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Three of four
fort lease proposals tossed out by state

Three of the four proposals to Iease Fort Stanton were tossed out committee.

Carolyn Jackson, spokesperson for the state General Services Department, said she could not reveal which proposal still is under consideration, when a final decision will come, or how the three rejected proposals did not follow the guidelines of the request for proposals.

The deadline for choosing the winning bid was today.

At this point, we're getting further clarincation from the one stil "We're trying to get the best possible tenant for the fort."
Proposals were submitted by groups hoping to use the fort for ju venile rehabilitation, housing for homeless veterans, military retirement, and residential treatment for

## Eight gambling

 bills to SenateEight gambling-related bills were outlined to the New Mexico Senate Thursday. Wednesday was
the deadline to submit legislative bills.

The eight bills include -Senate Bill 380, which would legalize video gaming at racetracks, charity and fraternal clubs and li-
censed liquor establishments;
-SB 381, legalizing video
gaming at racetracks;

- SB 418, which legalizes video gaming at tracks and charitable dian gaming compacts: dian gaming compacts;
at fraternal and veterans clubs; -SB 607 allows any 501 C , no profit group to have video gaming; pacts to raise age lime present pacts to raise age hmits, etc.;
- SB 710 , known as a status quo bill, halts all gaming for one year at the level dictated by the courts 80 a task force can come up with a plan;
and SB 806 proposes a joint venture be
the state.
About three or four other bills have yet to be discussed.


## Inside



# Grand jury indicts sheriff's deputy 



Studems at White Moumtain Intermedlate School work on comp the Ruidoso School District's two mill levy property tax.
voters once again renew the mill levy at the polls Tuesday.

## Ruidoso School District

## seeks tax renewal Tuesday

## by DON HDXON

Ruidoso News Staff Writer Voters will decide Tuesday tax levy for the Ruidoso Municipal School District.
The Public School Capital Improvements Act Levy must be renewed by Ruidoso voters every
three years. Since 1974 when hree years. Since 1974, when the act was originally implemented statewide, the Ruidoso approved by voters in all seven approved
elections.
At the last two-mill levy elec-
tion in February 1993 only $10 \%$ f those eligible voted. Of the 4,094 registered voters, only 388 people marked their ballots. There were 298 voters for the mill levy and 90 against. For this election 5,460 people
are registered, County are registered, County Clerk Martha Proctor said. with a taxable value of $\$ 20,000$
now pays $\$ 40$ a year for
Ruidoso's mill levy, and that Ruidoso's mill levy, and that if the mill levy is renewed Tuesday by voters (in New Mexico, property is taxed on one-third of market value).
The Ruidoso Municipal School District receives money from the state government, but the two-mill levy is still vital to the school system, district business manager Caron Snow said.
House Bill Two cantains House Bill Two contains
school district educational fundschool district educational fund
ing and includes money for ing and includes money for plies, textboaks and utilities, Snow explained.
"That's distributed through the public school funding formula and becomes the operational fund," she said
"The level of funding that achool districts now recejve than it used to be," Snow added.

Districts are leaning on capital ocal mill levies) much more than before."
Besides direct state funding, the school gets money through bonds, grants, an occasional spe-
cial appropriation from the state cial appropriation from the state
legislature, and the two-mill legislature, and the two-mill levy. Without the two-mill levy, the district would be forced to use state money meant for operaions for capital improvements Thatere she said.
There would be less for salaries, benefits, classroom supdon't know what we'd do without the levy."
Ruidoso'
Ruidoso's two-mill levy revenue translated into about $\$ 428$ per student during the last hree years, school district off. cials said.

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ㅁ Extortion and intimidation of witness charged by DIANNE STALLINGS
After listening to evidence for 1.5 days, a Lincoln County grand jury Wednesday returned four indictments against Sheriff's Deputy Angelo Vega.
The deputy, who has worked in law enforcement since December
1991, was indicted on two counts of 1991, was indicted on two counts of extortion (third-degree felony) and two counts of intimidating a wit-
ness (fourth-degree felony). He ness (fourth-degree felony). He
faces a maximum nine years in faces a maximum nine years in
prison and $\$ 20,000$ in fines, prison and $\$ 20,000$ in fines,
without aggravating circumstances. Vega has been put on administrative leave with pay pending the outcome of the trial, according to a prepared statement issued by
Sheriff James McSwane. Vega Sheriff James MeSwane. Vega
could not be reached for comment. could not be reached for comment.
Two prosecutors from the office of Now prosecutors from the office Tom Udall presented the evidence to the grand jury in response to Athins, who employs McSwane's wife as a secretary and handles the sheriffs criminal cases in court.
Udall's office also will prosecute the case against Vega, said spokesman Kay Roybal, to avoid any appearance of conflict of interest on the part of the district attorney's office.
The five-page indictment states that on Sept. 28, 1995, Vega threatened Shelley Woods, 38 , and
Molly McBrinn Foster, 40, with prosecution of "meritless criminal charges with the intent to wrong. fully compel (the women) to do an act against (their) will" as undercover narcotics informants.
Vega also pushed the women to sign an apology to the detention
center administrator and sheriffs center administrator and sheriffs
office saying they had been apoffice saying they had been ap-
propriately arrested, the indictpropriately arrested, the indict-
ment said. The move was an apparment said. The move was an appar
ent attempt to prevent them from suing the county for wrongful ar The indictment according to court documents.
knew that paperwork authorizing the dismissal of the charges against the two women was being prepared.
The women gpent more than 24 hours in jail after being arrestod Sept. 27 and jailed on a $\$ 10,000$ bond by the sheriff's office charge ing to the indictment.
They were arrested for trying to smuggle contrabasted into thying to At the time, Vega said the substance was suspected to be marijuana. It later was confirmed to be tobacco.
The endictment says Vega know the two women were unaware of the court and district attorney docisions to dismiss the cases against
them. Instead of informing the women, Vega threatened that unless they cooperated with authorities by working as narcotice informants, the pending cases against them would be prosecuted. Attorney Gary Mitchell, who represents Foster, wrote a lattor to the county commission in October about the alleged actions of Vega and possible involvement of Sheriff
McSwane. One of the women asid the sheriff questioned her abid possible involvement in illeral possible involvement in illega
Vega was hired to work in the county detention center in December 1991, but soon moved into the position of animal control officer with the sheriffs office. He was promoted to a regular doputy and acted as head of a local narcotics investigation task force for one year until the task force was downsized and employees were forced into contract labor. Vega then mosition of deputy.
An agent with the Now Mexio State Police in Clovis headed the pre-grand jury investigation, within the paramaters outlined by Athins. No date has been set for Vega's arraignment or trial, Roybal said. Vega's will be the only case this grand jury hears.
"The grand jury must be disbanded because the attorney gener al requested (the grand jury) only for this very limited purpose," mai 12th Judicial District Judge
Richard A. Pargons.

## Campos introduces legislative bill to fund Ruidoso projects

$\square$ Sewer lines, youth center, pool would be funded

## and House.

The Las Lomas sewer line bonding measure, known as Senate Bill 312, must also gain approval from to certify the need for the project the bill says.

That bill sets the end of fiscal year 1998 as the deadline to accomplish the project, or the authorization will be void.
In SB 314, the $\$ 1$ million for water and wastewater lines in the village must also be approved by the environment department before the bonds can be issued.

The finance and administration department muat approve the

State Sen. Pete Campos has introduced legislation that would protax bonds for water distribution and wastewater system improve
ments in Ruidoso, $\$ 534,000$ to extend sewer lines in the Las Lomas subdivision in Ruidoso, and $\$ 250,000$ for a youth conter and wimming pool for the village.

## Ruidoso Downs listed as fastest-growing N.M. town

by DON HIXON
Ruldoso Nows Staft Writer
The Village of Ruidoso Downs is the fastest growing municipality in New Mexico, according to the most recent U.S. Census Bureau figures. Almost $80 \%$ of New Mexcoco's 99 incorporated 1990 and the 1994 censub
Ruidoso Downs has grown from 920 people in 1990 to 1,300 people in 1994, a $41.3 \%$ increase.
"I think that we have a lot more civic pride now than we did four years ago," Village of Ruidoso Downs Mayor couraged village clean-ups and its exciting
Population in Ruidoso also expanded. The
lation in 1990 was 4,600 but by 1994 that popu rose $19.6 \%$ to 5,502 , an increase of 902 people. rose $19.6 \%$ to 6,002, an increase of 902 peopio.
'Personally, I think Ruidoso is iust a neat place to be," Executive Secretary/Deputy Clerk Mary Maxwall remponded when quizzed as to why people were moving into the region. "Blame it on the chamber of commerce for doing such a great job of
«We have encouraged village cleanups and it's exciting to be the fastest growing community in the state."

Joe Hayhurst
Village of Ruidoso Downs Mayor

## promoting the area.

Many people move to Ruidoso from other states because the cost of living is low compared to other parts of the country, Maxwell said.
We are a fairly untouched mountain town with bot or too cold and it's a quite desirable plece to hot or too cold and its a quite desirablo place to

42\% from 1,075 to 1060; - Capitan - up $24.70 \%$ from 842 to 1,$062 ;$

- Corona - down 21.86\% from 216 to 168. - Now Mexico's population rose $1.8 \%$, or $\mathbf{3 0 , 0 0 0}$ from 1.51 million to 1.69 million, ranking it as 86 th in population nationally.

Track owners face

## criticism over bill

$\square$ Some senators suggest track owners
are trying to get a tax break with the legislation
by DICK BEHNKE
Houndhouse correspondent
kacetrack owners came in for some criticism during a marathon session of the Senate's Committe of the Whole Wednesday night. get out of paying exigting tory get out of paying existing taxe they support.
The Senate adjourned its regu ar seasion about 3:30 p.m. and came back an hour later as a rar Committee of the Whole to hear testimony from more than 90 cheduled witnesses on the gam bling question.
dian leaders comittee heard from In dian leaders, gambling opponents bowling alley operators, charitable organizations, restaurant and liqthe horse racing industry.
Mike Weatherly, president of the Horgemen's Association, testified on the need for video gaming ma chines at racetracks and the need for Of Track Betting (OTB)

## *We want to see

that the money goes to the horsemen and the breeders not the tracks. They (track owners) are riding on your backs."

