than in 1977.

Another lift alteration was the change of power source on Chair 1. The lift was converted this summer from its smokey, noisy diesel source to clean electricity.

Lift work in general has involved several modifications and additions, most of which Parker described as "the latest state-of-the-technology in chairlifts."

A new hamburger stand has been built to entice and accomodate skiers. Parker had the unit constructed along Moonshine Gulch, near the lower chairlift line.

Larger than last year's stand, the new addition was pieced together with prepared floor sections and benches, and totals between 500 and 600 square feet.

Snow fences that were shredded last year by high winds have been replaced or repaired, and snow making has helped to fill in the few bare spots where natural snow has melted.

Throughout the mountain resort, snow groomers, chairlift machinery and other equipment are constantly updated to keep on top of the changes in weather and skiing conditions.

In addition, new bathrooms were installed in the Gazebo building, located at the top of the Sierra Blanca Trail where the Gondola Lifeline trail terminates.

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Sierra Blanca offers eight beginner trails, eight intermediate trails and 15 expert trails. There are four triple chairlifts, three double lifts, a mitey mite handle tow lift and a four passenger gondola, the longest line on the mountain.

The resort also offers a professional ski school for all skiers, from beginner to advanced, along with NASTAR racing and ski coaching.

This Ruidoso News ski tabloid includes an article about the ski school, ski racing and special youth skiing programs at Sierra Blanca Ski Resort.

Also included in this issue are details on the machinery and snowmaking equipment used at the resort to keep the mountain in prime shape; a history of skiing in this area; an overview of the February Pro-Ski Classic; a story on handicapped skiers; tips for winter driving; and much more.

In short, it looks like a good season for skiing with more challenge and greater variety for the skier at all levels of skill.



The exotic base terminal of newly installed Chair 7 perches among the evergreens like a futuristic spacecraft. The triple chairlift cost about

\$500,000 and will serve a novice area. The chair has an estimated capacity of 2,000 skiers per hour. A total of 150 chairs make up the lift.

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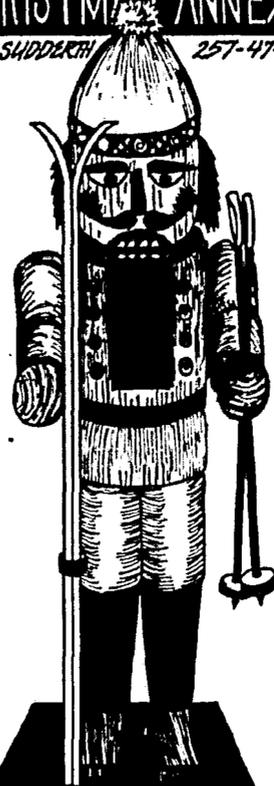
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# The way it was: a ski history

by **BILL HART**  
Special To The News

My interest in skis originated from the story Walt Crosby told me in 1938 about how he fastened two barrel staves to his boots in order to get within shooting distance of a bunch of elk in a valley in Wyoming years before.

His description of sliding swiftly and silently across the snow fascinated me and when I saw an advertisement in a magazine offering skis for sale, I immediately ordered a pair.

The ad did not say much about them and when they arrived at the American Express office in Capitan, I found there was no means of fastening them to my feet.

From inquiry to friends that know about skis, I found I needed binders and should also have poles. So—off went another order and eventually they arrived with instructions for installing.

My excitement had reached a high peak

by the time I got them ready. The entire countryside had been covered by a heavy snow for weeks and I was anxious to try out the skis.

As far as I can learn, this was the first pair of skis to come to Ruidoso. From that time on I tried them on every incline I could find, these being mostly on and around what is now Cree Meadows Golf Course.

My friend Montie Gardenhire would come out on his horse and watch me. We soon got the idea for him to drop his rope and I would hold on to it while he pulled me across the flat area of the valley. Soon I could follow as fast as his horse could run. I read later that this was called ski-joring and was practiced a lot in the north.

Soon, Montie and I were swapping out and he became as proficient as I. As the snow melted away from the open country we began to look farther up the canyon, not only for snow but for slopes. We soon found the open hillside of upper Cedar Creek and

spent many hours struggling up in three and four feet of snow, only to come racing down in a matter of minutes. Soon spring came and the skis were stored away on the ceiling joists of my garage.

For the next several winters they were used spasmodically and a few other people became interested in them too. Finally a fire destroyed the garage and the skis along with it.

The next winter several of us had the ski-bug, so we ordered pairs of skis. Carmon Phillips had arrived in Ruidoso and he soon developed a keen interest in the "slats." Ezell Clarke was also an early enthusiast. We found a likely spot next to the Reservation line on Cedar Creek where the snow stayed longer than in any other place close by town. It took considerable work cutting the trees and filling the washes before we had a makeshift ski slope.

We learned that you could not get much skiing done when you had to take off your skis and lug them back uphill. After the

first thrill wore off it became work, so we started looking for a tow. The first was rope powered by an old car engine. This was really a step forward.

Over the years many improvements were made. The trees were cut out of the right-of-way to the area by local businessmen and a semblance of a road was opened. As the road was not graded, nor even graded, it was an accomplishment for a car to get there on its own power.

If the trip was made early enough to take advantage of the frozen ground it could be done, but the late arrivals usually bogged down in the ruts on the way. This situation was taken care of on weekends by Joe Nelson, the local dairyman, who took his little Allis-Chalmers tractor and pulled people through the bad places.

After the big flood in 1941, the Forest Service set up a Civilian Conservation Corps (CCC) camp at the site where the ranger station is now. Its main purpose was to restore the watershed that was so badly damaged by the flood.

In the two or more years this camp was here, the CCC boys did a magnificent job. The 30-odd houses that were washed downstream by the raging waters were removed along with hundreds of huge trees. Boulders were shifted with bulldozers and the stream was put back in its original banks as nearly as possible. All bridges had been destroyed and had to be replaced.

The story of this flood is another story in itself, but I am mentioning it only as it provided the manpower for the later development of skiing.

When the CCC camp personnel finished with the restoration on the Rio Ruidoso, they started looking for other things to do and keep the boys busy. At the request and with the cooperation of the local business people, the CCC's tackled Cedar Creek. They widened the road, graveled it and put in drainage.

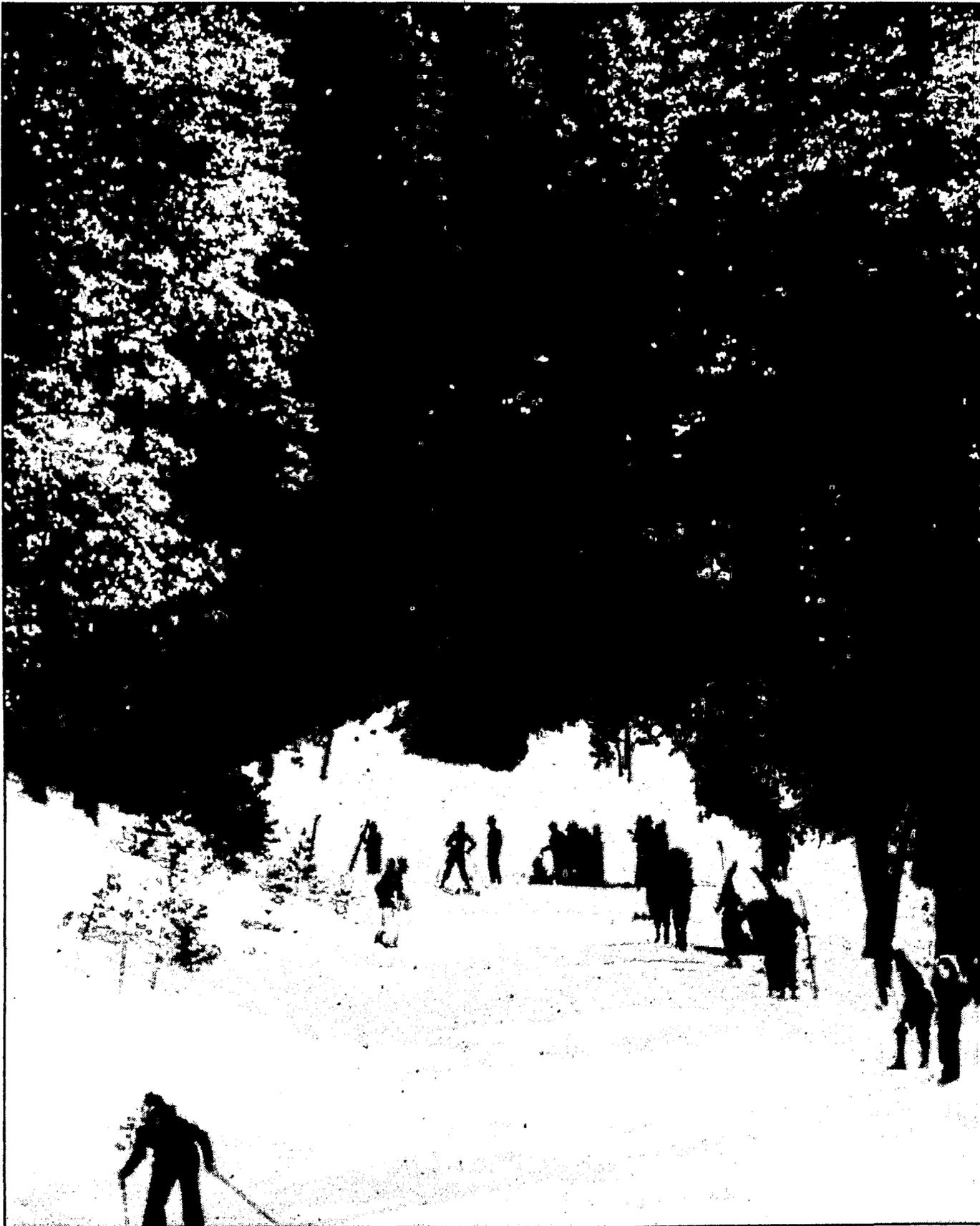
They next cut out more trees and graded a ski area at the site where we had already started. The size was then more than doubled. Two sturdy and beautiful shelters were built. The parking area was expanded to hold several hundred cars.

In the meantime, a group of us formed an organization known as the White Mountain Sports Association. Its purpose was to operate the ski area, which by this time was attracting hundreds of people each weekend in the winter. We had taken out a permit from the Forest Service and they supervised the operation.

