Friday	Friday & Saturday	Saturday	Sunday
Opening day at Ruidoso Downs Race Track First post time: 1 p.m.	Annual Hondo Fiesta La Luna Sobre el Valle 7 p.m. at Hondo School	Cheerleading Clinic 9 a.m. to noon Ruidoso High School	Optimist Club's Bicycle Safety Class-1 p.m. at White Mountain School

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Governor Bruce King and his wife, Alice King, will be in Ruidoso next Thursday, May 19, to speak to Lincoln County Democrats.

Governor King will speak to Democrats and candidates at 6 p.m. Thursday, May 19, at Cree Meadows Country Club.

Democratic candidates will have a chance to speak during the regular meeting.

Community invited to MainStreet coffee

MainStreet invites the community to its weekly coffee at 9 a.m. Friday, May 13, at the MainStreet Office on Sudderth.

Inn's golf course gains top 100 title

The Inn of the Mountain Gods golf course has been selected as one of the nation's top courses for 1993.

The Inn of the Mountain Gods' course was listed in the "Top 100 Golf Course" issue published by "Golf Digest."

FFA banquet bumps May board meeting

The regular monthly meeting of the Capitan School Board has been moved back to 7 p.m. May 19 to accommodate a Future Farmers of America banquet tonight.

A work session will begin at 6:30 p.m.in the school library.

Senior golfers tee off here Thursday

Golfers over 55 are encouraged to enter the Senior Olympics golf trials at 10 a.m. Thursday, May 19, at Cree Meadows.

Winners will go on to compete at the state level in Las Vegas, New Mexico, August 3-6.

Green fees for this tournament will be $17 for players 60 and older and $23 for those in the 55 to 59 age bracket.

For tee times and registration, call the pro shop at 257-5815.

Weather

Wednesday's low.....42
Wednesday's high.....65
Thursday's forecast.....low 40s
Thursday's predicted high.....upper 60s
Friday's predicted low.....low 40s
Friday's predicted high.....upper 60s
According to the National Weather Service in Albuquerque, today will be rainy with thunderstorms. Friday will be partly cloudy with a 30 percent chance of rain.

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Police chief resigns

by CHARLES STALLINGS
Ruidoso News Staff Writer

Ruidoso police chief Richard Swenor told the village council Tuesday he is resigning his post as of July 1.

Swenor, who has been chief for 12 of his 15 years in the village, said he plans to stay in Ruidoso and pursue other opportunities.

As an example, he mentioned the county manager's job, recently vacated by Andy Wynham.

The senior police chief in the state said he has lasted longer in the position than most police chiefs and it is time for new and different challenges.

Mayor Jerry Shaw and the council expressed their regrets.

According to state statutes, the mayor has the duty of appointing a new chief, subject to the approval of a majority of the council.

Sewer rates will jump by $2 per month with the passage Tuesday of Ordinance 94-8.

The expected rate increase is across the board for residential and commercial, and is estimated to bring an additional $124,000 in revenue for sewer operations.

The council unanimously passed the 1994-95 Fiscal Year Preliminary Budget for $16,524,018.

Village manager Gary Jackson and finance director LeeAnn Nichols showed the council a variety of graphs to support expenditures and projections.

Some of the high ticket items in the budget include capital improvement items of $1-million in wastewater treatment modifications (offset with revenues estimated at $1-million) and $1.3-million in the Grindstone Treatment Plant ($570,000 in grant money and a $750,000 transfer from supplemental gross receipts).

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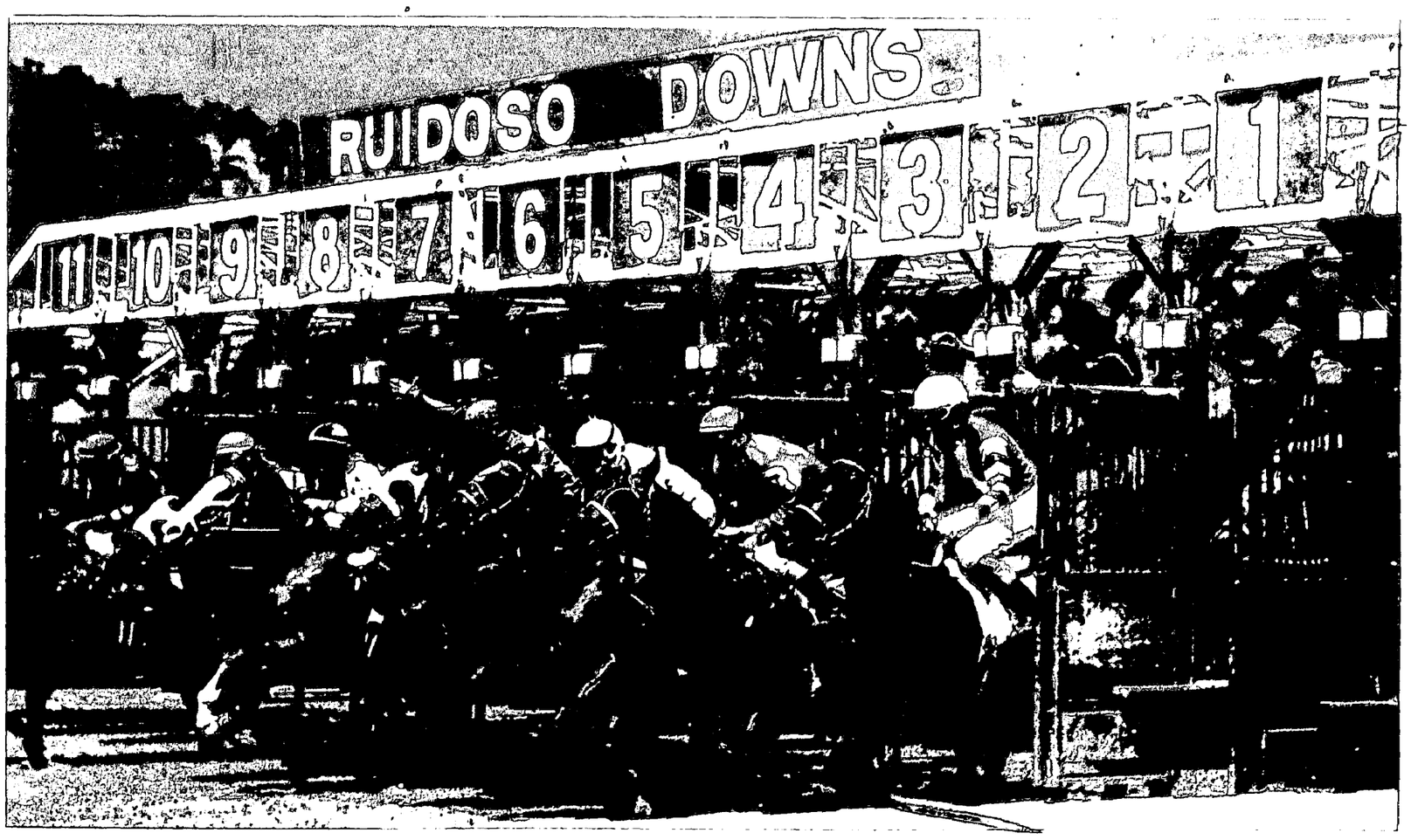

Run for the money

This hopeful lineup from a past season at Ruidoso Downs Race Track is just a preview of more to come when the track opens for this year's 68-day season starting Friday, May 13. First post-time is 1 p.m.

School board battles budget

by DIANNE STALLINGS
Ruidoso News Staff Writer

A projected operational budget of $8.7-million for the 1994-95 school year was adopted Tuesday by the Ruidoso School Board.

The operational total represents an increase of about $601,000 over the current year. The majority of the additional revenue comes from an anticipated increase in enrollment of about 65 students or 2.96 percent.

Property tax support for operation crept up only $3,255 to $65,038; state revenue jumped from $7.2-million to $7.9-million. Federal sources increased $42,601 to $585,093.

About 85 percent of the budget covers salaries and benefits, about $5.6-million, up $276,272 from this year.

Teachers received an average 1.5 percent flush of new dollars into each salary matrix in addition to earning more by taking one more step on the experience ladder (except for those at the top experience positions, which accounts for 53 percent of the staff). Employees in maintenance received an average 6 percent increase. The cost of workman's compensation went up 30 percent.

Other areas of increase included $139,313 in instructional support; $3,368 for administration; $13,277 for business and support services; $14,863 for athletics; $16,659 for non-instructional support; $9,435 for supplies and materials.

In addition to the operation budget, another $4.3-million represents among other expenses, debt service, $100,000 for capital outlay, $793,698 for student transportation, and $301,854 to finish out bond proceeds for building.

In presenting the budget to the board, business manager Caron Snow pointed out that:

—the new Sierra Vista Primary school will open with appropriate equipment, materials and staff for

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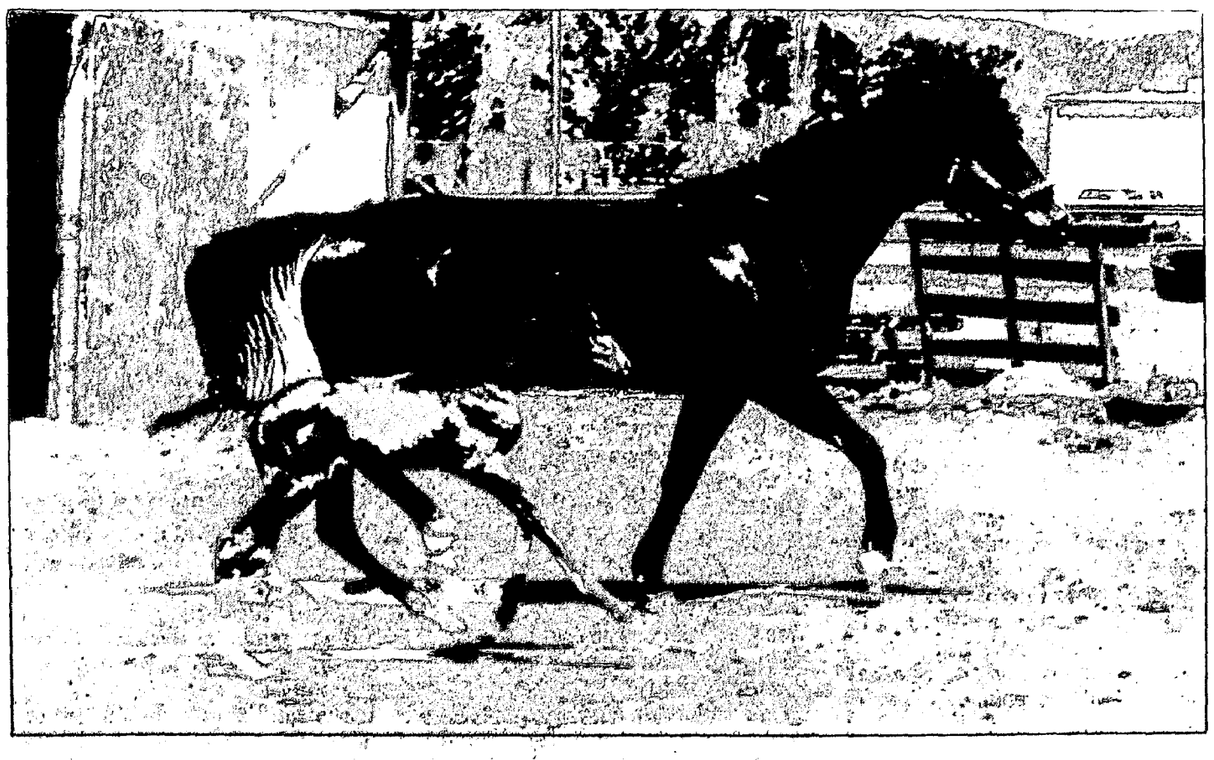

Bundle of joy

This proud mother horse takes her foal for a short run in the stables area at Ruidoso Downs Race Track. The little one, just three days old, has the look of a winner.

MainStreet to make new plea for funds

by PAMELA CROMWELL
Ruidoso News Staff Writer

MainStreet is regrouping and looking for new tactics to convince village councilors to renew its $32,000 contract.

"I really don't see how the village got short-changed," Dutton said. "They invested about a quarter million dollars and they got back about one and a half million."

The first order of business at Wednesday's board meeting was election of officers. Margaret Lahey was elected vice president, Susan Carter secretary and Mike Radziewicz was re-elected treasurer. The board also filled the final vacancy for director, electing Jay Ross to the board. Clark Carpenter withdrew his name from consideration.

Working with just more than half the directors in attendance, the board members licked a few wounds and assessed their situation.

President Don Dutton asked visiting merchants how construction in front of their shops was going.

"Beautiful, great, moving right along," they replied.

Deputy village manager Alan Briley reported to the board that D&S Construction is still waiting for delivery of drop inlets and street lights and that tax reallocation paperwork is still stranded in Santa Fe.

The board considered various ways of strengthening their appeal to the Ruidoso Village Council.

"I think MainStreet is vital to Ruidoso," Dutton said. "And Julie Johncox thinks MainStreet is vital to New Mexico."

Johncox is with the New Mexico Department of Tourism and Dutton said she is willing to lobby the Ruidoso council. Dutton also said that Don Miller is preparing an update on the various MainStreet

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Downs speeds up hiring process for village jobs

by PAMELA CROMWELL
Ruidoso News Staff Writer

The Village of Ruidoso Downs is no longer required to post job openings for five days in-house before advertising positions to the public. At a regular meeting Monday night, the Board of Trustees voted to remove the requirement.

Chief of Police David Hightower told the board it is taking a long time to hire a dispatcher because of the five-day posting requirement. Village clerk Leann Weihbrecht supported his statement.

"It takes too long to post for five days, then advertise and wait another five days," she said. Weihbrecht said that removing the requirement does not put village employees at a disadvantage because anyone seeking a lateral transfer is already a better candidate than someone from outside the village.

The board also adopted a resolution to apply for hardship funds to repair bus routes in River Park and Palo Verde Subdivisions. The Downs has a co-op project with the State Highway Department totalling $44,144.25. The highway department pays 60 percent of that, and the Downs is requesting that they also pay the remaining 40 percent because the village can't afford it.

In another cost-cutting measure, the village is looking for a new health insurance provider.

"We're going out for bids because now we hold a $1,000 deductible at 70/30 and our rates have gone up 12 percent in one year," said Weihbrecht. "The rates go up three to seven percent every six months."

Weihbrecht said she is sure there are better deals out there. The village is looking for a package that pays 80 percent with a $500 deductible.

"We can get more and better coverage for the price," Weihbrecht said.

In personnel matters, the police department requested that Corporal Dana Terlecky be promoted to sergeant. Trustee Charlotte Craig made a motion that the decision be postponed for 90 days.

"I think we should let David [Hightower] get his feet on the ground before we move anybody into that position," Craig said.

Her motion was seconded by Trustee Ray Hayhurst, who echoed her sentiments. "He [Hightower] needs a little more time to see how his department is going to run and get his feet on the ground," Hayhurst said.

The board voted to postpone Terlecky's promotion, but they approved the hiring of new police officer Dan Francis. Hightower said, "The psychologist who did his evaluation said Dan Francis is the best candidate he's ever seen."

The board also selected a village attorney and an auditor. They received two bids for village attorney, one from Don Dutton for $65 an hour and one from Robert Beauvais for $60 an hour. Mayor Hayhurst said he'd like to keep Beauvais as village attorney.

"He's doing a good job and he's already familiar with what's going on," the mayor said.

The village received three bids for auditor: John Schonberger at $5,850, Terry Jones at $6,200 and Ronnie Hemphill at $6,000. Hemphill was the previous contract holder.

"Though Schonberger is $150 less, I would still like to keep Hemphill because he does a good job, he's local and he's agreed to help our girls [accounting staff] anytime we need it," Mayor Hayhurst said.

Foal in the face

This face is one that not only a mother can love, but one that prompts oohs and aahs from everyone who sees those soft eyes and the fuzzy forehead. This little fellow is looking toward a future with plenty of photo opportunities in the winner's circle. Photo by Linda Wallace.

MainStreet

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projects and work committees. This update, along with other strategies, will serve to illustrate that MainStreet is worthy of public funding.

Jay Ross emphasized that MainStreet needs to increase its membership.

"That will raise our revenues, and it's my understanding that will make councilors more amenable," he said.

MainStreet currently has 59 members, and Bonnie Maddox said 30 percent of those are Midtown merchants.

In a revised 94-95 budget, Miller proposed cutting payroll from a $32,540 full-time director position to a $16,270 administrative/clerical position.

Miller also cut phone money from $1,800 to $900 since MainStreet will no longer be obligated to pay his cellular telephone account and could reduce the number of lines from two to one. Even with these cuts, the 94-95 is $13,613 in the red without the village contract.

Tom Battin recommended that the board use the 1994-95 MainStreet work plan to redefine a director/administrator position. Don Miller's resignation becomes effective May 15. The work plan roughly outlines MainStreet's desire to assist the Village of Ruidoso with 1) parking regulations and signage program, 2) zoning and parking ordinances, 3) streetscape landscape and maintenance, 4) Midtown security, and 5) the riverwalk project.

MainStreet would serve primarily as an advisory body, a link to the business community and a source of volunteers. A committee of directors is refining the work plan, and MainStreet intends to present it to the council again as a tool of persuasion. Don Miller presented the work plan during budget hearings.

School

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first and second graders.

—all licensed teachers have a pupil-teacher-ratio that meets or is less than the state maximum case load mandates. This will require reassigning some current staff and hiring two additional teachers to meet case load requirement of one to 24 for grades four through six.

One additional teacher will be hired for the developmentally disabled, three to four year old program to meet the one to four case load mandate and one additional special education teacher at White Mountain will be hired to meet state special education case load mandates.

—federal Medicaid money will provide an additional school nurse.

—the high school vocational agriculture program will be supported by funding the high school teacher since the Carl Perkins grant has been completed.

—officials have applied for a GRADS program grant to serve 20 or more parenting teens in high school.

-the Chapter I program will be expanded through a 35 percent increase in federal funds.

—the Special Assignments Class (SAC) at Ruidoso Middle School will be maintained through federal projects.

—an alternative program called adolescent day treatment center will be created through a special legislative allocation of $150,000, with three to four new positions.

—an additional speech therapist will be hired.

—an additional occupational therapy assistant will be hired.

—the gifted program will be expanded with an internship program and an additional teacher will be hired with extra money generated.

—non-mandated programs supported by instructional assistants will be reorganized through site-based decision processes to reflect a reduction in staff of two instructional assistants each at Nob Hill Elementary, White Mountain Elementary, White Mountain Intermediate and Sierra Vista Primary.

In reporting on several of the programs, Paul Wirth, director of support services, said a joint powers agreement is being signed with the State Department of Education for the grant money to flow through them to the district for the adolescent day treatment center.

Even while the first grant is under way, he is starting to line up support for the next year, Wirth said. The program is aimed at helping children who are disruptive in the regular class setting.

"We want to get our certification done even before we're in the loop for funding," he said. "We're going to comply with their standards from the outset. It will be a lot of work, but I've received nothing but encouragement from the Division of Children, Youth and Families regarding future financial assistance."

State officials will take a look at how the center is being put together during a visit at the end of May.

Wirth also reported preliminary results on standardized testing for grades kindergarten through eight.

Testing is mandated in third, fifth and eighth and those results are available before the scores in the other grades. Each parent will receive a narrative before the end of the year explaining the scores and analyzing the strengths and weaknesses of a student.

"The first indicator is very positive compared to last year," Wirth said. "Looking at the national percentile last year for composite scores compared to this year. The third grade went up 11 percentile points, the fifth grade nine points and the eighth grade six points.

"I think our national percentile ranking is looking better and better."

He's also working with the testing company to determine how students who have been in the school system fare compared to those who have come in from other systems.

Wirth said that he, assistant high school principal Danny Flores and counselor Linda Hawthorne have worked on putting together an internship program aimed at gifted and other students.

"In an area related to a student's chosen career field, they will be linked with a mentor for five hours a week for a half elective credit," he said. "Only seniors and juniors would be offered the option with the approval of the counselor, the parents, the student and the mentor.

"We have talked about it for more than a year" and decided to move ahead after meeting with a group of 50 students, 47 who said they were interested.

"It will provide a unique vocational experience," Wirth said. "A student could be paired with an architect as a career check. Many start out wanting to be an architect and years later they're not so sure. It allows practical exposure and looks very positive on transcripts for colleges.

"It also could lead to part time or summer employment in that field."

By focusing on the gifted students, the district can add one more gifted teacher to reduce the ratio of students to teachers and to generate more funding units.

However, the program will be open to all students and may be as beneficial to students having problems as those who excel, Wirth said. "It's good for at risk students. It's a tie in with something that's functional for them."

New high school principal Ronald R. Hodges said if the district is unable to reinstate participation in the mock trial competition (requested earlier in the meeting by parent Mike Randle), students interested in the law could serve an internship with an attorney.

The district currently receives money for one gifted teacher at White Mountain Elementary and a half teacher at Ruidoso Middle School. By adding another half-teacher at the high school (at a cost of $20,000 with benefits), the additional gifted students served will generate enough to cover the cost.

The state only recognizes a student load of 24 per teacher even though the existing gifted teacher has been handling 37. With the additional teacher, the state will recognize the other 13 students, plus most of 18 recommended for the program at the high school.

A woman in the audience criticized the intern program, noting that art was cut at the middle school. She asked the board to rethink its priorities.

"I think a priority at the high school is to have a real gifted program, not as in the past with a person dropping in for an hour a week," Flores said. "This is a priority for the high school, for me and the students."

"If we don't institute the internship, could we bring back a program we've cut?" board member Mike Morris asked.

"No, because it's not one in lieu of the other," district superintendent Mike Gladden said.

The board approved the new program unanimously.

In another financial matter, board member Susan Lutterman said she was shocked to learn that a $30,000 bid accepted by the district for grounds maintenance only covers a six-month period.

"I dropped the ball on this, because I thought it would have to come back before the board before the contract was awarded," Lutterman said. "I thought that price was for two years. It bothers me to pay that much. I think it's way too much for six months.

"All the schools are looking nice, but not that nice."

A woman in the audience asked whether the money could be spent on equipment for the schools instead of caring for grass.

Although the scope of the work has been expanded, the contracts always have been for six months during the summer, Gladden said.

"I feel that's a very excessive amount," said Ruidoso Middle School librarian Ellie Keeton. "It's been a very hot topic at the schools. I've been here since 1969, work daylight to dark and have two degrees and only make $3,000 more."

"It doesn't go to just one person, and they provide their own equipment," Gladden said. "The intent of the board was to have the schools project an image outside that reflected the quality inside during the summer when we have so many visitors. If this is a change of direction for the board, I need to know."

Board member James Paxton said the board looked at an hourly rate last year and the cost was greater than a flat contract.

Police

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Jackson emphasized the theme of the budget to be an awareness of recurring and non-recurring expenses.

In the budget summary, he wrote, "long-term financial commitments to continuing outlays should be avoided unless revenue growth is verifiably assured. Non-recurring revenues and resources should not be used to finance continuing operations."

Two areas not funded this year were MainStreet and the Economic Development Corporation of Lincoln County.

Former and original MainStreet board member Genevieve Sewell voiced her support of the council's action toward MainStreet.

Sewell said she was told by the state director of the MainStreet program, that the program had to be self sufficient within three years.

"We are now in the seventh year of that program and I still do not see any self sufficiency," Sewell said.

She said any organization requesting taxpayers dollars should be required to adhere to specific, traceable guidelines for accountability. She outlined a number of procedures.

Sewell was critical of any money spent separately on the Riverwalk.

She said any work on the Riverwalk that brought special compensation to MainStreet through additional "salaries" should not have occurred because riverwalk is part of the overall MainStreet project.

"The disturbing lack of education about the MainStreet program to both business people and the general public has been a disservice to the project," she said. "This continuing lack of education for the general public is one of the major reasons of the declining support and the overall negative attitude manifested in a large number of businesses and individuals."

"Further funding of this program as it currently exists without appropriate written and well defined measurable plans of action will be a total waste of taxpayers dollars," Sewell said.

Another line item, the Counseling Center, also was cut from the preliminary budget.

Counseling director Jim Currin submitted a fact sheet that he said outlined the scope of the center's duties.

He said the amount cut from the budget was not a significant amount of money, but could become a significant amount with other money his agency collects.

Shaw told Currin the village planned to use the service, but the line item would come from the police department budget. She said payment will be paid on a per occurrence basis.

"I think we will save the taxpayers money," Shaw said.

The council approved Ordinance 94-6, Re-instating the Amendments to the Animal Control Ordinance.

The new ordinance primarily excludes the sunset clause that caused the old ordinance to expire after a one year period.

The council unanimously passed Ordinance 94-7, repealing the existing collective bargaining ordinance and adopting a new ordinance agreeable to the village and unions.

Under regular items, the council postponed a consideration for a airplane mechanic contract at the Sierra Blanca Regional Airport.

Shaw said she was informed by the airport board that they received a candidate, but were still in the negotiation stage.

A Home Delivered Meals Grant from the State Agency on Aging was approved by the council.

Mayor Shaw expressed disappointment that no congregate meals could be served this year. Senior citizen director Sandy Dutchover indicated that with this summers kitchen renovation, the center may be in a better position to qualify.

The council also approved a Retired and Senior Volunteer Program (RSVP) grant application.

RSVP is a program soliciting volunteers to work in any nonprofit organization or government office who signs up to be a volunteer station.

The volunteer must be at least 55 years of age.

The volunteer is provided with supplemental insurance coverage while he or she is on the way to and from employment and while he or she is on the job at this station.

The program employs a director and a coordinator and the village will gain $26,000. The money will be funded each year as long as RSVP runs efficiently.

Village manager Jackson added two stipulations to approving the grant request.

He wrote that "should grant funding for subsequent contracts after the initial year not be approved and allocated, that the village shall be under no obligation to continue the RSVP program."

In addition to insurance while on the job, volunteers will "receive recognition on an annual basis" and an annual party.

The council agreed with village attorney John Underwood that the ordinance regarding illegal fencing could be better written and placed a moratorium on further illegal fencing citations until the language was changed to more clearly define the violation.

In other business, the council:

—approved a $18,000 contract to Terry Jones for the Annual Financial Audit for Fiscal Year 1993-94.

—approved Resolution 94-23, a budget amendment to the 1993-94 fiscal year.

—will prepare a request for proposal to solicit bids for a sign for the convention events center.

Shaw said part of the criteria for the sign would be in the design to accommodate The Links golf course and the hotel in the future.

Also, to be easily viewed from Mechem Drive, it should be wide enough to accommodate the words "Ruidoso Convention and Civic Events Center."

High school students take over two villages

Last week Ruidoso High School students tried their hand at village government, apprenticing for a day with various departments.

Youth Government Day was part of Elks Youth Week, Elks across the state reached out to youth with enrichment experiences.

"This is a very valuable program," said Jim Dickinson, of the Ruidoso Elks Lodge. "Many people now at village hall are former youth government participants."

The Elks posted a job list at the high school, and students applied for positions from mayor on down. Teachers made the final selections.

In Ruidoso, students staged a mock village council meeting with Cindy Richardson in Mayor Jerry Shaw's seat and with Marina Blake and John Echols as councilors. Village clerk Tammie Maddox, with the help of other village administrators, put together an agenda packet to be envied by real village leaders.

Village manager Gary Jackson explained to the students that while the real council is responsible for a $16 million budget, the process in the mock meeting was close to real life.

Mayor Richardson and her council were asked to consider three department requests for funds — the real council handles almost 50 department budgets — and to approve the budget for the new fiscal year.

"Since we're about to do this in real life," said Jackson. "This mock agenda is very timely."

With village finance supervisor Leeann Nichols on one side and Gary Jackson on the other, Tina Morgan played both roles, presenting the proposed budget to the council.

Three department heads were on hand to lead students through their roles as head of Parks and Recreation, the fire department and the police department. Anna Cochise took the role of police chief, requesting $50,000 for control of gang problems.

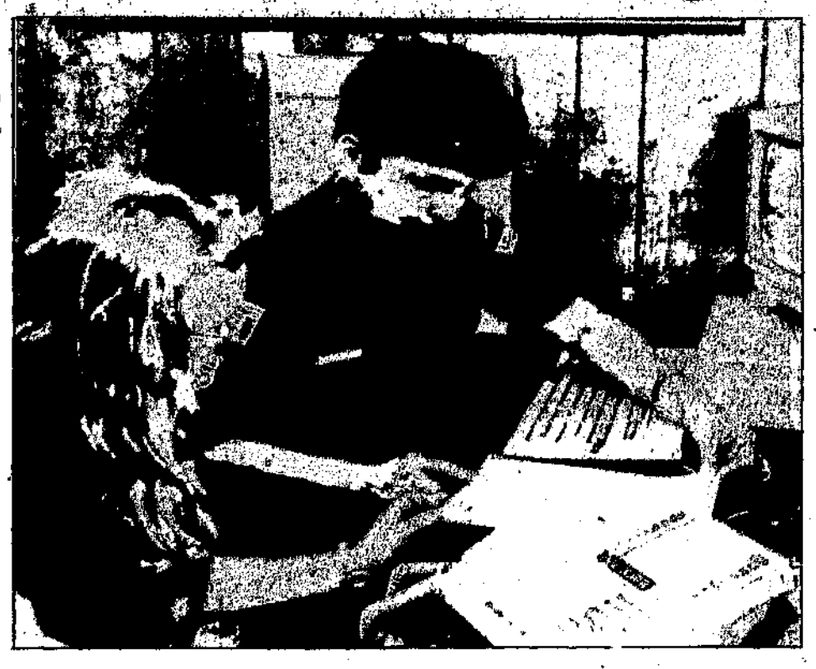
On behalf of the fire department Cory Taylor requested $40,000 for a new fire truck. Meghann Valiant represented Parks and Rec., requesting $50,000 for a teen center.

Facing a tough budget to balance, the council decided to give the fire department $10,000 for the lease/purchase of a new fire truck. They gave the police department $15,000 to hire a part-time police officer for gang control. After these allotments had been made, they couldn't afford the teen center.

They left the budget with a $5,000 balance.

Each student spent the day with various departments including village hall, the police department, the fire department, the convention and civic events center and the senior citizens center.

In Ruidoso Downs, Nicole Radziewicz apprenticed with village clerk Leann Weihbrecht. Radziewicz sat in on all aspects of village hall, including the utility billing department. Heather Blosser spent the day with police dispatcher Linda Scroggs.



Heather Blosser (left) spent the day with Ruidoso Downs Police Dispatcher Linda Scroggs as part of the Elks Youth Government Day.

Tina Morgan confers with Ruidoso finance supervisor Leeann Nichols and village manager Gary Jackson (top left). Anna Cochise plays police chief with some help from assistant chief Mike Lovelace (top right). The mock Ruidoso Village Council is comprised of Councilor Marina Blake, Mayor Cindy Richardson and Councilor John Echols during Elks Youth Government Day.

Briefs

Optimist Club presents bike safety program this Sunday

Bicyclists can test their skills on wheels during the annual Optimist Bicycle Safety program at 1 p.m. Sunday, May 15, in the White Mountain Elementary parking lot.

Participants will have a chance to win one or two new bicycles, one donated by Wal-Mart and the other by the Ruidoso Optimists.

A drawing also will be conducted for seven reconditioned bicycles.

Children who do not own bicycles are urged to attend the annual event and ride the track on bicycles provided for participants.

Before riding the safety course marked, those who own bicycles can have them inspected, with minor repairs handled on site. The inspection will cover handle bars, brakes, lights and reflectors, warning devices, front and rear wheels, the saddle, crank assemble and frame.

For more information, contact Jan Hatch at 258-5717.

Search for The Kid Saturday

The streets of the historic settlement of Lincoln will echo with the sounds of searchers Saturday, May 14, and Sunday, May 15, as a new version of The Hunt for Billy the Kid unfolds.

Clues will be hidden throughout Lincoln and prizes will be awarded to posse members who locate the daring young outlaw. From 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., visitors are invited to enjoy refreshments and meet artists at open houses by local businesses.

For more information, contact Jinny Vigil at 1-800-853-6460.

Yuck! Picnicking bears may be in for a not so tasty treat

Marauding bears diving into dumpsters in Upper Canyon to sample discarded food may soon head for the hills vowing never to darken the streets of Ruidoso again.

As part of an experiment by the Lincoln County Solid Waste Authority, the food in 10 specially tagged dumpsters is being sprayed with RoPel, which gives off a terrible taste, but is harmless.

"I'm sending a man out every evening to open some sacks and spray the exposed food," said authority general manager Joe Lewandowski.

"I want people to know why he's out there. He's not scavenging food. He uses a squirt gun."

The process is similar to conditioning a dog, Lewandowski said.

"Eventually, when they smell it, they should move on. Of course, there may be some exceptions."

In the morning, the crew on the bear run (cleaning up bear raided dumpsters) check to see whether the program is working.

He doesn't want to waste a drop, Lewandowski said, "The stuff costs $70 a gallon."

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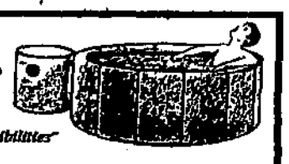

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Sports

Warriors perform well in state tourney

by KENT BEATTY
The News Sports Correspondent

The Ruidoso Warrior boys team didn't win this year's State Golf Tournament, but under the circumstances, their third-place finish was an excellent performance.

The boys played Monday at The Inn of the Mountain Gods and concluded Tuesday at the Links at Sierra Blanca.

The girls action started out at Alto Lakes Golf and Country Club and finished Tuesday at Cree Meadows.

The A-AAA boys division was won by Grants, who finished second in last year's State tourney in Farmington. The Pirates finished four strokes in front of upstart Socorro and six in front of Ruidoso.

The girls A-AAA division was taken by Portales, whose fast start at Alto shocked pre-tournament favorite Oñate.

Portales fired an excellent 359 at Alto, which was second only to Goddard, the perennial AAAA winner. Academy finished second and Oñate was third.

The boys results looked like this — 1-Grants, 652; 2-Socorro, 656; 3-Ruidoso, 658; 4-Tucumcari, 665; 5-Lovington, 666; 6-Academy; 7-Artesia, 674; 8-Deming, 685; 9-Silver, 694; 10-Raton, 714; 11-St. Pius, 717; 12-Oñate, 718; 13-Belen, 763; 14-Sandia Prep, 767.

If it were a perfect world, the Warriors would have taken their second-straight State Championship because instead of their 658 total, that number would be nine shots better.

After the first day of play at the Inn of the Mountain Gods, Warrior Jeff Chapman, perhaps the best prep golfer in state, inadvertently turned in an incorrect scorecard and was disqualified.

Chapman shot 78 at the Inn of the Mountain Gods and his scorecard was totaled at 78, but the competitor that kept Chapman's card recorded a par three on the sixth hole, and in reality Chapman three-putted for bogie.

The card was then mis-added to total 78 (Chapman's correct score) instead of 77 and was turned in without being checked for hole-by-hole correctness.

The rules of golf stipulate that a golfer is not responsible for the addition of his card — just the hole-by-hole score.

Chapman's two-day total of 78-73--151 would have also given him the individual title as well.

"Jeff felt terrible after the first day, but we knew that we were the best team in the state because of him ... and he proved it Tuesday," said boys Coach Ron Wall.

"His 73 at the Links in that weather was probably his round as a high school player ... it takes a big man to come back after what happened to him Tuesday and play the way he did."

"Our kids beat everybody and the other teams know it. They got so many congratulations for coming so strong on Tuesday, it was very easy to see that the kids are very well respected. We couldn't be prouder of what they've done over the past couple of years," said Wall.

In addition to Chapman's exceptional effort, senior Jimmy Varnadore's score of 161 tied for tenth-place and placed him on the All-State team. Varnadore made all-district last week and ended his career as a Warrior in very impressive fashion.

The Warriors started out the final round down by 19 shots, and ended just six behind the lead — a remarkable comeback. Ruidoso's 324 second-day total was easily the best round of the day in the AAA division.

Other Warrior scores during the State Tournament included Ryan Wall, 83-83--166; Matt Cantu, 86-85--170 and Eric Stephens, 87-89--176.

The A-AAA top individual was Socorro's super sophomore J.C. Griego, who won a playoff Wednesday morning. The early morning playoff was scheduled because darkness prevented it Tuesday night.

Griego tied Tucumcari's J.W. Norris and Academy's Eric Weinstein after both day's action.

The playoff ended early for Weinstein as both Griego and Norris birdied the first hole at the Links. Both Griego and Norris bogied the second, but Griego finished the sudden-death with a par on the third hole while Norris double-bogied.

Artesia's Marc Byers finished fourth individually with 155, followed by Shiprock's Kevin Price's 156.

The Lady Warriors also represented their school in excellent fashion. The girls shot 434 at Alto before posting 392 — their first sub-400 round of the year — Tuesday at Cree Meadows.

Sophomore Cecilia Fuentes led the way for the Girls with 106-97--203, followed by Danielle Morris, 107-99--206; Katie Lukens, 110-102--212; Leigh Ann Christensen, 115-94--209 and Heather Stephens, 111-103--214.

In addition to Portales, Academy and Oñate the girls were beaten by Los Alamos and Socorro, but beat rivals Lovington and Santa Fe Capital.

Girls Coach Becky Austin was pleased the first of what is sure to me many more trips to the State Tournament.

"These girls came back this week and really played well. We thought we were a better team than we showed last week at District and this tournament proves that. It's our first time under 400 and hopefully, we'll have a lot more of those scores in the future," said Austin.

Albuquerque Cibola won their third boys AAAA State Championship in five years as they beat Farmington by four shots and Roswell by seven. Cibola's two-day total was 647.

The girls division was taken for the second-straight year by Goddard. The Lady Rockets weren't seriously challenged by any opponent, mainly because of an exceptional 310 at Cree Meadows on Tuesday.

Alamogordo finished a distant second 71 strokes behind Goddard. La Cueva was third 18 shots behind Alamogordo.

Goddard's JoJo Robertson won the individual title with scores of 75-69--144. Elisa Case from La Cueva finished second at 157 followed by Kris Mattson (Carlsbad) 161; Diane Overstreet (Alamogordo), 162 and Melissa Barbe (Goddard), 167.

The State Tournament ended the season for both Warrior golf teams but tournament play will resume soon as the Sun Country PGA tour begins in early June.

Several Warrior golfers including Seniors-to-be Eric Stephens and Scott Christensen have signed up to participate in the 12 tournaments selected by the Warrior golf coaches.

The golf team has scheduled its banquet for May 18 at Cree Meadows.

Warrior golfers took third in the state tournament played on Ruidoso area courses Monday and Tuesday.

Larry Cordova of the U.S. Forest Service, and his son, Rich, get in some practice before the Fishing Derby planned for 9 a.m. to noon Friday, June 3, on the Rio Ruidoso at Two Rivers Park behind the Ruidoso Valley Chamber of Commerce.

Littlest anglers invited to go fishing

Pint-size anglers will cast their lines into the waters of the Rio Ruidoso Friday, June 3, to compete in a fishing derby sponsored by Hooked on Fishing International.

Locally organized by Larry Cordova of the U. S. Forest Service, the derby is designed for children five to 11 years of age.

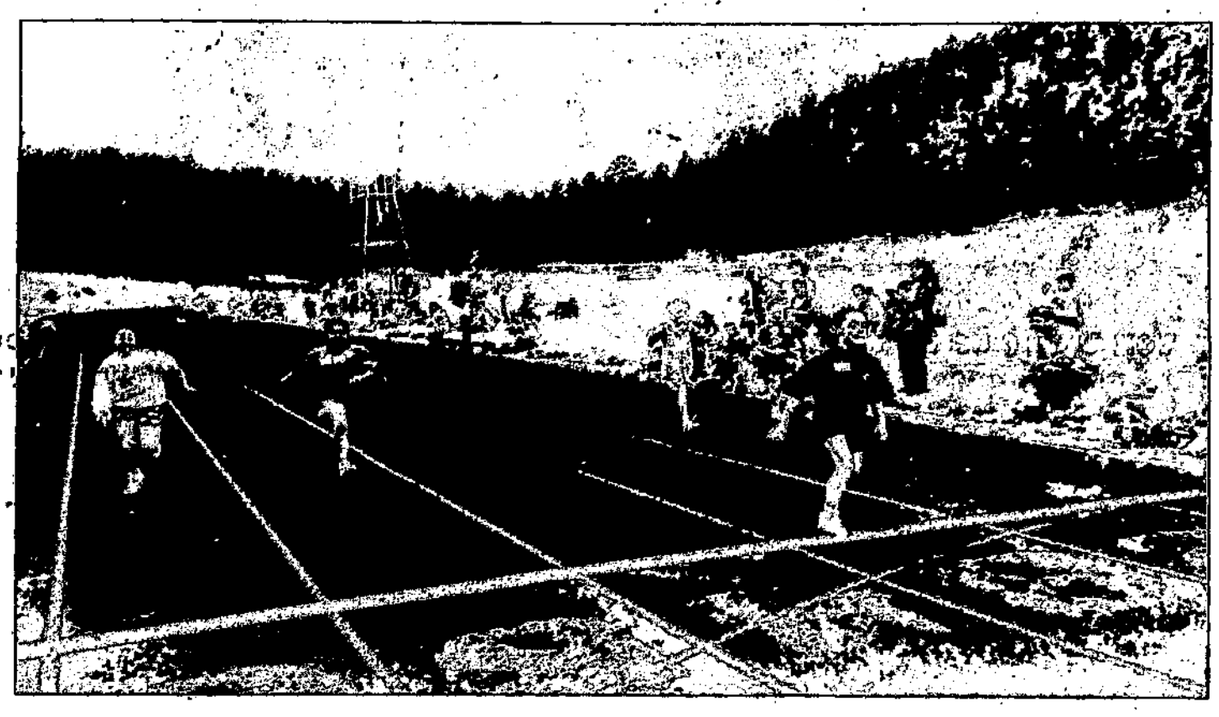
The State Game and Fish division will stock the river early in the morning with rainbow trout. The competition will last from 9 a.m. to noon behind the Ruidoso Valley Chamber of Commerce office on Sudderth Drive.

"This isn't a contest about who catches the most fish or the largest," said Cordova. "We'll be looking at the most accurate casting and the kids who are the most excited about fishing."

Prizes in different age categories will include a half-day fly fishing trip from Carol's Flies, a rod and reel from Western Auto donated a rod and reel, and a fly rod and reel from Sam Chaney of ISI Softwear. The Hooked on Fishing group also sent gifts to be handed out to participants.

"We encourage boys and girls to show up for a great morning of fishing," Cordova said. "They need to bring their own equipment and bait or lures. We'll have the regional fish biologist from Albuquerque here to help, as well as the game wardens. The kids can keep the fish they catch."

Cordova said Dick Ramsey of Carol's Flies has been helping with the event, as has the Ruidoso Parks and Recreation Department.



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The Village of Ruidoso Parks and Recreation Department hosted the annual track and field event at Ruidoso High Scool last Saturday. The popular track meet drew a big crowd for lots of exercise, fun and free refreshments. Parks & Rec organizers Rafael Salas, Ellen Bizzell and Rodney Griego said all the kids were winners.

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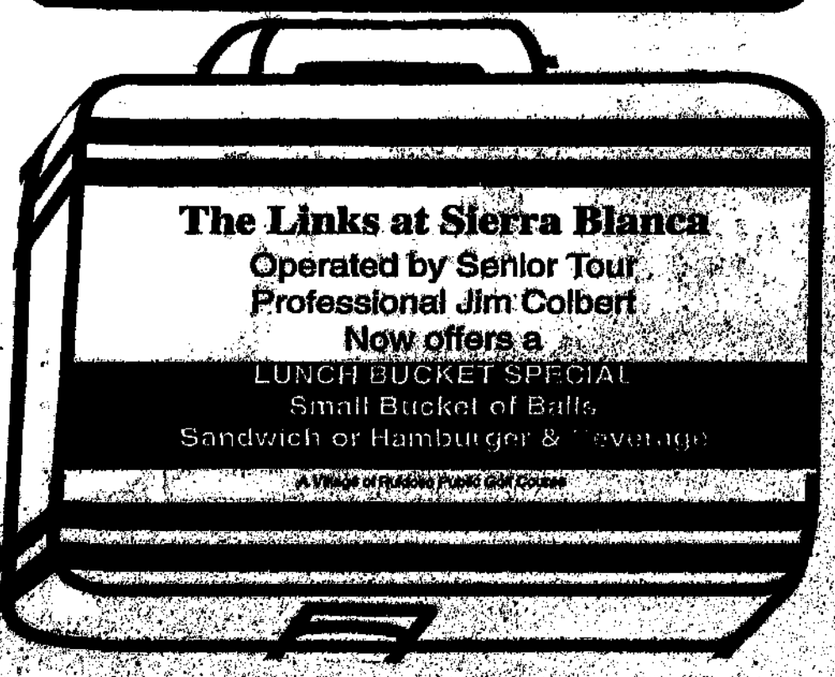

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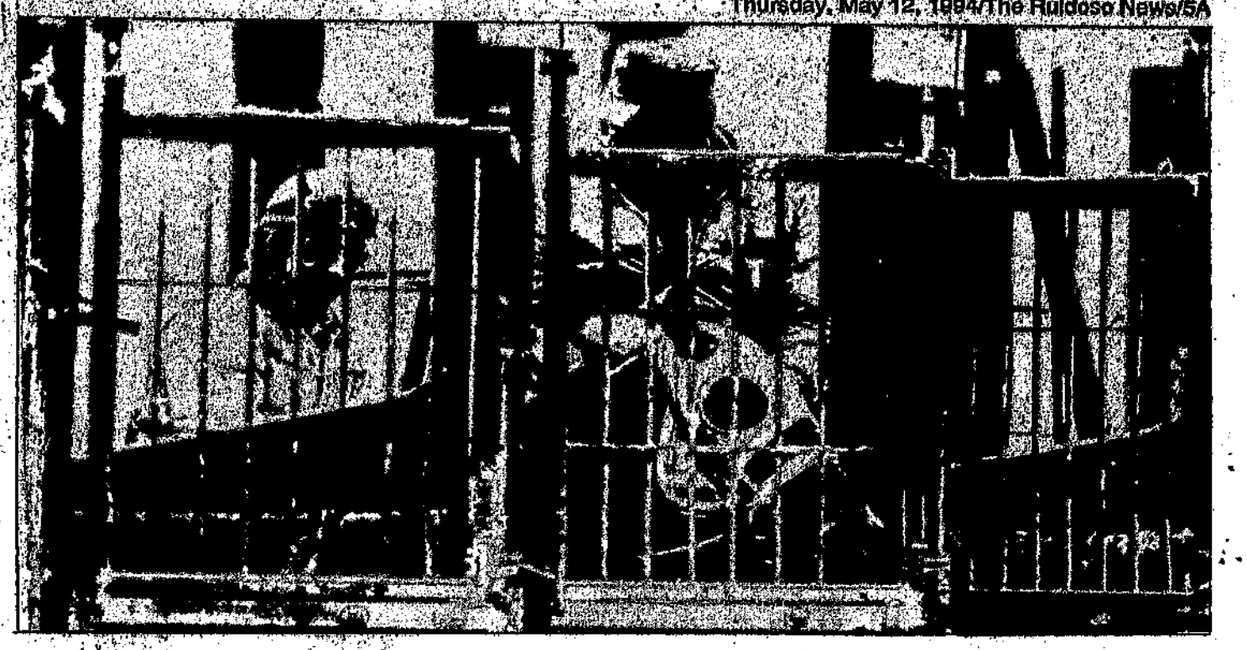

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Drama 3/4 RHS winners honored during their Academy Awards Monday are (back, from left) Cory Burford (Best Attitude, Best Supporting Actress in "Our Town"), Olivia Miranda (Most Improved), Jill Bailey (Best Actress in "Our Town"), Montana Hisel (Best Actress in "Of Widows and Vegetables"), Lara Wozny (Best Supporting Actress in "Of Widows and Vegetables"); and (front, from left) Cisco Knox (Best Dramatic Actor) and Sam Cobean (Best Comedy Actor). Jill Bailey, a graduating senior, also received the Tom Hansen Achievement Award.

Drama students celebrate with awards

by PAMELA CROMWELL
Ruidoso News Staff Writer

Through laughter, tears and what Dryller Hisel called child-proof envelopes, the stars of Ruidoso High School theater honored their own Tuesday night at the RHS Academy Awards.

The staff of La Veaux at Cree, who catered the affair, had to set up additional tables to accommodate almost 150 parents, students and friends who crowded the country club banquet hall.

The awards ceremony was hosted by seniors Sam Cobean, known for wearing a table cloth in a singing telegram, and Jami Mulholland, billed as the girl so sensitive she cries at toilet paper commercials. They identified all the award presenters by various quirks, including Mickey Mouse fetishes and meditative habits.

Mulholland could hardly keep her eyes dry as students bid farewell to their drama teacher Linda Currin, made touching acceptance speeches and performed moving monologues.

The introductions were eloquent and the acceptance speeches brief, ranging from the understated ("Thanks." and "This is really cool. Thanks.") to the emotional.

Senior Jill Bailey received the highest honor of the night, the Tom Hansen Achievement Award.

"I remember when I was a freshman and this was THE award," Bailey said. She plans to major in theater arts at New Mexico State University.

All three nominees for the Tom Hansen Award performed monologues. Carol Ann Logsdon brought more people than Mulholland to tears with her portrayal of a widow at the Vietnam Wall, a monologue from "The Wall: A Pilgrimage".

Jill Bailey recited "poems for women only" from "My Name Is Alice," crippling the audience with laughter. Montana Hisel performed "Death Waited Here," a chilling account of four musicians killed on a foggy highway.

In the Drama 1 class, whom Cobean likened to the youngest and most picked-on child in a family, Audra Allison and Nathan Peña tied for Best Overall Performer.

Allison also won Best Actress and Best Attitude, and Peña won Best Actor. The award for Best Supporting Actor went to Cliff Wood, and Angie Fernandez was named Best Supporting Actress. Brandon Dickson was recognized as Most Improved.

Cobean said the Drama 2 class was "the most troubled child" in the family. That class's Best Actor and Best Overall Performer was Dylan Carusona. Carol Logsdon and Amber Lundquist shared the Best Actress award. December Testerman won Best Attitude and Most Improved. Charles Wood was named Best Supporting Actor and Nicole Coca won Best Supporting Actress.

The Drama 3/4 class was introduced as the oldest child. "Yes, we do beat up on our younger siblings," said Cobean. Cory Burford won Best Attitude and Best Supporting Actress for "Our Town." Jill Bailey won Best Actress for her lead role in "Our Town." Montana Hisel won Best Actress for her lead role in "Of Widows and Vegetables,", and Lara Wozny was awarded Best Supporting Actress for her performance in that play.

Olivia Miranda was named Most Improved. The only two boys in the class both won Best Actor, Cisco Knox for his dramatic role in "Our Town" and Sam Cobean for his comedy role in "Of Widows and Vegetables." Receiving awards for make-up in "King Oedipus" were Anita Aguilar and Brooke Rawlings. Stephanie Naron was awarded for costuming in "King Oedipus" and "Of Widows and Vegetables."

As Mulholland brought her a tissue, Linda Currin gave tearful thanks to an extensive list of people, including parents, administrators, teachers, student assistants and her family. Currin is leaving the high school to be a full-time speech pathologist.

Several graduating seniors said their time in drama was the most valuable time spent in high school.

"I learned more here than in any of my other classes," one student said.

Drama seniors include Laura Cuello, Melanie Romancik, Sam Cobean, Cisco Knox, Montana Hisel, Jill Bailey and Jami Mulholland.

Drama II RHS Academy Award winners recognized during the banquet at Cree Meadows are (back, from left December Testerman (Best Attitude, Most Improved), Nicole Coca (Best Supporting Actress), Charles Wood (Best Supporting Actor), Carol Logsdon (Best Actress) and Amber Lundquist (Best Actress); (front, from left) Dylan Carusona (Best Actor and Best Overall Performer), Anita Aguilar (makeup), Brooke Rawlings (makeup) and Stephanie Naron (costuming).

Drama I RHS Academy Award winners are (from left) Brandon Dickson (Most Improved), Audra Allison (Best Attitude, Best Actress), Angie Fernandez (Best Supporting Actress), Cliff Wood (Best Supporting Actor) and Nathan Peña (Best Actor). Nathan Peña and Audra Allison tied for Best Overall Performer in Drama I.

LCMC marks national hospital week

Lincoln County Medical Center is celebrating National Hospital Week, May 8-14.

Administrator Valerie Miller said all employees and medical staff get a pat on the back this week for all their hard work and dedication.

Established by the American Hospital Association, the week brings positive attention to hospitals across the country.

LCMC sponsors daily events for the staff. Monday staff members brought in baby pictures for a contest to match the infant with the adults. Tuesday the administration hosted a special brunch for medical staff and employees.

Wednesday, employees were invited to an ice cream social. Thursday came with a free lunch in the hospital cafeteria. Friday they will have a chili cook-off.

"We're planning a cookout in June," said Miller. "We're not doing it now because the weather's so dicey."

Miller said the LCMC staff is a loyal and committed bunch. While the staff is often complimented, Miller said, she thinks it's important to recognize how truly valuable they are.

"They made $95,000 in April because they were cautious," Miller said. "It's largely due to them that we're not in poor financial shape."

1994 All American Festival features photography, needlework contests

"New Mexico and its People" is the theme for the fourth annual All American Festival photography event, co-sponsored this year by First National Bank of Ruidoso and Ruidoso State Bank.

A $1,000 prize is offered for the winning color photograph, and a $1,000 prize for the winning black and white photo.

Herb Brunell is organizing this event, which is open to both amateur and professional photographers.

The deadline for entry is July 8.

All photographs will be on display at the Museum of the Horse in Ruidoso Downs from July 15 to August 15.

For more information, contact Lara Johnson, PO Box 449, Ruidoso NM 88346. Johnson can be reached at 378-4431, and Brunell can be reached at 267-2911.

Another big event during the 1994 All American Festival this August, is the All American Needlework Fair.

The organizers invite all area needleworkers to enter the fifth annual needlework fair.

This year the categories are needlepoint, cross stitch, crochet/knitting and miscellaneous, which includes embroidery items.

Cash prizes will be awarded for first and second place, and Stitch 'N' Stuff gift certificates for third place.

Entry forms are available at Stitch 'N' Stuff and the entry deadline is August 26. Entries will be on display at Stitch 'N' Stuff in Midtown Ruidoso from August 27 to September 5.

For more information, contact Dottie at 258-9428 or Lara Johnson at 378-4431.

The All American Festival, which begins in the middle of August and ends with the running of the world's richest horse race on Labor Day.

A fiddling contest, burger cookoff, children's art contest, style show/luncheon and bridge tournament are among the many events planned for this year's All American Festival.

The All American Gala, the biggest party of the summer, takes place the Sunday night before Labor Day.

White Mountain whiz kids

April good citizens certificates at White Mountain Elementary went to third graders (back, from left) Joshua Adams, Derek Coker, Gonzalo Cordova, Desiree Enjady and Renee Griewahn; (second row from the back) C.W. Gomez, Aracely Holguin, Nathan Howard, Hayley Koontz and Tony Kovach; (second row from the front) Nadine L'Hommedieu, Anthony Lopez, Summer Pack, Asha Parks and Cheyenne Reynolds: and (front row, from left) Lora Temple, Mary Ward, Justin Weibreicht, Angela Zagone and Munrai Davidson. Austin Yazzie is not pictured.

White Mountain winners

Good citizen certificates were awarded to students picked by teachers at White Mountain Elementary for their solid class performance. Second graders selected are (back, from left) Miquel Alamraz, Devin Dennis, Shawna Donaldson, Suquala Gant, Matt Hart and Bruce Herrera; (middle, from left) Justin Huffman, Jonathan Jones, Corey Lowe, Brittany Mark, Dora Nava and Diego Ortega; and (front) Kasie Rue, Alan Scott, Aletha Tarvin, Patrick Vallant, Cecila Yazzie and Rowan Yuzon.

Fairground project faces budget shortfall

by DIANNE STALLINGS
Ruidoso News Staff Writer

Fair board members will have to pull out a large knife and do some paring.

The only bid received for improvements at the Lincoln County fairground came in Wednesday about $100,000 higher than the amount available.

The bid from D & D Construction of Capitan for $225,568, plus an alternative for $18,909 out distanced the $125,000 allocated by the State Legislature and the county in preparation for the July Fourth celebration of Smokey Bear's birthday.

"This exceeds the price the state gave for the entire rural events facility on 11 acres in Glencoe," Commissioner Wilton Howell pointed out during the special meeting.

"They will just have to go back and scale down their wishes. It shows how big a bargain the state got when it bought the center (formerly the Super Select Sales Barn)."

Friday, May 13, is the deadline to submit an application for the position of center manager and the county already has received six applications.

The proposal for bids broke the project into two phases. The first to be completed by July 1, was to install a canopy over the grandstand bleachers at the arena. The second phase, to be finished by October, was to include a concessions area, public restrooms to accommodate the handicapped, a storeroom and a covered metal link between the stock area and fair building.

"The contractor did not submit his bid showing the two phases so there was no option to just go with the canopy portion and the commission rejected the bid," said administrative assistant Martha Guevara, who is taking over until a new county manager is hired.

However, by rejecting the bid, time becomes a key factor. The county will have to advertise for new bids and that will take a few weeks.

In other business, county attorney Alan Morel submitted a copy of the letter he gave to State Representative H. John Underwood, asking him to obtain an Attorney General's opinion on the question regarding the legality of approving raises for elected officials.

Attached was Underwood's letter to Attorney General Tom Udall.

Morel has advised the commission that the State Constitution prohibits elected officials from benefiting from a raise during any one term. That prohibit would override a state statute requiring parity by giving raises to all elected officials at the same time.

Road manager Bill Cupit noted that the State Legislature approved $81,000 for road improvements as part of a Senate Memorial. The county will contribute $9,000.

Local man dies at home

Lee Prins, 32, of Ruidoso, was found dead at his home Tuesday of an apparent drug overdose.

According to police reports, Prins's wife, Tracey, called the police dispatch about noon to tell them she thought her husband had died.

Officer Bill Heineken said upon entering the bedroom, he found the deceased Prins lying in bed. He said there were no visible signs of foul play.

Heineken said he found a pill container on the night stand next to the bed that contained at least three different types of pills.

He said that bottle and another bottle of pills located in the bathroom were turned over to medical investigator Jim Stover.

Mrs. Prins told police that there was no indication that her husband was despondent or suicidal.

Police reports of several weeks ago indicate that on Wednesday, April 20, officer Ramona Wheeler was called to the Rich Gas Store where Prins was having seizures and then became unconscious.

At that time, Prins regained consciousness and told the doctor that he was taking medication for back pain, and that he did not try to hurt himself.

Police reports indicate a doctor from the hospital would not release Prins at that time before he spoke with a member of the Counseling Center.

According to detective Lanny Maddox, an autopsy will be performed to determine the cause of death.

Silver Lining

St. Anne's congregation dedicates new organ

Manuel Montoya

Services were held May 8 at Saint Jude's Catholic Church, and the San Ysidro Cemetery for Manuel Montoya, who was called home by Our Lord on May 3.

Lector Manuel Sandoval read from the Book of Wisdom, and lector Rita Salcido read from the Epistle of the Apostle Paul to the Romans.

The church choir sang "Buenas Dias Mi Dios, Mas Alla Del Ciel Azul, Por Los Ninos, and Te Vas Angel Mio," in English, "Good Morning My God, Later on in the Blue Heavens, One for the Children, Farewell My Angel." At the cemetery, Father Richard Catanach prayed, "May the angels welcome him to the table of the children of God."

Favorite Music

At the graveside a group sang favorite hymns. Members were as follows Bobbie Richardson (guitarist), Willie Gomez, Josie Gomez, Tilly Sanchez, Magdelena Soga, Juan Montoya and Wally Gomez (guitarist). Songs sung were: "Bendito, Bendito" (Blessed, Blessed), "Adios Con El Corazon" (Farewell With My Heart), "Alla En El Rancho Grande" (Out There on the Big Ranch). This part was Manuel's favorite, requested by the family.

It is fitting that Manuel's services were held on the end of Rogation Sunday, the day for blessing the crops and livestock and also very appropriate that his grave is in the cemetery of the historic Little Church of San Ysidro Labrador, (Saint Isidor, the farmer).

Manuel was a true son of the soil, a lifetime ranchier and farmer. We rejoice that our good friend has gone to meet Our Lord, in Heaven.

New organ dedicated at Saint Anne's Church

Sunday the eight was Mother's Day and

also Rogation Sunday, the time for the blessing of the farm and ranch animals and the crops.

The Reverend Anna Gaddy, returning to hold services after a month's absence, who brought carnations, red for those whose mothers are living and white for those whose mothers are in Heaven.

With organist Debbie Sanchez standing at the new organ and substitute organist Eleanor Shockey to her side, the Reverend Anna gave the following prayer:

"O Lord, before whose throne trumpets sound, and saints and angels sing the songs of Moses and the Lamb; accept this organ for the worship of your temple, that with the voice of music the way proclaim your praise and tell it abroad, through Jesus Christ Our Lord. Amen."

The Reverend Anna then asked a special blessing upon Debbie and Eleanor.

After the services, the congregation went outside. Here Winema Tully, Tricia Tully-Mitchell, Jessica Tully-Mitchell and Bryce Perry were sponsors of two young ducks.

The Reverend Anna asked blessings upon these ducklings and upon all the crops and livestock, the Tully Ranch and all its people.

Sonny, Debbie, Ben Coe and Joe Marie Sanchez presented for blessing a small tray of young chili plants. The Reverend Anna Gaddy asked blessings upon the orchards, fields and livestock of the Sanchez family. Blessings were asked for Paul and Nellie Ruth Jones, and the fields and livestock of their ranch.

John Cooper and son, Jim, received blessings for their laborers and their ranch animals. The Reverend Anna asked the Lord to bless Annelle Jones Reynolds and her son, Jim Paul Whipple, that their work would be productive and beneficial to our community.

Eleanor Shockey received the Lord's blessings for the work of herself and her husband, Ken, and for their horses and dogs. And Rudy Gaddy and Michael McCarty received prayers that their labors would be productive and do good for the Lord.

In the prayers of tree people Nellie Ruth Jones gave blessing for the birthdays of Josie Powell, Jill Bailey, Allene Luck, Helen Roberts, George Luck Jr, Mina Ruchagen and Erin Crowin. Also, for the wedding anniversaries of Ordell and Marlene Shaw, and Bill and Mary Baucum.

The lullaby of the leaves

This is being sent to you on the morning of May 5, a true spring day of warm sunshine and light blue sky.

All the song birds are singing their welcome to the "Queen of Seasons," and all the early flowers are smiling from the mountain meadows the greens and the hillside.

The chipmunk has come out of his winter home in the wood pile, and Oswald, my pet lizard, is sunning himself on the front step.

The blossom parade has reached the high country, and now the leaf parade is in full swing. The weeping willow started the parade down near Riverside, and was joined along the way by the Chinese elm, the box elder, cottonwood, giant willow, and Lombardy poplar.

Farther up the valley the oak, wilderberry, and walnut join in; and the fruit trees one by one get in but as their blossoms drop their petals.

Obituaries

Max Oliver

Memorial service for Max Oliver, 81, of Ruidoso was scheduled for 10 a.m. Thursday, May 12, at Community United Methodist Church. The Reverend Craig Cockrell, minister of the church, was to officiate.

Oliver died Tuesday, May 10, at Lincoln county Medical Center in Ruidoso.

He was born July 5, 1912, at Menard, Texas, and moved to Ruidoso in 1959, from Balmorhea, Texas.

He married Anita "Nita" Humphries March 15, 1935, at Carlsbad.

Oliver is survived by his wife, Nita, of Ruidoso; and a daughter, Maxine Mitchell, and her husband, Hayes Mitchell, of Marfa, Texas. Survivors include three granddaughters, Maria Buren of Blum, Texas; Debbie Aufdengarten of Marfa, and Laurie Mund of San Angelo, Texas; eight great-grandchildren and a sister, Sudie Kingston of Ruidoso.

The family suggests memorials to the Cystic Fibrosis Foundation, 6931 Arlington Road; Bethesda MD 20814 or to LCMC in Ruidoso.

Arrangements are under the direction of LaGrone Funeral Chapel of Ruidoso.

Frances Coleman

Memorial service for Frances Coleman, 65, of Ruidoso, was scheduled for 10:30 a.m. today (Thursday), May 12, at LaGrone Funeral Chapel in Ruidoso with the Reverend Dave Berg of Carrizozo officiating.

Ms. Coleman died Tuesday, May 10, at Lincoln county Medical Center in Ruidoso. She was born July 26, 1938, in Houston, Texas, and moved to Ruidoso in 1985, from San Antonio, Texas.

She was a member of the Catholic Church.

She is survived by a son, Theodore Stephen Scibienski II of Laredo, Texas; two daughters, Charlotte Lynn Scibienski of Austin, Texas, and Stephanie Cawthon Scibienski of Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania; and her parents, Oliver and Elinor Feland of Tarpley, Texas.

Survivors include a brother, Guy Preston Feland of Crosby, Texas; and two grandchildren, Leah Jean Scibienski and Donald Clay Scibienski.

The family suggests memorials to the Lincoln County Humane Society, PO Box 2832, Ruidoso NM 88345.

Arrangements are under the direction of LaGrone Funeral Chapel of Ruidoso.

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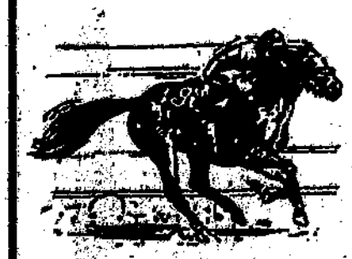

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Editorial

Welcome to summer fun and excitement in Lincoln County

Welcome back, welcome back, welcome back...

Summer residents, racetrack workers and fans and visitors who come just for the weekend are always welcome in Lincoln County. The pace picks up about the time the days get a little warmer, and everyone starts smiling a little bigger in anticipation of a great summer season.

Ruidoso Downs Race Track stars in the summer excitement of this resort, and opening day at the races, this Friday, May 13, is a big day for everyone who lives and works in this area.

The Ruidoso News is joined by area advertisers in presenting this, our opening edition, the biggest newspaper of the year. It's jampacked with information on summer recreation and activities, as well as horse racing. Hang onto the summer recreation schedule so you won't miss out on anything this summer.

Besides the racing and recreation information included in this Thursday edition, readers also will find plenty to enjoy in The Guide, our summer visitors guide, inserted in today's edition. Take time to read all about the mini-tours that will take visitors from the orchards of the Hondo Valley to the art galleries and shops in White Oaks and the museums in Lincoln, Capitan and Ruidoso Downs.

Summer's here, and the horses have arrived for 68 days of world-class racing. Let the fun begin.

Thought for the day:

"Miserable is the fate of writers: if they are agreeable, they are offensive; and if dull, they starve.

—Lady Mary Wortly Montagu
British essayist
1709

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Each letter must be signed and must include the writer's telephone number and address. The phone number and street or mailing address will not be printed, however the author's hometown will be included.

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The News has the right to reject any letter.

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Letters To The Editor

Visitor is disappointed with trashy habits

TO THE EDITOR:

The charm of Ruidoso once again made our March-April vacation stay a unique experience.

From the snow-capped mountains to the fine art galleries and gift shops, each day of our two and a half week's stay was a new adventure.

But:

Sightseeing had some real eyesores!

As I walked along the streets, I could not help but notice the many dumpsters. It did not take long for me to understand why they were placed where they were.

Visitors from out of town were constantly eating and drinking while walking or riding in their cars, but what I observed was appalling. They would not walk a few steps to discard their trash in a dumpster, but would throw it on the ground.

I was surprised at the trash and garbage that littered the streets and empty lots.

I started to carry tall trash bags with me on my walks each day. I would pick up beer cans, whiskey bottles, soda cans, paper products, motor oil bottles, and even soiled baby diapers. I noticed even the river was littered with trash.

I did not see any signs warning people about throwing trash on the ground. Certainly the dumpsters were not being utilized to their full extent. Too many just ignored them.

The people visiting Ruidoso need to be reminded that the dumpsters are there for their convenience. They also have a responsibility to help keep your community trash free.

I do hope there is some way that you can encourage visitors to help keep their trash where it belongs.

Shirley G. Riggles
Sebring, Florida

EDITOR'S NOTE: Thank you for the letter, and especially for your efforts to help keep our community clean. Most of our visitors agree with you and do their part to keep this community clean. The culprits who litter and ignore the dumpsters are just as likely to be locals as visitors. Maybe your observations will provide just the gentle reminder we need. Also, does anyone know what happened to our "annual" spring cleanup campaign?

Hefty fine might motivate skaters' parents

TO THE EDITOR:

RE: article "Skaters damage new sidewalks"

I read with concern that skateboarding is causing a nuisance and is damaging private property. It appears that some of the skateboarders feel that any area or surface is fair game.

Assistant police chief Mike Lovelace was quoted saying that nearly every day he receives calls regarding skateboards on private property. He also stated that Chief Richard Swenor also hears from the other side, parents who say 'what is there for my child to do?'

What is there for my child to do? Did I read that right? Do some of the parents condone skateboarding anyplace their kid wants to? I can see why some of the skateboarders go anywhere they want to if they have parents who make stupid statements like that.

I suggest that those parents get off their duffs and pay some attention to their kids. Find out what their kid needs to legally play their sport. Make some attempt to help them find a place that they can enjoy their bumps and bruises. Lastly, go and see what damage an out of control skateboarder can do.

Want some motivation? Does a $500 fine get your attention?

Joseph Gingell
Ruidoso

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People

Coming Up

Thursday, May 12

6-8 p.m.—**FAMILY CRISIS CENTER** volunteer training session continues with the third in a six-week series at Family Practice Associates on Sudderth Drive. For more information, call Arlene Brown at 257-7712 or Frankie Jarrell at 257-4001.

Friday, May 13

9 a.m.-1:30 p.m.—**BAKE SALE** at Wal-Mart to benefit Mothers Against Drunk Driving (MADD).

Noon—**TWELFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT LAW ENFORCEMENT ASSOCIATION** at the Enchantment Inn.

OPENING DAY at Ruidoso Downs Race Track. The 1994 68-day racing meet opens, as does the "Treasures of the Track: 200 Years of Racing Silver," an exhibit in the Turf Club. The exhibit will be open to the public free of charge. First post-time 1 p.m.

Friday and Saturday, May 13 and 14

7 p.m.—**HONDO'S 42ND ANNUAL FIESTA** in the gymnasium at the Hondo School. This year's theme for the annual dance festival is "La Luna Sobre el Valle," (The Moon over the Valley). Admission to the program is $4 for adults and $2 for children and students. Reserved seating is available for $6 by calling 653-4411. A Mexican dinner will be available before the show from 3:30 to 7:30 p.m. both evenings in the cafeteria. Cost of the meal is $5 for adults and $3 for a child's plate. A discount on the meal is offered for senior citizens.

Saturday, May 14

USPTA'S ACROSS AMERICA TENNIS DAY at the Inn of the Mountain Gods tennis courts. Free beginners' clinics are scheduled for children and adults in the morning with a round-robin tournament for adult A and B players in the afternoon. For information, call the Inn of the Mountain Gods tennis shop, 257-5141, extension 7425.

9 a.m.-noon—**CHEERLEADING CLINIC**, sponsored by the Ruidoso High School cheerleaders in the high school gym. Boys and girls four years and older are invited to learn the cheers and moves from the state champs. Cost is $10 each, with free snacks and pom poms for every child registered. For more information, call cheerleader sponsor Rebecca Durham at RHS, 258-4910.

6:30 p.m.—**DINNER-ENTERTAINMENT-AUCTION** at Capitan High School to celebrate Smokey Bear's 50th birthday. Winner of the talent contest will win a $50 savings bond. For more information, call 354-2673, 354-3137 or 257-9335.

Saturday and Sunday, May 14 and 15

10 a.m.-4 p.m.—**"WHERE'S BILLY?"** or **"PAT GARRETT FOILED AGAIN!"** a hunt for Billy the Kid in historic Lincoln. Clues will be found throughout town; refreshments will be served and artists will be at work. All the museums will be open. Everyone is invited. For more information, call Jinny Vigil at 1-800-653-6460.

Sunday, May 15

9 a.m. and 6 p.m.—**GRADUATION MASS** for Capitan and Corona seniors. The mass will be at 9 a.m. at Sacred Heart Catholic Church in Capitan for the Capitan graduates and at 6 p.m. at St. Theresa in Corona for Corona graduates. Each graduating senior will receive a Bible.

1 p.m.—**BIKE-A-THON** to benefit St. Jude's Children's Research Hospital. Riders will register and start the "Wheels for Life" ride at 1 p.m. at White Mountain School. Optimist Club also will offer a bicycle safety class beginning at 1 p.m. Prizes will be awarded.