## MKHAEL. SANC H

State Sen. Michael Sanchez uestioned Weatherly about an accusation made Monday by Sen the Senate Select Gaming Com mittee. Smith questioned SB381 inroduced on behalf of the Horse men's Association, claiming it gave a tax break to
was written.

I give you my personal as surance that won't happen,
Weatherly responded Wednesday


## Studies pay off

White Mountain Elementary School students Ervina Herrera (left) and Adan Jiminez won new bicycles in a randorn drawing of contributions from local merchants.

Under 8B381, $10 \%$ of the "drop" on the electronic gaming machines vould go to the state. "drop" is all mon paid in wizer the $10 \%$ would cover the track's bill for wouss receipts tazes owed the state as well as contributions to prorams to halp problem garablerg. "The balance," the legislation says, "shall be paid in lieu of all other tazes, including
Smith was concerned Monday that with SB381, tracks would pay the $10 \%$ drop on the machines, but no other taxes, either on machine ancome or income from their racing Wencession operations.
"We're not asking for any tax testimony Wednesday night.
He assured Sanchez the lanruage of the bill would be changed f it appeared to give such breaks. Racetrack lobbyist Rabert Rivera also said eariier there was absolutely no intent to give a tax break to the racing industry.
"If the language is wrong, that During, Wera said.
During the Wednesday night session, Sanchez accused racetrack situation and the horsemen. We want to see that the goes to the horsemen and the breeders, not the tracks," Sanchez said. "They (track owners) are SB3g your backs.
SB381 offers $25 \%$ of the drop to horsemen and breeders, with $4.8 \%$ to the breeders the balance to the horsemen.

The Senate was scheduled to hear even more testimony on the matter under consideration before acting. Thursday, about a hal As of Thursday, about a half
dozen bills concerned with legaliz ing video gambling or ratifying th Indian gaming compacts were on the Senate table
Observers feel that if a gamblin bill is passed, it may be
gamation of several bills.
On Tuesday, the Horsemen's As sociation began an advertisin blitz, taking out full-page ads in the state's two biggest morning new papers (The Albuquerque Journa and The Santa Fe New Mexican and running ads on television tout racing.
The ads hay des 10,000 horse racing pro million into the New Mexico $\$ 175$ my.


## Ruidoso tax revenues drop strangely

by KAThLEEN MCDONALD
uidoso News Staft Writer
The first 11 months of Ruidoso's 1995 gross receipts tax collections are lower than previous years, prompting officials to forecast
zero-growth budget in 1996-97. Village Manager Gary Jackson and finance director Lee Ann Nichols described 1995 tax revenues as erratic when reviowing the 1895-96 second-quarter budget lactober-December 1935) wit
The gross receipts tax, collect The gross receipts tax, collected
monthly via retail sales, funds $60 \%$ of Ruidoso's budget. It pays for operations, capital purchases and bonded debt.
'Past exross receipts tax collections in the 19908 increased an average of $10 \%$ to $15 \%$ over the previous year, setting a growth trend But in 1995, tax collections only But in 1995, tax collections only "We're $4.53 \%$, Jackson said.
Were seelng real anomalie with May 1995.
May 1994 collections were up
15\% over 1993 but May 1995 cot lections dropped $18 \%$ compared to May 1994.
But then June 1995 collections jumped $32 \%$ over June 1994, fol-
lowed by a 2\% drop in July 1985 months later.
compared to July 1994, Nichols Another el
said.
The erratic numbers could be caused by inaccurate reports from郎eculated, such as cutting off May's numbers too early.
The state government collects the $6.8125 \%$ gross recaipts tax each month from stores, then returns

Another element that could be ffecting numbers is a chuld be where taxes from real astange pales re sent. Until July 1995, those area went to the villape whers the eal eatate company held a busiess license, so taxes from the sales many properties outsido village Hits came to Ruidoso. But since hugust, those taxes now go to the community where the sale took
place.
Viliage department heads are baing asked to heap 1898-97 re86 budsita 0 . 7 budget requests is Feb . 18.

Aftar departmont heads meed with Jackson, theyll hold a series of budget warkshops with village
councilors, tentatively on April 22 30, Nichols said.

## Village prepared for tax drop

Despite recent erratic month-to month grass receipts tax collections Ruidoso's government is still in good financial shape, said Village
Manager Gary Jackson said. Before the Jackson said.
Beiore in 1995-96 budget year began in July, officials conserva-
tively budgeted a $2 \%$ increass in ively budgeted a $2 \%$ increase in tember, departments were asked to hold off on capital purchases.
Therefore mid-year
und revenuea are at $47 \%$ of of the annual budget, while expenditures are at 40\%, he said.
Various economic trends emerg
hat conservative planning, he said: retail market:
Mexican peso; the duation of the Mexican peso;
anded panded gaming would
Ruidoso's Wassible relocation of Downs; Ruidoso Downs Race Track whather close, and if it didn't, how long its season would run.
"This all has cortainly affected receipts," Jackson told councilors

Tuesiday. "Neat year, I think we'l be facing the same issuas. "The raality is, I can't tell you in May what will happen in May.
Gross receipts tax revenues are paying for the principal and interest on about 88 milion worth of village de comisitted to taping of on time. Overall, the village has about $\$ 12$ million in outstanding By
By postponing some capital purchases, the village is able to tighten its fisceal beit without cutting jobs, Jackson said.

## Task force warns of crumbling roads

by DIANNE STALLINGS
Ruldoso News Stafl Wrter
Lincoln County and its five million for local roadwork if million for local roadwork if th
state Legislature and the governo state Legislature and the governor
follow the recommendations of citizens task force.
The group is urging the state to issue $\$ 1.2$ billion worth of bonds to
inject some cash into New Mexico's inject some cash into New Mexico's
deteriorating roads. deteriorating roads.

State Rep. Lorenzo Larranga (R Bernalillo) has introduced a bil that should accomplish that goal, from the task force.
State Rep. Ben Lujan (D-Sants Fe) introduced a bill Monday that sets its sights a bit lower. House Bill 531 would authorize up to $\$ 250$ million of extra bonding authority for highway improvement projects. The money would be earmarked for four-lane expansions on highly traveled two-lane routes. About $\$ 160$ million in five-year bond could be issued by pledging fou cents of gas tax.
Gary Johnson to would allow Gov. two-cent highway bonding gasoline tax for more projects up to the $\$ \mathbf{2 5 0}$ tax for more
Highways in the state are in critical condition, according to a report released by the Governors Citizens Fighway Assessment Task Force (CHAT). Information from that report was reviewed in the DeNewser edtition of Traffic Safety Newsletter published by the New Mexico Traffic Safety Bureau and University of Now Merico.
Without an immediate infusion of money into the gtate's highway systams, safety and economic deval. opment will suffer, the CHIAT report etatad. It pointed to 5,700
miles of deficient roads, nearly half miles of deficient roads, nearly i
of the state's highway system. New Mexico already ranks third in the nation for highway fatalities,
> *We realized that recommending a gas tax would be controversial. But we also recognized that a gas tax means that the users of highways would pay for their construction and maintenance. it ensures that tourists and others using New Mexico highways help to pay for them, instead of putting the entire burden on New Mexicans."

> Dottie Hoxie
> CItizens Highway Task Force
> and many roads are reaching the estimated $\$ 37,397$, Ruidoso Down saturation point, CHAT pointed $\$ 33,243$ Capitan $\$ 32,571$, and Appointed by Johnson in July "We realized that recommending a gas tax would be controversial," , task force member Dottie Hoxie told traffic safety bureau officiais.
But we also recognized that a gas 995, CHAT conducted 17 tow meetings throughout the state to ather public opinion oa highway ptions. More than 700 people at ptionded the meetings and an additional 500 returned questionnaires.

> In its final report to the gover nor, CHAT recommended the highway department issue bonds for 1.2 bilion. Members contended the plan wouid not oniy meet the but also would retarn mones to communities to allow them to determine their own transportation priorities.

From the $\$ 1.2$ billion, $\$ 1.09$ bilhion would be used on the stata's highway systom. The other $\$ 110$ covernments based on square mileaga and popniation.
Out of 92 counties in the states incoln County and its five municipalities would rank 13th in che amount of monay that would be oceived. Bernalillo County and its cour cities would be on top of the heap, collecting $\$ 17.8$ million.
Of the total amount to Lincoln, the county government would recaive $\$ 2.55$ million, the village pf partmant. the to the highway do-


## List of sources

 year highway bonds, an additionalproposed by the govarnor, the fiveyear bonds will have significantly lower interest costs, Lujuan said. The interest is estimatad at $\$ 35.5$ cost more than $\$ 865$ million in interest, he said.

The state highway and transportation department recaives $\$ 180$ milion in federal fund ing each year, but that amount is expected to decrease to $\$ 140 \mathrm{mil}$ funding has stayed level at $\$ 186$ funding has stayed level at \$186 minflation is factored in, that amount shrinks to $\$ 167$ million and must provide for construction, repair and maintenance on 11,600 miles of highways.
A national study released in 1995 gays New Mexico reduced its investanent in state highways by $30 \%$ from 1982-92, according to the newneteter.
The message we heard over and over from the citizens of this state was that thay would be willing to pay taves for roads if the money was used for roads," said Tom Swie stack, CHAT vice chair and mayor of Rio Rancho.