We acquired about a hundred pairs of skis and rented them to the tourists. In those early days, it was seldom we found an experienced skier. Among these, first, was Ed Guck, who was the local ranger and would bring his skis over from where he lived at Mesa Ranger Station.

Those were hectic days in winter, when a small group had to clear the snow off the roads, man the parking area with enough men to push the cars around, because even then the people would not put on chains and got stuck on every occasion. Fires had to be built and kept going all day. A refreshment stand, with hot dogs and coffee, was opened.

The tow had to be operated and repaired from its many breakdowns. The old car engine was later replaced by an air-cooled one equipped at the factory and mounted on a sled for this purpose. It could be set up in the morning and dismantled in the evening and placed in a shed with very little trouble. We later bought a second one of these.



# History

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The task of policing the slope was no little chore. Although sleds were strictly forbidden, it kept several attendants busy turning people back. They came with all kinds of home-made devices.

One, in particular, was made of a 10-foot piece of corrugated roofing with one end bent up about 18 inches. Another that comes to mind had two-by-four runners, built like a bob-sled, in two sections with a steering device and a seat taken from some kind of farm plow.

Some got by the attendants by going up on the back side in the next canyon, then would come charging out of the trees on these contraptions, with no control and at right angles to several hundred skiers. Although the broken limbs were not as numerous as they are today, there were plenty. There were cuts from the tin and scratches from the nails in the wooden ones. In other words, there may be broken bones today but not the bloodshed of the early days.

As more and more people took up skiing and many got to be experts, it became apparent we must have a larger area higher up in the mountains for a longer season. On Cedar Creek, due to its low altitude, we seldom got over eight to 10 weeks of good skiing.

We began to make trips into the high country and found an abundance of snow there. The first choice for a new ski run was on the bald mountain to the south of Monjeau.

By this time the Forest Service had recognized the popularity and need for winter sports, so they went all out. They negotiated for the bald mountain since belonged to private parties. For a couple of winters we explored this site, but with a succession of light snows, we abandoned this site and went all the way to White Mountain Park.

Less than a dozen men, some who are still around, made successive trips on foot into this area for about four years. The uppermost point that could be reached with a vehicle was to the Reservation gate on South Eagle Creek and from there it was a three to four hour climb on skis into the Park.

We would usually reach the Park by noon, eat lunch, climb to the upper end above the present lodge site twice, and make two of the most thrilling and exhilarating runs that we had long dreamed of. I cannot believe that the skiers of today

experience any more thrill on the multi-million-dollar development of the Sierra Blanca Ski Resort than we did in those days of the late 1940s.

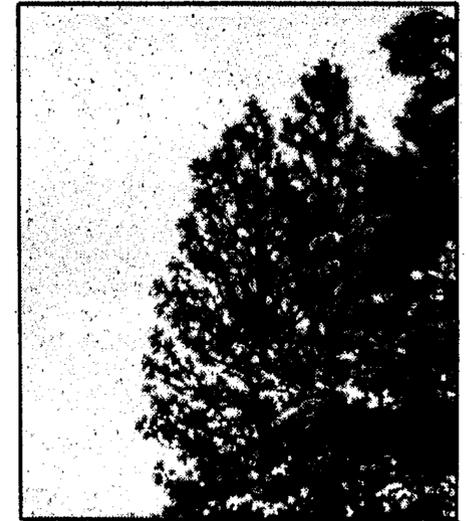
After two runs, it was usually 2 p.m. and the sun was on the wane. We had to start back to the car or get caught by darkness, which Carmon and I did on one occasion. On this particular day, the weather and snow were so perfect that we could not resist the temptation of a couple of extra runs.

Naturally, darkness overtook us on the ridge below the park. Never have I seen a darker night nor so many fallen trees. There was not a stretch of clear trail over a hundred yards long. Snow ranged up to four feet deep.

Soon we lost the trail entirely but kept heading downhill. We would ski with the

poles pointed out in front of us until we came to fallen trees. Then we would remove the skis and crawl over the trees, dragging the poles behind us. It seems like we put skis on and took them off a hundred times—all in the dark. It was the most exasperating and tiresome trip I can remember.

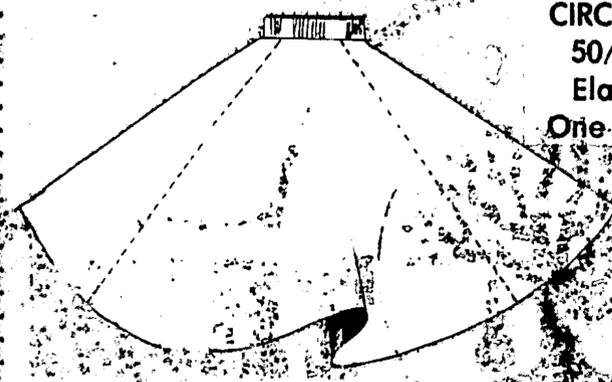
At about 11 p.m. we came out of the oak timbers on South Eagle above the old potato patch, just as the moon came over Cow Mountain. We sat down exhausted and marveled at the beauty of the dazzling blanket that covered the country for miles. After some time, we put on our skis and zig-zagged our way down the open valley for a couple of miles to our car. Never were two people more tired, but never had we had such a satisfying day of skiing.



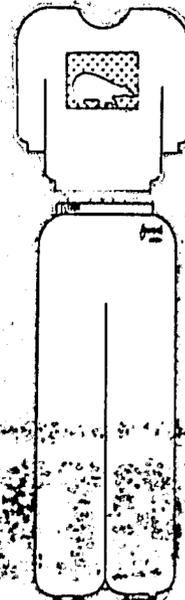
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# Handicapped skiers' program spells 'rewarding'

"A going—and growing—concern" might be the best way to describe the Sierra Blanca Handicapped Skiers Association.

The program, which heads into its ninth ski season this year, has come a long way since it was started in 1976. Founder and director Diana Person recalled that nine students took part that first winter, receiving 27 ski lessons.

In the winter of 1983-84, 174 students got 524 lessons from Person, her fellow full-time instructor Bobby Palm and 41 volunteer instructors.

Students from age four to age 67 have participated, with all types of handicaps.

An anonymous donor made the original contribution to start the Handicapped Skiers Association, with the cooperation of management at Sierra Blanca Ski Resort.

Person had been involved in handicapped skiing through a program Sierra Blanca had with Fort Bliss Army Base to teach



Vietnam veteran amputees to ski. She went to Winter Park, Colorado, which has a large handicapped ski program, for further training.

Participants were drawn from Fort Stanton and from the New Mexico School for the Visually Handicapped at Alamogordo.

As it has grown, the program has ac-

quired equipment, and the ski resort has provided a building near the base area.

Skiing is provided at no charge to participants age 18 and younger. Students 19 and older pay half price for a lift ticket, but everything else is free.

And "everything else" can include some priceless intangible rewards.

"It gives them an awful lot of self-

esteem," said Person. She pointed out that skiing has been looked upon as a difficult sport for anyone—handicapped or not—to learn.

Success at learning to ski therefore can mean a great sense of accomplishment. Students find out what they can do with their legs and their arms, and "experience their own physical speed," said Person.

"For many of them it has been a snail's pace all their lives," she explained. So the sensation of speed is really exciting.

Skis give some students fore and aft balance that they never had before. With outriggers to provide side balance, some students actually can be more stable skiing than walking.

Success at skiing carries over to other aspects of the students' lives, Person believes. She pointed out that students often are referred by doctors and therapists because of skiing's therapeutic value.

Being a teacher is not without its value, either.

"It's an incredible reward," said Person. Imparting a skill to the students, and helping their families at the same time, gives great satisfaction.

Instruction is on a one-to-one basis, so teachers come to know their students well. Many students return year after year.

"It's like old home week up there all winter long," Person said.

Volunteer instructors go through instructional clinics before the seven-week ski program gets under way the third week of January. This year's clinics are set for December 4, 5 and 6 on the mountain.

Instructors receive free skiing during clinics and while instructing. One need be only an intermediate-level skier to teach.

For more information, call Person at 257-7155.

The annual Businessmen's Handicapped Ski Race to benefit the program will take place in March.

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# Challenging the

by J. SCOTT GOELLER  
Special To The News

"Blue course ready, red course ready, course is clear, racers ready ..." That cadence will be heard at the starting gate time and time again when Sierra Blanca Ski Resort proudly hosts the Ruidoso All-American Pro-Ski-Classic. During January 31 to February 3, world-class ski racers from around the globe will "Rumble in Ruidoso" for a purse of at least \$80,000. The race promises to provide more than its share of color and excitement for all spectators.

But what if you want to be more than a spectator? What if you're not a world-class athlete but still want to experience the thrill of racing? Are there any opportunities available at Sierra Blanca? The answer is yes. Already the calendar is full

with exciting races geared toward the recreational skier.

On December 8, the Ruidoso junior racers will sponsor a trophy race for all kids age 18 and under. Junior racers from all over New Mexico and Colorado will vie for honors in a tight slalom course set on the Smokey Bear Trail.

January 5 is the date set for the Dr. Pepper Fun Series. Sponsored by Dr. Pepper, K2 skis and Marker bindings, this is the first of 11 races scheduled at various ski areas throughout New Mexico. The series will be open only to recreational racers. Professionals, including instructors and Ski Patrol members, are not eligible to participate in the fun.

The seventh annual Texas Cup will be held February 16 and 17. This is the

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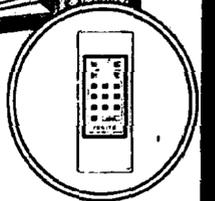
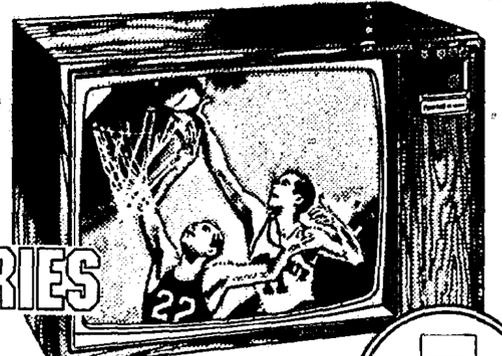


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# racing course

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premier event for all our recreational racers from the Lone Star State. The title of "The Fastest Skier in Texas" is on the line as the competitors race head-to-head down the face of the Capitan slope. Valuable prizes, TV coverage, and plenty of social events provide the backdrop for some fine racing—Texas style.