Monday, May 16

1-5 p.m.—**OPEN HOUSE** at the new social services building at 412 Mechem Drive. Everyone is invited to come see the new division office for Children, Youth and Families.

6:30 p.m.—**FEAST OF SAN ISIDRO** followed by a potluck dinner at the Church of San Isidro on the Peralta Ranch west of Capitan. Everyone is invited to bring dirt from their ranch, farm or garden to be blessed at this mass and then be sprinkled at your home. Meet at Sacred Heart Church in Capitan at 6 p.m. for directions to the Peralta Ranch.

Tuesday, May 17

5:30-7 p.m.—**BUSINESS AFTER HOURS** at the Flying J Ranch.

Wednesday, Thursday, Friday, May 18, 19 and 20

6:30 p.m.—**CHUCKWAGONS OF THE WEST JAMBOREE** at the Flying J Ranch in Alto. The Flying J Wranglers have been picked to host the other six chuckwagon organizations for an extended stage show featuring all seven bands. The Wednesday and Thursday performances are almost sold out, so a Friday show has been added. Tickets are going fast for this show, so call the Flying J now, 336-4330, to purchase tickets.

Wednesday, May 18

9 a.m. and 10 a.m.—**REPUBLICAN WOMEN** candidate forum committee and executive board at Mary Jane Wersich's home.

Thursday, May 19

6 p.m.—**LINCOLN COUNTY DEMOCRATS** at Cree Meadows Country Club. Governor Bruce King and State Representative H. John Underwood will speak. All Democratic candidates are invited. Guests will order from the menu; however, reservations are encouraged by calling Cece Griffin at 257-7558.

Officers of Friends of KHFM-Ruidoso, Inc. (from left) President Danny Flores, Secretary Sandy Thomas and Vice President Paul Vordermann are initiating a fundraising drive to raise $10,500 for the purchase and installation of a translator.

Music lovers unite to tune into classical music radio on KHFM

Friends of KHFM-Ruidoso, Inc. recently became a reality with the signing of non-profit corporation papers.

Friends of KHFM-Ruidoso is a volunteer group of Lincoln County citizens, organized to fund a translator which will bring the KHFM classical music signal to Alto, Capitan, Ruidoso, Ruidoso Downs and other areas of Lincoln County.

The translator is a specialized receiver-transmitter that will be placed on a tower atop Buck Mountain where it will rebroadcast KHFM into the valleys of Lincoln County.

The group, headed by President Danny Flores, Vice President Paul Vordermann and Secretary Sandy Thomas, has begun a drive to raise the necessary $10,500 for the purchase and installation of the translator.

According to Flores, KHFM will not be seeking any advertising revenues or any other revenues from Lincoln County.

However, in addition to broadcasting classical music 24 hours a day, KHFM will air public service announcements about music and other fine arts events in Lincoln County.

Other officers of "Friends" include treasurer Brian Seale and board members Mary McKeown and Herb Brunell.

For more information, call Paul Vordermann at 257-7712.

On Campus

Two Capitan High School graduates, **CHRIS SHANKS** and **LORI LONGBOTHAM**, were among the 768 students at Abilene Christian University named to the dean's honor roll for the fall 1993 semester.

To be included on the dean's list a student most complete at least 12 semester hours for grades and earn 3.45 or higher grade point average.

KARYN MARIA LEMASTER of Ruidoso is among some 6,600 University of Michigan students completing degrees on the Ann Arbor campus this spring.

LeMaster will receive her bachelor of arts degree during commencement from the College of Literature, Science and the Arts in ceremonies April 29 and 30.

ELLEN LEE GRAHAM, a 1988 graduate of Ruidoso High School, will graduate from the College of Pharmacy at the University of New Mexico in Albuquerque on May 14.

Graham will go to work for Syncor International in Kansas City, Missouri.

ELLEN LEE GRAHAM

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Hondo prepares for 42nd Fiesta

The annual spring rite of the Hondo Valley begins with a dazzling array of colorful handmade costumes and mesmerizing music in the 42nd Annual Fiesta.

This year's theme, La Luna Sobre el Valley (The Moon over the Valley), depicts the beauty filled nights in the Hondo Valley.

When the moonbeams filter through the ancient cottonwoods and cast a glow on the tranquil water of el rillito (the little river) a magical and nostalgic feeling overtakes the soul.

The 1994 Fiesta will rekindle these feelings with traditional song and dance performed in a setting of a moonlit Hondo Valley night.

The Hondo Valley dancers will be performing at 7 p.m. Friday and Saturday, May 14, in the gym at the school.

Admission is $4 for adults, $2 for children and students. To obtain the best view, reserved seating is available for $6. You may reserve seats for Saturday evening by calling 653-4411.

A Mexican dinner will be prepared and served by the Burrito Express from 3:30 to 7:30 p.m. in the school cafeteria on both evenings. This meal costs $5 for an adult plate and $3 for a child's plate, with a discount price for senior citizens.

In a continuing effort to preserve their Hispanic heritage, more than 100 students from kindergarten through 12th grades will be participating in this year's performance.

he program, which Fermin and Cirenia Montes began in 1948, has blossomed into a magnificent show drawing many people to the Hondo Valley each year.

Since 1948, innumerable individuals, including former students, have worked together to keep the program alive and flourishing.

Hondo graduates and former dancers Elizabeth Sanchez Chanez, Porfiria Montoya Zinn, Cecelia Torrez Sanchez and Frank Herrera are now dance instructors.

This year's masters of ceremony will be Lynda Montoya, Porfiria Zinn, Frank Herrera and Gilbert Candelaria.

This year's program will consist of the elementary, junior and high school students dancing to such New Mexican and Mexican folk dances as the popular Cafe Colon, El Mosquito, Jesusito en Chihuahua, La Varsoviana, El Jarabe Tapatio and many others. Every year at least one or two new dances and songs are introduced for variety.

The student's dancing ability is well known. They have received national and international recognition during the Festival of Arts in Tucson; the National Folk Festival in Nashville; the Hemisfair in San Antonio; Disneyland, Los Mochis, Chihuahua and at the New Mexico State Fair and the National Cowboy Symposium.

GOP presents candidate forum; organizes Young Republicans

The Lincoln County Republican Part and Federated Republican Women will sponsor a candidate forum for state and county Republican candidates at 6:30 p.m. Friday, May 20, at Cree Meadows Country Club.

Among the Republican state candidates who have indicated they will attend are gubernatorial candidates David Cargo, Gary Johnson, John Dendahl and Dick Cheney.

Lt. Governor candidates Walter Bradley and Joe Carraro also are expected at the forum, as are state auditor candidate H.R. Fine and U.S. Senate candidates Colin McMillan and Bill Turner.

Secretary of State candidate Gloria Baca-Griego, Corporation Commission candidate Peggy Helgeson and State Land Commissioner candidate Stirling Spencer will attend.

According to a news release, Lincoln County candidates who have confirmed they will attend are Paul Wersich and Ken Nosker, candidates for magistrate judge, division II; Frank Wilson and Wayne Jordon, 12 Judicial District Judge candidates; Commissioner Bill Schwettmann, who is asking for another term; County Clerk Martha Proctor who is running unopposed; treasurer candidate Joan Park and Magistrate Judge Gerald Dean, Division I.

Each of the candidates will be allowed to speak and questions will be allowed from the floor.

John Lattauzio, New Mexico State Republican Party chairman, will be the moderator and master of ceremonies for the evening.

Also attending will be Chip Johnson of Roswell, who is state vice chairman.

The public is invited to attend. For information on tickets, which are $6 each, or to make reservations, call Coleta Elliott at 258-4455, or Dave Skeen at 336-4442.

Tom Eckert, RLLCd and past president of Young Republicans, will be in Ruidoso on Friday, May 20, to help Lincoln County Young Republicans organize a pilot program.

Anyone between the ages of 18 and 40 is eligible to join Lincoln County Young Republicans.

An organizational meeting is planned at 5:30 p.m. May 20, in the meeting room upstairs at Cree Meadows.

According to a news release 801 young Republicans registered in Lincoln County.

For more information, call 258-4455 or 336-4442.

Jumpers

White Mountain Elementary School students got the jump on heart disease in March. 55 students (above) jumped rope during PE classes for a total of 28 hours, raising $2,200 for the American Heart Association. Coordinators Debbie Sanchez and Sheila Espinosa (left) awarded certificates to the jumpers.

Local students raise traveling money

A group of Ruidoso Middle School students hope to head to Washington D.C. in June and need some community support to help smooth the way.

They are part of the MESA program, an initiative designed to help students achieve their goals of pursuing an education in college in a mathematics, engineering or science field.

MESA adviser Carla Burns said the precollege program helps students achieve their potential.

"Traditionally, these students might not get the opportunity to go to college, because of family situations," Burns said. "MESA helps students reach their goals by counseling them to take the necessary subjects in school, by making tutoring available, by exposing them to science, math and engineering competitions and many outstanding field trips.

"The RMS parent group for the MESA program is working very hard to help their students to Washington D.C. Some students were unable to come up with the rest of the money when the deadline arrived (April 12)."

The group is asking local clubs and businesses to contribute.

"Our students are our future," she said. "We hope to have Americans fit for future jobs in technological and scientific areas."

To be a part of MESA, students must maintain a 2.0 grade point average (C) or higher. The trip is scheduled for June 7. The students already have worked several fund-raising projects, but have not covered all expenses.

As student Miranda Diaz wrote in her letter to local clubs, "It would be an unforgettable experience to us. We will learn something about Washington D.C. that we couldn't learn in a textbook, to actually see the historical monuments."

Luis Davila credited the backing and encouragement from the club as helping raise his grades from "B's" and "C's" to "A's" and "B's." He noted that MESA students visit classes to try to instill more enthusiasm for learning in other students.

For more information, contact Burns at the middle school, 257-7324.

In The Service

AIR FORCE AIRMAN MARK C. WIRTZ has graduated from Air Force basic training at Lackland Air Force Base in San Antonio, Texas.

Airman Wirtz is the son of Thomas J. Wirtz of Ruidoso and Vivian R. Caldwell of Dallas, Texas.

He is a 1990 graduate of Richardson High School in Richardson, Texas.

MARCEY L. BRITT graduated from U.S. Navy boot camp March 18, in Orlando, Florida.

Britt is the daughter of George and Laura Schryer of Alto and Ray Britt of Lamesa, Texas. She is a graduate of Capitan High School.

She is on her first assignment, stationed in Adak Naval Station, Adak, Alaska.

MARCEY L. BRITT

Speller ranks 4th at state

Erica Dawn Romero, a seventh grader at Ruidoso Middle School and the daughter of Don and Pauline Romero, competed in the State Spelling Bee in Albuquerque, sponsored by the Albuquerque Tribune. She placed fourth in the state and was awarded a Random House New World Dictionary and a certificate for being a finalist.

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Girl Scouts win Silver Award; juniors bridge to cadette level

Ruidoso Girl Scouts Shannon Conley and Elizabeth Flores have received the Silver Award, the second highest award in girl scouting.

Conley and Flores, who were honored during a recent awards ceremony, completed a project to benefit the community to earn the award.

The girls took charge of the Sunday school program at the Episcopal Church of the Holy Mount as their project.

Also during the awards ceremony, Junior Girl Scouts of troop 11, Rebecca Conley, Kristen McKalister, Sara Katz and Jennifer Tracy, bridged into Cadette Troop four.

The girls were recognized for completing their next step in the Girl Scout program.

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Capitan trustees search for water

by DIANNE STALLINGS
Ruidoso News Staff Writer

Water: how to get it, how to store it and how to use it dominated the Monday night meeting of the Capitan Board of Trustees.

The board, short members Gordon Ross and L.C. Cozzens, also pledged to improve the village's animal control situation.

The session started out with a public hearing on a proposal to create a Water Advisory Board by ordinance (since it would not be covered in state statutes).

Dr. Bernie Reimann proposed a five-member board, which would follow the trends set by the mayor and would advise the trustees, leaving all decisions up to elected officials.

"Our emphasis would be the acquisition, storage and delivery to users," he said. "We would recommend rates for domestic, industrial and extraterritorial use and review water related request with the zoning board.

"We would estimate and propose a budget for acquisition of water and explore sources of financial aid."

Although some people don't see the need to acquire additional reliable water sources, Reimann said he remembers in the 1960s when the community of Hope ran out of water.

"We take it for granted and it's an absolute must for the life of a village," he said.

Reimann said he would like to see a member of the Eagle Creek Water Association serve on the village's water advisory board to ensure coordination. The village is in the middle of a project to pipe water from that source.

Reimann said he was disappointed to learn that what he thought was going to be an outright loan from the Farmers Home Administration for improvements to the Eagle Creek water line, would only be a guarantee for the sale of bonds, which would be a much lengthier process.

"So it could take two to three years before it is activated," he said.

Village attorney J. Robert Beauvais, village clerk Deborah Cummins and Reimann will draft the ordinance containing a description of the board and its assigned tasks.

In a related water issue, the trustees tentatively set construction of a 2-million water storage tank for about $160,000 as the top capital improvement project. Next the village will attempt to put up two, half-million gallon tanks in the subdivisions to improve pressure.

"That's why I think we need to create the board, to ride on these things," Mayor Norm Renfro said.

The full house of about 20 people at the public hearing agreed that water should top the list, followed by sewage treatment in the subdivisions, street lighting and a recreation area in the wetlands, cut previously when the project was trimmed.

In another matter, the proposed salary for the new police officer would be in the $20,000 annual range.

The new position can be covered financially for the rest of the year because of money not spent on wages when the village was without a second officer for a few months.

Noting that he has received many complaints on dogs and cats running loose, Renfro said the new officer would also fill the duties of animal control.

"But he also would have to fill in for other officers who have accumulated a great deal of compensatory time," Renfro said.

Beauvais noted that it takes 3.2 full time equivalent persons to fully staff a 24 hour period.

"So with three officers, you still would not be fully staffed," he said. "So the town must judiciously choose the shifts it wants to staff."

Trustee Connie Hopper said when the two other officers on staff were hired, they were told that animal control would be part of their duties. She contended they don't want to respond to some calls for animal control.

"I have talked to the mayor and the chief (of police Tony Cano) and what I got was excuses and I don't knows," she said. "At a couple of these meetings, I got angry."

At other times, she tried to point out some solutions in a friendly manner, but met with resistance, Hopper said.

"It was thrown into my face that I wanted this man's job," said Hopper, who is a Lincoln County deputy and handles the Drug Abuse Resistance Education (DARE) program. That never was her intent, she said.

A woman in the audience said she has called twice with dog complaints and they have been handled promptly.

"I'm glad to hear that because that's not the calls I get at home," Hopper said. "Someone should be patrolling and picking up dogs, not just responding to complaints."

The department has the equipment to handle dogs, Cano said. But many times other priorities must be satisfied first when calls are received.

"My problem is, we're rewarding them (with an extra officer) for what?" Hopper asked.

Village Municipal Judge Jack Johnson asked what the village intends to do with the dogs once they are picked up.

"Along with impounding, I think we need to work some kind of a deal with the Humane Society of Lincoln County on Gavilan Road."

Former mayor Bennie Coker pointed out that the village should have an arrangement for the care of the animals, "because you will acquire a lot of liability if you don't have an adequate facility."

Beauvais reminded the trustees of the problems faced by the mayor in Carrizozo when she had to go to court over alleged inhumane treatment of dogs housed in that town's facility.

It would be a lot less expensive to let the humane society handle it.

Celebrating their victories at the recent FHA Star competition are (back row, from left) Tay LaRue and Renee Smith; and (front, from left) Nolen LaRue, teacher Jan LaRue, coordinator Juanita Smith, Meaghan Vinson and Angie Hutchison.

FHA members bring home trophies

Metals of all hues grace the trophy shelf of the Capitan chapter of Future Homemakers of America (FHA) as members returned to Lincoln County from the annual Star competition with gold, silver and bronze.

Capitan's Parliamentary Procedure Team will go on to represent New Mexico at the 1994 National leadership Meeting July 9-17 in Orlando, Florida.

"Judges commented repeatedly about the quality and creativity of the student presentations," teacher adviser Jan LaRue told The Ruidoso News.

She said 681 members and adults from across New Mexico attended the 1994 state leadership meeting and Star Events competition last month.

Eight students and five adults represented Capitan. As a state officer, Meaghan Vinson helped plan and conduct the meeting. She also acted as co-chairman of the student body Fun and Games for Fitness.

Adult helpers Jo Beth Vinson, Inez Marr and Juanita Smith were volunteer evaluators for the Star events competitions. Bronze medals went to Stephanie Hester for decorated cakes and to Renee Smith and Angie Hutchison for the chapter banner.

Silver medals were awarded to Lily Cherry and Michelle Ingle for the chapter banner.

The gold went to Meaghan Vinson for job interview and to Tay LaRue, Nolen LaRue, Renee Smith and Angie Hutchison for parliamentary procedure.

Smith and Marr also were selected as New Mexico FHA honorary members, LaRue said.

"To become an honorary member, a person must be nominated by their local chapter and are recognized for their involvement in promoting the FHA at a local, regional and state level," she explained.

"Since the total costs for this group experience will exceed $10,000 at $1,200 for each person, our members are asking for donations and fund raising opportunities," LaRue said. "We realize that small communities have limited resources financially, but great wells of heart and creativity when it comes to finding ways to support and encourage our youth."

Many of the students have summer jobs to help pay their way, but won't be able to earn enough to meet deadlines for airfare and advance deposits.

"Cash donations would be appreciated, as well as sharing any ideas or chances for earning the money, such as demonstrating to groups how a meeting is conducted.

Vinson and Jan LaRue also have been asked to represent New Mexico at planning meetings for the FHA's Fiftieth Anniversary celebration next year.

Hitters and spikers hone skills at volleyball camp

by DIANNE STALLINGS
Ruidoso News Staff Writer

June will be the month to hone net skills and develop the winning instinct for would-be volleyball stars.

The Tiger Booster Volleyball Day Camp will offer students in grades fourth through twelfth (1994-95 school year) the chance to learn in a compressed period of time some of the special pointers that helped shape winning college teams.

The volleyball day camp, sponsored by the Tiger Boosters, is set for June 13-17.

Back to teach the camp will be Gerald Hekekia and Dalton Overstreet.

Players in grades ninth through twelfth grades (in the 1994-95 school year) will meet from 1 p.m. to 5 p.m. for instruction. The gymnasium will be open from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. at the high school.

Players in seventh and eighth grades will receive instruction from 10 a.m. to noon. Those in fourth through sixth grades are scheduled from 8 a.m. to 9:30 a.m.

The camp fees are $50 for grades 9-12, $35 for 7-8, and $25 for 4-6.

Applications must be submitted before June 1. A $10 deposit or payment in full must accompany the application. Any balance must be paid on the first day of camp. Applications will be accepted on a first come, first serve basis.

Insurance will be the responsibility of the participant. All campers should arrive in good condition. The Tiger Boosters Camp staff, not the Capitan school system, will take responsibility for any injury or accident that may occur as a result of participation in the camp. Campers' parents or guardians must sign a release statement included on the camp application.

Head coach of the women's team at Eastern Arizona University, Hekekia was Coach of 1986 NJCAA National Runners-Up, Coach of 1987 NJCAA Fourth Place Team and Coach of the 1992 NJCAA National Championship Team.

Overstreet is head coach of Yavapi College in Prescott, Arizona and was coach of the 1986 NJCAA National Runners-Up.

Forms are available from Coach Pam Allen and can be mailed to Box 127, Capitan, New Mexico 88316. For more information, contact Allen after school at 354-3121.

Gowen signed

An inspiration to aspiring volleyball champs, graduating senior volleyball star Stacy Gowen was signed up Wednesday by the College of the Southwest in Hobbs.

The college coach came to Capitan High School armed with the paperwork and Gowen, surrounded by school officials and family, made it official.

Deadline for Cowbelles 1994 scholarship is set for June 1

The Corriente Cowbelles are offering a $400 scholarship for college upperclassmen majoring in agriculture, education with an agriculture background, or a field of study that could benefit the beef cattle industry.

To be eligible, the person must be a Lincoln County resident, with preference given to Capitan area students. They must be a sophomore, junior or senior or graduate student in agriculture or related field and have a cumulative grade point average of 2.5 or better.

To apply, the students need to write a paragraph defining their needs, goals and qualifications for the scholarship. The application and grade point verification should be submitted by June 1 to Willa Stone, Box 484, Capitan New Mexico 88316.

The scholarship will be awarded at the Corriente Cowbelles' annual team roping scheduled for June 11.

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Forest doubles as classroom

Students practice conservation skills

by DIANNE STALLINGS
Ruidoso News Staff Writer

Students from schools all over Lincoln County converged on the Lincoln National Forest last Thursday and Friday to celebrate the Third Annual Conservation Days.

In what has become an annual event eagerly anticipated by fifth graders, classes from schools in Ruidoso, Capitan, Hondo, Corona and Carrizozo moved from outdoor information station to information station, broke for lunch and then continued their progression.

Coordinated by Lynn Hutchison of the New Mexico State Forestry Division, the two-day learning fest drew experts from many environment-related disciplines to the Cedar Creek Group Campground in Ruidoso.

At station one, Tim Meyer and Larry Mostic from the U.S. Forest Service station in Cloudcroft told students how to measure trees and what those measurements can indicate about climate conditions.

Barbara Luna, manager of the State Forestry office in Capitan, and Greg Fitch from the Santa Fe office of the same agency, spent their time at station two helping students learn how to identify trees by their bark, leaves and other features.

Station three leaders, Marty Tagg from Holloman Air Force Base and volunteer Lori Hawthorne walked students through the steps of using archaeology to learn more about an area and how its prehistoric residents lived.

At station four, Greg Haussler and Hollis Fuchs from the soil conservation service in Capitan and Carrizozo, along with Howard Shanks, coordinator for the South-central Mountain Recreation Conservation and Development, spoke to students about soil resources and how to prevent erosion.

Ben Hanson and Ron Moore of the New Mexico Game and Fish Commission based in Roswell had the most fun with their young students as they imitated bears and talked about pseudo-hibernation of black bears. They explained why well meaning visitors who feed bears may be condemning the animals to death.

The two men at station five also covered other types of wildlife they are charged with conserving and protecting.

Fire management was illustrated with color photographs of past fire fights narrated by Ira Castor, Bill Tucker and Marianne Gould of the U.S. Forest Service office in Ruidoso at station six.

Bill Jenkins and Jim Badgar, both with the Ruidoso Fire Department, demonstrated the type of fire fighting equipment used, and even helped some students pile on the extra 70 pounds of gear.

Ross Oxford and Larry Ashley with the Roswell district office of the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) also showed off agency pumpers and other equipment at station seven.

Watershed management was Steve Daly's topic at station eight. Daly is with the BLM's Carlsbad office.

More than 275 students circled the entire route of stations.

Barbara Luna, manager of the Capitan office of the New Mexico State Forestry Division, and Greg Fitch of the Santa Fe office show students different examples of leaves to help them identify trees found in the Lincoln National Forest.

Marty Tagg from Holloman Air Force Base speaks to students on how archaeological artifacts can tell scientists about the lifestyles of prehistoric tribes.

A Ruidoso fireman at the annual Conservation Days helps a student pry off a helmet worn by firefighters. The uniform and equipment weighs about 70 pounds.

Hollis Fuchs of the Carrizozo office of the U.S. Soil and Water Conservation Service takes his turn speaking to students about taking care of the soil and preventing erosion. Fellow speakers Howard Shanks, left, Southcentral Mountain Recreation, Conservation and Development coordinator, and Greg Haussler of the Soil Conservation's Capitan office, wait their turns.

Photos by Dianne Stallings

Steve Daly from the Bureau of Land Management in Carlsbad explains different approaches used to protect the valuable watershed of the Lincoln National Forest.

Game Warden Ron Moore watches as fellow New Mexico Game and Fish officer Ben Hanson arches his arm mimicking a bear to the delight of students visiting their learning station during the Third Annual Conservation Days.

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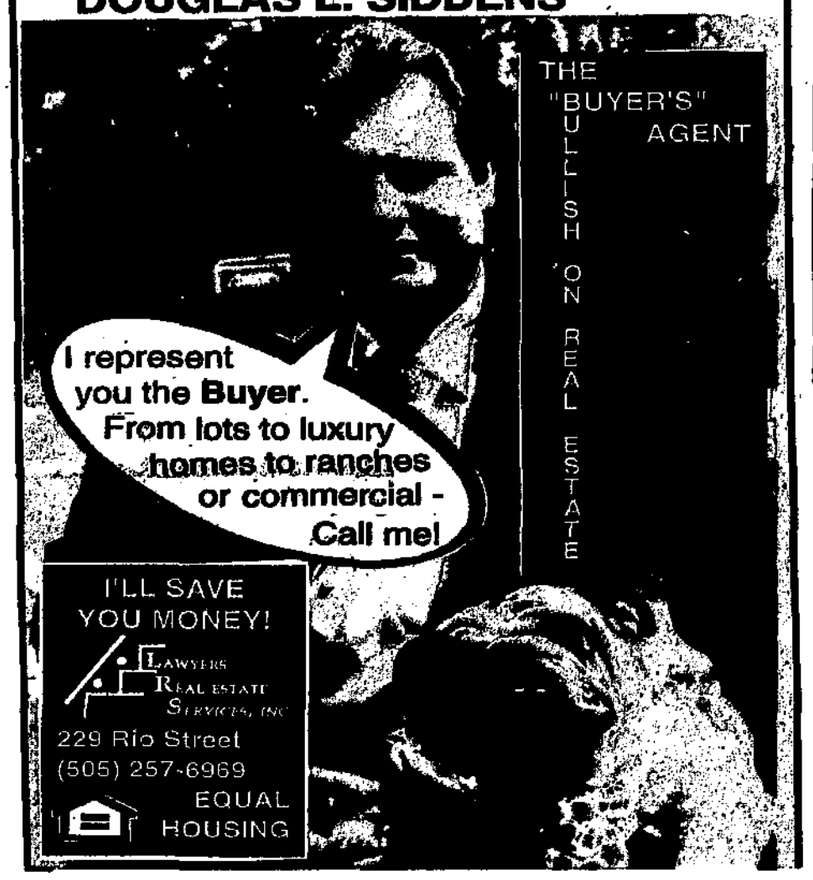

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HOME LOANS — Good credit, bad credit ok. 1-800-838-4071. M-S-104-8tp

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SIERRA BLANCA VIEW — from this building lot, wooded with big Ponderosa trees, full membership. Call Susan at Century 21 Aspen Real Estate, 257-9057, #40836. M-C-104-1tf

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419 Mechem
257-4011
Ruidoso, NM 88345

VIEW OF SIERRA BLANCA! From this furnished 3 bedroom, 2 bathroom home with fireplace, covered deck, breakfast bar, large pantry and storage. All major appliances. $69,500.

LITTLE CABIN IN THE WOODS! Quiet location for this cute 2 bedroom, 1 bathroom furnished cabin with fireplace and huge deck. Nestled amongst the tall, cool pines. Paved access. Good mountain retreat or starter home. #39,500.

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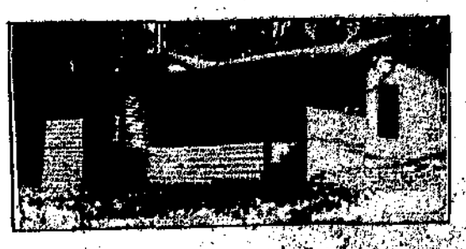
Perfect Vacation Home - Ruidoso
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Six (6) Acres/Alto
Very nice land. Good well/septic installed. Ready to build. Great location. Call Susan Miller or Harvey Foster $79,500., #94-40500.

Price Reduced!! - Ruidoso
Nice flat lot in good location. Good access, close to shopping. Neat 2 bedroom, 1 bathroom cabin, fully furnished. Owner ready to sell. $38,500., Call Larry Tinman, #30800

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Two (2) Alto Golf Course Lots
Overlooking 14th Fairway. Full golfing memberships. Heavily treed. On prestigious Forest Drive. $43,000. each. Less if you buy both. Call Peggy Jordan. #40434 and #40466.

$30,000.00 Condo - Ruidoso
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Beautiful Cedar Creek - Ruidoso
A traditional Ruidoso Cabin updated to the '90's. New central heat metal roof, 2-car garage etc. Call Warren, $89,900., #40655

Just Reduced - Ruidoso
Fully Furnished! 2 bathroom, end unit on bottom floor. Great condition, easy to get to! Owners will look at all offers. Call Jackie Covington, $82,500., #11196

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9. Real Estate

SPACIOUS TRI-LEVEL WHITE MOUNTAIN ESTATES HOME Corner lot, 3 BR, 2.5 Baths, 2 car garage and separate large master suite. Call Marica for details. $149,900. Evenings 258-3426.

Unique Lake front lot. 1.50 acres with 149 feet on Alto Lake. Water available but no Alto restrictions. Priced at $39,000 with owner financing. Ask for Marcia. Evenings 258-3426.

2 houses on 1 1/2 lots. $45,280 - owner financing. Ask for Johnny. Evenings 257-5485.

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DARLING CABIN — on 4th Street! Two bedroom, one bath, wood stove. Cute kitchen. Good access. Priced reduced, now $29,800. Call Peggy Jordan at Century 21 Aspen Real Estate, 257-9057. #10015. M-C-104-1tf

10. Mobile Homes for Sale

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11. Business Opportunities

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12. Houses for Rent

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13. Apartments for Rent

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14. Mobiles for Rent

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FOR RENT — two bedroom, two bath, mobile home north of Capitan. Room for a horse. $350 plus deposit. Call Tommy 336-8429. 21-M-104-2tp

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15. Mobile Space for Rent

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17. Business Rentals

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18. Resort Rentals

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20. Storage Space for Rent

THE STO-A-WAY — now leasing commercial storage units, 15x25 375 sq.ft. and 25x30 750 sq.ft., insulated. Gavilan and Meander. 257-2365. 19-M-52-tfc

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25. Motorcycles for Sale

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33. Pets and Supplies

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34. Yard Sales

YARD SALE — three sewer machines, plumbing tools and supplies. Downs Motel, Saturday and Sunday. M-C-103-2tp

MINI FAMILY YARD SALE — Apache Motel, 344 Sudderth, Saturday only, 9:30-4:30. M-A-104-1tc

GARAGE SALE — Friday and Saturday, 9AM. 504 First Street. Lots of good stuff. M-W-104-1tp

GARAGE SALE — Saturday, May 14, 8:00AM - ?PM. Two Family. Household items, clothes, furniture, crafts, etc. 148 Eagle Dr. Ruidoso. 18-G-104-1tf

34. Yard Sales

GIGANTIC GARAGE SALE — If its in stock we've got it. 122 Skyvue, Friday & Saturday 9 AM. M-F-104-1tp

BIG GARAGE SALE — Mechanic tools, antiques, baby clothes, much miscellaneous, Thursday, Friday and Saturday 9-6. From stop light on Sudderth and Paradise Canyon Road. Come one mile up Paradise Canyon Rd, turn left across creek bridge. 407 Violet Street. 39-S-104-1tp

GARAGE SALE — Track & Ski Lodge, HWY 48. Saturday & Sunday. Moving. Too Many items to list. 8-7, no early sales. 18-N-104-1tp

YARD SALE — Lots of odds & ends. Saturday 9:00AM. 420 2nd St. Ruidoso Downs. M-K-104-1tp

GARAGE SALE — Saturday 9AM, several families. Baby items, household and clothing. 241 Mescalero Trail. M-T-104-1tc

YARD SALE — Saturday 8-6:30. 417 Juniper Circle. Look for the signs. Great treasures. Come & see. M-C-104-1tp

SALE — Saturday 8am-2pm. Northeast of Race Track, Ruidoso Downs. Joe Welch & North Lane. 378-8128 M-D-104-1tp

GARAGE SALE — Saturday, May 14 only, 8:30 - 5:00. 402 Grindstone. M-A-104-1tp

YARD SALE — 192 Spruce, Friday and Saturday, May 13th & 14th, 9-5. Girls clothes and shoes, 2T and up, baby swing and car seat, booster car seat, mens and womens clothes, ski boots, pool, dishes, miscellaneous toys, saddle, trailer, 250 motorcycle, misc. tools. 39-B-104-1tp

YARD SALE — Up from Pappy's Diner, first road turn left. Lots of stuff. 215 Downs Drive. M-M-104-1tp

MULTI FAMILY GARAGE SALE — Saturday 8-1, 123 Rowan Rd., Cree Meadows G.C. Home stereo, CD w/speakers, upright piano, clothes (childrens, maternity, misses and mens) Twin bed spreads and sheets. Lots of other stuff too. 34-S-104-1tp

YARD SALE — Saturday, May 14, 9-5. 230 E. Circle, Ruidoso Downs. M-B-104-1tp

YARD SALE — 9AM, May 14 & 15. ABSOLUTELY NO SALES TO EARLY BIRD! 334 County Club. 16-C-104-1tc

GIANT YARD SALE — 3 family. Walnut at Gavilan Canyon Road. M-W-104-1tp

YARD AND CRAFTS SALE — Junction 244, Hwy 70. Furniture, baby clothes, 25" console color TV, misc. items. 16-C-104-1tp

35. Household Items

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Randel Widener, Associate Pastor
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Sunday worship-10:45 a.m., 6 p.m.
Wednesday Bible study-7 p.m.

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Capitan
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Sunday Mass-9 a.m.
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Sunday Mass-11 a.m.
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Sunday Mass—8 a.m.

CHRISTIAN

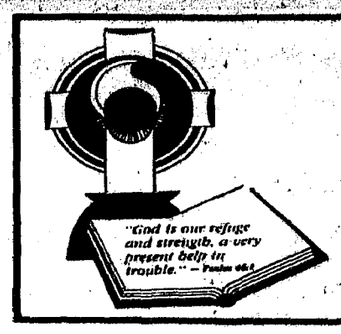
First Christian Church (Disciples of Christ)

Bill Kennedy, Pastor
Hull and Gavilan Canyon Road, Ruidoso
Sunday School—K-12/Adult—9:30 a.m.
Regular Sunday worship-10:45 a.m.
Chancel Choir—Wednesday—7 p.m.
Youth Group—Sunday—6 p.m.

CHURCH OF CHRIST

Capitan

Highway 48
Les Earwood, Minister
Sunday Bible study-10 a.m.
Sunday worship-11 a.m., 6 p.m.
Wednesday Bible study-7 p.m.



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Gateway Church of Christ

Ruidoso
Jimmy Sportsman, Minister
Sunday Bible study-9:30 a.m.
Sunday morning worship-10:30 a.m.
Sunday evening worship—6 p.m.
Wednesday-Christian services 2-4 p.m.
Wednesday Bible study-7 p.m.

CHURCH OF JESUS CHRIST LATTER DAY SAINTS

Church of Jesus ChristLDS

Ruidoso Branch
12 miles north of Ruidoso on Highway 48 on east side between mile posts 14 and 15.
336-4359 or 258-9138
Sunday:
Sunday School-10 a.m.
Priesthood Relief Society-11 a.m.
Primary & Young Women-11 a.m.
Sacrament meeting-noon

Church of Jesus ChristLDS

Mescalero Branch
Marvin Hansen, President
434-0098
Sunday:
Priesthood & Relief Society meeting-11:30 a.m.
Sunday School & primary-noon
Sacrament meeting-10:30 a.m.

EPISCOPAL

Episcopal Church of the Holy Mount

121 Mescalero Trail, Ruidoso
Father John W. Penn, Rector
Sunday Eucharist-8 & 10:30 a.m.
Wednesday:
Daughters of King-noon
Eucharist & healing-5:30 p.m.
Choir practice-7 p.m.

Episcopal Chapel of San Juan

Lincoln
Sunday: Holy Eucharist-10:30 a.m.

St. Anne's Episcopal Chapel

Glencoe
Sunday: Holy Eucharist-9 a.m.

St. Matthias Episcopal Chapel

6th & E Street, Carrizozo
Sunday: Holy Eucharist-9:30 a.m.

FOURSQUARE

Capitan Foursquare Church

Highway 48, Capitan
Harold W. Perry, Pastor
Sunday School-10 a.m.
Sunday worship—11 a.m., 7 p.m.
Wednesday Bible study—7 p.m.

FULL GOSPEL

Mission Fountain of Living Water Full Gospel

San Patricio
Sunday School-10 a.m.
Evening services-7:30 p.m. Sunday, Tuesday and Friday

Potter's House Christian Center

441 Sudderth Drive
meets in Gateway Center (Behind Gateway Exxon)
Full Gospel, New Testament Church
Nursery is provided.
Jesse Arreola, Pastor
439-0094
Sunday-2 p.m.

JEHOVAH'S WITNESSES

Ruidoso-Kingdom Hall

106 Alpine Village Road, Highway 48
258-3659, 257-7715
Sunday public talk-10 a.m.
Sunday Watchtower-10:50 a.m.
Tuesday Bible study-7:30 p.m.
Thursday ministry school-7:30 p.m.
Thursday service meet-8:20 p.m.

Congregacion Hispana de los Testigos de Jehova

106 Alpine Village Road, Highway 48
258-3659, 336-7076
Reunion publica Dom.-1:30 p.m.
Estudio de la Atalaya Dom.-2:20 p.m.
Estudio de libro Lun.-7 p.m.
Escuela del ministerio teocratico Mier.-7 p.m.
Reunion de servicio Mier.-7:50 p.m.

LUTHERAN

Shepherd of the Hills Lutheran Church

1210 Hull Road
258-4191, 257-5296
Kevin L. Krohn, Pastor
Sunday worship-8:30 a.m., 10:30 a.m.
Sunday School and Adult Bible Class 9:30 a.m.

METHODIST

Community United Methodist Church

220 Junction Road
Behind Daylight Donuts
Craig Cockrell, Pastor
Sunday School-9:30 a.m.
Sunday worship-8:30 a.m.,10:30 a.m.

United Methodist Church Parish

Trinity Carrizozo/Capitan
648-2893, 648-2846
Tommy C. Jared,
Pastor, Capitan/Carrizozo
Carrizozo
Sunday School 8:30 a.m.
Sunday worship 9:15 a.m.
Wednesday choir-6 p.m.
Capitan
Sunday worship-9:15 a.m.
Adult Sunday School—8:30 a.m. 2nd Sunday School 11 a.m.

PENTECOSTAL

Spirit of Life Apostolic/Pentecostal Tabernacle

209 Lincoln Ave., Capitan
(2/10 mile past fairgrounds heading toward the business district)
Allan M. Miller-Pastor
257-6864
Bible Study-7 p.m. Tuesday
Sunday School-10 a.m. Sunday
Sunday Evening Services-6 p.m.
Ladies fellowship-6 p.m. last Thursdays

NAZARENE

Angus Church of the Nazarene

At Bonito Park Nazarene Conference Center, Angus, 12 miles north of Ruidoso on Highway 48
Charles Hall, Pastor
336-8032
Sunday School-9:45 a.m.
Sunday worship-10:45 a.m. & 6:30 p.m.
Wednesday fellowship-6:30 p.m.

PRESBYTERIAN

First Presbyterian Church

Ruidoso, Nob Hill
257-2220
Dr. James Rucker, Pastor
Church school-9:45 a.m.
Sunday worship-11 a.m.
Potluck fellowship lunch after worship the third Sunday; women's Bible study and brown bag lunch at noon the second Tuesday.

Mountain Ministry Parish

Community United Presbyterian Church of Ancho
Sunday worship-9 a.m.
Sunday School—10 a.m.
Corona Presbyterian Church
Worship—11 a.m.
Nogal Presbyterian Church
Adult Sunday School—10 a.m.
Worship—11 a.m.

REFORMED CHURCH

Mescalero Reformed

Mescalero
Bob Schut, Pastor

NON-DENOMINATIONAL

American Missionary Fellowship

Gregg Horst
354-2307
Ruidoso men's Bible study-noon, Monday, Pizza Hut, Mechem Drive.
Capitan youth group-7 p.m. Wednesday at the fair building
Women's Bible Study-6:30 Mondays
Adult Bible Study-6:30 p.m. Thursdays

Calvary Chapel

501A Sudderth (Senior Citizens Ctr)
Pastor Ben Slaboda
378-9196, 257-2619
10:30 a.m. Sunday Worship
7 p.m. Wednesday Bible Study

Christ Community Fellowship

Capitan, Highway 380 West
Ed Vinson, Pastor
354-2458
Sunday School-9:45 a.m.
Sunday worship-10:30 a.m.

Cornerstone Church

Cornerstone Square,
613 Sudderth Drive
257-9265
H.D. Hunter, Pastor
Ray Wells, Associate Pastor
Sunday services-10:30 a.m. and 6 p.m.
Wednesday-7 p.m.

Living Word Church

Pastors: Randy and Linda Ayres
1035 B Mechem, 336-7874
Sunday 10:30 a.m.
and 6 p.m.
Wednesday 7 p.m.

Peace Chapel Universal Life Church

Located at Poncho de Paz retreat Gavilan Canyon Road, 1/2 mile east of junction at Highway 48 north and Gavilan Canyon Road
Jeamsie Price, Pastor
336-7075
Morning chapel-6:30 a.m. Monday through Friday. Sunday service-10:00 a.m. every week at Peace Chapel, except the first Sunday of the month when the service is at 10:15 a.m. at Ruidoso Care Center. Vespers-7:15 p.m.-3rd Thursday

Ruidoso Word Ministries

Ruidoso Downs
Al and Marty Lane, Pastors
378-8464
Children's Ministries-9:30 a.m.
Sunday worship-10:45 a.m.
Wednesday services-7 p.m.

Trinity Mountain Fellowship

1108 Gavilan Canyon Road
336-4213
Sunday Service: 9,10:30 a.m.
Sunday School: 9:30-10:30 a.m.
Wednesday Home Group: 7-9 p.m.
Bible study, fellowship, ministry
Thursday: 7-9 p.m. overcomers in Christ 12-step recovery group

Club Calendar

ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS Ruidoso Arid Group

Meets at the Stroud Building, Lower Level, rear entrance.
Sundays—8 p.m. open ladies and mens stag meeting.
Mondays—Noon AA meetings and 8 p.m. Step Study.
Tuesdays—8 p.m. closed AA and Alanon.
Wednesdays—Noon AA meetings and 8 p.m. closed AA and Beginner's night and Alanon Step Study.
Thursdays—Noon open women's meeting and 8 p.m. Social open and Alanon.
Fridays—Noon AA meetings and 8 p.m. Book Study.
Saturdays—8 p.m. AA open.
Birthdays, last Saturday.
Phone number 258-3643

Ruidoso Area Group

Meets in the Community United Methodist Church, 220 Junction Road. AA and Alanon, 7 p.m. Tuesdays.

New AA Group

Meets from 8 to 9 p.m. at Gateway Church of Christ, 415 Sudderth Drive in Ruidoso. The format is open-discussion, meaning that concerned non-alcoholics may attend. For more information, or referrals, call 336-8351.

Co-Dependents Anonymous

Meets at Texas-New Mexico Power Company. Step study meeting, 7 p.m. Tuesdays.

Narcotics Anonymous

Making Changes Group meets Fridays 7 to 8 p.m. at Gateway Church of Christ, 425 Sudderth Dr. For more information call 257-7704

Overeaters Anonymous

Meets at Texas-New Mexico Power Company at 6 p.m. Tuesdays. For more information call 257-9033.

ALL AMERICAN DUPLICATE BRIDGE CLUB

Meets at the Ruidoso Senior Citizens Center at 1 p.m. Saturdays. Open game. Novice players welcome. For information, call Ruby Greenhaw 257-7411.

ALTO WOMEN'S ASSOCIATION

Meets at 11 a.m. Tuesdays at the Alto Club House for lunch at noon and cards at 1 p.m. Business meeting the first Tuesday.

ALTRUSA CLUB

Meets at the Episcopal Church of the Holy Mount, 121 Mescalero Trail. 7 p.m. first Tuesday for program and at noon third Tuesday for lunch. President Jane Deyo, 257-4088.

AMERICAN ASSOCIATION OF RETIRED PERSONS

AARP meets at the Senior Citizens Center behind the Ruidoso Public Library at 10 a.m. the fourth Wednesday. President J. Wesley Kurtz.

AMERICAN CANCER SOCIETY OF L.C.

Memorial Chairman Sandy Thomas, P.O. Box 2328, Ruidoso NM 88345. Telephone: 257-4041

AMERICAN LEGION Robert J. Hagee, Post 79

Meets at 7 p.m. the third Wednesday in the American Legion Building at U.S. Highway 70 and Spring Road in Ruidoso Downs. For more information, call 257-5796.

B.P.O.E. No. 2086

Elk's meets in the Elk's Lodge Building on U.S. Highway 70. 7:30 p.m. first and third Thursdays.

B.P.O.DOES

Does meet in the Elk's Lodge Building on U.S. Highway 70. 7:30 p.m. second and fourth Thursdays.

BETA SIGMA PHI

Four chapters meet in members' homes. 7:30 p.m. second and fourth Mondays. For information, 257-5368, 257-4651.

BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA Boy Scouts

Troop 59: 7-8:30 p.m. Mondays at the Episcopal Church of the Holy Mount. Scoutmaster Steve Norbury, 258-3417.
Cub Scouts: Ruidoso pack meeting at 2 p.m. the third Sunday.

RUIDOSO CHESS CLUB

7—10:30 p.m. Tuesday and Thursday at Pizza Hut on Mechem. No dues or fees. For information, call Ron at 257-7023.

CHRISTIAN SERVICES OF LINCOLN COUNTY INC.

Volunteers serving the less fortunate in the area. 7 p.m. first Mondays at 120 Junction Road (Church of Christ building). President Rick Osborne, 257-7162.

DAUGHTERS OF THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION

Meets in members' homes at noon the second Thursday. For information, call 257-7186.

DISABLED AMERICAN VETERANS Coe-Curry Chapter 23

DAV meets at 7 p.m. first Tuesday in the American Legion Hall at Highway 70 and Spring Road in Ruidoso Downs. For information, call 257-5796.

FEDERATED REPUBLICAN WOMEN OF L.C.

Meets the fourth Tuesday of each month at 11 a.m. for a business meeting and program. For information, call Coleta Elliott, 258-4455.

FRATERNAL ORDER OF POLICE LODGE #26

Meets at K-Bob's Steak House Restaurant at noon every Thursday.

FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY

Meets at the Ruidoso Public Library. 4 p.m. first Monday.

ZIA GIRL SCOUT COUNCIL

Ruidoso service unit meets at the Episcopal Church of the Holy Mount the second Monday at 6 p.m.

GOLDEN AGE CLUB

Meets at the Ruidoso Senior Citizens Center behind the Ruidoso Library at noon first and third Wednesdays for covered dish lunch and games.

HIV+ SUPPORT GROUP

meets the the second Monday.
Loving Others Support Group for friends and family of HIV+ meets the third Tuesday. For information, call 257-2236 or (1-800) 573-AIDS

HUMANE SOCIETY OF LINCOLN COUNTY

meets at noon the third Wednesday at Texas Club.

KIWANIS CLUB

Meets at K-Bob's in the American Room at noon Tuesdays. Visiting Kiwanis members welcome.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS Father E. Dolan Council

Meets in the parish hall at St. Eleanor's Catholic Church at 7 p.m. second and fourth Tuesdays. Robert E. Nys, grand knight.

LAMAZE PREPARED CHILDBIRTH CLASSES

Six-week session every eight weeks meets at the Lincoln County Medical Center with meetings at 7 p.m. Mondays. Instructors are Jacque Haddix, RN, and Jan Davey, RN. Call 257-7381 for information or to register for classes.

BASSMASTERS

Meets at 6:30 p.m. the second Wednesday in the briefing room at the Ruidoso Police Department. President B.J. Barnes, 258-5641; secretary-treasurer Bill Stroud, 258-4480 or 258-5096.

LINCOLN COUNTY FOOD BANK

In the First Presbyterian Church on Nob Hill. Board meets at 7 p.m. the third Thursday. Food bank hours are noon-4 p.m. Monday, Wednesday and Friday. For information, call 257-5823.

LINCOLN COUNTY HOMEBUILDERS

Meets at Cree Meadows Restaurant at 6:15 p.m. the first Tuesday. President Bill Cornelius.

LINCOLN COUNTY LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS

Meets at 11:30 a.m. the third Monday at the Episcopal Church of the Holy Mount. Board meets at 10 a.m. before the regular meeting. President Susan Skinner. For information, write to Box 1705, Ruidoso NM 88345.

LINCOLN COUNTY MEDICAL CENTER AUXILIARY

Meets in the hospital conference room at 9:30 a.m. first Tuesday.

LINCOLN COUNTY SHERIFF'S POSSE

Meets at the Lincoln County Fair Building in Capitan at 2 p.m. the first Sunday. President Joe Smith, 336-4755.

LIONS INTERNATIONAL Evening Lions Club

Meets in the Lions Hut on Skyland behind Mountain Laundry Tuesdays for supper.

Ruidoso Valley Noon Lions

Meets at Cree Meadows Country Club at noon Wednesday.

MASONIC LODGE #73

Meets in the Eastern Star Building in the Palmer Gateway area at 7:30 p.m. first Monday. W.M.—Frank Terry, 258-5464; secretary, Leo Mitchell, 258-4182.

NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF RETIRED FEDERAL EMPLOYEES Chapter 1379

Meets at K-Bob's Restaurant at 10 a.m. second Tuesday. For information, call 258-5464; 258-4980; or 258-4023.

OPTIMIST CLUB

Meets every Tuesday at Cree Meadows Country Club in the loft from 6:30-7:30 p.m. For information, call Emmett Hatch, 258-5717.

ORDER OF THE EASTERN STAR Ruidoso Chapter #65

Meets in the Eastern Star Building in the Palmer Gateway area at 7:30 p.m. second Thursday. Visiting members welcome.

RUIDOSO PUBLIC LIBRARY

9 a.m. to 6 p.m. Monday through Thursday; 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Friday; 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday. Call 257-4335.

REPUBLICAN PARTY OF LINCOLN COUNTY

Meets the first Monday of each month at 6 p.m. Anyone interested is welcome. For information call David Skeen at 336-4442 or Bob Nys at 258-4372.

ROTARY INTERNATIONAL Ruidoso Hondo Valley Club

Meets at the Swiss Chalet Inn at noon Tuesdays.

RUIDOSO CARE CENTER AUXILIARY

Meets in the Ruidoso Care Center dining room at 11:30 a.m.. third Thursday for free lunch with 24-hour advance reservations. 1:15 p.m. program for residents and guests. Everyone welcome.

RUIDOSO DOWNS LADIES AUXILIARY

Meets in the Downs Senior Citizens building at 7 p.m. first Monday.

RUIDOSO DUPLICATE BRIDGE CLUB

Meets at the Ruidoso Senior Citizens Center behind Ruidoso Public Library at 7 p.m. Thursdays. Call 258-4332.

RUIDOSO FEDERATED WOMAN'S CLUB

Meets in the Woman's Club Building, 111 Evergreen Road each Monday at noon, covered dish luncheon followed by games and at 1:30 p.m. second Wednesday (September through May) for program, tea & business. Call 257-2309.

RUIDOSO GARDEN CLUB

Meets in various locations at 10 a.m. the third Tuesday. For information, call 258-5509 or 257-2877.

RUIDOSO GUN CLUB

Meets at Texas-New Mexico Power Company at 7:30 p.m. third Wednesday. President, Bobby Arnett, 257-9540; secretary, Mike Morris, 257-4804.

RUIDOSO HONDO VALLEY EXTENSION HOMEMAKERS

Meets at Ruidoso Public Library at 11:30 a.m. fourth Tuesday for covered dish luncheon. Program at 1 p.m. All are welcome.

RUIDOSO SHRINE CLUB

Meets at Cree Meadows Restaurant at 6:30 p.m. fourth Wednesday. For information, call 258-3348, 336-4175 or 336-4125.

SERVICE CLUB COUNCIL

Meets at K-Bob's, noon, the first Monday each month.

SIERRA BLANCA AMATEUR RADIO CLUB

Meets at the Deck House at 9 a.m. Saturdays. For information, call Dusty Rhodes, 257-2135; or Dick Shaw, 258-5737.

SIERRA BLANCA DUPLICATE BRIDGE CLUB

Meets at the Senior Citizens Center behind the Ruidoso Public Library for weekly open and novice games. 7 p.m. Mondays and 1 p.m. Tuesdays.

SIERRA BLANCA SWINGERS

Meets at Nob Hill Elementary for basic and mainstream square dancing at 8 p.m. first and third Thursdays. For information, call 257-2135 or 257-2883.

SERTOMA CLUB

Meets at Cochens at noon Wednesdays for lunch. Sertoma Bingo, 6 p.m. Thursday through Tuesday at 2160 Highway 70 East in Ruidoso Downs. Early bird game, 7 p.m. Concessions stand open. Call 257-2777 for information or 378-4292 after 5 p.m.

TENS

A weight-loss group, Tens meets at K-Bob's at 6:30 p.m. Wednesdays.

THURSDAY BRIDGE

11 a.m. Thursdays at Cree Meadows. For information, call 258-3631.

UNITED WE STAND AMERICA

For information and meeting time, call Roy Propsner at 257-6600.

VFW POST 7072

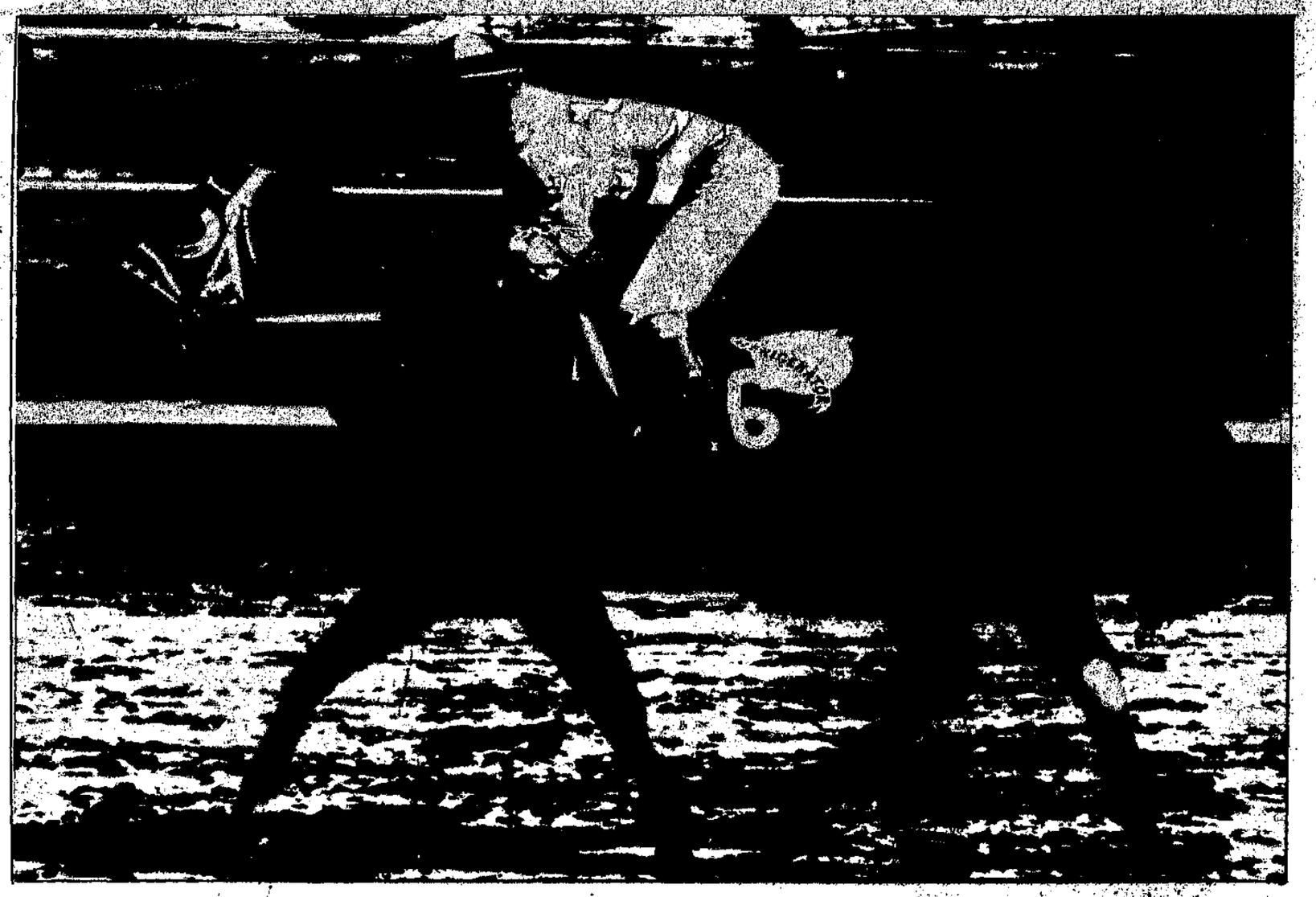
Jerome Don Klein Post 7072 at 7 p.m. the first Monday at American Legion Hall at Highway 70 and Spring Road in Ruidoso Downs. For more information, call 257-5796.

Don Klein VFW Women's Auxiliary Unit 7072: 7 p.m. the second Thursday at American Legion Hall. For more information, call 257-9502.

WHITE MOUNTAIN SEARCH & RESCUE

7 p.m. the third Monday at the public meeting room at Ruidoso High School. Melinda Headley, president; Martha Flesh, secretary. For information, call 336-6345 or 258-3439.

Refrigerator leads the parade of champions



REFRIGERATOR

World Champion Refrigerator, who became the richest quarter horse in history last year, heads a strong cast of top quarter horses and thoroughbreds expected to return to Ruidoso Downs when the track opens its 47th year of racing May 13.

1993 All American Futurity winner, A Classic Dash, and the ever popular Treacherously also should return to strut their talents this summer.

Along with the nation's finest quarter horses, the upcoming race meet will also attract some of the top thoroughbreds in the Southwest including Phoenix Gold Cup winner Last Don B. and the multiple stakes winning 3-year-old Set Records.

Dominant quarter horse trainers Jack Brooks, Dwayne "Sleepy" Gilbreath and Blane Schvaneveldt will have their best two-year-olds primed to perform at the mountaintop racing strip when the 68-day meet opens with the Ruidoso Futurity Trials.

On the thoroughbred front, defending training champ Cliff Lambert and runner-up Doyal Roberts are once again expected to have strong stables this year.

Refrigerator added to his legendary status last fall when he became the richest quarter horse of all-time with $1.9 million in earnings. The six-year-old gelding by Rare Jet began his undefeated 1993 campaign with two impressive victories at Ruidoso.

After an easy 1 1/4-length tally in the trials for the Grade I World's Championship Quarter Horse Classic and posting the fastest qualifying time, Refrigerator was sent off the overwhelming favorite in the August 1 final.

Refrigerator did not disappoint his supporters in the 440-yard final as he romped home under a tight hold by jockey Bruce Pilkenton for a one-length score. After that victory, Refrigerator went on to win three stakes races at Los Alamitos including the Champion of Champions which unseated Eastex atop the leading earner's standings.

The gelding is expected to defend his crown at Ruidoso once again this summer under the care of trainer Dwayne "Sleepy" Gilbreath and attempt to become the first quarter horse in history to win $2 million in purse money.

Treacherously captured the attention of the entire racing industry as he attempted to become only the second horse in history to capture the Quarter Horse Triple Crown. The gray gelding by Runaway Winner was head and shoulders above his two-year-old rivals last year as he swept three Grade I races including the Ruidoso and Rainbow futurities.

The Sam Sandoval-trainee qualified to the All American Futurity with the fastest qualifying time and was sent off the favorite in the 440-yard dash. Despite stumbling at the start and overcoming a bumping incident with Merganser Line, Treacherously managed to get up for third, but his Triple Crown hopes were dashed.

Treacherously began his three-year-old campaign with an impressive effort in the West Texas Derby Trails at Sunland Park in March and had the fastest qualifying time.

In the Grade I final he had trouble at the start, but still ran a respectable third behind the up and coming colt Ducky Fred.

A Classic Dash who won one of the most exciting All American Futurities ever with a nose decision over Heza Fast Man, may come back to Ruidoso for a rematch with Heza Fast Man and Treacherously in the All American Derby.

The son of First Down Dash first came to Ruidoso for the All American Trials after a successful season at Los Alamitos and easily disposed of his foes to earn a berth in the $2 million final with the second fastest qualifying time. In the Labor Day final, A Classic Dash engaged in a head-to-head duel with Heza Fast Man and just edged him out at the wire to capture the world's richest quarter horse race.

The colt won seven of eight starts in 1993 and led the nation in earnings with $1,078,617. Heza Fast Man went on to win the rich Texas Classic Futurity at Trinity Meadows and will reside in trainer John Bassett's barn this summer at Ruidoso.

Champion three-year-old filly Royal Down Dash won the Grade I All American Derby and five stakes races during 1993. The daughter of First Down Dash won ten races in 15 trips to the post and earned $235,237.

Royal Down Dash made her 1993 Ruidoso debut in the All American Derby Trials where she recorded the third fastest qualifying time for the Grade I contest. In the September 5 final, the filly took the lead at the break and never looked back as she devastated the classy field with a nearly effortless 1 3/4-length victory.

Royal Down Dash is still at the top of her form and already has two stakes wins to her credit in 1994.

The powerful filly should be a force to be reckoned with once again this summer.

The Doyal Roberts-trained thoroughbred colt Set Records, who was undefeated in five starts at Ruidoso last season, continued his perfection during the fall with an easy victory in the Sunland Fall Futurity at Sunland Park.

The well-bred son of Sauce Boat was then taken to classy Oaklawn Park in Arkansas to face some of the nation's toughest three-year-olds. Set Records placed in the Dixieland Stakes and also ran well in two other challenging stakes events before returning to New Mexico in April.

In his last outing, the colt captured the Eldorado Handicap in Albuquerque and looks to be in excellent shape for another successful campaign.

Last Don B. defeated some of the top sprinters in the West in the well-regarded Phoenix Gold Cup at Turf Paradise in Phoenix, Arizona, which raised his career earnings past the $250,000 mark. The seven-year-old gelding won two stakes in fine fashion at Ruidoso last sum-

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WELCOME RACE FANS!

Ruidoso Downs Opening Day Friday, May 13th

RUIDOSO STATE BANK

1710 SUDDERTH, RUIDOSO, NEW MEXICO 88345 / 505 257 4043

At Ruidoso State Bank, we welcome the horsemen, fans, fun and festivities that the racing season brings to this beautiful area. We, especially welcome the many friends who have grown to consider Ruidoso their second home.

Please join us to celebrate Western Week in our bank lobbies the week of May 16th through May 20th for refreshments

We're proud to offer the friendliness and full service banking found only in a home-owned bank.

- Our office at Ruidoso Downs Racetrack is open every race day.
- Main Bank:
  Drive -up: 8:30 to 5:00 Monday-Thursday
  8:30 to 6:00 Friday
  9:00 to 12:00 Saturday
  Lobby: 9:00 to 3:00 Monday-Thursday
  9:00 to 4:00 Friday
- North Branch:
  Drive-up: 8:30 to 5:00 Monday-Thursday
  8:30 to 6:00 Friday
  Lobby: 9:00 to 3:00 Monday-Thursday
  8:00 to 4:00 Friday
- Gateway:
  Drive-up: 8:30 to 5:00 Monday-Thursday
  8:30 to 6:00 Friday
  9:00 to 12:00 Saturday
  Lobby: 9:00 to 3:00 Monday-Thursday
  9:00 to 4:00 Friday
- Capitan:
  Lobby: 9:00 to 3:00 Monday-Thursday
  9:00 to 5:00 Friday
- Carrizozo:
  Lobby and
  Drive-up: 9:00 to 3:00 Monday - Thursday.
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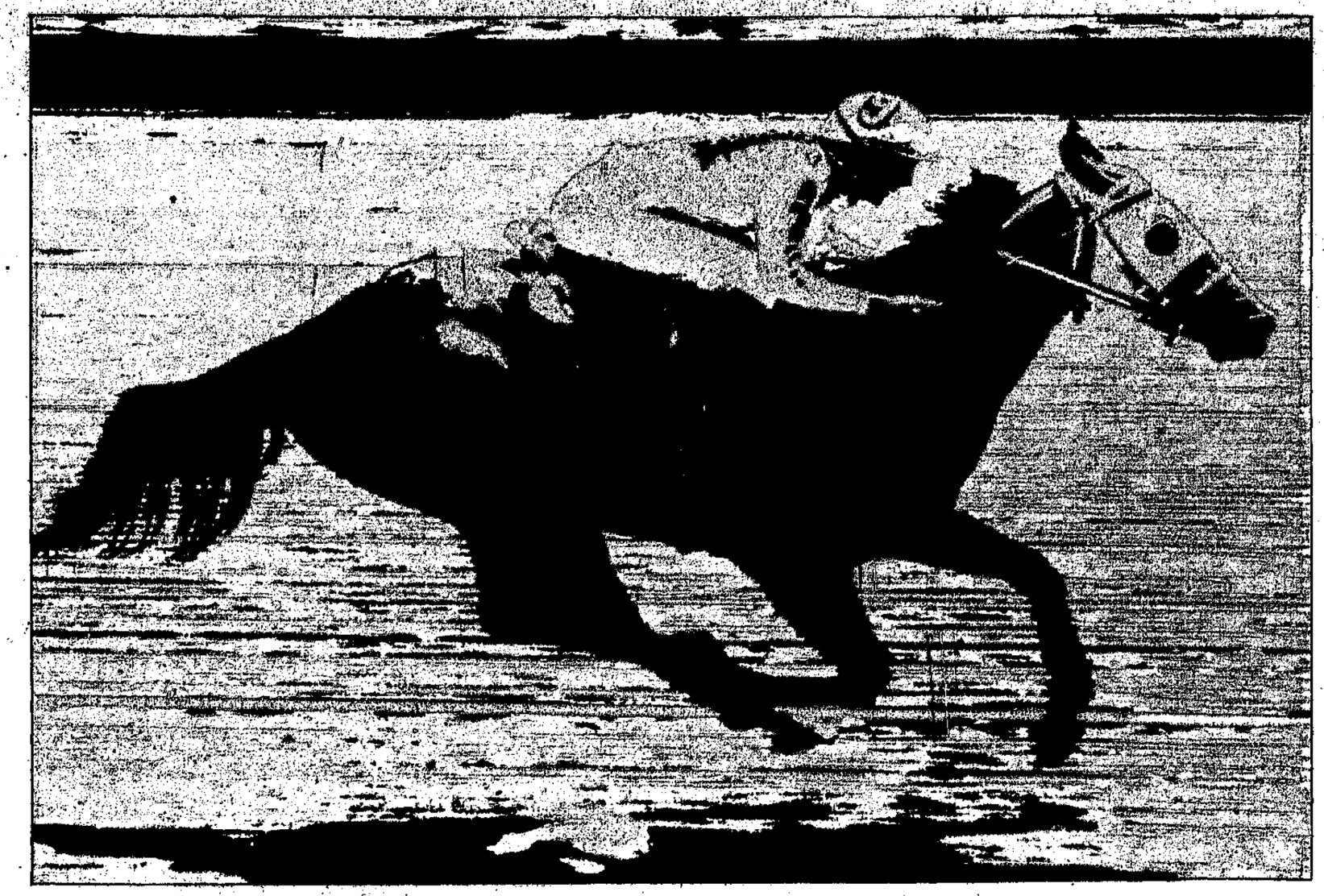

TREACHEROUSLY

Refrigerator

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mer and will be tough to catch this summer as he has yet to be defeated in six starts this year.

Other top thoroughbreds to watch for this season include Call Me Cat, a multiple stakes winner in Albuquerque and Dart who captured the $75,000-added Ruidoso Budweiser Breeders' Cup last summer.

Last year's leading trainer Cliff Lambert and multiple training title winner Doyal Roberts should once again be major forces in the thoroughbred ranks.

Fred Danley, who is equally dangerous with both thoroughbreds and quarter horses, should also have a powerful barn this summer.

Danley most recently captured the Grade I West Texas Futurity in March with the promising colt Andrews EZ Effort.

The always competitive jockey colony will be complemented with the return of last year's leader Oscar Ceballos and close runner-up Roger Gomez who spent the winter at Remington Park in Oklahoma City. Ceballos currently is on track to win the Sunland Park riding crown for the second straight year.

A new face to look for in the jockey race is Billy Peterson who is a strong runner-up behind Ceballos in the Sunland Park standings. Peterson made a name for himself by piloting Andrews EZ Effort to victory in the West Texas Futurity.

Top quarter horse rider Jacky Martin, who rides the majority of Jack Brooks horses, and veteran reinsman Joe Martinez round out an excellent group of riders expected to return this summer.

Hollywood lights up Friday nights

Daily full-card simulcasting with Hollywood Park, an earlier post time, and a new wager are just a few of the positive changes Ruidoso Downs racing fans will see this summer when the 1994 race meet opens May 13.

Full card simulcasts from Hollywood Park will be offered every race day beginning opening day and continuing through July 24.

The Ruidoso-Hollywood format is similar to the race program that was offered by Sunland Park and The Downs At Albuquerque this spring. On Thursdays, Saturdays and Sundays, Hollywood races will be run between every Ruidoso race beginning after the third race at approximately 2 p.m.

On Fridays, Ruidoso will run a 10-race program followed by Hollywood Nights which begins at 8 p.m. First post time for all race days will be 12:45 p.m.

"We want to give our patrons a wagering opportunity every 15 minutes," said general manager Max Johnson. "We also will have more live racing per day than last year with 10 live races everyday and 12 on Saturdays."

The innovative "odd-even" wager which will debut this summer is designed to give racing fans a simple way to bet the races. The wager involves choosing either the odd numbered horses in the program or the even numbered horses to win. Whichever number wins the race, the money bet in the "odd-even" pool will be distributed to the winners holding the correct tickets.

A new video game room for children was constructed over the winter and will provide many types of entertainment for children during the races. The room will also have games where children can receive prizes for winning. The room will have an attendant on duty at all times so parents and children alike can enjoy a day a the races.

Join the Players Club and win on every wager

Last summer, Ruidoso Downs gave fans a unique way to receive valuable merchandise and gift certificates just by wagering at the track.

Players Club has proved tremendously popular with fans.

This year the Players Club is back and better than ever with many fine sponsors returning from last year and also some new ones.

The program is simple. All you have to do is register at the Players Club Booth near the main entrance to the receive a free membership card. Each time you make a wager, present your card to the mutual clerk. The clerk will run the card through a special reader to record the amount of your wager.

The membership card must be presented each time a wager is made. Each dollar wagered equals one point and points may be redeemed for prizes.

Points will be updated each day but will not reflect wagers for the current day.

Once enough points are earned, they may be redeemed for any of the various prizes available according to the point total needed. For example: 25 points could be worth a free program or a free tip sheet. 2,500 points could be worth one night of free lodging at one of several great area motels. The more points earned, the more lucrative the rewards.

Players Club members from last year keep their same account number and card.

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It's Free!
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Anyone over the age of 18 is eligible to join the Ruidoso Downs' Players Club. Each dollar you wager at Ruidoso Downs Racetrack during the 1994 racing season will equal one point. **Points may be redeemed for exciting prizes** from our prize list.

To sign up, just visit the Players Club Booth located in the lower Grandstand area near the main entrance. We'll be happy to assist you, and to answer any of your questions about the Ruidoso Downs Players Club.

Watch your points grow! **The more points you accumulate, the more prizes you can earn! ***

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How about a little help for handicappers?

A Day at the Races

If Moses had come down off of the mountain with the Ten Commandments for horse players, this is what he would have found chiseled in stone.

Now we ask you to excuse the analogy, but we all love a longshot with a legitimate chance. Moses would have been at least 100-1 against the Egyptians on anybody's morning line, and any horse player who has watched a "sure winner" get stuck behind an impenetrable wall of horses at the top of the stretch has to love the parting of the seas deal.

A day at the races is a beautiful thing. Ripe with possibilities, full of unexpected pleasure and opportunity. It's really not all that difficult to leave with a smile on your face and a few extra dollars in your pocket if you follow this simple game plan.

First Commandment

1) Thou Shalt Keep Your Head.

Remember this. You are engaging in what is called "Pari Mutuel" wagering. The French gave us this lovely term (meaning literally "amongst ourselves") to describe a system of wagering that has pitted us against one another in a friendly, financial sort of way.

Kind of how the lions were pitted against the Christians in a friendly, nutritional sort of way. All of the people placing money in the wagering pools set the odds.

The result is a mini stock market. You can invest in the blue chip stocks, i.e. heavy favorites, and plan for a modest return. Maybe your personality calls for the need to delve into the more risky, speculative arena of longshots.

Any good investment portfolio has a mix of different types of ventures and you should play the ponies with the same good judgment. Mix the probable with the impossible since the results of any race are usually an unlikely marriage of the two.

The bottom line is that winning at the races requires some judgment and risk. Keep this perspective going in.