## for highway funding

To secura the $\$ 1.2$ billion in 20- - tortmpoee a one-puarter per-

Real estate agents seek delay
by DIANME STALHITES

## boso Nems Stety Witar

Local real eatate agents and homebuilders want atate officials to reconsider subdivi
Realtor Cindy Lyneh is on the Incoln County Commission agenda Theseday to seelk commission supppart for on effort to move backs. the effective date of the
Thas meoting begins at 9 am . in the commiasion chambers of the conmety courthouse in Carrizozo.
Lynch said. "We feel it still needs work."
The approved changes were aimed at dlosing a loophole in the 1978 Subdivision Act that. leat unregulated the division of land into coumties of Dolia Ana, Bernalifle and Santa Fe.are required to adopt the provieions by July 1 of this year. But other countios, including incoln, have untii July 1, 1997.

We think it neads more study and ravision in the meantime, Lynch said. "My understanding is the Stata Engineer's office will have to hire extra staff to enfarce the the county has looked at it closely enough as to what the role of the county commission would be. I feel $t$ will be more.than the commission is ready to bite off
"This thing hit the real estate population like a bombshell last year. It was done, said and aver with before we even realized what was going on. I believe it was too hastily passed."
At the request of Gov, Gary Johnson, State Son. Skip Vernon (R-Albuquerque) last month introduced Senate Bill 476 that would changes one year.
A recently-approved revision of incoln County subdivision regulations did not contain any language to conform to the new state requirements, said county planner Patsy Santher.
The president of the Lineoln

Conuly Roaltors Association says "dry" Enildivisions
he isara probably ghould have on atatawido Mayy kninging is that it is somethe peopte. Our legislature is abruning that's what ghould be done," said President Linda Long. "It's a concern for everybudy, not just Realthrys, beeause it eap affect anybody who wants to buy
thay'se talling big land.".
The act will intorfore with pe
sonal property rights, Lynch said. "If you have to go to all this ere tra expense to subtivide a tract of lanid, well spon be out of available tracts to sell," she said. "People will not be getting into the
ecaming subdividers. now development boing considered right now. There are some voids homas now. lots, not to are no we shohile hame new sulbdividing just for mobile home lote, but its an ezample of how your rum out of thinge." Since concerns about possible dwindling wator supplies contributed to the puish to. limit land subdividing, the county Realtars asso ciation also is advocating a tatewide water study.
We need to determine once and they force this on anybody" before shey force this on anybody," Lynch Chan division act last year inchude: - redefining the meaning "subdivision" to , "the division of land within a previously approved aubdivision into two or more parcels for the purpose of sale, lease or other conveyance or for building development whether immediate or Guture;"
final requiring a certificate on a final plat (layout) of a development
stating whether a county commisstating whether a county, commis-
sion has accepted, conditionally accepted or rejected an offer for dedication of roads for public use; - requiring each county determine the maximum annual water requiremant of a gubdivision undor review, aimed at eliminationg
"dry" Enibdivisionsy - mator pornity it optional to ohtain Buginetr tor sulbeiviniones with 20 parcele or more aftor July 1, 1997; - matting an expiration thme of 24 monthit with possible estensions up to three years on praliminary plat approvals and encouraging phasing of pacjects;
Sor asles of one parcol off oversight Sor aales of one parcel of: 35 deres or among family members of ones pars. among per tract, mand some donquions to cartain nonprofit corporations, trusts, schoopla, colleges, churches and i religious groups;

- and requiring all subdivision developers to diliver disclosurre Ptatemente to potantial purchasers. Previously, this provision applied parcels.


## Other items on county

commission's agenda
Architactural plang for impryeve monts to the Lincoln Comaty cquirthouse will be reviewred Tvesilay by The meeting will begin in the commission roomin of the courthouse in Carrizozo. Other items on the agenda include:




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Police promoted
Ruidoso Downs Police officers Chris Condon (left) and Ray Montes were recently promoted from patroliman status to the rank of corporal. Condon was also named as the department field investipatrolman status, fo the rank of corporal. Con
gator and Monte's now a shift supervisor.

## Election

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"The levy really allows us to make the schools a better place for
our kids" Ruidoso Municinal our kids, Ruidoso Municipal School District Superintendent Mike Gladden said. "It means about $\$ 350,000$ per year for the

The two-mill levy is designed for capital improvement needs, but it can also be used to subsidize bond money, and for land and buildinge maintenance. The money is not used for salaries.
Future plans for two-mill levy dollars include purchasing additional computers for classrooms, grounds maintenance and roof and building repair, Snow said.
"Sometimes things just aren't anticipated, like a roof loak at one of the sites that needs to be Some of the programs funded in
the past with the levy are:

- land improvements includin new sidewsilks, trees, shrubs, sprinkler systems, a new running track, new bleachers, and landscaping at all school sites;
- building improvements including carpeting, gym floor refursystems and sound systems.
sibility;
- and equipment for curricular and extracurricular programs have been purchased, including nursing supplies, student desks and furnslunchroom seating systems, activity vehicles, classroom computers, copiers, musical instruments and audio visual equipment.

Polls will be open fromi 7 a.m. to tion

## New sign will hail convention center; hotel needed nearby

by KATHLEEN MCDONALD
Auidoso News Staft Writer
The four-year-old Ruidoso Convention Centar will finally have an for Mechem Drive passersby.
Village councilors approved $\$ 55,000$ for construction of a marque sign for the convention center Tuesdey. Different design options will be put out to bid, Village Manager Gary Jackson said.
The money will come from the village's $\$ 110,000$ common area im provement fund.
The benefits of the electronic message sign can't be unChamber of Commerce Director Joan Bailey.
"Not only does it give visibility
it legitimizes th
ter," Bailey said.
Than for thage is part of the mastar plan for the convention and civic cludes a hotel.

When a hotel is built, it too will appear on the sign, along with the inks Golf Course.
Ruidoso Downs Race Track owner R.D. Hubbard and business partner Ed Allred gigned a 50 -year ease agreement with the village in 1994 to build a $\$ 15$ million resort hotel with 162 rooms

Construction
Construction was put on hold by the business partnors early last
year after the state Legislatura failed to approve video gambling for
the state's racetracke.
$\begin{array}{ll}\text { e state's racetracks. } & \text { ficult, especially since the village } \\ \text { Resort manager Jon Sharry has } & \text { has no public transportation sys- }\end{array}$ aid construction Jon Sharry has panded gaming hinges on ox Presently in Santa Fe to gittend legislative hearings on gambling legisiative hearings on gambing comment.

The hotel lease requires construction to begin within a twoyear period, and if it doesn't begin by neist fall, the lease will be void. Having a hotal within walking distance of the convention center is vital for the center's overall auccess, said Faren Merritt Selman, Convention \& Visitors Bureau
Without the hotel, marketing. Ruidoso to large groups as premiere convention site is dif-
has no public tran
tem, Selmann said.
hotal see it hurting us not having a Wotal here," she told the councilors. wajor turn down an average two major
Lack of a hotel forces Selman to sell conventions for 3,000 attendees or fewer, since village lodges now have a total of about 2,200 beds.
"If we're serious about being in going to need a convention wetre
going to need a
About 100 conventions were
About 100 conventions were
the village took in about $\$ 20,000$ in
evenues.
Convention center bookings may
increase this coming year because
of new special events planned by
Ruidoso's new special events Ruidoso's new special
dinator Anne Reveley.
Many of the events will center round Ruidoso's 50th birthday, she said.
Tll he '96 calender has become full blown," Reveley said. "Our objective is to bring more visitors into Ruidoso."
Chief among those is the "Tunes and Tap" series of dance/concerts scheduled to run from Feb. 26 to April 6. Each of the six shows is pected to draw about 500 people.
Reveley has Reveley has contacted Ski Apache officials to seek help
promoting the series on show days, but she was told the concerts won't directly impact the ski ares,

Reveley said.
Many people drawn to the vilalso because of the concerts would also go up to the ski
"I know some of the bands would be happy to go up there and play for an
said.

Bailey also baid the ski area and Ruidoso community should work closer on promoting events and attractions.
"We're listed on the Ski Apache brochure as their 1-800 number because they don't have one," Bailey free phone 5 of the chamber's inquiries about Ski Apache.
S A L U T E $\quad$ T O

# Working Women'96 

Ruidoso Convention \& Civic Events Center Wednesday, February 14

## Lownelh Style Show

## Madenan

Spring Mix
of fresh salad greens with dressing
Chicken Piccata
with garlic herb pasta
Broccoli Spears with cheese sauce
Baby Carrots
with brown sugar and bourbon glaze
Hot Rolls \& Butter - Amaretta Surprise
Iced Tea \& Coffee
Tickets are on sale at Ruidoso Valley Chamber of Commerce and The Ruidoso News through Friday, February 9.

Tickets - \$15.00
No tickets will be avallable at the doots

## Opinion

## Ebitorail

## Please go to the polls Tuesday and support Ruidoso School District

It may not be a glamourous election with battling personalities, but if's probably the most important alection this year for your children.
Ruidoso School District voters are being asked Tuesday to renew a two mill property tax that supports the school district. State law requires voters to re approve the mill levy every three years.
This is the one source of funding that gives the local school district the most control over its use. School of ficials plan to use it for computers to hielp students keep up with modern times. They also use the money to keep buildings in shape, preventative measures that save money in the long run
In these days of penny-pinching voter attitudes, we cannot assume that others will take care of the voting for us. Please, go to the polls Tuesday.
$\omega_{\text {Television is an invention }}$ whereby you can be entertained in your living room by people you wouldn't have in your house."

David Frost
British collimnist. Television producer - 1995
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They'll always get you."
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authorship. Nol letter will be printed without the writer's name.

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"WOW! WANT TO KNOW HOW MUCH ENERGY IT TOOK TO FLY YOU AND YOUR ENTOURAGE EVERYWHERE YOU WENT LAST YEAR, SECRETARY O'LEARY?