There's more for our Texas friends. The Lubbock Cup and the El Paso Cup are scheduled for March 2 and 3 and March 9 and 10, respectively. These races provide excitement and glory for the residents of those cities.

The Miller Lite Media Race, slated for late March, is always a colorful affair. These folks somehow always find time to do some racing in between some serious socializing and suntanning.

The Cousins' Cup provides the format through which Ruidoso locals can compete. This year, three races are scheduled, one each month starting in January. In its fourth year, the fun-oriented race has consistently shown that we do indeed have some great talent among our local folk.

Fun is the keynote of the racing program and the reasoning behind the NASTAR

aces. These races are held every Wednesday and Sunday on our Smokey Bear/NASTAR trail. NASTAR is an acronym for the NATIONAL STANDARD Race. In its seventeenth year, NASTAR has become the largest and most popular recreational ski racing program in the world.

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This winter, Sierra Blanca has a full agenda of races for skiers of nearly every level. See you at the races!!



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This year's skiing could be the best ever, for in addition to last year's four new trails, another intermediate trail has been added this season. The varied terrain offers 28 trails and runs, from gentle, rambling novice slopes to the more challenging expert ones. Thirty percent of the trails are advanced, 40 percent are classified intermediate and 30 percent are suitable for beginners.

Snowmaking equipment has been at work every night for several weeks in preparation for an opening around Thanksgiving or sooner. A new giant snowcat and groomer keep the fresh snow groomed.

Another enhancement to skiing enjoyment is the new double chairlift. This addition can move 1,200 skiers per hour, so more time can be spent on the slopes instead of in a lift line.

The Ski School is staffed with 28 qualified instructors. Beginner specials are offered as well as refresher courses. Instructors also have a blind skiers program.

Four hundred pairs of new skis and boots are for rent in the fully stocked ski shop. This new equipment makes the large variety of package deals even more attractive.

Ski Cloudcroft packages may include lifts, rentals, lessons and sometimes even meals and lodging. Group plans may be custom-designed.

A free beginners day is offered on December 5 and 12, and again on January 10 and 17. New skiers will be treated to no cost lifts and lessons. "It introduces people to skiing, and is our way of promoting the sport," commented a Ski Cloudcroft spokesperson.

Weekly ski specials include "two for one" packages for women on Tuesdays, men on Wednesdays and couples on Thursdays.

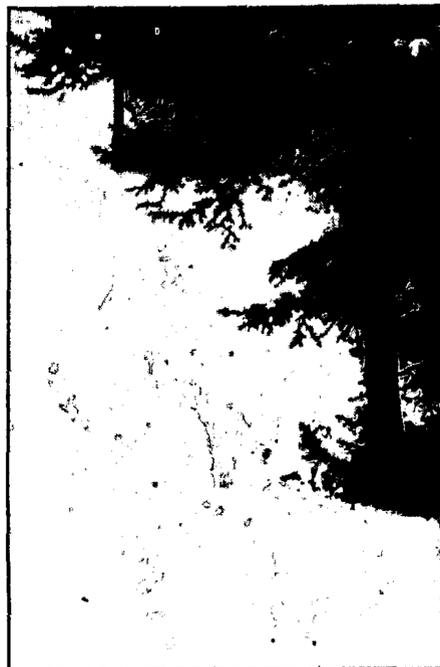
But there's a lot more than skiing going on at Ski Cloudcroft.

Snow-cat tours make it possible for non-skiers to enjoy the view from the top. The cat carries riders up mountain trails to see the panoramic view that includes Capitan Range. The half-hour trip includes photo stops and hot chocolate.

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Skiers using the gondola are able to remove their skis and relax on the way up. The gondola is also a social experience—a place to meet new friends.

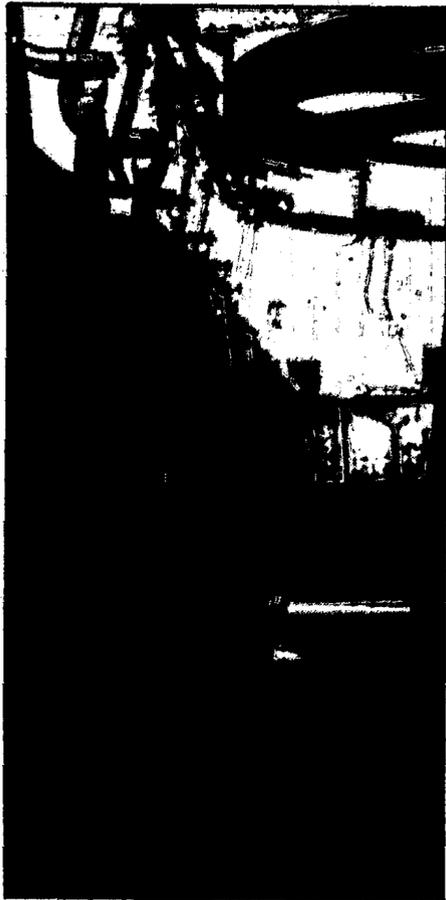
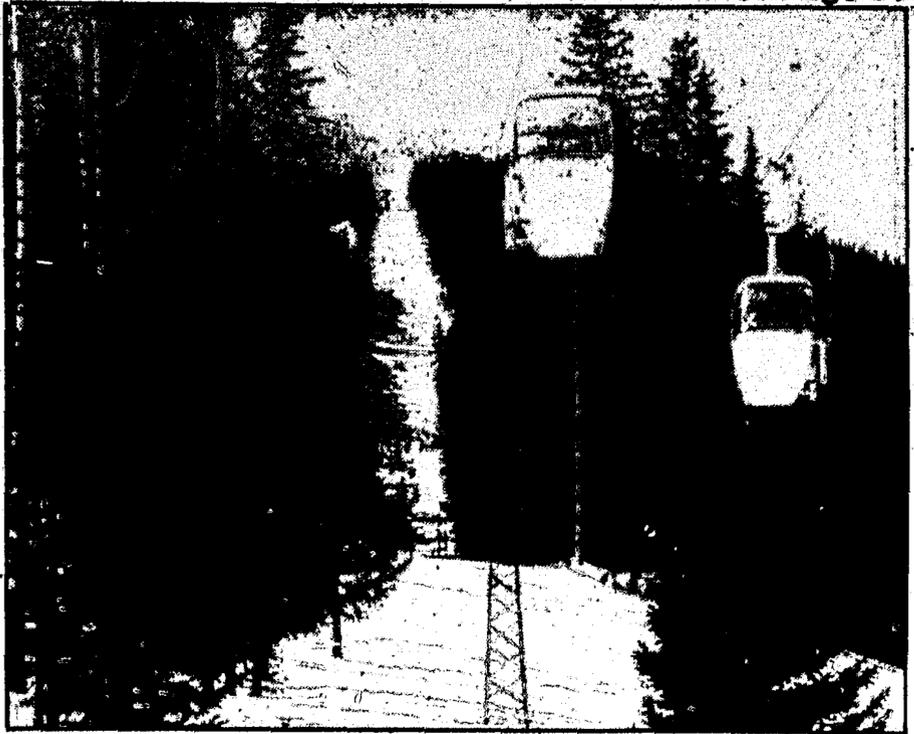
The gondola lift travels 8,000 feet in its journey from the base of the resort to the top of the resort at the Gazebo lodge. The lift rises vertically 1,700 feet from start to finish.

According to Sierra Blanca manager Roy Parker, the lift utilizes the original equipment it was installed with. He said the lift has a capacity of 500 skiers per hour.

"It's a definite big plus," Parker said of the gondola's contribution as a "calling card" for the resort. Ski areas that do not have gondolas don't know what they're missing, he commented.

"It's got a lot more class," he said. "Gondolas are what separate the first-class areas from the others," Sierra Blanca mountain manager Denny Grover added.

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by J. SCOTT GOELLER  
Special To The News

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This reply is heard many times from people when asked why they haven't joined a ski class. The fact is, few people understand what ski school is really all about. Simply and concisely, the Sierra Blanca ski school can be described in three words: safety, fun and learning.

Safety is first and foremost. It is the top priority in any ski class given at Sierra Blanca. While we admit that moderate risk-taking is part of the thrill of skiing, we encourage our students always to lend an eye toward safety. This is not to say that our students aren't challenged occasionally—we all like to "cut it loose" now and again. But we do stress a safe skiing environment by choosing the appropriate terrain for the ability level of the class. We

And fun is the reason we all ski, isn't it? Our instructors try to promote a friendly and open atmosphere among all the members of the class. They will encourage you to share ideas and experiences (and maybe a joke or two). But most of all they will help you to have fun! Our classes don't stand around idle while some instructor flaps his gums. They get the visual image from the pro and then ski it. Students probably get more mileage in class than they would free-skiing. THIS is FUN!

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**CLASS C: Improving Your Turn**

This class deals with skiing in a more parallel stance, ski design, stem turns, developing ability to read terrain, movement patterns that will help on more difficult terrain.

**CLASS D: Becoming More Versatile**

This class explores the ski as a tool, movements to vary radii and speed in turning, widetrack parallel skiing, ideas of skidding versus carving, stem-step turning and their applications, introduction to bumps and racing, more difficult terrain.