Second Commandment

2) Saving For The Promised Land.

There is an old saying in racing that originated soon after the chariots crossed the wire in the first race ever run about a thousand years ago.

"Bet with your head, not over it". Its a fact that Marie Antoinette was a heavy favorite to loose here the second she muttered "let them eat cake."

You need to have a financial plan going into the afternoon of racing.

Each time you wager ask yourself a simple question. "Do I really like anything in this race?" If you have a strong feeling about the outcome, go ahead and jump in with both feet. If you are playing the race just to have a bet down, cut your wager down to the minimum.

Most races call for the minimum amount you are willing to risk. Pick three, maybe four races on the card that you really like and save your big bets for those races. Do not, we repeat, DO NOT play the same amount each race all day long. Yes, it is true Moses did risk it all every time he trudged into the Pharaoh's palace to make the "let my people go" request, but you ain't Moses.

Third Commandment

3) Ask And Ye Shall Receive

There are no points for style in this game. Nobody who counts is judging you on how you win. There are a lot of very good handicappers, at any given racetrack, that are consistent losers simply because they think they invented the game.

The point is, IF YOU NEED HELP, ASK FOR IT. Before you get down on your knees (not a bad idea if you are stuck in a serious loosing streak) and look to the heavens, there are some earthly options.

Most racetracks have several different "tip sheets" available.

Good tip sheets offer insightful comments about different aspects of the race. The best speed horse. The best closer. Who is the class of the race?

How should you invest in this race? Is this a race that is impossible to figure? A true expert handicapper will tell you what he/she thinks, why they think this way, and how to best use the information.

Any true horse player worth his/her salt will, with the slightest urging (and often with none at all), tell you their opinion. Talk to people. Find out how and why they play the horses. A warning here. You will soon discover that a shocking percentage of the people that you talk to DON'T KNOW ANYTHING.

This should encourage you. Remember, you are betting against these people! The good news is that there are many people who are knowledgeable and willing to share there hard-earned wisdom.

Here's some earth shattering information. If you want to be good at something you have to work at it. Yes, there is a how and a why to playing the horses. If you plan to stay with the game for any length of time you need to read some of the classic books. The process of learning how to beat the game is actually enjoyable.

Knowledge is the key. Learn it, know it, live it. Try the following authors: Andy Byer, William Scott, James Quinn, Dick Mitchell, Mark Cramer and Tom Hambleton.

Fourth Commandment

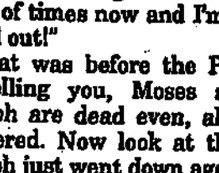
4) The Rich Get Richer

The great Pharaoh of Egypt eventually had to admit that even though Moses dressed funny and needed to stand closer to his razor, he was a winner. Of course it took a plague or two, a few disasters, a nasty thing called the Passover (talk about stubborn) and finally that tail-kicking at the bottom of the Red Sea. For some strange reason most horse players make the Pharaoh seem like a pushover.

They refuse to believe that they are betting on anything other than a horse. The truth is that you are betting on a horse, a trainer, and a jockey. The greater truth is that about 10 percent of the trainers and jockeys win about 80 percent of the races.

The reason is simple. The best trainers know how to get the best horses in their barn. The smart owners bring their horses to the best trainers. The best trainers run their horses when they are fit, at the right class level, and at the best distances for that particular horse.

The best jockeys are sought after by the best trainers. The best jockeys seek the best horses. See how nicely it all fits together? You will make a giant stride toward winning at the races if you simply reserve your larger wagers for horses that are trained and ridden by trainers and jockeys that are in the top 10 in the standings, or have a win percentage higher than 15 percent.



Fifth Commandment

5) When In Doubt, Go With Moses

Most horse players would have struggled with the Moses Pharaoh match-up. You can imagine the problems.

"Look, I just don't see how you can like Moses in this one, this Pharaoh guy looks like a sure thing. He has a whole army of guys that wear steel bands around their arms, and they are so tough they run around bare-chested in that hot desert sun. And don't even get me started on those chariots."

"Yeah, Pharaoh looks tough today but I just can't see him being 3 to 5. I mean, Moses has God on his side. I heard that Pharaoh has a new golden idol, but a hunk of melted steel against God? I don't think so. Pharaoh is going to need more than some statue against God. God is tough to beat when you start messing with his people."

"I see what you mean but I've played Moses to get out of Egypt a bunch of times now and I'm getting tapped out!"

"That was before the Passover. I'm telling you, Moses and the Pharaoh are dead even, all things considered. Now look at the odds. Pharaoh just went down again.

He's 2 to 5 right now! You're telling me that your going to bet five drachmas just to get two back?" I gotta go with Moses and the price, he's still 10 to 1."

"OK, OK. I'll admit it looks pretty even on paper but I'm going to go with the Pharaoh. How can all these people be wrong? I mean he's 1 to 5 now for crying out loud."

"You do what you want to do. Me, I gotta take the best price and Moses is up to 15 to 1 now."

We all know who won this one and the moral of the story is simple.

If you are undecided between two horses that look even on paper, go with the horse offering the highest return for your investment. This rule pertains to win, place, show and odd-even wagers only. If you start talking about exactas and trifectas you really have to put Moses on top and play the Pharaoh hard to come in second. More on this coming up.

Sixth Commandment

6) Moses Never Said "Shoulda, Coulda, Woulda"

If you hang around the track long enough you will hear the following statement more often than you will hear "I am a changed man" at a parole hearing.

You see him in the throes of agony after a race is over. He scurries over to tell you his latest sob story.

"I loved the 4 horse and the 7 horse but I couldn't decide between them. So I used the 4 on top in the trifecta and the #@*&##@ 7 won the race. Can you believe my bad luck?"

No, but we can believe your stupidity.

If you are going to play the wagers that involve the finishing order of several horses (i.e. trifectas, exactas, quinellas) you need to structure your wagers with a "multi-scenario" outcome in mind. A WHAT? You are about to learn one of the great secrets of winning at the races: The key to hitting the big trifectas and exactas is WAGERING STRATEGY. You do not have to be a great handicapper (however, it doesn't hurt) to consistantly win at the races. You do need to have conviction, AND vision.

The reason the unfortunate horse player we described earlier lost is because he had decent vision (one of two horses he liked won) and rotten conviction.

Consider the following scenario: You are considering playing the trifecta. You like the #1 horse, who is a heavy favorite. You also like the #2 horse who is 5-1 in the odds. You figure #'s 3-4-5 also have a chance. You could box all five horses, but $60 is the cost. More than most of us would like to spend. Here is what you do for $24.

You "key" the two horses you like with the other three horses:

Either the 1 or the 2 can win the race and you still hit the trifecta if any of your second (1,2,3,4,5) and third (1,2,3,4,5) place horses finish second and third. There are added benefits to this type of wagering strategy. If the heavy favorite does not run first, second, or third and your #2 horse wins the race with two of your other horses (3,4,5) running second and third, you could be sitting on a big payoff! You have wagered on several different outcomes to this race. The only thing that limits you is your vision and your bankroll.

You can take this strategy as far as you would like with other variations on the same theme. For more information refer to the Official Program.

If the size of the investment makes you hesitate try going in with one or more friends. Each of you can share the cost of the wager and you still have a decent chance of cashing in on what could be a big trifecta.

Just think what could have happened if the Pharaoh had put his gold together with the vision of Moses. We could be wagering on camel races at the Nile Downs simulcast from Cairo. Who do you like in the Sahara Derby?

Seventh Commandment

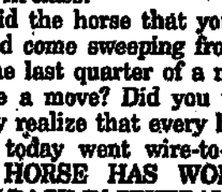
7) Thou Shall Not Press Thy Luck

Once you develop all of these good habits you will have a better chance of winning at the track. Once you do enjoy some success what happens next is entirely predictable. You will cash in on a few nice bets. Your friends will suddenly want to know who you like in the next race. The game starts to look easy. You grow careless. The size of your wagers begins to far outweigh your actual bankroll and capabilities.

You have become one of the people who thought they invented the game. You are now forewarned that the gods of horse racing do not enjoy ANY KIND of smug behavior. They will humble you and it will happen quickly, before you realize that you are being punished.

When you win, offer up a prayer of thanks and stick with your original gameplan. If you win big, consider your favorite charity and/or stick the money into something that will benefit you and your loved ones. This will always remind you of the results of your discipline and good fortune.

Never at any time was Moses tempted to thumb his nose across the waters at the Pharaoh as the ocean closed in over the mighty Egyptian army. It was all he could do to wait to get out of sight until he gave Aaron the first "high-five" ever recorded. I forget which chapter, but you can look it up.



Eighth Commandment

8) The "Fix Was In"

So Moses may have been working with a big advantage when he had God on his side vs. the Egyptians. In retrospect, you could even say the outcome was a preordained. You know, the fix was in. There are a multitude of horse players that fall into the habit of blaming all of their shortcomings as a handicapper on the nefarious misdeeds of jockeys, trainers, etc..

There are hundred reasons why something that you thought would happen in a horse race did not come to pass. And way, way down the list is cheating by the participants. Learn to understand the reasons why horses do the things they do.

Did you check to see if the horse that suddenly went wire-to-wire after showing little previous early speed had put "blinkers" on today? Was the horse on Lasix for the first time? Did the horse make a big drop in class?

Did the horse that you thought would come sweeping from behind in the last quarter of a mile never make a move? Did you then suddenly realize that every horse that won today went wire-to-wire and NO HORSE HAS WON FROM WAY BACK IN SEVERAL DAYS.

Did you notice, upon watching the replays, that your horse stumbled badly at the start of the race, losing all chance?

Consider this: Movie directors long ago gave up trying to recreate a horse race from start to finish with a certain horse winning. It is impossible for a 120-pound jockey to force a 1,200-pound horse moving at 40 mph to do anything that he does not want to do. That is why movie scenes of horse races consist of a ridiculous montage of shots that last for what equates to an eternity in horse racing.

They have to shoot a ton of footage and then try to piece together what they think the race should look like. Learn about the sport of racing and the actual physical dynamics of a horse race before you try to mask your ignorance of the sport with accusations regarding the moral fiber of the participants.

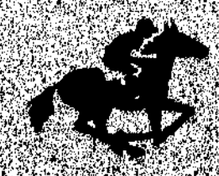
All of the information that explains the unusual outcome of a race is there if you look for it. For those who care to spend some time learning about the game, the discovery and interpretation of this information prior to the running of the race can mean cashing a nice wager. Speaking of information....

Ninth Commandment

9) The Heavenly Pipeline

There are some legitimate sources for knowledgeable horse racing information.

Seminars are conducted at the race track every weekend by proficient handicappers. Although the skill and knowledge level of tip sheet authors can vary widely, they must be remotely successful or they go out of business. Most every track has a "in-house" handicapper that comes on between the races to offer some kind of insight into the next race.



Beware of "inside information." If you are around the track for any length of time you will inevitably hear some one offer up some kind of "in the know" comment about one race or another. While the person offering the information may be very well intended, the information is more often than not, worthless.

There are some very simple reasons for this. First the source of the information. Whether it be a trainer, jockey or owner, you must take it with a grain of salt. While they may know everything there is to know about their own horse, they know next to nothing about the other horses in the race.

The chances are very good that you can learn nearly everything they know, and more, by simply reading the Daily Racing Form.

This is no slam on the people involved. They are paid to be SUBJECTIVE about the horses they own, train and ride. You get paid at the betting windows by being OBJECTIVE about the horses you are wagering on.

The recent running of the Kentucky Derby was a classic example. The trainer of the heavy favorite, Holy Bull, was Jimmy Croll. Now Jimmy Croll is a veteran horseman of great fame. A veritable fountain of knowledge regarding the sport of horse racing. Jimmy spent the whole week telling every one in Kentucky and all of the world that his horse was ready to win the Kentucky Derby.

The public was convinced, as were many handicappers.

In the mean time, many people knowledgeable about the sport not only thought that Holy Bull would not win the Kentucky Derby, but that he would not finish in the top five.

How could this be? Simple. Jimmy Croll WANTED his horse to win the Kentucky Derby. Impartial handicappers want to cash a bet.

Anyone that cared to read the informed racing experts many articles could learn that Holy Bull did not have the breeding to be competitive at the mile and one quarter distance of the Kentucky Derby.

What about the impressive nature of Holy Bull's two wins leading up to the Derby. Even more reason to discount Holy Bull's chances. Horses that win the Kentucky Derby do not peak in the races prior to the Derby, they offer their peak performances the day of the Derby.

The television cameras caught the tragic figure of Jimmy Croll after the race, obviously he was devastated. Here was a "racing expert" that was convinced that he was going to win the Kentucky Derby, and he was shocked when his horse ran so poorly.

Others with an objective point of view, and some knowledge, were not.

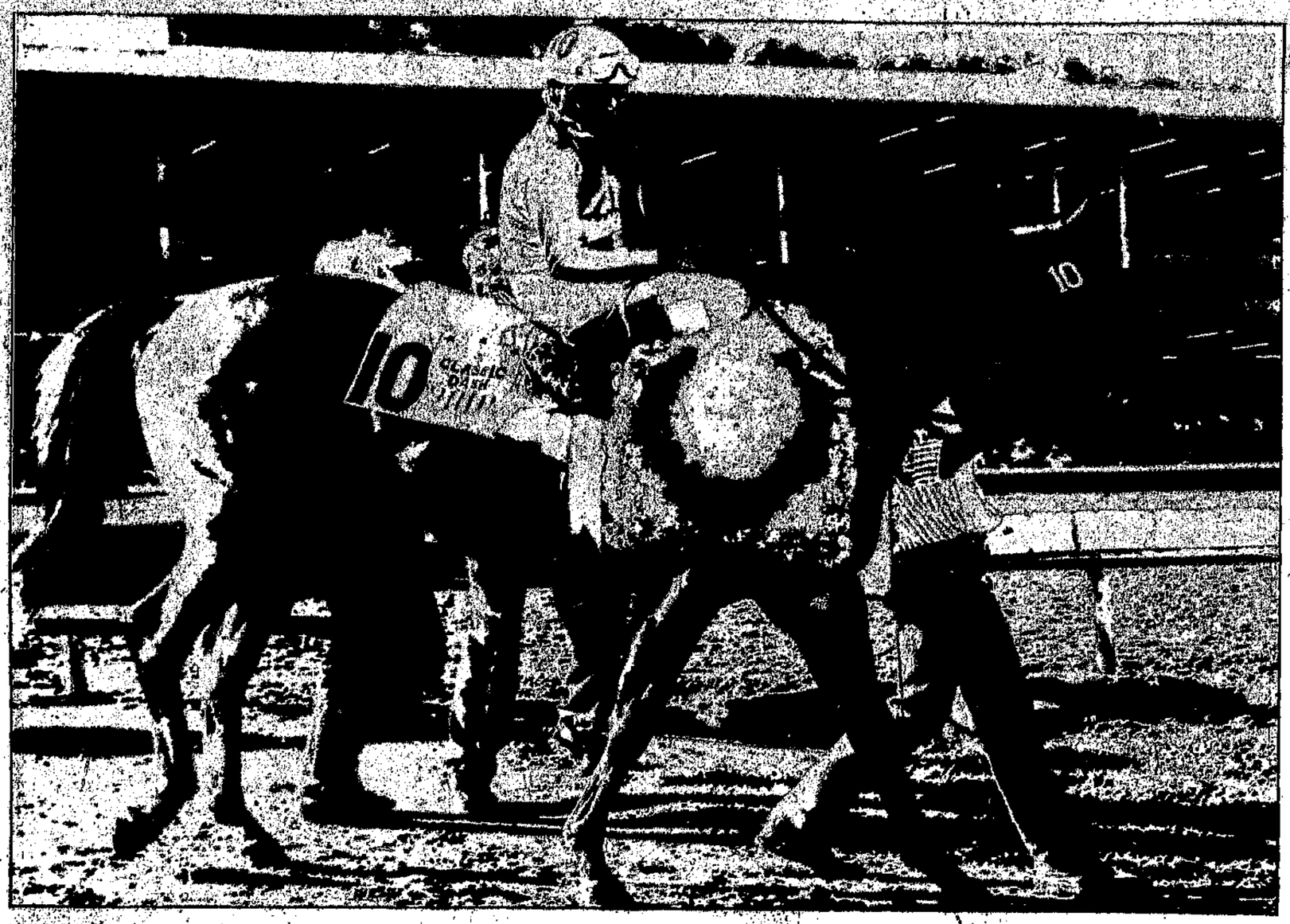
Tenth Commandment

10) Thou Shalt Obey 1 Thru 9

We all know that Moses had divine help and inspiration. As horse players we can't always count on such guidance. Follow the commandments listed above and you will be on your way to coming out ahead in the game.

If you start hearing voices from the clouds telling you bet the farm on the five horse in the next race, see your doctor. If the five horse wins the next race, forget your doctor. Listen for more voices. Hey, it worked for Moses.

BETTING ON A GREAT YEAR!



Millionaire

A Classic Dash upset the favored Treacherously to win the world's richest quarter horse, the All American Futurity, on Monday, September 5, 1993. A Classic Dash ran the 440 yards in :21.51 to take home a cool million dollars of the total purse of $1,937,035 for owner Abigail Kawananakoa of Hawaii. Jockey Eddie Garcia was aboard to dash the hopes of Treacherously, the horse that had won the first two legs of the Triple Crown of quarter horse racing. Connie Hall trained A Classic Dash for the race of a lifetime.

Everybody wins!

Horses

If you are lucky, you could take home 98 horses (horsepower) in the form of a brand new 1994 Ford Ranger Sport Pickup.

Three pickups (one red, one white and one blue) will be given away this summer at Ruidoso Downs.

You will have three chances to win the pickups — on Saturday, May 28; Sunday, June 26; and Sunday, July 31.

All entries will be rolled over to the next drawing. Entry blanks may be picked up at any one of the participating sponsors, filled out, then deposited at Ruidoso Downs. No entries will be available at the track.

No purchase is necessary, but you must be at least 18 years of age and present to win.

Hats

On Saturday, June 11, the first 2,000 racing fans entering the grandstand at Ruidoso Downs will receive a complimentary two-tone burgundy or green ball cap with the Ruidoso Downs logo on it.

"This is our way of saying thanks for your past patronage," said marking director Mark Doth.

It's also the day Ruidoso Downs will simulcast the 125th running of the Belmont Stakes from Belmont Racecourse in New York.

The Belmont is the Triple Crown for thoroughbreds and a chance to take home a free ball cap from Ruidoso Downs.

Hollywood

Full-card simulcasts of Hollywood Park's Friday night races will once again be shown in the Turf Club for 11 consecutive Fridays from May 13 through July 22.

Hollywood nights were first begun in 1991 at Ruidoso Downs and proved popular with fans as an alternative form of entertainment after the live races.

Admission will be free to the nine-race cards which will be shown on television monitors throughout the Turf Club.

The first race post time will be 8 p.m. with doors opening up at 7 p.m. Special dinner buffets will be offered as well as regular menu service.

For the kids

Something new has been added at Ruidoso Downs for the kids, and maybe even mom and dad, to enjoy.

The Starting Gate Kids Arcade is located on the east end of the lower level of the grandstand, and it's filled with all kinds of fun video and electronic table games.

Some of the machines will build up points which can be redeemed for all sorts of great prizes.

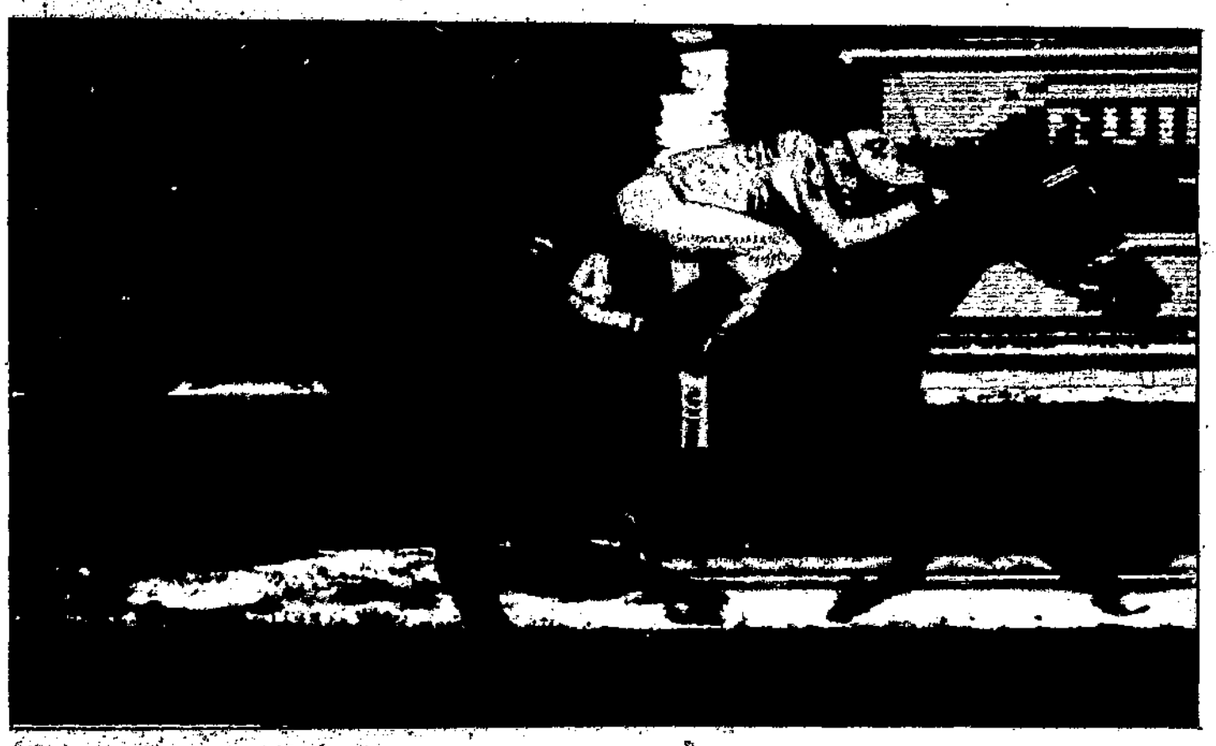
Fantasy

Create a Fantasy Racing Stable in Ruidoso Downs' Finish Line Fantasy and you could win a fun filled Ruidoso vacation package worth over $500!

Stop by the Ruidoso Downs main office for more information on the contest which runs from May 20 through July 10.

Participants must be at least 18 years of age to win. No purchase necessary.

Pick the first three finishers in the Kentucky Derby or tell someone your best "sob story" about why you need a vacation and win a great Ruidoso get-away.



Last Don B.

When it comes to thoroughbreds, this seven-year-old gelding is expected to lead the field for this season. Last Don B. defeated some of the top sprinters in the West in the Phoenix Gold Cup at Turf Paradise in Phoenix, Arizona, which raised his career earnings past the $250,000 mark. Last Don B. won two stakes races at Ruidoso Downs Race Track last season, and is undefeated after six starts this year.

Set Records

This Doyal Roberts-trained thoroughbred colt, Set Records, who was undefeated in five starts at Ruidoso last season, continued this record this fall with an easy victory in the Sunland Fall Futurity at Sunland Park. The well-bred son of Sauce Boat was then taken to classy Oaklawn Park in Arkansas to face some of the nation's toughest three year olds. Set Records looks to be in great shape for this season.

FRIDAY THE 13TH IS YOUR LUCKY DAY.

Win Big Opening Weekend May 13, 14 and 15.

Okay, so traditionally you haven't thought of Friday the 13th as being a very lucky day. This Friday the 13th could change that for good. Come to Ruidoso Downs for a WINcredible weekend of horse racing!

And that's only the beginning! While you're at Ruidoso Downs visit the free exhibit *Treasures of the Track: 200 Years of Presentation Silver*. The display of 36 exquisite trophies are on loan from the National Museum of Racing in Saratoga, N.Y. Enjoy the cool majestic pines of the Southern Rockies, a world class horse museum, concerts, championship golf courses, fine dining and, best of all, the thrill of WINNING MONEY!

It's all here at Ruidoso Downs, where hooves fly, money rolls and the finish line is only the beginning!

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Saturday, May 14 ..... ROAD RUNNER HANDICAP $25,000 Added*
..... Five and One Half Furlongs, Three year olds
.... (New Mexico Bred) *($12,500 RDRI purse fund-$12,500 est. NMHBA)
Friday, May 20 .....RIO GRANDE KINDERGARTEN FUTURITY TRIALS
..... Five Furlongs, Two year olds, New Mexico Bred
Saturday, May 21 .....FIRST LADY HANDICAP $12,500 Added
.....Six Furlongs, Fillies & Mares, Three year olds and older.
Saturday, May 28 ..... GOVERNOR'S HANDICAP $12,500 Added
.... Seven and One Half Furlongs, Three year olds and older.
Monday, May 30..... RIO GRANDE KINDERGARTEN FUTURITY
..... $75,000 est.*
.....Five Furlongs, Two year olds (New Mexico Bred)
.....*($15,000 RDRI purse fund-$15,000 est. NMHBA)
Saturday, June 4..... NORGOR DERBY $12,500 Added
..... Six Furlongs, Three year olds.
Thursday, June 9 .....NORGOR FUTURITY TRIALS
..... Five and One Half Furlongs, Two year olds.
Saturday, June 11 ...MESCALERO APACHE HANDICAP $10,000 Added
..... Six Furlongs, Three year olds and older.
Saturday, June 18 .....ASPEN CUP HANDICAP $10,000 Added
..... Six Furlongs, Fillies, Three year olds.
Sunday, June 19 .....NORGOR FUTURITY $50,000 est.
..... Five and One Half Furlongs, Two year olds.
Saturday, June 25 .....RUIDOSO BUDWEISER BREEDERS' CUP
.....$75,000 Added*
..... One Mile, Three year olds and older.
..... *($25,000 from RDRI purse fund
.....$50,000 from Breeders' Cup Award Funds to eligible horses)
Friday, July 1 ..... RIO GRANDE FUTURITY TRIALS
.....Six Furlongs, Two year olds. New Mexico Bred
Saturday, July 2 ..... JOCKEY CLUB HANDICAP $10,000 Added
..... Seven and One Half Furlongs, Three year olds.
Sunday, July 10..... SWEETHEART HANDICAP $25,000 Added
.....One Mile, Fillies and Mares, Three year olds and older.
Saturday, July 16 .....RIO GRANDE FUTURITY $75,000 est.*
.....Six Furlongs, Two year olds, New Mexico Bred
.....*($15,000 RDRI purse fund-$15,000 est. NMHBA)
Sunday, July 17..... LAND OF ENCHANTMENT SPEED HANDICAP
.....$30,000 Added*
.....Six Furlongs, Three year olds and older (New Mexico Bred)
.....*($15,000 RDRI purse fund-$15,000 est. NMHBA)
Friday, July 22.....KACHINA STAKES TRIALS
.....Six Furlongs, Fillies, Two year olds.
Saturday, July 23 ..... RUIDOSO DERBY PREP $10,000 Added
..... One Mile, Three year olds.
Saturday, July 30 .....RUIDOSO OAKS HANDICAP $15,000 Added
..... One Mile, Fillies, Three year olds.
Saturday, August 6..... KACHINA STAKES $75,000 est.
.....Six Furlongs, Fillies, Two year olds.
Friday, August 12 ..... RUIDOSO THOROUGHBRED FUTURITY TRIALS
..... Six Furlongs, Two year olds.
Sunday, August 14..... RUIDOSO THOROUGHBRED DERBY
..... $25,000 Added
.....One Mile and One Sixteenth, Allowance Stake. Three year olds.
Saturday, August 20.....RUIDOSO SPRINT CHAMPIONSHIP
..... $10,000 Added
..... Six Furlongs, Three year olds and older.
Sunday, August 21 ..... SIERRA BLANCA HANDICAP $25,000 Added*
..... Six Furlongs, Fillies & Mares (New Mexico Bred)
..... Three year olds and older.
..... *($10,000 RDRI Purse Fund-$15,000 est. NMHBA)
Saturday, August 27.....RUIDOSO THOROUGHBRED FUTURITY
..... $75,000 est. Six Furlongs, Two year olds.
Saturday, September 3 ..... RUIDOSO MILE HANDICAP $25,000 Added
..... One Mile, Three year olds and older.
Sunday, September 4 ..... HONDO VALLEY HANDICAP $10,000 Added
..... Six Furlongs, Three year olds.
Monday, September 5..... BREEDERS' CUP SOUTHWEST JUVENILE
.....$15,000 Added*
.....Seven and One Half Furlongs, Two year olds.
..... *($10,000 RDRI Purse Fund - $5,000 Breeders' Cup Funds)

If it glitters it may be silver

When you join art with horse racing you come up with a winning ticket.

The National Museum of Racing and Hall of Fame Museum of the Horse and Hollywood Park Racing Charities have joined forces to present a different kind of art exhibit at the Turf Club this season.

"Treasures of the Track: 200 Years of Racing Silver" will make its New Mexico debut on opening day, Friday, May 13.

This exquisite display of 36 trophies celebrates the rich history of thoroughbred racing and highlights the National Museum of Racing's collection of exceptional presentation pieces.

The National Museum of Racing began acquiring trophies in 1950 when the museum was founded.

Today, the collection represents a wide range of winning thoroughbreds, legendary stables and important races from the eighteenth century to the present.

This is the first time the collection has been seen outside of its Saratoga Springs, New York, home.

History holds that the first racing trophy was a wooden ball adorned with flowers and given to the winner of Britain's Chester Fair races in 1512. By the seventeenth century, racing trophies had evolved into elaborate, yet functional, gold and silver pieces. A winning owner might take home a drinking vessel, serving dishes, or a tea or coffee pot in recognition of his victory.

In 1795, Catherine the Great, whose coat of arms appears on the trophy, presented this goblet to the Russian owner of Rullera, a seven-year-old dark bay mare imported from England, for her victory in one of the eight Empress races held in Moscow.

It appears that several of the pieces in the collection have led double-lives as racing trophies.

The National Museum of Racing and Hall of Fame acquired much of its collection from owners who received their trophies after winning New York Racing Association (NYRA) races between 1937 and 1960.

During this time period, it was the practice of the racing association to comb the shops of New York antique dealers looking for suitable trophy pieces. The organization was careful to preserve the appearance and identity of these antiques. For example, rather than adding inscriptions to a trophy in a place that would alter the piece, a plate would be placed on the underside; the twentieth-century race's winner, owner and date would be recorded there.

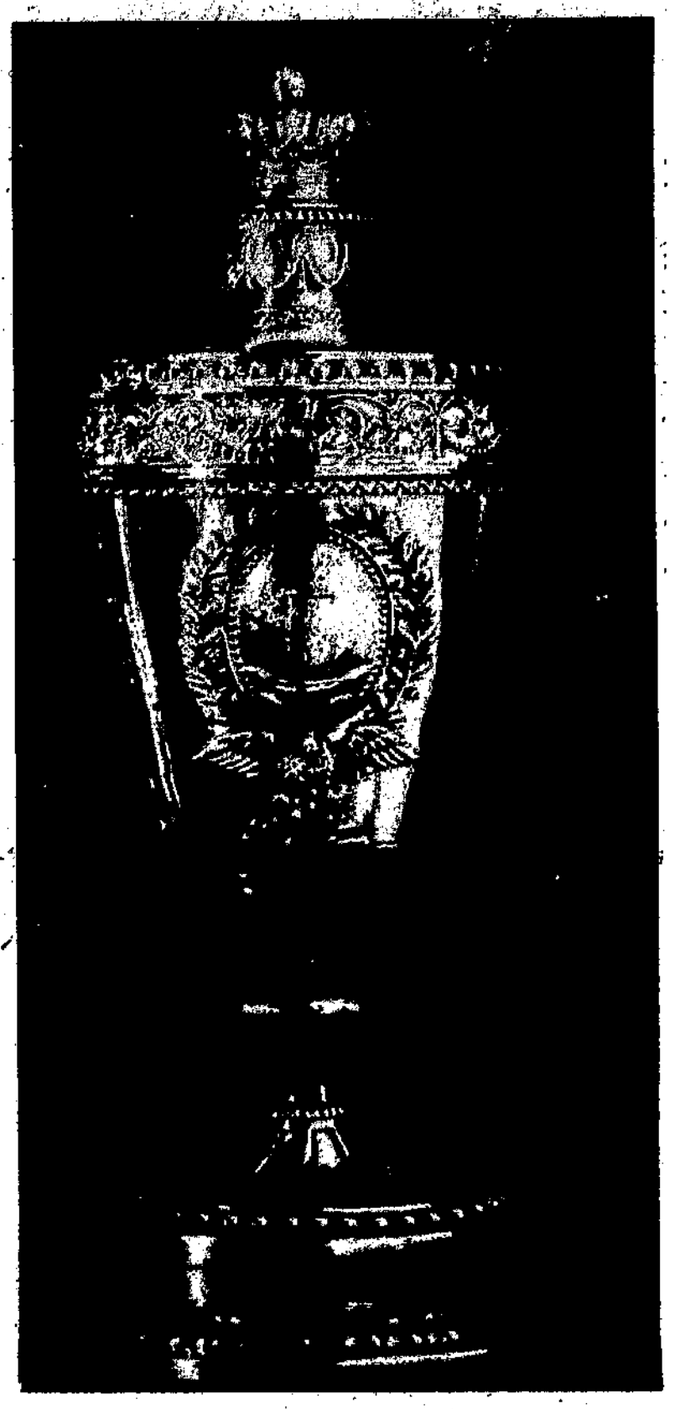
From old English masters to the American silversmiths at Tiffany's, "Treasures of the Track" displays a breathtaking array of exceptional racing trophies.

The exhibit will be on display in the Turf Club at Ruidoso Downs Race Track from May 13 through Labor Day, September 5, and can be viewed on race days only from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m.

There is no admission charge to view this exhibit.

The design of this trophy strongly resembles the work of George Paulding Farnham, art director at Tiffany from the 1890s to 1902. The inkstand, silver with semi-precious stones, was made at Tiffany and Company, New York, in 1903, and presented to Africander, the winner of the 1903 Belmont Stakes. Originally a jewelry designer, Farnham used magnificent gems in his work. The trophy, owned by the New York Racing Association, is on display at Ruidoso Downs Race Track this summer.

Two annual prizes produced by Tiffany demonstrate the extravagance and technical skill of turn-of-the-century silver production. This sculpture required the skills of eleven craftsmen. A dramatic winged figure holding a laurel wreath — an emblem of victory — leads the horse and jockey. The silver sculpture was made by Tiffany & Co., New York, in 1902 and was presented to Masterman, the winner of the Belmont Stakes in 1902. It is owned by the New York Racing Association, but can be seen this summer at Ruidoso Downs Race Track.



Catherine the Great presented this goblet to the Russion owner of Rullera following a horse race in 1795. Catherine the Great's coat of arms appears on the trophy, which will be on display this summer in the Turf Club.

The Ruidoso News
wants to welcome back all the Ruidoso Downs racing fans, horse owners, trainers and jockeys!

We hope 1994 is a great year for racing!

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ELED/	493	101A	3	Humor in the Classroom	5/14-6-4	**b	Roswell	Bell
ELED	593	101A	3	Humor in the Classroom	5/14-6/4	**b	Roswell	Gee
SPED/EDF	493/593	102A	3	Consultation between Regular Ed & Spec. Ed. Teachers	5/23-5/28	**c	Roswell	Pemberton
SPED/EF	493/593	102A	3	Integration Strategies for Students	5/30-5/28	**c	Roswell	Pemberton

**a May 20, 27, June 3, 10 - 6:00 - 9:00 p.m.
May 21, 28, June 4, 11 - 6:00 - 4:00 p.m.
May 22, 29, June 5, 11 - 1:00 - 5:00 p.m.

** b May 20, 27, June 3,10 4:00 - 8:30 p.m.
May 21, 28, June 4, 11 8:00 - 5:00 p.m.

** c May 23, 24 4:00 - 1:30 p.m.
May 25 1:00 - 9:30 p.m.
May 26, 27, 28 8:00 - 6:00 p.m.

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3. Last day for withdrawal from Innovative Month courses is May 27.
4. Students should consult with their college student records to verify their academic degree plan.

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Jockeys, trainers compete for top spot

The race for Ruidoso's top thoroughbred rider cam down to the final day of the 70-day season with Oscar Ceballos edging Roger Gomez by a single victory.

Ceballos, who was also leading rider at Sunland Park, topped the standings with 57 wins. Gomez trailed Ceballos by three wins going into Labor Day and won three of the first five races to tie Ceballos. Ceballos won the eighth race to break the deadlock and Gomez fell one win shy of the title.

The title was the first at Ruidoso for Ceballos, 27, of Capitan, who started his career in Mexico City, and has been in New Mexico for the last three years. He won two stakes during the summer including the Ruidoso Budweiser Breeders' Cup aboard Dart and the Hondo Valley Handicap with Donotaskformercy.

Joe Martinez led the thoroughbred jockey colony with three stakes victories. The veteran reinsman capped off an impressive meet with a win in the Breeders' Cup Southwest Juvenile on closing day aboard Mr. Listo. His other stakes wins came in the Road Runner and Jockey Club Handicaps with Power Connection.

Cliff Lambert Sr., a Ruidoso mainstay for more than 20 years, captured his first thoroughbred training title at the mountaintop oval since 1973.

Lambert, who is nearly always among the top 10 trainers at Ruidoso, won 35 races to beat perennial leading trainer J. Doyal Roberts Sr. who had 27. Roberts had led the thoroughbred training standings at Ruidoso for the last four years.

Lambert and Roberts each saddled three stakes winners during the summer.

Dwayne "Sleepy" Gilbreath and Joe Martinez replaced the dominant Jack Brooks-Jacky Martin combo atop the quarter horse jockey trainer standings in 1993.

Martinez ran away with the jockey standings with 38 wins, while Gilbreath with 26 wins, narrowly defeated Brooks who notched 24.

Luke Myles rode nearly all of Gilbreath's winners and ranked a distant second to Martinez with 20 wins. Myles also tied Jeff Williams and Steve Fuller for most stakes wins with three.

Although Brooks failed to defend his training title, he did win three stakes, the most of any quarter horse conditioner.

Martinez capped off an excellent summer by winning the overall jockey title with 68 victories. Martinez was equally dangerous on both the quarter horse and thoroughbred racing surfaces as he recorded 38 and 30 wins with each breed respectively.

Fred Danley was by far the top all around trainer with 45 combined thoroughbred and quarter horse wins.

Thoroughbred Trainers		Wins
1993	Cliff Lambert	32
1992	J. Doyal Roberts, Sr.	33
1991	J. Doyal Roberts, Sr.	32
1990	J. Doyal Roberts, Sr.	37
1989	J. Doyal Roberts, Sr.	42
1988	J. Doyal Roberts, Sr.	25

Quarter Horse Trainers		Wins
1993	Dwayne Gilbreath	26
1992	Jack Brooks	43
1991	Jack Brooks	44
1990	Jack Brooks	57
1989	Jack Brooks	46
1988	Jack Brooks	42

Thoroughbred Jockeys		Wins
1993	Oscar Ceballos	57
1992	Flavio Martinez III	74
1991	Glen Murphy	71
1990	Joe Martinez	78
1989	Von Cunningham	70
1988	Joe Martinez	53

Quarter Horse Jockeys		Wins
1993	Joe Martinez	38
1992	Jacky Martin	37
1991	Jacky Martin	41
1990	Jacky Martin	54
1989	Jacky Martin	44
1988	Jacky Martin	35

Ahead...

Legendary jockey Jerry Nicodemus quit while he was ahead. He hung up his tack for the final time last Labor Day after a 30-plus year career in which he won 1,252 races. His mounts earned nearly $19 million in purses. Nicodemus will begin his new career this racing season as a steward at Ruidoso Downs.

The winner's circle is a familiar spot for these leading jockeys and trainers pictured in that coveted spot at Ruidoso Downs Race Track. Last season's leading jockeys and trainers were presented belt buckles by artiest Lee Bloodworth (at left). With Bloodworth are (from left) top quarter horse trainer Dwayne "Sleepy" Gilbreath, top quarter horse jockey Joe Martinez, racing secretary Norm Amendson, top thoroughbred jockey Oscar Ceballos, top all-around trainer Fred Danley, general manager Max Johnson and top thoroughbred trainer Cliff Lambert.

1993 TOP-20 QUARTER HORSE TRAINERS

TRAINERS	STARTS	WINS	PLACE	SHOW	WIN %
C. Dwayne Gilbreath	178	26	27	15	14.6
Jack W. Brooks	167	24	28	25	14.4
Fred L. Danley	100	19	14	13	19.0
Roy L. Barrington	94	12	9	11	12.8
Arnold E. Simmons	124	8	11	13	6.5
H. Don Farris	31	8	4	4	25.8
Bert Torres	45	7	9	5	15.6
Richard D. Fry	67	7	7	8	10.4
Timothy Cross	64	7	7	6	13.0
Mike C. Robbins	20	7	0	0	35.0
Johnie A. Goodman	81	6	6	11	9.8
Darla J. Crenshaw	25	6	2	2	24.0
Blane Schaneveldt	50	5	10	7	10.0
Jann K. Jones	46	5	6	5	10.9
G. Blane Wood	46	5	6	5	10.9
Glen D. Akleon	63	5	6	5	7.9
Jerry W. Lazenby	52	5	5	7	9.6
Pete C. Cabrales	27	5	3	3	18.5
Robert L. Turner	12	5	2	1	41.7
Sam Sandoval	6	5	0	1	83.3

1993 TOP-20 QUARTER HORSE JOCKEYS

JOCKEYS	MOUNTS	WINS	PLACES	SHOWS	WIN %
Joe Martinez	192	38	26	28	19.8
Luke Myles	129	20	19	7	15.5
Kenneth Hart	113	17	11	13	15.0
Thomas Lane	167	16	19	22	9.6
Jerry Rodriguez	162	16	13	12	9.9
Jacky Martin	113	15	24	18	13.3
Todd Fincher	103	15	13	12	14.6
Jerry Nicodemus	69	14	9	13	20.3
Steve Fuller	145	12	12	16	8.3
Jeff Williams	121	10	9	10	8.3
James Lackey	71	9	5	5	12.7
Eric Perret	79	8	8	15	10.1
Rick Thedford	64	7	7	6	8.3
Larry Layton	25	7	3	3	28.0
Glen Murphy	52	6	7	7	11.5
Alex Bakillez Jr.	58	5	10	9	8.6
Darrell Blevins	93	5	9	8	5.4
Danny Summerow	48	5	5	5	10.4
Teresa Briggs	42	5	5	2	10.6
Nancy Summers	7	5	0	1	71.4

1993 TOP-21 THOROUGHBRED JOCKEYS

JOCKEYS	MOUNTS	WINS	PLACES	SHOWS	WIN %
Oscar Ceballos	364	57	56	53	15.7
Roger Gomez	329	56	49	51	17.2
Carlos Rivas	231	32	35	25	13.9
Joe Martinez	255	30	22	40	11.8
Vickie Smallwood	216	29	16	24	13.4
Todd Fincher	245	27	30	34	11.0
Glen Murphy	160	25	21	16	15.7
Manuel Ortiz, Jr.	236	22	30	20	9.3
Duane Sterling	115	19	13	18	16.5
Eric Perret	137	17	13	21	12.4
Riley Madrid	107	16	16	20	8.5
Flavio Martinez III	124	16	9	13	12.9
David Lidberg	115	14	17	16	12.2
Melinda Clark	173	13	15	16	7.5
Teresa Briggs	137	11	12	9	8.0
Salustio Burgos	135	10	9	5	7.4
Danny Summerow	89	10	8	7	11.2
Charles Fellings	109	10	6	11	9.4
Casey Lambert	57	7	9	5	12.4
Bobby Washburn	61	5	10	8	8.2
Juan Aragon	70	5	5	6	7.1

1993 TOP-21 THOROUGHBRED TRAINERS

TRAINERS	STARTS	WINS	PLACES	SHOWS	WIN %
Clifford Lambert, Sr.	190	32	25	19	16.8
J. Doyal Roberts, Sr.	201	28	24	27	13.9
Fred L. Danley	149	26	25	27	17.4
Jon G. Arnett	117	22	23	15	18.8
Ted D. Levy	105	21	14	15	20.0
Simon J. Buechler	90	20	8	12	22.2
Bob E. Arnett	165	17	30	21	10.3
H. Ray Ashford, Jr.	103	15	8	16	14.6
Richard D. Fry	77	13	8	12	16.9
Joel H. Marr	81	11	12	6	13.6
H. Don Farris	56	10	17	6	17.9
Jimmie D. Claridge	62	10	10	5	16.1
Larry Byers	59	8	5	7	13.6
Roy L. Barrington	60	7	6	7	11.7
J. Jamie Moore	48	7	4	2	14.6
Ralph W. Black, Jr.	56	6	12	15	8.2
Joseph E. Johnston	41	6	8	4	14.6
J. Manuel Welch	48	6	6	4	12.5
Jack J. Black	36	6	5	9	16.7
G.W. McClanahan	35	6	4	3	16.9
William A. Thompson	36	6	4	1	11.8

RUIDOSO DOWNS RACE TRACK 1994 STAKES SCHEDULE

(Quarter Horse)

Friday, May 13 ..... RUIDOSO QUARTER HORSE FUTURITY TRIALS
..... 350 Yards. Two year olds.
Saturday, May 14 ..... RUIDOSO QUARTER HORSE DERBY TRIALS
..... 400 Yards. Three year olds.
Sunday, May 15 .... MR JET MOORE ALLOWANCE STAKE (GRADE III)
..... $14,000 Added*
..... 400 Yards, Three year olds and older.
..... *($10,000 RDRI purse fund - $4,000 QHBC Awards)
Friday, May 27 ..... RAINBOW SILVER CUP TRIALS
..... 440 Yards, Four year olds and older.
Saturday, May 28 ..... RUIDOSO QUARTER HORSE FUTURITY
..... (Consolation) 350 Yards, Two years olds.
Sunday, May 29 ... RUIDOSO QUARTER HORSE FUTURITY (GRADE I)
..... $350,000 est.* 350 Yards, Two year olds.
..... *($17,000 RDRI purse fund
..... $33,000 from the Ruidoso Horse Sales Company)
Sunday, May 29 .... RUIDOSO QUARTER HORSE DERBY (Consolation)
..... 400 Yards, Three year olds.
Monday, May 30 ..... RUIDOSO QUARTER HORSE DERBY (GRADE I)
..... $50,000 est. 400 Yards, Three year olds.

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Sunday, June 5 ..... RAINBOW SILVER CUP (GRADE I) $50,000 est.
..... 440 Yards, Four year olds and older.
Sunday, June 12 ..... GO TOGETHER HANDICAP (GRADE III) $14,000*
..... 350 Yards, Fillies and Mares, Three year olds and older.
..... *($10,000 RDRI purse fund - $4,000 QHBC Awards)
Thursday, June 16 ..... ZIA FUTURITY TRIALS
..... 350 Yards, Two year olds (Bred in New Mexico)
Friday, June 17 ..... RAINBOW DERBY TRIALS
..... 440 Yards, Three year olds.
Saturday, June 25 ..... ZIA FUTURITY (Consolation)
..... 350 Yards, Two year olds (Bred in New Mexico)
Sunday, June 26 ..... ZIA FUTURITY $50,000 est.*
..... 350 Yards, Two year olds (Bred in New Mexico)
..... *($10,000 RDRI purse fund-$15,000 est. NMHBA)

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Saturday, July 2 ..... RAINBOW DERBY (Consolation)
..... 440 Yards, Three year olds.
Sunday, July 3 ..... RAINBOW DERBY (GRADE I) $125,000 est.
..... 440 Yards, Three Year olds.
Monday, July 4 ..... JET DECK HANDICAP (GRADE III) $14,000 Added*
..... 440 Yards, Three year olds and older
..... *($10,000 RDRI purse fund - $4,000 QHBC Awards)
Thursday, July 7 ..... RAINBOW FUTURITY TRIALS
..... 400 Yards, Two year olds.
Friday, July 8 ..... AQHA CHALLENGE CLAIMING STAKES TRIALS
..... 350 Yards, Three year olds and older, Challenge-nominated.
Sunday, July 17 ..... AQHA CHALLENGE CLAIMING STAKES
..... $12,500 Added* 350 Yards, Three year olds and older,
..... Challenge-nominated.
..... *($5,000 RDRI purse fund-$7,500 (tentative) AQHA Challenge)
Thursday, July 21 .....
..... WORLD'S CHAMPIONSHIP QUARTER HORSE CLASSIC TRIALS
..... 440 Yards, Three year olds and older.
Saturday, July 23 ..... RAINBOW FUTURITY (Consolation)
..... 400 Yards, Two year olds.
Sunday, July 24 ..... RAINBOW FUTURITY (GRADE I) $500,000 est.*
..... 400 Yards, Two Year Olds.
..... *($50,000 RDRI - $50,000 other)
Sunday, July 31 .....
... WORLD'S CHAMPIONSHIP QUARTER HORSE CLASSIC (GRADE I)
..... $50,000 est. 440 Yards, Three year olds and older.

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Sunday, August 7 ..... ZIA HANDICAP $20,000 Added*
..... 400 Yards, Three year olds and older (Bred in New Mexico)
..... *($10,000 RDRI purse fund-$10,000 est. NMHBA)
Saturday, August 13 ..... HIGHEASTERJET HANDICAP (GRADE III)
..... $14,000 Added* 350 Yards, Three year olds and older.
..... *($10,000 RDRI purse fund - $4,000 QHBC Awards)
Thursday, August 18 ..... ALL AMERICAN DERBY TRIALS
..... 440 Yards, Three year olds.
Friday, August 19 ..... ALL AMERICAN FUTURITY TRIALS
..... 440 Yards, Two year olds.
Thursday, August 25 ..... ALL AMERICAN GOLD CUP TRIALS
..... 440 Yards, Four year olds and older.
Sunday, August 28 ..... ZIA SOPHOMORE CHAMPIONSHIP
..... $20,000 Added*
..... 400 Yards, Three year olds (New Mexico Bred)
..... *($10,000 RDRI purse fund - $10,000 est. NMHBA)

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Saturday, September 3 ..... ALL AMERICAN GOLD CUP (Consolation)
..... 440 Yards, Four years olds and older.
Saturday, September 3 ..... ALL AMERICAN GOLD CUP (GRADE I)
..... $50,000 est.
..... 440 Yards, Four year olds and older.
Saturday, September 3 ..... ALL AMERICAN DERBY (Consolation)
..... 440 Yards, Three year olds.
Sunday, September 4 ..... ALL AMERICAN DERBY (GRADE I)
..... $300,000 est.
..... 440 Yards, Three year olds.
Monday, September 5 ..... RUIDOSO 550 CHAMPIONSHIP (GRADE III)
..... $14,000 Added*
..... 550 Yards, Three year olds and older.
..... *($10,000 RDRI purse fund - $4,000 QHBC Awards)
Monday, September 5 ..... ALL AMERICAN FUTURITY (Consolation)
..... 440 Yards, Two year olds.
Monday, September 5 ..... ALL AMERICAN FUTURITY (GRADE I)
..... $25,000 Added
..... 440 Yards, Two year olds.

Horses make history at Ruidoso Downs

Ruidoso Downs will break from the starting gates on May 13 for a 68-day mixed meeting of the best quarter horse racing in the world and the finest thoroughbred racing in the southwest.

The horses and horseracing, however, are only part of the story of Ruidoso Downs. The rest can be discovered by looking at the various personalities and innovations which shaped the track's history which got its official start in 1947.

In the mid 1940s, Ruidoso and the Sacramento Mountains had established themselves as a popular summer vacation destination for residents of Texas, Oklahoma and New Mexico.

It also had built a reputation for high stakes quarter horse match races for wealthy oilmen and ranchers to display the talents of their top sprinters before the advent of pari-mutuel wagering.

The races were usually held on weekend afternoons in roughly the same area as the current location. The purses for the match races sometimes reached $50,000.

The track was originally named Hollywood Park in the early years because of its close proximity to the tiny town of Hollywood.

Tommy Hicks and Ted Johnson, owners of the Central Bar & Grill in Ruidoso, set up the inaugural race meet in 1947 which consisted of 10 race days running primarily quarter horses. The average handle was $33,261, which was not enough to break even, but enough for the track owners to continue their venture.

In 1953, the name of the track was changed to Ruidoso Downs and new owners Gene and Jim Hensley operated the first summer-long race meet which ran concurrently with La Mesa Park. The meet was very successful with an average handle of $105,000 per day and Hensley and his associates began to gradually improve the facility and race program.

The management also began to organize and promote a race for two-year-olds that would eventually evolve into the All American Futurity.

The Ruidoso Quarter Horse Futurity had been established in 1948 with the purse growing steadily, but Gene Hensley wanted something bigger. Hensley's constant promotion and tireless work finally paid off with the first All American in 1959.

The purse for the race was $129,686, an amount unheard of in quarter horse racing at that time. The inaugural running of the futurity even exceeded Hensley's expectations and it set the precedent for what would become the richest quarter horse race in the world.

Throughout the 1960s the track and the All American continued to grow and attract the top quarter horses in the nation, as well as many quality thoroughbreds. The Quarter Horse Triple Crown was established in 1964 with the transfer of the Kansas Futurity to Ruidoso Downs from La Mesa Park, the inaugural running of the Rainbow Futurity, and the All American Futurity.

Many legendary horses competed at Ruidoso in the 1960s including Jet Deck, Three Ohs, Go Dick Go and Pokey Bar. As the years passed the handle and attendance rose as rapidly as the popularity of Ruidoso Downs.

The decade also saw more emphasis put on improving the thoroughbred racing program as the Ruidoso Thoroughbred Derby and other stakes were introduced.

In 1972, the All American Futurity became the world's first $1 million race, by far the richest purse offered in the world at the time. The success of the All American spawned similar races for older horses such as the World's Championship Classic and the All American Derby, which debuted in 1974.

Racing greats that made appearances at Ruidoso during the '70s included Dash For Cash, Rocket Wrangler, Moon Lark and Mr Jet Moore. Among thoroughbreds, the gelding Norgor made a name for himself as a virtually unbeatable 870-yard sprinter.

In the late 1970s and early 1980s a new ownership named Ruidoso Sunland Inc. took control of the track and made major renovations throughout the the 35-year-old facility.

The grandstand and stable area were refurbished and enlarged. The track itself was transformed from a five furlong "bullring" to the seven furlong oval it is today.

The track renovations also included a separate racing strip used exclusively for quarter horseracing, which was also a first in the racing industry.

Grandstand seating capacity was doubled in the Turf Club and open-air box seating was also added. The entire capital improvement program took four years to complete at a cost of $6.5 million.

In 1981 Special Effort became the only horse in history to capture the Quarter Horse Triple Crown. During the '80s trainer Jack Brooks and jockey Jacky Martin quickly rose to the top of the quarter horse world as they won the All American Futurity an unprecendented four times.

Other prominent horsemen at that time included Dwayne Gilbreath, Johnnie Goodman and James McArthur. Eastex won the 1984 All American and went on to become the richest quarter horse in racing history with $1.8 million in career earnings at the time.

Ruidoso Downs' thoroughbred racing also improved after the racing oval was enlarged to seven furlongs in 1986. The thoroughbred stakes schedule was enriched with new stakes races and higher purses to attract a greater variety of top talent in the Southwest.

Trainers Bill Leach, Bob Arnett, Cliff Lambert and Doyal Roberts were just a few of the horsemen who brought their thoroughbred stables to Ruidoso each summer.

Current owner R.D. Hubbard took the reins at Ruidoso Downs in the fall of 1988 and brought the track to an entirely new level. Hubbard directed over $3 million in renovations which included a new press box, an infield message board and hundreds of new television monitors throughout the facility.

Other improvements included new restrooms, concession stands and pari-mutuel windows as well as a completely remodeled Turf Club.

Hubbard was also a major force behind the beginning of the All American Festival, a week-long celebration of community events and world class horse racing which culminates each year on Labor Day with the All American Futurity.

During the last six years, the All American Sale has been combined with the Ruidoso Super Select Sale and held at one location (Super Select Sales Pavilion in Glencoe) at the same time.

Now both sales have moved to their new home at the Sports Theater.

Ruidoso Downs will continue to be a major force in the quarter horse industry as well as being one of the premier thoroughbred tracks in the Southwest. At Ruidoso Downs, hooves fly, money rolls and the finish line is only the beginning!

Belmont trophy

This trophy is the actual one that will be presented to the owner of this year's winner of the Belmont Stakes. After the race, it will be on exhibit in the Turf Club at Ruidoso Downs Race Track, for the rest of the season.

1993 ATTENDANCE & HANDLE:

Date: attendance—on track; total handle—on track; total

Friday, May 14:	2,036; 2,398	-	$215,952; $361,345
Saturday, May 15:	3,759; 5,321	-	$381,810; $685,782
Sunday, May 16:	2,709; 9,448	-	$225,339; $413,300
Thursday, May 20:	1,087; 1,707	-	$83,867; $202,790
Friday, May 21:	1,416; 1,949	-	$114,866; $217,857
Saturday, May 22:	2,546; 3,489	-	$251,901; $425,238
Sunday, May 23:	2,588; 3,679	-	$230,961; $433,266
Thursday, May 27:	1,293; 1,985	-	$92,414; $244,950
Friday, May 28:	1,761; 2,151	-	$136,988; $263,830
Saturday, May 29:	5,484; 6,449	-	$528,679; $769,889
Sunday, May 30:	6,775; 7,628	-	$639,090; $892,882
Monday, May 31:	4,078; 4,892	-	$442,373 $661,141
Thursday, June 3:	1,239; 2,072	-	$110,295; $303,051
Friday, June 4:	1,523; 1,523	-	$101,197; $215,010
Saturday, June 5:	3,300; 4,533	-	$305,095; $601,371
Sunday, June 6:	2,892; 3,466	-	$282,834; $496,175
Thursday, June 10:	1,398; 2,155	-	$102,317; $240,867
Friday, June 11:	1,816; 2,437	-	$143,979; $256,907
Saturday, June 12:	3,643; 4,451	-	$332,146; $568,302
Sunday, June 13:	2,871; 3,857	-	$258,222; $456,942
Thursday, June 17:	1,831; 2,654	-	$132,991; $300,604
Friday, June 18:	1,799; 2,581	-	$117,784; $253,237
Saturday, June 19:	3,905; 5,273	-	$349,952; $563,741
Sunday, June 20:	3,585; 5,165	-	$278,508; $450,397
Thursday, June 24:	1,685; 2,456	-	$127,848; $287,828
Friday, June 25:	1,998; 2,964	-	$156,031; $286,418
Saturday, June 26:	4,022; 5,544	-	$373,488; $593,067
Sunday, June 27:	3,579; 5,321	-	$321,900; $537,060
Thursday, July 1:	1,797; 2,717	-	$147,839; $341,819
Friday, July 2:	2,471; 3,702	-	$182,302; $339,795
Saturday, July 3:	6,312; 6,956	-	$611,751; $879,832
Sunday, July 4:	6,849; 8,655	-	$661,357; $947,831
Monday, July 5:	3,483; 5,442	-	$377,949; $645,812
Thursday, July 8:	3,166; 4,622	-	$736,051; $369,603
Friday, July 9:	2,455; 3,619	-	$151,855; $264,036
Saturday, July 10:	4,476; 5,995	-	$394,678; $627,226
Sunday, July 11:	3,798; 5,820	-	$336,985; $566,649
Thursday, July 15:	2,505; 3,277	-	$153,610; $329,333
Friday, July 16:	3,134; 4,109	-	$185,821; $302,647
Saturday, July 17:	4,430; 6,023	-	$386,647; $579,444
Sunday, July 18:	4,187; 6,163	-	$380,375; $619,682
Thursday, July 22:	2,855; 3,836	-	$190,520; $384,555
Friday, July 23:	2,935; 4,093	-	$193,461; $323,619
Saturday, July 24:	6,300; 7,948	-	$522,333; $789,115
Sunday, July 25:	5,112; 7,018	-	$434,452; $701,065
Thursday, July 29:	3,708; 2,792	-	$183,747; $351,264
Friday, July 30:	2,885; 4,214	-	$215,738; $366,956
Saturday, July 31:	5,281; 6,910	-	$454,559; $710,386
Sunday, August 1:	4,799; 6,813	-	$364,667; $636,935
Thursday, August 5:	2,523; 3,525	-	$168,449; $376,815
Friday, August 6:	2,709; 3,849	-	$210,085; $350,666
Saturday, Agust 7:	5,157; 7,103	-	$467,862; $701,982
Sunday, August 8:	4,799; 6,813	-	$374,463; $605,961
Thursday, August 12:	2,540; 3,351	-	$192,350; $389,342
Friday, August 13:	3,009; 4,153	-	$271,267; $335,498
Saturday, August 14:	5,159; 6,980	-	$503,556; $739,353
Sunday, August 15:	3,855; 5,615	-	$383,266; $632,640
Thursday, August 19:	2,867; 3,895	-	$279,936; $498,622
Friday, August 20:	3,555; 4,697	-	$497,786; $749,886
Saturday, August 21:	4,322; 6,037	-	$445,382; $674,445
Sunday, August 22:	3,594; 5,263	-	$340,044; $574,208
Thursady, August 26:	2,082; 2,900	-	$155,996; $352,587
Friday, August 27:	2,196; 3,742	-	$195,673; $317,229
Saturday, August 28:	4,313; 6,102	-	$407,219; $686,106
Sunday, August 29:	5,314; 3,243	-	$308,683; $563,046
Thursday, September 2:	1,844; 2,705	-	$176,592; $393,166
Friday, September 3:	2,506; 3,696	-	$252,921; $427,110
Saturday, September 4:	6,974; 8,697	-	$697,957; $972,262
Sunday, September 5:	9,066; 10,937	-	$907,598; $1,204,097
Monday, Sept. 6:	10,130; 13,046	-	$1,069,465; $1,694,934
TOTALS:	244,702; 338,940	-	$37,807,651; $22,482,296

Race Dates:
May 13 through September 5

Location:
Highway 70 east
PO Box 449
Ruidoso Downs NM 88346

Telephone:
(505) 378-4431
FAX-(505) 378-4980
Results: (800) 737-WINS (9467)
Seating: (505) 378-4140
Group sales: (505) 378-4431

CRIMESTOPPERS
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The Ruidoso-Lincoln County Crime Stoppers will pay up to $1,000 for information that leads to the arrest and Grand Jury indictment or Magistrate Court Bindover of the parson or persons who committed this crime or any other unsolved felony crime in Lincoln County.
Let's work together to call a stop to crime.

Phone 257-4545

Drug abuse is a problem of priority concern and attention, and the Ruidoso - Lincoln County Crime Stoppers is helping to combat the problem by offering $500.00 to anyone providing information that leads to the arrest of persons trafficking or distributing illegal drugs.

Crimestoppers will also pay cash rewards for information that leads to the recovery of stolen property or the solving of any felony crimes.

The Crimestoppers phone line is manned twenty-four a day, seven days a week, and you do not have to give your name to be eligible for a cash reward. The Crimestoppers phone number is 257-4545. Anyone wishing to call collect, may do so within Lincoln County.

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Village of Ruidoso Parks and Recreation Summer Schedule

MUNICIPAL SWIMMING POOL

515 Sudderth Drive
257-2795
Pool Manager: Ellen Bizzell

OPENING DAY: May 27, 1993

OPEN SWIM: 11:30 a.m. to 4:45 p.m. daily. Admission $2.25 per person. Admission to the slide is $6 per person per day.

NO REFUNDS DUE TO WEATHER.
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SEASON PASSES: $ 50 per person without slide.
$ 80 per person with slide.
$ 75 family pass without slide.
$150 family pass with slide.
Family passes must be for the immediate family members only. No neighbors or friends can be allowed on pass. An additional $10 will be charged for more than five persons on a family pass.

ADULT LAP SWIM: 5-6:30 p.m. Monday, Wednesday, Friday. Lap swim only. Beginning June 7. Admission for adult swim is $2.25 per person, with a season pass available at $30.

SPECIAL GROUP SWIM: Available to interested groups. Call 257-2795 and talk to the pool manager to ensure availability and for prices which will be based on the group size.

NIGHTTIME PARTIES: The pool is available from 7-10 p.m. any night of the week for a pool usage fee of $150 for up to 40 people, then an additional $2 charge per person more than 40. The price includes lifeguards and use of the slide. Call a week in advance to reserve the pool.

ALL SWIM CLASSES

Registration: Begins May 23, and continues until all classes are filled. Register at the pool, from 9 a.m.-4:30 p.m. daily.

Swimming lessons are available for persons five years and older who have no swimming ability or little water experience. Lessons will follow American Red Cross standards and will be taught by certified instructors. Anyone interested in swimming lessons should register in person at the municipal pool, 515 Sudderth, or call 257-2795 for more information. Early registration is encouraged, since classes fill quickly. A pool usage fee will be charged for the classes. Schedules, fees and times are as follows:

Adult Beginner: For all adults who have always wanted to learn to swim. Class lasts three weeks.
5:30-6:30 p.m. Tuesday and Thursday, June 21 through July 7. Six people must register in order to have this class. Fee-$14

Beginners: Classes meet Monday through Friday for two weeks.
Seven years and older
9-9:45 a.m. June 6-17 or June 27-July 8
For 4 year olds only
10-10:45 a.m. June 6—17
For ages 5 and 6
10-10:45 a.m. June 26-July 8
Fee-$30

Advanced Beginners: For all ages who have completed the beginner class. One week.
9-9:45 a.m. Monday through Friday, July 18—29
Fee-$30

Parent and Tot: For ages six months to four years. Parent must accompany the child. One week.
10—10:35 a.m. July 11—15
Fee-$15

Intermediate: For all ages who have completed both the beginners and advanced beginners. Two weeks.
Monday-Friday, July 18-29 from 10-10:45 a.m.
Fee-$30

Three new programs, water works, scuba diving and teen pool parties will be offered at the municipal swimming pool this summer:

Water Works

Water Works is exercising through the use of water resistance for swimmers who are 13 years and older. Four weeks. Class size is limited to 15.

Tuesday & Thursday, July 19-Aug. 11, 5:30-6:30
Fee-$25

Cross Training

This program will introduce teens through senios three different physical fitness programs that can be done at home, at the public pool or on trails around town. Four weeks. Class size limited to 15.
Two session: July 6-July 1, July 18-August 12
Monday, Wednesday and Friday, 9-10 a.m.
Instructor: Elaine Garrity
Fee-$35
First class meets at Senior Citizens Center.

Pool Parties

Teens are invited to swim, use the slide, listen to music and play water volleyball at three Friday night parties planned especially for those 13 to 19 years old. Refreshments will be served (No Alcohol). Preregister by the Wednesday before the party to ensure that the required 40 participants will be reached. First 40 receive a free T-shirt. Walk-in guests will be welcome, but the parties are limited to 125.
7-10 p.m., June 10, July 1, August 5
Fee: $4 for each party

To learn more about any swimming pool activities, including the parties, call Ellen Bizzell at 257-2795.

SUMMER TENNIS PROGRAMS

School House Parks Tennis Courts

TENNIS RATS

Tennis instruction for players 5 years and older sanctioned by the National Junior Tennis League and the United States Tennis Association.
Five sessions: 1. June 6-June 17
2. June 20-July 1
3. July 5-July 14
4. July 18-July 29
5. August 1-August 12

Group 1 - boys and girls 5, 6 and 7 - 9-10 a.m.
Group 2 - boys and girls 8 and older - 10:15-11:45

Fee: Group 1 - $25/session
Group 2 - $35/session

Tall Pines Junior Tennis Open

USTA sanctioned tourney open to 12-18 year olds.
July 15-17, 5 p.m.
Fee: $12/singles; $20/doubles
Awards: all divisions
Deadline: register by 5 p.m. Wed. July 15

RACQUETBALL CLINICS

Introduction to racquetball for beginners and intermediates. Learn proper techniques and skills to improve your game. An opportunity to play in an upcoming challenge ladder. Open to males and females 13 years and older. Class size limited to five.
Monday through Friday from 3-4 p.m.
Ruidoso Athletic Club (The RAC)
Beginners: July 18-July 22
Intermediates: July 25-July 29
Fee: $15 per week

Resistance Weight Training

Open to males and females 15 years and older. Learn proper techniques while using rubber bands, balls, dumbbells and other small weight training apparatus. Classes limited to 15.
Two sessions: June 6-July 1
July 18-August 12
Tuesday and Thursday, 9:45 to 10:30 a.m.
Ruidoso Athletic Club (The RAC)
Fee: $25 per session.

Sport Specific Flexibility and Training Clinics

A program for individuals or teams to improve skills, including proper stretches and techniques needed to prevent injury.
Location depends on the sport
By appointment, check The News for schedules
Fee: $20 minimum, $1 per person after 20

FISHING DAZE

Friday, June 3—Go fishing from 9 a.m. to noon at Two Rivers Park. The event, open to boys and girls 7 to 12 years old. All participants should bring their fishing poles and sunscreen, only a few poles will be provided. Refreshments will be provided. FREE.

WILDERNESS CAMP

Outdoor activities, suchh as hiking, fishing, archery, canoeing, horsebakck riding, beach volleyball, arts & crafts, swimming, outdoor sports, field trips and natur studies just for boys and girls 7 to 12 years old. The camp will include free lunch except for weeks nine and 10.
Monday through Friday noon to 5 p.m.
Wingfield Park, 801 Grindstone Drive
Group 1: boys and girls 7-10 (limit 15 per day)
Group 2: boys and girls 11-12 (limit 15 per day)
Sessions: 1. June 6-June 10
2. June 13-June 17
3. June 20-June 24
4. June 27-July 1
5. July 4-July 8
6. July 11-July 15
7. July 18-July 22
8. July 25-July 29
9. August 2-August 5 (no free lunch)
10. August 8-August 12 (no free lunch)
Fee: $35 per child/week or $8/day
if not registered and space is available

Summer Food Service Program

Free breakfast and lunch to all children 18 and younger, with no requirments as to proof of income or age. No meal tickets needed and no need to register.
Monday through Friday, June 6-July 29
Three sites:
1. Ruidoso Middle School
Breakfast 7:30-8:30 a.m.
Lunch 11:30 a.m.-1 p.m.
2. School House Park by the library
Lunch (only) 11:30 a.m.-1 p.m.
3. Wingfield Park, 801 Grindstone Drive
Lunch (only) 11:30 a.m.-1 p.m.

11th Annual Runners Classic

5K and 10K run, 5K walk in eight age division and a kids one-mile fun run for children 10 and under
8:30 a.m. Saturday, August 20
Ruidoso Municipal Administrative Center
313 Cree Meadows Drive
Registration is at 7:30 a.m.

T-Shirts to first 100 entries. Medals to top finishers in all age divisions. Free refreshments will be provided.
Divisions: 5K run, 10K run and 5K walk, men and women: 10 and under; 11-13, 14-19; 20-29; 30-39; 40-49; 50-59 and 60 and older.
Entry fee: $10 in advance, $12 day of the race. Mail or deliver entry fee to the Village of Ruidoso Parks and Recreation Department, P.O. Drawer 69, Ruidoso, NM 88345. For more information call 257-2795 or 257-5030.
The race will continue regardless of weather.

Come on up for summer fun!

Western fun in the great outdoors is the biggest reason summer travelers hit the cool mountain pines of Ruidoso.

Outdoor activities are being promoted by the local government in Ruidoso as never before in village history.

Within the past few years, fishing, boating, picnicking, swimming, hiking, biking and other increased activities stress fitness with the family.

Water sports

Grindstone Lake, a village owned manmade lake at the Grindstone Dam Recreational Area has opened up a variety of new activities to Ruidoso.

Fishing, boating (under 16 feet-non-motorized) and windsurfing is allowed. The lake is stocked with brown trout not only by the state but also the village.

Boating and fishing permits are required.

A boating permit fee for the season (April 1 through October 31) costs $35. A three-day pass costs $10, and a single day pass costs $5.

Boat permits are available at the municipal swimming pool office or the Wingfield Park parks and recreation office located on the road to Grindstone Lake.

The village parks department is offering a summer program for beginning windsurfers and a class in scuba diving and a scuba diving class.

The state also stocks trout in the Rio Ruidoso that winds its way through town and through Two Rivers Park in the heart of Ruidoso.

Youth Fishing Daze is a free event scheduled for Two Rivers Park on June 3 from 9 a.m. to noon.

The event is sponsored by the parks department, the forest service, New Mexico Game and Fish, Western Auto and Carol's Flys.

On the outskirts of town, Alto Lake is a popular fishing lake and the home of an annual fishing contest. Several prized trophies, left over from the tourney, find their way to a fisherman's net each summer.

Parks

Two Rivers Park also features a walking bridge across the river, a playground area complete with swings, teeter totters, and an obstacle course.

The picnic grounds have two large covered shelters, many park tables and benches, each with a barbecue grill.

A few blocks away is another major downtown recreational area called School House Park.