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Not happy about car being towed TO THE EDITOR:
(This tetter was originally writ ten to the Ruidoso Police Depart-
ment. The writer asked that it be ment. The writer asked that it be printed in this newspaper.)
I visited your city last week and was very upset by your now park ing ordinance. I came to kuidoso alone for a getaway weekend and
was rudely awakened by my vehicle was rudely awakened by my vehicle
being towed away while I was being towed away while I was Sudderth Street. I talked to a shop owner and found out that the park ing had changed since my last visit to Ruidoso.
I have several complaints about your new parking: I didn't see your yellow curb because of the ice, snow and dirt covering them, the curb was gray as the picture enclosed will prove. Also, what about people that would like to enjoy your shop ping but are not able to walk great distances to your parking lots? How fun to have the inconvenience of parking, shop a couple stores, get in
the car, park again, shop a few more stores, move the car again etc., etc. I'm exhausted just think ing about it.

I think you are trying to tur tourists away, gee cat your own throat, great idea. When I drove by


#### Abstract

the shops I wasn't sure thay were job losses are anound the corner? even open because there was hardly any cars around. But Im sure the city makes money on the towing and parking ticket, so you arent too concerned about your local ghop owners. Im also sure this letter will go in the trash and thought of as her vehicle being towed, while she was trying to enjoy your town. I just hope that others you in convenience will take the time to write their complaints, and think twice about visiting your ticket trap.

Will they look for jobs that mal the payroll for horse racing employ ees?

What kind of incentives will it take to replace horse racings $\$ 30 \%$ million contribution to the state's find that brings a business bis enough to create 10,000 johs? I bolieve whoever it is will ask for a lot of tar breaks! There have been some sweetheart deals have jobs in the past, but replacing the race horse's rural to urban jobs ought to weaken the lanees of any goveralment setup charged with that mis- sion. The payroll has to extend to the auxiliary industries that serve racing patrons. After all, whan horse race tourists come to New Mexico tracks, they are spending about $\$ 120$ million. Out-0i-state racehorse owmers are spending $\$ 10$ million. Can government jobs for New Mexico bureaus replace-that outlay at the game time they re outay at the same time they rehorse racing? You know as well as I, there is no such induatry on its way to New Mexico. A $\$ 367$ million industry didn't happen overnight. It has been in the making for over 60 years.

Racehorse farms and breeding operations grew over time, also.


125 million in real eatate, Their astimated anmal operation cost are $\$ 50$ million and the value of their breeding and racing stork is stimated to be $\$ 75$ million. Recaiving money from these op crating. costio are all the alfalif varms, feed blanders, feed dealers, vetarinarians, and equipment and vaplacement income, toe. The "jolis for New Mexico" searchers need to seep all the rural parts of this industry in mind.
It would be far bettar to have Jegiglative' reipponse to the hertse racing industry that doem't looe racahorse jobs or close any horse farms. It is far better to add eleotronic games at the horso races to
keep parrses growing, because the keep parrses growing, because the people than just the betting winner peopie than just the betting winner or the horse owner. Electronit government from looling for a mythical industry for New Mexico that has 10,000 jobs, brings mones spending visitors and reinforces Tural economies.
Call Santa Fe, tell thom eleetronic gaming at live races will keep racehorse jobs in New Merico. ployee a terrible headacho.

Michael Weatherk
New Mexico Horsomen's Mesciation
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## Season of winter can bring happiness, too

## January Welcomes <br> The Birthday Month

into the Mountain Land
This is being sent to you a few minutes before midday on Jan. 31 and will reach you on Fob. 2, Ground Hog's Day. In the early morning hours the west wind suddenly came to a
halt, stopped in its tracks by a cold north wind pushing heavy clouds before it through the sky and light mist over the land.
The largest band of snow birds I have seen this year began flying in from every direction, feeding in the pathway to the front door. They were chirping their little midwinter songs of joy, delighted with the cold wave and the flavor of gnow in thie air.

About mid-morning the north wind seemed to run out of gas; and the west wind toak ovar again, and the temperature jumped up to 60 degrees from 35
Clouds began moving down the valley from the west where they had been gathering all
morning, and now, just after high noon the morning and now, just after high noon, the akg is all a ceining of vary light couda, winh
the sun a silver diak gurrounded by a rinetof rainbow aky colora, casting the vale bolow in a dreamy haliflight that touches the pinons and cedars and mountain meadow, with a glow of light gold.
A great sense of well-being pund peace



The Silver Lining
Daniel Agnew STORM
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Birthday Month.

## Happy Birthday to Neif Crain Parks

Feb 6 is the birthday of beloved pioneer Noty has brought erreat hother of Dave Parits. Nol has brought ereatt happingags to uk duing hor manty years amotig us,
Feb. 6 is also the birthday of Ronald Reagan, the oldest president ever to hold the ófice.

We wrish Nell Perlos and the Gippor many happy returis of the aty and ail Gode mitas inges.

## The Joys of Winter

We are now barel ane thind of the way



## ing ahead and hoping for gigns of spring.

 However, let us remeimber that each seasson of the year has its special charms.People who live in seasons of long vinters are among the happiest in the world --for exa ample the Erkimos, Laplapders and No wegians.
The cold weather malves you deeply eratefui for the simplest bleidhtite for ong thing, come in cold and wet and the simplest food is like a princely banquet.

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Ruidoso's Four-Day Weather Oútlook



Bessle and Lloyd Ells

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Bonito Fire Dept. has new officers

The Bonito Volunteer Fire Department announced oficers and resented awards at its amual meeting Jan, 9.
BVFD serves the communities of to, Angus and Bonito.
Chief Howard Puckett intro-
Jack Orio, deputy chief Mark Stam bauch, fire captain Bob Palko, safety captain Chris Denne, public relations lieutenant Yvonne Lanelli, fimance lieutenant Boh
Messick and rescue lieutenant Coy Stambaugh.
Puckett also introduced adminisrative officers: secretary Ed Penaingtan, treasurer Boh Messick, nu department dispatcher Lester Rusty Lanell.
. Puckett also presented attendance awards to Mark Stamof appreciation to members' spouses. These gifts were cratted by BVFD member Tim Weirwille of White Mountain Pottery.
Anyone residing in BVFD's disrict is invited to join the department. BVFD meets the first and second Tuesdays of each month at
the Sun Valley Station in Alt further information, call 356-4308

## Local Lutherans

 awarded gold star Members of Aid Association for Lutherans (AAL) Branch 7870 in Ruidoso have been awarded a gold star rating by the fraternal, benefi society for their azamplary commuly yolutear servicos. sicht performance catemeried achieve the highest ratinges. Told silver stars, branches must mnual ly aponsor at least one AAL benevolent activity, such as afumdraiser or work project.
They also must conduct nine. meetings, sponsor at least one edu cational activity and one member awareneas event, and comply with AAL's atteridance, voting and reporking requirements.

Officers for 1996 AAL Branch \#7870 Ruidoso are Erwin C. Toens ing, president; Don Ellis, vice presjtary and treasurer. Meetings are held at Shepherd of the Hills Lutheran Church in Ruidoso.
AAl has increased their matching funds for the Ruidoso branch *7870 from $\$ 2,200$ to $\$ 2,500$.
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Kimberfy Anm Pittman of ceremany amid Christmas decora Ruidoso wial married to Justin Al- tions of red, white and green. bert Smith of Ruidose at 5 p.m. on The hride wore a straight beaded Dac. 17, 1995 at Cree Meadoive Country Club.
Judge Milke Line officiated.
The bride's parcents are Joan Pittman of Ruidoso. The croom's parents are Robert and Judy Beavers of Ruidioso Downs.
The bride's sigter and brother Liberty Bryant and Stagger Lee Pittman, sang "After All" at the train. Liberty Bryant served as the matron of honor, and Dusty Beavers, brother of the groom served as best man.
The happy couple syent their Lincolng and will reside in Germany where the proom is etationed with the U.S. Ariny.

## Volquardsen graduates

Dustin H. Volquandsen, a 198 graduate of Ruidoso High School graduated at the 103 rd Commente sity on Saturday, Dec. 16.
sity on Saturday, Dec. 16 .
Volquardsen eained a Bachelo of Science degree in Electrical Engineering.
Fie is the son of Fred and Carrol Volquardsen of Ruidoso. Dustin has an eight-year-old daughter, Chefyanne.
Dustin \& Cheyanne plan to live in Las Cruces while Dustin can tinues to earn his Master's in th same field.


## BUSINESS

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## 0 Look Creations features crafts and crafting supplies

by DPN HiBKON

Pat Singiler's doctor tald her a change of climate might bo the best solution for her arthritis.
"So we sold our house in Bramdon, Mirss, bought an R.V. and hit the road in seapch of a new place to and joptei but said. We found Ruiderso, we knew that this was it:" Sayyder and her husband Bruce opened 0 Look Creations at 2809 Sudderth - Suite 1A.
0 Leok Creations is filled with gitts and crafts, many made by chars herseif. The shop also stocks a large variety of wood for use in cxaft projects.
for a company based in Philadel phia. "He works three weeke on and three weeks off," Pat said. "Believe me, when he gets home, I have a 'honey-do' list for him."
Bruce is scheduled for retirement in two years.
This is not Pat Snyder's first business venture. She owned a gift shop in Carrabelle, Fla. in 1982 but "It was feast or famine and
"It was feast or famine and not really a tourist town," she said. ways wanted another gift shop." Craft shows became a major p Craks Snyder's life. She and Bruce, along with French poodle Charity, traveled from show to show, selling Pat's urafts and meeting people. I was at a craft show somewhere just about every weekend," she said. "For the last three years we sold wood for crafts at a flea market in Vermont."
O Look Creations sticks a llaige
selection 4 ? wood for crafts includ- from about $\$ 18$ to $\$ 50$, she said. ing dgect dowols, apples, balls, "What I want to have are things whec.
vizes.
"Wo
"Wose hoping that the wooden said. $O$ Look Creations also is filled craft supplies really catches on," with unique items tike slate paintPat asid. "The shop is a combina- inga, Valantine's Day gitts, chiles tion of gifts, cratt, and odis and made from glasse, cowis holding eggs Wallan

Walking eticika from Vermont "Like pork and beans," Snyder are even available at $O$ Look Craa- said.
tions. Snyder sells the stichss for \$7. Snyder has taught crafting techchicer cratitems at the store in- niques and seems to have a knack chan 5,000 roll of wragping papor. for eraative ideas. Hydrastone sculptures of In- to be able to do a lot of crafts," she dians, cowboys and animals fill a said. "Ive taught dit senior citizen wall at the now business. "Hyydrastone is similar to con- Florida."
"reote but not as heavy," she said. 0 Look Creations at 2809 Sud"We get them from Belen and they derth is open from 9 a.m. to $6 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. have a vary different and interest- Monday through Saturday and
ing look:"
firom 2 p.m. to 6 p.m. Sunday. The from 2 p.m. to 6 p.m. Sund


Pat Snyder, owner of a new crafts shop called O Look Creations, frolics with her French poodle Charty. The shop, located at 2809 Sudderth Drive, teatures uniapig craft tems and craft supplies:


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Total Escrow

## Services opens

Fotal Bseriow Services will open or business monday in Ruidoso. President of the new escrow serviee is Teity Whitakser, who has 10 years experience in the field. uanegor is Sandy Knox, with more than 16 years experience," and has'24 yatairs of title and eserow service enperience. An etarow service works as a noutral third party in real estate transactions.
Total Eacrow Services is located at Lincoln Towers - Suite 102, 1096 Mecham. The phone number is 258 5795.