**CLASS E: Dynamic Turning**

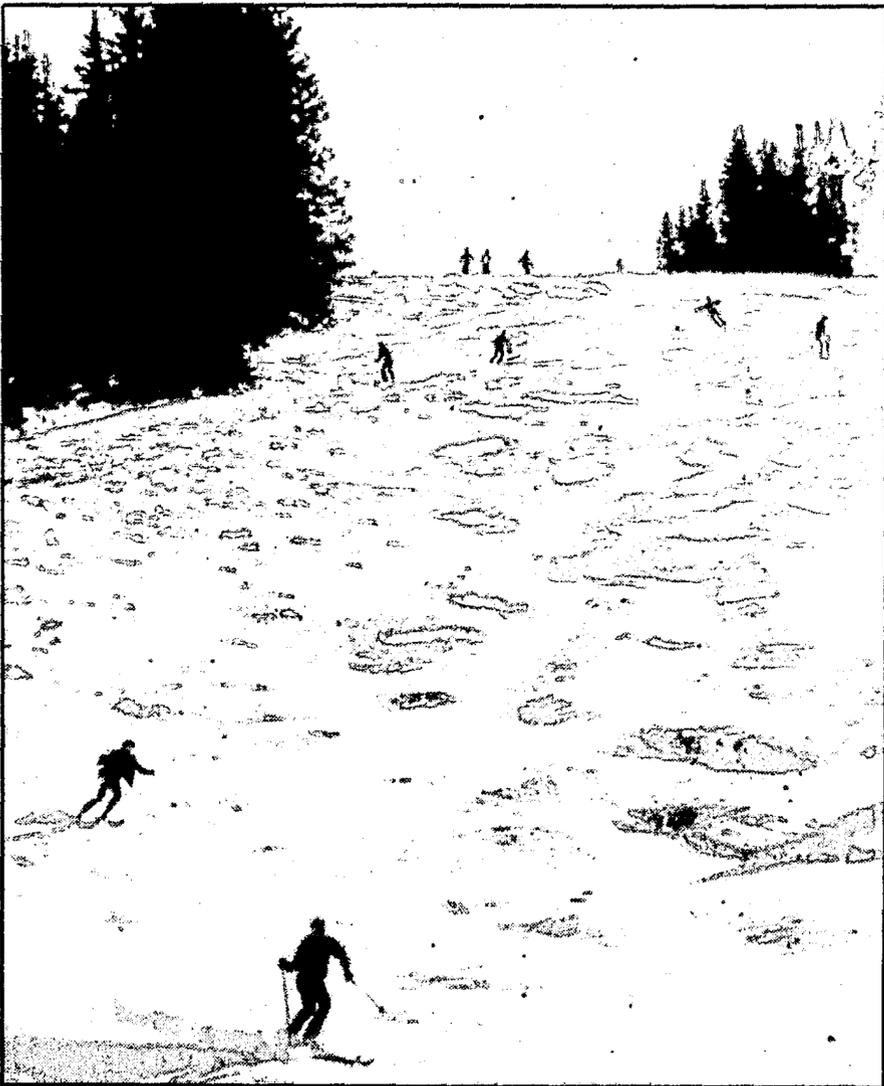
Topics include optimal use of ski design, float/sting turns, rebound turns, choice of line in bumps, speed control in bumps, racing strategies and tactics, skiing on most difficult terrain and snow conditions.

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Class will explore various finesse movements, group interest topics from World-Cup racing techniques to skiing the ultra-steep and deep.

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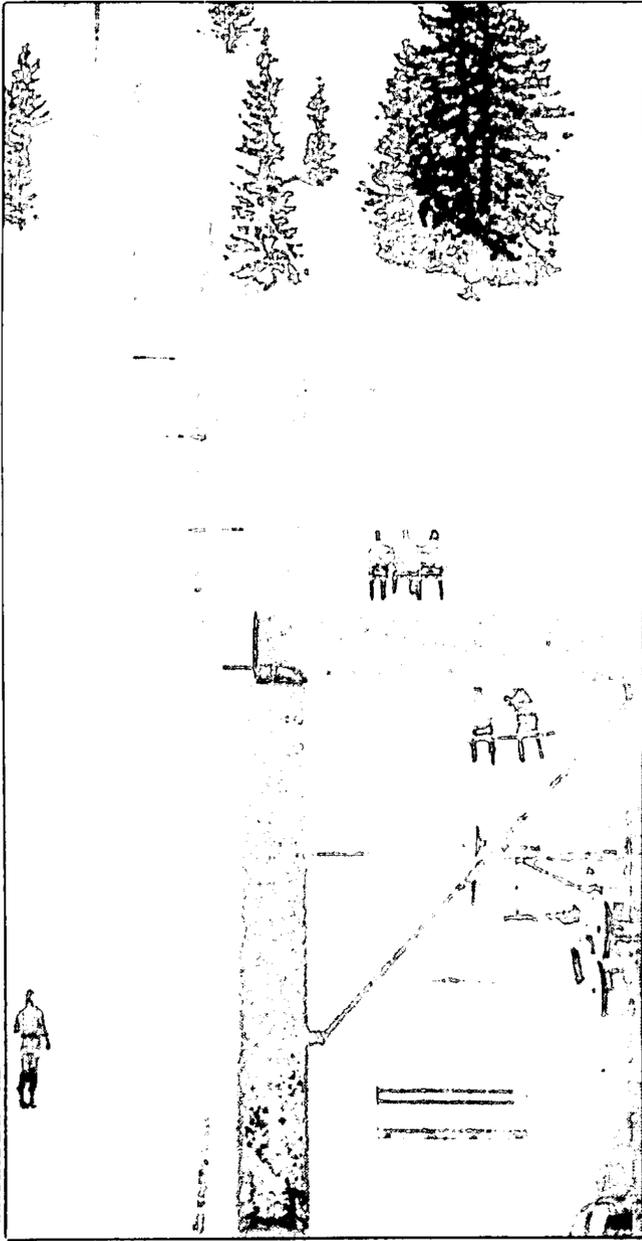
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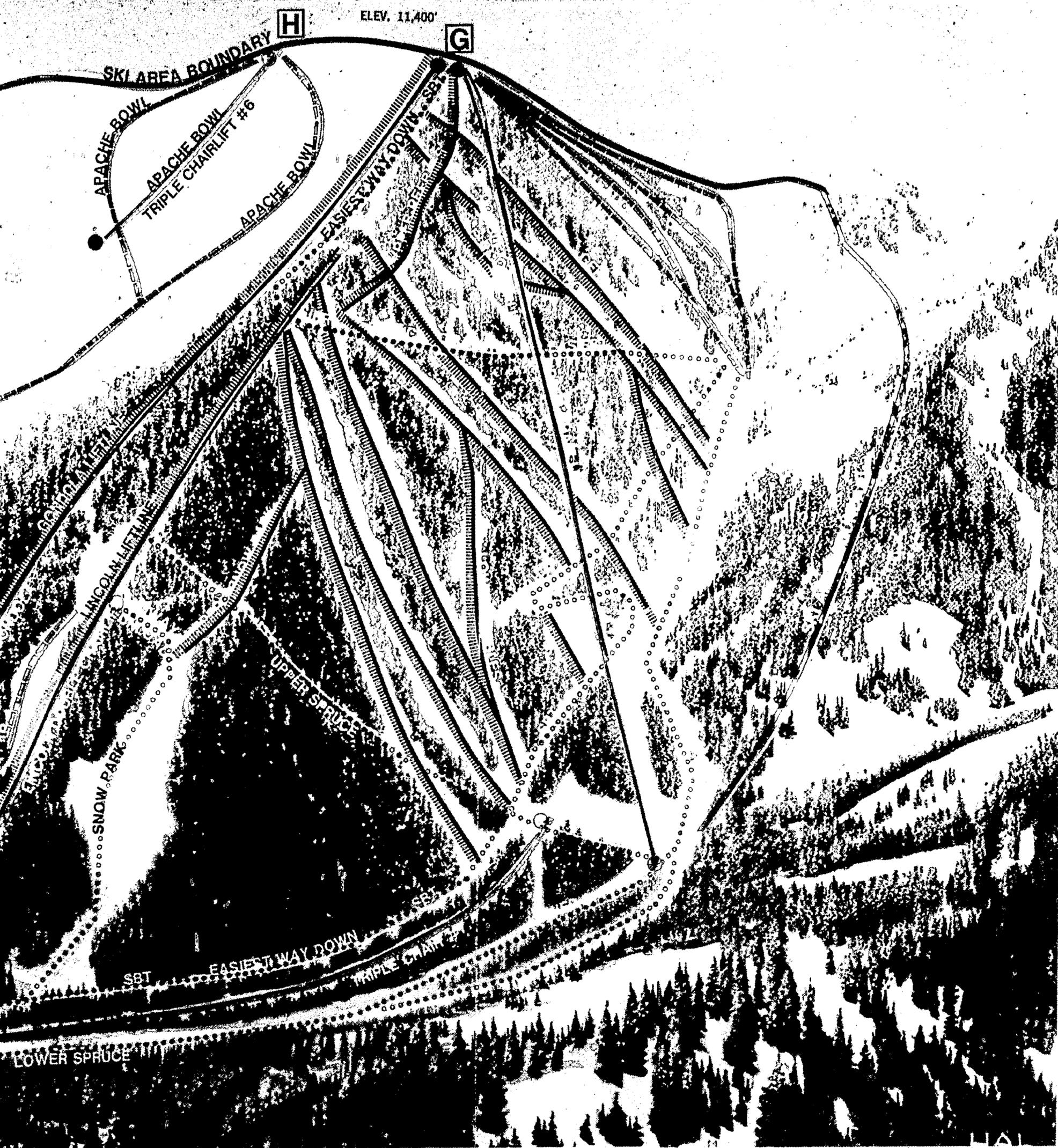
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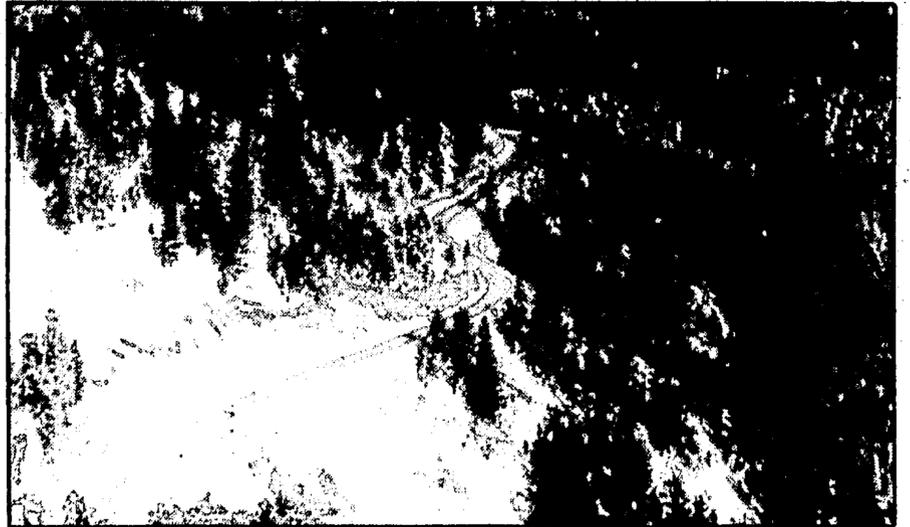
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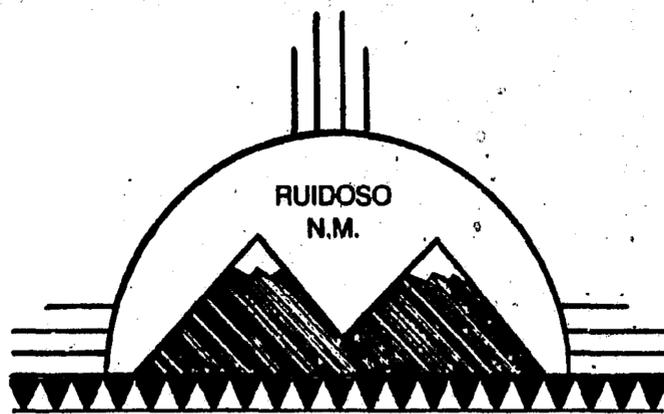
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# Capitan officials ready for snow

While many Sierra Blanca skiers have to travel great distances to enjoy a day on the slopes, residents of nearby Capitan can ski all day and be home in time for dinner.