School House Park also features four newly refinished tennis courts with wind screens, several picnic tables with barbecue grills and a rough hiking trail developed by the park system that skirts up a slope in back of the park.

The four tennis courts at School House Park are open to the public, but they're also used for tennis lessons and tournaments during certain times of the day.

The village's newest park, Wingfield Park, is located off the road on the way to Grindstone Dam.

Wingfield Park will be the headquarters for several youth programs this summer, including an open play volleyball just for teens is planned on a field of sand.

Teen age groups from 13 through 19 can participate in three on three teams from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. on Saturdays, June 11, June 18, July 2, July 9 and August 6.

Cost to play is $2 per day.

Also in the Wingfield Park area, street dances for teens 12 through 19 years old are scheduled for Fridays June 17 and July 8 and Saturday, August 13 beginning at 7 p.m.

Call parks and recreation at 257-5030 for information about the parks and special programs.

Swimming pool

This park houses a large Olympic sized pool with a curving slide to dump the rider in the drink.

The swimming pool is open from Memorial Day to late August. The pool charge is $2.25 per person, adult or child. The flume costs an additional $6 per person for unlimited use.

Season passes cost $50 per person without slide, $80 per person with slide, $75 family pass without slide, and $150 family pass with slide.

Swimming lessons are available for adults at $14 for a three-week session June 21 through July 7.

Swimming lessons for beginners ages seven and older will cost $30 for a two week session, June 6 through June 17; or June 27 through July 8.

Beginners lessons for ages four, five and six years old cost $30.

Water Works is a program that works exactly as it sounds, exercising through water resistance. Great for seniors with arthritis.

Age limits are from 13 and older and costs are $25 per person for the four week session of July 19 through August 11.

At the municipal swimming pool, a series of pool parties have been scheduled for teens 13 through 19 on the Friday nights of June 10, July 1 and August 5.

Library

One entrance to School House Park houses the Ruidoso Public Library that is open six days a week.

The library has many western books covering the rich history of Lincoln County and Billy the Kid. It also rents video tapes, compact disks and books on tape.

The library is open Monday through Thursday from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m.; Friday from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.; and Saturday, 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Adjoining the library is a senior citizens center where seniors can pick up a card game, play billiards or watch television on an oversized screen.

The center is open five days a week from 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Special events at the center include barbecues, dances, ice cream social and holiday parties.

The team will participate in boxing tournaments to participate in state and national Gold Glove or Silver Glove tournaments.

The program is free, but participants are required to pay $14 a year for the USA American Boxing Federation membership dues.

Call parks and recreation at 257-5030 to sign up.

Running

A yearly classic in Ruidoso is the 11th Annual Runner's Classic.

Divisions cover men and women's 5K run, 10K run and 5K walk.

There are 10 age brackets, beginning at 10 and under and ending with 60 and older.

Cost to participate is $10 which includes a T-shirt.

For further information call Parks at 257-5030.

Take a hike

For sheer physical fitness at your own pace, the village has several fitness trails.

Cedar Creek fitness trail is a one-mile trail with an obstacle course inside the trail. The trail is maintained by the forest service and is located on Cedar Creek Road.

Seven stations with fitness equipment test the walker or runner.

The village's paved fitness trail is three miles long and surrounds The Links Golf Course.

The course is located off Cree Meadows Drive next to Village Hall.

Children's activities

Wilderness Camp for children is an outdoor activity that includes hiking, fishing, archery, canoeing, horseback riding, beach volleyball, arts and crafts, swimming, outdoor sports some field trips and nature studies designed just for youth, with adult supervision.

The camp includes free lunch provided by the New Mexico Summer Food Service.

The camp takes place at Wingfield Park and costs $35 per child per week or $8 per day if not registered and there is a space.

The four day sessions last from June 6 to August 12.

Softball

At Eagle Creek Sports Complex, a number of slo-pitch softball teams will run during the summer.

Ruidoso's 10 and under girl's team is called Mountain Maniacs. Girls 14 and under have a league called Ruidoso Hornets.

Teen Knights is a co-ed night playing mush ball that breaks all rules in softball including running the bases from third to second to first to home.

The game is slated for Friday, July 29, from 7 to 10 p.m. and the charge is $4 per player or $56 per team that includes seven males and seven females.

After 30 teams have signed, walk-ons are welcome.

The Adult League for men's and women's softball starts May 23.

Women will play on Monday nights; men on Tuesday and Thursday.

Age limits are 16 years or older with a registration fee of $375 per team, 15 player limit.

Boxing

In conjunction with the Police Athletic League, the parks department formed an amateur boxing team for youth.

SWINGING AT TWO RIVERS PARK

Saddle up

For the person who prefers horseback riding, Ruidoso has three stables to choose from; Buddies Stable on Gavilan Canyon, Cowboy Stables at Ruidoso Downs and Grindstone Stables on Grindstone Resort Drive Road.

Miniature golf and more

Family fare that provides a minimum of skill and a maximum of fun includes the towns three miniature golf courses.

Panorama Miniature Golf is located off Eagle Drive and represents the old miniature golf course, built in the mid 1950s.

Panorama is traditional fare for families that have been visiting the mountains for years. The stately blue spruce wind through a course in a carefully manicured forest environment.

Holiday Miniature Golf is located across from the hospital right on Sudderth Drive.

Fun Trackers, not only offers miniature golf, but as the name implies, go carts. One of the states newest and finest outdoor recreational facilities, Fun Trackers also offers a variety of other activities such as water boat rides and a comprehensive game room.

Pushing pedals

Another way to view Ruidoso while exercising is through cycling. Park the car and rent a mountain bike from Ruidoso Mountain Sports.

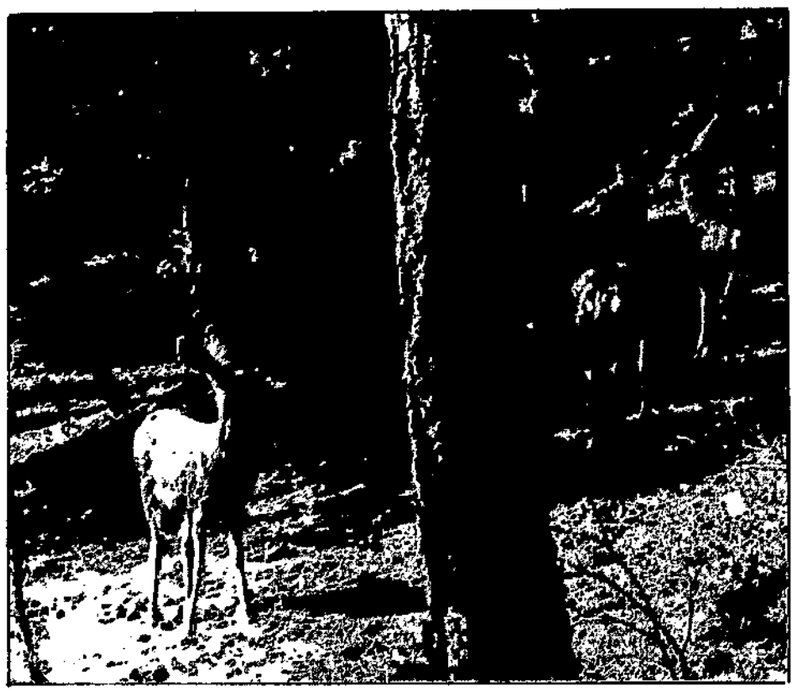
Bikers have a variety of areas to choose from, the most grueling being the seven-mile trip to Ski Apache up the long winding ski run road.

Once a year, during Aspenfest, cyclists race to the top of this mountain in one of the state's top endurance tests. Cyclists who can complete the journey under an hour are among the chosen few.

For an easier, family-style, bike ride, take the fitness trail around The Links at Sierra Blanca.

Sightseeing

New Mexico is a land of beauty and variety. The simplest of outdoor activity, a drive through the mountains with a camera, may produce the most satisfying benefits.



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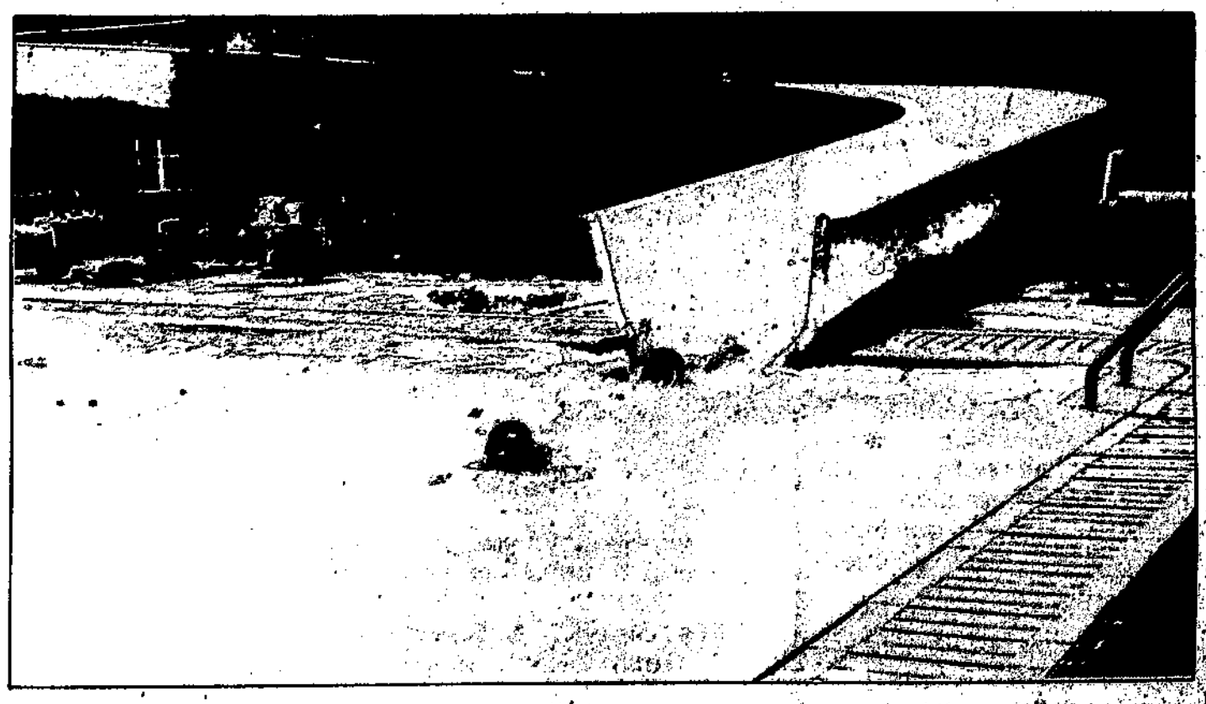

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Village of Ruidoso Parks and Recreation Summer Schedule

SOFTBALL-1994

Eagle Creek Sports Complex

Adult Softball League

Leagues are open to men and women 16 years and older, with all teams to be registered by May 16. Season starts May 23.
- Women - Monday nights
- Men - Tuesday and Thursday nights
- First game starts at 6:30 each evening.

Fee: $375 per team (15 player limit) due May 23

1994 USSSA Softball Tournaments

May 20-22
- Sierra Blanca Opener, men's C,D E; women's D

June 3-5
- Escape to the Hills, men's D, E, women's open

June 24-26
- Cool Pines Classic, men's C,D,E, women's D

July 22-24
- Ruidoso Last Chance, men's D,E women's open

August 27-28
- Mountain Double Up, co-ed

September 17-18
- Fiesta en las Lomas, co-ed

All teams must show proof of USSSA registration before the first game, or teams may be sanctioned at the tournament for a $20 fee. Roster must be signed by team's local area director.

Deadline: Wednesday prior to tournaments
Fee: $135 per team
Awards: team trophy for each class, 4 individuals
Contest: benefit Youth Girls Softball League
Main registration fee to Village of Ruidoso; Parks and Rec Softball; PO Drawer 69; Ruidoso NM 88345. Include team name, contact name, telephone number and division.

Co-ed Slo-Pitch Softball League

Parks & Rec challenges parents and teems to form their own co-ed teams for fun games following USSSA rules. Open to males and females 16 and older with a 15-player limit on each team.

Wednesdays at 6:30 p.m.
- Summer League I begins June 1
- Fall League I begins July 20
- Fall League II begins August 31

Fee: $75 per team, to be registered by May 20

Mountain Maniacs

10 and under girl's slo-pitch softball team
Mountain Maniacs will travel to Alamogordo for league play:
5:30 p.m. Wednesday, May 18, Powell Field
5:30 p.m. Monday, May 23, Powell Field
Noon Saturday, May 28, Powell Field
5:30 p.m. Wednesday, June 1, Powell Field
5:30 p.m. Wednesday, June 8, Powell Field
5:30 p.m. Wednesday, June 15, Grady Field
5:30 p.m. Monday, June 20, Grady Field
5:30 p.m. Wednesday, June 22, Grady Field
5:30 p.m. Wednesday, June 29, Powell Field
5:30 p.m. Wednesday, July 6, Powell Field

Ruidoso Hornets

14 and under girl's slo-pitch softball team
Ruidoso Hornets will travel to Alamogordo for league play.
Noon and 1:30 p.m. Saturday, May 14, Grady Field
6:50 p.m. Wednesday, May 18, Grady Field
6:50 p.m. Monday, May 23, Grady Field
8:10 p.m. Wednesday, May 25, Powell Field
8:10 p.m. Monday, May 30, Grady Field
1:30 and 3 p.m. Saturday, June 4, Grady Field
Noon and 1:30 p.m. Saturday, June 11, Powell Field
6:50 p.m. Monday, June 20, Powell Field
Noon Saturday, June 25, Grady Field

Girls will be attending the USSSA girld state tournament in Alamogordo on July 16 and 17.

For information on softball, contact Debbie Jo Almager at 257-5030 or 653-4432; Patsy Page at 378-4212; or Lisa Shaw at 257-5030 or 258-3111.

Hershey's Track Meet

Youth track meet for boys and girls 9 through 14 years of age designed for participants to learn and enjoy physical exercise.

9 a.m. Saturday, June 18, Ruidoso High School

Divisions: 9 and 10 year olds (born 1984-85)
11 and 12 year olds (born 1982-83)
13 and 14 year olds (born 1980-81)

Events: 50-meter dash, 100-meter dash, 200-meter dash, 400-meter dash, 800-meter dash, 1600-meter dash, 4 x 100 meter relay, standing long jump, softball throw.

FREE with awards in all divisions and evenst and free refreshments.
Winners will qualify for a state meet. Call 257-5030 to learn more or to sign up.

Fitness Classes

by Elaine Garrity

Contract instructor hired by Parks and Rec to offer introductory fitness classes. Garrity has been certified for nine years through Aerobics and Fitness Association of American, Aerobic Pipeline, Forever Fit, Rhythmic Aerobics, IDEA and Get Fit. She has been an exercise instructor for 18 years, with 10 years experience as a professional dancer. Some of the classes Garrity will offer this summer include water works, cross training, racquetball clinic, resistance and weight training, teen weight training clinic.

For more information about the planned programs or to suggest other programs, call Parks & Rec at 257-5030 or call Garrity at 336-4309.

Windsurfing

Grindstone Lake

This program is an introduction to landboard windsurfing which will be divided into two parts: (1) description of equipment and sailing techniques particular to Grindstone, followed by practical application with students on a land-simulator; (2) students paddle out ort boards to a designated area of the lake and sail. Students practice sindsurfing with instructor beside them. The class is open to anyone 13 years and older with a waiver of liability form signed before the first lesson. Participants must be good swimmers and should bring an old pair of tennis shoes and a towel.
Instructor: Rod Mays, certified instructor
Classes start in May by appointment on Saturdays and Sundays.
Fee: $80/group of three for three hours
- $65/two for two hours
- $40/private lesson for one hour

Call Parks & Rec, 257-5030 to reserve time and day and for information on signing up.

Scuba Diving

Professional Association of Diving Instruction

Three-part course with academic training, confined-water training and open-water training. The class, open to men and women 18 and older, will meet at the public swimming pool and the senior center. Class, which is offered for college credit, must have 12 participants to be offered.
Instructor: Ric Berglund, master scuba instructor
Mondays and Wednesdays, July 18-August 3
Fee: $75 for scuba class; $110 lab fee includes mask and snorkle, PADI o/w manual, o/w fee and international lifetime certification fee.
For more information, or to register, call Parks & Rec at 257-5030 or contact Ric Berglund at 258-5139.

Sewing

Participants must bring their own sewing machines and must pre-register and pre-pay. Call 257-5030 or contact the instructor, Diane Travelstead at 257-5864.

SENIOR CITIZENS

The Senior Citizens Center will once again be having a full summer of fun activities
These festivities are a great opportunity for seniors to gather and enjoy an afternoon of good food, live entertainment, dancing and fellowship.
Summer schedule:
Noon, Friday, June 3, barbecue and dance
2 p.m. Friday, June 17, ice cream social
Noon Friday, July 1, barbecue & dance
2 p.m. Friday, July 15, ice cream social
Noon Friday, August 5, barbecue and dance
2 p.m. Friday, August 19, ice cream social
1 p.m. Monday, August 29, All American Festival Bridge Tournament
Noon Friday, September 2, barbecue and dance
2 p.m. Friday, September 17, ice cream social

Call Sandee Hagar at 257-4565 for more information or drop by the Senior Citizens Center (behind the Library) at 501 1/2 Junction Road.

Senior Olympics

Talent: vocal, comedy, reading, dance, instrumental — 3-6 p.m. Monday, May 16, at the Carrizozo Rec. Center
8-ball pool, singles — 8:30 a.m. Saturday, May 14, Capitan Senior Center
Horseshoes (singles) — 1:30 p.m. Sunday, May 15, Carrizozo Country Club
Bowling — 1:30 p.m. Wednesday, Thursday and Friday, May 18, 19, and 20, at Ruidoso Bowl
Basketball, free throw, frisbee throw:
9 a.m. Saturday, May 21, Ruidoso High School
Track and field (12 events), softball throw, race walking: 9:45 a.m. Saturday, May 21, Ruidoso High School track
Table tennis (singles and doubles) 10 a.m. Friday, May 13, Ruidoso Senior Center

For information, call 257-4565.

TEEN KNIGHTS

Programs especially for teens to be scheduled throughout the summer to provide friendly competition, fun and entertainment in an alcohol-free and drug-free environment. This program, sponsored by the Parks and Recreation Department, will be possible with volunteers and contributions from the community.

Teen Knights programs include:

Teen Weight Training Clinic
for males and females 15 and older
3-4 p.m. Monday-Friday, June 27-July 29
The RAC
$2 plus tax per day to The RAC

Pool Parties
for 13 to 19 year olds at the pool
7-10 p.m. Fridays: June 10, July 1, August 5
$4 per teen; preregister by prior Wednesday

Open Play Beach Volleyball
for teens 13 to 19 years old
1-4 p.m. Saturdays, June 11, June 18, July 2, July 9 and August 6; Pre-register teams by prior Wednesday.
$2 a day with free T-shirts to first 15 to register

Street Dances -
for 13 to 19 year olds
7-10 p.m. at Wingfield Park
Fridays, June 17 and July 8, Saturday, August 13 after the Beach Volleyball Blowout Tournament
$4 per person

Co-ed Mush Ball
for 13 to 19 year olds
Each Creek Sports Complex
7-10 p.m. Friday, July 29
$4 per player or $56 a team

For more information on Parks & Rec activities, including the Teen Knights program, call 257-5030 or 257-2795.

Lincoln Forest is a giant playground

Ruidoso is surrounded by outdoor recreational opportunities in the Lincoln National Forest, including the White Mountain Wilderness and the nearby Capitan Mountain Wilderness.

Activities may be tailored to an individual's physical condition with hikes along high windy ridges or peaceful meadows. Fishing lines can be cast into fast running streams or in nearby Lake Bonito, which is managed by the city of Alamogordo.

Camping overnight can be as simple as driving to a campground or dispersed camping sites along one of the forest roads. For rugged adventure and backpacking, more than 200 miles of trails crisscross the remote White Mountain Wilderness and other mountain ranges in the Smokey Bear Ranger District.

About 40 percent of the big game hunting in New Mexico occurs on the Lincoln in pursuit of deer, elk, bear and turkey. The same opportunity is available year-round for those who prefer to capture magnificent wildlife on film.

The forest is home to the red-tailed hawk, blue grouse, mearn quail, the hairy woodpecker and steller jay as well as a temporary stop-over for migratory species such as the blue-throated hummingbird, Clark nutcracker and Townsend warbler.

Camping

In addition to numerous private campgrounds and recreational vehicle parks in the county, six campgrounds and one picnic area have been developed in the Lincoln National Forest within an hour and a half drive from Ruidoso.

They are supervised by the Smokey Bear Ranger District, which is headquartered at 901 Mechem Drive and can provide waterproof maps of the wilderness area for $4. The maps also contain useful information about individual trails and national forest regulations.

Situated off U.S. 54 between Carrizozo and Alamogordo, Three Rivers Campground is the farthest from Ruidoso. Lying at the base of the White Mountain Wilderness, its lower elevation allows the campground to remain open year-round while others at higher elevations only are open during the summer season.

Visitors can connect to U.S. 54 by driving west from Ruidoso on State Highways 48 and 37 to Carrizozo and then turn south, or they can take U.S. 70 to Tularosa and head north.

The campground features six campsites. Trailers under 16 feet are permitted. Campers should bring their own drinking water, but restrooms are available. The maximum length of stay for all campgrounds is 14 days.

Forest Ranger Sam Tobias said reconstruction of the campground is planned for late summer and recommended checking with the Smokey Bear District office at (505) 257-4095 for possible closure dates.

An interesting stop near the campground on Forest Road 579 is Three Rivers Petroglyphs Park managed by the Federal Bureau of Land Management.

After munching picnic snacks, visitors can climb a panoramic ridge etched with more than 5,000 figures and symbols left by the Jornado Mogollon people, descended from the nomadic tribesmen who inhabited southcentral New Mexico from 5,000 B.C.

No one is sure why the Indians created the figures or what they mean, but the park presents a unique chance to sit among the ancients under the imposing gaze of Sierra Blanca.

Bring head cover during the summer, the sun can be a brutal opponent as the temperatures climb.

South Fork Campgroumd, with 60 camping sites, is the largest of the six campgrounds in the district. Situated near Bonito Lake, it is the only one that requires a fee, $6 per vehicle, payable at the gate.

Drinking water and restrooms are available. Trailers under 30 feet are allowed.

Two years ago, South Fork received a much needed face lift. Parking spots were lengthened and leveled, restrooms were reconstructed, interior roads were paved and some sites and restrooms were converted for wheelchair accessibility.

South Fork may be reached from Ruidoso by taking State Highway 48 north to Highway 37, then turning on Forest Road 107 leading around Bonito Lake.

For a higher elevation and chillier evenings, Monjeau and Skyline campgrounds offer campers a taste of high altitude at 9,500 and 9,000 feet above sealevel (ASL), respectively.

To reach those campgrounds, take Highway 48 north from Ruidoso to Ski Run Road. From there, follow the signs to Forest Road 117.

Skyline, about nine miles up the mountain from the turnoff, has 17 picnic tables and five fire rings with a central parking area. (Check with the district office about the level of fire hazard. During some especially dry times, fires may be prohibited at campgrounds, dispersed camping and backpacking sites.) Vault restrooms are available. Trailers under 16 feet are allowed if drivers can navigate the sometimes bumpy and rock-strewn road.

Monjeau, about one mile farther up, has four campsites and trailers under 16 feet are allowed. Campers should bring drinking and washing water. Vault type restrooms are available.

Once settled in at the campgrounds, visitors should venture a bit higher up the rocky road to Monjeau Lookout. The platform below the fire spotting tower affords an awesome view of the Sacramentos and of the Capitans, a unique range of mountains that run east to west. The Capitans contain nearly 50 miles of wilderness trails.

Ladybugs also seem to favor the lookout area, congregating so thickly that at times, they blanket the rocky outcrops of the mountain.

Located just off Ski Run Road on the way to Ski Apache, Oak Grove Campground is situated at an elevation of 9,000 feet ASL.

Oak Grove has 29 campsites. Trailers of less than 16-feet are allowed. Campers should bring their own water, but restrooms are available.

If a picnic is what you're after, a large group pavilion and more than 20 scattered single tables are just a short drive from the middle of Ruidoso. The pavilion at Cedar Creek Picnic Area, available by reservation, sits just off Cedar Creek Road about a mile from the Smokey Bear District Ranger Station on Mechem Drive.

Opened officially from May through September, the picnic area is a favorite of year-round residents, who often stop on lunch breaks even in the middle of winter. Drinking water and restrooms are available, but overnight camping is not allowed.

However, just up the road from the picnic pavilion three large shelters have been constructed as part of the new Cedar Creek Group Campground.

They are handicap accessible with water and restrooms. The large shelters are separated by natural landscaping, creating privacy but also allowing interaction for groups that may use all three areas. Up to 250 people can be accommodated at one time.

Fire rings have been created and grills have been assembled for cooking. Parking places are sized for motor homes and trailers as well as cars.

Tents may be set up at random, but no trenching is allowed.

The group campsites may only be used by reservation. Contact the ranger station on Mechem or call (505) 257-4095.

Tobias said Memorial Day, the Fourth of July and Labor Day are the busiest times of the year at the campgrounds. He recommended checking well in advance with the ranger station to reserve the campgrounds on those holiday weekends.

People unfamiliar with Ruidoso also should check with rangers for camping information. The Smokey Bear Station is open from 7:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. on weekdays from Memorial Day through Labor Day. It is open on Saturday from 8 a.m. to noon and from 1 p.m. to 5 p.m.

Maps of the Lincoln National Forest and its campgrounds are available at the station for $3.

Hiking

More than 300 miles of trails in the Lincoln National Forest give chances for hiking, horseback riding and motorcycling.

Many of the trails, as well as miles of old railroad grades, are used by cross-country skiers and snowmobilers in the winter.

About 83,000 acres of wilderness are available for users who wish to experience the ultimate in getting away from it all.

The White Mountain Wilderness and the newer Capitan Mountains Wilderness are located on the spines of rugged mountain ranges, and offer spectacular views to those willing and able to work for them. Travel in the wilderness is restricted to foot and horse traffic. No motorized vehicles or mountain bikes are allowed.

Nine major trails tread the ridges and valleys in the White Mountain Wilderness. They range from less than one mile to more than 21 miles. Some climb only a few hundred feet while others entail ascents of more than 3,000 feet. The top elevation, at Ice Springs, is about 11,000 feet ASL.

The Mills Trail, number 22, is a 4.7 mile long path that climbs 2,560 feet above Bonito Canyon to Monjeau Lookout. The trailhead, which marks the entrance to the route, is accessible from Forest Road 107.

The South Fork Trail, number 19, ascends 2,880 feet from South Fork Campground to Crest Trail. A stream near the six mile long trail invites hikers to stop and enjoy its cool waters. The trailhead is accessible by Forest Road 107 and 107C.

The Bonito Trail, number 36, and the Argentine Trail, number 39, both leave the Bonito-Argentine trailhead and break in different directions along mountain streams.

The Argentine Trail, the shorter of the two, goes 2.5 miles on a incline of 1,280 feet to Crest Trail. The Bonito travels 4.6 miles and gains 1,600 feet in elevation, also to the Crest. The two trails may be reached by Forest Road 107.

Crest Trail begins at two different sites and travels 21.7 miles through the width of the wilderness from Tanbark Canyon to Monjeau Lookout. Some of the most panoramic and scenic views in the wilderness can be found along its pathway. The two trailheads are accessible by either Forest Road 108 or Forest Road 117.

Nogal Trail, number 48, is relatively short at 1.2 miles and climbs 780 feet from Nogal Canyon to the Nogal/Tortolita Trail, number 54. The trailhead is accessible from Forest Roads 108 and 400.

The Three Rivers Trail, number 44, logs more feet in elevation than any other trail in the wilderness. It ascends 3,440 feet in 5.6 miles from the Three Rivers Campground to Crest Trail. The trailhead is accessible by U.S. 54 and Forest Road 579. Hikers should have an adequate water supply since no source of drinking water is available at the campground or on Crest Trail.

The shortest of the major routes is Scenic Trail, number 15, which leaves Ski Apache parking lot at a marked trailhead and goes less than one mile in its 300 foot ascent to Crest Trail.

In addition to the trails in the White Mountain Wilderness, 11 major trails wind through the Capitan Wilderness, three in the Patos Mountains, three in the Carrizo Mountains and Vera Cruz Mountains and three in the Jicarilla Mountains, all in the area around the small community of White Oaks. Maps of the Capitan Wilderness trails also are available at the Smokey Bear District office for $4.

More than half the trails in the Smokey Bear District are non-motorized. Off-road and off-trail travel is not permitted by vehicles in the Lincoln National Forest. The restriction is necessary to protect soil and water, vegetation and wildlife, Tobias said.

Vehicles must remain on roads and trails marked by numbered signs. These signs are located at intersections and other prominent places. Some closed roads and trails are barricaded or gated, most are identified by signs.

Open roads may be traveled by any vehicle. Motorized trails are open to hikers, horses and vehicles less than 40-inches wide, unless otherwise restricted. Vehicles may travel up to 300 feet from open roads to reach primitive camping sites, unless doing so would result in damage to the resource, Tobias said.

Travel maps showing what trails are motorized and those that are not, are available at the ranger station for $1 each. Backpackers and people interested in the more obscure trails in the White Mountain Wilderness need the $4 trail map on sale at the station.

For people seeking a milder form of exercise, the U.S. Forest Service's Fitness Trail at Cedar Creek is a perfect alternative.

Consisting of an outer loop of 1.3 miles and an inner loop of one-fourth of a mile, the trail covers seven dual-purpose exercise stations along a jogging path. Participants walk or jog between stations, complete the exercises and continue on until they've finished the course. Signs describe and illustrate each exercise.

Individuals progress at their own rate and do as few or as many repeats of the exercises as they wish.

Riding

White Mountain Wilderness visitors on horseback may choose to use their own saddles and pack stock or those of an outfitter for a daytime or overnight trek into the wilderness. If properly managed, use of a horse can be a rewarding experience without harming the surrounding environment.

Pack animals and saddle stock are limited to 15 for any overnight party entering the wilderness. Proper planning and use of lightweight food and equipment can reduce the number of animals necessary for carrying supplies.

Horseback riding stables include: Cowboy Stables in Ruidoso Downs, Buddies on Gavilan Canyon Road, Grindstone Stables, Bonito Stables and the Inn of the Mountain Gods.

Tobias said he expects llama treks to be available to visitors, using outfitters from Tularosa and Ruidoso. Contact the forest district office for more information.

Because of the increasing use of the forests by large groups for a variety of activities including hiking, camping and horseback riding, the district urges organizations to contact the office on Mechem in advance or when they arrive.

"That will allow us to track the usage better and be aware of where they are located as a safety matter," Tobias said.

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Cathy Lubke	6/6-6-10	Dynamic Color-Watercolor
Dorothy Scheidknecht	6/6-6/10	Oil
Carole Myers	6/6-6/10	Mixed Media - Collage
Ken Hosmer	6/13-6/17	Watercolor
Martha Kellar	6/13-6/17	Pastel, Oil
Tina Szajko-Goldsmith	6/13-6/17	Mixed Media
Ann Templeton	6/13-6/17	Oil-Conceptual Impressionism
Dalhart Windberg	6/20-6/24	Oil-Landscape
Maggie McClellan	6/20-6/24	Watercolor-Secrets of the Obedient Brush-Figures
Jerry Fugere	6/20-6/24	Oil-Seascapes-Landscapes
Betty Braig	6/20-6/24	Painting Retreat-Water Media
Jo Beth Gilliam	6/20-6/24	Watercolor
Dalhart Windberg	6/27-7/1	Oil -Portraits
JoAnn Durham	6/27-7/1	Watermedia-Layering Techniques-Collage
Del Parson	6/27-7/1	Oil-Portrait Painting-Drawing
Betty Lynch	6/27-7/1	Watercolor
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Bob Rohm	7/11-7/15	Impressionism-Pastel-Oil
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Barbara Savage	7/11-7/15	Acrylic Water Media
Peggy Byars	7/18-7/22	Oil-Landscape
Nancy Kyte-Ely	7/18-7/22	Realism-Oil Portrait Still Life-Animals
Fred Chilton	7/18-7/22	Watercolor-Figure in Landscape
Charles Bell	7/18-7/22	Papermaking
James Soares	7/18-7/22	Watercolor
Christine Robbins	7/25-7/29	Oil
Ben Konis	7/25-7/29	Pastel-Oil
Naomi Brotherton	7/25-7/29	Watercolor
Bobbie Kilpatrick	7/25-7/29	Mixed Media
Jo Beth Gilliam	7/25-7/29	Watercolor/Using Photographs
L'Deane Truelblood	7/25-7/29	Watercolors Portraits & Figure
Sasha Tilovets	8/1-8/5	Oil-Plein Aire
Lyuba Tilovets	8/1-8/5	Pen & Ink Drawing-Watercolor
Mary Jane Cox	8/1-8/5	Watercolor-Bridging the Gap
Ben Konis	8/1-8/5	Pastel-Oil
James Whitlow	8/1-8/5	Watercolor
Betsy Dillard Stroud	8/1-8/5	Watercolor-Pushing the Limits-Abstraction

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Fishing

While local fishing holes are not abundant, the search to find them usually is rewarded by an ample catch.

Bonito Creek, Bonito Lake, Eagle Creek, Alto Lake, Grindstone Lake and the Rio Ruidoso all offer excellent trout fishing opportunities. They are stocked annually by the New Mexico Game and Fish with up to 2,000 rainbow trout measuring 10 1/2 inches in length.

Salmon eggs, power bait and worms are the most popular baits. Minnows are prohibited in trout water of the area.

All anglers over the age of 11 must have a current fishing license. A year-long license for residents of New Mexico is $8.50 and $14 with a trout validation.

Sportsmen may buy a trout-water validation at the same time they buy a fishing license. If a license is purchased without validation, and a person later decides to fish in trout water, a trout stamp must be obtained and will run $5.75 for residents and $13 for non-residents. They can be purchased at sporting departments in major discount stores.

For non-residents, a year-long, warm waters species license runs $30, with trout validation, $42.50.

Junior-senior and temporary licenses also are available. They are for youngsters 12-14 years old and for those anglers over 65. They cost $1.50 for warm waters and $4.50 with trout validation.

Temporary licenses are good for one and five days. A one-day license is $9.25 for warm waters and with trout validation; five day licenses are $17.

Those fishermen who cast their lines in the Lincoln National Forest and surrounding Bureau of Land Management controlled water also will have to purchase a Wildlife Habitat Improvement Stamp.

The $5.25 stamp is required for Eagle Creek, Three Rivers, all waters within the White Mountain Wilderness, certain sections of Bonito Creek and all waters in the Capitan Mountains. It is not required to fish Bonito Lake, Alto Lake, Grindstone Lake or the Rio Ruidoso.

Money derived from the sale of the stamp will be used to complete habitat improvement projects to benefit all types of wildlife.

The state's daily fishing limit is six bagged/six in possession. Bonito Lake's limit is 10/10.

Fines for fishing without a license may run from $50 to $500 and up to six months in jail.

Fishing opportunities also are available on the Mescalero Apache Reservation at Eagle Lake, Silver Lake, the upper Rio Ruidoso and lake Mescalero.

Reservation fishing permits cover all seasons. The charge is $8.40, available at the boat dock at the Inn of the Mountain Gods. The daily limit is 12.

Those who don't want to work too hard for their fish can try Conley's Trout Lake four miles east of the Ruidoso Downs Race Track.

PETROGLYPHS

Museum boasts the best in the west

The Museum of the Horse is always seeking exceptional new exhibits to present to the public.

The museum hit a gold mine when the John Goodman family of Tucson, Arizona, offered to lend the Museum of the Horse their extensive collection of Olaf Wieghorst paintings and sketches.

A long time friend of the artist, John Goodman also was a personal friend of Anne Stradling.

The opportunity to display one friend's works amid another friend's collection was one he didn't want to miss.

On Saturday, June 4, the Wieghorst exhibit will open to the public with 14 oil paintings and more than 50 sketches by Olaf Wieghorst.

The Museum also has contacted the Cowboy Hall of Fame in Oklahoma City, Oklahoma. Organizers hope to borrow some additional Wieghorst paintings to round out this exciting exhibit.

The Wieghorst exhibit will serve to "christen" the new fine arts wing at the Museum of the Horse. Utilizing former storage space, the craftsmen at the museum have converted the area into a beautiful gallery area.

"We hope to host many fine art exhibits in this area," said Museum of the Horse Director Jim Stoddard. "It is fortunate that we were able to open this long needed area with a master like Olaf Wieghorst".

Acclaimed by critics as the outstanding contemporary Western artist, Olaf Wieghorst earned these accolades during a lifetime of observing, handling and painting horses and the West.

Senator Barry Goldwater once said of Wieghorst, "When I first met Olaf, to put it mildly, I was surprised. Here was a giant of a man, barrel-chested with muscular arms and hands as big as two of mine and twice as strong. He looked to me anything but an artist, but I had learned that appearances may be deceiving. After we had talked, I knew that here was a man deeply in love with the West and its people and its way of life. Here was a man possessed with the talent to create on canvas this love."

A native of Denmark, Olaf Wieghorst came to the United States on New Years Eve 1918. He was 18 years old and already in love with horses.

At different periods of his life he worked as an acrobat, a farmer, a horse soldier, a cowboy and New York City police officer — but it was his career as an artist that brought him lasting fame. His realistic renderings of life in the West now hang in great private and public collections throughout the United States, including those of the Gilcrease Museum, the Cowboy Hall of Fame, the Eisenhower Library, and the Whitney Gallery.

It hardly seems possible, but the summer season is just around the corner — and the Museum of the Horse is getting ready to celebrate!

The Museum of the Horse has a number of things to be proud of as they open their doors to welcome members and visitors this summer.

In the museum's first full year of operation (January through December 1993) more than 27,000 people viewed the wonderful exhibits.

Despite a disappointing winter for skiers, attendance figures at the museum are running 26 percent ahead of the corresponding 1993 statistics.

The Museum of the Horse was named "Best Destination" in the state of New Mexico for 1993 by the Tourism Association of New Mexico.

Once again, the Museum of the Horse is planning a "pull-out-all-the-stops" party to really celebrate the beginning of summer in the Ruidoso area.

Mark your calendars now for Saturday, May 28, and get set for a terrific evening of dancing and dining.

The Museum has booked Eloy Gonzalez and Chuck Cusimano (of Lincoln County Cowboy Symposium fame), and they have promised a night of boot-stompin', toe tappin' authentic western swing music. To change things up a bit, the party will be completely inside the Museum — so whether you're dining or dancing, you'll be able to enjoy the music.

Once again, the chefs from Ruidoso Downs Race Track will be cooking up some culinary delights to tempt your palate — you won't want to miss it.

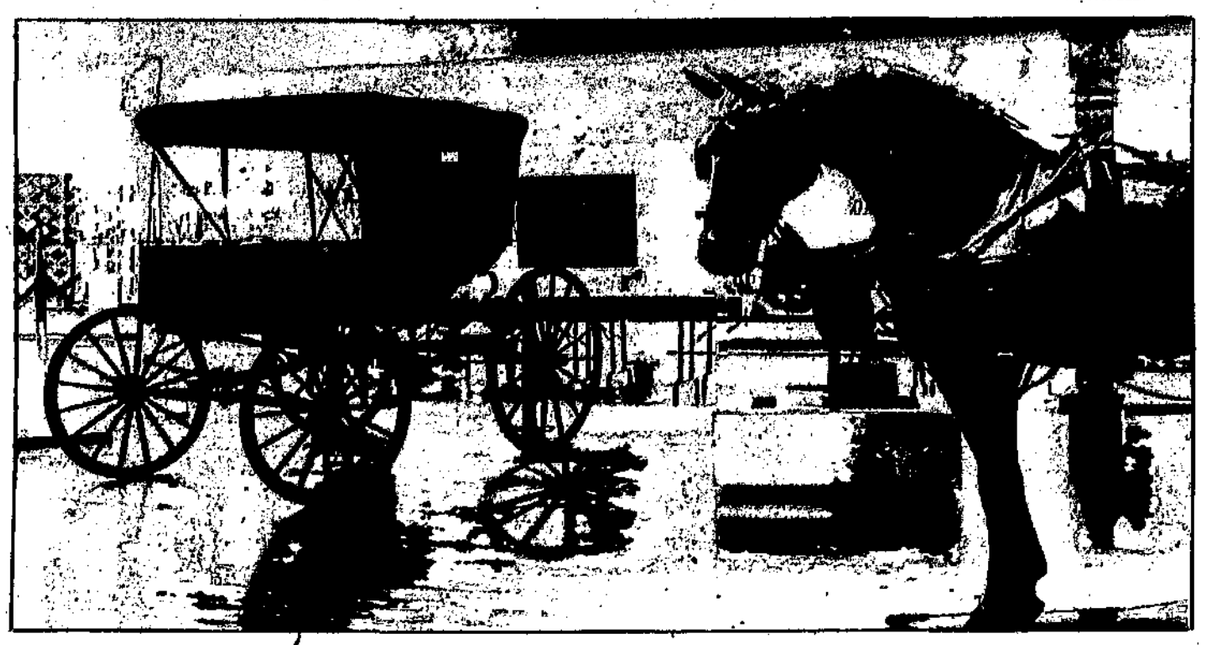
Museum members know that the anniversary gala also means a special anniversary poster — issued just for them.

This year, the talents of renowned western artist Gary Morton has been solicited to paint the image for the 1994 Museum of the Horse poster. The poster features three riders on the high plains with the sun setting in vivid splendor behind Sierra Blanca.

Museum members will want to add this beautiful piece to their collection of prints.

Gary Morton will of course be present at the anniversary gala to sign posters.

Tickets are available now at the Museum of the Horse for the Anniversary Gala. Please call (505) 378-4142 for more information.



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Ruidoso clubs harbor entertainment of every genre, from the elegance of a piano bar to the rough and tumble fun of a musical wild west show.

Watch for local performers including the folk and country sounds of Carl Mori and Sawyer Ward, the one-man-band of Mark Remington and long-time Ruidoso musician Randy Jones.

If the bar scene doesn't appeal, you can take in a movie at Sierra Cinema, located on Mechem just north of Furr's. The twin screens often carry three movies, and matinee prices are a bargain. This summer kids can see G-rated movies in morning matinees especially for them.

Check The Ruidoso News for Sierra Cinema movies and times, or call 257-9444.

Cochera

The only joint that rocks the forest is Cochera, located on Mechem. Pam Cash, who books the acts, invites musical styles ranging from classic rock to alternative.

Frequenting the stage at Cochera are El Paso, Texas, groups like Spoiled Rotten, with their blues rock, and the Deaftones, with an alternative Blind Melon sound mixed with classic rock renditions. Locals like Xplicit and the Invaders jam at Cochera, too.

"We're the only live rock and roll in town," said Cash. Cochera also houses a restaurant with authentic Mexican food.

Cochera cranks up the volume Thursday through Saturday, starting at 9:30 p.m., plus Sundays at 8:30 p.m. on holiday weekends. Friday and Saturday night shows carry a modest $1 cover charge. Call 258-9008 for more details.

Win, Place & Show

The local country and western hot spot is Win, Place & Show, located in the middle of the shopping strip on Sudderth. Seven nights a week, local and touring groups draw toe-tappers from near and far.

WPS is a stop for many bands on their way through Oklahoma, Texas, New Mexico and Arizona. Wild Card and Double R Nothin' are regulars at WPS, as is Chad Burns, who once toured with Johnny Rodriguez.

Patrons can two-step to their hearts' content at WPS. Owner Dean Fowler said, "You don't feel crowded on the dance floor."

Things pick up around 8:30 p.m.

GLENN REMINGTON

Monday through Saturday and close around 1 a.m. On Sundays the music starts at 7:30 p.m. and ends around 11:30 p.m. Call 257-9982 for more information.

Miner's Castle Mountain

For family entertainment, few shows rival the goings-on at the castle on Highway 70. With a bevy of musicians and comic talent, the theater is sure to appeal to young and old alike.

Hear a costumed review of hits from the '50s, classic rock, blue grass and country. The band favors Bob Wills, Ray Price and Roy Orbison — just to name a few. Taking the castle stage are Carol Martin on keyboards and vocals, Dennis Martin on drums and vocals, Roy Black on vocals and bass, Eddie Hedin on guitar and vocals, and Kim Blakey on vocals, guitar, and fiddle.

"It's just good, clean, wholesome family entertainment," said singer Lynn Martin. "You don't have to worry about dirty words or dirty jokes."

Tickets go on sale May 16 at $12 for adults, $6 for kids 12 and under; kids 3 and under get in free. Shows start May 27. Showtime is exactly 7:31 p.m., Friday through Sunday. Call 257-6180 for more information.

Marie La Veaux at Cree

If you go to La Veaux, get there early enough to enjoy the view at sunset. Cree's dining rooms and lounge overlook the golf course through windows that frame the eastern mountains.

Add to this relaxing atmosphere the easy listening of Carl Mori and Sawyer Ward or the danceable tunes of Randy Jones. Mori and Ward have been performing together for four years and share a camaraderie with the audience. Their music ranges from Emmy Lou Harris and Bonnie Raitt to Bob Dylan and John Prine.

The restaurant serves Cajun, seafood and steak dinners, and starting in June will also serve breakfast. The restaurant and lounge open at 10 a.m., and the restaurant closes at 9 p.m. Reservations for dinner after 9 p.m. may be made by calling 257-2733.

Randy Jones takes the stage at 5 p.m. on Thursdays and Fridays. Sawyer Ward and Carl Mori play at 6 p.m. on Saturdays and from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. on Sundays.

Winner's Circle

The Winner's Circle is located in the heart of the midtown shopping strip. The bar features a spacious dance floor, pool tables, a big screen TV for sports and a game room.

The music ranges from country and western to a little rock and roll. In May, catch Glen Castleberry's new band.

The Winner's Circle has live music Wednesday through Saturday from 8:30 p.m. to 1:30 a.m. On Sundays the bands play from 7:30 p.m. to 11:30 p.m. Call 257-9535 for more information.

Flying J Ranch

The Flying J Wranglers are a Ruidoso must-see with their unique brand of entertainment. The Flying J Ranch is located just north of Alto and a few miles up Highway 37 from Ruidoso.

"Come on up for a tasty, traditional chuckwagon dinner and a foot-stomping western stage show," said Wrangler James Hobbs.

Pony rides, a shoot out and gift shops are also part of the Flying J Ranch. Dinner served on tin plates consists of either chicken or barbecue beef, beans, apple sauce and spiced cake, coffee or tea; and, of course, the ranch's famous, mouth-watering biscuits.

"We're always ready for extra folks, but to ensure seating and to help us out with the food count, we sure do appreciate reservations," Hobbs said.

It isn't unusual for the dining room, which seats 600 people, to be filled to capacity, on certain weekends.

The show features Grand National Champion yodeler Cindy Hobbs, former World Champion and three-time National Champion fiddler Bart Trotter, and working cowboy Jayson Jones on bass and mandolin.

From Memorial Day weekend through Labor Day weekend, the Wranglers perform Monday through Saturday nights. The ticket booth opens at 6 p.m. and dinner is served at 7:30 p.m. Prices are $12.50 for anyone older than 11 and $6.50 for those 11 and younger. For more information and reservations call 336-4330.

The Texas Club

The Texas Club is another local favorite, featuring fine dining in a blue-jeans atmosphere. Dancers will enjoy the country and western music of Randy Jones and Keri. On the weekends until July 5, Keri starts singing at 6 p.m. and Jones has the stage on Wednesdays.

Also on Wednesdays, take advantage of a free happy hour buffet from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. Starting July 5, Randy Jones performs nightly at The Texas Club. Randy Jones has been entertaining Ruidoso since Moon Pie Dance Band was a group. His most recent band was Ricochet, and Jones now plays solo. All shows are free to the public.

The restaurant serves lunch from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m., Monday through Friday. Dinner is served from 5 p.m. to 10 p.m. every night except Tuesday.

To get there, take Mechem to Cree Meadows Drive (across from Furr's), then turn on Metz at The Texas Club sign. For more information call 258-3098.

CARL MORI & SAWYER WARD

Screaming Eagle Lounge

Located at the Enchantment Inn on Highway 70, the Screaming Eagle Lounge has become a favorite of visiting blues bands and local country singers.

Ruidoso legend Weasel returns this summer to the Eagle stage, bringing his distinct personality and versatile musical style. On May 20 and 21, the Jim Talbot Blues Band is coming back to the mountains.

Talbot hails from the music capitol of Austin, Texas, and has played at the openings of Billy's Blues, a chain owned by Dan Akroyd. The Stumble, who have also played Billy's Blues, make a special appearance June 15 and 16.

Except for special shows, the entertainment starts at 8 p.m., Wednesday through Sunday. Come early for dinner — the restaurant is open from 5 p.m. to 9 p.m. — and have Caesar salads or special desserts like bananas Foster and cherries flambe' prepared at your table.

For more information call 378-4051.

Inn of the Mountain Gods

In the main lobby of the Inn, Linda Flores tickles the ivories from 4:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m., Thursday through Tuesday. Relax at the piano bar or kick up your heels at the Ina' Da' Lounge.

Try your luck at Casino Apache, which features video poker and video slot machines. The casino is open from 10 a.m. to 1 a.m. every day.

Call 257-5141 for more information.

Bent Tree Jamboree

The Bent Tree Jamboree Dinner Theater opens Memorial Day weekend.

Bent Tree, the newest show in Lincoln County's family entertainment lineup, features blue grass and country entertainment.

You can count on a great meal, too, at Bent Tree.

The Jamboree is located about one mile off Highway 37 on the airport road. For more information, or for reservations, call 257-2258.

Tinnie Silver Dollar

Just down the road in the tiny little "village" of Tinnie is Tinnie Silver Dollar Restaurant, where the fine food in an elegant atmosphere is enhanced by an annual concert series.

THE FLYING J WRANGLERS

Check out the library, senior citizens center

Ruidoso Public Library extends a warm welcome to summer visitors. "Stop by and meet the friendly staff," invites librarian Nancy Eckert.

Ruidoso Public Library is on the corner of Sudderth and Junction in Ruidoso across School House Park from the tennis courts and swimming pool.

The library is open from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. Monday through Thursday, from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Friday, and from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday. The library is closed Sunday.

Services, besides access to thousands of books, tapes and periodicals, include FAX service, reference, value line, monthly newsletter and a copier. The library even provides for book checkout for visitors. Special programs are offered each season for children, and plenty of opportunities will be available for youngsters this summer.

Watch The Ruidoso News for schedules, dates and times. The Ruidoso Public Library telephone number is 257-4335, and the FAX number is 257-5994.

Just behind the Ruidoso Public Library is the Ruidoso Senior Citizens Center, where people of all ages gather for meals, card games, billiards, visiting and watching television.

The center plans special events that range from ice cream socials to barbecues and dances, and everyone is always welcome.

The Senior Olympics of Lincoln County is gearing up for summer competition, too.

Watch The Ruidoso News for dates and times of activities at the Ruidoso Public Library and the Senior Citizens Center, as well as meetings of the Senior Olympics group.

Tinnie Silver Dollar presents free concerts

Tinnie Silver Dollar presents the first in this year's five free concerts from 2:30 to 6:30 p.m. Sunday, May 22, on the veranda of the historic restaurant on U.S. Highway 70 between Ruidoso and Roswell.

The Fifth Annual Springfest will be out of doors under the covered veranda in the beautiful Hondo valley.

The concert series was initiated by general manager Maxine Francis in 1990, and has grown in popularity and attendance.

Families bring their lawn chairs and blankets and settle on the lawn, or find a table under the covered veranda to enjoy a cool drink and some hot music which varies from jazz to salsa.

Francis, whose husband, Michael Francis, coordinates the musical programs and is often on stage with his Spice of Life Band, added a playground for the kids on the grounds of the Silver Dollar.

There is always plenty of free parking.

Snacks and drinks will be available on the veranda, but reservations are recommended if you plan to dine in the restaurant. Call 653-4425.

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Thespians, musicians take to the stage this summer

The Noisy Water Stage Players are back this summer at the Enchanted Theater at Carrizo Lodge.

The first show, to be announced, will open June 15, and close on July 23, with presentations Wednesday through Saturday evenings (except for the week of July 4.

The players will present another show July 27, through September 5, Wednesdays through Saturday evenings, with the curtain to open at 8 p.m. each evening.

Tickets are $10 for the Enchanted Theater with a discount price of $8 on Wednesdays.

For more information on the Noisy Water Stage Players or the Enchanted Theater, contact Douglas Webb at 257-5197.

Community theater is back, too, and it's better than ever.

Ruidoso Little Theatre opens "Return Engagements" at 8 p.m. Thursday, May 19, and will continue Thursday through Saturday, May 19-21, 26-28, and June 2-4, in the community theater group's new home next door to the Ruidoso post office at 2961 Sudderth Drive.

Tickets are available at the Ruidoso Valley Chamber of Commerce. Season tickets ($30 each) and center stage society memberships ($60 each) are available by writing to RLT at PO Box 851, Ruidoso NM 88345.

Ruidoso Community Concert Association is soliciting members now for its upcoming four-concert series.

Attendance at the four concerts is by membership only, and music lovers can join now by calling Robert Rowe at 336-4015. Volunteer workers will be present to sign up members the week of May 23 through 27, at the Aspen Tree.

Judy Carmichael will open the season with an evening of stride, swing and boogie woogie piano on October 20, followed by classical guitarist Terrence Farrell on January 16, and Banjomania on February 6. Vancouver Wind Trio will perform March 27.

Country-western music takes to center stage in Lincoln County throughout the summer season.

Bent Tree Jamboree serves up a lively musical show and an all-you-can-eat buffet throughout the summer.

The Flying J Ranch rings the dinner bell every day except Sundays for a chuckwagon dinner and a lively western musical stage show.

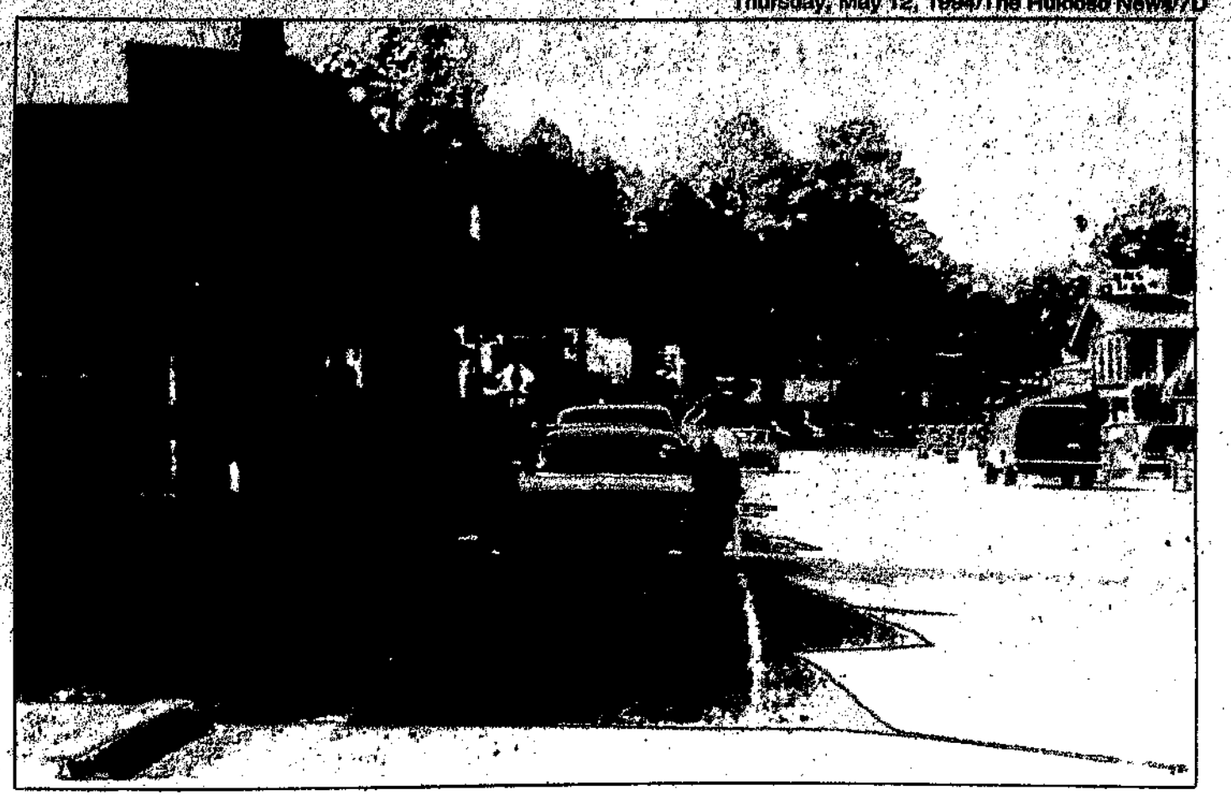
Miner's Mountain Castle will be back, too, with a comedy, musical variety show in the old castle on U.S. Highway 70 just west of the "Y."

Like movies? Sierra Cinema is open with its two screens, comfortable seating and fully-stocked concession stand. Watch The Ruidoso News to see what's showing.

All kinds of special events add to the entertainment menu in and around Ruidoso.

In June the Chamber of Commerce will present the first Fiesta Ruidoso, and in July Capitan is the site of the Smokey Bear Stampede.

Old Lincoln Days, with the Billy the Kid folk Pageant, take place in Lincoln the first weekend in August, and then it's the All American Festival in and around Ruidoso



The main thing

MainStreet Ruidoso is the center of excitement in the Village of Ruidoso this summer as the Midtown area is treated to a facelift with new sidewalks, lighting and off-street parking. The orange barrels are a temporary inconvenience — an investment in a new and improved downtown shopping area.

East side, west side, all around the county — take a scenic drive

The villages in Lincoln County blend the old with the new, and that makes visiting comfortable and fun.

Stay in a modern hotel with all the amenities or settle into a rustic cabin — try one of the area's B&Bs or camp out in the Lincoln Forest.

But, whether you're a local or a visitor, take time to visit one of the many communities in this area which have retained their historical past while encouraging modern enterprise.

Capitan, Lincoln, White Oaks, Carrizozo and Mescalero provide a glimpse of the past, while others, such as Alto and Bonito, have all but lost their past in the thrust of progress.

History, culture, romance, family fun, shopping and even fine dining await you in Lincoln County.

The old west thrives in the town of Lincoln, the headquarters for Old Lincoln Days and the Billy the Kid folk pageant the first weekend in August.

During this first weekend in August, the entire community celebrates its heritage with not only the pageant, but also with mountain mean and cavalry displays, craft and food booths, a fiddlers' contest and much more. There's even a parade, but because this is Lincoln, it's a special parade. All entries must either be a-foot, on horseback or in an animal-drawn conveyance. No motored vehicles allowed!

Pageant times are Friday, August 5 and Saturday, August 6, at 8:30 p.m. and Sunday, August 7, at 2 p.m. Tickets cost $3 for adults, $1 for ages 11 and under and free for those under six.

The parade begins at 11 a.m. Sunday, August 7. For further information, call the Historical Center at 653-4025, the Courthouse at 653-4372, or ask anyone who lives in Lincoln.

On any day you can stroll down the town's only street and imagine yourself there a century before. Here are buildings that date from the 1800s, lovingly restored instead of fallen victim to urban renewal. Paving, electricity and modern plumbing may be the town's only concessions to 1994.

Smokey Bear, the national symbol for fire prevention, will celebrate his birthday this year, and the Village of Capitan will be at the center of that big celebration.

During the July Fourth weekend, things really get smokin' for Smokey during the annual Smokey Bear Stampede. Events include:

July 1: Smokey Bear Day at the Races at Ruidoso Downs at 1 p.m.

Smokey Bear Stampede and Rodeo at the Lincoln County Fairgrounds in Capitan at 7 p.m.

July 2: Smokey Bear Special Shape Hot Air Balloon Ascension in Capitan at 6 a.m. followed by pancake breakfast at the Capitan Senior Citizens Center at 6:30 a.m.

14th Annual Smokey Bear 10K and 2 Mile Fun Run at Smokey Bear Boulevard and New Mexico 246 in Capitan at 7:30 a.m.

Smokey Bear Stampede, Rodeo and Country Western Band at the Lincoln County Fairgrounds in Capitan at 7 p.m.

July 3: Smokey Bear Special Shape Hot Air Balloon Ascension in Capitan at 6 a.m.

Wildfire Chili Cook-Off on Smokey Bear Boulevard in Capitan at 10 a.m. for cooking and 1 p.m. for tasting

Old West Ranch Rodeo and dance at Fairgrounds at 7 p.m.

July 4: Pancake Breakfast at Capitan Senior Citizens Center at 6:30 a.m.

Happy Birthday Smokey parade in Capitan at 10 a.m.

Old West Ranch Rodeo and barbecue at Lincoln County Fairground in Capitan at noon

Smokey Bear Stampede and Rodeo at the Fairgrounds at 7 p.m.

Events continue throughout the summer with August activities.

The log cabin home of the Smokey Bear Museum, built in 1960, is located in Capitan. The museum remains the first repository of Smokey memorabilia.

Here you'll find such treasures as original photos of little Smokey, personal accounts by his discoverers and even the baby bottle that fed the cub.

Hours are 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., and admission is free.

Stop in Carrizozo, the county seat for Lincoln County.

Or, drive down U.S. Highway 70 to Mescalero, located in Otero County, but so close to Lincoln County that we claim it as a tourist attraction.

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Golfers make the rounds of the area's four great courses

In just a few years, Ruidoso has become the golf Mecca of New Mexico. With four quality 18-hole courses, Ruidoso offers any golfer, no matter their level of expertise, a golf course they can truly enjoy, and maybe conquer.

The time has passed when visitors come to Ruidoso to just go to the horse races or ski and when the day was done sit out on the porch — or maybe if they were really frisky — collect pine cones.

People throughout the southwest are coming in droves to experience the truly fine golf courses the area has to offer.

From oldest to newest, let's take a look at the courses that visitors are finding good enough to come and visit time and time again.

Cree Meadows Public Golf Course

The area's oldest course, Cree Meadows was built in 1947 as a nine-hole layout and expanded to 18-holes in the late 1970s. The back nine was the original course and is somewhat longer and testier than the front, which was added some 30 years later.

Cree's front nine is shorter and tighter than the back, with out of bounds left, right and long on most of the holes.

If the golfer is long off the tee AND straight, birdies abound. If not, well ... it could be a long day.

Cree Meadows is the course of choice for visiting senior citizens and novices both because of its layout and its pricing. The retiree that can hit the ball in the fairway can enjoy hitting mid-to-short irons into holes that can't be done at the other courses, because of their length.

Cree Meadows can reward golfers of all ages and abilities with birdies for well played shots; and with full bar and restaurant facilities, this course is a must stop on any golf excursion to the mountains.

Number one is a short par four that a long hitter can drive. If you prefer a safer route, a long iron will leave you 70-110 yards for an easy approach.

Be careful though, the out of bounds and tricky green await poorly played shots.

Number two is another short par four that can be driven by a long player, but the out-of-bounds catches far more drives than the green does. An iron or a fairway wood off the tee is much more desirable and will leave a pitch shot of 60 yards or less to an elevated green.

The third hole is the lone par-five on the front nine and offers an easy birdie opportunity with a well-played drive.

Long hitters will have anything from a five to nine iron into a green that has plenty of slope and hidden breaks. A bit of advice, don't be long here.

The fourth hole at 110 yards may be the most difficult hole to score par on the course. The green is severe, and in the summer when the greens are fast, anything above the hole is a bogie — or perhaps if you're lucky — a miracle par.

Number eight is a very easy hole for the accomplished golfer and a nightmare for the novice. A par three over a lake, the eighth with a good tee shot is a chance for a "deuce" but a bad one has "snowman" written all over it.

The tenth is a par five that, with a prevailing wind and a tee shot that's at least up to the tree in the fairway, allows the golfer to go for the green in two. Again, the out-of-bounds has caught far more shots than the green has — although the fairway is fairly wide.

Number 11 is the hole that leaves most golfers, visitors and members alike, scratching their heads trying to figure out the best way to play it. A dogleg-left par four, this hole has three large trees in the fairway and a net that makes cutting the corner very difficult.

A high, hard driver over the net leaves just a sandwedge into the green — if the shot is inbounds, that is.

Most prefer a drive of about 200 yards which leaves a second shot in the 150 yard range. The golfer must then negotiate the trees in the fairway. Once all of that is done the player faces one of Cree's most difficult greens to read and putt.

The fourteenth hole is another head-scratcher. Again trees in the middle of a fairway that is among the course's most narrow, put accuracy at a premium. A 200-yard tee shot will give the golfer a second shot of 150 yards or so, but if that drive is too far right in the fairway, the large pine will be in the way and a punch shot will be in order.

A drive that's too far left may find the ditch that guards the road or if that doesn't happen, the ball may end up with a poor lie. The best advice is don't hit it too long, too short, too far left or too far right.

(a smile) Cree's 18th hole is another birdie opportunity for golfers of all abilities with three good shots. A par five that can be reached in two with the right conditions, most will take the safe route and wedge the ball on a green that is among the course's easiest to putt.

Alto Lakes Golf and Country Club

A private country club, Alto Lakes is one of New Mexico's best kept secrets. Because the club does not reciprocate with other country clubs, the only way to play Alto is to play with a member.

With 2,000-plus members, Alto is Ruidoso's busiest golf course with rounds in excess of 33,000 last year. Like Cree Meadows, Alto offers a beautiful clubhouse facility where its members enjoy swimming, tennis and exceptional dining.

But it is the golf course that is the Club's biggest asset. With a fairly flat front nine, the course lulls you to sleep before you hit the monster back-nine, which is probably the most difficult nine-hole layout in New Mexico.

The first hole is slight dogleg right that doesn't look that difficult on paper, but for some reason par is a very good score. Errant drives mean a sure bogie as trees will keep the golfer from have any chance to knock the ball on the green.

The club's second and fourth holes are reachable par 5s that usually play down wind. Both holes give up birdies in bundles and a bogie on either of these holes is unforgivable.

The fifth and sixth holes on the front give the golfer a little taste of what awaits them on the back nine.

Number five is a short par three that dramatically drops off from the tee and most players will not have to hit more than a seven or eight iron as the slope of the fairway will help the short approach get close to the green.

The sixth hole may be the most difficult on the course.

A long par four, a long drive still leaves a long approach shot to an elevated green that is difficult to hit. A par here is an excellent score.

Pete Dye, the world renowned golf course architect who's resume includes PGA West and Oak Tree to name a few, actually laid out the back nine at Alto but did not finish the project. It's easy to see his devilish influence as the front and back nines are as different as night and day.

The 10th hole is a par four that begs the golfer to either cut the corner over the forest or hit a driver through the fairway. The best shot is to play down the left side of the fairway with a drive of 220 yards or so.

The twelfth hole is Alto's signature hole. The elevated tee gives the golfer a breathtaking view of the Capitans and the split fairway gives the opportunity to play left or right — in moderation that is.

This hole is another one that par is an excellent score, as the green is severe and difficult to hit.

The thirteenth hole goes back up the same hill that the twelfth came down. A "briar" patch guards the left side of the fairway and the right side is lined with trees. The best shot is to play short of the "briar" patch and which will leave you a 150-175 yard approach to a newly-constructed green.

Number fourteen is a winding dogleg left that requires three excellent shots to find the sloping, sadistic green.

Any approach that is past the pin is three-putt city, and any approach that's short is in a deep bunker with little chance of par.

Number sixteen rivals the sixth in difficulty. Accuracy off the tee is at a premium but the golfer must hit a wood to have any chance to reach the green in two. The fairway is crowned so any drive that doesn't find the center will be in the rough which tree-lined.

The green is difficult and like No. 14, a ball past the hole is very difficult to two-putt.

The 18th hole is a short par-five that most golfers should be able to reach in two shots. The club recently lengthened the hole by moving the tee box back some, but birdie is still a real possibility in most cases.

WARRIOR GOLFER RYAN WALL

The Inn of the Mountain Gods

Built in the mid-1970s by the Mescalero Apache Tribe, the Inn of the Mountain Gods golf course is New Mexico's finest public golf facility. With a lavish pro shop and an unforgettable golf course, the golfer that doesn't play the Inn at least once while in Ruidoso has missed out on a wonderful experience.

Architect Ted Robinson designed a course that is open enough for public play but difficult enough to give the low-handicapper all he or she might want in a round, and then some.

Club selection and putting will be the difference between the good round and bad round at the Inn.

The first hole is an uphill par five that is relatively open for the tee shot. Things tighten up for the second shot and the green is double tiered so a ball in the wrong spot will be very difficult to two-putt.

CECELIA FUENTES SCOPES HER NEXT SHOT

The second hole is the most difficult on the course. a sweeping dogleg left par four, the second hole requires a long drive to the left of two trees that guard the center of the fairway. If the tee shot doesn't have enough distance, the player will have to play short of the green because the dogleg is guarded by trees and the player will most likely have a downhill lie, which makes hooking the ball more difficult.

A drive that's too far right in the fairway will by bothered by the trees in the fairway. It's just a great hole that requires two excellent shots to get on the sloping, testy green.

The fourth hole is another fairly long par four with a difficult green. Trees guard the right side of the fairway and a drive to the left will also encounter tree problems ... if its far enough. Again, a wood is must off the tee, but it has to be straight.

The green is among the course's most difficult. Like most putting surfaces at the Inn, the golfer must stay below the hole. Anything past is an almost certain three-putt.

One of the Inn's real strengths is it's par 3s and the eighth hole is no exception.

The hole plays about 200 yards from the blue tees and the tee is elevated. The green sits in a valley, so many times the winds that swirl through the canyons at the Inn will blow the ball away from the green, much to the golfers surprise, because the tee is protected.

The green is surrounded by bunkers so those wind-blown shots are difficult up-and-downs.

The tenth hole offers an island landing area or a chance to carry the water for the super-long hitter for an eagle putt. A four-iron or a fairway wood off the tee will leave the golfer in the 100-150 yard range for their second shot to a receptive, fairy docile green.

The tenth is a hole that gives a great chance for birdie or a "snowman" depending on your drive.

Number twelve is another of the spectacular par-threes on the course. The blue tees offer a 200-yard shot over water toward the pin or a safer, drier route to the right of the green.

If the golfer elects to play it safe, they will face a chip shot off mounds that sometimes make it difficult to get the ball close. Any way you play it, a three here is an excellent score.

The fourteenth hole here is similar to Alto's fourteenth. A sweeping dogleg par-5 with trouble everywhere.

Without question, there are more big numbers shot on this hole than any other on the course.

The safe tee shot is no more than 200 yards and must be in the center of the fairway. Left is a watery grave and right is jail because of the forest.

That illusive "super-long" hitter may hit the ball over the tree that guards the left side of the fairway and have a shot at the green, but those shots are few and far between.

Four-iron, four-iron, seven-iron is your best bet.

And if you like scary-looking shots, just step up to the back tee at the 18th hole.

This hole plays 220 yards over water and requires a very, very good shot to get the ball on the green. A golfer can play it safe by playing a shorter route to the right, but the chances of making par are very slim by taking that route.

Heck, you're on vacation, right? Just go for it.

The Links at Sierra Blanca

Built in 1990, The Links at Sierra Blanca offers a completely different golf experience than any of the other courses in Ruidoso.

Built more like a seaside course, the Links invites shots that run onto the green and the numerous mounds next to the fairways help a marginal shot back into the fairway and a bad shot into a worse position.

The Links is operated by Jim Colbert, one of the most successful golfers on the Senior PGA tour, and was built by the partnership of R.D. Hubbard and Ed Allred, the same gentlemen who are the majority stockholders in Ruidoso Downs Race Track.

At just over 7,000 yards on the scorecard, the golf course plays considerably shorter than that because of the prevailing southwest winds and firm fairways. Its par 72 is a good score but far more attainable than 72 at the Inn of the Mountain Gods.

The front nine seems to play two or three shots harder than the back nine, but both sides have some great holes.

The second hole, while it plays downwind most of the time, still requires a long second shot to a green that is difficult to read. While the mounds on both sides of the fairway help to kick the ball back into play, if the ball stays on the slope, its bogie time.

If the pin placement should be on the front of the green, again, par is an excellent score if you're past the hole.

The third hole usually plays into the teeth of the wind and offers one of the biggest challenges on the course. The tee shot must stay right of the ditch that is sometimes marked as a hazard, and left of a large sandtrap who's deep face makes the wood or long iron necessary to reach the green a difficult play.

The tee shot is just the beginning on this monster as the green is virtually surrounded by sand traps and beyond them, water. The putting surface is as difficult as any on the course, making four an excellent score here.

The fifth hole is the shortest par four at the Links and a long, brave hitter can knock the ball on the green, which plays just 270 yards away. But ... if that drive is not straight, it could find out of bounds, a hazard, the woods or maybe if your lucky a sand trap.