Brown recertilied as family doctor
-Dr. Arlens M. Brown of Ruidoso has been recertified as a Diplomate of The American Academy of Famly Physicians (ABFP). ABFP is the izing in family practice.
Brown earned Dinit.
Brown earned Diplomate status eram, an intensive written test of the physician's abilities in pediatrics, internal medicine surgery, obstetrics, gynecology, psychiatry, prevention and other aspects of family practice.

Family physicians are trained to care for the whole person, treating a majority of all medical problems them to oftier specialists as necessary.
Family P practices medicine at Ruidoso.

State economic web site on line
The Economic Development Department has created an Internet home page to provide for easy access to business and government Internet
Internet users can now access inormation about taxation, regule labor rates; and essential information for starting, relocating or expanding a business in New Mexico. Users may visit the New Mexico conomic Web Site at. http://www.edd.state.nm.us

Libraries will get Internet access

In a project administered by the New Moxico State Library to make able, the Ruidoso Public Library and the Carrizozo Municipal Li-
brary will both be provided with brary will both be provided with
computers, support equipment and staff training through a greant
funded by the state Legialature
The grant will allow the libraries ta recaive information that would otherwise he expensive. Libraries will also be able to communicate via the electronic mail system, enhancing interlibrary sharing.

State adopts
straw bale building standards

The New Mexico Construction Industries Commission has approved the inclusion of straw bale buildings standards into the New Mexico Amendments to the Uniform Building Code.
This approval is the culmination of four years work by members of the Straw Bale Constraction Association, and the staff of the Construction Industries Division. The work consisted of developing the standards, undertaking an engineered test program, producing of straw bale houses with salectio mental permits, and a publichear mental
ing.

For more information contact Tony Perry, president of the association, at (505) 989-4400.


## Capitan ranks 7th in growth



## Seeing zeros

Capitan elementary students conducted several projects last conducted several projects last
week to recogrize the school year's 100th day. Photo at bottom left - Frank Snyder and Brendon Osborn tackle the scales. Top. left photo Stacey Trapp holds a strtp of 10, one-foot-long pleces of paper to measure the hall. Top right photo - Kayla Roberts gets ready to weigh cookies. Photo at bottom right - kin-
dergarten students Jessica Ward, Dakota Montes, Brittany Lee and K.D. Elsey make trall mix in units of $\mathbf{1 0}$.


Capitan is one of nine cities in New Merico thet of mine citien in New Herice that grenthy 200 of
more from April 1990 to July 1994.
It placed 7h, tad outranked the village of invidoto, which poated a 10.61\% population increase from 4,500 to 5,502 .

The figures were based on data from the Bureau of the Censsus, compiled by Sunwest Bank's monthly business and economic publication Progness and summarized in the December issue of The Municipal Reporter.
Of Lincoln County's five municipalities, Rividoso Downs, Which abuts Ruidoso, placed on top with a whopping $41.30 \%$ increase in population was from 920 to 1,300 . "I was shocked when I saw it, Village of Ruidoso Downs ClerkTreasurer Leann Weihbrecht said. "I can't think of any reason it would increase that much. I don't believe we've seen that kind of increase in water users we bill:" Capitan's 1990-94 growth statistics don't reflect the closing of cort Stanton as a state hospital, be1995. Long the county's epecondlargest employer, more than 200 people worked there, and Capitan


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## Police offer reward for dog killer info <br> Ruidoso-Lincoln

GrimeStoppo in offering a 1100 rewand to thed ont who loft a mother epanid mix and har five. pappieatio a tumpater.
The tan anit white mother had ana eye poked out and showied signs dither touse. She and one of her vive the oriest: puypies did not survive the ordeal.
in the morning Doe 13 by emintoy Ees of the Inicoln County Solid Waste Authmity transfer station and the neartoy Lincoly County Humame Socicty mininal shelter of Gavilan Canyan Rroad.
The point io not that the person wanted to diapose of the animals, said Jim Rigging, shelter manager. went encourage people whimols to don't us. We have cages that are avail us. Wo have cages that are availoff. Were not in the business of judging or maling people feel guilty. When thay bring animals to ius, they are giving them a chance for a now homie."
Turgied reason this case is being purgived as an animal abuse crime
is that the owner apparently

Gyyhen they bring animals to us, they ame giving them a chance for a new homes?

Jim Rugans Linpolin County Humane Society Sheitter Director
abused the mother dog and then bandoned mom and her seven-weel-old pups in a dumpster; in. stead of putting them into an overnight cage just a few yards away at the shelter, said Ruidoso Police Chiof Lamny Maddaz.
"Unfortunately, in this state animal abuse is only a misdemeanor," he gaid.
The rewand is for information leading to magistrate bindover of
the person who corimitted the the person who committed the crime, Madioz said. That means
enough information must be pregented to convince the judge there is probable cause to believe a crime was committed.
To contact CrimeStoppers call
$257-4545$. 257-4545.

## Forest Service

 pays county ${ }^{*}$The U.S. Pureat Siervice earned $\$ 140,507$ in Lincoin: County from users of fegleral Inndtinfiteal syear 1895, \$1t implitem metionwitho. Tha Lincola County gove
ment reecives $25 \%$ of thie ment reecivels 20\% of the $\$ 35,127.1$ Tho Ferest Scervice announced last week that the mouncer hast ween distributed to staties.
Lincoln ranks 9 th of 32 New Mexico counties in payment in liaus of tases (PILT) moneay from the federal government. New. Mexico counties receiving by far the most money are Cation ( $\mathbf{\$ 2 2 0 6 , 5 5 9 )}$ ) and Rio Arriba (E242,971).

New Merica counties received a total of $\$ 1,102,867$ in PILT payments, ranking 25th of all ment. Oregon, California and Waraington top that list. Revenues come from timber sales, graxing, recreafion and other uses on the Forest Service's 191 milion acres, Local governments must use PILT payments for schools and roads.

## Highway 48 plans discussed

by DIAMNE ETALLANGS
Street News Sting and turn lanes were guggested Tuesday ta adititions to a improvement plan for State thighway 48

The angesestions were offered by some of the 10 residents who attended a public information session comiucteil at 'Alto Lakes Country Club by Keyston Eavirommental \& Planning Inc.
Keyatone epokesman Kevin Hammond said his frm is handing the eavironmental study for th northem section of tha mult-phase project. The total project will run from Sudaerth Drive to just north of ho intersection with State Flighway 37.
Previous seasions have been conducted on the other and mone controversial phases closer to Ruidoso. After objections from business and landowners along th the five-lane construction initially proposed by the state Highway and Transportation Department in sec lions through town.
W's not necessary to add turn lanes to the road de ign in the northera sechon, hecave ciming lane arections are not part of the current design and some were removed from other phases to cut costs.

Only two aiternatives are being considered by the state: build or $n 6$ build. The no-build alternative would consist of only minor road repair and no sub stantial improvements. The basic road slignment would not change in either alternative.

The northern section under serutimy at Truesiay meting is narrow and winding with titile or no shoulders, siaid Andres Aragon Viamonta, tiso with Keybtone.

The bridge over the Rio Bonito is narriow and not up to current standards. Several curves don't allow adequate sight digtance for drivers. The pavemomt on saíd:

The northern section of the project etarte at. Plighway 532 or Ski Run Rosd and continues north for 4.1 miles as a two-lane road.

Construction work on that portion, estimated at $\$ 5.61$ million, could begin in 1998, cceonding to projert enginear Allan Whitasel

The proposed improvements would consist of:
-resurfacing and restoration of the roadway.

- adding five-foot shoulders;
- building $\mathbf{1 1}$-foot wide cimbing lanes with fourfoot shoulders along most of the propect routes;
- replacing the bridge over the Eiso Bonito;
- and reconstruction of the intensections of the highway with SH37, Sierra Blanca Airport Road and Fort Stanton Road.
"We haven't identified anything wo compider of aignificant impact environmentally," Hammond said Wednesday from hip Albuquarque office. "Some minor wetlands argas are involved, ahout one-tenth of an acre. 1097 ,


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Victor Moreno instructs (left to ifoht) Laury Reed, Nancy Grin-. Ballet New Mexico School of Dance in Ruldoso. Moreno has in, and Joyce Cox during his Adull Ballet Filness Class at more than 50 years of experience in the wortd of ballet.