Twenty miles from Ruidoso, Capitan residents enjoy both the convenience of nearby skiing and the ease of getting away from the crowds when they so choose.

Capitan Fire Chief Virgil Hall has skied for all but two of the past 38 years. Hall skied in Ruidoso even before the resort was built. "I skied when they had a toboggan run up Eagle Creek," said Hall proudly.

Hall began skiing when he was 35. He is now 73, but does not let age deter him from skiing. "Age isn't anything unless you let it be," he said.

Hall plans to ski four or five times this year. He's hoping for plenty of snow. "I

don't like to ski on dirt and rocks," he said. Hall is not Capitan's only official who skis. Mayor David Cummins has earned one bronze and three silver medals for individual NASTAR racing.

Cummins has been skiing for the past 12 years. Sierra Blanca is the only place that this Capitan native has ever skied.

"If it's a good year, I ski every Sunday," said Cummins. He said he also heads up the mountain whenever he can get an afternoon away from his work at Cummins Market.

After a tense week of local government worries, Cummins finds skiing a fun way to relax and let off tensions. "Sometimes, it gets a little wild up there," he said.

Cummins said that his main set of skis

are K27-10s with top-of-the-line Salomon boots. He also uses a pair of Hexall skis, depending on the weather.

In the Capitan Village Hall, Cummins is surrounded by present and former skiers. Office worker Dona Runnels was a ski instructor at Red River in Taos before she moved to Capitan two years ago. She now skies Sierra Blanca whenever she can.

Runnels enjoys the "sense of freedom" which skiing gives her. "It's a feeling of accomplishment...your own personal satisfaction," said Runnels.

Village clerk Gini Spall agreed. "It was the one sport in which I did not compete with anyone," said Spall.

Spall served for 15 years on the National Ski Patrol in Ruidoso.



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After a winter of constant use, and the nicks, scratches and gouges that go with it, a pair of snow skis can go from brand new to badly in need of repair in just one season. Even if the top surfaces of your skis look as new as the day you bought them, a glance at the underside can be a scary experience.

So what do you do? A certain level of repair can be achieved by taking some simple steps at home. The simplest step to take, however, is a trip to the local ski shop to have a complete inspection done of your equipment.

If you prefer to try it at home, you need to stick to simple maintenance of the skis themselves. Boot and binding

maintenance is more exacting and should be left to professionals at a ski shop. After all, an improper adjustment there could be the difference between an enjoyable day on the slopes and a broken leg.

Skis can be "tuned up" quite easily. The first step is usually to fill in holes and scratches on the bottom surface of the skis. P-tex, a repair material, is melted and dripped onto the damaged areas of the bottom of the ski. After the P-tex has hardened, a plastic scraper is used to scrape the bottom and level the drippings.

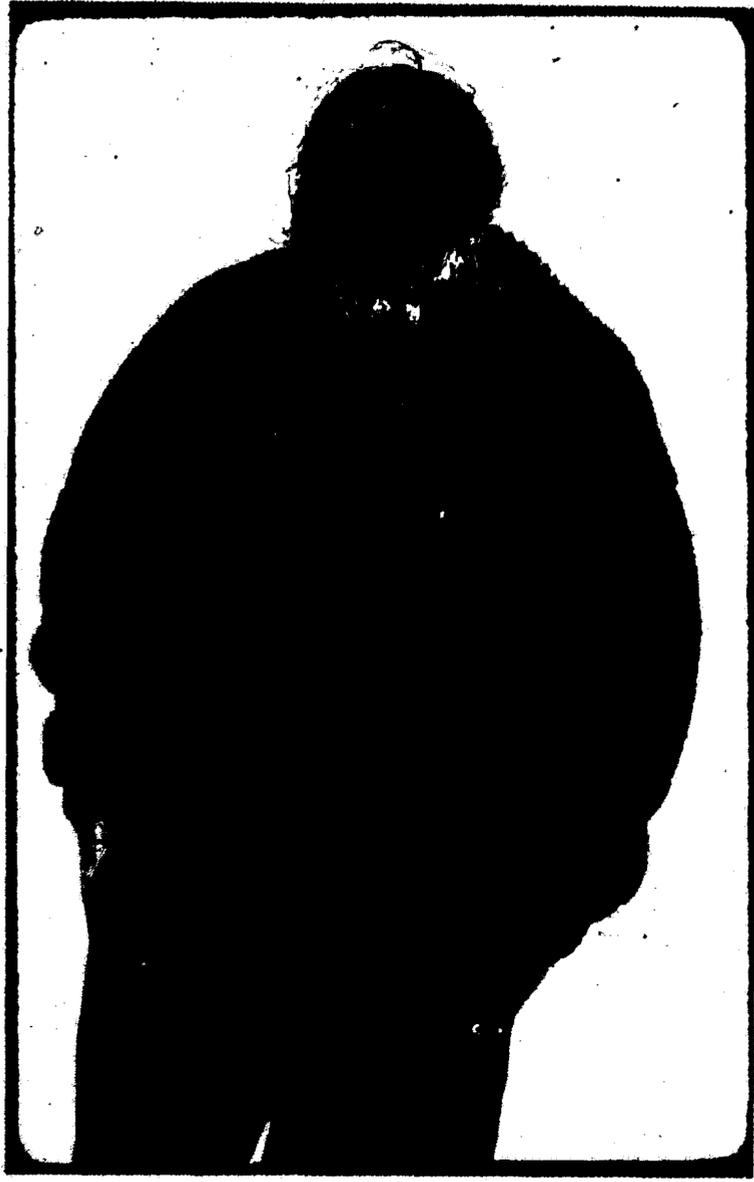
Second step is sharpening of the metal edges of the skis. A file is drawn down the length of the skis from the tip to the tail, in that direction, until a 90 degree angle is

achieved on the metal edge. Then the edge is slightly dulled about four inches near the tip and the tail of the skis. That is done to let the skis slide more easily through turns.

The final step is to apply a good base ski wax to the bottom surface of the skis. If you know the conditions of the snow and

the temperature in which you will use the skis, special waxes are also available to fit nearly every circumstance and will aid performance of the skis.

Whether done at home or by a ski shop, proper maintenance of ski equipment is an important step to successful skiing.



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For a capsule reference on skiing safety, consult the six elements of the skier's code, which are listed on the centerfold section of this tabloid (page 16) with the map of Sierra Blanca Ski Resort.

An important safety consideration at Sierra Blanca, in particular, is to always SKI IN BOUNDS. Persons who ski out of bounds go beyond the range of the Ski Patrol and are difficult to find and evacuate in the event of an injury.

Two skiers who ventured outside the designated areas of the mountain last

season paid for their mistake with a dangerous, miserable night in the woods.

After their rescue, the pair were evangelistic in their warnings to others to stay within the area boundaries.

On the trails, all skiers should have as their byword, SKI IN CONTROL. Being in control, as defined by Sierra Blanca Ski Resort manager Roy Parker, means "that you can stop at any given time."

Parker said out-of-control skiers are especially a problem on novice trails, which tend to have a lot of skiers, most of whom are novices.

Beginners using those trails need to pay particular heed to section 3 of the code, "You must not stop where you ... are not visible from above."

Out-of-control skiers can be reported to Ski Patrol members. The patrol generally



gives just one warning to the offender, then pulls his or her lift ticket for a second violation.

Section 2 of the code dictates, "When skiing downhill or overtaking another skier, you must avoid the skier below you." As one skier prepares to pass another, he should call out, "On your right," or, "On your left," so the slower skier is aware of

the side he is being passed on.

The skier being passed should refrain from turning to look on that side, as that move could pull him into the path of the faster skier.

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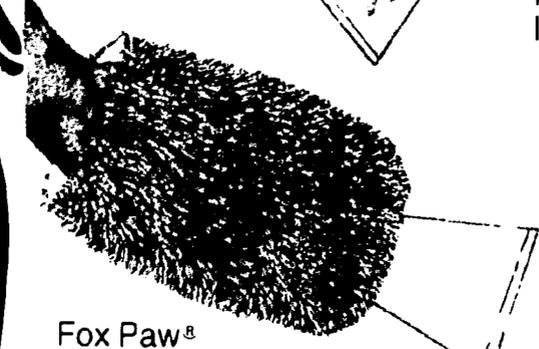
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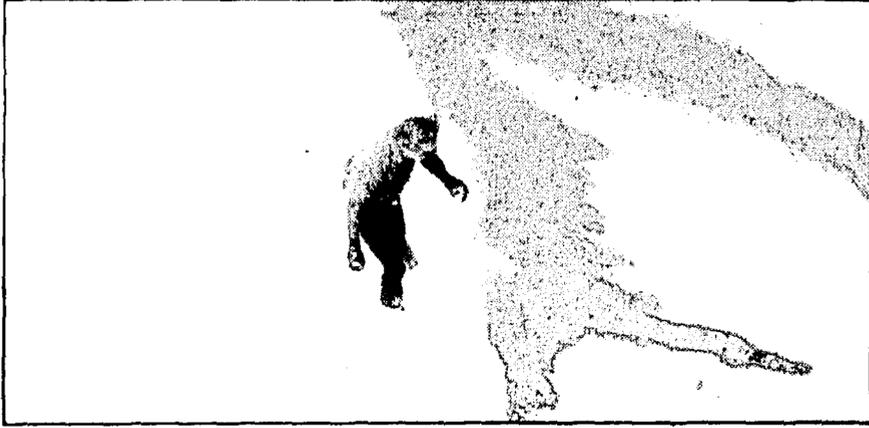
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# Expert tips mean

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## Holding On and Letting Go

Many intermediate skiers feel uncomfortable about beginning a parallel turn. The feeling of "I pray these things start to come around" is common among these skiers.