A long iron will leave a shot of less than 100 yards and this hole is a real birdie opportunity for the brave ... or the patient.

The sixth hole is a monstrous par three that measures 227 from the tips. The hole plays directly into the prevailing wind and a wood is the club of choice most of the time from the back tees.

A shot that sails left off the tee could be out of bounds or hit the cart path, and a shot to right leaves a very difficult pitch shot, especially if the pin is on the front of the sloping green.

Like its predecessors mentioned above, leave with a smile on your face if you leave number six with a par.

The ninth hole at the Links also leaves the long hitter with a dilemma. A dogleg left, this hole allows the cautious golfer the chance to play down the fairway, leaving himself with a shot of 175 yards or so with decent tee shot.

The daring will want to fire straight-away at the green, cutting the corner leaving just a short pitch to the green.

If that drive comes up short though, chances are the lie won't be good and those presses you've got working may be in trouble.

An approach to the right side of the green must escape the "valley of sin" that catches shots that are good enough to be on the green, but not good enough to get close and sends them off to oblivion.

The backside at The Links is fairly docile until you reach the 14th hole. If its played right, its another chance for a birdie, but this short par four has its challenges as well.

On the tee, the golfer must decide to go on the high road or the low road. A split fairway, the lower, safer side offers a chance to hit a wedge onto the green, but the hole is hidden and the golfer must negotiate a gaping bunker.

The high road offers the chance to see the hole while playing nothing more than a chip, but your drive must carry in excess of 250 yards ... and still miss the trees that separate the two fairways.

Pars are nothing unusual on this hole, but neither are sixes.

The fifteenth is a sweeping dogleg left that is the most difficult on the back nine. A long, straight tee shot is dead here, because the ball will run through the fairway, leaving the golfer with a pitchout.

The shot is a draw off the tee, but no too long as the fairway narrows dangerously past 135 yards to the pin. The green is difficult, but par is a definite possibility with two well-played shots.

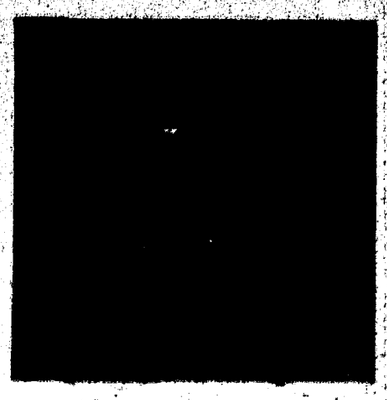
The 18th hole requires a perfect tee shot and is a great finishing hole.

It seems the more a golfer plays this hole, the scarier it becomes. A hook will put you in the trees, or at least behind them, and a slice will put you in the hazard that guards the out of bounds.

Once you overcome your fear of the tee shot, the final hole requires an accurate second shot to a green that is surrounded by green-side grass bunkers whose severe slopes make getting up-and-down next to impossible.

The Links is a great test of golf, and it's addition was the crowning jewel in making Ruidoso one of Southwest's premier golf resorts.

Missing any of these great golf courses during your visit here is a real loss, so if you don't have time to get them all in during your stay here ... you need a longer vacation.



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VILLAGE OF RUIDOSO DOWNS

"The village at the end of the rainbow"

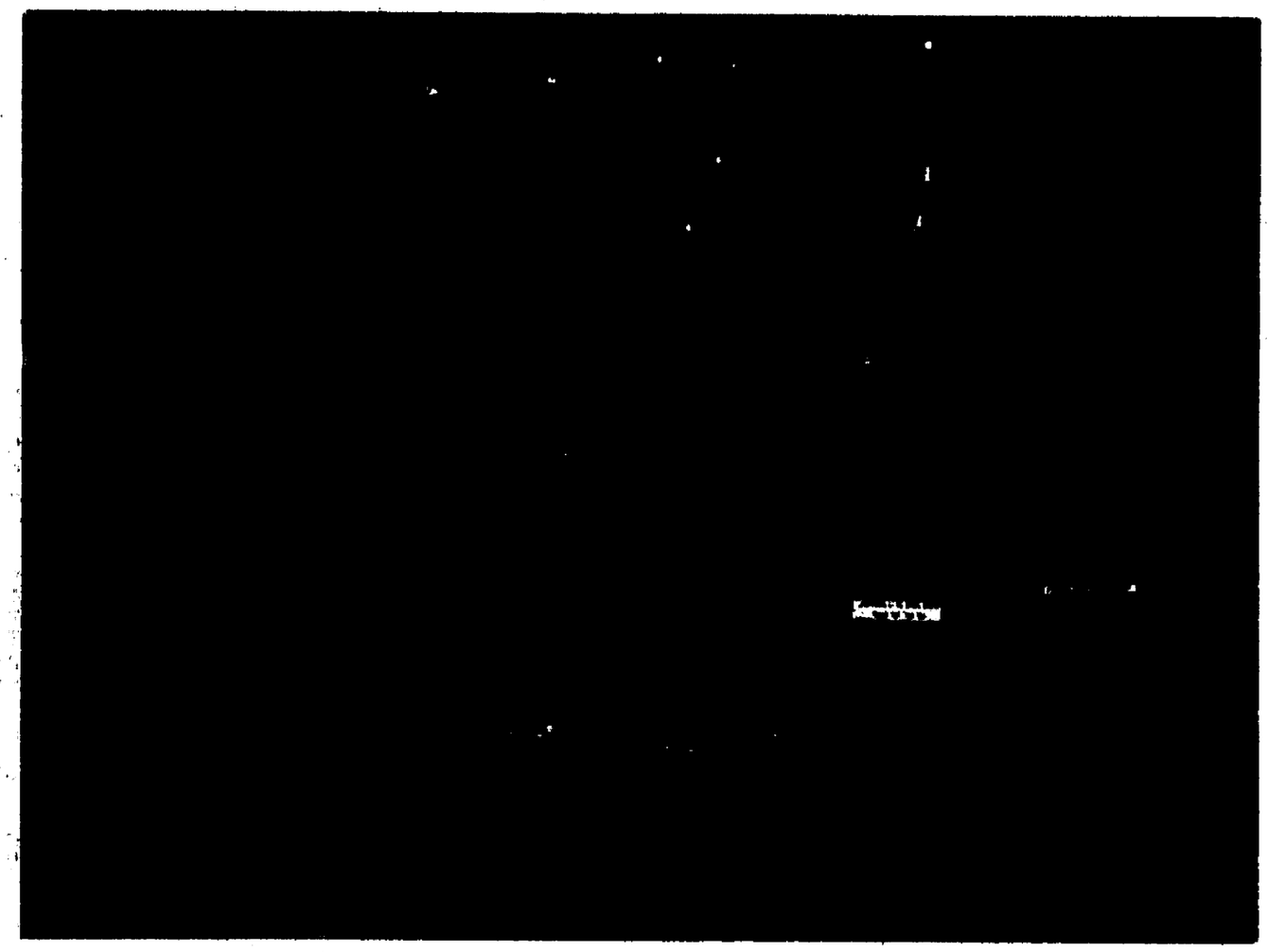

Photo by Linda Wallace

A GREAT PLACE TO LIVE

Small towns offer some of the best qualities of life for young couples raising family or older folks, ready to retire, and just about anybody in between.

Probably the best part of small town life is knowing your neighbors as friends, and getting involved in community events.

Ruidoso Downs offers those benefits and more as one of the friendliest little villages in the Southwest.

Besides its neighborly people, this community is well-known for its fantastic view of Sierra Blanca and as a gateway to the beautiful Hondo Valley.

In the small town of Ruidoso Downs, neighbors aren't just the people who live on your black. Everybody in the community is your neighbor and friend, including the people at village hall, the police department and the many businesses you will frequent.

These people greet you by name, and always have a minute to spare to talk about the weather or whatever else you might have on your mind.

Village hall clerks, police dispatchers and any municipal employee will pitch in and help you with just about any emergency you might have — whether you're visiting in Ruidoso Downs or you've lived there a day or a lifetime.

The municipal building and the police department are now located in one building off U.S. Highway 70 by the village park, but a new village hall is under construction on the highway.

Members of a well-trained and active volunteer fire department are just a telephone call away — ready for a quick response to fires and emergencies.

Wherever you go in Ruidoso Downs — be it Ruidoso Downs Race Track, the Museum of the Horse or just down the street for a cup of coffee and conversation — you're sure to see what makes this community such a great place to live or to visit. The people are down-to-earth and know the value of a good friend, but they also know how to have fun.

Ruidoso Downs Race Track is and has been the major attraction to locals and visitors for years, but Ruidoso Downs has many other exciting activities and events throughout the year.

One event with a growing tradition is the annual All American Arts and Crafts Fair sponsored by the Ruidoso Downs Ladies Auxiliary each Labor Day weekend.

Artists and artisans from throughout the area gather to show off their greatest creations in a festive atmosphere that's fun for the whole family.

The fair — with its food booths, drawings and apple pie baking contest — is a great way to cap off the summer racing season.

Holidays are always a great time to get together with friends and family within the community to celebrate the meaning of the season.

The auxiliary hosts an Easter egg hunt each spring for youngsters to gather decorated eggs and prizes hidden in the village park.

Auxiliary members also have started a new tradition of serving a delicious homemade Thanksgiving dinner to senior citizens and people who are alone for the holidays. More than 70 people enjoyed the good food and company last fall in the comfortable senior citizens center in Ruidoso Downs.

The whole community joins in the festivities for the annual Christmas party at the center. It's fun for kids and adults alike as they sing Christmas carols, enjoy cookies and punch and whisper their wish list to Santa Claus.

Family and friends can chat in the warmth of the center before heading home on a beautiful winter night.

During the holiday season, take a drive around the community to see all the decorated houses competing in the annual lighting contest sponsored by the auxiliary. Even if they don't enter the contest, Downs residents enjoy putting up a show for the holidays.

The auxiliary is a strong organization in the community with a continuing commitment to a variety of activities — including area cleanup campaigns to improve the Village of Ruidoso Downs.

Current auxiliary president Shirlene Fitzner believe that when you live in a small community, you try to make it the best it can be, and auxiliary members agree.

The bright, modern senior citizens center is a testament to the auxiliary members' dedication to their town. They joined village leaders in getting the money to build a center, and they've continued to contribute by furnishing the center.

The senior citizens' center, located right next to village hall off Highway 70, has quickly become the magnet that draws the community together since its opening in 1991.

During the winter, the center is open from 1 to 4 p.m. each Thursday, but those hours are likely to be expanded in the summer.

The building serves many purposes throughout the year, including being designated as the polling place for Precinct 10, which includes some Ruidoso Downs residents.

The Ruidoso Downs Volunteer Fire Department, besides being on alert for emergencies, is raising money for new playground equipment for the village park.

The village board of trustees meets at 7 p.m. the second and fourth Monday of each month and those meetings are open to the public. Trustees, who invite and encourage residents and visitors to attend those meetings, are always willing to hear comments from community members on how projects or procedures can be improved to benefit Ruidoso Downs.

The racetrack draws thousands of people to the area each year, most of Ruidoso Downs population is made up of year-round residents.

Those who do live in Ruidoso Downs for the summer enjoy the lifestyle and hate to leave at the end of the season.

Visitors, too, are drawn back year after year to meet old friends and make new ones in the Village of Ruidoso Downs.

This little community has grown into a home for many people and its residents invite you to come for a visit to see what makes Ruidoso Downs one of the best small town's in the Southwest.

RUIDOSO DOWNS YESTERDAY

Newcomers to Lincoln County may think of Ruidoso Downs as an adjunct to the Village of Ruidoso, but the town boasts a rich history all its own.

When Ruidoso was only a dirt road turnoff, the area that was to become Ruidoso Downs was a major stop from Roswell to Tularosa first on a stage line and later by bus and car.

While the town is legend for its political in-fighting, the high emotions are simply testimony to the dedication of its residents to the best interests of the community.

And when the debates end, most remain friends.

Bernice Jones said her grandfather, Lowrey Hale, owned most of the land there in the 1880s and built the first house.

Parcel by parcel, he acquired about 800 acres, 100 of which cost $400 in a purchase from Indrice Herrah, and later was known as Hale Springs, according to an article written for **The Ruidoso News** in 1947 by Mary Nell Taeger.

Hale also bought a tract from "Doc" Scurlock for $400 that became the site of the White Mountain Inn on the banks of the Rio Ruidoso.

The Inn, which still stands, was first an overnight stop for stagecoaches and later for buses.

A man named Johnson, who became a senator, built the two-story structure in the early 1900s, according to Wynema Tully of Glencoe, who remembers his name as Rev. S.M. Johnson. An account written by Taeger stated his name as J.V. Johnson.

According to the Taeger story, Johnson first talked to Hale about the property in Capitan, then returned to the area in 1908 to buy the parcel. Two years later, he was back again, this time with his family and he built the inn. By that time, Johnson owned nearly 1,000 acres.

Dan Storm said the inn was quite a landmark in the 1920s.

"Roderick and Heck Johnson (the senator's sons) owned it then," Storm said. "It was the only thing in what was to be Ruidoso Downs.

"The Johnsons sponsored a big Fourth of July celebration with big rodeos right around the inn on a flat piece of land.

"They had a swimming pool nearby, but nobody used it much."

Former Ruidoso Downs mayor Jake Harris said the highway from the east turned north across the front of the inn, then veered left (west).

"They had rooms for overnight," Harris said. "They served meals and the bus stopped there.

"Originally it was the only business in this area. Before the buses, the old stagecoach stopped. There were barns there for the driver to change horses or keep his overnight."

Lela Mayo and her family bought the inn in 1971.

"It's the oldest building in the vicinity, older than the Navajo Lodge (which has been torn down) or Carrizo Lodge," she said. "We'd like to see it restored, but it needs a lot of repair and that's going to cost a great deal of money."

Names from the early days of Palo Verde include Frank Allison, Ola Jones, Frank Beavers and D.C. Heath.

At one time, the Johnsons operated a general store, a post office and a dance hall, according to Taeger's account. In 1935, Turner's Tavern, a saloon and filling station opened. Jim Mauldin started a garage and in 1936, Ewing Carter opened a general merchandise store that later became Fox Merchandise. That was the same year the community's first sawmill was started by Ed Hoagland, she wrote.

For years, timber cutting and lumber mills played a significant role in the economic health of the community. However, the heavy cutting activity eventually played out the good timber areas.

Harris recalled the early days when Ruidoso Downs was dubbed Palo Verde and was the hub of activity because of U.S. 70.

It was the Johnson family that set the tone for the future of the community.

The property owned by Johnson con-

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COMMUNITY INFORMATION

GENERAL INFORMATION

Churches

Ruidoso Downs Baptist Church 361 East Hwy 70.....(505) 378-4628

Ruidoso Word Ministries Church 604 Harris Lane.....(505) 378-8464

Climate

Average Temperature:	High	65.1
	Low	31.0
Winter	52.18	
Spring	63.97	
Summer	79.84	
Fall	70.40	

Average Annual Rainfall:	23.04
Average Annual Snowfall:	46.60
Average Area Elevation:	6800'
County Area:	4858 square miles
City Area:	3 square miles

Employment

Based on tourism; about 65 percent of annual visitors are from Texas, with the balance from Oklahoma, Louisiana, Arizona, California, other states and Mexico. Main attractions are pari-mutuel horse racing from May to September and snow skiing in the winter.

Medical Care

Lincoln County Medical Center, at 211 Sudderth Drive in Ruidoso. Full diagnostic lab and X-ray capabilities, OB/GYN, Intensive Care Unit, Emergency Room Service, Physical Therapy, Ambulance Service and Emergency Medical Service, 42 beds. Also 15 medical doctors; five dentists, three chiropractors, two eye care specialists; six veterinarians; four pharmacies. Ruidoso Care Center and a developmentally disabled unit. Home Health Services of Lincoln County, nursing care in the home.

Education

Public: Two elementary schools (grades K-3), an intermediate school (grades 4-5), a middle school (grades 6-8) and a high school (grades 9-12).

Private: Ruidoso Christian School (preschool to fourth grade), Montessori Toddler House (18 months to three years), Star Light Montessori (three to five years) and Sierra Montessori School (grades K-2).

College: Courses are offered locally by Eastern New Mexico State University.

Population:

City	923
County	13,000

Senior Services:

Ruidoso Downs Senior Citizens Center East Hwy 70.....(505) 378-4659

Tourist Information:

The Village of Ruidoso Downs 1575 Wood Lane.....(505) 378-4422

Travel Distance:

Albuquerque, NM	191 miles
El Paso, TX	125 miles
Juarez, MX	135 miles
Lubbock, TX	225 miles
Santa Fe, NM	209 miles
Tucson, AZ	370 miles

GOVERNMENT

Mayor: Joe Hayhurst
Trustees: Marjie Morales, Ray Hayhurst, Charlotte Craig and Judy Miller.
Village Clerk: Leanne Weibrecht
Village Attorney: Robert Beauvais

Village of Ruidoso Downs
PO Box 348, Ruidoso Downs, NM 88346
Administration Office
All American Park.....(505) 378-4421
All American Park.....(505) 378-4422
If Busy Call.....(505) 378-8244
Emergency Calls Only.....(505) 378-4001
Fire Department.....(505) 378-4001
Municipal Judge.....(505) 378-4421
Police Department.....(505) 378-4001
If Busy Call.....(505) 378-4421
Senior Citizens.....(505) 378-4659
Shop Building.....(505) 378-5420

UTILITIES

Electric: Texas-New Mexico Power Co.
1100 Mechem Drive
Ruidoso, NM 88345
(505) 258-5511

Gas: Zia Natural Gas. Co.
707 Short Drive
Ruidoso Downs, NM 88345
(505) 378-4277

Cortez Gas, Inc.
PO Box 305
Ruidoso Downs, NM 88346
(505) 378-4411

Ikard Newsom
PO Box 3150 H.S.
Ruidoso Downs, NM 88346
(505) 378-4998

Servi-Gas
PO Drawer 645
Ruidoso Downs, NM 88346
(505) 378-4613

Garbage: Lincoln County Solid Waste Authority
Recycling Center
222 2nd Street
Ruidoso Downs, NM 88346
(505) 378-4697

Newspaper: The Ruidoso News
PO Box 128
Ruidoso, NM 88345
(505) 257-4001

Sewer: Village of Ruidoso Downs
PO Box 378
Ruidoso Downs, NM 88346
(505) 378-4422

Telephone: GTE
2701 Sudderth Drive
Ruidoso, NM 88345
(505) 257-4641

Television: Cablevision of Lincoln County
P.O. Box 280
Ruidoso, NM 88345
(505) 257-5121

Water: Village of Ruidoso Downs
PO Box 378
Ruidoso Downs, NM 88346
(505) 378-4422

Highways:

Ruidoso Downs is served by U.S. Highway 70, This is well-maintained and rarely closed for any length of time because of inclement weather.

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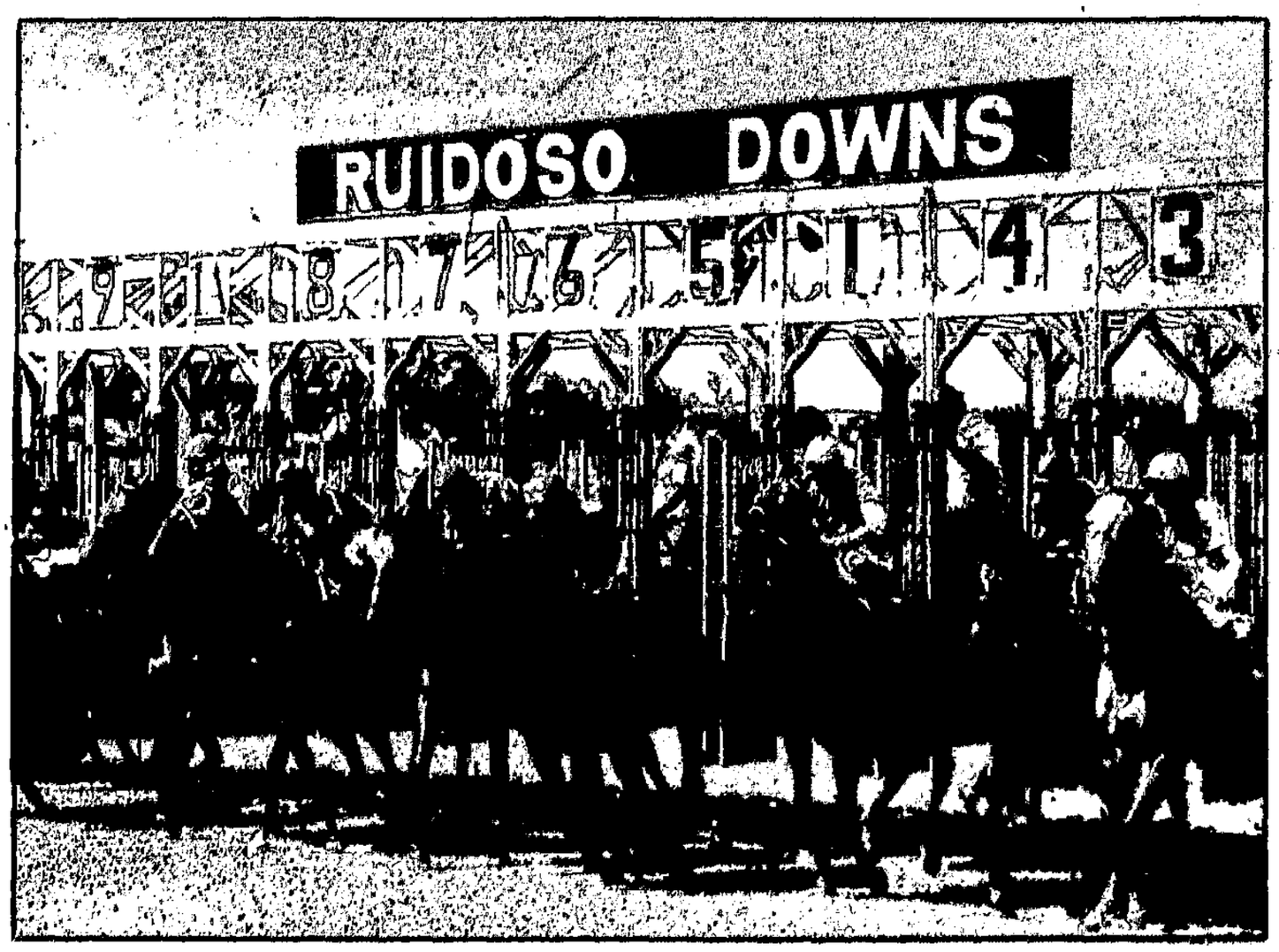

Ruidoso Downs will begin its 47th year of racing May 13 for a 68-day meet that will go through September 5.

Race days will be Fridays, Saturdays and Sundays in May. Thursdays will be added in June through the rest of the meet.

Three special holiday Monday race cards will be offered — Memorial Day, Independence Day, and Labor Day, the date of the world's richest quarter horse race, the $2 million est. All American Futurity.

The New Mexico State Racing Commission, in a regular meeting Thursday, approved the stakes and condition book for Ruidoso Downs.

Stall applications will be due March 21 and the barn area will open April 18.

Once again quarter horses take the spotlight with some of the richest and most prestigious quarter horse races in the country being run at Ruidoso Downs.

Nine are Grade I races including the Triple Crown for two-year-old quarter horses (Ruidoso Quarter Horse Futurity, Rainbow Futurity and All American Futurity); Triple Crown for three-year-old quarter horses (Ruidoso Quarter Horse Derby, Rainbow Derby and All American Derby); Rainbow Silver Cup for four-year-olds and older; World's Championship Quarter Horse Classic for three-year-olds and older; and the All American Gold Cup for four-year-olds and older.

Five Grade III $14,000 added events will run including the Mr Jet Moore Allowance Stake for three-year-olds and older; Go Together Handicap for three-year-olds and older fillies and mares; Jet Deck Handicap for three-year-olds and older; Higheasterjet Handicap three-year-olds and older; and the Ruidoso 550 Championship for three-year-olds and older.

One new race for quarter horses has been added for New Mexico-bred two-year-olds. That race is the Zia Futurity and it will have a $50,000 estimated purse.

Several lucrative races for thoroughbreds will also be run at Ruidoso Downs this summer including the $50,000 est. Norgor Futurity; $75,000 added Ruidoso Budweiser Breeders' Cup for three-year-olds and older; $75,000 est. Kachina Stakes for two-year-old fillies; $25,000 added Sweetheart Handicap for three-year-old and older fillies and mares; and the $75,000 est. Ruidoso Thoroughbred Futurity.

There are also many rich races for New Mexico-breds this year including the $25,000 added Road Runner Handicap for three-year-olds; $30,000 added Rio Grande double futurities; $30,000 added Land of Enchantment Speed Handicap for three-year-olds and older; and a new race called the Sierra Blanca Handicap ($25,000 added) for three-year-olds and up fillies and mares.

COWBOY SYMPOSIUM

When the weather gets crisp and the aspens start to turn, it's time for one of New Mexico's greatest cowboy events — the 5th Annual Lincoln County Cowboy Symposium!

When it comes to cookin' up fun, nobody does it quite like the Lincoln County Cowboy Symposium!

This October, the finest cowboy poets, musicians, chuckwagon cooks and craftsmen will congregate in Glencoe, New Mexico (about 10 miles east of Ruidoso Downs) to celebrate their way of life.

The public is cordially invited to join in the celebration and discover just why cowboys are such a contented lot!

On a glorious fall weekend, visitors from across the United States will enjoy the weekend long event that features everything from a rich chuckwagon cook-off to team roping, trail rides, cowboy poetry and singing and performances by the Mescalero Tribal Dancers and the Hondo Fiesta Dancers.

Last year the Cowboy Symposium added an overnight trail ride through historic Lincoln County and the Mescalero Apache Indian Reservation.

The ride was so popular that riders are all set to saddle up again for three days and two nights experiencing the life of the nomad.

The Lincoln County Cowboy Symposium starts on Thursday, October 6, and continues Friday, Saturday and Sunday, October 7, 8 and 9, with a series of presentations by cowboy poets and musicians.

For ticket information call 505-378-4142. Hope to see you there!

ALL AMERICAN FESTIVAL

The fifth annual All American Festival will roll into Ruidoso Downs this may with plenty of events to entertain you!

Ruidoso Downs and the surrounding area always celebrate the end of summer with a full-fledged festival that leads up to the world's richest horse race — the All American Futurity on Labor Day.

In just a few years, the All American Festival has established a set of traditions all its own with events that include lots of food, fun, arts, crafts and fellowship.

The festival is fun, it's wholesome and it's planned with the family in mind.

Some events, like the All American Fiddler's Championship, are repeated every year; and some new activities are added every year.

The All American Fiddler's Championship showcases talented fiddlers from across the United States.

Art events are planned for stitchers, snappers and sketchers.

The annual Youth Art Show features the talents of area students, and ends with an awards ceremony and exhibit.

Photographers, both amateurs and professionals, compete for a $1,000 prize in the All American Photography competition.

The art of stitchery stars in the All American Needlework Fair. The Festival will be topped off with the 1993 Charity Celebration. And there's so much more...

Watch for this year's complete calendar, or call All American Festival headquarters at Ruidoso Downs Race Track, 378-4431.

Anne C. Stradling MUSEUM OF THE HORSE

Nestled in the tranquil mountains of southern New Mexico is one of the state's newest treasures, the Museum of the Horse.

The Museum was named the "Best Destination" in the state of New Mexico for 1993.

Housing the vast collection of Anne C. Stradling, the Museum boasts a staggering array of saddles, carriages, wagons, Indian artifacts and fine art.

The Village of Ruidoso Downs proudly boasts that the Museum of the Horse plays host to more than 20,000 visitors annually.

The Museum of the Horse is open every day, year-round. Hours are 9:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. May through Labor Day, and are 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Labor Day to May.

The museum offers plenty of free parking right outside the front door, with additional parking and handicapped parking beside the museum.

Admissions vary and special group and educational rates are available. Please call (505) 378-4142 for specific information.

The amazing collection that makes up the Museum of the Horse began as a dream for a young Anne Schley. Raised in an affluent east coast family, Anne was an accomplished horsewoman. Encouraged to preserve history through collecting, she chose to pay tribute to the thing she loved the most - the horse. The collection sprang from an old stirrup tacked to a barn wall and now includes more than 10,000 artifacts.

Throughout the history of mankind, from the steppes of eastern Europe to the plains of the great American West, one sturdy companion stood by the explorer, the Indian, and the settler — the horse.

The heritage of the horse is something to be treasured and explored and the Museum of the Horse brings that exploration to life!

The Museum of the Horse began its life in the public eye in 1960 when Anne and her husband, Floyd Stradling, opened the Anne Stradling Museum of the Horse in Patagonia, Arizona.

Anne continued to expand the collection during the next 30 years.

In 1989 due to failing health she contacted the Hubbard Museum about finding a permanent home for her massive collection. An agreement was reached, and in 1990, the Anne C. Stradling Museum of the Horse began its journey to its new home in Ruidoso Downs, New Mexico.

Anne Stradling died February 26, 1992, in Tucson, Arizona - just a few months before her collection opened to an admiring crowd in a newly renovated building next to Ruidoso Downs Race Track.

Since opening in 1992, the Museum of the Horse has become a focal point of educational and cultural activities for the Ruidoso area.

The Museum hosted the prestigious Santa Fe Watercolor Society in a magnificent show during the summer of 1993. Each summer, area artists are highlighted in the All American Art Show and Sale.

Each month, educational and entertaining programs are presented to the public.

"We like to think of ourselves as an evolving Museum," said Museum of the Horse Development Director, Frank Potter.

"We don't want our exhibits to remain static and unchanged. We hope that each time a visitor comes to the Museum of the Horse they'll find something new and different to enjoy."

On the horizon for 1994, patrons of the Museum can anticipate the grand opening of a new exhibit area and meeting room. The new area will open with some of the magnificent artwork found within Anne's collection.

Old English art as well as more modern equine pieces will be featured.

The museum's permanent collection includes everything of and about horses, from a Russian sleigh, to an authentic circa 1860 stagecoach, from saddles and harnesses to bits and spurs.

The Anne C. Stradling collection includes artifacts from throughout the world including exquisite pieces from ancient Greece and Rome.

Visitors relive the West through works of Western masters like Frederic Remington, Charles M. Russell, Frank Tenney Johnson, Henry Alkins and others.

They can browse through Anne Stradling's collection of family memorabilia. Spanning six generations, these heirlooms bring to life the everyday existence of a turn-of-the-century American family.

Discover the heritage of the horse — explore its impact on life as we know it.

And of course, mark your calendars now for the Museum's annual Anniversary Gala held on Memorial Day Weekend.

The gala promises to be another elaborate evening of fine dining and dancing.

For those of you who want to be on the inside track to all of the upcoming exhibits and happenings at the Museum, stay in touch with a museum membership.

The Museum of the Horse offers a number of different membership packages — there is a membership category to meet every persons needs. Membership in the Museum of the Horse brings with it a number of different benefits — one of the most popular being discounts at the Museum Mercantile, a delightful on site gift shop.

Members also receive invitations to special events, such as preview parties of exhibitions.

Perhaps the best benefit is the satisfaction members enjoy of providing vital support for the continuing efforts of the Museum of the Horse to preserve the heritage of the horse.

If you're looking for a unique gift for someone special, the Museum Mercantile is the place to shop.

The Museum of the Horse truly is one of New Mexico's treasures — but more importantly, it is a local treasure.

Come discover for yourself the gold in your own backyard.

ANNE STRADLING

RUIDOSO DOWNS RACE TRACK 1994 STAKES SCHEDULE

THOROUGHBRED

Friday, May 13 RUIDOSO QUARTER HORSE FUTURITY TRIALS 350 Yards. Two year olds:
Saturday, May 14 RUIDOSO QUARTER HORSE DERBY TRIALS 400 Yards. Three year olds.
Sunday, May 15 MR JET MOORE ALLOWANCE STAKE (GRADE III) $14,000 Added* 400 Yards, Three year olds and older. *($10,000 RDRI purse fund - $4,000 QHBC Awards)
Friday, May 27 RAINBOW SILVER CUP TRIALS 440 Yards, Four year olds and older.
Saturday, May 28 RUIDOSO QUARTER HORSE FUTURITY (Consolation) 350 Yards, Two years olds.
Sunday, May 29 RUIDOSO QUARTER HORSE FUTURITY (GRADE) $350,000 est.* 350 Yards, Two year olds. *($17,000 RDRI purse fund $33,000 from the Ruidoso Horse Sales Company)
Sunday, May 29 RUIDOSO QUARTER HORSE DERBY (Consolation) 400 Yards, Three year olds.
Monday, May 30 RUIDOSO QUARTER HORSE DERBY (GRADEI) $50,000 est. 400 Yards, Three year olds.
Sunday, June 5RAINBOW SILVER CUP (GRADE I) $50,000 est. 440 Yards, Four year olds and older.
Sunday, June 12 GO TOGETHER HANDICAP (GRADE III) $14,000* 350 Yards, Fillies and Mares, Three year olds and older. *($10,000 RDRI purse fund - $4,000 QHBC Awards)
Thursday, June 16 ZIA FUTURITY TRIALS 350 Yards, Two year olds (Bred in New Mexico)
Friday, June 17 RAINBOW DERBY TRIALS 440 Yards, Three year olds.
Saturday, June 25 ZIA FUTURITY (Consolation) 350 Yards, Two year olds (Bred in New Mexico)
Sunday, June 26 ZIA FUTURITY $50,000 est.* 350 Yards, Two year olds, (Bred in New Mexico) *($10,000 RDRI purse fund-$15,000 est. NMHBA)
Saturday, July 2 RAINBOW DERBY (Consolation) 440 Yards, Three year olds.
Sunday, July 3 RAINBOW DERBY (GRADE I) $125,000 est. 440 Yards, Three Year olds.
Monday, July 4 JET DECK HANDICAP (GRADE III) $14,000 Added* 440 Yards, Three year olds and older *($10,000 RDRI purse fund - $4,000 QHBC Awards)
Thursday, July 7 RAINBOW FUTURITY TRIALS 400 Yards, Two year olds.
Friday, July 8 AQHA CHALLENGE CLAIMING STAKES TRIALS 350 Yards, Three year olds and older, Challenge-nominated.
Sunday, July 17 AQHA CHALLENGE CLAIMING STAKES $12,500 Added* 350 Yards, Three year olds and older, Challenge-nominated. *($5,000 RDRI purse fund-$7,500 (tentative) AQHA Challenge)
Thursday, July 21 WORLD'S CHAMPIONSHIP QUARTER HORSE CLASSIC TRIALS 440 Yards, Three year olds and older.
Saturday, July 23 RAINBOW FUTURITY (Consolation) 400 Yards, Two year olds.
Sunday, July 24 RAINBOW FUTURITY (GRADE I) $500,000 est.* 400 Yards, Two Year Olds. *($50,000 RDRI - $50,000 other)
Sunday, July 31 WORLD'S CHAMPIONSHIP QUARTER HORSE CLASSIC (GRADE I) $50,000 est. 440 Yards, Three year olds and older.
Sunday, August 7 ZIA HANDICAP $20,000 Added* 400 Yards, Three year olds and older (Bred in New Mexico) *($10,000 RDRI purse fund-$10,000 est. NMHBA)
Saturday, August 13 HIGHEASTERJET HANDICAP (GRADE III) $14,000 Added* 350 Yards, Three year olds and older. *($10,000 RDRI purse fund - $4,000 QHBC Awards)
Thursday, August 18 ALL AMERICAN DERBY TRIALS 440 Yards, Three year olds.
Friday, August 19 ALL AMERICAN FUTURITY TRIALS 440 Yards, Two year olds.
Thursday, August 25 ALL AMERICAN GOLD CUP TRIALS 440 Yards, Four year olds and older.
Sunday, August 28 ZIA SOPHOMORE CHAMPIONSHIP $20,000 Added* 400 Yards, Three year olds (New Mexico Bred) *($10,000 RDRI purse fund - $10,000 est. NMHBA)
Saturday, September 3ALL AMERICAN GOLD CUP (Consolation) 440 Yards, Four years olds and older.
Saturday, September 3ALL AMERICAN GOLD CUP (GRADE I) $50,000 est. 440 Yards, Four year olds and older.
Saturday, September 3ALL AMERICAN DERBY (Consolation) 440 Yards, Three year olds.
Sunday, September 4ALL AMERICAN DERBY (GRADE I) $300,000 est. 440 Yards, Three year olds.
Monday, September 5RUIDOSO 550 CHAMPIONSHIP (GRADE III) $14,000 Added* 550 Yards, Three year olds and older. *($10,000 RDRI purse fund - $4,000 QHBC Awards)
Monday, September 5ALL AMERICAN FUTURITY (Consolation) 440 Yards, Two year olds.
Monday, September 5ALL AMERICAN FUTURITY (GRADE I) $25,000 Added 440 Yards, Two year olds.

QUARTERHORSE

Saturday, May 14 ROAD RUNNER HANDICAP $25,000 Added* Five and One Half Furlongs, Three year olds (New Mexico Bred) *($12,500 RDRI purse fund-$12,500 est. NMHBA)
Friday, May 20 RIO GRANDE KINDERGARTEN FUTURITY TRIALS Five Furlongs, Two year olds, New Mexico Bred
Saturday, May 21 FIRST LADY HANDICAP $12,500 Added Six Furlongs, Fillies & Mares, Three year olds and older.
Saturday, May 28 GOVERNOR'S HANDICAP $12,500 Added Seven and One Half Furlongs, Three year olds and older.
Monday, May 30 RIO GRANDE KINDERGARTEN FUTURITY $75,000 est.* Five Furlongs, Two year olds (New Mexico Bred) *($15,000 RDRI purse fund-$15,000 est. NMHBA)
Saturday, June 4 NORGOR DERBY $12,500 Added Six Furlongs, Three year olds.
Thursday, June 9 NORGOR FUTURITY TRIALS Five and One Half Furlongs, Two year olds.
Saturday, June 11 MESCALERO APACHE HANDICAP $10,000 Added Six Furlongs, Three year olds and older.
Saturday, June 18 ASPEN CUP HANDICAP $10,000 Added Six Furlongs, Fillies, Three year olds.
Sunday, June 19 NORGOR FUTURITY $50,000 est. Five and One Half Furlongs, Two year olds.
Saturday, June 25 RUIDOSO BUDWEISER BREEDERS' CUP $75,000 Added* One Mile, Three year olds and older, *($25,000 from RDRI purse fund $50,000 from Breeders' Cup Award Funds to eligible horses)
Friday, July 1 RIO GRANDE FUTURITY TRIALS Six Furlongs, Two year olds. New Mexico Bred
Saturday, July 2 JOCKEY CLUB HANDICAP $10,000 Added Seven and One Half Furlongs, Three year olds.
Sunday, July 10 SWEETHEART HANDICAP $25,000 Added One Mile, Fillies and Mares, Three year olds and older.
Saturday, July 16 RIO GRANDE FUTURITY $75,000 est.* Six Furlongs, Two year olds, New Mexico Bred *($15,000 RDRI purse fund-$15,000 est. NMHBA)
Sunday, July 17 LAND OF ENCHANTMENT SPEED HANDICAP $30,000 Added* Six Furlongs, Three year olds and older (New Mexico Bred) *($15,000 RDRI purse fund-$15,000 est. NMHBA)
Friday, July 22 KACHINA STAKES TRIALS Six Furlongs, Fillies, Two year olds.
Saturday, July 23 RUIDOSO DERBY PREP $10,000 Added One Mile, Three year olds.
Saturday, July 30 RUIDOSO OAKS HANDICAP $15,000 Added One Mile, Fillies, Three year olds.
Saturday, August 6 KACHINA STAKES $75,000 est. Six Furlongs, Fillies, Two year olds.
Friday, August 12 RUIDOSO THOROUGHBRED FUTURITY TRIALS Six Furlongs, Two year olds.
Sunday, August 14 RUIDOSO THOROUGHBRED DERBY $25,000 Added One Mile and One Sixteenth, Allowance Stake. Three year olds.
Saturday, August 20 RUIDOSO SPRINT CHAMPIONSHIP $10,000 Added Six Furlongs, Three year olds and older.
Sunday, August 21 SIERRA BLANCA HANDICAP $25,000 Added* Six Furlongs, Fillies & Mares (New Mexico Bred) Three year olds and older. *($10,000 RDRI Purse Fund-$15,000 est. NMHBA)
Saturday, August 27 RUIDOSO THOROUGHBRED FUTURITY $75,000 est. Six Furlongs, Two year olds.
Saturday, September 3 RUIDOSO MILE HANDICAP $25,000 Added One Mile, Three year olds and older.
Sunday, September 4 HONDO VALLEY HANDICAP $10,000 Added Six Furlongs, Three year olds.
Monday, September 5 BREEDERS' CUP SOUTHWEST JUVENILE $15,000 Added* Seven and One Half Furlongs, Two year olds. *($10,000 RDRI Purse Fund - $5,000 Breeders' Cup Funds)

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tained the right to the spring that still is a source of water for the community and one of the major reasons it was incorporated, Harris said.

Johnson divided the land into two plats for his sons. Henry Johnson received the Palo Verde area that became Green Tree and eventually, Ruidoso Downs, Rod Johnson was given the land that became the Agua Fria development.

But the community's current identity is tied to the Ruidoso Downs Race Track, now owned by R.D. Hubbard and Dr. Ed Allred.

When the governor shut down slot machine and table gambling in Ruidoso, promoters decided it was time to try horse racing in earnest.

Harris said they searched for a field that would be visible from the highway and settled on a pasture owned by Fount Miller. They drew a circle and started running horses. At one point, the race track was called Hollywood Park.

With the know-how to operate, they soon went broke, Harris said. That's when Gene Hensley stepped into the picture and bought the racetrack for $60,000. With Walt Wiggins as promoter, they introduced the All American Futurity, the race that established the track's reputation and now is the richest quarter horse purse in the world.

Hensley was convinced that political leaders in Ruidoso wanted to annex the racetrack into their community.

Harris said he asked Hensley to join the community of Green Tree instead. He did, and soon after the town was renamed Ruidoso Downs.

Although when it was first laid out as a town in 1933, the community was called Palo Verde, the federal government changed all that with the opening of the post office January 1947. The U.S. Postal Administration designated the name as Green Tree.

Dorothy Reddy Parnell was the first postmaster. Her husband, Ray Parnell, was Ruidoso Downs' first mayor and four of the first trustees were Jess Harris (Jake Harris' father), J.B. Gazaway, Sam Stout and Lem Colthorp.

"We never liked that (Green Tree)," Harris said. "Gene wanted it changed to Ruidoso Downs so it would show up on highway maps."

"There was resistance in Ruidoso. They didn't like it. The Ruidoso city limits were at the city pool then and they quickly moved it right down to our limits."

Harris and Alamogordo lawyer Jack Whorton actually walked off the boundaries of Ruidoso Downs.

By special election in February 1958, town residents voted 88-27 to change Green Tree to Ruidoso Downs. But Mrs. Parnell said it wasn't until 1961, that the town officially became Ruidoso Downs when the new post office was opened.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

JANUARY

Ruidoso Little Theatre's Open House & Annual Meeting

Spring Semester Begins, ENMU

Museum of the Horse Program, "North Meets South"

FEBRUARY

Annual Salute To Working Women - Luncheon & Style Show
The Ruidoso News

Museum of the Horse Program, "Lillie Langtry"

Ruidoso Community Concert - "The Eroica Trio", First Christian Church

MARCH

Museum of the Horse Program, "Seeking the First Americans".

Golf Team Benefit Scramble, Cree Meadows

Spring Community College Choir Concert
7:30 pm, First Christian Church

Golf Team Benefit Scramble, Alto Lakes Country Club

APRIL

Ski Apache Closes Easter Sunday

Golf Team Benefit Scramble, The Links

Community Concert, "Epic Brass Quintet"
First Christian Church

Museum of the Horse Program, "Geronimo".

MAY

Ruidoso High School Golf Championship

ENMU semester ends

Opening Day, Ruidoso Downs Race Track

Museum of the Horse Anniversary Gala

Graduation

Official Lincoln County Summer Visitor Guide available at The Ruidoso News

JUNE

Connoisseur Classic V
Wine & Food Festival
Museum of the Horse

JULY

23rd Annual Ruidoso Art Festival

"Friends of Smokey" Smokey Stampede and 50th Birthday Celebration, Capitan

AUGUST

All American Festival

Old Lincoln Days, Lincoln

Thoroughbred Horse Sale, Super Select Sale Barn (505) 653-4242

Lincoln County Fair, Capitan

Ruidoso Pops Concert

Ruidoso Lolly Pops Concert

"Friends of Smokey" Rodeo, Capitan

"Friends of Smokey" Barbecue & Dance, Capitan

Noon Lions 3rd Annual Antique Show

Museum of the Horse, All American Art Show & Sale

Rotary Casino Night

SEPTEMBER

All American Futurity

All American Style Show

All American Arts & Crafts Show

All American Charity Celebration

Kiwanis Fishing Tournament

Golden Aspen Motorcycle Rally

Museum of the Horse
Cowboy Symposium Preview

OCTOBER

Aspenfest Weekend

Lincoln County Cowboy Symposium

German Oktoberfest

NOVEMBER

7 Annual Christmas Jubilee

Ski Apache Opens, Thanksgiving

Victorian Christmas, Lincoln

DECEMBER

Museum of the Horse, St Nicholas Day Party

Museum of the Horse, Annual Open House for members

LODGING IN RUIDOSO DOWNS

FINE ACCOMODATIONS Nightly, Weekly, Monthly	MICROWAVE	KITCHEN	FIREPLACE	SWIMMING POOL	WHIRLPOOL JACUZZI/SAUNA	TELEVISION	LAUNDRY FACILITIES	PETS ALLOWED	FAGSIMILE	SKI SHUTTLE	MAID SERVICE	VALET SERVICE
BUDGET MOTEL OF RUIDOSO P.O. Box 89, Ruidoso Downs, NM 88346 (505) 378-8000	X				X	X		X	X	X	X	X
CHAMPIONS RUN CONDOMINIUMS Hwy 70, Ruidoso Downs, NM 88346 (505) 378-8080		X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X		
DOWNS MOTEL P.O. Box 839, Ruidoso Downs, NM 88346 (505) 378-4134						X				X	X	
ECONOMY INN P.O. Box1858, Ruidoso Downs, NM 88346 (505) 378-4706		X			X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
INN AT PINE SPRINGS CANYON P.O. Box 2100, Ruidoso Downs, NM 88346 (505) 378-8100 1-800-237-3607					X	X		X	X	X	X	
MITCHELL MOTEL Ruidoso Downs, NM 88346 (505) 378-4610						X				X	X	

DINING IN RUIDOSO DOWNS

DISTINCTIVE DINING AND FUN	BREAKFAST	LUNCH	DINNER	SPECIALTY
PAPPY'S DINER Hwy 70, Ruidoso Downs, NM 88346 (505) 378-4717	X	X	X	Open twenty four hours, ninety niner: 2 eggs, potatoes and toast 99 cents. Daily specials for lunch.
TEXAS CONNECTIONS Hwy 70, Ruidoso Downs, NM 88346 (505) 378-5466	X	X	X	Home of the Fiesta Burger. Largest chicken Fried Steak in New Mexico. Ten varieties of Gourmet Burgers.

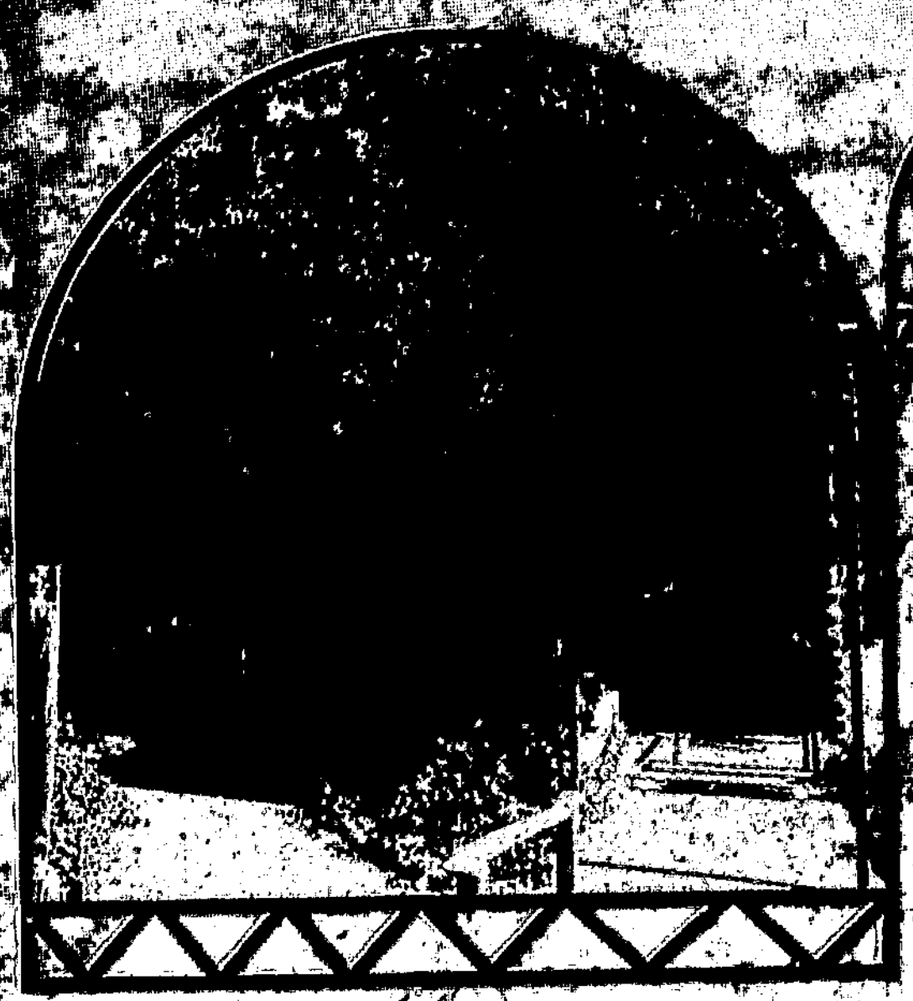
ENTERTAINMENT IN RUIDOSO DOWNS

HOLLYWOOD INN Hwy 70, Ruidoso Downs, NM 88346	Open: Monday - Thursday 8 a.m. - 1 a.m., Friday - Saturday 8 a.m. - 2 a.m. and Sunday 12 noon - 12 midnight.
MUSEUM OF THE HORSE P.O. Box 40, Ruidoso Downs, NM 88346 (505) 378-4142	November - April open Wednesday through Sunday from 10 a.m. until 5 p.m. May - October open daily, hours not set, please call to verify hours of operation.
PRIME TIME LOUNGE Hwy 70, Ruidoso Downs, NM 88346 (505) 378-4010	Open 4 p.m. - 2 a.m., Live entertainment. Large Dance floor and large room for private parties.
RUIDOSO DOWNS RACING, INC. P.O. Box 449, Ruidoso Downs, NM 88346 (505) 378-4431	Open May through Labor Day, Live racing Thursday through Sunday. Turf club and reserved seating available. General admission seats available.
RUIDOSO DOWNS SPORTS THEATER P.O. 449, Ruidoso Downs, NM 88346 (505) 378-4717	Open September through May, New Mexico State Fair, Sunland Park, Major Stake Races throughout the United States and Major Boxing Matches. Call for information and dates.

For More Information Call
(505) 378-4421

CARRIZO LODGE

Welcome you to Ruidoso.



Cafe Carrizo at Carrizo Lodge is an example of

Pueblo Regional architecture. Enjoy steaks, seafood, pasta, and chicken. Large selection of fine wines, imported beers and mixed drinks. A unique dining experience for the entire family. Espresso/Bottling, party set, dining, banquet facilities, patio dining and an enchanting lounge.

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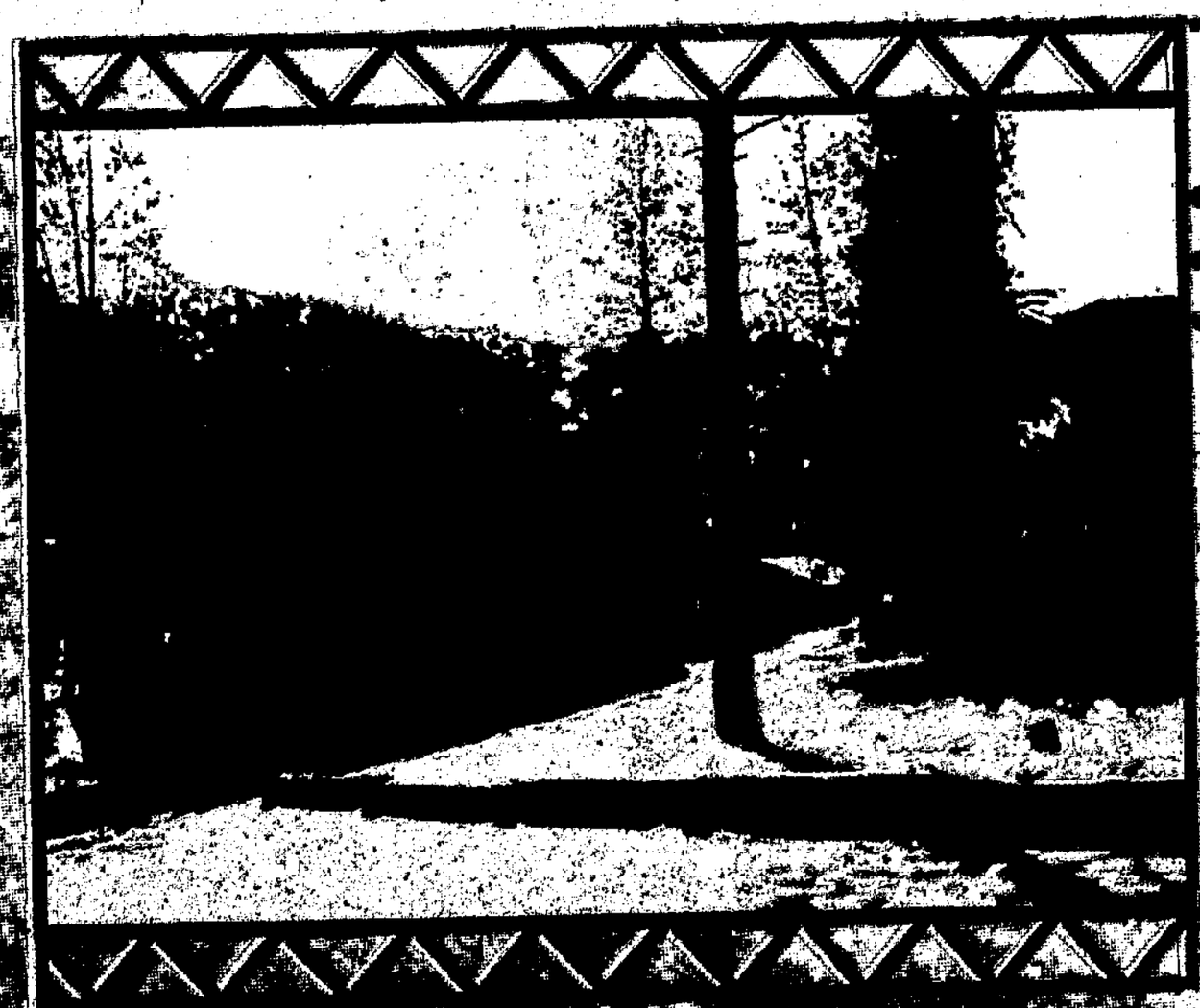
Hours: Wednesday-Sunday dinner 5-10:00, Sunday Brunch 11-2:00



- Nightly Rental Accommodations include:
- ✓ Single Rooms
- ✓ Two Room Suites
- ✓ Fully Furnished Condominiums

Coming Attractions

Singin' & Dancin' & Fun for the whole family!
Ruidoso's new big event is hotter than jalapeños!! Friday, June 17 from 5 pm-11 pm and Saturday, June 18 from 10 am-11 pm, at the "Art Fest, USA" property, located across from the racetrack. Mariachis, Piñata Party, Hondo Fiesta Dancers, home grown products, New Mexican food, Margaritas, and wine. Special ticketed events include wine tasting Friday night at the Museum of the Horse and dance Saturday night at Art Fest, USA. Tickets available at the Ruidoso Valley Chamber of Commerce.

¡FIESTA DE RUIDOSO!

RUIDOSO
ART FESTIVAL

An annual summer event
scheduled for
July 22, 23, & 24.
The best artisans around
showcase a
wide range of media
in this juried show.

ASPENFEST '94

October 7, 8, & 9
becomes a celebration of
fall's glory. Chili cookoff,
Arts & Crafts Fair,
Street Festival,
Aspenfest Parade and
Rod Run Show.

OKTOBERFEST
RUIDOSO NEW MEXICO

October 21, 22...Festival of German traditions featuring food, beer, wine, professional folk dancers and public dancing/circle dancing, etc. Family fun!!

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Downs heats up for 68-day race meet

Fast horses

World Champion Refrigerator, who became the richest quarter horse in history last year, heads a strong cast of top quarter horses and thoroughbreds expected to return to Ruidoso Downs when the track opens its 47th year of racing May 13, with a 68-day meet that will end Labor Day, September 5.

1993 All American Futurity winner, A Classic Dash, and the ever popular Treacherously also should return to strut their talents this summer.

Along with the nation's finest quarter horses, the upcoming race meet will also attract some of the top thoroughbreds in the Southwest including Phoenix Gold Cup winner Last Don B. and the multiple stakes winning three-year-old Set Records.

68 days of racing

Race days will be Fridays, Saturdays and Sundays in May, with Thursdays added in June through the end of the meet.

Three special holiday Monday cards will be offered — Memorial Day, Independence Day and Labor Day, the date of the world's richest quarter horse race, the $2 million est. All American Futurity.

Once again quarter horses take the spotlight with some of the richest and most prestigious quarter horse races in the country being run at Ruidoso Downs.

Rich races for quarter horses, thoroughbreds and New Mexico breds will heat up the track at Ruidoso Downs this summer, including the Triple Crowns for two-year-old and three-year-old quarter horses.

For the kids

Ruidoso Downs Race Track has always been a favorite for family vacationers, and this year kids will have even more fun at the track.

Starting Gate Kids Arcade, located on the east end of the lower level of the grandstand, is brand new and its filled with all kinds of fun video and electronic table games.

Some of the machines will build up points which can be redeemed for prizes.

For the bettors

Winning may be everything, but anyone who places a bet at Ruidoso Downs Race Track can be an immediate and automatic winner with the Players Club.

Join the Players Club and earn points toward valuable prizes with every bet that is placed at the mutuel window — each $1 bet earns one point.

Players Club sponsors will redeem those points for everything from a free dinner to a newspaper subscription.

If you joined last year, you're still a member of the Players Club and your card and number are still in effect.

But, if you missed out, then stop by the Players Club Booth near the front entrance to the track and sign up to win with every bet.

Ruidoso Downs Race Track

Location: U.S. Highway 70 in Ruidoso Downs, just east of the Village of Ruidoso and about 70 miles west of Roswell.

General Admission: Free; reserved seating $2.50, $3.50 and $5; Turf Club, $8.50. (For reserved seat reservations, call 378-4140)

Opens: 11 a.m. on race days, Friday, Saturday and Sunday through May; then Thursday through Sunday through Labor Day.

Information: 378-4431

Free for all

Admission to Ruidoso Downs Race Track is still free, with a variety of seating possible at various prices.

Parking is plentiful and reasonably priced, too; and a trolley will take you from the lot to the front door where you can head straight for the grandstands or buy a table or special seating.

Or, call ahead to make reservations in the Turf Club where you can dine, bet on the horses and check out a brand new exhibit.

All that glitters

"Treasures of the Track: 200 years of Racing Silver," an exquisite display of 36 trophies, will be on display in the Turf Club this summer.

This exhibit celebrates the rich history of thoroughbred racing and highlights the National Museum of Racing's collection of exceptional presentation pieces.

This is the first time this priceless collection has been seen outside of its Saratoga Springs, New York, home.

From old English masters to the American silversmiths at Tiffany's "Treasures of the Track" displays a breathtaking array of exceptional racing trophies.

The exhibit can be viewed on race days only from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. There is no admission charge to view this exhibit.

Hollywood nights return

Full-card simulcasts of Hollywood Park's Friday night races will once again be shown in the Turf Club for 11 consecutive Fridays from May 13 through July 22.

Admission will be free to the nine-race cards which will be shown on television monitors throughout the Turf Club.

The first race post time will be 8 p.m. with doors opening up at 7 p.m. Special dinner buffets will be offered as well as regular menu service.

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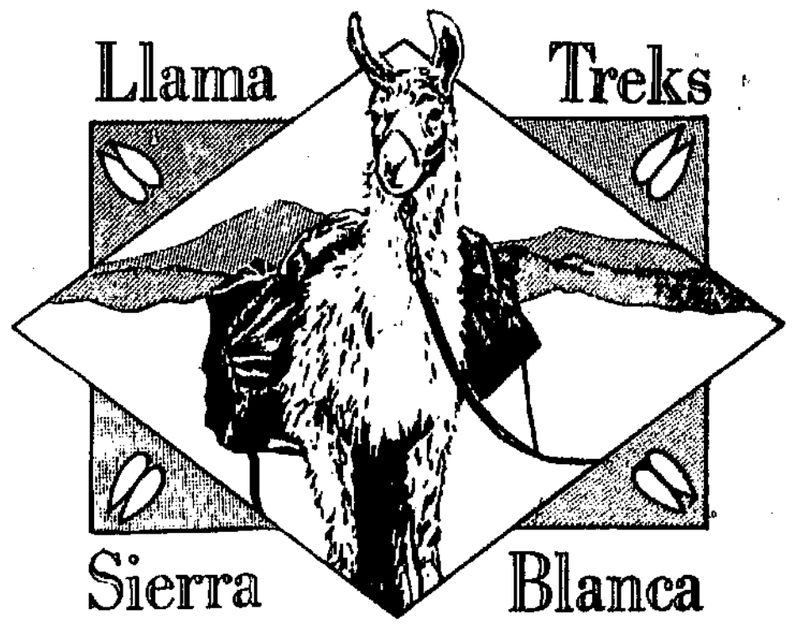

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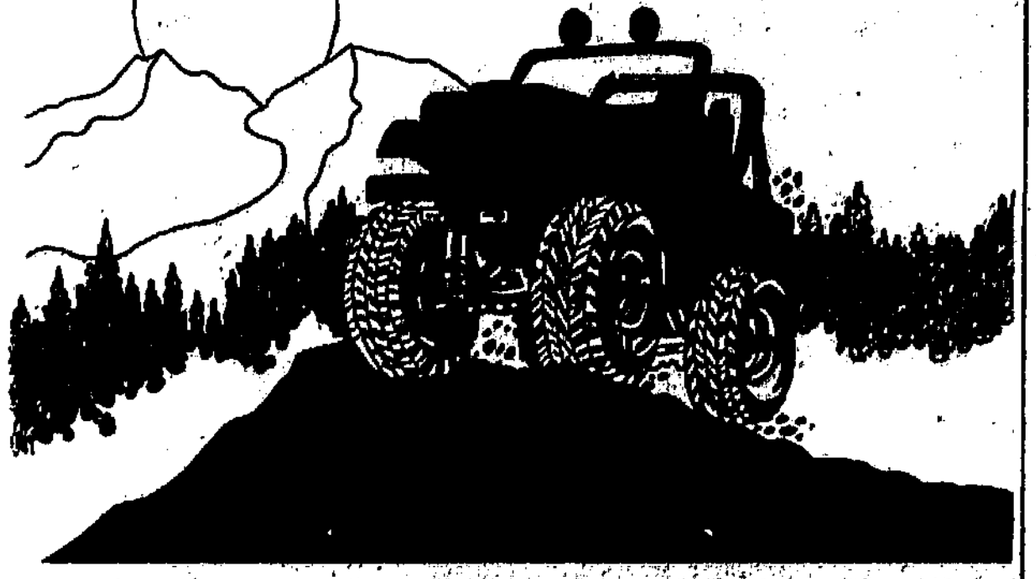

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How about an outdoors mini-tour?

Location: Take New Mexico 48 north from Ruidoso to Angus. At the intersection of New Mexico 37 and 48, turn left onto 37. Turn left again onto FR 107, Bonito Lake Road.

One of the more popular spots outside Ruidoso may be Bonito Lake, only a few miles north of town.

For city folks wanting to get away from it all, Bonito Lake area offers much: fishing, (with a valid New Mexico license and trout stamp), camping, picnicking, hiking, either on foot or by horseback, or simply sightseeing. (But don't plan on boating, swimming or wading. Bonito Lake is the City of Alamogordo's water supply. Signs will remind you.)

Fishing?

Please read the current New Mexico Fishing Proclamation for license fees and various requirements. Then talk to old-timers about the best baits, times and places to fish. Be aware: to get the many fishing spots, one must descend a steep rock and loose gravel path. Wear non-slip shoes and walk extremely carefully up and down these paths.

Sightseeing?

Before leaving Ruidoso on this mini-tour, stop at the Smokey Bear Ranger station on Mechem Drive at the Cedar Creek turnoff and pick up an inexpensive map of the White Mountain Wilderness. Then be sure to start with a full tank of gas as well as plenty of snacks.

The road to Bonito Lake, Forest Road (FR) 107, is itself a pretty drive, with forested canyons of evergreens, aspens, oaks and maples rising above. When the road reaches the lake, you'll be treated to the sight of quiet waters surrounded by mountain peaks. If you have time, you can drive through the forest on the edge of the While Mountain Wilderness, enjoying the forest experience from the comfort of your car.

To get there, simply continue on FR 107 around Bonito Lake and follow Bonito Creek, until the road forks and FR 107 becomes gravel and narrow. Turn right onto FR 108 and drive through Tanbark Canyon to FR 400 at Nogal Canyon.

Along the way, you'll see wildlife as well as abandoned mine sites that are indicated on your map. At the head of Nogal Canyon and in the shadow of Nogal Peak, turn right onto FR 400 and follow it through the canyon to New Mexico 48 near the small town of Nogal. Here you'll see huge black walnut trees from whom the canyon was named. "Nogal" is Spanish for walnut. To return to Ruidoso, turn right.

Camping?

If sleeping under the stars is your dream, you may choose from several campgrounds or forest sites.

Bonito Hollow campground on New Mexico 37 just before the Bonito Lake turnoff provides full hookups with water and electricity as well as tent sites. Bonito Creek winds through the beautifully wooded grounds which also have a children's playground, general store with ice, fish, bait and firewood, and walking and hiking trails. For information and reservations, call 336-4325.

The US Forest Service (USFS) maintains the South Fork campground with flush toilets, water, parking and fire grates, but no showers for a small fee. Call 257-4095 for information.

The city of Alamogordo maintains Westlake campgrounds and picnic area. The campground itself provides flush toilets, fire rings and tables. Campsites in the outer areas provide chemical toilets. This no hookup fee area fills up fast on a first-come-first-served basis.

If you wish to camp in the forest or along a trail, please check with the Ranger Station for fire restrictions.

Picnicking

If picnicking beside a running stream or in the cool dark woods is your dream, there's a spot near Bonito Lake for you.

Please be mindful that many pretty locations may be in designated campgrounds that charge a fee or in the many pockets of private lands that are interspersed along the road.

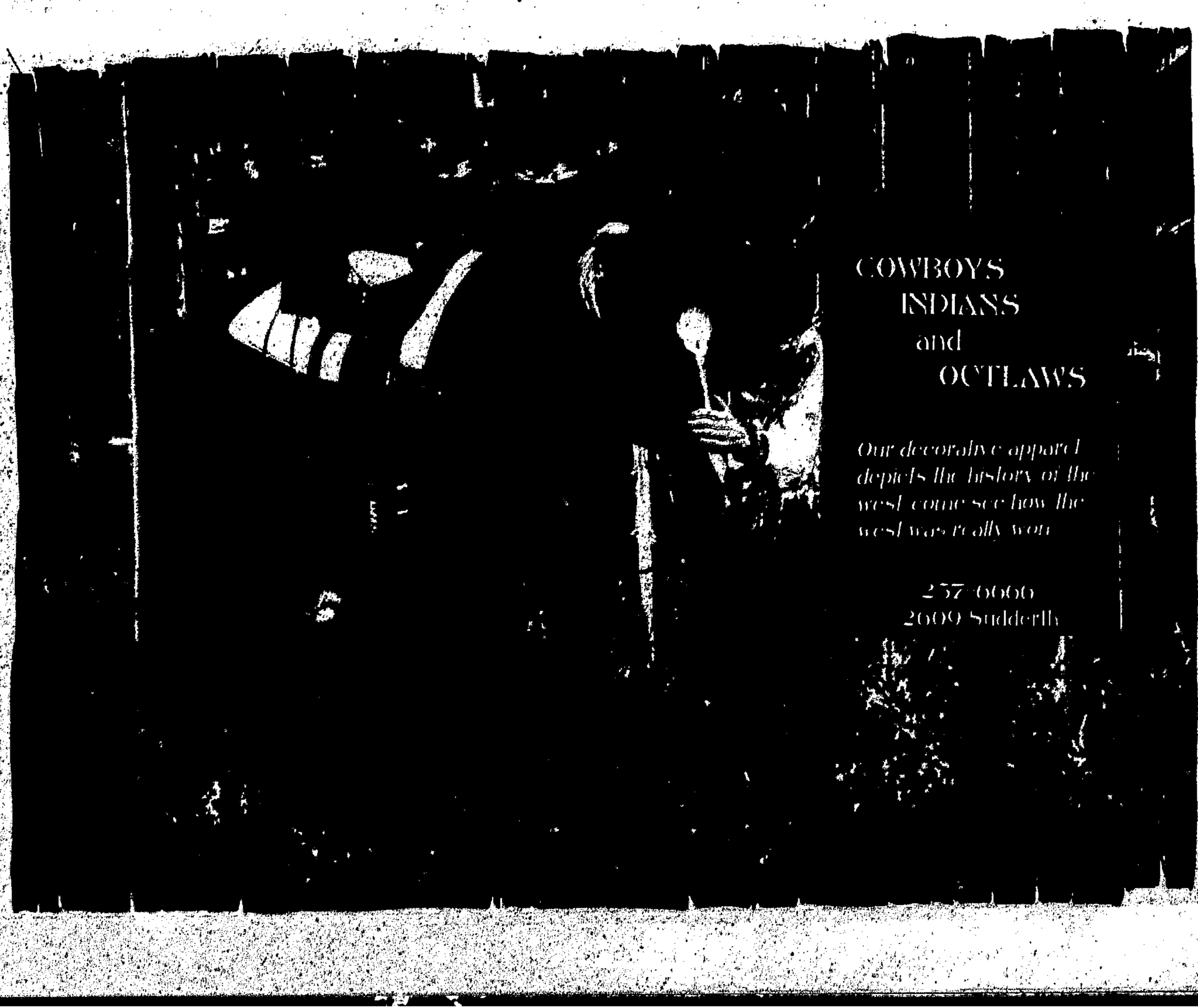
Be a good neighbor; check that you're not encroaching on someone else's space. And after your picnic, please tidy up your spot and carry out every single items you brought that wasn't eaten.

Hiking

Many hiking trails begin around Bonito Lake. Before setting out on any of them, purchase a map of the White Mountain Wilderness at the Ranger Station. While at the Ranger Station, it's a good idea to read the Trail Logs, a book with descriptions and pictures of all the primary trails, This log contains information about trail distances, rises in elevation and other possibly life-saving details.

Hiking on horseback? At the Argentine Trailhead, the USFS maintains horse corrals on a first-come-first-served basis. The Trail Log suggests trails appropriate for horses.

Bonito Lake offers much to the outdoor enthusiast. Why not plan an excursion today?



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	Sept 4	**All American Charity Celebration**	Museum of the Horse
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1:00 pm	35-59 Age Group
2:30 pm	60+ Age Group
4:00 pm	Entertainment by Jerry and Sandra Thomasson
4:30 pm	Championship Division Benny Thomasson Memorial Award *(Top 3 Winners in Each Division Compete)*
6:00 pm	Announce Winners Present Benny Thomasson Memorial Award

Museum of the Horse is best destination of 1993

The Museum of the Horse, located on U.S. Highway 70 just east of Ruidoso Downs Race Track, celebrates the rich heritage of the horse with a fabulous collection of more than 10,000 items.

The Museum of the Horse, open from 9 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. daily, is celebrating its second anniversary with a big party on Saturday, May 28. But, in its first full year of operation (January through December 1993), the new museum made a name for itself, attracting more than 27,000 visitors.

The Museum of the Horse was named "Best Destination" in the state of New Mexico for 1993 by the Tourism Association of New Mexico.

Anne C. Stradling could have had her pick of spots when she looked for a new home for the Museum of the Horse which housed her collection gathered throughout a lifetime of travels and adventures.