## Swing to country western dance classes

Dancers can get into the swing of thingg at ENMU-Ruidoson' Community Education course in country western dance. The focus of the girweek class is the basics of TwoStep, Waltz and Jitterbug.
The class runs $7: 30-9$ p.m, Feb. 9 through March 14.
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Classes will be held at Ruidoso

High School's Pine Arta Building. Teens through semior citizens are welcome. Students need not have a partner to join in the fun.
Instructors for the course are Karen Laine and Glen Barrow, who have taught a variety of group and private lessons. The fee for the sirweek course is $\$ 45$ per person.
Register at the ENMU-Ruidoso office next to Purr's on Mechem Drive. Por further information please call the ENMU-Ruidoso office, 257-2120 or Karen Laine, 2577777.

## "Living Roots of Music" relived at Flickinger Center <br> A unique free concert, "The concertina; ocarina, hurdy-

Living Roots of Music," will be hald at 7 pm. Saturday, Feb. 10 at the Ficininger Center for Per. forming Arts in Alamogordo.
Lauren Pelon traces the story of music and instruments throughout history and performs music from the list to the 20th centuries on instruments such as lute, guitar, lyre, recorders, gemshorns, cornamuse, krummhorn, schrceierpfeife, shawm, rackett, pennywhistles,
gurdy, doucaine, psaltaries, Kiova courting flute and electronic wood rinds.
Pelon, who studied the history of music and instrumentation both in America and overseas, has performed in concerts throughout the United States, Canada, Australia, New Zealand, Europe, China, Russia and Kazakhstan. She has also performed as a soluist with gymphony orchestras, on television specials and with Garrison

Keillor's "A Prairie Home Com. panion."

Palon is a vocalist as woll, and her haunting rendition of ballads collected by Francis Child in the late 19th cantury have beean especially appealing to audienced.

This program is sponsored by the Flidinger Center for Performing Arts with funding from New Merico Endowment for the Humanities. For more information, call (505) 437-2202.


UCREE MEADOWS COUNTRY CLuB 301 Country Club Dr., Ruldoso 257-2733-6 p.m. Thursdays and Fridays and 7 p.m. Saturdays, "Kerl" will be playing.

O ENCHANTMENT INN SCREAMANG EAGLE LOUNGE, Hwy. 70 Woet, Ruldoso Downs $378-$ 4051 - James Boren Band Wednesday through Saturday. Rock \& roll, blues, R\&B and country. Wednesday night jam sessions.

- THE WINNER'S CIRCLE, 2535

Sudderth Dr., Ruldoso 257-9535 8 p.m. to close every Thursday through Sunday - JJR Band (local band performs country westem and rock 'n roll), no cover.

I WMN, PLACE AND SMOW, 2518 Sudderth Dre, Ruldoes 257-9902-8 p.m. to close Mondays through Saturdays, 7:30 p.m. to 12:30 p.m. Sundays, country music.


- DW BLITZ -now through Sunday, Feb. 4 throughout Now Mexdco and Uncoin County.
- LOCAL MUSICIANS SHOWCASE -9 p.m. every Thursday night on KBUY radio. Turner and Silverman will interview a different local musidian or group each week. For eight weaks cutminating with a Iree concest at Marie LaVeaux's on March 17.


## O BECHNNING WATER MEDIA

CLasses - 10 a.m. - 2 p.m. every Thursday at Ruidoso Senior Citizens Center. 9 a.m. - 4 p.m. every Tuesday at Redrose Studio, and baginning in February, 9 a.m. - 3 p.m. at Stetson Art Center (demo in the moming.) For more information call (505) 653-4209. Paula White, instuctor.

QCUPL SCOUT COOKE SALE Jan. 29 through Feb. 19. Cookies will be dellvered March 7. Cookies can be purchased by calling your local Girt Scout Council program center or by calling 800-374-9846. Cost is $\$ 2.50$ perbox.

Q WCOME TAX ASSHSTANCE PRO-
GAAMI - Sponsored by the
Community Action Program. The program is for the 1895 tax season Jan. 30 through Aprll 15. The asslstance is for income-eligible people who need help with State and Federal Income Tax short forms. Thay will see cifients by appointment ority at 615 Sudderth, Suite I ${ }^{10}$, Ruidoso. Call 257-6843 for further information.

DAARP TAX ABDE VOLUMTEERS -2-4 p.m. Wednesdays and Fridays starting Wednesday, Jan. 31 through Aprid 12 at the Ruddoco Senior Center. The volunteers will help elderly low income taxpayers with both tederal and state income taxes.

QEMMU DEDICATION - 5:30-7 p.m Friday, Feb. 2 at Eastem New Mexico University, 721 Mechem Dive. Ruidoso.

Q ARTIST RECEPTION - 7:30-9:30 p.m. Friday, Feb, 2 at Eagia Ranch Art Gallery near Alamogordo. Attist Mary Saxton's work will be on dlsplay Feb. 1 through Feb. 29 at the gallery. Hours are 9 a.m. to 6 p.m., seven days a week.

Q LMCOLN COUNTY MEDCAL
CENTER AUXULARY THPMFT SHOP

- Monday, Fob. 5 through Saturday,

Feb. 10 at 140 Nob Hill Drive, shop will have lts pre-spring $1 / 2$ price sale.

## Q COMMMATY HEALTH CARE

FORUM - 6:30 p.m. Monday, Feb. 5 at the San Patricio Senior Clizens Center. Hondo residents are also invted to attend. 6:50 p.m. Tuesday, Feb. 6 at the Catholc Church in Capitan. Nogal residents are also invited to attend. $6: 30$ p.m. Thursidyy, Feb. $B$ at Dr. Woods house in Lincoin. The torum is to help assess the medical noeds and concerns of all Lincoln County residents.

OCALL FOR AFTISTS - $5: 30$ p.m., Wednesday, March 20 is the degdine for submititing works to the Second annual Miniature Arts Show at the Bardean Gallery in Albuquerqua, Ministure Ats Bardean '96."Any artist restding in New Maxico ts eligitie. Information and a Prospectus are available at the Bardean, or cell 505: 681-1122 for malifed coples. Cash awards, ribbons and certificates will be given.

QPAREMTHGG COURSE - 7 -9 p.m.
Tuestay, Feb. 6 at Ruidoso Hiph School in the Pubilc Moeting Room. Appropriate discipline methods will be the subject of the second meeling of the free parenting course sponsored by Ruidoso Municipal Schooks. It is led by Dr. Brgit Lamothe and is part of a series entitted "Ralsing Reuponsible Children." No registration is needed. For further Information call 257-6149 or 354-2761.

Q COUNTRY WESTERN DANCE
CLASSES - 7:30-9 p.m. Friday, Feb. 9 throught Thursday, March 14 at Ruldoso High Schoo's Fine Arts Bullding. Raglster at ENMU-Ruidoso office next to Furr's on Mechem Dive, For further information call 257-2120 or 257.7777.

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p.m. Sundey, Feb. 4 at the Social Center of the Good Samartian Village. 3011 Buana Vifia Circle, Las Cruces. The presentition will be on "using dowsing to inprove your physical health" by Sandy-Bums and Susan Bryant of Earth Elements in Flagstaff, Ariz. The presentation will be followed by mind workshops on leaming to dowse, personal dowsing and map dowting. A donation of $\$ 5$ per person is requested to dafray meeting costs. For hifommation call Jeanne-Marie For infonmation cain Jean
Cihninger at $522-4867$.

GLHCONN COUNTY MEDICAL CEMTEA AUXILARY - $9: 30 \mathrm{am}$. Mondiay, Feb. 5 in the Conference Room at Lincoin County Medical Center, 211 Sudderth Dive, Ruldoso.

GLMCOLN COUNTY REPUBLICAN
PARTY - 5:30 p.m., dinner at 6:15 p.m. Monday, Feb. 5 at Marie LaVeaux Prectaurant, 1214 Mechem Dr., Ruidoso. John H. Dendahl, chaimman of tha Propublicari' Party of New Mevico, will speak. For reservations, plesse call Pat Hume at 354-2382, Bov Nys at 256-4372 or Jinny Vgill at 653. 4609 by noon Saturday, Feb. 3.

sion-2 p.m. Monday, Jan. 5 at Ruidoso Village Hall.

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## SPORTS

## Warriors face tall task of roping in Colts' Wolthers



Rex Comanche was, the Wharior with ahot hard last'Saturday versus Hot Springs. Comanche scorched the riets for 29 points on 7-for-10 from 3-point range and-8-for-8 from the foul line, but if wasn't enought to 斯 Ruidoso to victory. Comanctio and hls. Warior teammates face the state's No; 4ranked Siver Colts today, and then takeon a tough Cobre squad Saturday in a pair of must-win District 3AAA games for Ruidoso.
by LaURA CLYMER
Ruldoso News Sports Witer
A pair of formidahle foes visit Ruidoso for some District 3AAA bioya cage action Friday and Saturday.

The Warrions' weekend 'starts Friday against Silver's Colts, Class AAA's No. 4-ranked team. The Colts bring a $13-3$ overall mark and 2-1 district record to the contest.
"They are an awesome basketball team. They don't seem to have missed a beat from last year," Ruidoso coach Ben Sanchez said.

Silver did skip a beat versus Spcorro's Warriops last week. The Coltes stionbled to the Warriors, 55 58\% in on shociser. Sikter then bounced back to beat Santa Teresa, 93-66.