This unsteadiness at the entry into the fall-line can be a downright scary experience. Speed tends to become unmanageable, tips tend to cross. The result is that some people become "terminal intermediates." They never seem to make the breakthrough to a pure parallel turn. They are always obliged to stem the uphill ski to start it going in the new direction.

The problem here is that these folks are "holding on" too long. Holding on means that the edge of the downhill ski is still engaged in the snow when a new turn is started. They are so anxious to get balanced over the new turning ski that they forget to release the old one.

The old ski seems to be their security blanket because, after all, it did get them through the last turn in good shape. But what these people fail to realize is that, since the downhill ski is still on edge, it will continue to track on a straight line. This effectively blocks any efficient movement into the new turn.

If you find yourself feeling unsteady at the beginning of a turn, try the idea of "letting go." The thought here is simply to flatten the downhill ski to start your turn. As soon as you flatten the ski, its edge is no longer holding on to the snow. Now the natural force of gravity will pull the skis into the new turn.

At first, try this on unchallenging terrain. As you get the feel of flattening the

downhill ski and letting go, you will begin to notice that your body is naturally rising in the direction of the new turn. In a sense, you are giving yourself to gravity. You are surrendering the need to hold on to the comfort and security of the downhill ski.

With practice, you will find that an active "up" motion will enhance the flattening of the ski. You will soon discover that the beginning of the turn is not the scary thing it once was.

## Look at Everything But See Nothing

The one tip that will improve your skiing the most is simply said but the hardest to do: LOOK AHEAD. Sounds simple you say? Right! But do you look far enough ahead when you ski? Most people don't. In fact the majority of skiers, regardless of ability level, look directly at their skis. "Gee, I wonder what those things are doin' down there."

Consider what a nasty circumstance we place ourselves in when we don't look far enough ahead. When traveling 15 miles per hour on skis, we cover 22 feet per second. Look across your living room now and estimate a 22-foot span. Are you normally looking that far when you ski? Imagine what could be in that space if you were on a ski slope. There could be two or three huge moguls, maybe a tree or two, maybe several skiers or a slick patch of ice. How can you possibly see all this, much less physically react, if your vision is limited to the area two feet in front of your ski tips?

What's more, think how skiing with your eyes glued to your skis complicates the issue of balance. It severely limits our perspective of the world. If all we see is our ski tips and a small white area of snow, we cheat our brain of inputs necessary to tell us where to stand on our skis. The subtle balance adjustments which enable us to remain comfortably on our feet become extremely difficult.

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# getting the most from your season

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The first step in correcting this error is to be aware of your skiing vision. It's such a natural tendency to watch the skis that many people don't even know they're doing it. If you do find yourself being a terminal ski-watcher, try the "Look at Everything But See Nothing" game when skiing down an easy slope.

Relax your mind's eye so that it takes in everything at once. Visually concentrate on nothing in particular. Instead, let your vision "soften" to a point where the image of the slope in front of you includes all the trees, bumps and snow conditions. See the slope as a speed reader would see a whole paragraph instead of the individual words. Fight the natural tendency to sharply focus on any one object. Let your vision wander away from your skis with the sole purpose of taking it all in with a single glance.

With practice, you'll find that this game will increase your field of vision and free you from the pitfalls of watching your skis. You'll experience better balance and smoother, more graceful movements while skiing. What's more, you'll finally give yourself the chance to fully appreciate the beauty of the skiing experience. After all, there's much more to

see than just that white patch of snow under your feet.

## Skiing Like Muhammad Ali

I don't know if Muhammad Ali ever put on a pair of skis, but if he did, chances are that he'd be a great skier. Why? Not because of his power, grace and athletic ability, but because of his philosophy of "float like a butterfly and sting like a bee."

For the sake of discussion, let's separate the ski turn into two parts, the "float" phase and the "sting" phase.

The float phase is the entry into a turn. At this point, gravity begins to take our skis downhill. Since there is no point fighting a losing battle with gravity, we should ride the skis into the fall-line with a light, floating action.

Being light on our feet in this phase enables the brain to gather important information. How fast are we going? What is the snow texture like? What is the radius of our turn going to be?

It is the "touchy/feely" part of the turn where we are floating along in harmony with the forces of gravity. During this float phase, we give our body a chance to relax. We can allow our leg muscles a short breather while gravity does the work for us.

The sting phase is identified with the end of the turn. It is the point where all the physical forces gang up and load the skis. Gravity, centripetal force, body weight and muscular strength bond the ski into a prescribed arc.

Being heavy on our feet allows the design of the ski to be used effectively. The brain now transmits its previously gathered data to the body enabling it to make subtle adjustments in balance. Instead of relaxing, the muscles now resist gravity in a holding-on fashion.

Skiing with a deft floating action into a turn and a positive sting through the end of a turn can and will improve your skiing.

By rising to float and settling to sting, you'll find a sense of rhythm and grace. You'll experience improved balance and increased awareness of the feel of the skis.

So go ahead and take a few runs impersonating Muhammad Ali. Do some floating, do some stinging. Who knows? When it comes to skiing, you may turn out to be "the Greatest."



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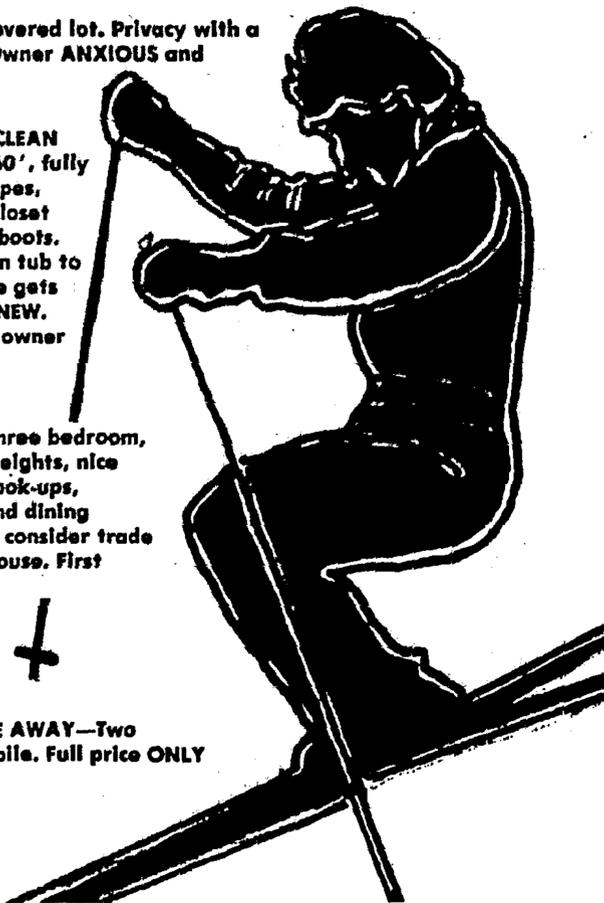
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# Grooming with respect aim of Sierra Blanca crew

"There isn't anybody in the state who does the grooming that we do," Sierra Blanca Ski Resort mountain manager Denny Grover says with pride when asked about the impressive array of sno-cats, snow-tilling equipment and snowmaking machines that pepper the slopes at the resort.

Being one of the most southerly ski areas in New Mexico, Sierra Blanca is generally exposed to more sunshine and warmer temperatures than more northerly areas. Because of that, Grover and his crew of four groomers have a vital place in the job of providing good conditions for skiers.

During a late October snowfall this year, Grover's crew began to work the snow after only four inches had fallen, trying to insure that as much snow as possible would be saved for the skiers to come. In all, over two feet of the white stuff was left in the wake of the storm, blanketing the area.

The Sierra Blanca crew worked the snowfall extensively, with nearly all trails being machine packed two to three times, and even the steepest trails being packed by foot by ski-shod, sidestepping crews. Grover estimated about 10 inches of packed, condensed snow was gained from the snowfall.

Grover explained that the steep trails were packed by foot to provide a stable base for later packing by the big LMC 3,700 sno-cats that accomplish most of the snow grooming work on the mountain.

Grover said the sno-cats are the best available. Sierra Blanca uses five of the \$120,000 sno-cats to do nearly everything imaginable to snow. The cats are used like farm tractors, tilling, rolling and sometimes chopping up the snow with the use of trailer attachments.

"It's farming," Grover said.

The mountain manager noted that most of the grooming work is done late in the day, after skiers have left. One important device used is the power tiller, a hydraulically driven, rotating bar that cuts, grinds and fluffs up the top five inches of the skiing surface.

"We think they give you the finest skiing surface you can get," he remarked.

And obtaining a suitable skiing surface is a primary goal of the crew. If Mother Nature doesn't cooperate, achieving that surface becomes even more of a concern. Snowmaking at Sierra Blanca is a powerful friend for the resort.

Grover estimated about \$1 million worth of snowmaking equipment is used in the efforts to keep the trails white.

And although the area usually receives around 150 inches of the white stuff, snowmaking remains vital.

"We consider it to be the best," Grover said of the resort's snowmaking system. The electrically-driven "air-airless" system can be used to cover an entire trail in a single night. Already this year, the

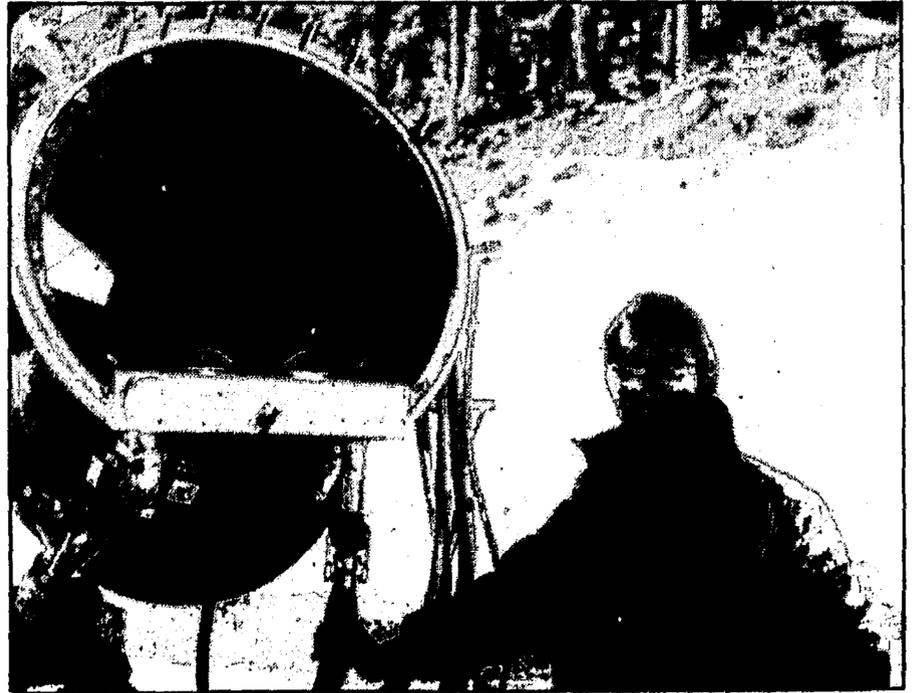
crew covered one trail with as much as four feet of the manmade snow after one night of snowmaking.