But, what better home for a horse museum than Ruidoso Downs, home of the world's richest quarter horse race? She thought so, and her entire museum was transferred from Patagonia, Arizona, to Ruidoso Downs, before she died.

Stradling's love of horses and collecting led her to begin those hobbies as a very small child. She learned to ride in the New Jersey countryside where she grew up and became an accomplished horsewoman. She attended the Formata School in Aiken, South Carolina.

Her riding ranged from polo ponies to riding to the hounds and later western horse riding when she headed west and ranched in Arizona.

Along the way, Stradling gathered horse memorabilia and her friends, including Frederic Remington and Theodore Roosevelt, enhanced her collection with gifts.

The museum's permanent collection includes everything of and about horses, from a Russian sleigh, to an authentic circa 1860 stagecoach, from saddles and harnesses to bits and spurs.

The Anne C. Stradling collection includes artifacts from throughout the world including exquisite pieces from ancient Greece and Rome.

Members enjoy the satisfaction of providing vital support for the continuing efforts of the Museum of the Horse to preserve the heritage of the horse.

Members receive a subscription to "Hoofprints" the official member newsletter and calendar of events. They receive advance notice of exhibitions, lectures and other educational programs.

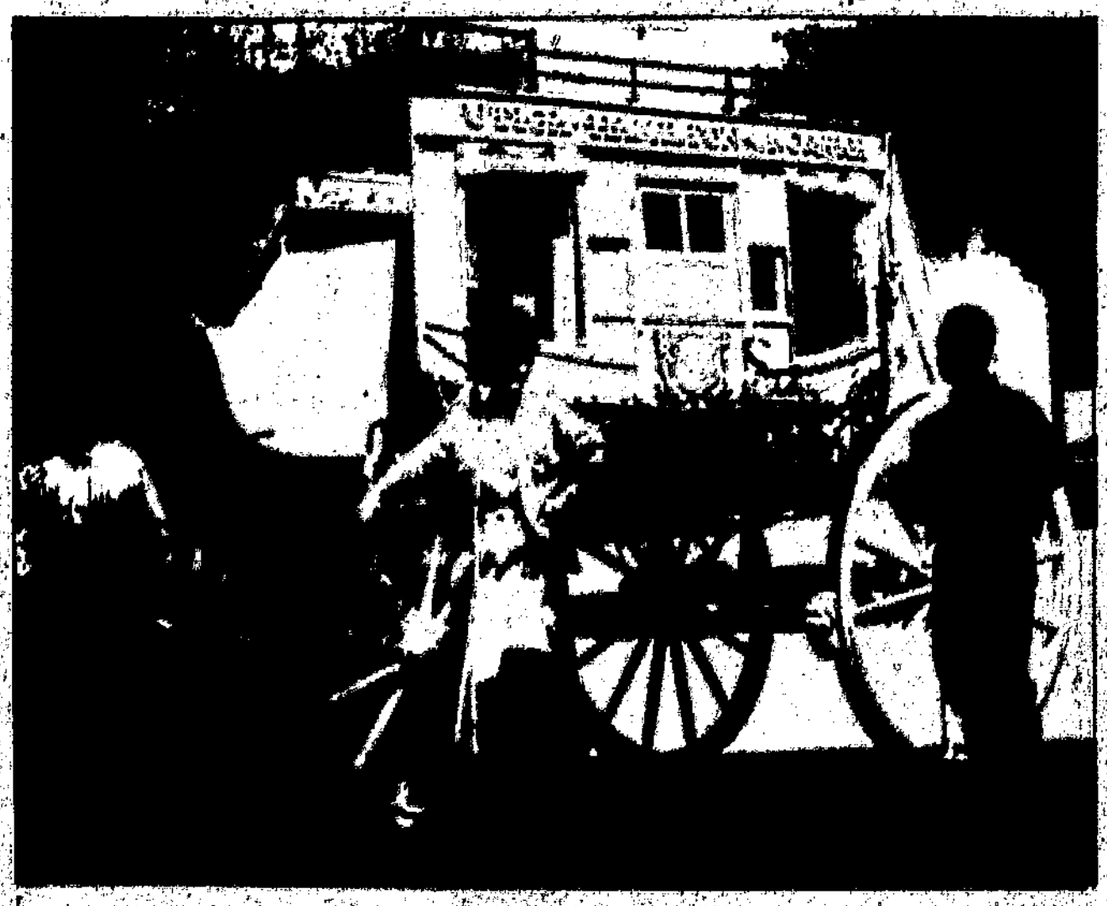
Members also receive invitations to special events, such as preview parties of exhibitions, and they enjoy special buying privileges on all purchases at the Museum Mercantile.

Shop the Museum Mercantile for horse-related mementos.

The museum is open from 9 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. daily and located on Highway 70 east of the Ruidoso Downs racetrack. Admission for adults is $4; senior citizens, $3; groups or ages five — 18, $2.50; museum members and those younger than five are admitted free. For further information, call 378-4142.

The museum offers plenty of free parking right outside the front door, with additional parking and handicapped parking beside the museum.

Come on in ... this inviting gate is symbolic of the invitation that Lincoln County issues to visitors. Hospitality is this area's specialty, and visitors are encouraged to stop in at the Ruidoso Valley Chamber of Commerce, 720 Sudderth Drive, across the street from Pizza Hut. The chamber is your one-stop information center about events and activities in this area. Call 257-7395, or call toll-free 1-800-253-2255 to learn more about Lincoln County.



PARTY TIME AT THE MUSEUM OF THE HORSE

Special exhibit featured this summer

The Museum of the Horse is always seeking exceptional new exhibits to present to the public.

The museum hit a gold mine when the John Goodman family of Tucson, Arizona, offered to lend the Museum of the Horse their extensive collection of Olaf Wieghorst paintings and sketches.

A long time friend of the artist, John Goodman also was a personal friend of Anne Stradling.

The opportunity to display one friend's works amid another friend's collection was one he didn't want to miss.

On Saturday, June 4, the Wieghorst exhibit will open to the public with 14 oil paintings and more than 50 sketches by Olaf Wieghorst.

The Museum also has contacted the Cowboy Hall of Fame in Oklahoma City, Oklahoma. Organizers hope to borrow some additional Wieghorst paintings to round out this exciting exhibit.

The Wieghorst exhibit will serve to "christen" the new fine arts wing at the Museum of the Horse. Utilizing former storage space, the craftsmen at the museum have converted the area into a beautiful gallery area.

"We hope to host many fine art exhibits in this area," said Museum of the Horse Director Jim Stoddard. "It is fortunate that we were able to open this long needed area with a master like Olaf Wieghorst".

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Alex Perriello, the Regional Director of the Coldwell Banker's Western region, presented Richard and Nancy with their award at the company's international business conference, recently held in San Diego, California, with approximately 6,000 Coldwell Banker sales associates, brokers, managers and support staff in attendance.

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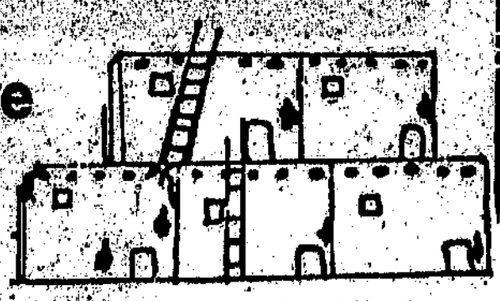

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Fortunately for visitors to this area, the Mescalero Apache Tribe invites the non-Indian to learn of their ways directly from them.

On this mini-tour, one may visit the St. Joseph's Mission and the Tribal Center or attend their Fourth of July ceremonials, all in Mescalero.

If the visitor has time, he or she may delve deeper into Native American pre-history by viewing the millenium-old petroglyphs at Three Rivers.

St. Joseph's Apache Mission

This immense stone church rises from the trees in the town of Mescalero. The church is both the spiritual center of today's Catholics and a tribute to soldiers of two World Wars.

The Story of St. Joseph's Apache Mission is also the story of Father Albert Braun, a Franciscan missionary. For when he first came to Mescalero in 1916, he planned to build a new church which would be dedicated to the Apache warriors whom he admired.

According to information at the church, Father Braun's building plans were interrupted by service in World War I as an army chaplain in Europe.

While in Europe, he became inspired by both the Gothic stone cathedrals and by the valor of the men she served with. When he returned again to Mescalero, his planned church would reflect both those inspirations.

Volunteers built the church using native stone, local timber and tiles. In 1939, the building was dedicated. But the church's story and Father Braun's do not end here.

Father Braun again left Mescalero for army duty, this time in World War II as an army chaplain and survivor of the Bataan Death March. He returned once more to the mission following army service and after his death in Arizona at the age of 95, was buried in the church sanctuary.

Because St. Joseph's continues to serve this parish, improvement remain on-going, such as interior art works and furnishings, many done by parishioners and local artisans. A recent addition is the icon of the Apache Christ at the front of the church, added in 1990.

One may read of the history of St. Joseph's and Father Braun in pamphlets and booklets provided near the entrance of the church. Pastoral staff will also graciously answer questions

Location: Mescalero is 16 miles west of Ruidoso on U.S. 70. The church is on the east end of town. Take the first turn-off and go under the highway to Eagle Drive.

The Inn of the Mountain Gods

Mescalero Apache Cultural Center

Leave the church and continue through town to the Tribal Center.

Here one may purchase gasoline, groceries, souvenirs and other visitor needs. A U.S. post office sits across the street from the Tribal Store and gas station. Across the parking lot is the Mescalero Apache Cultural Center, next stop on this mini-tour.

Curator Ellyn Lathan manages the five-room center that illustrates Mescalero history and culture. The first display in the large anteroom is popular with visitors. Colorful traditional clothing adorns adult and child mannequins.

If asked, curator Lathan will point out details distinguishing a Chiricahua ceremonial dress from that of a Mescalero, for example. These garments were made especially for the center by tribal elders.

Beyond the anteroom are displays featuring woven baskets, musical instruments, mortars with pestles, dried plants, clothing and footwear of the tribe.

Pictures of historical tribal leaders combine with contemporary photos to tell a little history. There's also a 12-minute video that introduces Apache religion, history and culture.

Location: about a half-mile east of the Tribal Center. There is an admission charge to daily events.

Please note: guests are reminded to be respectful of tribal customs during these ceremonies. No alcohol drugs, tape recorders or video cameras allowed. If you have a still camera, please purchase a permit at the entrance gate.

Ancient Culture and Mystery

For a glimpse of pre-Columbus Native American culture, visit the Three Rivers Petroglyph area north and west of Mescalero.

As you drive from Mescalero to Tularosa, you'll see on your left a mountain with a white cross on top. It is Round Mountain, site of the last battle between the Apache and settlers. The cross commemorates the event.

Turn right at Tularosa and drive north on U.S. 54 about 17 miles to the Petroglyph turnoff. Follow the paved road five miles to the Petroglyphs and picnic area.

There, volunteer park assistant Dan Potter, with the help of pamphlets and signboards, tells the history of the rock pictures, or petroglyphs. A walk of about 3/4 mile takes you to and through the unusual drawings done by the Native Americans of the Mogollon culture circa 900 to 1,000 A.D.

More than 20,000 petroglyphs have been found in the area, which attracts visitors from all over the world. Volunteer Potter says that in his two years of service, he's met folks from South Africa, Australia, New Zealand and Taiwan.

Although most people spend only a few hours at the site, Potter believes it takes four or five days to fully appreciate the drawings.

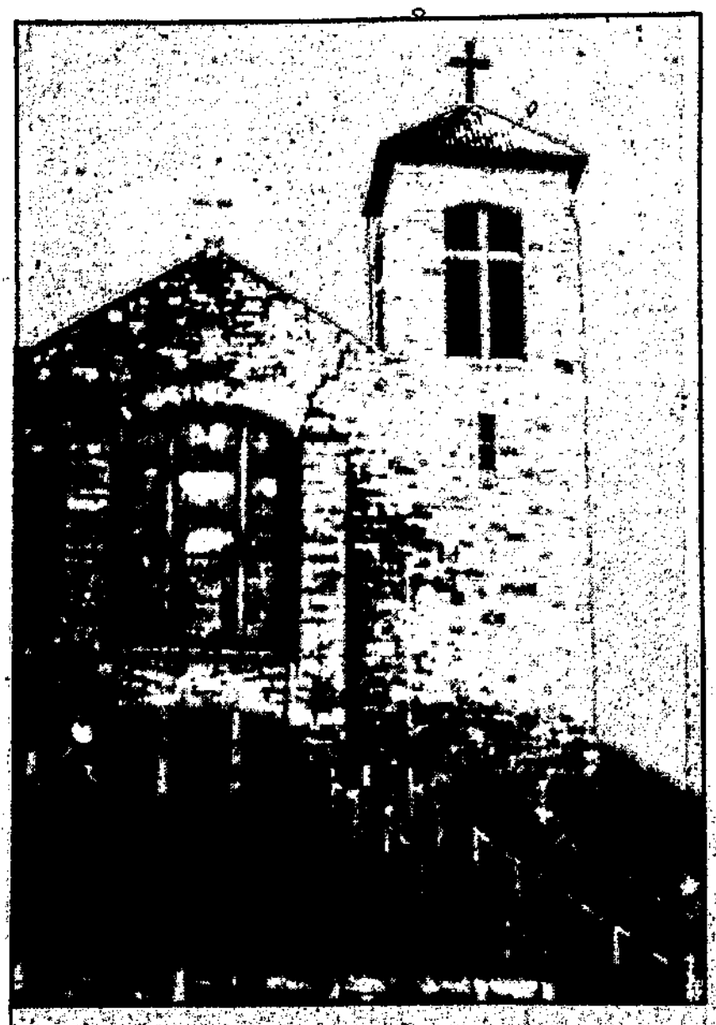
"You can see something different every day."

The $2 admission fee includes entrance to the petroglyph area and use of the amenities including picnic tables, charcoal grills, graveled parking area, shelters restrooms and overnight camping sites, all administered by the Bureau of Land Management.

All tours are self-guided, because as volunteer Potter explains, "No one really knows the petroglyph's significance or meaning, so what could a guide tell you?"

Before walking to the petroglyphs, be aware that this area becomes very hot in the summer and that the walk is on sand and rock. Wear sturdy, closed footwear, a hat and sunglasses.

There are no refreshments at the site, but the Three Rivers Trading Post on U.S. 54 at the turnoff sells cold drinks, food, curios and has handicapped-access restrooms.



ST. JOSEPH MISSION IN MESCALERO

Location: on Chiricahua Plaza in the Tribal Center.

Hours: Open Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. During the Fourth of July holiday, the center will close early on Thursday but be open Friday, Saturday and Sunday from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Admission: Free, but donations are accepted.

Invitation to a Feast

If you're visiting during the Fourth of July holiday, plan to attend the four-day puberty ceremony, dances and rodeos in Mescalero.

The tribe invites the public to see their traditional ways and taste their foods, offering complimentary meals from the ritual tepees.

the puberty ceremony takes place the first day, Friday, July 1. On Saturday, July 2, the parade begins about 10 a.m.

On all four days are children's games with prizes, rodeos that begin approximately at 1:30 p.m. and dances that begin about dusk. Dancing continues until midnight so watchers should bring warm clothes and a jacket.

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Take a tasty mini-tour through the area orchards

Our mountain valleys of Lincoln and Otero counties have always been a fertile site of orchards of cherry, plum, peach, apricot and apple. Every summer a ritual begins; sweet fruit ripens in small, family-owned orchards, and folks hungry for tree-ripened treats flock to the mountains.

This mini-tour itinerary summarizes the crops available in Lincoln and Otero counties. Keep in mind that weather dictates how much of what crop can be harvested. Either call the orchard first to ensure your favorite fruit is available or plan a leisurely day of orchard-hopping to find it.

Lincoln County

In this area, most fruit growers pick their own produce and sell it from roadside stands either right next to the orchard or in town.

In Ruidoso, Carrizozo Orchard's owners Jim and Patty Neibaum bring their produce to Mechem Drive near Pioneer Savings and Trust every Friday, Saturday and Sunday. They arrive in early July with cherries and peaches, then continue in August through October with pears and apples. Other treats: home-pressed apple cider and their blended raspberry and cherry juice products, preserves, jams, butters and tropical fruit slush.

If you're near Carrizozo, the Niebaums invite you to the orchard. There you may buy already-picked fruit for the same price as at the roadside stand. Before visiting the orchard, call 648-2223 to see what's ripe and to get directions.

Leaving Ruidoso east on U.S. 70, visitors drive through a veritable cornucopia of orchards and fruit stands beginning at Glencoe and ending in Riverside. These Hondo Valley stands and orchards are owned by families who've been in the business for generations.

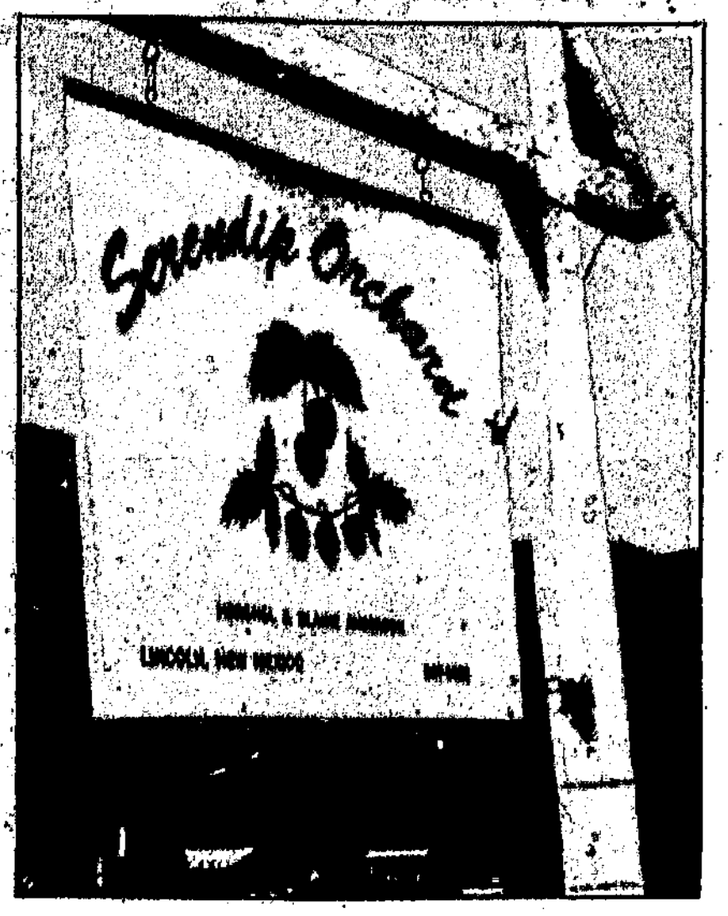
Some stands open year 'round, some only during racing season. Some sell daily, others only on weekends. The best way to shop the Hondo Valley is to simply drive from stand to stand and see who's got the special variety of cherry, peach, apple, plum or apricot you want.

Generally, you'll find sweet and sour cherries around mid-June through July; pears, plums, peaches and apricots mid-July to mid-August; and apples, both eating and cooking, from the end of August until freeze.

Also look for homemade jams and honey from the bees that pollinate the fruit trees.

Many of the orchards have been in the same family for 50 years or more. These folks know how to cultivate a fine product.

Ever mindful of bettering that product, at least one grower is experimenting with new varieties and dwarf trees that produce larger fruits.



If you follow the Rio Bonito from Hondo up U.S. 380 towards Capitan, you'll encounter several orchards in the Bonito Valley such as Clem Weindorf's, the Serendip Orchard, and others.

Clem Weindorf's is about a mile and a half from Hondo on U.S. 380 toward Lincoln. His customers come "to gab awhile and sip cider as much as buy fruit," says genial Clem. He counts customers from Santa Barbara, California, all the way to Houston, Texas, in his nearly 25 years of orcharding apples, peaches, plums, pears and apricots.

Telephone 653-4841 for what's ready.

West of Lincoln at milemarker 96 on US 380 lies Hershel and Ellen Anderson's Serendip Orchard of cherries and raspberries.

The Andersons began Serendip as a retirement project but found they loved meeting new people as much as raising their crops. Weather permitting, one may come for sweet and sour cherries from the end of June through the end of July and for red raspberries from the middle of August until freeze. All summer long the Andersons offer jams, honey and "recipes on the bulletin board."

Telephone 257-9826 for fruit availability.

Unable to drive to Lincoln? Serendip will again sell their raspberries at Thriftway in Ruidoso.

Otero County

Customers to Otero County can buy their fruit already picked or may pick it themselves at certain orchards. The Otero County Extension Service publishes Harvest Paths, a booklet with map and index with telephone numbers of 33 growers who sell directly from their farm or orchard.

Popular cherry-picking spots include Cadwallader's in Mountain Park, Apple Blossom Park in High Rolls, McArthur's Orchard, Nichols Ranch and J & M Enterprises in La Luz Canyon, and others. Call first for fruit availability as well as permission to pick.

Harvest Paths also lists growers of apples, peaches, pears, plums, apricots, grapes, melons, pecans, pistachios, chile, tomatoes, corn, pumpkin and other vegetables, as well as honey, trout, herbs, Christmas trees, goats' milk and wine.

To obtain a complimentary copy of Harvest Paths, call the Extension Service at 437-0231 or drop by their office at 401 Fairgrounds Road in Alamogordo Monday through Friday.

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Dine out at the Jockey Club

The Ruidoso Jockey Club, Inc., with the start of the 1994 racing season, will celebrate its 40th anniversary.

The Jockey Club started out as a sort of "country club at the races." Most members of the Jockey Club either own or have owned racehorses. A handful have never owned a horse, but have never always been interested in racing. The majority of members have a second home in Ruidoso.

Although the club appears on the surface to be a low-profile organization, it is quite the contrary. Its members have been and still do sit on various boards connected with the New Mexico Racing Industry. They work very hard to keep racing alive and well in the "Land of Enchantment."

Some members are unable to attend the races regularly, their tables are made available to the public. A patron may make reservations in advance which will include their admission, seats and valet parking. Memberships are also available for lease for the entire season.

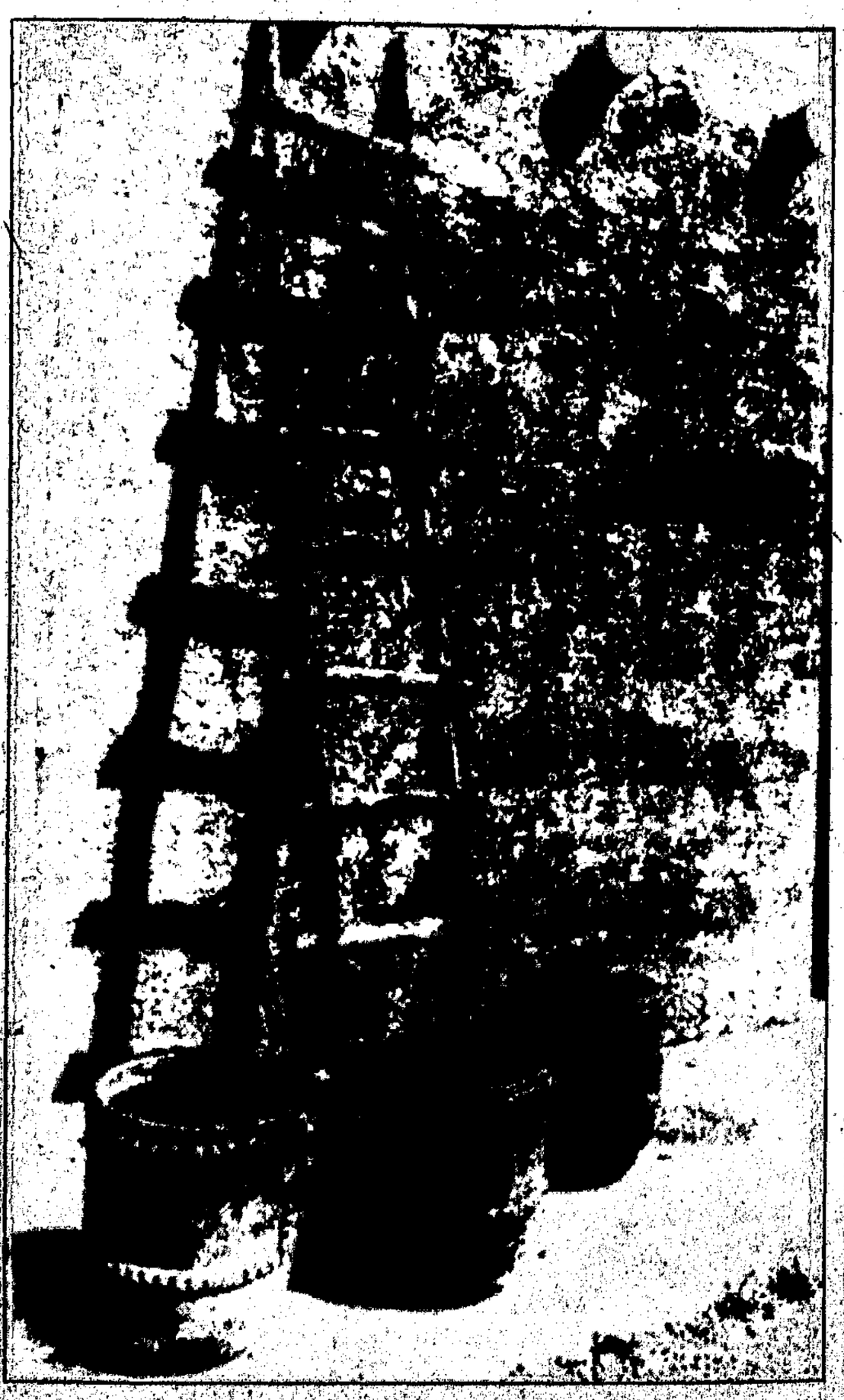
The club features a full restaurant and bar, with waiters and waitresses providing first class service. The restaurant menu features a variety of items, with one specialty being chicken livers, which are known from L.A. to New York. Patrons may call 378-4447 for more information.

The Jockey Club relies on its annual dues, along with the money it makes during the racing season for its operating revenues. It is closed the remainder of the year.

"The largest part of our total cash flow is from the Fourth of July through the end of Labor Day," said Davis.

"Once Labor Day is over, the Jockey Club is just a memory — that is until people start thinking about racing again."

As long as there's horse racing at Ruidoso Downs, there will always be a Ruidoso Jockey Club.



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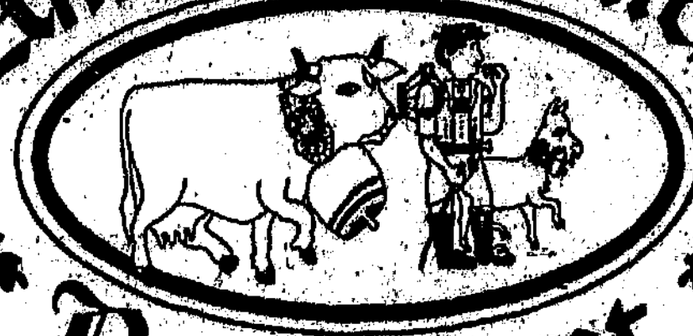

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P.G.A. Professional Kent Beatty oversees the course and a full-line pro shop.

Beatty is always running fun-type tournaments so it would pay to call and see what he has cooking during the time of your visit.

For tee times, Beatty's number call 257-5815.

Cree Meadows Driving Range is located across from the country club and is open from daylight to dark. A large bucket of balls costs $3 and a small bucket $2.

Inn of the Mountain Gods

The Inn of the Mountain Gods Golf Course is located adjacent to the hotel on the Mescalero Apache Reservation.

The 6,416-yard course is open to the public and is rated at 70.1 from the whites.

The 514-yard, par 5, first hole is rated as the number one handicap hole.

Daniel Nunez is the golf pro for the Inn course, which is among the top ranked in the United States.

For tee times and more information, call 257-5141.

Alto Lakes

One of America's most scenic courses is the Alto Lakes Golf and Country Club.

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Alto has a superb women's golf club that is very active all year round. P.G.A. Todd Perteet is the course pro.

The Links

Ruidoso's newest golf course is the berm studded Links at Sierra Blanca, a dream or a nightmare, depending on how good your game is on that day.

The Links sports the best practice range in New Mexico, complete with beautifully maintained tee areas and sandtraps.

Skilled players with a downhill lie will be at an advantage.

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Check it out, 7,003 yards from the blues. This Jim Colbert course has a monster 581 yarder.

Rated 72 on this par 72, Jeff Miller is the general manager and golf pro. Economically priced with a variety of options, call 258-5330.

Carrizozo

Carrizozo Golf Course is a popular nine-hole course located on the outskirts of Carrizozo. It is open to the public and operated by Ted Turnbow.

The well-groomed course may be the best kept secret in Lincoln County. Call 648-2451.

Alamogordo

Alamogordo, just 40 miles from Ruidoso, has a public golf course that adds one more dimension to an area golfing tour.

Desert Lakes Municipal Golf Course offers public golf course prices with private golf course facilities. Call 437-0290.

The Lodge

For something really different, try an old Scottish tradition, a nine-hole course with double tees and double greens at The Lodge in Cloudcroft.

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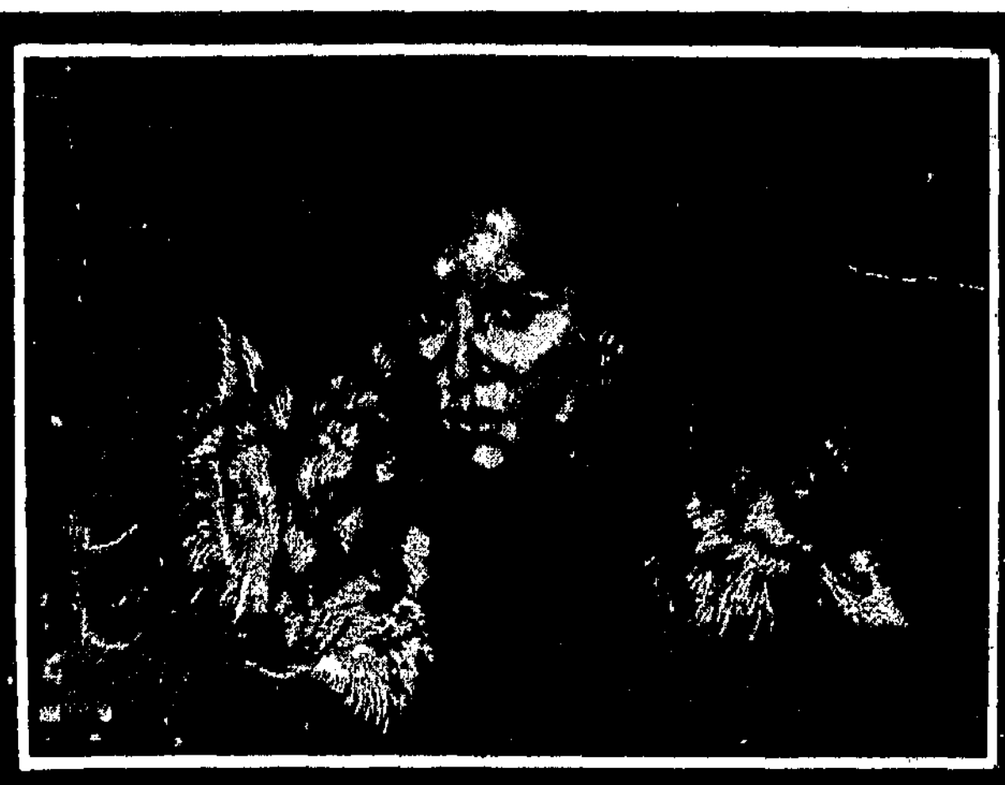
Top rated hole on the course is a 4-par, 410-yard shot with nothing flat and flanked by tall timber.

For reservations or tee times, call Marty Mills at 1-800-395-6343.



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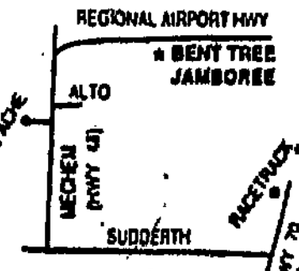

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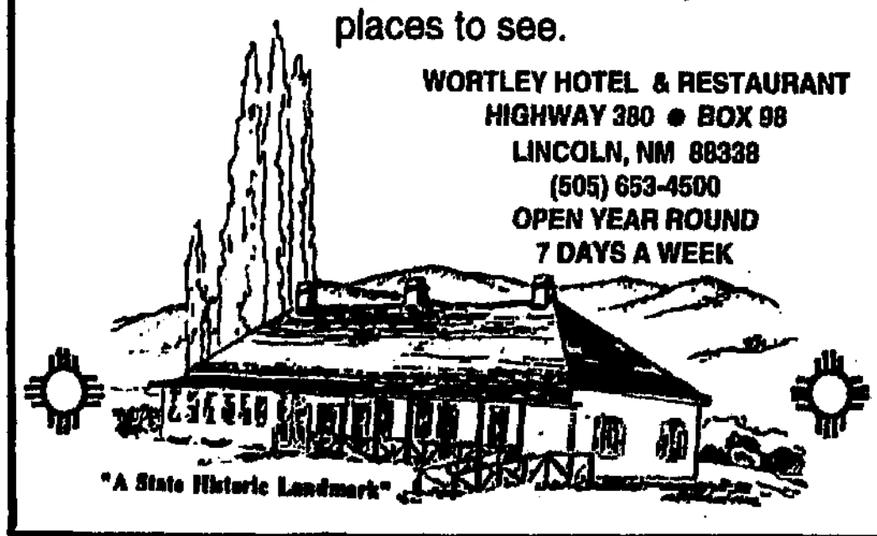

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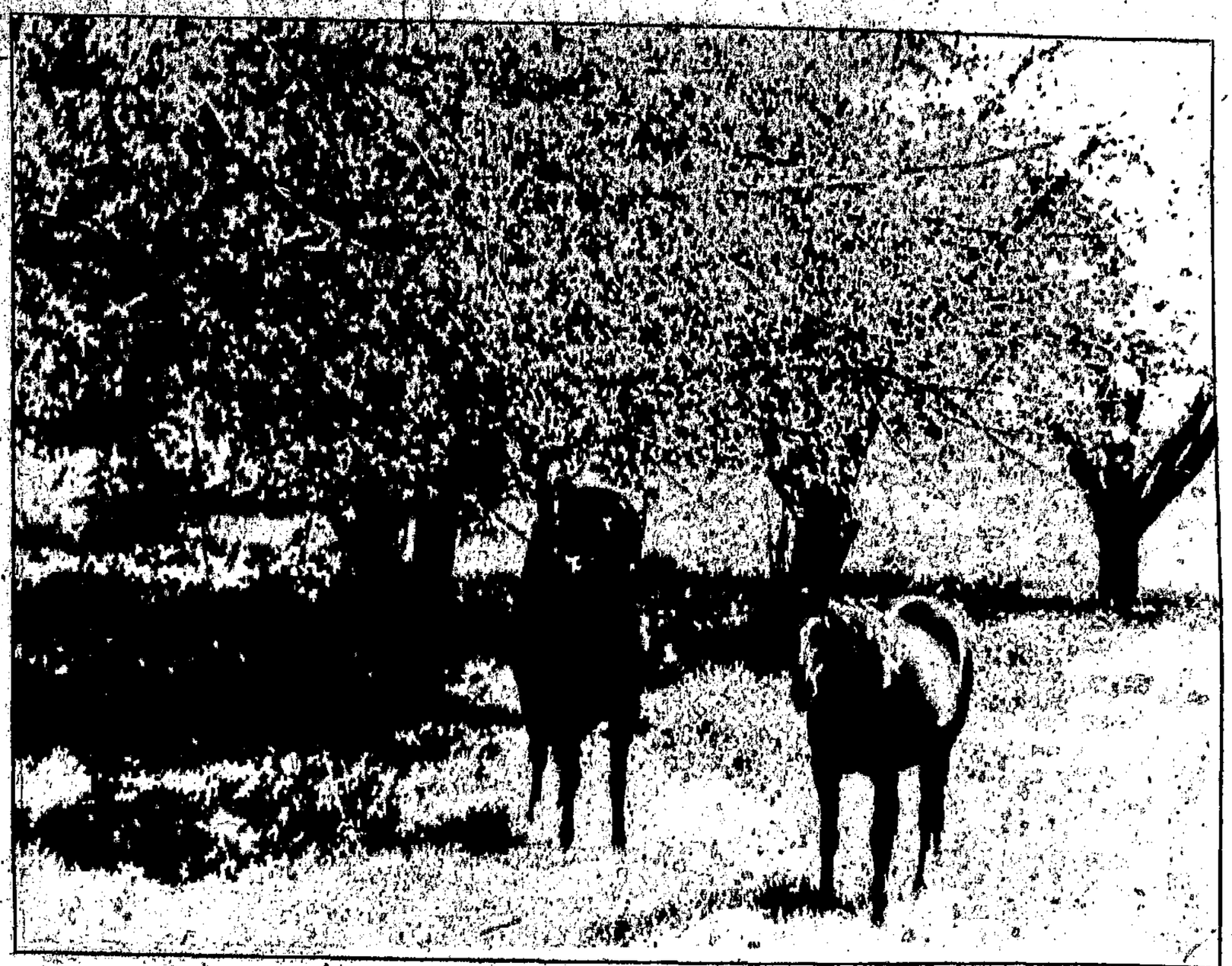

Lincoln County, once the largest county in the United States, is now a thriving county with an economy that runs on tourism.

Carrizozo, population 1,075, is the county seat, while Ruidoso, population 4,600, is the population center of Lincoln County. The county population was listed as 12,219 in the 1990 census, but visitors and locals recognize that the population expands in the summer with part-time residents and visitors.

Ruidoso Downs, population 920, is the home of the two biggest summer tourist attractions - Ruidoso Downs Race Track and the Museum of the Horse.

Capitan, population 842, is Smokey Bear's home and the center for the fire prevention bear's 50th birthday celebration this year.

Historic Lincoln, an unincorporated town, is Billy the Kid headquarters and the site of the old Lincoln County Courthouse, as well as several other museums.

Right down Highway 70, toward El Paso, Texas, is the Mescalero Apache Indian Reservation, population 2,695. It's not in Lincoln County, but it's just 20 miles from Ruidoso and offers beautiful scenery, a cultural center, the National Fish Hatchery and the Inn of the Mountain Gods.

Visitors find plenty of "touristy" things to do in Lincoln County, but the area is home to more than 12,000 people who live, work, worship, and even party, here.

To find the church of your choice or your favorite club, check The Ruidoso News club/church calendar in each Thursday's newspaper.

Special events enhance the area's charm, too; with Fiesta Ruidoso planned in June, the Smokey Bear Stampede in July, Ruidoso Art Festival the third weekend in July and Old Lincoln Days with the popular Billy the Kid folk pageant in August.

Toward the middle of August the All American Festival will unfold with parties and special events leading up to the world's richest quarter horse race, the All American Futurity on Labor Day.

To learn more about special events in Lincoln County, contact the Ruidoso Valley Chamber of Commerce at 257-7395. The chamber is located on Sudderth Drive across the street from Pizza Hut in front of Two Rivers Park.

Stop by the Ruidoso Public Library

Ruidoso Public Library extends a warm welcome to summer visitors. "Stop by and meet the friendly staff," invites librarian Nancy Eckert.

Ruidoso Public Library is on the corner of Sudderth and Junction in Ruidoso across School House Park from the tennis courts and swimming pool.

The library is open from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. Monday through Thursday, from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Friday, and from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday. The library is closed Sunday.

Services, besides access to thousands of books, tapes and periodicals, include FAX service, reference, value line, monthly newsletter and a copier. The library even provides for book checkout for visitors. Special programs are offered each season for children, and plenty of opportunities will be available for youngsters this summer.

Watch The Ruidoso News for schedules, dates and times. The Ruidoso Public Library telephone number is 257-4335, and the FAX number is 257-5994.

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Llama Treks of Sierra Blanca, a new business in Ruidoso, is offering guided hiking/camping trips into the Lincoln National Forest.

The company will feature llamas as pack animals to carry all the necessary equipment. This will eliminate the hassle of carrying a backpack. Trips will include all camping gear, water treating equipment, first aid supplies and gourmet meals to top it off.

Patric Carlile, owner/operator, says the company will offer a variety of trips including day trips, overnight trips, extended wilderness trips, and even a honeymooner's special to cater to those looking for the ultimate in a romantic adventure.

Carlile, a licensed outfitter/guide, also will offer special services for photographers and artists who might need to reach specific locations.

Llamas, members of the camelid family, are the oldest domesticated animal on earth, according to Carlile. He says their low-key, even disposition makes them great companions on the trail. The animals are quiet, easy to care for, hard workers and even children can lead them safely.

"Llamas have an undeserved reputation as spitters," says Carlile. "Typically, they only spit when establishing pecking order within the herd."

"They also have a very low impact on the environment. Llamas are browsers, so they eat small amounts of many varieties of forage, about 10 percent of the intake of a horse or mule," says Carlile.

"They have soft padded feet which gives them superior traction and greatly reduces impact on trails and vegetation over which they traverse."

Carlile says it is important for the public to know that he will tailor trips to meet the needs of everyone. The hikes are designed to be fun, easy going and informative.

"We will be setting an easy pace, taking breaks and generally enjoying being out in nature," says Carlile.

Macho hikers need not apply. Carlile believes hiking at a breakneck pace defeats the purpose of seeing and trying to gain an understanding of the wilderness areas.

Day hikes will include gourmet meals at scenic locations.

"We will provide excellent food, with a lean toward healthy eating," says Carlile. Menus will be flexible to accommodate specific needs of customers.

Carlile hopes to involve families, especially children, on his overnight trips. He plans to teach children low impact techniques for setting camps (tents, sleeping bags, cooking equipment, water treating and sanitary needs).

Carlile feels it is important for children to understand the need to respect the wilderness and use it wisely.

"They are the future managers of our natural resources," says Carlile.

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Llama Treks of Sierra Blanca, Inc. is located at 2800 Sudderth. Telephone numbers for making reservations are 257-4000 and 257-3174. Carlile suggests making reservations to guarantee dates needed by visitors to the area.

Carlile plans to have a few yearling llamas at his shop to introduce llamas to the public.

"Come by and meet Scooter, Tuffy, Rocko and other yearling llamas in training," says Carlile.

"Young and old will get a kick out of feeding these guys."

If you're looking for something different, fun and enjoyable for the whole family, try a llama trek this summer.

Patric Carlile and his friend Blister scope out the trails they'll be traveling this summer. Scooter (at right) takes a close look at the photographer. Stop by Llama Treks of Sierra Blanca at 2800 Sudderth Drive to meet Patric and the boys.

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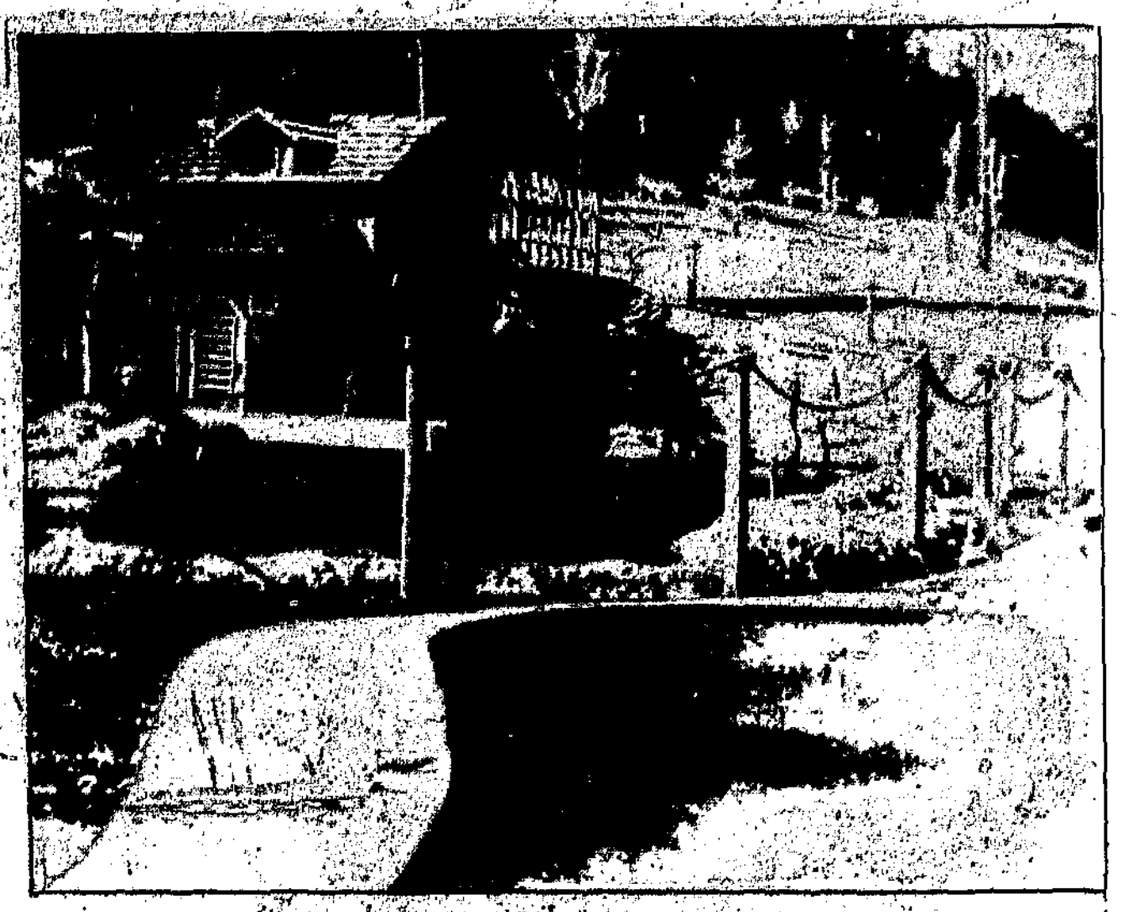

FUN AT FUNTRACKERS

Western fun in the great outdoors is the biggest reason summer travelers hit the cool mountain pines of Ruidoso.

Outdoor activities are being promoted by the local government in Ruidoso as never before in village history.

Within the past few years, fishing, boating, picnicking, swimming, hiking, biking and other increased activities stress fitness with the family.

Grindstone Lake, a village owned manmade lake at the Grindstone Dam Recreational Area has opened up a variety of new activities to Ruidoso.

Fishing, boating (under 16 feet-non-motorized) and windsurfing is allowed. The lake is stocked with brown trout not only by the state but also the village.

Boating and fishing permits are required.

A boating permit fee for the season (April 1 through October 31) costs $35. A three-day pass costs $10, and a single day pass costs $5.

Boat permits are available at the municipal swimming pool office or the Wingfield Park parks and recreation office located on the road to Grindstone Lake.

The village parks department is offering a summer program for beginning windsurfers.

This program is an introduction to longboard windsurfing and is divided between equipment identification and sailing techniques with an on land simulator; and students paddling to the center of the lake with an instructor for some hands on practice windsurfing.

A Scuba Diving class is divided into three segments; academic training, confined-water training, and open-water training. The cost is $75 per person. There is a $110 lab fee which includes mask and snorkle, manual and international life time certification fee.

The state also stocks trout in the Rio Ruidoso that winds its way through town and through Two Rivers Park in the heart of Ruidoso.

Youth Fishing Daze is a free event scheduled for Two Rivers Park on June 3 from 9 a.m. to noon.

The event is sponsored by the parks department, the forest service, New Mexico Game and Fish, Western Auto and Carol's Flys.

On the outskirts of town, Alto Lake is a popular fishing lake and the home of an annual fishing contest. Several prized trophies, left over from the tourney, find their way to a fisherman's net each summer.

Two Rivers Park also features a walking bridge across the river, a playground area complete with swings, teeter totters, and an obstacle course.

The picnic grounds has two large covered shelters, many park tables and benches, each with a barbecue grille.

A few blocks away is another major downtown recreational area called School House Park.

This park houses a large Olympic sized pool with a curving slide to dump the rider in the drink.

The swimming pool is open from Memorial Day to late August. The pool charge is $2.25 per person, adult or child. The flume costs an additional $6 per person for unlimited use.

Season passes cost $50 per person without slide, $80 per person with slide, $75 family pass without slide, and $150 family pass with slide.

Swimming lessons are available for adults at $14 for a three week session from June 21 through July 7.

Swimming lessons for beginners ages seven and older will cost $30 for a two week session, June 6 through June 17; or June 27 through July 8.

Beginners lessons for ages four, five and six years old cost $30.

Water Works is a program that works exactly as it sounds, exercising through water resistance. Great for seniors with arthritis.

Age limits are from 13 and older and costs are $25 per person for the four week session of July 19 through August 11.

Two Rivers also features four newly refinished tennis courts with wind screens, several picnic tables with barbecue grilles and a rough hiking trail developed by the park system that skirts up a slope in back of the park.

All four tennis courts at School House Park will be reserved for the Tennis Rats program from 9 a.m. to noon from June 6 to August 12.

Tennis Rats (Ruidoso Athletic Tennis Students) falls under the National Junior Tennis League which provides tennis lessons and game play on a daily basis.

The program is designed to instruct youth in tennis, with an emphasis on conditioning and proper conduct.

Age groups begin from five years old and the costs per 11 days session is $25.

A teen tennis tournament called "Tall Pines Junior Tennis Open" is scheduled for July 15-17.

The tournament is for ages 12 to 18 years old. Cost is $12 for singles and $20 for doubles. Call parks and recreation at 257-5030 to sign up.

At the municipal swimming pool, a series of pool parties have been scheduled for teens 13 through 19 on the Friday nights of June 10, July 1 and August 5.

At Wingfield Park, open play volleyball just for teens is planned on a field of sand.

Teen age groups from 13 through 19 can participate in three on three teams from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. on Saturdays, June 11, June 18, July 2, July 9 and August 5.

Cost to play is $2 per day.

Also in the Wingfield Park area, street dances for teens 19 through 19 years old are scheduled for Fridays June 17 and July 8 and Saturday, August 13 beginning at 7 p.m.

One entrance of the park houses the Ruidoso Public Library that is open six days a week.

The library has many western books covering the rich history of Lincoln County and Billy the Kid. It also rents video tapes, compact disks and books on tape.

The library is open Monday through Thursday from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m.; Friday, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.; and Saturday, 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Adjoining the library is a senior citizen center where seniors can pick up a card game, play billiards or watch television on a oversized screen.

The center is open five days a week from 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Special events at the center include the First Summer Barbecue and Dance, Friday, June 3, at noon; First Ice Cream Social, Friday, June 17, at 2 p.m.; Fourth of July Barbecue and Dance, Friday, July 1 at noon; Summer Ice Cream Social, July 15 at 2 p.m.; Summer Barbecue and Dance, Friday, August 5, at noon; Summer Ice Cream Social, Friday, August 19; at 2 p.m.; All American Festival Bridge Tourney, August 29, Monday, at 1 p.m.; Labor Day Barbecue and Dance on Friday, September 2, at noon and Summer Ice Cream Social Friday, September 16, at 2 p.m.

Wilderness Camp for children is an outdoor activity that includes hiking, fishing, archery, canoeing, horseback riding, beach volleyball, arts and crafts, swimming, outdoor sports some field trips and nature studies designed just for youth, with adult supervision.

The camp includes free lunch provided by the New Mexico Summer Food Service.

The camp takes place at Wingfield Park and costs $35 per child per week or $8 per day if not registered and there is a space.

The four day sessions last from June 6 to August 12.

In conjunction with the Police Athletic League, the parks department formed an amateur boxing team for youth.

The team will participate in boxing tournaments to participate in state and national Gold Glove or Silver Glove tournaments.

The program is free, but participants are required to pay $14 a year for the USA American Boxing Federation membership dues.

Call parks and recreation at 257-5030 to sign up.

At Eagle Creek Sports Complex, a number of slo-pitch softball teams will run during the summer.

Ruidoso's 10 and under girl's team is called Mountain Maniacs. Girls 14 and under have a league called Ruidoso Hornets.

Teen Knights is a coed night playing mush ball that breaks all rules in softball including running the bases from third to second to first to home.

The game is slated for Friday, July 29, from 7 to 10 p.m. and the charge is $4 per player or $56 per team that includes seven males and seven females.

After 30 teams have signed, walk-ons are welcome.

The Adult League for men and women softball starts May 23.

Women will play on Monday nights, men on Tuesday and Thursday.

Age limits are 16 years or older and $375 per team, 15 player limit.

A yearly classic in Ruidoso is the 11th Annual Runner's Classic.

Divisions cover men and women's 5K run, 10K run and 5K walk.

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NATASHA GOMEZ AT TWO RIVERS PARK

Head outside for lots of fun

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There are 10 age brackets, beginning at 10 and under and ending with 60 and older.

Cost to participate is $10 which includes a T-shirt.

For further information call Parks at 257-5030.

For sheer physical fitness at your own pace, the village has several fitness trails.

Cedar Creek fitness trail is a one mile trail with an obstacle course inside the trail. The trail is maintained by the forest service and is located on Cedar Creek Road.

The village's paved fitness trail is three miles long and surrounds the Links Golf Course. Seven stations with fitness equipment test the walker or runner.

The course is located off Cree Meadows Drive next to Village Hall.

For the person who prefers horseback riding, Ruidoso has three stables to choose from, Buddies Stable on Gavilan Canyon, Cowboy Stables at Ruidoso Downs and Grindstone Stables on Grindstone Resort Drive Road.

Family fare that provides a minimum of skill and a maximum of fun includes the towns three miniature golf courses.

Panorama Miniature Golf is located off Eagle Drive and represents the old miniature golf course, built in the mid 1950's.

Panorama is traditional fare for families that have been visiting the mountains for years. The stately blue spruce wind through a course in a carefully manicured forest environment.

Holiday Miniature Golf is located across from the hospital.

Fun Trackers, not only offers miniature golf, but as the name implies, go carts. One of the states newest and finest outdoor recreational facilities, Fun Trackers also offers a variety of other activities such as water boat rides and a comprehensive game room.

Another way to view Ruidoso while exercising is through cycling. Park the car and rent a mountain bike from Ruidoso Mountain Sports.

Bikers have a variety of areas to choose from, the most grueling being the seven mile trip to Ski Apache up the long winding ski run road.

Once a year, during Aspenfest, cyclists race to the top of this mountain in one of the state's top endurance tests. Cyclists that can complete the journey under an hour are one of the chosen few.

New Mexico is a land of beauty and variety. The simplest of outdoor activity, a drive through the mountains with a camera, may produce the most satisfying benefits.

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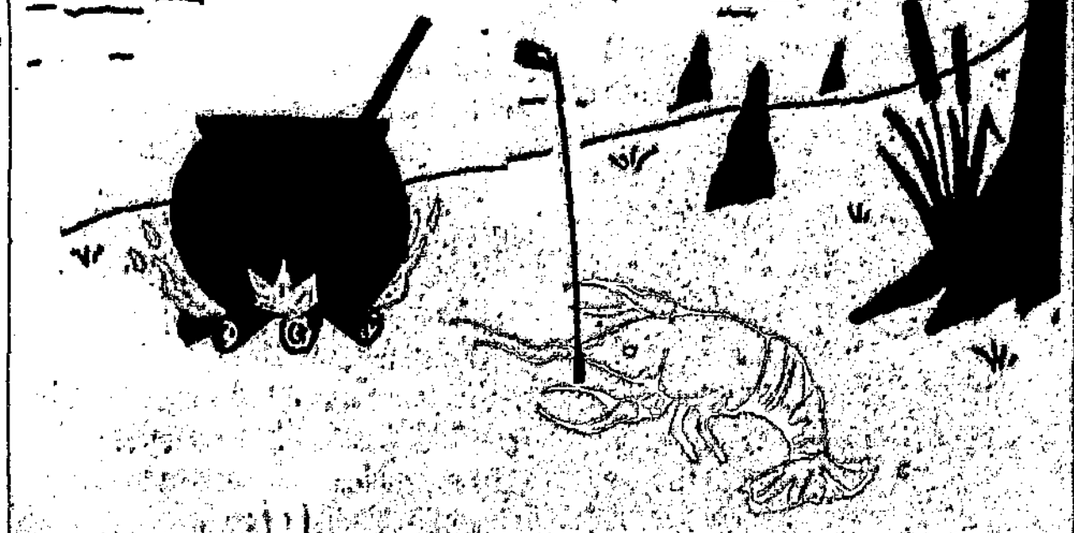

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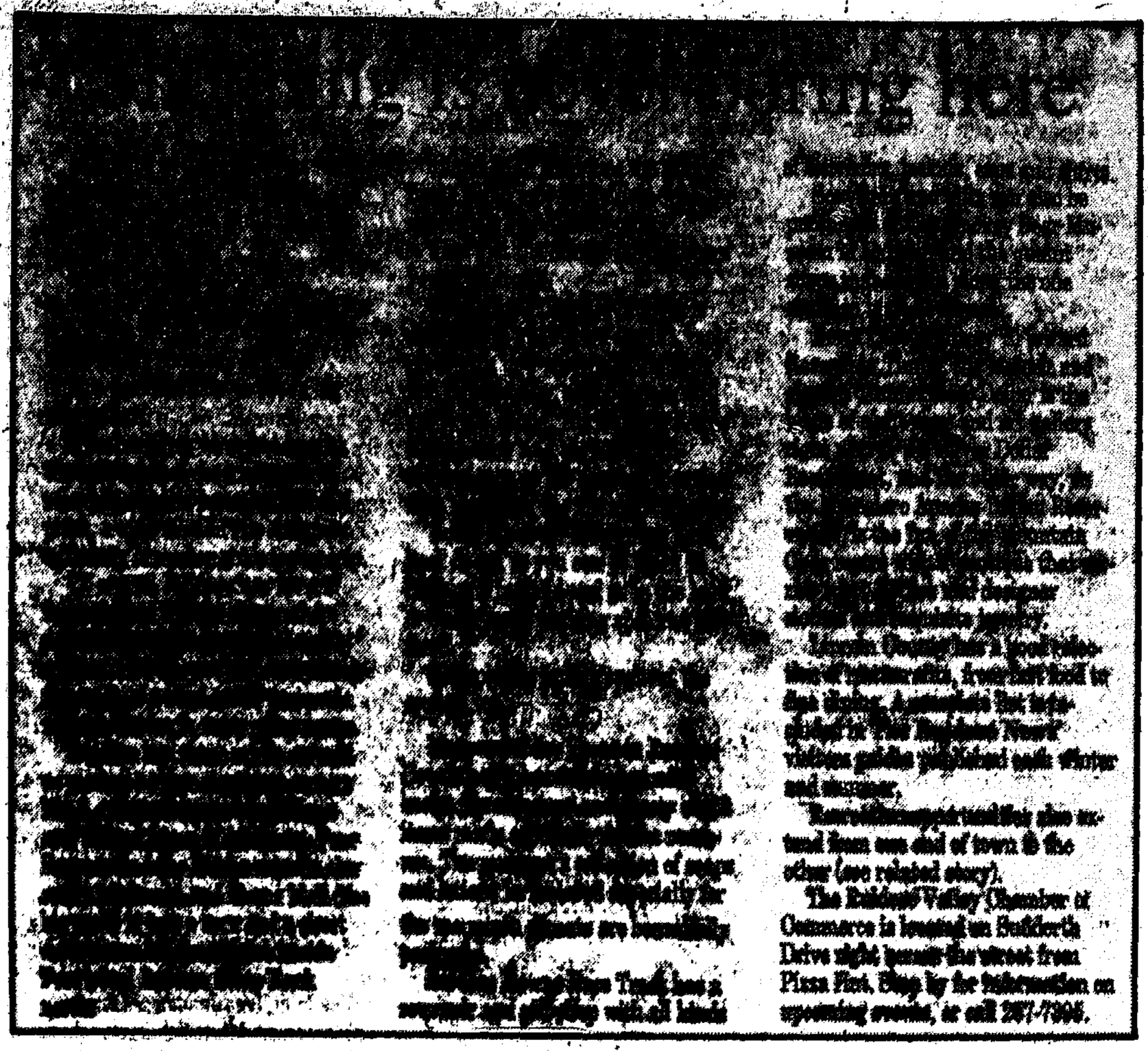

Study art with top instructors at the Historic Carrizo Lodge

Calling all artists and aspiring artists — pack up your palette and head to the Carrizo Lodge Art School this summer.

Started in 1956, and revitalized under a management dedicated to seeing Carrizo Lodge maintain its history and status in the art world, Carrizo Lodge Art School draws some of the most respected artists in the country, representing varied mediums and approaches.

Top art instructors will continue the Carrizo Lodge tradition of presenting art classes in the serene and comfortable lodge. Students find inspiration while enhancing their skills in this historic setting.

The workshops, which cater to visitors and locals alike, will continue through August 5, with different artists and instructors to present their one-week classes in upcoming weeks.

Class sizes are limited, so call Carrizo Lodge at 257-9131 to reserve a spot in one of this summer's art classes.

Ask for a class schedule, now available at Carrizo Lodge located in Carrizo Creek Road in Ruidoso; or write to Carrizo Art School; PO Drawer A; Ruidoso NM 88345.

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JUNE 18
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Oliver Lee State Park

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SEPTEMBER 15-18
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SEPTEMBER 17
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When the sun goes down, the party starts up. You can scoot your boots across dance floors all over town, or sit back and relax with friends to the sounds of local and touring bands.

Ruidoso clubs harbor entertainment of every genre, from the elegance of a piano bar to the rough and tumble fun of a musical wild west show.

Watch for local performers including the folk and country sounds of Carl Mori and Sawyer Ward, the one-man-band of Mark Remington and long-time Ruidoso musician Randy Jones.

If the bar scene doesn't appeal, you can take in a movie at **Sierra Cinema**, located on Mechem just north of Furr's. The twin screens often carry three movies, and matinee prices are a bargain. This summer kids can see G-rated movies in morning matinees especially for them.

Check **The Ruidoso News** for Sierra Cinema movies and times, or call 257-9444.

Cochera

The only joint that rocks the forest is Cochera, located on Mechem. Pam Cash, who books the acts, invites musical styles ranging from classic rock to alternative.

Frequenting the stage at Cochera are El Paso, Texas, groups like Spoiled Rotten, with their blues rock, and the Deaftones, with an alternative Blind Melon sound mixed with classic rock renditions. Locals like Xplicit and the Invaders jam at Cochera, too.

"We're the only live rock and roll in town," said Cash. Cochera also houses a restaurant with authentic Mexican food.

Cochera cranks up the volume Thursday through Saturday, starting at 9:30 p.m., plus Sundays at 8:30 p.m. on holiday weekends. Friday and Saturday night shows carry a modest $1 cover charge. Call 258-9008 for more details.

Win, Place & Show

The local country and western hot spot is Win, Place & Show, located in the middle of the shopping strip on Sudderth. Seven nights a week, local and touring groups draw toe-tappers from near and far.

WPS is a stop for many bands on their way through Oklahoma, Texas, New Mexico and Arizona. Wild Card and Double R Nothin' are regulars at WPS, as is Chad Burns, who once toured with Johnny Rodriguez.

Patrons can two-step to their hearts' content at WPS. Owner Dean Fowler said, "You don't feel crowded on the dance floor."

Things pick up around 8:30 p.m. Monday through Saturday and close around 1 a.m. On Sundays the music starts at 7:30 p.m. and ends around 11:30 p.m. Call 257-9982 for more information.

Miner's Castle Mountain

For family entertainment, few shows rival the goings-on at the castle on Highway 70. With a bevy of musicians and comic talent, the theater is sure to appeal to young and old alike.

Hear a costumed review of hits from the '50s, classic rock, blue grass and country. The band favors Bob Wills, Ray Price and Roy Orbison — just to name a few. Taking the castle stage are Carol Martin on keyboards and vocals, Dennis Martin on drums and vocals, Roy Black on vocals and bass, Eddie Hedin on guitar and vocals, and Kim Blakey on vocals, guitar, and fiddle.

"It's just good, clean, wholesome family entertainment," said singer Lynn Martin. "You don't have to worry about dirty words or dirty jokes."

Tickets go on sale May 16 at $12 for adults, $6 for kids 12 and under; kids 3 and under get in free. Shows start May 27. Showtime is exactly 7:31 p.m., Friday through Sunday. Call 257-6180 for more information.

Marie La Veaux at Cree

If you go to La Veaux, get there early enough to enjoy the view at sunset. Cree's dining rooms and lounge overlook the golf course through windows that frame the eastern mountains.

Add to this relaxing atmosphere the easy listening of Carl Mori and Sawyer Ward or the danceable tunes of Randy Jones. Mori and Ward have been performing together for four years and share a camaraderie with the audience. Their music ranges from Emmy Lou Harris and Bonnie Raitt to Bob Dylan and John Prine.

The restaurant serves Cajun, seafood and steak dinners, and starting in June will also serve breakfast. The restaurant and lounge open at 10 a.m., and the restaurant closes at 9 p.m. Reservations for dinner after 9 p.m. may be made by calling 257-2733.

Randy Jones takes the stage at 5 p.m. on Thursdays and Fridays. Sawyer Ward and Carl Mori play at 6 p.m. on Saturdays and from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. on Sundays.

Winner's Circle

The Winner's Circle is located in the heart of the midtown shopping strip. The bar features a spacious dance floor, pool tables, a big screen TV for sports and a game room.

The music ranges from country and western to a little rock and roll. In May, catch Glen Castleberry's new band.

The Winner's Circle has live music Wednesday through Saturday from 8:30 p.m. to 1:30 a.m. On Sundays the bands play from 7:30 p.m. to 11:30 p.m. Call 257-9535 for more information.

Flying J Ranch

The Flying J Wranglers are a Ruidoso must-see with their unique brand of entertainment. The Flying J Ranch is located just north of Alto and a few miles up Highway 37 from Ruidoso.

"Come on up for a tasty, traditional chuckwagon dinner and a foot-stomping western stage show," said Wrangler James Hobbs.

Pony rides, a shoot out and gift shops are also part of the Flying J Ranch. Dinner served on tin plates consists of either chicken or barbecue beef, beans, apple sauce and spiced cake, coffee or tea; and, of course, the ranch's famous, mouth-watering biscuits.

"We're always ready for extra folks, but to ensure seating and to help us out with the food count, we sure do appreciate reservations," Hobbs said.

It isn't unusual for the dining room, which seats 600 people, to be filled to capacity on certain weekends.

The show features Grand National Champion yodeler Cindy Hobbs, former World Champion and three-time National Champion fiddler Bart Trotter, and working cowboy Jayson Jones on bass and mandolin.

From Memorial Day weekend through Labor Day weekend, the Wranglers perform Monday through Saturday nights. The ticket booth opens at 6 p.m. and dinner is served at 7:30 p.m. Prices are $12.50 for anyone older than 11 and $6.50 for those 11 and younger. For more information and reservations call 336-4330.

The Texas Club

The Texas Club is another local favorite, featuring fine dining in a blue-jeans atmosphere. Dancers will enjoy the country and western music of Randy Jones and Keri. On the weekends until July 5, Keri starts singing at 6 p.m. and Jones has the stage on Wednesdays.

Also on Wednesdays, take advantage of a free happy hour buffet from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. Starting July 5, Randy Jones performs nightly at The Texas Club. Randy Jones has been entertaining Ruidoso since Moon Pie Dance Band was a group. His most recent band was Ricochet, and Jones now plays solo. All shows are free to the public.

The restaurant serves lunch from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m., Monday through Friday. Dinner is served from 5 p.m. to 10 p.m. every night except Tuesday.

To get there, take Mechem to Cree Meadows Drive (across from Furr's), then turn on Metz at The Texas Club sign. For more information call 258-3098.

Screaming Eagle Lounge

Located at the Enchantment Inn on Highway 70, the Screaming Eagle Lounge has become a favorite of visiting blues bands and local country singers.

Ruidoso legend Weasel returns this summer to the Eagle stage, bringing his distinct personality and versatile musical style. On May 20 and 21, the Jim Talbot Blues Band is coming back to the mountains.

Talbot hails from the music capitol of Austin, Texas, and has played at the openings of Billy's Blues, a chain owned by Dan Akroyd. The Stumble, who have also played Billy's Blues, make a special appearance June 15 and 16.

Except for special shows, the entertainment starts at 8 p.m., Wednesday through Sunday. Come early for dinner — the restaurant is open from 5 p.m. to 9 p.m. — and have Caesar salads or special desserts like bananas Foster and cherries flambe' prepared at your table.

For more information call 378-4051.

Inn of the Mountain Gods

In the main lobby of the Inn, Linda Flores tickles the ivories from 4:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m., Thursday through Tuesday. Relax at the piano bar or kick up your heels at the Ina' Da' Lounge.

Try your luck at Casino Apache, which features video poker and video slot machines. The casino is open from 10 a.m. to 1 a.m. every day.

Call 257-5141 for more information.

Bent Tree Jamboree

The Bent Tree Jamboree Dinner Theater opens Memorial Day weekend.

Bent Tree, the newest show in Lincoln County's family entertainment lineup, features blue grass and country entertainment.

You can count on a great meal, too, at Bent Tree.

The Jamboree is located about one mile off Highway 37 on the airport road. For more information, or for reservations, call 257-2258.

Tinnie Silver Dollar

Just down the road in the tiny little "village" of Tinnie is Tinnie Silver Dollar Restaurant, where the fine food in an elegant atmosphere is enhanced by an annual concert series.

The free afternoon concerts, presented outdoors under the covered veranda, offer a great place for families to relax and enjoy the great music.

Tinnie Silver Dollar features jazz and salsa music at its five annual musical affairs, starting with the Fifth Annual Springfest from 2:30 to 6:30 p.m. Sunday, May 22. All concerts begin at 2:30, giving guests plenty of time to have lunch first, or make reservations for an evening meal in the restaurant after the concerts end at 6:30 p.m.

Snacks and drinks also are available on the veranda, where the schedule continues with a Father's Day Fiesta on Sunday, June 19; and Independence Day Celebration on Monday, July 4; and monthly concerts on Sundays, July 31, August 21, and September 18.

If you're dining at Tinnie Silver Dollar Restaurant, reservations are recommended by calling 653-4425.

Welcome to an art lover's paradise

The beautiful mountains of southern New Mexico, the great pure air and the fantastic scenery have inspired artists for many years to come and to create fine art in every media.

This has made it possible for the development of many fine galleries in Lincoln County. Nature lovers, as well as art lovers, will enjoy visiting all of these galleries, not only to see the wide selection of art, but to meet and visit with the interesting owners. They have come from all over to live in this great area and to embrace this way of life.

Many of the owners are fine artists themselves. Take time to appreciate all that they have to offer

Start the art tour at the **Crucis Art Bronze Foundry and Gallery** located at 524 Sudderth Drive in Ruidoso.

For many years they have shown fine bronzes, traditional Southwestern jewelry, as well as custom silver and gold jewelry. There is also a large selection of alabaster and wood carvings, beadwork and cradleboards of local Indian artists.

This is a functioning art foundry, casting for more than 30 artists and the works of many. Ask about times for a casting — it is a very interesting experience. Hours are from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. daily; and the telephone number is 257-7186.

The next stop on the tour would be the **Hondo Gallery** located at 1404 Sudderth Drive. Harry specializes in fine art sales and consignments and features original works by New Mexico artists, including several well-known Ruidoso artists. Included are works by the late Peter Hurd and Tommy Macaions, as well as the great Russian artist Leon Gaspard.

Hondo Gallery also features sculpture, works on paper, etchings, lithographs and photographs by Barbara Van Cleve of Montana. Jewelry from de Bella of Santa Fe also is shown.

Stop in and meet Harry McKee. The telephone number is 257-2755.

Grace's Art and Frame is located just up the street at 2206 Sudderth Drive in the Midtown area.

Featured at Grace's are originals, prints, pottery and other Southwest items.

Grace is also known for framing of fine art. She can be reached by calling 257-4798.

One of the interesting people to meet in the area is Teri Sodd at her beautiful **Mountain Arts Gallery** located at 2530 Sudderth Drive.

Teri is a well known artist and the gallery features many other popular artists. Included are Bill Jackson, Peña, Bob Carver and John Tracy. The gallery also has Southwest pottery, Indian artifacts and weavings.

The custom framing that Teri oversees is a true work of art itself.

Mountain Arts hours are from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. daily and the telephone number is 257-9748.

Always under construction of some kind, the **Fenton Gallery** is loaded with a collection of original art, prints and sculpture. The gallery is a showplace located at 2627 Sudderth Drive and is open daily from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m.

The works of many famous artists are shown, including Hulings, Doolittle, Baize, Harvey, Turpening and many others. The frame shop produces fine and original framing.

Just east of Ruidoso, in the Downs, is a new addition; Fenton's gallery of fine art is located in a beautiful adobe mansion on U.S. Highway 70. To reach Fenton's, call 257-9738.

In the 2800 block of Sudderth Drive is the J.B. Fugere gallery featuring the original work of artist and gallery owner **J.B. Fugere.**

Fugere's features landscapes, seascapes and both originals and prints. There are several other artists featured. The address is 2809 Sudderth Drive and the telephone number is 257-4744.