Ruidoso is trying to get back on the winning track, too. The Warriors are 7-9 overall and 0-3 in the ? $A$ AA
"We've got to find a way to get a district win," Sanchez said. "Before, we were finding ways to win when we didn't play well." The Warriors haven't been doing that lately.
"We'll have to play well. We'v put ourselves in a position where we have to take care of every detail," Sanchez added.
Against Silver, Ruidoso must contain one of the state's best big men in senior center Andrew Wolthers. At 6-foot-8, Wolthere

Prep Basketball<br>Standings

| Boys District 3 3AA |  |  |  |  |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Hot Springs | $3-0$ | $10-4$ |  |  |
| Silver | $2-1$ | $13-3$ |  |  |
| Santa Teresa | $2-2$ | $7-9$ |  |  |
| Socorro | $2-2$ | $8-8$ |  |  |
| Cobre | $1-2$ | $7-8$ |  |  |
| Ruidoso | $0-3$ | $7-9$ |  |  |
| Boys District |  |  |  |  |
| TuA |  |  |  |  |
| Tularosa | $1-0$ | $16-2$ |  |  |
| Dexter | $2-1$ | $11-7$ |  |  |
| Cloudcroft | $1-2$ | $7-11$ |  |  |
| Capitan | $0-1$ | $9-8$ |  |  |

or better. Senior point guard Cory Hood leads all Class AAA players in the state with a 6.5 assists per game average. He also leads the Warriors in scoring at 13.1 ppg .
Hodges paces Ruidoso in rebounding with an 8.6 average. The senior forward scores 9.7 ppg .
After his 29 -point effort at Hot Springs, senior guard Rex Comanche is second on the team in scoring with a 10.5 average. Junior guard Ryan Trout scores 9.1 a game.
Ruidoso's weekend doesn't get any easier when Cobre calls Saturday. The Indians have as much physical talent as anyone in the averages double figures in both district, Sanchez said. Cobre is a scoring (16-plus) and rebounding more guard-oriented team and that ( $10-\mathrm{pl}$ lus). should help benefit the Warriors, The Warriors must limit what whose post players lack height but Wolthers is able to do, Sanchez not heart.
said. It will be a tough task, consid- Despite the team's 0-3 start in ering Ruidoso's tallest player is 6-6 district play, Sanchez hasn't Joshua Hodges.
lowered his goal of finishing in the Another key will be shutting top two of the 3AAA - that goal is down the Colts' guard play. Silver's still within reach of the Warriors' guards are not as strong as last ingertips. Perhaps a more atyear's crew, but they are solid none- tainable and necessary goal is to theless, Sanchez said. take third or fourth place at least. Solid is right. Silvers Chris Either of those finishes would guarPerea leads the team with a 19 ppg antee the Warriors a home game in average. Another Colt guard, Jason the first round of the district Marrujo, dishes out more than five playoffs.
assists a game. Varsity tipoff both nights should Ruidoso counters with foir War- be around 7:30 p.m. at the Ruidoso riors averaging nine points a game High School gym.

## Tiger girls also to host

## Blue Demons

Coach Narman Cline's girls team tries to knock Dexter from the unbeaten ranks in District 6AA today in Capitan. The Blue Demons git atop the standings with a 4-0 6AA record.
The Tigers (7-13 overall, 1-3 district) and Blue Demons have split two previous gamis with each other. Capitan beat Dexter at home in the Smokey Bear Tournament third-place game, 33-30. But Deaiter won the first district meeting between the two schools, 41-31, in Dexter.
A pair of seniors, Teresa Banda and Lis wiles, lead Beth Graham'a Blup Demons.
Dexter is playing a match-up zone thesed daye and that took Cline and the Ty gers.by sumprise the lact tinge the two teamis init.
WC'll be more prepared this time around," Cline promiled.

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## Injuries, illness make CHS boys short on depth

## by LaUra CLYMER

Ruldoso News Sports Writer
Turned ankles and churned stomachs have wreaked havoc on the Capitan Tiger boys basketball team earlier this week.
Senior guard Neil Montes reinjured his hurting joint and forward deremy McGarvey suffered a second-degree sprain during practice on what turned out to be a Monday, bloody, Monday for the Tigers.

A 24 hour flu bug compounded the problem for Capitan, sidelining junior Cody Turnbow from practice and ilowing some of his teammates.
Montes has missed practice since turning his ankle again. There is a chance heil play today when Capitan (9-8, 0-1) hosts Dar. ter (11-7, 2-1) in an important Dis. trict 6AA contert.
McGarvey, on the other hand or foot in this case - is on crucches. The mnior is supposed gtay of his acling ankle for at least 10-12 days.

Without McGarvey, Capitan coach Gerald Montes must figure out who will help post player Keith Cox defend Dexters Will Bramblett, the Blue Demons' top returner.
"He's their goto guy," Montes said. "Keith is going to have to step up."
Right now, Montes' plan is to use Josh Peralta as Coz's backup. But the Tiger coach might bring up a couple of junior varsity players to help defend the tall and talented Bramblett.
A Tiger win depends on two things: handling Dexter's full-court pressure and containing Bramblett.
Atter their loss against Cloudcroft Saturday, the Tigers had to refocus their energies on free-throw ahooting and offensive rebounding in practice this woek. Those were two arcas where they had been per. forming wall.

They press quito a bit and they're a protty good ballcub, but they re beatable," Montes said.


## Hot shots

Winners from the Knights of Columbus Free Throw Charmplonship sponsored by Ruldoso Council w6597 on Jan. $21^{2}$ gathered for a group shot atter the compettion for boys and gins ages 10.14. They include, from left, standing: Ray Sainz, Tularosa, boys 11; Frank Darame, Jr., Ruidoso, boys 14; Tommy Addaz, Caphan, boys 10; Josh. Vega, Carizoizo, boys 13; and Derock Sema, Auldoso, boys 12. Front row, from left: Kelly Owen, Capitan, girls 13; Pauline Saenz, Ruldoso, girls 12; Pearl Arras, Ruldoso, girts 14; and Kaycl Brunell, Ruidoso, girls 10. The winners qualifited for district compotition.

## SpORTS

## SpORTS SHORTS

## Ski Report

Ski Apache is open with lifts 1, 2 , 3, 4, 5, 7, 8 and the gondola operating. The lower mountain and most upper mountain trails are open, except The Trench.
Ski officials are reporting a snow depth of 44 inches midway on the mountain. Surface conditions are powder and packed powder. New snow Thursday was 14 inches.
To hear the ski report, call 257. 9001.

## Replay

This week in Lincoln County sports history, compiled from The Ruidoso News.
10 years ago - Ruidoso's Lillian Duffy steals an inbounds pass and scores a layup with six seconds left to give theWarriors a 47-46 win over Artesia. Ruidoso ups its record to 3-10.
20 years ago - Mark Strassburg captures first place in the Roswell JV wrestling tournament. Joe Yates takes second while Gary Whitten, Scooter Davis and Rick Tate place third.
30 years ago - Corona's Cardinals win their second Bean Valley conference tournament with a 59 56 victory over Estancia at Mountainair.
40 years ago - Nyles Lackey and Ronnie Perry of the Class C state championship football team from Ruidoso are chosen to play in the annual all-star game in Albuquerque.

## Cross Your Heart Cup

takes off February 14
The annual Cross Your Heart Cup ski race is set for 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Wednesday, Feb. 14, at Ski Apache. Proceeds will benefit the Lincoln County Humane Society. Those interested in participating can preregister at the Ski School Desk, or call the Skj School for more information. Cosi is $\$ 10$.
Once again, prizes will be given away for such unique categories as "Biggest Firt," "Best Buns," "Best Costume," and "Tootsie" (where men must wear women's clothes), among others.
Historically, the Cross Your Heart Cup is the silliest race of the year. The post-race party starts at 6 p.m. the day of the race at Casa Blanca restaurant in Ruidoso.

## State select soccer

team tryouts Feb. 17
The New Merico State Soccer Association is holding its second men's and women's state select team tryouts Saturday, Feb. 17, at the New Mexico Youth Soccer Complex. For more information call 296-6118 or 915-775-1943.


Jazmin Fleharty played her tinal home game as a Wartior Tuesday against Santa Teresa. Feharty and her feammates travel to Cobre today where they hope to win their first district game of the season.


Angelica Fipuoroa tiles to galn centrol of the basketball during a recent Rulioso gints ganne. The Warriors lost to Santa Teresa, 5844, Tuesday, Figueroi scored 12 points follosd the Warriors.

## Desert Warriors keep Ruidoso winless

## by LAURA CLYMER

Ruidoso News Sports Writer
Opportunity knocked and the Ruidoso girls basketball team couldn't answer the door in its last home game of the season Tuesday.

Santa Teresa's Desert Wariors bested the local Warriors, 50-44, in a District 3AAA prep game. The loss leaves Ruidoso with an 0-16 overall record and $0-6$ dintrict slate.

Ruidoso trailed by only four points, 22-18, at the half and by seven after thres quarters. But unforced turnovers, espacially in the fourth quarter, prevented the Warriors from getting any closer.
uities. We
just didn't execute," Ruidoso coach point.victory. This time, Ruidoso pick up their first prin of the year. Dwayne Rogers said.

The young Warriors also have win. made SIHS fight for a 14 -point Cobre took a $68-59$ victory Jan. 6 trouble recognizing what adjust- These girls have a lot of characments to make to an opponent, ter because they've received some Rogers ssid. "Once we mature, we'l criticism. But they've been sticking be a pretty good team."

Senior Angalica Figueroa scored each other," said Rogers, defending
12 points to lead the Warriors. his troops, "By and large, we've
Guard Denise Rodella added 10, stuck together."
while Jarmin Pleharty pitched in seven. Senior Angela Simms scored six in her last home contest as a Warrior.

Ruidoso showed improvement over the last time it met Santa Teresa, Jan. 20. In that first game,

## Supper to benefit RHS athletes

Before attending the Ruidoso/Hot Springs boys basketball game Saturday, Feb. 17, fans can enjoy a spaghieti supper from $4: 30$ to $7 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. at the Ruidoso High School Cafeteria. Cost is $\$ 5$ for adults and $\$ 3$ for children.
Proceeds from the supper will benefit RHS athletes selected to participate in the Coaches Care New Merico's Gridiron Exchange this summer in Australia.

## Tigers

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in the Tigars gymanaium.
The Tigers need a good por- CAT TR
formance to restore some waning 6AA stamding confidence.