The system, new to the resort last year, features turbine fans that propel air and water particles at a rate of 90 miles per hour from the snowmakers.

Grover said the delicate adjustments and myriad of conditions encountered when making snow make the task a challenge.

"It's more of an art than a science."

Whether making snow or cultivating the snow that blankets the resort, Denny Grover and his crew of groomers are sure to be working with the skier in mind.



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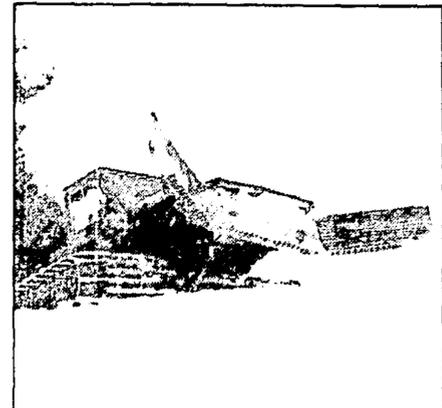



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If you're the latter type, there are plenty of places in Ruidoso to enjoy drinking, dancing and live entertainment.

For Las Vegas-type show music, there's the lounge at The Inn of the Mountain Gods and the Prime Time Restaurant. The Inn, located four miles south of Ruidoso, offers a show band every night but Sunday.

For the first half of December, Moonpie will play country and jazz music. Pepper Martin will perform country music through January. Music at the Inn is from 8:45 p.m. to 1:30 a.m.

Prime Time presents country show bands every night but Monday from 8:30

p.m. to 2 a.m. It is located across from Ruidoso Downs Race Track.

There are many places for dancing in Ruidoso. Kelley's Saloon has live music Thursdays through Saturdays from 9 p.m. until closing at 1:30 a.m. Kelley's will feature a variety of acts which play rock and roll music from the 60s and 70s.

For weary skiers who want to come in early from the cold, Kelley's also has a happy hour every weekday from 4:30 to 6:30 p.m. During the happy hour, well drinks and long-neck beers are 75 cents. Kelley's is located on Mechem Drive (Highway 37).

The Barn, the largest club in New Mexico, offers both country music and rock and roll music for your listening and dancing pleasure. On Thursday and Friday nights, they'll have rock and roll bands.

Country music will be featured on Saturday and Sundays. The music plays from 9 p.m. to 1:30 a.m.

In addition to the live music, The Barn offers nightly specials on drinks. On Thursday nights, it's happy hour for ladies all night long. Fridays are kamikaze nights.

The Barn is located on Highway 70 South.

Cochera offers dancing to both live bands and disc jockeys. On Tuesdays, Wednesdays, Fridays and Saturdays, live bands play contemporary rock and roll music. On Thursdays, a deejay provides the sounds for "Margarita Madness."

Cochera is located one-quarter mile north of Kelley's on Highway 37.

Carrizo Lodge, on Carrizo Canyon Road, offers both lounge music and stage shows. In the lounge, Carrizo presents dance bands Thursdays through Saturdays. Beginning on January 15, the Quintikis will play country western music for six weeks.

On December 2, the Glenn Miller Band will do its "Great American Band Revival" show in the studio lounge.

Nottingham's Pub on Sudderth Drive of-

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fers a variety of music from jazz to pop. During December, Kevin Rongonui will perform at the piano bar from 6 p.m. to 10 p.m. Tuesdays through Sundays. Nightly music will continue throughout the winter, generally from 8 p.m. until midnight.

Entertainment offered at the Inn Credible on Highway 37 includes Hobo Express playing weekends, and live music for happy hour during ski season.

The restaurant is the first bar and restaurant down from the mountain.

At Sullivan's in the Ruidoso Inn in Ruidoso Downs, Diane & the Ernesto Quartet play Tuesday through Saturday from 8 p.m. until 1:30 a.m. Happy hour is every night from 5 to 7 p.m.

Casablanca Restaurant on lower Mechem Drive features Sara & the Boys Without Sleep Fridays through Sundays—from 9 p.m. Fridays and Saturdays, and from 8 p.m. Sundays.

Happy hour runs weekdays from 3:30 to 6:30, and all day Sundays.

For those who belong, the Texas Club offers country western music and golden oldies performed by Tom and Manon Thursdays through Saturdays.

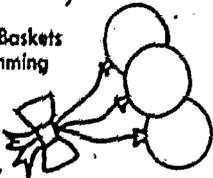
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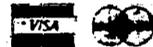
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He also drives a mean snowmobile. And if you happen to be on back of that snowmobile zipping around the Sierra Blanca Ski Resort, which he manages, you can forget any concept you might have held of time and distance. In his territory, Parker seems to be in full command, even of time and space.

"The only limiting factor we have right now is the snowfall," he said later. "If we get the snow, we get as many people as we can handle."

He sat back and began to estimate. "If we get in excess of 180 to 200 inches of snow, that's for the whole winter. I think we could get 265,000 people."

That would set a new attendance record for the resort, eclipsing the old record set two seasons ago by 18,000.

Parker said last year could have been the biggest season by far in his 20 years managing Sierra Blanca.

"We were nine to 10 percent ahead of the year before in January."

But a February drought descended on the area, bringing with it sunshine, warm temperatures and a slowdown in skier traffic.

"When that happens," Parker said, "there's nothing you can do about it."

Winter droughts are a subject he has some familiarity with. Parker has dealt with them throughout most of his adult life, along with other natural occurrences frowned upon by the skiing industry.

He's worked at resorts in Vail, Loveland and Aspen, Colorado, and has done everything from teaching ski school to managing ski patrols. Much of it was self-taught.

"There were no schools in those days," he said. "Experience was the school."

A Midwesterner originally, Parker grew up in Illinois and skied at the Wisconsin ski resort of Wilmot, one of the most popular resorts in the region.

When he started at Sierra Blanca, skiing as an industry was in its infancy. The resort had three tow bars and the gondola, giving it a 2,700-skier-per-hour lift capacity.

The parking lot was a quarter of the size it is today, and the winding road that leads to the resort was not yet paved.

Parker has since turned the mountain into an 11,400-skier-per-hour resort, with

seven chairlifts, the gondola and a mitey mite handle tow.

"Our technology is improving," Parker pointed out. "The technology of snow grooming is improving. What we did five years ago with snow grooming wouldn't be acceptable today."

With the cutting of new trails and other improvements, the resort's "comfortable capacity" has risen to 5,000 lift tickets a day. "I'm not saying that's not crowded," he said. "But we can handle it."

At prime times, such as during Christmas holidays and on weekends in February, the number of tickets sold swells to 6,000, and the pressure is on.

"When you have more than your comfortable capacity," Parker said, "every lift has to operate. If even one shuts down, you've got pandemonium because you've got lines everywhere."

If he could correct any situation connected with the resort, it might be the impression that the mountain is shut down to skiing.

"People in town don't see snow on the mountain and they think skiing is bad," he said. "And they tell that to tourists. Or they tell them that we're closed."

He said the residents in Ruidoso can't know the quality or quantity of the snow at the resort because from town, only the southern and eastern sides of the mountain are visible. Skiing is done on the north side.

"They're only hurting themselves," Parker added. "It happens in Vail and Aspen, too. People are down at the mouth and grumbling....If you can't say something nice, don't say anything at all. Or say that we're open."

What draws him to his job is what draws thousands of skiers to Sierra Blanca every year—the experience of skiing.

"It's a little hard to translate," he tried to explain. "Basketball is a game, tennis is a game. But they're not quite like skiing."

He said skiing gives people a chance to get away from the cities, away from their problems, away from the normal. It's a chance to experience something special.

"Skiing is more than sliding down a hill," Parker said. "It's an experience of being in the mountains, the freedom of the mountains.... You get the feeling that your problems are not as big when you can see the mountains and all the space. It scales your problems down when you see how big it all is."

# Pro-ski classic set for Jan. 31-Feb. 3

"The World's Richest Ski Race" returns to Ruidoso in two months, promising a minimum purse of \$80,000, and some of the top professional ski racers from the international pro ski circuit.

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## ALL-AMERICAN PRO-SKI CLASSIC

The race is one of 11 on the Peugeot Grand Prix circuit, the largest and richest professional ski racing tour which will terminate with the Peugeot Grand Prix World Finals in Vail, Colorado, in March.

Scheduled to take place January 31 to February 3 at Sierra Blanca Ski Resort, the race is expected to draw between 50 and 60 professional skiers.

Names like Cary Adgate, Peter Dodge, Yaries Halsnes, Reidar Wahl, Francois Vulliet and Hans Ueli Bosch will head the field of competitors. Approximately 11 different countries will be represented at the starting gate.

The slalom and giant slalom races will be held on the Capitan run. The individual heats pit two racers against each other on dual parallel courses. The first to cross the

finish line in this head-to-head competition eliminates the other racer.

Each race has a duration of approximately 25 to 30 seconds, and covers a distance of about 1,000 feet. Midcourse jumps will vault the racers 15 to 20 feet through the air.

A celebrity pro-am, similar to last year's event, again will be conducted in conjunction with the race. A fee of about \$200 will be charged to non-professionals for the right to ski with the professionals.

State and local funding have combined to make the event workable, along with local sponsors, volunteer help and cash contributions on the part of Peugeot.

The race will be televised by ESPN to more than 33 million subscribing households, in segments of 90 minutes to two hours. Each segment will be televised a minimum of three times and a maximum of six times.

In addition to the main ski racing event and the celebrity pro-am, the four days of the race will feature an awards banquet, fund-raising events and live entertainment.