Tom McMahon has moved his gallery, formerly the Canyon Gallery, to an elegant building at Jira Plaza on Mechem Drive. McMahon's holds hundreds of pieces of fine art.

Featured are many of the top artists of today, plus the historic room showing the art of several of the best original works of Fremont Ellis, Peter Hurd, Ray Vinella, Dorothy Bell Knapp, Tom Knapp, Gene Kloss, Ted Robinson and others, both current and deceased.

This is a fantastic collection that would make any gallery owner envious and is an asset to this mountain village. Visit with Tom from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. daily. The telephone number is 257-9102.

Just to the north, at 714 Mechem Drive, is the interesting **Camel House Gallery** owned by A.D. and Beth Powers.

They show a one-of-a-kind collection of fine art, collectibles, antiques and crafts in the combined frame shop-gallery.

The hours are from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. daily and the telephone number is 257-7479.

Need a relaxing place to rest in a garden setting after this long and fun art tour?

Just across the street in the Sierra Mall and inside the door exists another world. It is **Jacque's Garden Gallery.**

This combines the talent of both Jacqueline and Gary Kastor. She features her original paintings and terrific talent for floral design. Gary is a photographer.

Find a seat in one of the white iron chairs and enjoy!

Jacque does dried and silk flower arrangements and custom floral designs. The stock of greenery and floral arrangements equals any shop in the state.

The hours are from 10 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Monday through Saturday; the telephone number is 257-7899.

On the way east of Ruidoso to the valley, a stop at the **Buckhorn Gallery** will be an experience long remembered.

Tom Knapp and his wife, Dorothy Bell Knapp, have their home and gallery in this historic former bar and dance hall, and have done a remarkable job of creating a home/studio/gallery.

Tom does bronze sculpture and Dorothy is a painter. Their works are also shown at the Tom McMahon Gallery in Ruidoso. Call ahead for an appointment and directions, 378-4126.

In the valley near mile marker 281 is the **Hurd-La Rinconada Gallery** which features the works of Michael Hurd, Peter Hurd, Henriette Wyeth Hurd and H.C. Wyeth.

Henriette is the daughter of N.C. Wyeth and Michael is the son of Peter and Henriette Hurd.

The gallery is located on the grounds of the Sentinel Ranch built by Peter Hurd. The polo grounds are also located on the ranch, along with three guest homes available by calling the gallery for information.

Hurd-La Rinconada hours are from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. and from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Sunday. The gallery is located on U.S. Highway 70 near mile marker 281; the telephone number is 653-4331.

Just across the river is the studio home of artists Carol Hurd and Peter Rogers.

Carol exhibits at the Wyeth-Hurd Gallery in Santa Fe. She is the daughter of Peter and Henriette Wyeth.

Call ahead, 653-4149, for appointment to visit the couple's studio.

Don't miss the inspiring art of one of America's most famous artist families.

A must on your tour of the valley is a visit to the gallery and studio of well known artist **Linda Miller.**

She has her gallery/studio in San Patricio east on Highway 70.

The nature that she surrounds herself with inspires the beautiful selection of still lifes, birds and animals that she paints.

Linda's painting are in collections throughout the world. It is an exciting experience to visit her ranch and to meet Linda, but pleases call ahead for an appointment, 653-4762.

A short drive north to Capitan will bring you to the intersection of First and Lincoln and the **Hotel Chango Restaurant and Art** space.

Owner Jerrold Flores styles himself as an avant-garde artist, but his guests add that he's an artist of cuisine as well.

Gallery offering range from historical art including textiles, graphics and oil paintings. Antiques and collectibles decorate the restaurant and he now can serve your choice of wine.

The hours from 5 to ? Wednesday through Saturday. Reservations are encouraged by calling 354-4213.

Sandy Hartley's studio-gallery in the Nogal hills glows with light, light that gleams through her stained and etched glass and highlights her interior designs and fiber art furniture.

Hours are by appointment, so Hartley invites guests to call ahead for directions, 354-3500.

In the historic town of Lincoln is Cille Dickinson's **Dickinson Gallery** representing four artists, all of whom live in Lincoln: Russel Waterhouse, who works in watercolors; Tom Darrah, who works in a variety of media; Walter Henn, who also works in watercolor; and Palla Price an impressionistic oil painter.

The gallery is open from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. daily in Lincoln. Call 653-4621.

The climax of a Lincoln County art tour would surely be a visit to the famous McGary Studios in Ruidoso located on Gavilan Canyon Road.

Dave McGary is a 35-year-old sculptor who is known world-wide for his interpretations of the real life and legendary life of the native Americans. His works are now exhibited in many areas of the world, including Europe and Japan.

McGary learned his early skills in Italy when he was 16 years old; and his figures have evolved from sports figures to the Native American pieces which have captured the hearts and imaginations of people all over the world.

McGary has continued to develop and refine his techniques, including adding color to the bronze — a new ground for bronze sculpture.

His works have been displayed at the United Nations, the Roundhouse in Santa Fe, the White House and the Old Executive Office Building in Washington D.C. McGary's work is prominently and appropriately displayed at the Museum of the Horse in Ruidoso Downs.

Ruidoso is proud to be the home of the most successful young sculptor working in the field today.

Telephone the gallery, 258-4450, and arrange for a tour; and you might even get to meet the artist himself.

Take the family out for camping, hiking and fishing

Visitors to Lincoln County can find recreation of the challenging or relaxing variety, depending on their mood and physical condition.

Indulge in hikes through alpine valleys. Cook hamburgers over a grill while listening to the breeze glide through the pine trees. Cast a line after elusive trout or straddle a horse as it maneuvers a mountain trail.

Rising out of the Tularosa Basin, the Sacramento Mountains offer a refuge from steaming temperatures in the summer and transform into a skier's delight in the winter.

Ruidoso is surrounded by outdoor recreational opportunities in the Lincoln National Forest, including the White Mountain Wilderness and the nearby Capitan Mountain Wilderness.

Activities may be tailored to an individual's physical condition with hikes along high windy ridges or peaceful meadows. Fishing lines can be cast into fast running streams or in nearby Lake Bonito, which is managed by the city of Alamogordo.

Camping overnight can be as simple as driving to a campground or dispersed camping sites along one of the forest roads. For rugged adventure and backpacking, more than 200 miles of trails crisscross the remote White Mountain Wilderness and other mountain ranges in the Smokey Bear Ranger District.

About 40 percent of the big game hunting in New Mexico occurs on the Lincoln in pursuit of deer, elk, bear and turkey. The same opportunity is available year-round for those who prefer to capture magnificent wildlife on film.

The forest is home to the red-tailed hawk, blue grouse, mearn quail, the hairy woodpecker andsteller jay as well as a temporary stop-over for migratory species such as the blue-throated hummingbird, Clark nutcracker and Townsend warbler.

CAMPING

In addition to numerous private campgrounds and recreational vehicle parks in the county, six campgrounds and one picnic area have been developed in the Lincoln National Forest within an hour and a half drive from Ruidoso.

They are supervised by the Smokey Bear Ranger District, which is headquartered at 901 Mechem Drive and can provide waterproof maps of the wilderness area for $4. The maps also contain useful information about individual trails and national forest regulations.

Situated off U.S. 54 between Carrizozo and Alamogordo, Three Rivers Campground is the farthest from Ruidoso. Lying at the base of the White Mountain Wilderness, its lower elevation allows the campground to remain open year-round while others at higher elevations only are open during the summer season.

Visitors can connect to U.S. 54 by driving west from Ruidoso on State Highways 48 and 37 to Carrizozo and then turn south, or they can take U.S. 70 to Tularosa and head north.

The campground features six campsites. Trailers under 16 feet are permitted. Campers should bring their own drinking water, but restrooms are available. The maximum length of stay for all campgrounds is 14 days.

Forest Ranger Sam Tobias said reconstruction of the campground is planned for late summer and recommended checking with the Smokey Bear District office at (505) 257-4095 for possible closure dates.

An interesting stop near the campground on Forest Road 579 is Three Rivers Petroglyphs Park managed by the Federal Bureau of Land Management.

After munching picnic snacks, visitors can climb a panoramic ridge etched with more than 5,000 figures and symbols left by the Jornado Mogollon people, descended from the nomadic tribesmen who inhabited southcentral New Mexico from 5,000 B.C.

No one is sure why the Indians created the figures or what they mean, but the park presents a unique chance to sit among the ancients under the imposing gaze of Sierra Blanca.

Bring head cover during the summer, the sun can be a brutal opponent as the temperatures climb.

South Fork Campground, with 60 camping sites, is the largest of the six campgrounds in the district. Situated near Bonito Lake, it is the only one that requires a fee, $6 per vehicle, payable at the gate.

Drinking water and restrooms are available. Trailers under 30 feet are allowed.

Two years ago, South Fork received a much needed face lift. Parking spots were lengthened and leveled, restrooms were reconstructed, interior roads were paved and some sites and restrooms were converted for wheelchair accessibility.

South Fork may be reached from Ruidoso by taking State Highway 48 north to Highway 37, then turning on Forest Road 107 leading around Bonito Lake.

For a higher elevation and chillier evenings, Monjeau and Skyline campgrounds offer campers a taste of high altitude at 9,500 and 9,000 feet above sealevel (ASL), respectively.

To reach those campgrounds, take Highway 48 north from Ruidoso to Ski Run Road. From there, follow the signs to Forest Road 117.

Skyline, about nine miles up the mountain from the turnoff, has 17 picnic tables and five fire rings with a central parking area. (Check with the district office about the level of fire hazard. During some especially dry times, fires may be prohibited at campgrounds, dispersed camping and backpacking sites.) Vault restrooms are available. Trailers under 16 feet are allowed if drivers can navigate the sometimes bumpy and rock-strewn road.

Monjeau, about one mile farther up, has four campsites and trailers under 16 feet are allowed. Campers should bring drinking and washing water. Vault type restrooms are available.

Once settled in at the campgrounds, visitors should venture a bit higher up the rocky road to Monjeau Lookout. The platform below the fire spotting tower affords an awesome view of the Sacramentos and of the Capitans, a unique range of mountains that run east to west. The Capitans contain nearly 50 miles of wilderness trails.

Ladybugs also seem to favor the lookout area, congregating so thickly that at times, they blanket the rocky outcrops of the mountain.

Located just off Ski Run Road on the way to Ski Apache, Oak Grove Campground is situated at an elevation of 9,000 feet ASL.

Oak Grove has 29 campsites. Trailers of less than 16-feet are allowed. Campers should bring their own water, but restrooms are available.

If a picnic is what you're after, a large group pavilion and more than 20 scattered single tables are just a short drive from the middle of Ruidoso. The pavilion at Cedar Creek Picnic Area, available by reservation, sits just off Cedar Creek Road about a mile from the Smokey Bear District Ranger Station on Mechem Drive.

Opened officially from May through September, the picnic area is a favorite of year-round residents, who often stop on lunch breaks even in the middle of winter. Drinking water and restrooms are available, but overnight camping is not allowed.

However, just up the road from the picnic pavilion three large shelters have been constructed as part of the new Cedar Creek Group Campground.

They are handicap accessible with water and restrooms. The large shelters are separated by natural landscaping, creating privacy but also allowing interaction for groups that may use all three areas. Up to 250 people can be accommodated at one time.

Fire rings have been created and grills have been assembled for cooking. Parking places are sized for motor homes and trailers as well as cars.

Tents may be set up at random, but no trenching is allowed.

The group campsites may only be used by reservation. Contact the ranger station on Mechem or call (505) 257-4095.

Tobias said Memorial Day, the Fourth of July and Labor Day are the busiest times of the year at the campgrounds. He recommended checking well in advance with the ranger station to reserve the campgrounds on those holiday weekends.

People unfamiliar with Ruidoso also should check with rangers for camping information. The Smokey Bear Station is open from 7:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. on weekdays from Memorial Day through Labor Day. It is open on Saturday from 8 a.m. to noon and from 1 p.m. to 5 p.m.

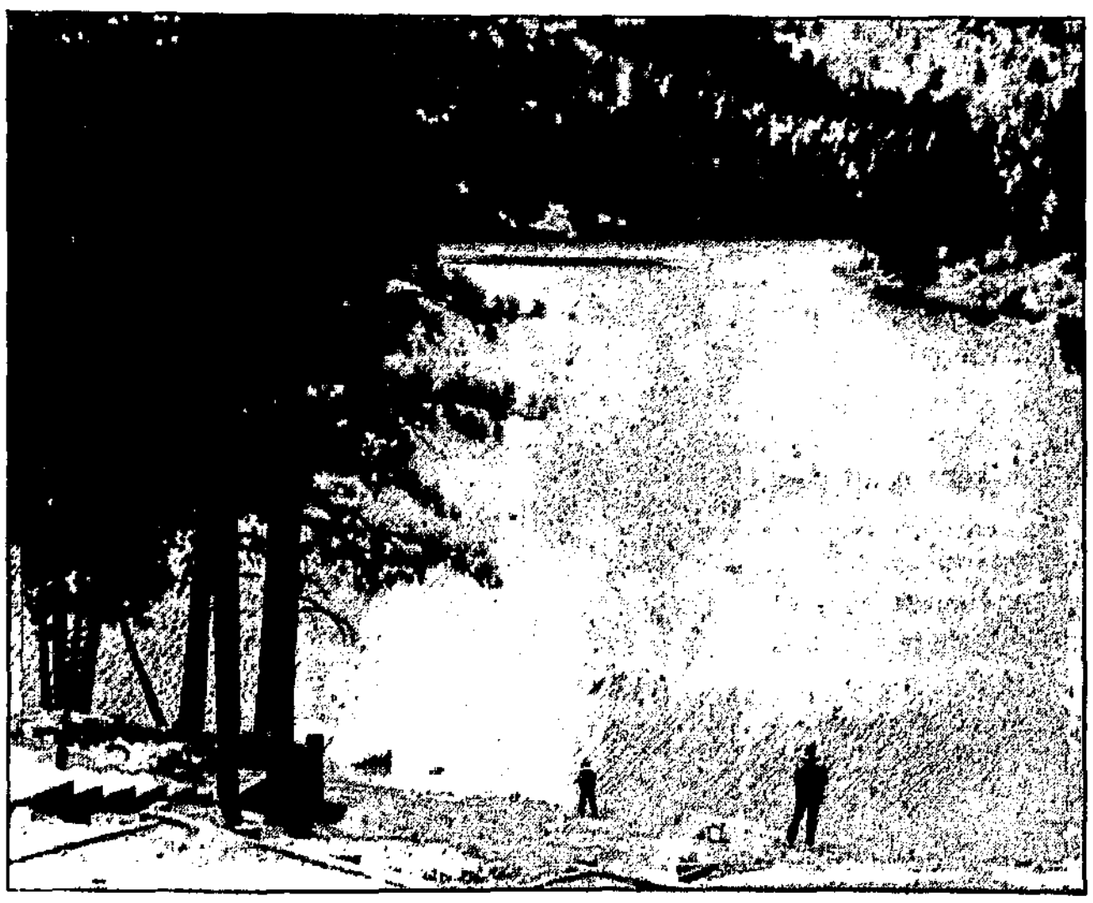
Maps of the Lincoln National Forest and its campgrounds are available at the station for $3.

HIKING

More than 300 miles of trails in the Lincoln National Forest give chances for hiking, horseback riding and motorcycling.

Many of the trails, as well as miles of old railroad grades, are used by cross-country skiers and snowmobilers in the winter.

About 83,000 acres of wilderness are available for users who wish to experi-



FISHING AT BONITO LAKE

ence the ultimate in getting away from it all.

The White Mountain Wilderness and the newer Capitan Mountains Wilderness are located on the spines of rugged mountain ranges, and offer spectacular views to those willing and able to work for them. Travel in the wilderness is restricted to foot and horse traffic. No motorized vehicles or mountain bikes are allowed.

Nine major trails tread the ridges and valleys in the White Mountain Wilderness. They range from less than one mile to more than 21 miles. Some climb only a few hundred feet while others entail ascents of more than 3,000 feet. The top elevation, at Ice Springs, is about 11,000 feet ASL.

The Mills Trail, number 22, is a 4.7 mile long path that climbs 2,560 feet above Bonito Canyon to Monjeau Lookout. The trailhead, which marks the entrance to the route, is accessible from Forest Road 107.

The South Fork Trail, number 19, ascends 2,880 feet from South Fork Campground to Crest Trail. A stream near the six mile long trail invites hikers to stop and enjoy its cool waters. The trailhead is accessible by Forest Road 107 and 107C.

The Bonito Trail, number 36, and the Argentine Trail, number 39, both leave the Bonito-Argentine trailhead and break in different directions along mountain streams.

The Argentine Trail, the shorter of the two, goes 2.5 miles on a incline of 1,280 feet to Crest Trail. The Bonito travels 4.6 miles and gains 1,600 feet in elevation, also to the Crest. The two trails may be reached by Forest Road 107.

Crest Trail begins at two different sites and travels 21.7 miles through the width of the wilderness from Tanbark Canyon to Monjeau Lookout. Some of the most panoramic and scenic views in the wilderness can be found along its pathway. The two trailheads are accessible by either Forest Road 108 or Forest Road 117.

Nogal Trail, number 48, is relatively short at 1.2 miles and climbs 780 feet from Nogal Canyon to the Nogal/Tortolita Trail, number 54. The trailhead is accessible from Forest Roads 108 and 400.

The Three Rivers Trail, number 44, logs more feet in elevation than any other trail in the wilderness. It ascends 3,440 feet in 5.6 miles from the Three Rivers Campground to Crest Trail. The trailhead is accessible by U.S. 54 and Forest Road 579. Hikers should have an adequate water supply since no source of drinking water is available at the campground or on Crest Trail.

The shortest of the major routes is Scenic Trail, number 15, which leaves Ski Apache parking lot at a marked trailhead and goes less than one mile in its 300 foot ascent to Crest Trail.

In addition to the trails in the White Mountain Wilderness, 11 major trails wind through the Capitan Wilderness, three in the Patos Mountains, three in the Carrizo Mountains and Vera Cruz Mountains and three in the Jicarilla Mountains, all in the area around the small community of White Oaks. Maps of the Capitan Wilderness trails also are available at the Smokey Bear District office for $4.

More than half the trails in the Smokey Bear District are non-motorized. Off-road and off-trail travel is not permitted by vehicles in the Lincoln National Forest. The restriction is necessary to protect soil and water, vegetation and wildlife, Tobias said.

Vehicles must remain on roads and trails marked by numbered signs. These signs are located at intersections and other prominent places. Some closed roads and trails are barricaded or gated, most are identified by signs.

Open roads may be traveled by any vehicle. Motorized trails are open to hikers, horses and vehicles less than 40-inches wide, unless otherwise restricted. Vehicles may travel up to 300 feet from open roads to reach primitive camping sites, unless doing so would result in damage to the resource, Tobias said.

Travel maps showing what trails are motorized and those that are not, are available at the ranger station for $1 each. Backpackers and people interested in the more obscure trails in the White Mountain Wilderness need the $4 trail map on sale at the station.

For people seeking a milder form of exercise, the U.S. Forest Service's Fitness Trail at Cedar Creek is a perfect alternative.

Consisting of an outer loop of 1.3 miles and an inner loop of one-fourth of a mile, the trail covers seven dual-purpose exercise stations along a jogging path. Participants walk or jog between stations, complete the exercises and continue on until they've finished the course. Signs describe and illustrate each exercise.

Individuals progress at their own rate and do as few or as many repeats of the exercises as they wish.

RIDING

White Mountain Wilderness visitors on horseback may choose to use their own saddles and pack stock or those of an outfitter for a daytime or overnight trek into the wilderness. If properly managed, use of a horse can be a rewarding experience without harming the surrounding environment.

Pack animals and saddle stock are limited to 15 for any overnight party entering the wilderness. Proper planning and use of lightweight food and equipment can reduce the number of animals necessary for carrying supplies.

Horseback riding stables include: Cowboy Stables in Ruidoso Downs, Buddies on Gavilan Canyon Road, Grindstone Stables, Bonito Stables and the Inn of the Mountain Gods.

Tobias said he expects llama treks to be available to visitors, using outfitters from Tularosa and Ruidoso. Contact the forest district office for more information.

PICNIC AT OAK GROVE CAMPGROUND

Because of the increasing use of the forests by large groups for a variety of activities including hiking, camping and horseback riding, the district urges organizations to contact the office on Mechem in advance or when they arrive.

"That will allow us to track the usage better and be aware of where they are located as a safety matter," Tobias said.

FISHING

While local fishing holes are not abundant, the search to find them usually is rewarded by an ample catch.

Bonito Creek, Bonito Lake, Eagle Creek, Alto Lake, Grindstone Lake and the Rio Ruidoso all offer excellent trout fishing opportunities. They are stocked annually by the New Mexico Game and Fish with up to 2,000 rainbow trout measuring 10 1/2 inches in length.

Salmon eggs, power bait and worms are the most popular baits. Minnows are prohibited in trout water of the area.

All anglers over the age of 11 must have a current fishing license. A year-long license for residents of New Mexico is $8.50 and $14 with a trout validation.

Sportsmen may buy a trout-water validation at the same time they buy a fishing license. If a license is purchased without validation, and a person later decides to fish in trout water, a trout stamp must be obtained and will run $5.75 for residents and $13 for non-residents. They can be purchased at sporting departments in major discount stores.

For non-residents, a year-long, warm waters species license runs $30, with trout validation, $42.50.

Junior-senior and temporary licenses also are available. They are for youngsters 12-14 years old and for those anglers over 65. They cost $1.50 for warm waters and $4.50 with trout validation.

Temporary licenses are good for one and five days. A one-day license is $9.25 for warm waters and with trout validation; five day licenses are $17.

Those fishermen who cast their lines in the Lincoln National Forest and surrounding Bureau of Land Management controlled water also will have to purchase a Wildlife Habitat Improvement Stamp.

The $5.25 stamp is required for Eagle Creek, Three Rivers, all waters within the White Mountain Wilderness, certain sections of Bonito Creek and all waters in the Capitan Mountains. It is not required to fish Bonito Lake, Alto Lake, Grindstone Lake or the Rio Ruidoso.

Money derived from the sale of the stamp will be used to complete habitat improvement projects to benefit all types of wildlife.

The state's daily fishing limit is six bagged/six in possession. Bonito Lake's limit is 10/10.

Fines for fishing without a license may run from $50 to $500 and up to six months in jail.

Fishing opportunities also are available on the Mescalero Apache Reservation at Eagle Lake, Silver Lake, the upper Rio Ruidoso and Lake Mescalero.

Reservation fishing permits cover all seasons. The charge is $8.40, available at the boat dock at the Inn of the Mountain Gods. The daily limit is 12.

Those who don't want to work too hard for their fish can try Conley's Trout Lake four miles east of the Ruidoso Downs Race Track.

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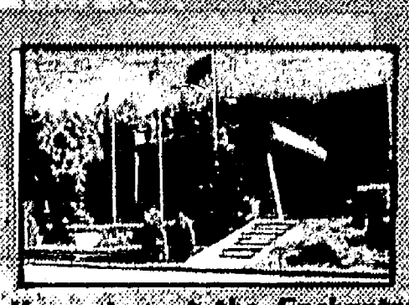

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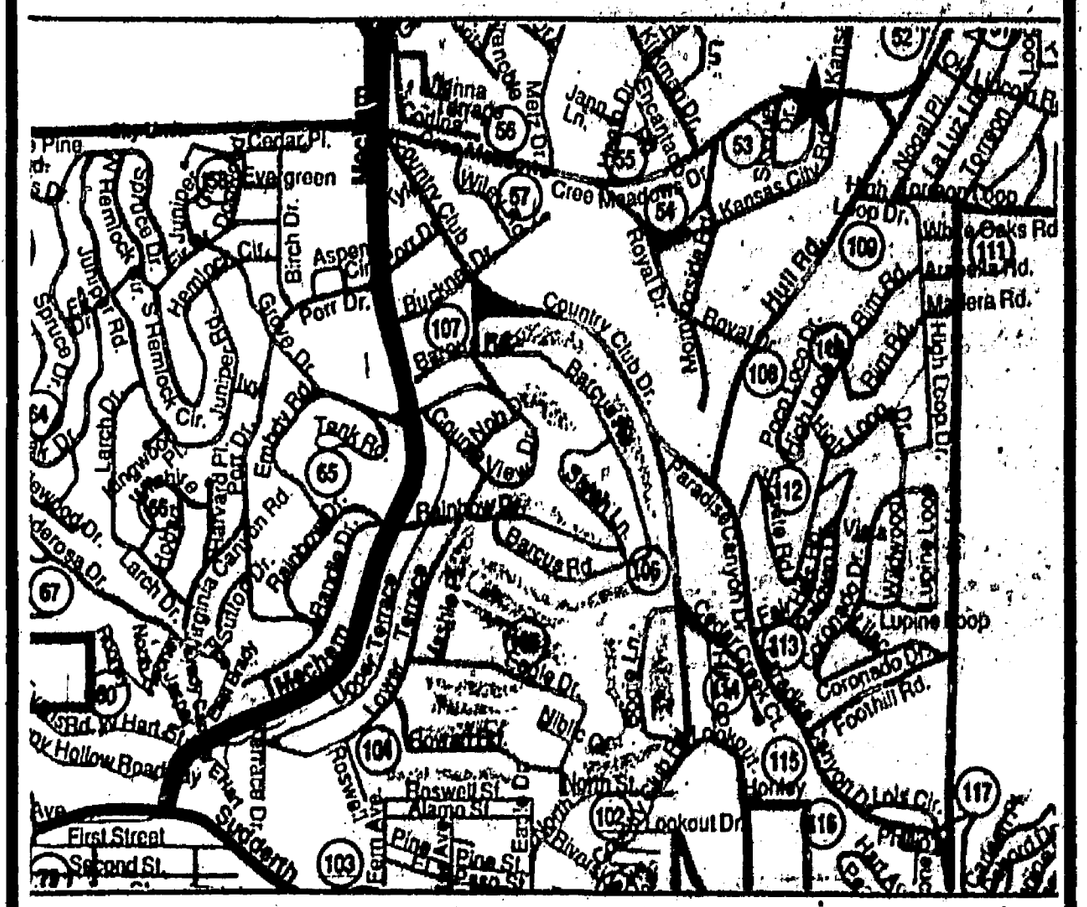

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Visit Lincoln County's past: Ancho, White Oaks, Carrizozo

Many Lincoln County communities are a blend of the old and new. On one hand, their residents keep alive local traditions, legends and history while on the other, they create new ones as they look to the future. Nowhere is this more evident than in this mini-tour of Ancho, White Oaks and Carrizozo.

Ancho Museum My House Of Old Things

In the early part of this century, Ancho, New Mexico, was a prominent community of ranchers, a brick plant, school, railroad and even a baseball team. Although the Ancho of yesterday is only a memory, the Ancho Museum My House of Old Things shows visitors of today, "the way things were done in their grandparents' day". So says Sara Jackson, owner and curator of the Museum begun by her mother, Jackie Straley Silvers.

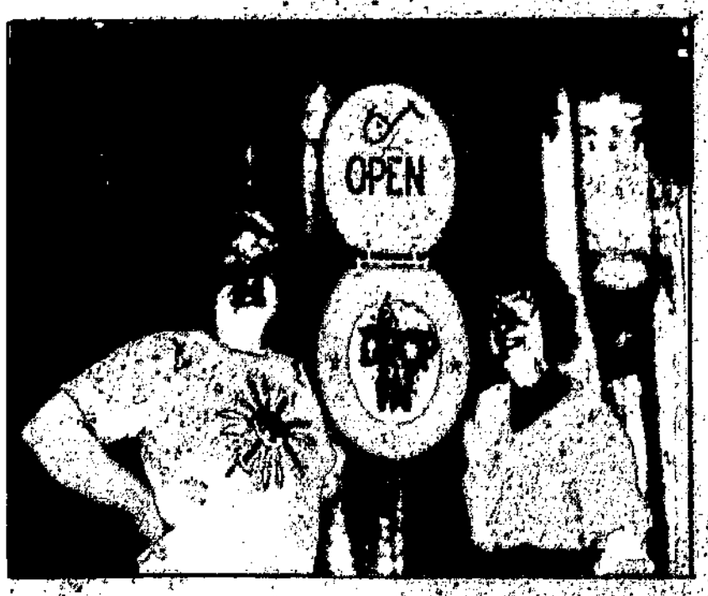
In 1963, Mrs. Silvers began assembling antiques and "just plain old things" from the turn of the century through the '40s. To house these thousands of items, she chose an empty railroad depot, a remnant of Ancho's glory days as the center of a thriving brick plant industry. The depot's sunny rooms soon brimmed with items as diverse as kitchen implements and railroad switches, jewelry and arrowhead collections, family china and doll clothes, and literally hundreds of other treasures — even a ball gown and baseball uniform.

"The gown was worn at the first Governor's Inaugural Ball when New Mexico became a state," Mrs. Jackson points out proudly. "And, yes, Ancho had a baseball team in the '50s that played other towns. There's a story behind every piece." Hundreds of pieces tell hundreds of stories.

Location: the Ancho turnoff is 24 miles north of Carrizozo on U.S. 54, in Carrizozo, one may gas up and buy snacks. "We're really out in the country here", reminds Mrs. Jackson, who this year will have soft drinks available.
Hours: 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. daily May through October 15.
Admission: $2 for adults and 50 cents for children under 12

The Jicarillas

Leaving Ancho via Forest Road 72, one winds through piñon and juniper forests of the Jicarilla Mountains. Travelers may picnic along the way, weather and forest conditions permitting. The abandoned Jicarilla Schoolhouse sits on the south side of the road. Managed by the U.S. Forest Service, this old structure is on the National Register of Historic Places.



RUTH BIRDSONG AND ALICE STOKES

Next stop the mini-tour: the reviving town of White Oaks

Gold In Them Thar Hills

At the turn of the century, White Oaks was THE place to live. Major gold mines enriched the inhabitants, who established churches, schools, literary societies and dramatic clubs in their territorially prominent town.

But as gold mines became less profitable, the mines played out and a railroad was built elsewhere and bypassed the town, White Oaks faded to almost a ghost town.

Recently, however, dedicated volunteers, many of them descendants of White Oaks's heyday citizens, formed the White Oaks Historical Association to preserve the glittering past before everyone who remembered it was gone.

More recently, several artists have moved to White Oaks, creating an artists' colony in this land of no pollution and clear light. Together the previous residents and the new are blending the historical past with a promising future for perhaps a new Gilded Age for White Oaks.

A Peek At The Past

Your first stop in White Oaks should be Birdsong's Crafty Cage on the main street at the west end of town. There, visitors find historical information including complementary brochures as well as maps, booklets and newsletters for sale. Also available: cold drinks and snacks.

If parents want to shop the gift store for clothing, accessories, toys, baby gifts, jewelry, art, home decorations, post cards and much more — all handcrafted by versatile owners Ruth Birdsong and Alice Stokes Payton — their kids can remain occupied with "free pony rides." That's playing outside with stick horses, also made by Ruth.

New this year: Jewell's Classic line of jeans, shorts and tops, and Alice's line of sheepskins and sheepskin products.

After examining the historical material, you'll want to take a leisurely self-guided tour of the "ghost town." A word of caution: some buildings are in flagged-off ruins occupied solely by spiders and rattlesnakes. View these places from the outside only. Be aware of open cisterns, falling bricks and other dangers.

School In Great-Grandma's Time

The only danger at the White Oaks School is that you may not want to leave. Pupils attended this two-story brick schoolhouse from 1895 to 1947. Since then, it had fallen into disrepair until the Historical Association adopted it as their first project. By cleaning, re-painting and filling it with pictures and antiques, they've restored it to its regal style.

Downstairs, one room is set up as a classroom of the 1910s or '20s. Teacher's massive desk presides from a raised platform which faces welded students' desks. An old globe and portrait of President Zachary Taylor add ambience.

To make this classroom come alive with echoes of chattering children and a tapping ruler, pictures of former White Oaks students and teachers adorn the walls. They remind visitors that this is no mere museum; it's a record of real families and memories.

Upstairs are more rooms to explore. One is filled with artifacts, books, tools, furnishings and other remembrances of the past. One such is an old prescription book written with unfamiliar, old-fashioned medicine names. Laminated copies of White Oaks's newspaper, the Old Abe Eagle dated 1894 recount significant events in town and territory life.

Another part of the School's charm is its volunteer guides, many of whom lived in White Oaks during the time portrayed here. One such is 83 year-old Robert Leslie, former White Oaks student, who enlivens every piece with personal stories. An if asked politely, congenial Robert may just let a visitor clang the old school bell, whose rings can be heard throughout the valley.

Location: On County Road AO 43
Hours: "usually" from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday and from noon to 5 on Sunday. During the week, Curator Bessie Leslie, Robert's sister-in-law, will open it especially for groups. Make prior arrangements by calling her at 648-2228.
Admission: $1 and booklets published by the Association are $2.

WHITE OAKS SCHOOL MUSEUM

An Artistic Future

Ruth and Alice at Birdsong's Crafty Cage will tell you where the artists and their studios are, or you may consult the whimsical handpainted signpost at the intersection of New Mexico 349 and County Road AO 43.

Four prominent artists now live in White Oaks. Three have moved here within a year. All sell from their home-studios and so welcome guests.

Young Ivy Heymann of White Oaks Pottery is the town's "old-timer," having lived here for 17 years. Strong hands create her speciality, functional porcelain and wall sconces in clean, elegant forms in black in white. Many are used as custom lighting fixtures.

A potter since her teen years, blonde Ivy has displayed her work in many galleries but now does studio sales exclusively. For directions, call 648-2985.

Artist John Duncan moved here a year ago from Taos and conceived the idea of an artists' colony. He invited James Mack also of Taos and Bob Reynierson of Lexington, Kentucky via El Paso, Texas, to join him.

Duncan describes his work as "post-Impressionist influenced by Cezanne and Turner." But, he hastens to add, his work escapes categorizing. To make up your mind about his style, call him at 648-2353 and make an appointment.

Bob Reynierson speaks of his art in soft Kentucky accents. He's a realist, he says, specializing in equines and landscape that he has exhibited in Lexington;

Dallas, Texas, Albuquerque and Carrizozo, and elsewhere. Telephone 648-2625.

It's easy to find James Mack's studio. Just look for a white Victorian mansion. Called the Gumm House by locals, it was built in 1885 by the Gumm brothers, prominent White Oaks businessmen. James and his wife give tours of their restored home and of his studio.

Of his style, contemporary artist Mack says, "The painting sort of just goes in the direction is wants to." Telephone 648-2617.

This spring, all these artists along with Harlan Webb, saddlemaker, and Walt Birdsong, wood burner, held a one-day art and studio tour. "It proved so successful that it'll be an annual event," promises Ivy.

Cedarvale Cemetery

Even as you leave town, your White Oaks visit isn't over. Just south of town on the left of New Mexico 349 is the Cedervale Cemetery, appropriately one of the last stops on this mini-tour.

In use of a century, the cemetery is the last resting place for both the turn-of-the-century miner and today's county deceased.

Of historical interest will be the graves of Susan McSween Barber who figured prominently in Lincoln County Wars and of Governor William McDonald, the state's first governor. Consult your brochure for additional graves.

Time Travel Continues to Carrizozo

Return to Carrizozo, Lincoln County's seat, via U.S. 54 for the mini-tour's last stop. Relax, for here you'll learn history between sips of an ice cream soda or cherry limeade.

Your final destinations: Roy's Gift Gallery on U.S. 54 at the south end of town.

Step through the Gallery's heavy doors and you've really entered old Doc Paden's drugstore, a 'Zozo landmark. High ceilings and heavy moldings attest to its early century heritage.

Present owner Roy Dow kept the green marble 1930s soda fountain and fixtures, the antique rosewood mirror from the turn of the century and Doc Paden's apothecary cabinets when he restored the building and re-opened it as a gift and stationery shop with soda fountain.

Under a cool fan, the weary time traveler may refresh from summer's dusty trek as Roy tells tales of Doc Paden and his antiques. Roy, who grew up in Carrizozo, genially gives a real slice of early Lincoln County life. (Lest anyone think he lived it personally, Roy reminds visitors he heard these tales from his parents and grandparents!)

ROY DOW SERVING AT DOC PADEN'S

Location: On County Road AO 43
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PRESENT POSTMASTER POINTS OUT OLD ALTO POST OFFICE

Alto: that was then, this is now

Location: north of Ruidoso on New Mexico 48.
Amenities: convenience stores, one with gas pumps and a package liquor license, four lodging establishments, an RV park, restaurant with bar, post office, other businesses.
Attractions: fishing and picnicking at Alto Lake (New Mexico license with trout stamp required), hiking, RV camping. Golfing for members and guests of Alto Lakes Golf and Country Club.

Fishermen, skiers, golfers. Weekenders, retirees, locals. Vacation cabins, permanent homes, businesses, condos, a country club. These are the who and what of Alto today, quite a contrast to the Alto of nearly a century ago.

Although some newcomers refer to "Alto" to mean only Alto Village, one of the many land developments in the area, Alto actually refers to the entire unincorporated area north of Ruidoso and south of Angus along New Mexico 48.

The Alto community of today consists of many subdivisions including Alto Village, Sun Valley, La Junta, Rancho Ruidoso, Sierra Vista, Alto North, Enchanted Forest, Shangri-La, and any others, as well as numerous private homesteads and visitor-related businesses.

This resort/retirement community contrasts to the Alto turn-of-the-century days.

When the Alto post office was established in 1901 — 11 years before New Mexico statehood — Alto was a ranching and mill community that lay along the route taken by supply wagons going from Tularosa to Fort Stanton. The wagons came up Gavilan Canyon and crossed the High Mesa before going down toward Angus.

Long-time Alto rancher Robert Scribner and his wife, Ann, have found oxen shoes and rusted cannonball on their High Mesa property which they believe came from those wagons.

And since today's subdivisions were once part of somebody's ranch, it's not uncommon for hikers to come across abandoned orchards that were once a family's food supply but now feed only deer and birds.

That Was Then, This Is Now

Over a half a century ago, a small school house, the Eagle Creek School, stood across from what is now the High Country Lodge, at the western edge of Alto Lake. In her book, The Saga of the Sierra Blanca co-authored with Herbert Lee Traylor, Louise Coe Runnels relates life in Alto in the '20s and '30s, including attending classes in the two-room Eagle Creek School.

Then, Alto residents were permanent residents in an isolated closeknit neighborhood. Stories of community parties in that schoolhouse, especially at Christmas, and of family entertainment in that pre-TV and even pre-radio era fill the pages of her book and pages of the Old Abe Eagle, a county newspaper of the time.

Those stories also fill the memories of those who lived here then and entertain those of us who live here now.

Now, the Eagle Creek School is no more and the property is a playground for the children of High Country's guests. The big ranches have been sold, subdivided and built upon by either weekenders, retirees or families who work in Ruidoso and live here.

Most of these developments came about during the '60s and '70s.

For example, Sun Valley, a residential community west of New Mexico 48 and north of New Mexico 532, Ski Run Road, was platted in 1963.

In 1964, Bob O'Kelly of Carlsbad bought property east of New Mexico 48 and platted Lakeside Estates.

In 1965, Maurice D. "Don" Blaugrund of El Paso, Texas bought Lakeside Estates from O'Kelly and replatted it a year later. He acquired more land from Scribner and George Creel on the High Mesa and resculpted the corn fields and cattle pastures into Alto Village, a development with country club and championship 18-hole golf course.

Other developments during this time included Rancho Ruidoso Estates, carved from the famed Paso Monte Ranch on the old Fort Stanton Road. These are just a few of the 75 odd-developments in the Alto area. The newest may be the Ranches of Sonterra, located on Airport Scenic Road.

Do skiers driving up Ski Run Road in the winter know that 60 years ago children lived along Eagle Creek and rode horseback through the snow to school? Do the golfers who walk the manicured green of High Mesa know that cattle grazed in corn fields there? Do the fishermen who cast into Alto Lake know of the fathers who fished Eagle Creek to feed their families decades ago? Probably not.

But in their own way, these '90s are seeing a new history, for as this century turns again in this decade, new generations write Alto's story for the next.

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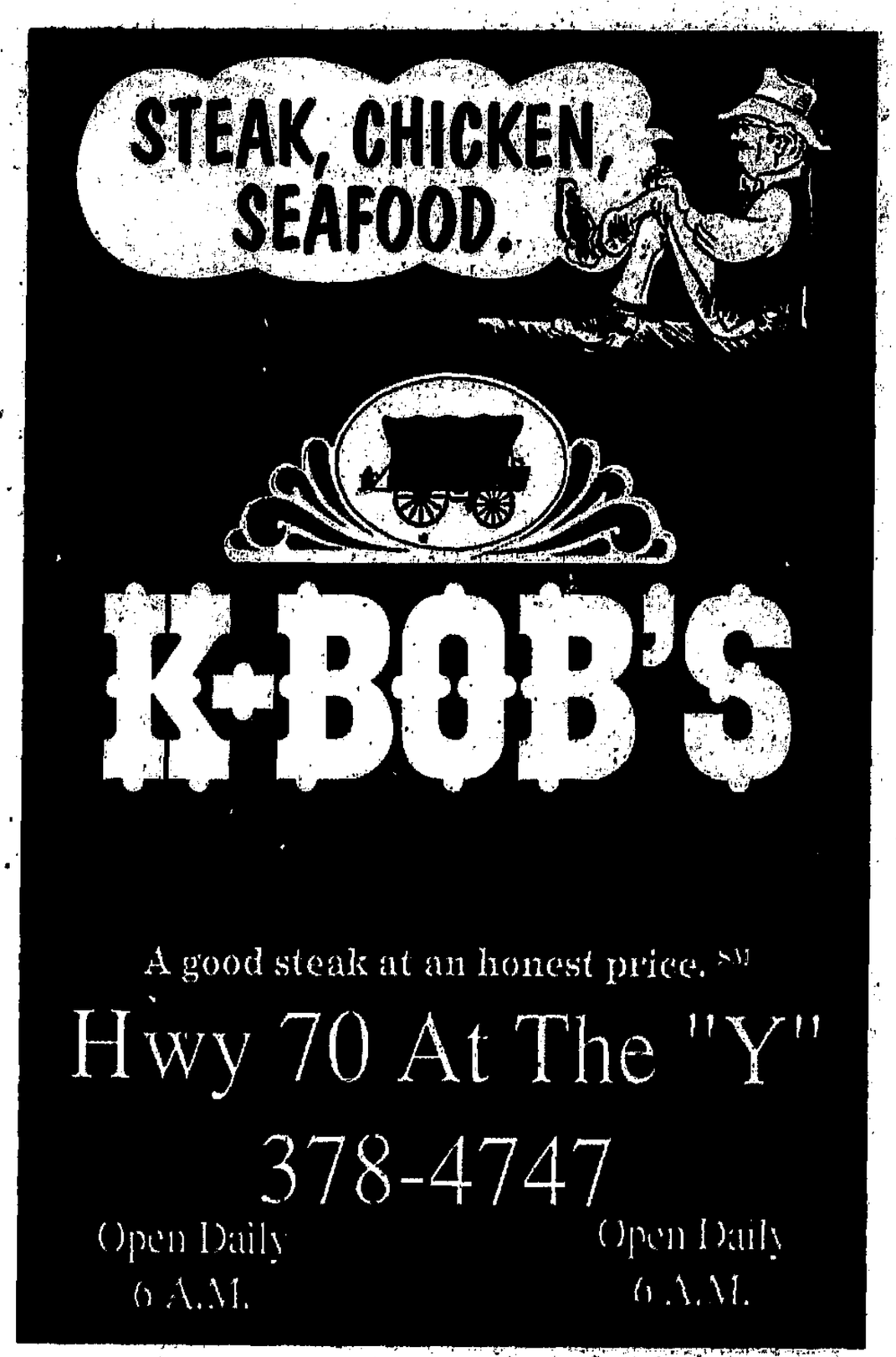
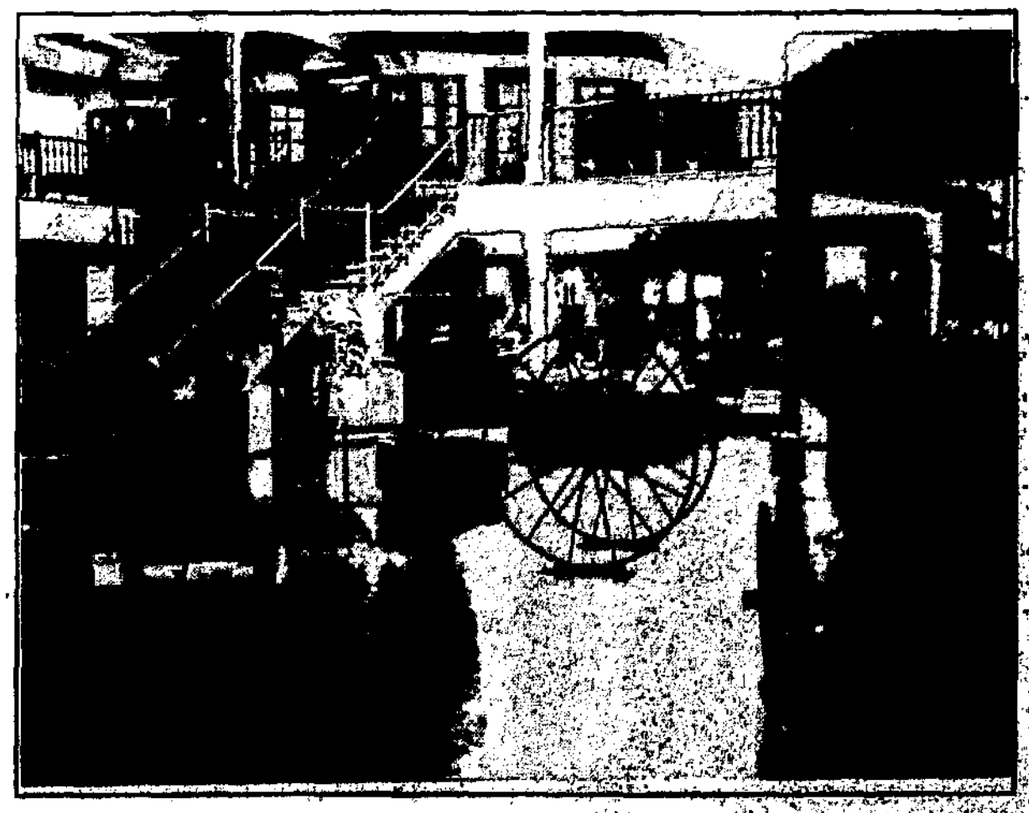


Take a Walk Down Memory Lane, and Bring the Kids Along!



History takes on a new meaning at the Museum of the Horse. Touch a Conestoga wagon...run your hands over the wheels of an 1860 Stagecoach. Catch a glimpse of life in the early 1900's. Explore an exquisite collection of wagons, coaches, saddles, Indian artifacts and fine art. Watch history come to *LIFE*...and your family with it!

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Does your creative spirit aspire to the perfect mountain photo? While scenic beauty fills nearly every corner of Ruidoso, there are special views you won't want to miss. These are on Ski Run Road, at Monjeau Peak, and all points in between.

Before leaving on this mini-tour, however, pack lots of film, a jacket and hat, and a picnic punch. Don't forget to gas up — and don't forget your camera!

What A View!

Your photo safari begins in Alto at Ski Run Road, New Mexico 532. Follow the paved road about 10 miles to Windy Point, the only designated parking area on that road.

Sometimes called Lookout Point, this spot offers views in three directions. Photo opportunities abound — of majestic 12,000-foot Sierra Blanca Peak, lush green canyons, the Capitan Range, and others. Look skyward and you may spot hawks or golden eagle wheeling overhead.

(Insider tip: Windy Point is a popular takeoff for local hang gliders on weekends.)

At this altitude, a haze filter is a must. And if you have a polarizing filter, use it for dramatic effects with billowy clouds. Bring your telephoto or wide-angle lens? Now's the time for close-ups of the Peak and other faraway attractions.

Magnificent Monjeau

Drive back down Ski Run Road almost to the bottom, about nine miles. Turn left onto Forest Road (FR) 117 to Monjeau Peak. FR 117 is a non-surfaced road that winds through mostly National Forest before terminating at Monjeau Peak.

That stone tower is the US Forest Service's summer fire lookout. Visitors may park there and walk around the Peak and the first floor of the tower. More magnificent views and more creative opportunities for special lenses and filters.

If you choose not to drive as far as the fire lookout tower, you'll find the view from Skyline Campground almost as spectacular.

Now Look Closely

By now, that picnic punch seems very attractive. Driving back down Monjeau Peak road, you'll pass many campgrounds, picnic spots and hiking trails maintained by the Forest Service. Select one for your lunch stop — and more photo ops.

Gurgling streams, fallen logs, bark patterns, leaf shapes, wildflowers — forest beauty in microcosm. Did you bring a macro lens? Use it for imaginative close-ups.

Remember: "people" pictures prove interesting, too. Capture kids splashing in a stream, Grandma coaxing a squirrel or Dad napping under his hat.

Can't wait to see your efforts? Many local photography shops offer one-day service; check the telephone book or ads in this Guide. And instead of leaving your memories loose in an envelope, mount them in an attractive album you've purchased from any of our local stores.

Behold — treasured mementos of your mountain holiday!

A photographer properly dressed for the weather sights a view of Sierra Blanca peak from appropriately named Windy Point. Even in early summer, Sierra Blanca Peak still holds snow. In fact, shortly after this photo was taken, (April 1994) it began snowing.

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Smokey Bear turns 50 and Capitan leads the celebration

Happy birthday dear Smokey, happy birthday to YOU!

The Friends of Smokey, folks in Capitan, and many other groups invite you to join them in celebrating the Smokey Bear fire prevention campaign's golden anniversary.

Why Fire Prevention?

During World War II, a fire prevention campaign was thought necessary to conserve the nation's timber resources. In 1944, creative advertising agency talents chose a bear as the ad campaign's appealing symbol and named the character Smokey.

The fictional bear gained a real persona when a few years later, in 1950, firefighters rescued a burnt bear cub from a forest fire in the mountains near Capitan, New Mexico. The orphan bear cub was christened, Smokey, and when his wounds healed, he went to live at the National Zoological Park in Washington DC as the living symbol of fire prevention.

In the years since, the Smokey Bear campaign has increased fire prevention awareness. Who in this country has never heard the words, "Only YOU can prevent forest fires"?

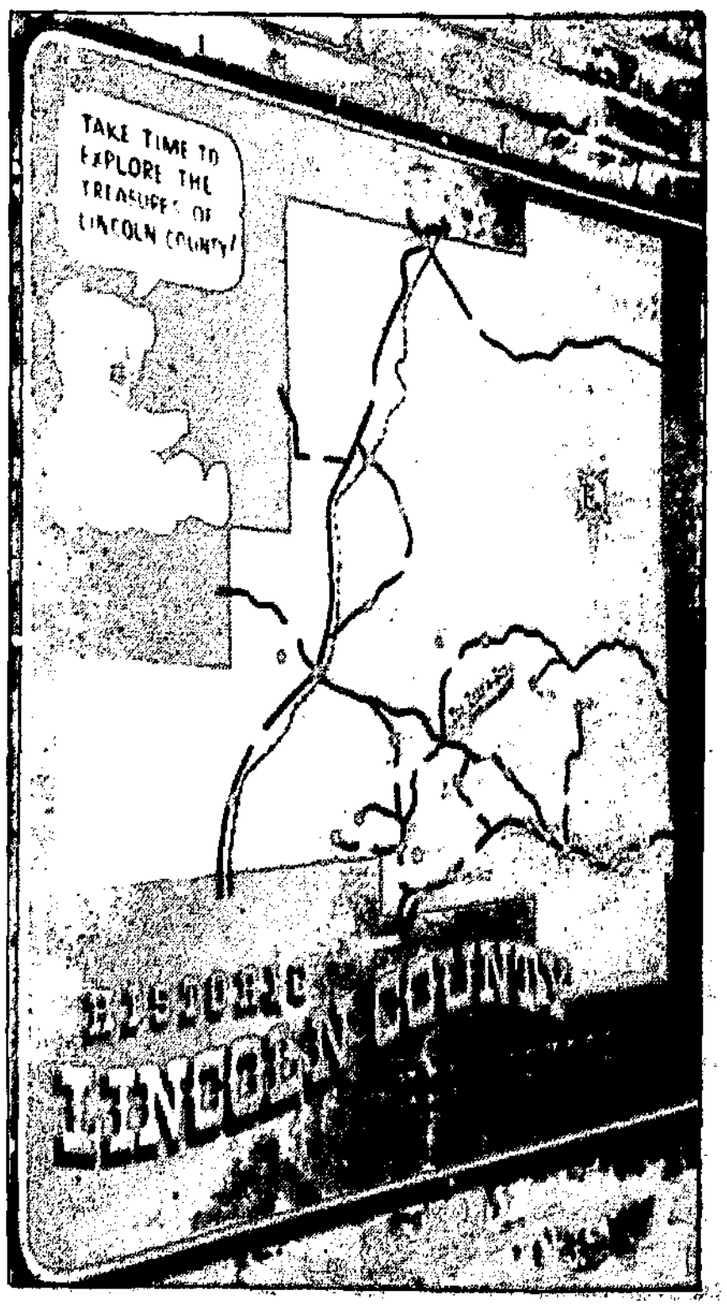
Since the first living Smokey was found near their home, folks in Capitan have always felt special pride and kinship with the Smokey Bear concept.

Consequently, as the 50th anniversary of the Smokey Bear campaign occurs this year, they and others have planned many special events to mark the occasion.

May 14: Annual dinner, entertainment and auction at the Capitan High School at 6:30 PM.

May 21: Smokey Bear Open Golf Tournament at the Links at Sierra Blanca at noon followed by a barbecue and dance at the Ruidoso Convention and Civic Events Center at 7 p.m.

June 11-12: Smokey Bear Volksmarch at Smokey Bear Boulevard and New Mexico 246 in Capitan at 8 a.m.



During the July Fourth weekend, things really get smokin' for Smokey during the annual Smokey Bear Stampede. Events include:

July 1: Smokey Bear Day at the Races at Ruidoso Downs at 1 p.m.

Smokey Bear Stampede and Rodeo at the Lincoln County Fairgrounds in Capitan at 7 p.m.

July 2: Smokey Bear Special Shape Hot Air Balloon Ascension in Capitan at 6 a.m. followed by pancake breakfast at the Capitan Senior Citizens Center at 6:30 a.m.

14th Annual Smokey Bear 10K and 2 Mile Fun Run at Smokey Bear Boulevard and New Mexico 246 in Capitan at 7:30 a.m.

Smokey Bear Stampede, Rodeo and Country Western Band at the Lincoln
County Fairgrounds in Capitan at 7 p.m.

July 3: Smokey Bear Special Shape Hot Air Balloon Ascension in Capitan at 6 a.m.

Wildfire Chili Cook-Off on Smokey Bear Boulevard in Capitan at 10 a.m. for cooking and 1 p.m. for tasting

Old West Ranch Rodeo and dance at Fairgrounds at 7 p.m.

July 4: Pancake Breakfast at Capitan Senior Citizens Center at 6:30 a.m.

Happy Birthday Smokey parade in Capitan at 10 a.m.

Old West Ranch Rodeo and barbecue at Lincoln County Fairground in Capitan at noon

Smokey Bear Stampede and Rodeo at the Fairgrounds at 7 p.m.

Events continue throughout the summer with August activities that include:

August 3-9: Re-enactment of Smokey's flight to Washington DC

August 6: Smokey Bear Trail Ride at the Capitan Gap at 9 a.m.

August 7: Old Lincoln County Days Parade in Lincoln at 11 a.m.

August 9-13: Lincoln County Fair in Capitan at the Fairgrounds

For more information on all special events, call the Smokey Bear Museum at 354-2298.

A Day With The Bear

Want to learn more about Smokey Bear and why he's so special? Then take a mini-tour to Capitan, his birthplace.

Along New Mexico 48 and US 380, the highways leading to Capitan, official scenic markers sketch Smokey's story. They're a good introduction to your Day with the Bear.

In Capitan, two places fully tell his story. Visit both; together they round out Smokey's bear-sonality.

The Park

First stop will be the Smokey Bear Historical State Park at 118 Smokey Bear Boulevard (formerly First Street). Maintained by the New Mexico State Forestry, the park features a time-line display of the origins of fire prevention, the concept of Smokey and other displays including fire prevention video games that are popular with children.

Added this year: a new film chronicling the 50 years of the Smokey Bear program plus a poster rack with historical fire prevention posters, some more than 50 years old.

There's more to the park than just inside the building. Outside you may walk a nature trail with native plants and rocks that leads to the grave of Capitan's original Smokey. In addition, the Park maintains a

children's playground and picnic area with table.

While outside, history buffs will spot a newly-painted building next to the picnic tables. It's the original railroad depot left from the days when the train went by Capitan.

This building is now on the National Register of Historic Places. It's not open to the public but is kept up a storage facility for the Historical park.

Hours: 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. daily.
Admission: 25 cents for ages seven and older
Phone: 354-2748

The Museum

Next to the nature trail is the log cabin home of the Smokey Bear Museum. Built in 1960, the museum remains the first repository of Smokey memorabilia. It operates independently of the Historical Park and was built on donated land with donated material and volunteer labor, evidence of the community's love for Smokey.

Here you'll find such treasures as original photos of little Smokey, personal accounts by his discoverers and even the baby bottle that fed the cub. New owner Teresa Engleking has added more merchandise to the museum's line of officially-licensed Smokey bear souvenirs, some made especially for his 50th birthday.

Hours: 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.
Admission: free, the donations are welcome
Phone: 354-2298

Other Capitan Amenities

Visitors find all they need in Capitan. Along Smokey Bear Boulevard, services include craft shops, gift stores, restaurants, art galleries, gas stations including a convenience store, bank, post office, grocery store, hardware store and others.

Tucked on side streets are a church, more art galleries and craft shops and an acclaimed fine restaurant, Chango's.

When It's Not Smokey's Birthday

Capitan shines as the site of the annual Lincoln County Fair, this year August 9 through 13. County folk turn out to admire their neighbors' entries of livestock, handcrafts, art, garden produce, canned and baked delicacies and more. Civic organizations set up displays and fund-raising booths.

Sound like old-fashioned fun? Then dust off those cowboy boots and head for Capitan!

Location: 20 miles north of Ruidoso on NM 48.

Visit Billy the Kid's stomping grounds

When you were a child, did you play cowboys? Were your heroes Roy Rogers, John Wayne, Marshall Matt Dillon, Billy the Kid or Dale Evans? Did you reluctantly leave the romance of the Old West behind with your childhood?

If you answered "yes" to even one question, you need to mosey over to the town of Lincoln, where the Old West thrives.

On any day you can stroll down the town's only street and imagine yourself there a century before. Here are buildings that date from the 1800s, lovingly restored instead of fallen victim to urban renewal. Paving, electricity and modern plumbing may be the town's only concessions to 1994.

Lincoln enjoyed a colorful written history dating from those 1800s and that, along with the Billy the Kid legends, draws visitors to the little town on the Rio Bonito. It's easy to pass all day under Lincoln's sunshine and spell, and if you can't leave, you can spend the night where Billy slept.

A Walk Through Time

Lincoln County Heritage Trust, together with the Lincoln County Historical Society, restored many buildings, transforming them into museums. Four of them open to the public for one ticket price. These are the Courthouse, Dr. Wood's house, The Tunstall Store and the Historical Center.

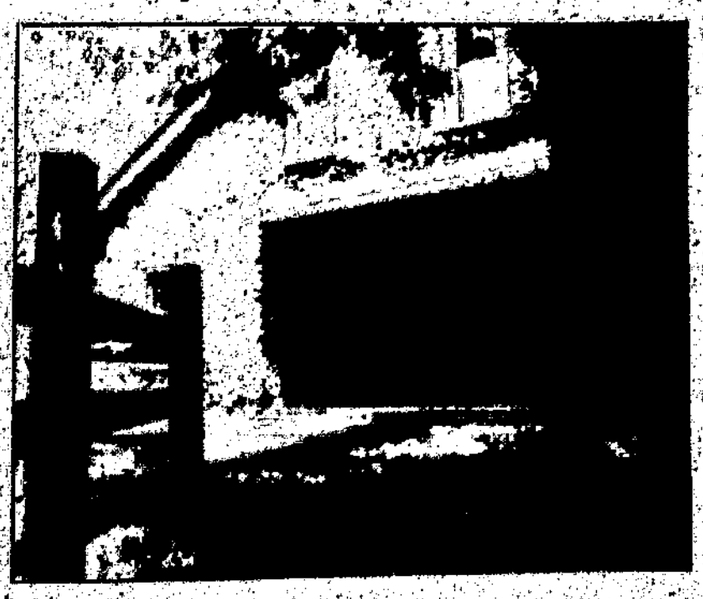
Although you may begin your tour of Lincoln anywhere, most people begin at either the Courthouse on the west end of town or at the Historical Center on the east end.

If you begin at the Historical Center, you'll view a slide presentation narrated by actor Boyd Barrett that dramatizes a history of the Lincoln County Wars of the 1880s. It gives the newcomer a context of what he or she will see later.

Exhibits highlight Lincoln's multi-cultural influences: Hispanic and Anglo settlers, Apaches and black soldiers. All exhibits have been updated and rearranged this year, so even if you've seen them before, there's something new and different now.

Dr. Wood's house, the second museum on your ticket, remains a popular stop. Decorated in early century style, this combination home and surgery portrays life of that time through furnishings such as an old-fashioned kitchen with wood stove and a grand piano that came on a covered wagon from St. Louis.

The Tunstall Store, the third museum, dates from the 1800s when prominent citizen John Tunstall opened it to compete with the Riley-Dolan Store. This event became one of many that precipitated the Lincoln County Wars. Walk through the mercantile today and discover what folks bought back then: flour, meal, tools, farm implements and the like.



DR. WOODS ANNEX

Across the highway is the San Juan Mission, built in 1887 and open to the public without admission.

Just up the street on the same side as the Mission sits the old Lincoln County Courthouse, the fourth museum. It is administered by New Mexico State Monuments.

Among its treasures are legal documents recording the events of the Lincoln County Wars. Read them and judge for yourself who where the "good guys and the bad guys."

Billy the Kid lore becomes real when a visitor climbs the same stairs the outlaw did with his captors, gazes out the same window from which Billy shot Deputy Ollinger and parks a car where, more than a hundred years ago, a horse stood ready to carry Billy to freedom.

For a retelling of the fact and legend of Billy the Kid, stay for one of the narrations by a uniformed Ranger at the Courthouse done twice daily on weekends. This narration is included in your museum ticket price.

Also included in your ticket is a walking Town Tour led by a period-costumed interpreter. These tours begin at 10:30 a.m. and 2 p.m. daily. After the Tour, you may choose to revisit certain museums, go shopping or partake of refreshment.

What? No T-Shirts??

If hunting for typical tourist souvenirs, don't shop here. In keeping with the town's theme, even the merchants sell period-appropriate merchandise.

At the Historical Center's Museum Store, for example, items for sale are keyed to the times and include books — many unavailable anywhere else — on regional history, Apaches, Billy the Kid, the Lincoln County Wars and others. Find children's books, coloring books, old-fashioned toys and household items. Throughout town, a quilt shop, foundry, weaver, several art galleries, craft and gift shops display goods with a special, often handmade, appeal.

Chews & Snooze

The famous Wortley Hotel under new owners David and Janelle DeVore opens its dining room for breakfast, lunch and dinner from 7 a.m. until 8 p.m. daily.

New this year, the Stagecoach Cafe serves Mexican food Tuesday through Sunday from 8 a.m. to 7 p.m. It is in the old Gibson house across from the Wortley next door to the Foundry.

Can't bear to leave this enchanting corner of the Land of Enchantment? Then stay the night at one of the historic buildings that offer lodging: the Wortley Hotel (653-4500), the Ellis Store Bed and Breakfast (1-800-653-6460) or the Casa de Patron (653-4676).

Although the original Wortley of the 1800s burned, its replica that was built in 1960 retains all the charm of a century ago. Victorian-era furnishings, lace curtains and wooden floors decorate its eight bedrooms and public rooms. Overnight guests sleep in antique American brass beds.

Located across from the Courthouse, the Wortley provides patrons a porticoed view of town comings and goings as its predecessor did more than 100 years ago.

The Ellis Store, built in 1850, is no longer a store but a charming bed and breakfast. It has four bedrooms in the main building, one with handicapped access, and three baths. In the millhouse are more rooms suitable for parties or large groups. Overnight guests and the public can reserve a four-course gourmet dinner which will be served on china and crystal.

Owners David and Jinny Vigil give tours of the property which was once headquarters of the Regulators, a group that joined the Tunstall-McSween faction in the Lincoln County Wars. "And Billy the Kid was held here under house arrest while waiting to meet with Governor Wallace," adds Jinny.

Jinny's catering business, A Better Choice, serves both off-and on-premises to groups of any size. She loves doing weddings on the sweeping, flower bedecked portal.

Across the street, Jerry and Cleis Jordan take great pride in their AAA-three-diamond-approved bed and breakfast, Casa de Patron. Juan Patron, a Hispanic community leader in the 1860s and '70s, built the house that's on the National Register of Historic Places.

Today the Casa welcomes overnight guests to either its three bedrooms with private baths in the main building or to its "casitas," little houses with more privacy, "suitable for honeymooners or families with children," says Jerry. Casita guests receive a continental breakfast; main building guests are served a full breakfast in a formal dining room. Guests may also reserve dinner at the Casa.

Location: on US 380, 12 miles east of Capitan. Museums open daily 9 a.m. to 6 p.m.
Admission: free for children six years old and younger; those aged seven and older are charged $4.50. Ticket includes four museums, Courthouse narration if done that day, and walking Town Tour. Every Sunday is New Mexico Residents' Day, admitting them for half price. Every Wednesday is New Mexico Senior Citizens' Day, with free admission to New Mexicans older than 60. Purchase tickets at either the Courthouse or the Historical Center.
Please note: in keeping with Lincoln's historical preservation policies, no gas stations operate in the area. The nearest automobile services are in Capitan.

OLD LINCOLN DAYS PARADE

Old Lincoln Days

For the 45th consecutive year, "The Last Escape of Bill the Kid" pageant re-tells the story of the Kid and the Lincoln County Wars at Old Lincoln Days, this year on August 5, 6, and 7.

During this first weekend in August, the entire community celebrates its heritage with not only the pageant, but also with mountain mean and cavalry displays, craft and food booths, a fiddlers' contest and much more. There's even a parade, but because this is Lincoln, it's a special parade. All entries must either be a-foot, on horseback or in an animal-drawn conveyance. No motored vehicles allowed!

Pageant times are Friday, August 5 and Saturday, August 6, at 8:30 p.m. and Sunday, August 7, at 2 p.m. Tickets cost $3 for adults, $1 for ages 11 and under and free for those under six.

The parade begins at 11 a.m. Sunday, August 7. For further information, call the Historical Center at 653-4025, the Courthouse at 653-4372, or ask anyone who lives in Lincoln.

SMOKEY BEAR'S 50TH BIRTHDAY CELEBRATION 1994 EVENTS

JULY 1, 1994
Smokey Bear Day at the Races, RuidosoDowns (1:00 p.m.)
Annual Smokey Bear Stampede & Rodeo, Capitan (7:00/9:00 p.m.)

JULY 2, 1994
Capitan
Smokey Bear Special Shape Hot Air Balloon Ascension(6:00 a.m.)
Pancake Breakfast (Senior Citizens Center (6:30 a.m.)
14th Annual Smokey Bear 10K & 2 Mile Run (7:30 a.m.)
Smokey Bear Stampede, Rodeo & Country Western Band (7:00/9:00 p.m.)

JULY 3, 1994
Capitan
Smokey Bear Special Shape Hot Air Ballon Ascension, (6:00 a.m.)
CASI Sanctioned Wildfire Chili Cook-Off
Smokey Bear State Park, 10a.m. Cooking, 1-3:00 tasting
Old West Ranch Rodeo
Lincoln County Fairgrounds, Capitan (1:00 p.m.)
Smokey Bear Stampede, Rodeo & Dance (7:00/9:00 p.m.)

JULY 4, 1994
Capitan
Pancake Breakfast (6:30 a.m.)
Parade: "Happy Birthday Smokey!" (10:00 a.m.)
Old West Ranch Rodeo & Bar-B-Que (Noon)
Smokey Bear Stampede, Rodeo & Dance (7:00/9:00 p.m.)

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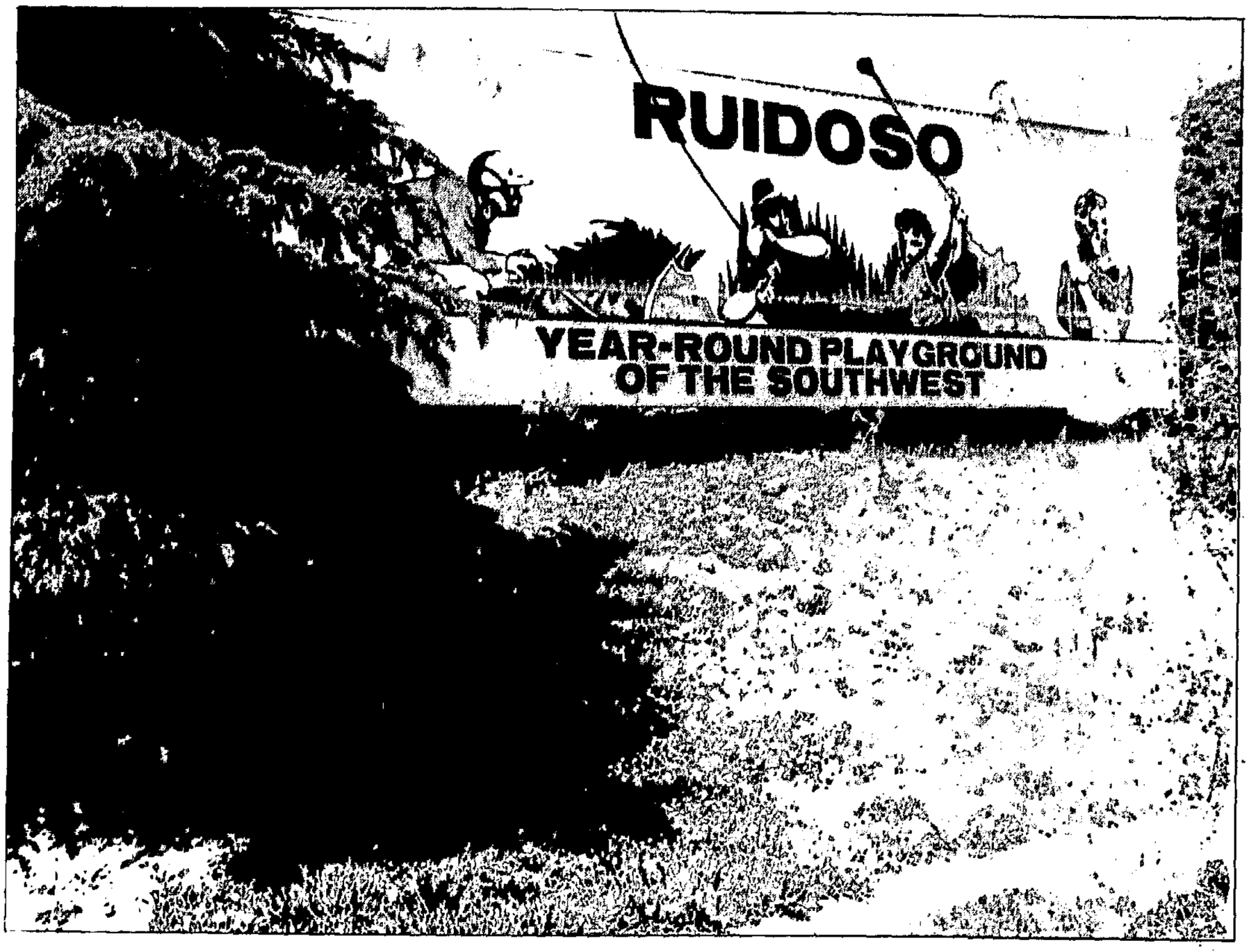

Welcome to Lincoln County

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If you thought Lincoln County was simply a winter ski resort or just a place to go for the best quarter horse racing in the world, think again.

Lincoln County is that and much, much more. Actually, it's the resort for all seasons and the vacation spot for all reasons.

Come on up, escape the heat and relax under the majestic pines in and around Ruidoso. Visitors come for a day, a week or for the entire summer, but most summer vacationers come back year after year.

Lincoln County makes the most of its history with museums and activities based on Billy the Kid, Smokey Bear, Mescalero Apache Indians and, of course, horses.

Horse racing does take center stage for a summer of fun and excitement that builds to the world's richest quarter horse race on Labor Day, the All American Futurity.