A majority of the net proceeds of the race will be designated to the Sierra Blanca Handicapped Skier Program and the Ruidoso-Hondo Valley Hospital Foundation.

The Peugeot Grand Prix, now in its eighth year, is sanctioned by the World Association of Pro-Skiing. It is conducted by the North American Pro-Ski Corporation of Bath, Maine.



# Common sense tips for winter driving

You're driving down Sudderth Drive after a snow storm. The streets are a bit slick and icy.

All of a sudden your car starts to skid. You could crash into another car or a building. Panic sets in. What do you do?

Well, if you've got a rear-wheel drive vehicle, you should steer into the skid, release the gas pedal and not slam on the brakes.

On the other hand, if you've got a front-wheel drive vehicle, you should steer away from the skid and apply a little pressure to the gas pedal.

There. That's one of the lessons to driving in the Ruidoso area during the wintertime. And there are many more.

Ruidoso police strongly recommend that vehicles be in good condition. They also recommend that drivers carry extra equipment in cases of really bad weather.

Snow tires are virtually a must in the wintertime. The above situation on Sudderth Drive might not have occurred if the car had snow tires.

Chains are sometimes needed in heavy snow periods, particularly on the road to the Sierra Blanca Ski Resort. Police also advise that drivers carry tow chains, ice scrapers, flashers, jumper cables and brushes in their cars.

Chains are usually the best for traction in snow, studded snow tires are the next best and regular snow tires are third.

Without one of the above, a car can slide and lose traction easily on a snowy and slick street.

All parts of your car should be running properly. Brakes, windshield wipers, turn signals and batteries should all be checked to make sure they're working right. You should also check your antifreeze.

One of the big headaches for car owners in the wintertime is waking up and seeing your car covered with snow and ice.

That's where an ice scraper comes in handy. They're inexpensive and can be bought at almost any hardware or general store.

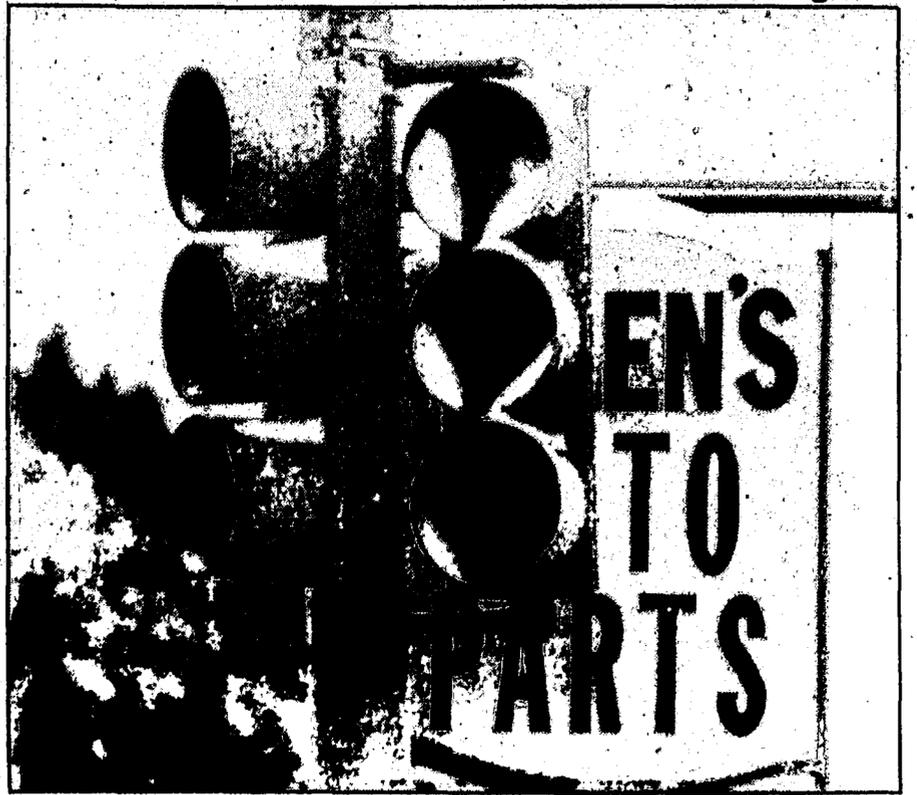
Drivers should be prepared to spend around a half hour scraping snow and ice off a car's windows after or during a bad snowstorm.

You should also warm the car up for at least 10 minutes before driving it.

And make sure that all the ice and snow is off your car before you drive it. Ruidoso police can cite people for driving with an obstructed view.

Common sense is very important during bad weather.

Drivers should go slower on streets when the weather conditions are bad. It's



especially hard to go uphill in snowy weather on some of the roads in town.

Drivers should also leave plenty of space between their car and other vehicles. They should drive defensively and watch for pedestrians and stalled vehicles on the road.

In addition, drivers should be careful after a snowstorm until all the runoff is cleared. After snow is scraped or melted, it forms into a sort of "black ice" that

looks like the pavement and makes it hard to drive.

Drivers should also wear safety belts and NEVER DRINK while driving. Drunk drivers cause many problems during the wintertime.

When winter driving conditions are bad, the police and sheriff departments will advise drivers of what to expect through The News and local radio stations.

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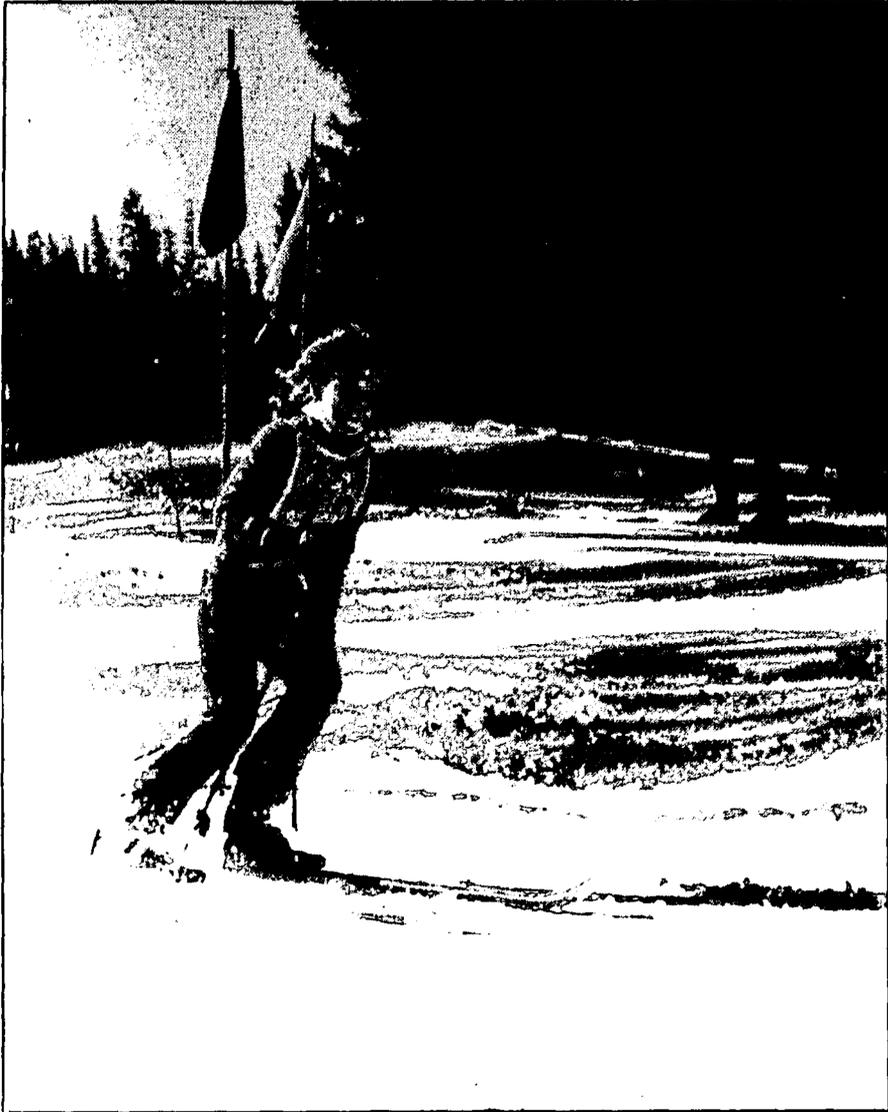
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# Junior skiers offered

There are excellent opportunities for youth and teenage skiers in the Ruidoso area.

Both the Ruidoso-Sierra Blanca Ski Racing Team and the Sierra Blanca Ski Resort youth ski program offer something for youths of all ages and abilities.

The youth ski program has added an advanced group—the Demo-Team—to its schedule this season. Other divisions in the program include the Hot Tots, Red Hots and Hot Shots.

Beginning skiers will probably be in the Hot Tots program. The Red Hots are for middle level youth skiers and the Hot Shots are the most advanced group except for the Demo-Team.

The program is open to youths from four

to 12 years old. It teaches all levels of skiing, from beginning to advanced.

The Demo-Team will meet twice a week at Sierra Blanca while the less advanced groups will get together once a week.

Prices will be \$350 per youth in the three lower divisions, and \$400 per skier for the Demo-Team.

“The Demo-Team will be like a demonstration team,” said Cathy Allen, the local youth program coordinator at Sierra Blanca Ski Resort. “They’ll be made up of very advanced skiers and will do things like stunts, synchronized skiing and ballet.”

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# training and thrills

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Carla Grover is the children's ski school superintendent at the resort.

Allen is hopeful more youths from the Capitan area will learn about the program and join this season.

The Ruidoso-Sierra Blanca Ski Racing team is for youths seven to 17 years old. There will be five divisions this season, depending on a skier's age and ability.

The program offers racing competition in Colorado and New Mexico that could eventually lead to national competition.

Last season, Neely Schwarb of the ski racers won a gold medal and a silver medal at the National Junior Olympics in Winter Park, Colorado.

Coach Schar Ward has a considerable amount of experience in competitive skiing.

Ward skied as a junior racer in Ruidoso for six years before becoming a four-year letterman at the University of New Mexico ski team.

He also raced professionally on the New Mexico pro tour and the Peugeot tour for several years.

The first ski race at Sierra Blanca this season is scheduled for Saturday and Sunday, December 15-16. It will be a trophy race.

Anyone wishing further information on the ski racing team can call Ward at 354-2690, or president Rick Koontz at 257-9533.





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