But, while you're in Lincoln County, you can go horseback riding at one of a half dozen stables or learn all about the horse at the Museum of the Horse in Ruidoso Downs.

Go fishing, take a hike or stake out a campsite where you can sit under a tree, put your feet up, drink a cup of campfire coffee and relax — or watch the hummingbirds who love Lincoln County, too.

There's plenty for kids to do in Lincoln County — varying from the big slide and swimming pool in Ruidoso, the playground equipment at Two Rivers Park and the tennis courts at School House Park, to the amusement park areas that include go-carts, miniature golfing and rides.

In Ruidoso, the Parks and Rec department offers lots of special events and activities all summer, as does the Ruidoso Public Library.

Golfers love Lincoln County, too, where they can play five full golf courses and one nine-hole course.

Check out the mini-tours laid out in this summer's visitors guide; you'll have a great time and learn a lot, too.

We're glad you're here!

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About our cover:

Our photographer, Linda Wallace, captured Coco Whipple and friend in a tranquil Lincoln County setting. A kid, a horse and a river equal a perfect picture.

Blending the old and new

Blending the old with the new forms the theme of the 1994 Guide to summer fun and activities. The Guide covers much of Lincoln County as well as Ruidoso.

Many communities in this area have retained their historical past while encouraging modern enterprise. Some of these areas are Capitan, Lincoln, White Oaks, Carrizozo and Mescalero. Others, such as Alto and Bonito, have all but lost their past in the thrust of progress.

We've suggested visiting these communities as mini-tours where history, culture, romance, family fun, shopping and even fine dining await.

Some mini-tours take a half-day or less, others the entire day, still others invite an overnight stay.

As you travel these mini-tours, you'll realize that Lincoln County offers something for every visitor: the history buff answering questions from the past, the vacationer playing and relaxing today, the businessperson investing in opportunities for tomorrow.

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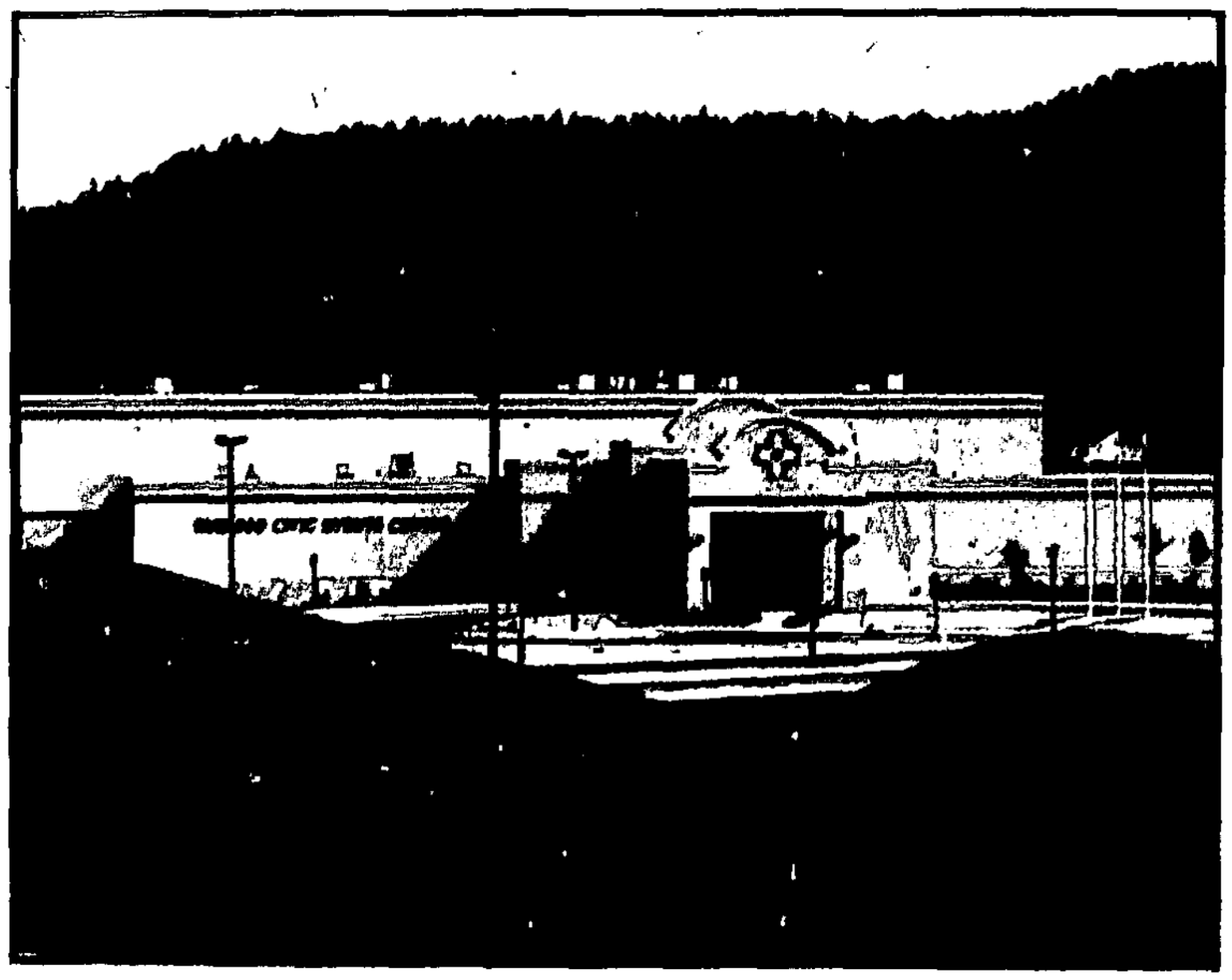

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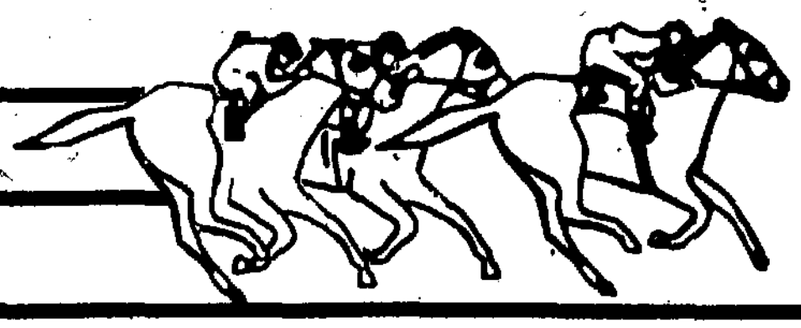

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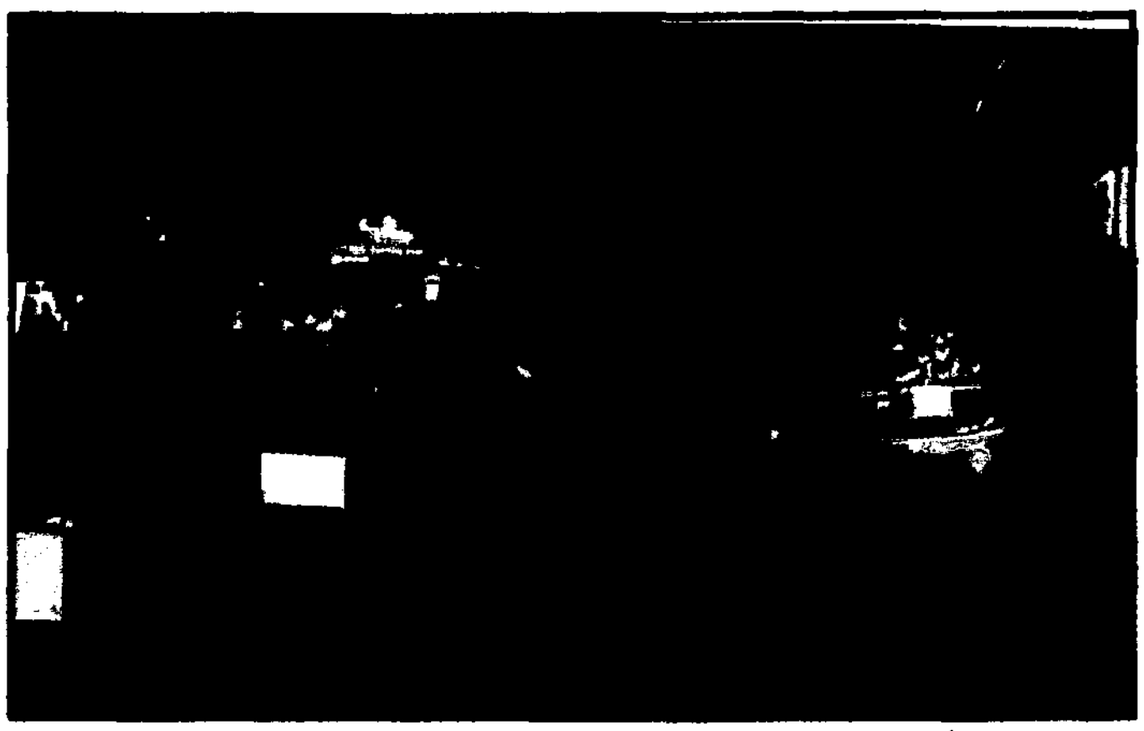

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A restful mini-tour:

Relax in the bed and breakfasts of Lincoln County

Only seven exist in this area and that makes them special.

They are the seven bed and breakfasts of Lincoln County. You'll find them in Ruidoso, Alto, Nogal-Bonito, Capitan and Lincoln. Each one reflects a unique personality, be it historical or modern, large or small, family or adults-only, in town or out.

They share one attribute, however; all epitomize Lincoln County hospitality.

The seven innkeepers invite you to visit one of them — or all!

Ruidoso

Chiles Rellenos for breakfast? Or stir-fry?

"Why not? We serve anything you want," invites Etta Kearny Anderson, genial owner and proprietor of Kearney's Rest and Relaxation Bed and Breakfast (KR&R).

Her famous repasts are enjoyed by both her overnight guests and locals who just don't want to fix breakfast themselves.

In its fifth year as a bed and breakfast, KR&R as the locals call it, has been serving al fresco summer breakfasts, weather permitting.

"The fresh air, trees, flowers, you can't beat it for rest and relaxation." And that, believes Etta, has remained the hallmark of KR&R since it was the Kearney family summer home 30 or 35 years ago.

Converting a family home to an inn proved easy for Etta and her husband, Ed.

"All five bedrooms already had private baths, so it seemed a natural B&B."

Because KR&R was once a real home, Etta and Ed invite guests to consider it their home away from home.

"Nothing's formal here, we're all friends."

Lila and Larry Goodman prepare one of their sumptious breakfasts in the kitchen at Sierra Mesa Lodge.

Location: Upper Canyon, 404 Main Road, within walking distance of Ruidoso's shops and restaurants.
Rooms: Five, all furnished with rustic antiques. One with a king, two with two queens, one with regular long-boy, one with two beds.
Reservations: 257-2940
Look for: trees wrapped with bright yellow ribbons. "We started during Desert Storm and we keep it as tradition."

Alto

Guests use terms such as elegant, luxurious, romantic, perfect for honeymooners or anniversaries to describe secluded Sierra Mesa Lodge on Fort Stanton Road. Owners Larry and Lila Goodman spent years being B&B customers before launching their own business six years ago. The result combines the Goodman's flair for style with innkeepers' practicality.

Guests choose one of five uniquely furnished bedrooms: French Country, Queen Anne, Country Western, Victorian or Oriental.

Ready for breakfast? Les chefs Goodman prepare full breakfasts featuring homebaked breads and cooked specialities. In addition, the hosts serve high tea in the afternoon — coffee, tea and pastries.

Sierra Mesa boasts the only indoor spa of the county's B&Bs. It overlooks the woods where guests can walk or hike on the Lodge's 3.5 acres.

The Goodmans remain justifiably proud of their affiliation with the New Mexico Bed and Breakfast Association as well as their Mobil three star and AAA three diamond ratings. But prouder still are they that 75 percent of their business is repeat and 90 percent of new business comes word of mouth.

Location: on Fort Stanton Road, about 10 miles from Ruidoso.
Rooms: five that sleep two each, all with window seat, down comforters and pillows on request. All rooms are non-smoking and accept guests aged 15 and over only.
Reservations: 336-4515
Look for: yours-for-the visit-Japanese kimonos in each closet and special chocolates with the Sierra Mesa log.

Kirsten Mooney recently opened the area's newest B&B, Scandia Chalet, and already the European-styled-wood-sided inn on New Mexico 48 is drawing

Kay Newton of Monjeau Shadows says that this bed is perfect for the honeymooners who stay at her B&B.

repeat business.

Danish-born Kirsten brings over a decade of hotel experience to her new enterprise and it shows in the bright, airy rooms, elegant furnishings that include Danish family heirlooms, hand-painted Scandinavian-style doors and shutters and many guests amenities.

One room boasts a jacuzzi for two with a private entrance. There's also a detached cottage with several rooms plus kitchenette, perfect for families. Kirsten even planned her dining area within chatting distance of the kitchen so she can visit with her guests as she prepares their full breakfast buffet.

After caring for guests in a large hotel setting, Kirsten enjoys the luxury of being able to pamper people in her intimate locale.

"We don't plan to be a big place but we plan to be quality," she promises.

Location: milemarker 11 on New Mexico 48 on the east side.
Rooms: three in the main lodge; one with queen, one with two twins, one with king. In the family cottage, two bedrooms.
Reservations: 336-7741
Look for: Kirsten's antique European porcelain plate collection that includes an 1895 piece.

Nogal-Bonito

"Get my room ready," says a frequent guest of Mountain Shadows Country Inn, and owners J.R. and Kay Newton happily comply.

"Most of our guests are like family, we have some many repeats," they say.

Step through the beveled glass door of this 4-story Victorian mansion and see why - a world of lace curtains, four-poster beds, wooden floors, and treasured antiques — all in a solar-powered building little more than a decade old.

This charming B&B is nearly hidden on 8.5 manicured, landscaped acres off New Mexico 37 only a mile or so north of the Bonito Lake turnoff, less than 10 miles from Ruidoso.

Guest bedrooms with baths and balconies command views from the top floors; below stairs promises fun with a pool table, TV, dart board, poker table, cards and board games, microwave, mini-fridge and another guest bedroom.

Here also will play Kay's country western band, Just Because, on selected dates.

The most popular bedroom has to be the suite with its 18th-century four-poster canopy bed. "Honeymooners love it," says twinkle-eyed Kay.

In the morning, guests feast on J.R.'s sumptuous breakfasts which may include his famous Spanish scramble eggs or sausage bake.

Location: two miles north of the Bonito Lake turnoff of New Mexico 37.
Rooms: one with a king, two with a double bed each, one suite with a four-poster canopy bed, and one with two twins.
Reservations: 336-4191
Look for: hummingbirds buzzing in the branches of a 200-year-old juniper and deer munching in the tulip beds.

Capitan

Innkeepers go into business for many reasons; the adult children of Catherine Kelly Grantham opened Catherine Kel-

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ly's Bed and Breakfast as a tribute to their late mother.

Scotland-born Catherine married Texas-born N.C. Grantham and the family lived in this house in Capitan, explains manager Amanda Tudor. In opening the family home as a B&B, the younger Granthams kept alive their mother's spirit of generosity and hospitality.

This smallest of the county's B&Bs has only two suites but each sleeps up to four or seven persons, perfect for families.

The Catherine Suite has two bedrooms, one with king bed, one with daybed and trundle. It has handicapped access and bathroom and sleeps four.

Mr. G.'s Suite has a living room and fully furnished kitchenette downstairs. Upstairs, it has one bedroom with a queen bed and another with two twins. Mr. G.'s Suite sleeps seven.

Both suites have private entrances and parking, cable TV with HBO, curling iron, blow dryer, toiletries and children's toys. Guests relax on the patio where they may barbecue on the gas grills if they wish. Need to do laundry? There's a washer and dryer on premises.

Mindful of restless children and resting parents, this B&B has a small room in back where the manager will pop a tape into the VCR to entertain children who awake before their parents. Manager Tudor also babysits for a small fee.

Catherine Kelly's continental breakfast features juices and fresh fruits, hot and cold cereals and homebaked goodies.

Location: On Smokey Bear Boulevard (formerly First Street) within walking distance of the Smokey Bear State Park, the Smokey Bear Museum, Fairgrounds, many restaurants and shops.
Rooms: Two suites with two bedrooms each, all non-smoking.
Reservations: 354-2335.
Look for: Catherine Kelly Grantham's antiques, her own paintings and handmade decorations as well as Mr. G's handhewn furniture. "Better to enjoy them than to store them," say the younger Granthams.

Lincoln

In historically preserved Lincoln, one may sleep where Billy the Kid slept. Two building over a century old have been turned into B&Bs.

Casa de Patron owned by Jerry and Cleis Jordan has compiled an impressive array of honors and recognition in its seven years of operation. Also a member of the New Mexico Bed and Breakfast Association, the Casa earned three diamonds from AAA and has been written up in many prestigious travel guides and magazines.

One visit confirms why: three beautifully furnished rooms in the main building, the house of Juan Patron during the 1860s and 1870s that is on the National Register of Historic Places.

If guests wish more privacy, they may choose one of two "casitas," literally "little houses" detached from the main building. One is perfect for honeymooners with its king loft, small kitchen, bath and living room. The other with its two bedrooms serves families. Children play in the large fields surrounding it.

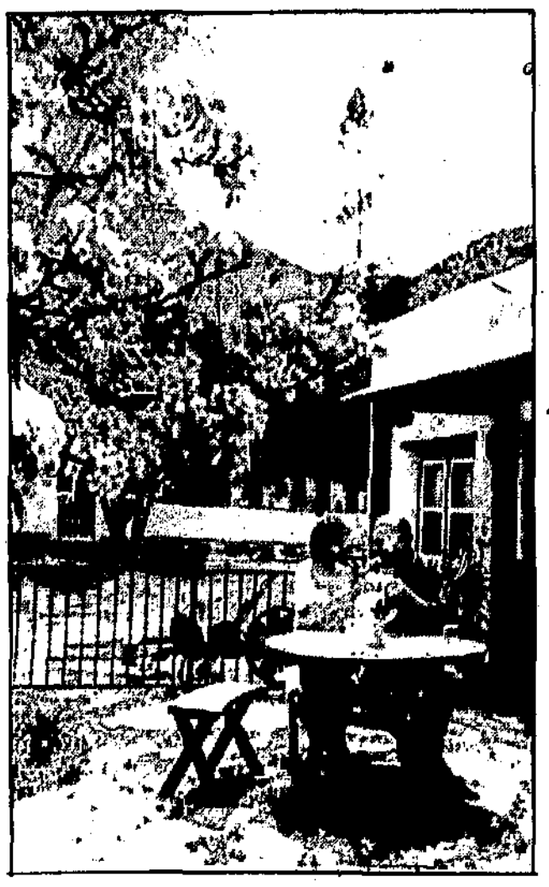
Main building guests feast on a fully cooked breakfast served in the dining room. Casita guests enjoy a continental breakfast delivered the night before.

Location: on the east end of Lincoln on the south side of US 380.
Rooms: In main building, two with one queen each, one with two twins. In "honeyroom" casita, one king. In Casita de Paz, a two-bedroom suite with one queen and two twins.
Look for: Jerry's handmade soaps and the only pipe organ in any Lincoln County B&B. (Pro musician Cleis will play upon request.)

Staying at the Ellis Store & Co. Bed and Breakfast is a step into another century.

"The first two rooms were built in 1850, the rest in 1870. The formal parlor was added in 1905," explain owners Jinny and David Vigil. They opened for business as a B&B and as caterers last year.

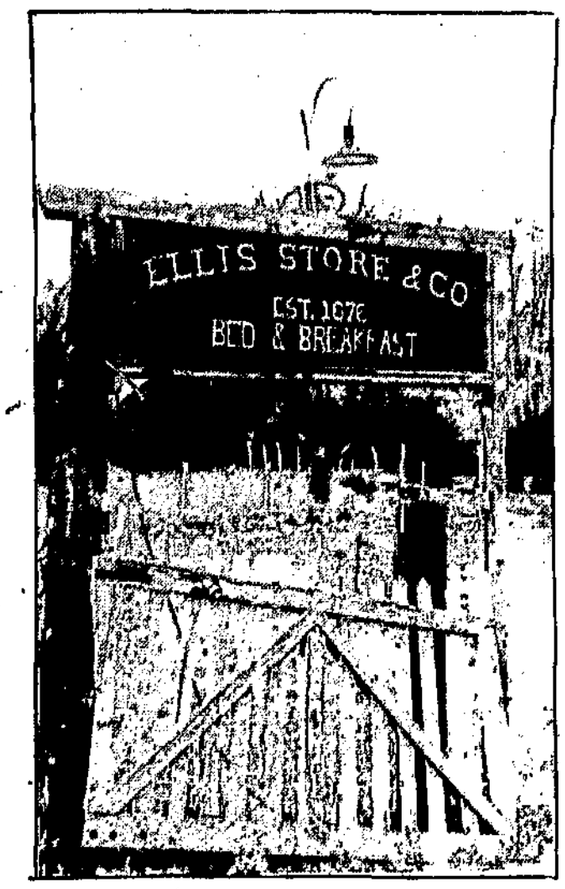
Their antiques, family portraits and treasures perfectly complement the old thickly walled structure. Ellis Store's most striking architectural feature, its sweeping portal overlooking a 3/4-acre lawn, shades languid guests in the afternoon as well as provides a dramatic backdrop for weddings and other special affairs.



Cleis and Jerry Jordan enjoy a refreshing minted lemonade (the mint's from their garden) under a flowering crabapple tree at their B&B, Casa de Patron, in Lincoln.

Since the Ellis Store was the headquarters for the Tunstall-McSween faction during the Lincoln County Wars, every room has a story. (Ask David how the Ellis Store got its name and which room Billy the Kid stayed in.)

Many guests say they stay at Ellis Store for its food as much as for the rest. Professional caterer Jinny prepares bountiful breakfast feasts for her guests. She also serves evening dinners on china and crystal in an intimate candle-lit dining room for guests and the public by reservation only.



Location: on the east end of Lincoln on the north side of U.S. 380.
Rooms: four in the main house, each sleeping two; four rooms and a loft in the millhouse, perfect for parties or groups.
Reservations: 1-800-653-6460
Look for: fireplaces or wood stoves in every room as well as antiques, handmade quilts. Breakfast served anytime, either in the dining room or in your room.

Sleep well

If you're a veteran bed-and-breakfaster or if you've never tried the experience before, you'll find the B&Bs of Lincoln County a perfect choice.

About the Guide...

The Ruidoso News and its staff are proud to present The Guide for summer 1994.

Each winter and summer **The News**, under the leadership of publisher and regional manager Sammy Lopez and editor and general manager Frankie Jarrell, publishes the most comprehensive guide to the Lincoln County area. The Guide, with a press run of 66,000 is distributed throughout the summer season throughout New Mexico, Texas and into Mexico.

It's packed with useful information for visitors and locals alike, and it's also filled with interesting reading and photographs that show what a mountain paradise looks and feels like.

Contributing to The Guide, in addition to **The News** staff, were Yvonne Lanelli, who designed the theme and wrote and photographed the mini-tour series that takes visitors from Mescalero to the Hondo Valley and from Lincoln to Capitan to Carrizozo, and Bob Barge, a Ruidoso summer resident and former business owner here, who put together the art gallery tour.

Mark Doth and James McKnight of Ruidoso Downs Race Track and Laura Doth of the Museum of the Horse also contributed stories about summer attractions.

Staff writers Pam Cromwell, Charles Stallings and Dianne Stallings contributed to The Guide as did members of the advertising, front office and composing staff: Tami Montes, Christine Volquardsen, Patty Grice, Crystal Dalton, Denise Saiz, Carol Shull and Melanie Commerford.

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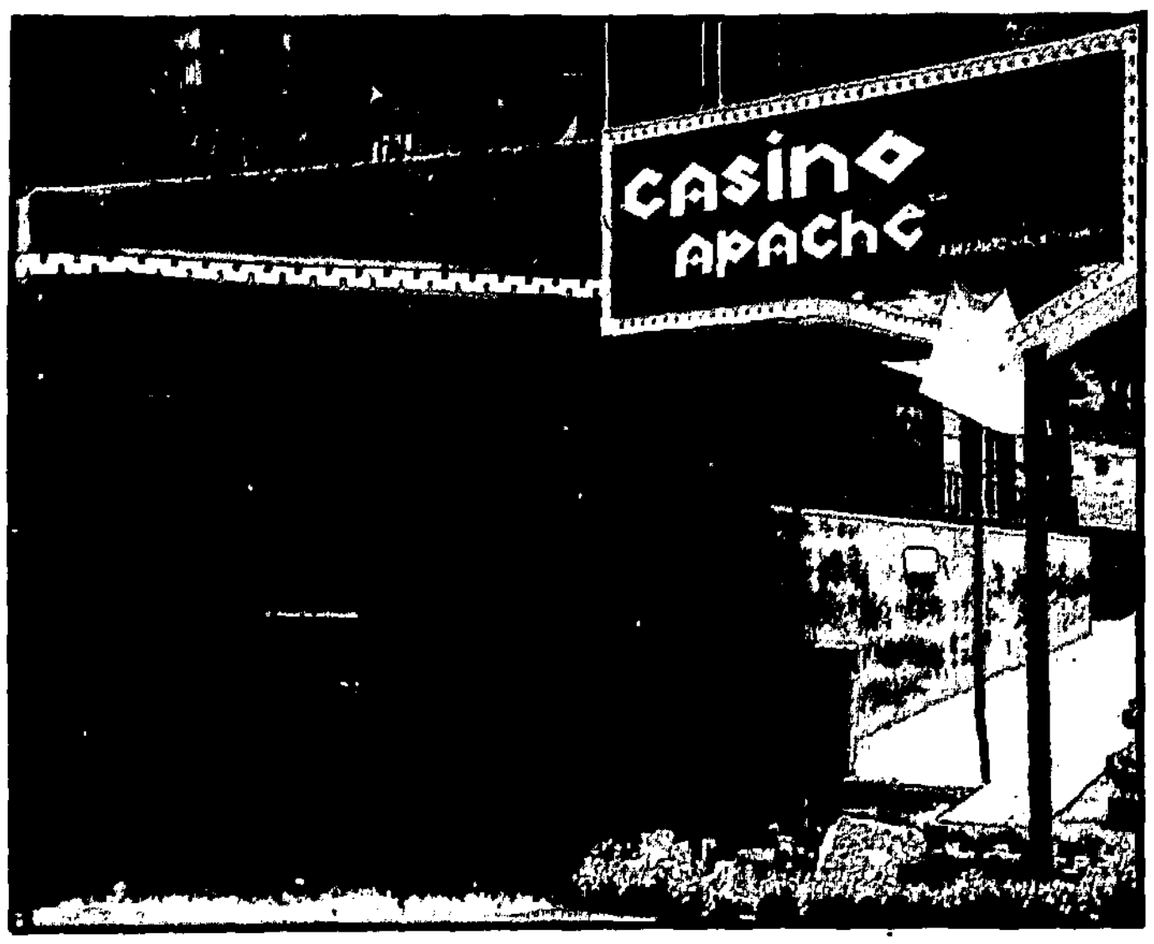

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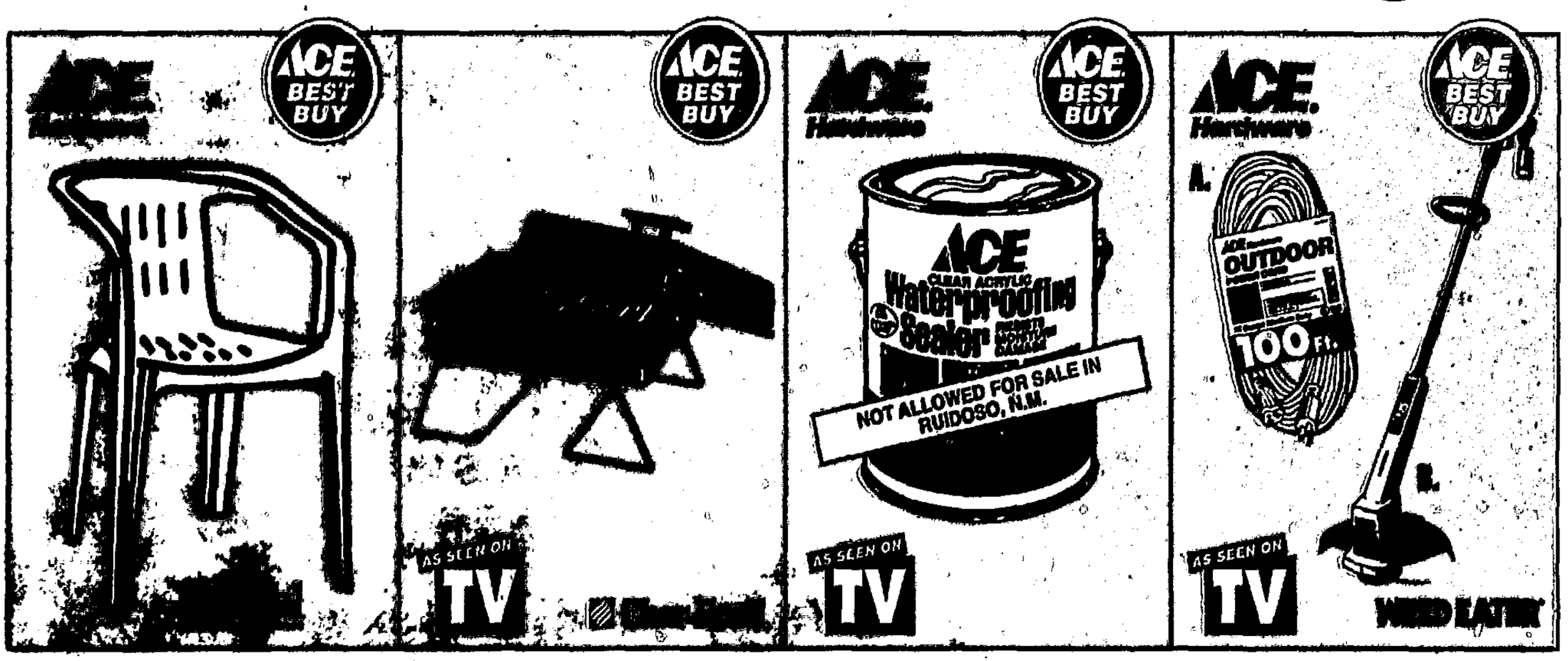

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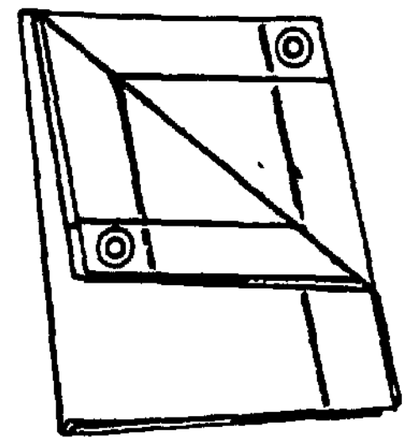

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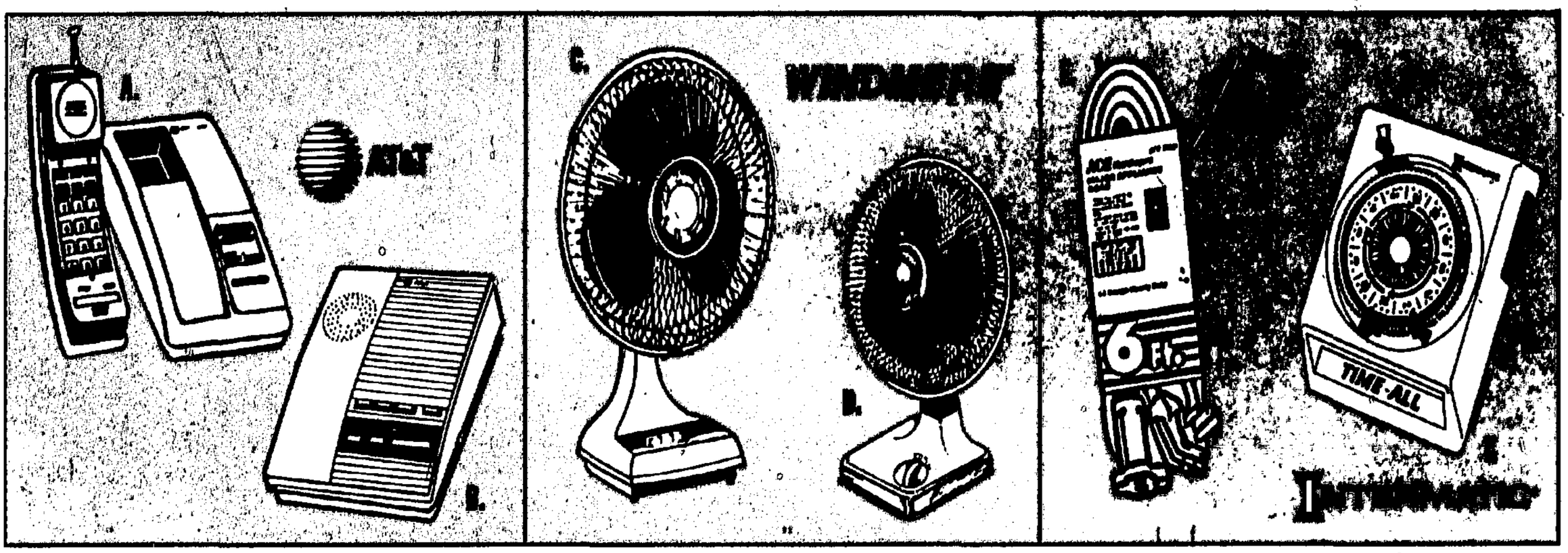

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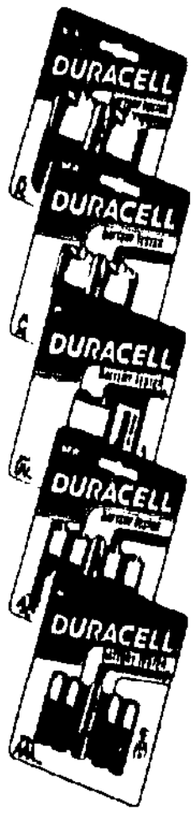

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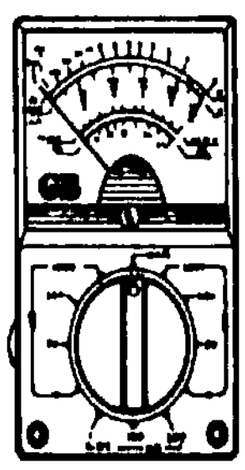

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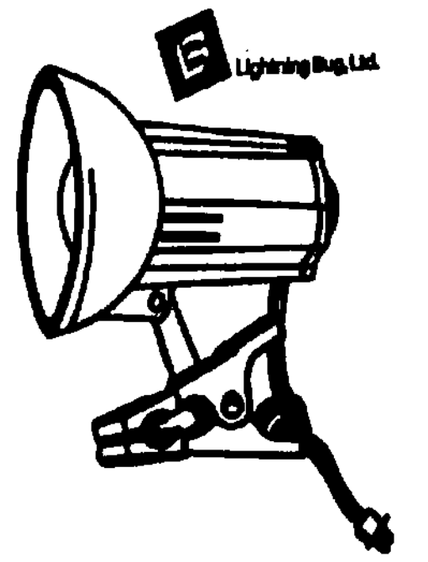

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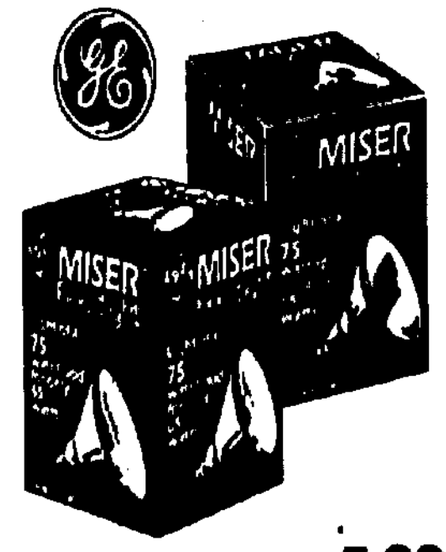

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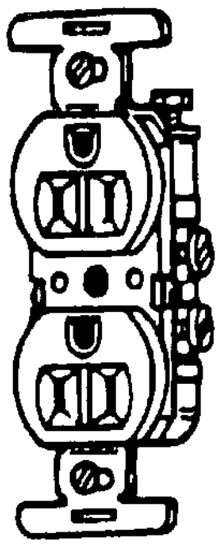

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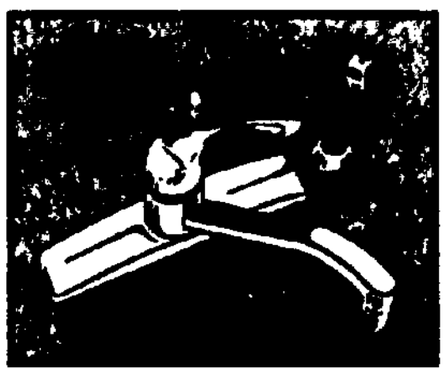

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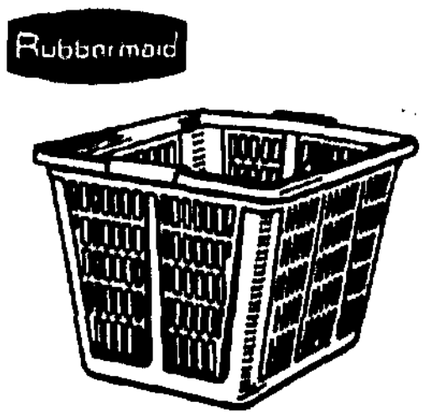

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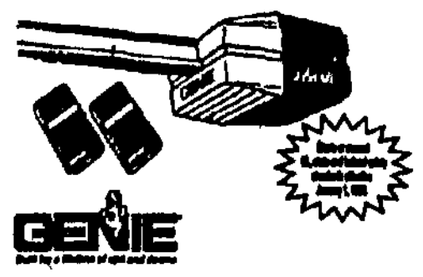

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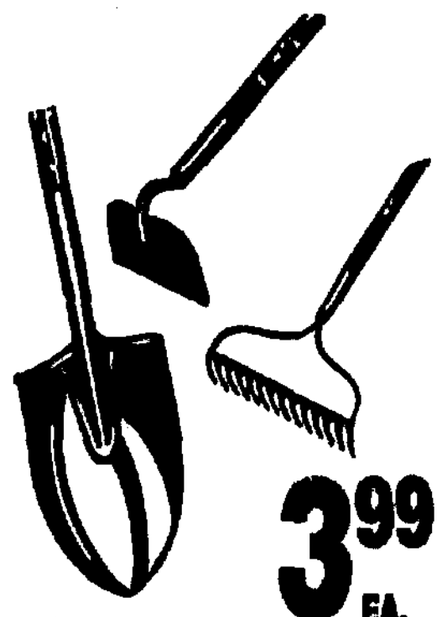

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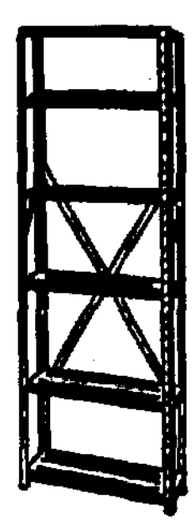

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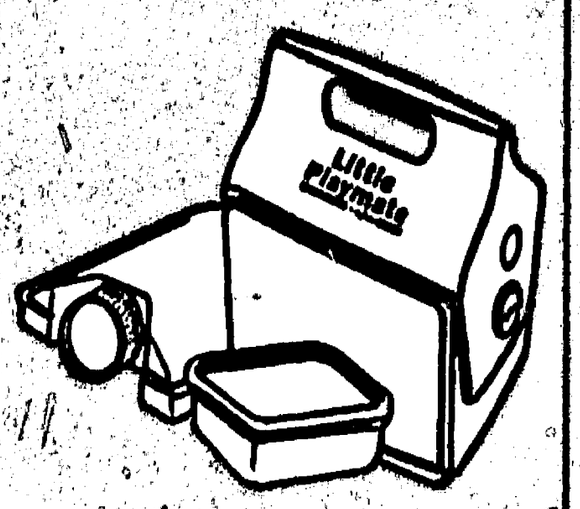

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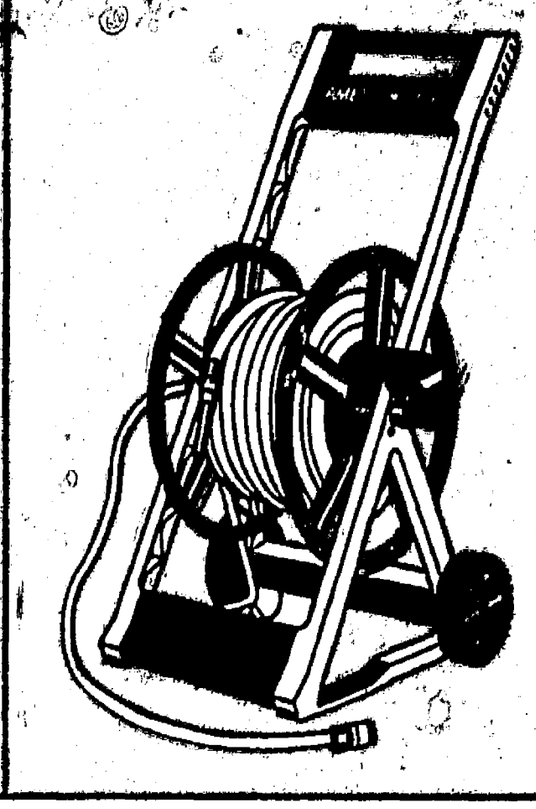

Hose Reel

16.88

4' long leader hose. Injection molded flo-through water system. Non-rusting, 100% poly basket. 71233 While supplies last.

Hose not included

U.S. Flag Kit

5.88

Includes 3' x 5' flag and 6' sectional metal pole. Mounting hardware included.
61023

Roundup Grass and Weed Killer

3.66

Kills weeds and unwanted grass; roots and all in sidewalks, cracks, patios and gravel beds.
24 oz. 74684

Hula-Ho Cultivator

7.99

Cuts forward and backward. Weeds, cultivates and aerates with motion instead of muscle. 71654

ACE Hardware

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VILLAGE HARDWARE & PAINT CO.

2815 SUDDERTH • RUIDOSO N.M.

Mon. - Fri. 7:30 -5:30 • Sat. 8:00 - 5:00

OPEN **257-5410** SUNDAY

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SUPPLEMENT TO THE RUIDOSO NEWS

SALE DATES: MAY 12 Thru MAY 22, 1994

Charmin Bath Tissue

White, Yellow, Blue, or Ultra

89¢ 4-roll

SPECIAL PURCHASE

Roman Meal Sandwich Bread

89¢ 24 oz.

SPECIAL PURCHASE

Bounty Paper Towels

White or Designer

75¢ roll

SPECIAL PURCHASE

Country Charm Ice Cream

Assorted Flavors

2 1/2 gal. for **2.00**

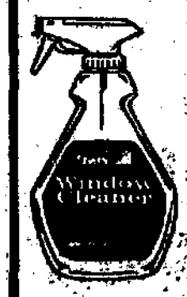
SPECIAL PURCHASE

Ultra Tide Detergent

Regular, Free, or with Bleach

6.99 33 to 42 loads

SPECIAL PURCHASE



Furr's Window Cleaner

1.59 22 oz.

SPECIAL PURCHASE

Kellogg's Fruit Loops

2.99 15 oz.

SPECIAL PURCHASE

Bertolli Pure Classico Olive Oil — Mystery Item of the Week **5.49** 34 oz.

Del Monte Squeeze Ketchup

99¢ 28 oz.

SPECIAL PURCHASE

Furr's Black Pepper **1.49** 4 oz.

Furr's Hamburger Dill Slices

99¢ 32 oz.

SPECIAL PURCHASE

Pepsi Cola 2 Liter btl. **99¢**

Pepsi Cola

Assorted Varieties

2.99 12 pk. 12 oz. cans

SPECIAL PURCHASE

Massengill Twins

All Varieties

99¢ 12 oz.

Salon Selectives

Shampoo, Conditioner, or Styling Aids

1.99 10 to 16 oz.

Always Feminine Hygiene Pads **2.99**

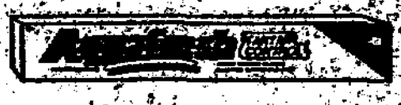
Always Pantyliners

99¢ asst.

Huggies Diapers

Convenience Size All Types

6.99 asst.



Aquafresh Toothpaste

99¢ 4.6 oz.

EVERYDAY LOWER PRICES

Furr's Chunk Style Dog Food

5.49 25 lb.

Furr's Cat Litter

2.99 25 lb.

Furr's Potato Chips

Assorted Varieties

1.79 14 oz.

Nabisco Oreo Cookies

Regular or Double Stuff

2 20 oz. pkg. **5.00**

Furr's Sugar Sweet Drink Mix

Assorted Flavors

2 22 oz. btl. **3.00**

Miller Beer

Lite, Genuine Draft, Genuine Draft Lite, Lite Ice

6.49 12 pk. 12 oz. cans

SPECIAL PURCHASES

Decker Sliced Meat Bologna
Regular or Thick

Decker Meat Franks 79¢ lb.

SPECIAL PURCHASE
79¢ 12 oz.

Farmland Assorted Pork Chops
Value Pack

Low in '91 – $1.79 lb.
Lower in '94
$1.59 lb.

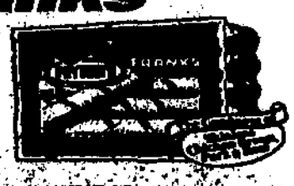
EVERYDAY EVEN LOWER MEAT PRICES!

Jennie-O Festive Turkey Ham
Whole Boneless

SPECIAL PURCHASE
99¢ lb.

Peyton Franks

Peyton Bologna 99¢ lb.



SPECIAL PURCHASE
99¢ 16 oz.

Peyton Rolled Sausage

SPECIAL PURCHASE
Lower in '94
$1.09 16 oz.

Hudson Boneless Skinless Breasts

SPECIAL PURCHASE
Lower in '94
$2.99 lb.

EVERYDAY EVEN LOWER MEAT PRICES!

Decker Smoked Sausage
Regular or Mesquite

Decker Beef Smoked Sausage $1.99 lb.

SPECIAL PURCHASE
$1.59 lb.

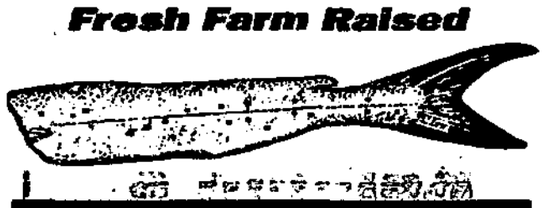
Farmland Fresh Pork Spareribs
Value Pack

SPECIAL PURCHASE
Lower in '94
$1.79 lb.

Furr's American Singles
Individually Wrapped Slices

SPECIAL PURCHASE
Lower in '94
$1.69 12 oz.

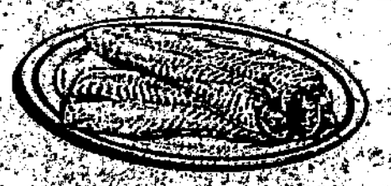
Whole Catfish
Fresh Farm Raised



SPECIAL PURCHASE
Lower in '94
$2.49 lb.

EVERYDAY EVEN LOWER MEAT PRICES!

Chinese Pollock Fillets



$1.99 lb.

White Shell-On Shrimp
70-90 count

$3.99 lb.

Seafood Krab Salad
Made with Seafest Imitation Crab Meat

$1.99 lb.

Fresh Rockfish Fillets

$3.99 lb.

SPECIAL PURCHASES

Pepsi Cola
All Varieties

49¢ 16 oz.

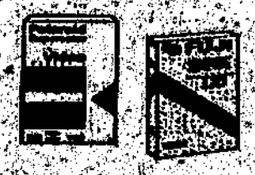
Frito-Lay Grab Bags
Pre-Priced at 89¢

49¢

Frito-Lay Grandma's Cookies or Snack Crackers
Pre-Priced at 49¢

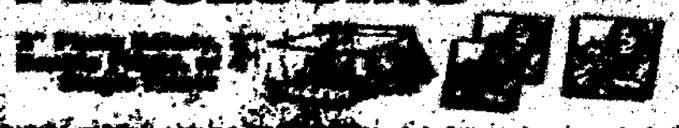
3 for $1.00

Polaroid or Fuji VHS Tapes



$1.99 each

FILM PROCESSING ONLY 3.99 24 exp.



49¢ VIDEO RENTALS
EVERY VIDEO, EVERYDAY!

SPECIAL PURCHASES

Furr's

Enter to win one of three packages for 2 to the WORLD CUP FINAL at the Rose Bowl on July 17th!

Furr's

See the Coca-Cola Display for details.

Large Green Bell Peppers

3 for 1.00

SPECIAL PURCHASE!

Slicing Size Cucumbers

3 for 1.00

SPECIAL PURCHASE!

Mann's Broccoli Coleslaw

99¢ 1 lb. pkg.

SPECIAL PURCHASE!

Bosc or Medium Anjou Pears

39¢ lb.

SPECIAL PURCHASE!

Delicious Florida Blueberries

1.99 1/2 pint

SPECIAL PURCHASE!

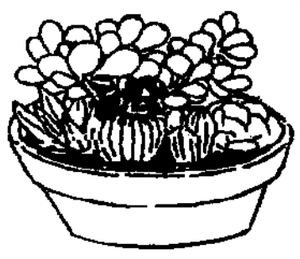
Large California Artichokes

79¢ each

SPECIAL PURCHASE!

FURR'S FLORAL SHOPS

5" Cactus Dish Garden



5.99

SPECIAL PURCHASE!

Garden Trio Bouquet

3 Assorted Styles

6.99

SPECIAL PURCHASE!

6" Assorted Succulents

4.99

SPECIAL PURCHASE!

FURR'S FRESH BAKERY - YOUR GRADUATION CELEBRATION HEADQUARTERS!

FREE 1/2 Gallon Furr's Ice Cream with the Purchase of Any Decorated Cake over $11.99

Decorated Graduation Cakes

11.99 1/4 sheet

18.99 1/2 sheet

Sourdough Bread

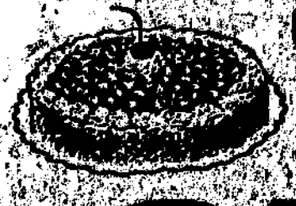
Fresh in store Bakery

99¢ 16 oz.

SPECIAL PURCHASE!

Black Forest Cake

Fresh in store Bakery



3.49 8"

SPECIAL PURCHASE!

Macaroon Cookies

Fresh in store Bakery

2.99 24 Ct.

SPECIAL PURCHASE!

FURR'S DELI - DELI FRESH, DELI DELICIOUS

Wisconsin Cheese

Muenster or Asadero

Fresh in store Deli

2.49 lb.

SPECIAL PURCHASE

Deli Fresh Large Pizzas

Pepperoni, Combo, or Supreme

2 for 6.00

Deli Fresh Giant Drumsticks

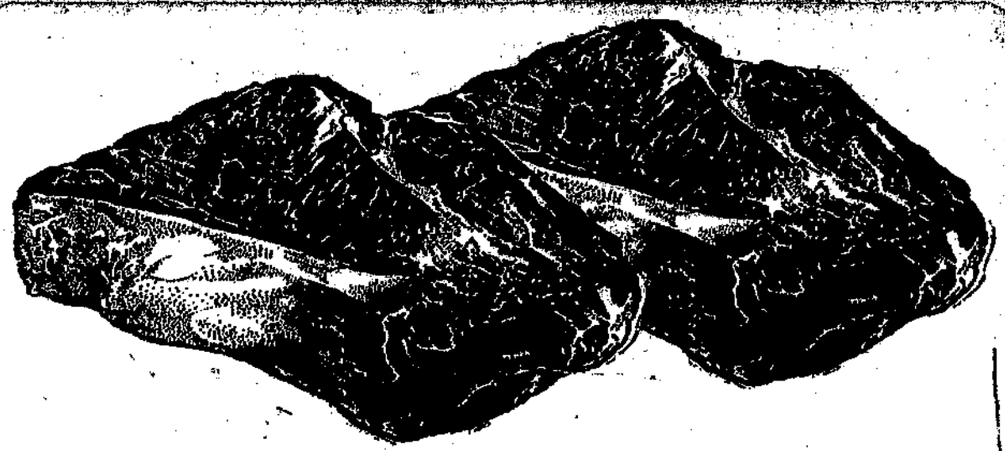
2.99 7 oz.

Eckrich Deli Quality Shaved Ham

2.99 lb.

THRIFTWAY

LOW LOW PRICES!



PREFERRED TRIM BONELESS

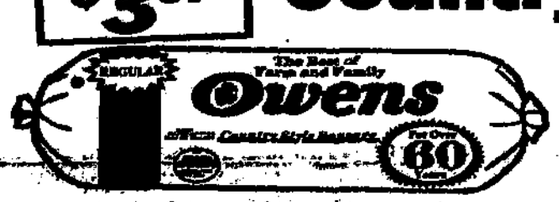
Chuck Roast

$1.29 LB.

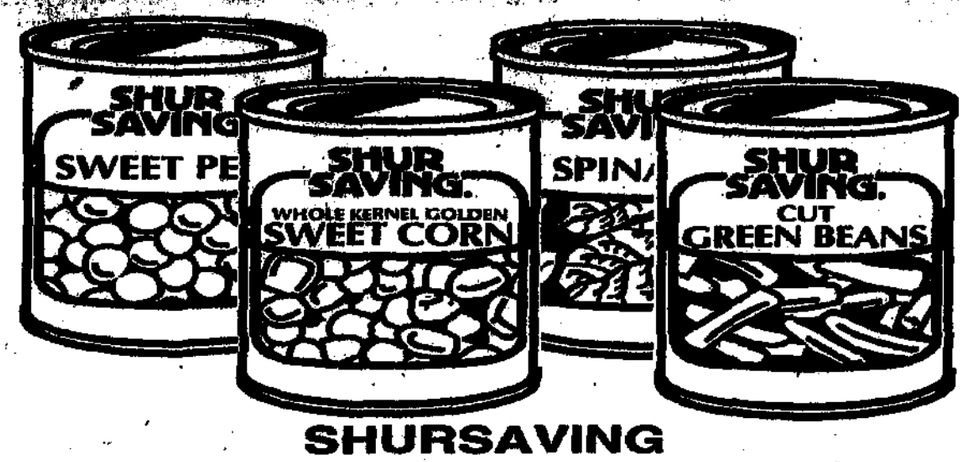
REG. OR HOT 2 LB. ROLL $3.57

ALL VARIETIES - OWEN'S

Country Sausage



$1.79 1 LB. ROLL

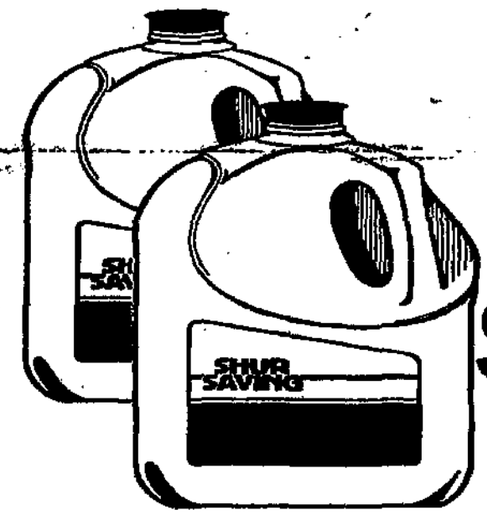


SHURSAVING

Vegetables

- WK/CS GOLDEN CORN
- SWEET PEAS
- CUT GREEN BEANS
- SPINACH

4 14-17 OZ. CANS $1

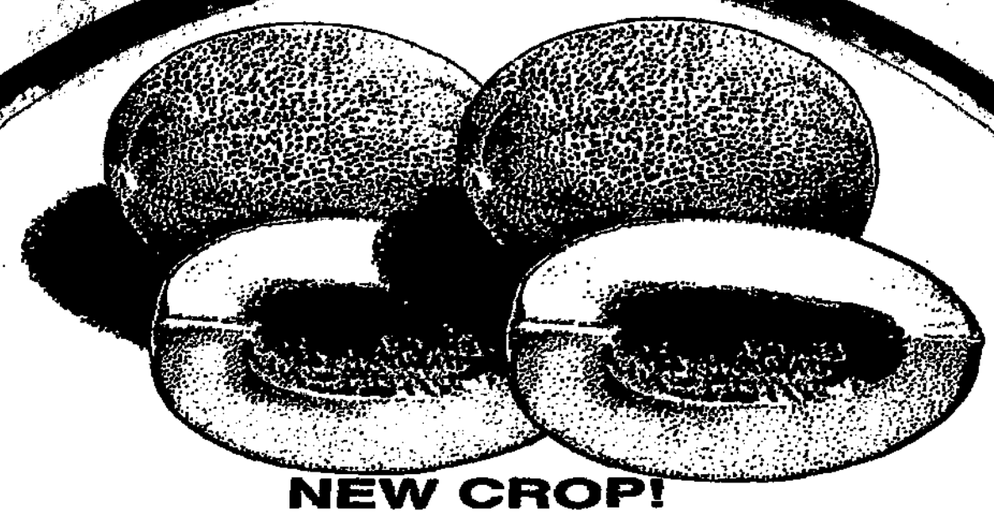


SHURSAVING 2% OR 1/2%

Lowfat Milk

GALLON JUG

$1.79



NEW CROP!

Cantaloupe

LB. 39¢

ALL TYPES

Dr Pepper

6 PACK, 12 OZ. CANS

$1.69

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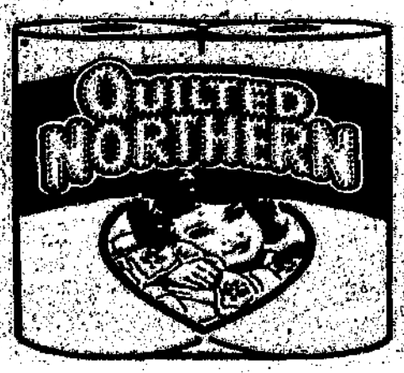
Paper Towels

REG. ROLLS

2 FOR $1

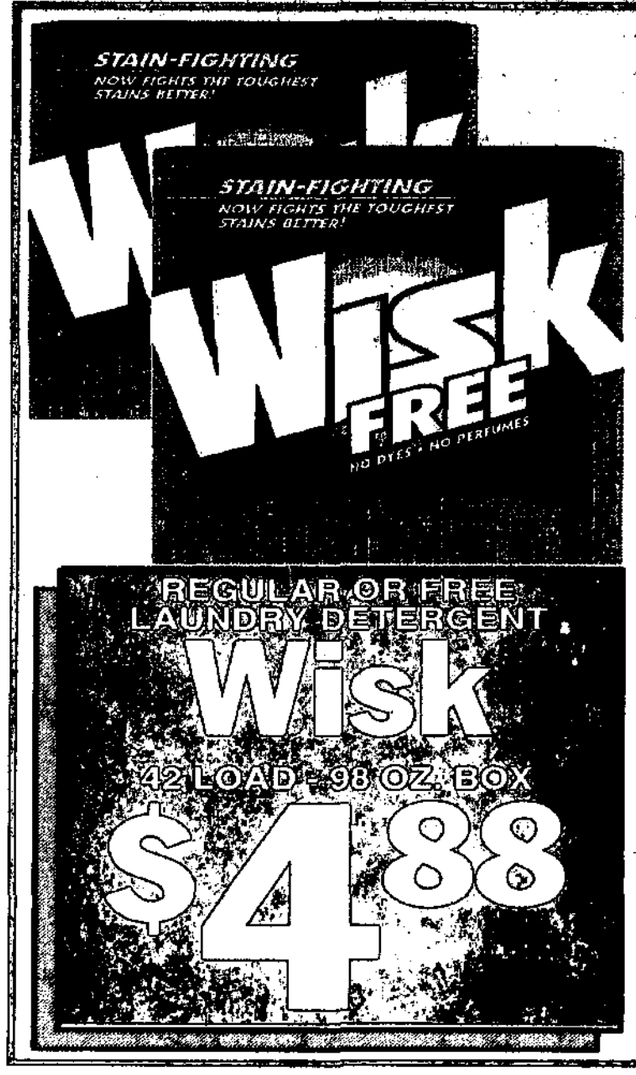


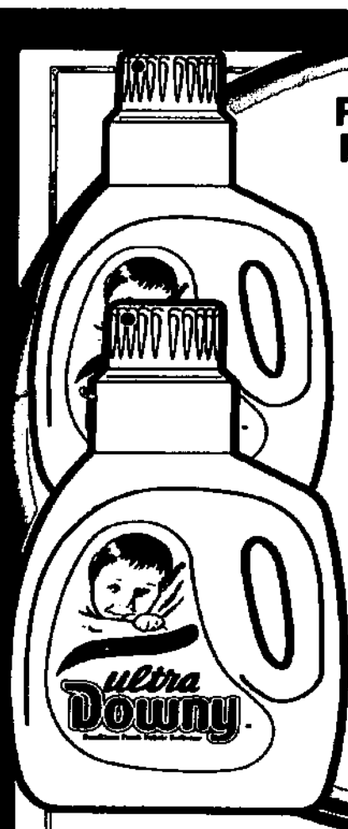
NORTHERN ASSORTED

Bath Tissue

4 ROLL PKG.

89¢





REG. OR SUNRINSE FABRIC SOFTENER

Downy Ultra

40 LOADS - 40 OZ. BTL.

$3.69

DOWNY ULTRA REGULAR Refill 40 OZ. CTN. **$3.49**

WISHBONE ASSORTED

Salad Dressing

99¢ 8 OZ. BTL.

DEL MONTE HOT

Chili Peppers

$1.39 11.75 OZ. JAR

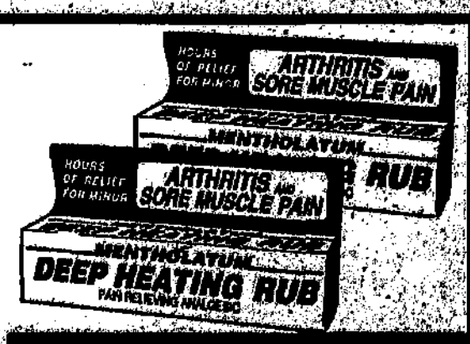
ALL TYPES REG. OR WAVY LAY'S®

Potato Chips

REG. $2.99 SIZE BAG

$1.99

SCHICK TRACER Cartridges 5 CT. PKG. **$3.49**



ULTRA TRIM FOR HIM OR HER
OR *NEW HUGGIES SUPREME*

Diapers

22-50 CT. PKG.

$6.99

STEPS 1 THRU 5

LIPTON FAMILY SIZE

Tea Bags

24 CT. BOX

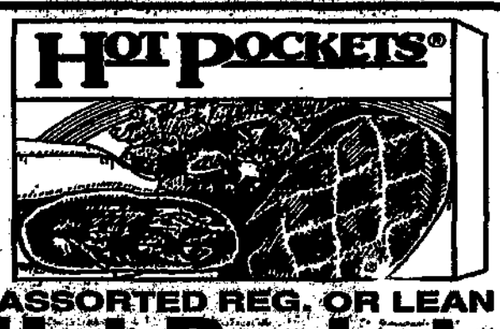
$1.49

SHURFINE REGULAR, LIGHT
OR CREAMY WHIPPED

Topping

8 OZ. BOWL

59¢

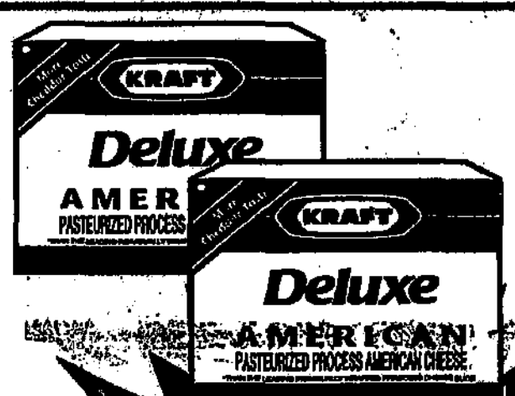


ASSORTED REG. OR LEAN

Hot Pockets

$1.99

9 OZ. PKG.

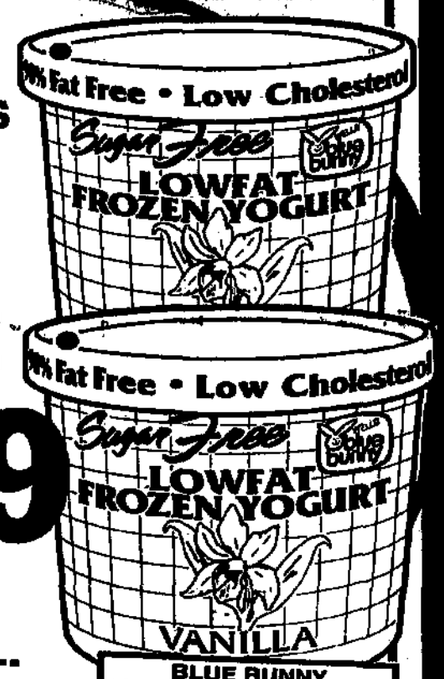


BLUE BUNNY
ASSTD. FLAVORS
SUGAR FREE

Frozen Yogurt

$2.99

1/2 GAL.



BLUE BUNNY
Sugar Free Lites
12 PACK **$2.19**

OR SUGAR FREE
Crunch Lites
12 PACK **$2.39**

1 LB. QUARTERS

Parkay Margarine

99¢

FOR

VAN DE KAMP'S REGULAR
OR LIGHT & CRISPY

Fish Sticks or Fillets

$3.89

20-21 OZ. BOX

CLIP THIS VALUABLE COUPON!

MANUFACTURER COUPON EXPIRES 6/30/95
Good Only at: THRIFTWAY-LA TIENDA (EXCLUDING ODESSA)

SAVE $1.00 ON ANY
Ant & Roach

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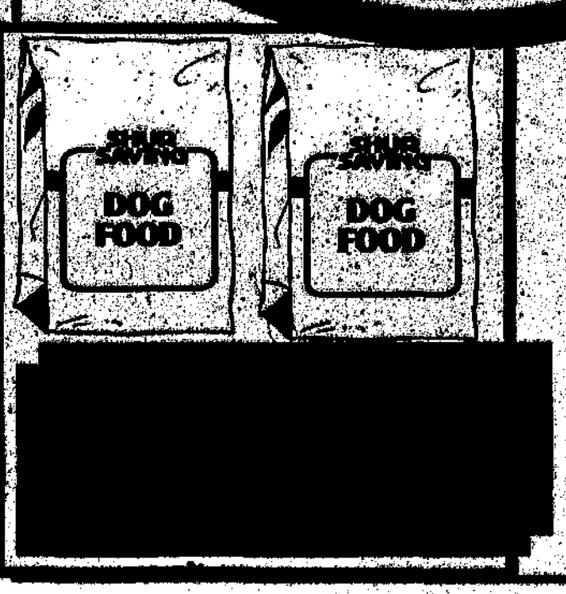


Healthy Favorites™

PREFERRED TRIM BONELESS
Chuck Steak
$1.49 LB.

PREFERRED TRIM BONELESS
Chuck Roast
$1.29 LB.

5 VARIETIES
REGULAR 4.5 OZ. SIZE
Oscar Mayer Lunchables
88¢ EA.

2 LB. ROLL
REG./HOT
$3.57

OWEN'S REG./HOT
Sausage & Biscuits 12 OZ. PKG. $2.39

ALL VARIETIES
OWEN'S
Country Sausage
$1.79 1 LB. ROLL

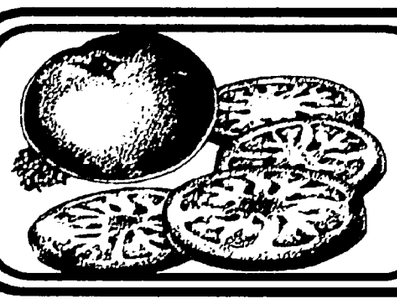
PREFERRED TRIM BONELESS
Arm Roast
$1.59 LB.

PREFERRED TRIM BONELESS ARM
Charcoal Steak
$1.69 LB.

WILSON REGULAR OR THICK SLICED MEAT BOLOGNA	1 LB. PKG.	$1.39
WILSON REGULAR OR POLISH SMOKED SAUSAGE	LB.	$1.79
WILSON EXTRA LEAN HAM, SMOKED HAM OR TURKEY BREAST	10 OZ. PKG.	$2.39
WILSON ROAST BEEF	8 OZ. PKG.	$2.39

LEAN BEEF CUBES BONELESS
Stew Meat
$1.99 LB.

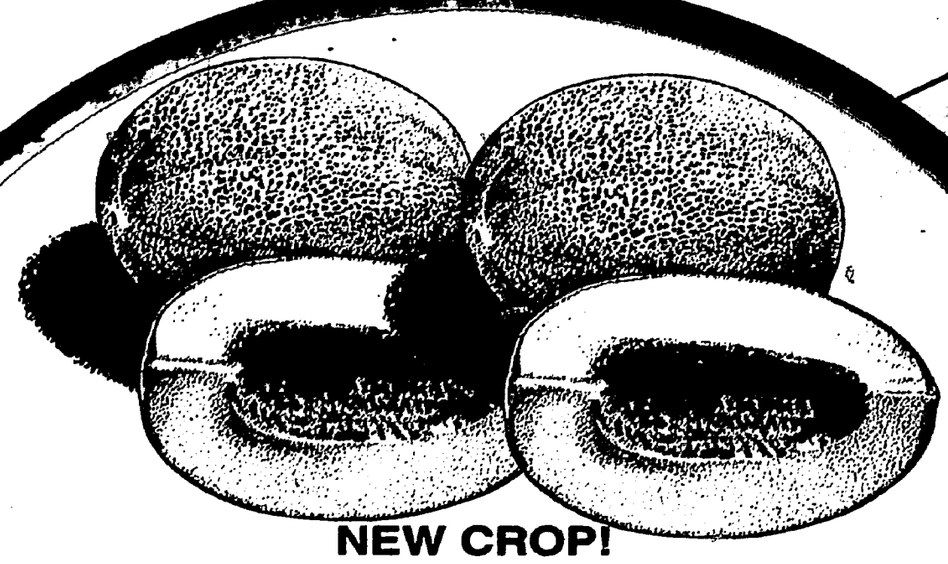
FAMILY PACK LEAN FRESH
Ground Beef
$1.69 LB. SMALL PACK LB. $1.79



RED RIPE
Tomatoes
4 CT. PKG.
59¢

FRESH STALK
Celery
39¢ EA.

FRESH ... HOT
Jalapenos
$1.19 LB.



NEW CROP!
Cantaloupe
LB. 39¢

GARDEN FRESH WHITE ONIONS	LB.	29¢
DOLE COLESLAW MIX	EA.	79¢
DELICIOUS HAWAIIAN PINEAPPLES	EA.	$1.99
FANCY LEMONS	6 FOR	$1.00
MEXICAN LIMES	8 FOR	$1.00
GARDEN FRESH GREEN ONIONS	4 FOR	$1.00

THRIFTWAY

PRICES EFFECTIVE MAY 8-14, 1994

ABO THRIFTWAY
ARTESIA, NEW MEXICO
FENN'S THRIFTWAY
ARTESIA, NEW MEXICO
LA TIENDA THRIFTWAY
CARLSBAD, NEW MEXICO
THRIFTWAY
DENVER CITY, TEXAS
DL'S THRIFTWAY
FRIONA, TEXAS
2J'S THRIFTWAY
IDALOU, TEXAS
THRIFTWAY
STRATFORD, TEXAS
THRIFTWAY
WHEELER, TEXAS

PRICES EFFECTIVE MAY 12-17, 1994

TRADER'S THRIFTWAY
SPRINGFIELD, COLORADO

PRICES EFFECTIVE MAY 9-14, 1994

THRIFTWAY
PANHANDLE, TEXAS

PRICES EFFECTIVE MAY 12-18, 1994

FULLER THRIFTWAY
COLORADO CITY, TEXAS
JOE'S THRIFTWAY
ELECTRA, TEXAS
LAMAR THRIFTWAY
LAMAR, COLORADO
THRIFTWAY
TAHOKA, TEXAS

PRICES EFFECTIVE MAY10-16, 1994

DALHART THRIFTWAY
DALHART, TEXAS

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DIMMITT THRIFTWAY
DIMMITT, TEXAS
RUIDOSO THRIFTWAY
RUIDOSO, NEW MEXICO
EVERYBODY'S THRIFTWAY
SNYDER, TEXAS

AFFILIATED FOODS INC. MEMBER STORES

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