6AA standings are: (1) Dexter, 40,
"They need to beat ecmebody", (4) Tularosa, 04...ithe 24hour flu Cline said of his team. "We just bug also bit coach Cine. The Tiger haven't played well in the last two mentor missed Monday's practice, games."

Cirls action starts at $5 \times 30$ D.m.
together and not pointing fingers at
court pressume. They wore down" Ruidoso will hava its character Rogers said. "We're just going to try tested again when it faces a tough to take it to them early." road trip Friday and Saturday. The Warriors play Cobre Friday and then visit Silver City the neat day.

The Warriors will have a
tougher time of it Saturday against
over Ruidoso. In that game, the
Warriors busted loose for 27 fourth-
quarter points and nearly won the

## game.

Tm expecting us to go out and play hard early in the game. Their guards couldn't handle our full. Silvers Colts. The Colts share the
If the Werriore start quickly No. 7 ranking with Thoreau in aqainst Cobre's Indians, they could Class AAA.

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## Personalities

## Moreno brings beauty of ballet to Ruidoso mountains

## by DON HDXON

Ruidoso New's Stafl Writer
Little Victor Moreno was not a strong etrild so the farmily doctor recommended ballet ais a way to strengthon his muscles.
The doctor could not have known that ballet would not only strength. en Moreno it would become his lifelong passion.
"We lived in Buenos Aires, Argentina and $m y$ sister was already taling dance with Francisco Gago," Moreno said. "Gago was an artist with the Buenos Aires Opera House and when I was about 12 years old, I began training under his direction."
Today, 56 years later, Moreno resides in Ruidoso and continues his ballet carcer as the artistic director and choreographer of Ballet New Mexico. He also owns and operates Ballet New Mexico Sahool of Dance on Sudderth Drive.
Ballet became Moreno's passion, but it didn't happen overnight.
"I didn't tike it at first becmuse I saw all of these little girls and I was a little boy you know," he said. "Gago told me to behave or he would lick me out."
Moreno decided to buckle down, discovered that he liked ballet and soon progressed from being a rebellious student to teaching classes on his own.
"When I was 13,1 progressed to the Corp da Ballet," Moreno said, "And when I was 15 years old, in 1944, I became a professional dancer."
As Thist Dancer' with the Teatro Coloni de Buanos Aires in Aryentina, M Koreno became the youngest man in the history of his county to
reccive the title of Premier
Danseur. He was only 20 years old. Morends eyes twinkle as he remembers his first public ballet appearance.
"It was a performance of 'Carnival when I was with the Corp de Ballet," he chuckes. "And here I had this hig lady that I had to lift."
His knack for learning ballet pieces quickly caused him to be in demand as a stand-in whenever another performer was unable to dance.
"They would call me because I knew the steps," he said.

Moreno's decicication to the art of ballet caused him some trouble with his regular studies, and even though he did graduate from high school, his marks were low.
"Tortunately, we lived nest door to the library and I would just read books on my own," he ssid. "My real education was in ballet and opera because at the timie, in Buenos Aires, we had this best opera singers and conductors in the world."
Moreno's sister Blanca also conInued her ballet Tessons, eventually bécoming a ballerina.
"She refired about 20 years ago," he said. "She alloo atudied music and painting andid is very happy."
During his long love affair with ballet, Moreno has formed seven dance companies in five states, including the new Ballet New Merico in Ruidoso.
"Tve always loved to dance and to teach dance," he said. "
The sceine shifts to 1951. Moreno has decided to travel to New York city to audition for the Ballet Russe

## $\Phi$ didn't like it at first because I saw all of these little girls and I was a boy you know. Gago told me to behave or he would kick me out." <br> - Victor Moreno <br> ballet New Mexico Director

de Monte Carlo. The audition is successful and it's not long before Moreno is named as the principal dancer for the company.
"At that time, Ballet Russe de Monte Carlo was very famous," he said. "We had the most fantastic performers in the world of ballet."
During the six years Moreno danced with Ballet Russe de Monte Carlo, he performed with such famous ballerinas as Mia Slavenska, Alexandra Danilova, Nathalie Krassovaka and others.
The scene again changes; this time to 1957 Los Angeles. Moreno has left New York and traveled to L.A. where he starts the Spanish American Ballet Company.
"Half of the performers were trained as Spanish dancers and th Ploase see Noreno, page 6B

Today, Victor Moreno teaches ballet and other forms of dance from his studio in Ruldoso. He also directs the Ballet New Mexico dance company.


Striking a macho pose, Moreno starred with ballerina Irina Boroswka In the 1950s Ballet Russe de Monte Carlo production of the "Capricious Espanol."


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# Ruidoso school ski program in limbo for 4th year 

## by DON HIXON

## Ruidoso News Staff Writer

The Ruidoso School District 8bo program is still on hold, and school officials don't know when it will resume.

The last school ski program was in the $1991-92$ school year, Gladden said.

The program was officially canceled last year by the Mescalero operates Ski Apache. A letter from resume.
Wendell Chino said Indian school-

Apache
children were being verbally attacked by non-Indian students about the tribe's proposed nuclear waste storage project, and not enough Indians were participating in athletics.
Since the cancellation of the ati program, the district hasn't heard from the tribe, Gladden said.
Mescalero officials were unavailthe school sii program might
*For \$7 a day, a kid could ski once a week for four weeks. The program generated a lot of community interest. ${ }^{5}$

## Roger Sowder

Ski Program Coordinator
schod hours to participate in the Shi Apache Handicapped Shiers Association program, either.
The regular school aki program had from 300 to 500 students partimpating countywide, said Nob Hill school prinupal and ski program coondinator Roger Sowder.
The shi program usually starts two weeks after Christmas vacation and runs for four wekk, district, su-
program," Gladden said. "lt's good for the community and halps studeats who might not have the opportunity to ski othervise."
Through the program, local ski shops rented equipment for $\$ 5$ and the gli area sold wallday hift ticketsfor $\$ 2$.
Formar sheol siti programs ran about four weake, Sowder stid.
"For $\$ 7$ a day, a hid could ski year ago, Gladden decided it perintendent Mike Gladiten said. nnce a wegk for four werks;" Sowwouldn't be fair to allow hani- "We're always interested in the der said. The program generatied a icapped students to leave during opportunity to have a school shi lot of community interest."

## No good could be found in bad-guy Dave Rudabaugh

History is a funny thing. While many of the more notable characters of the Old West have been highlighted through the years (sometimes courtesy of Hollywood), others are all but forgotten.

In many ways, Hollywood has defined our perceptions of the Old West. As most of us have grown up watching Hollywood westerns, it becomes difficult to see the people as they really were. Not good guys or bad guys. Just human beings like the rest of us - with the capability of being both good and bad.

However, every now and then, you can come across an extreme case, where it is nearly impossible to find any redeeming virtue, and you really can put the character in question into the "bad guy" category.

## Which brings us to Dave Rudabaugh. .

Like many of his contemporaries, his origins are shadowy. He was probably born in Illinois in 1854, and came to Kansas with his mother and all the other little Rudabaughs after his father was killed in the Civil War.

Dave dedicated himself to a life of crime early, and in so doing, inadvertently helped forge one of the most famous friendships of the Old West.

Wyatt Earp was in pursuit of the 23 -year-old Rudabaugh in 1877. When the trail led Earp to Ft. Griffin, Texas, he sought information about the fugitive and was directed to one John Henry "Doc" Holliday.

Wyatt never did catch up with Rudabaugh, but his conversation with Holliday led to a lasting friendship that has been immortalized in countless novels and films.

On Jan. 27, 1878, Dave was one of a gang that tried unsuccessfully to rob a train at Kinsley, Kansas. A few days later, Bat Masterson's posse caught up with him, captured him and incarcerated him.

When the case was brought to trial, Dave turned state's evidence and was released. As the Kinsley Graphic pointed out, "Rudabaugh...was promised entire immunity if he would 'squeal,' therefore he 'squole."

So much for "honor amang thieves."
In 1879, Dave shows up in Dodge City, supposedly looking for honest work, which, after studying his career, is kind of hard to believe. It was at this time that he formed a fateful friendship with a man named John Joshua Webb.

In the latter part of that asme year, both Webb and Rudabaugh were employed as policemen in Las Vegas, N.M. What they were actually doing was robbing trains and stagecoaches and using their badges as cover.

Needless to say, such nefarious clandestine operations could not go undiscovered for long, and on Nov. 4, 1879, Dave and another man were charged with robbing stagecoaches. They seem to have greased the right palms, however, and as the Las Vegas Gazelte pointed

out, they "...pled not guilty and in the absence of any" prosecution were discharged. The case seems to be involved in mystery. The prosecution failed to appiear, and the evidence was of such dombtful character that it was uncertain whether a case could have been made against them or not."

On 30 April, 1880, Dave, accompanied by a confodera: te, broke into the Las Vegas jail where his pal J.J. Wivib was incarcerated for murder, under a sontence of death. In the process, they killed the joiler. Throwing Webb the keys to his cell, Rudabaugh fed into the night, shouting


An unidenililed Mexican holds the severedineadof Dave Rudabaugh. At lower right, citzens parade through Parral, Moxico with Rudabaugh's head of ota stick after he was killed in a cantina brawl.
at his friend to free himself.
Webh, curiously, did not avail himself of Rudabaugh's offer and was still sitting placidly in his cell when armed citizens rushedtinto tho jail. Fis case was on appeal, and $\mathrm{J}_{\mathrm{J}}$. apparently figmed that he could beat the noose legally.

However, he must have changed his mind about that, because in November of 1880 he broke out of the place without benefit of gutside assistance, killing three men in therinoters,
By that time, Rudabaugh had already gone on to what A. sundoubtedly considered "greener pastures." He joined farces with Billy the Kid and was almost immediately involved in the killing of Jim Carlyle, a deputy from White Oakg.

It ${ }^{5}$ Fintercesting to note that Dave Rudabaugh was s gide to he the ofte man who made Billy nervous, and that the Kid was, in fict, afraid of him.

Dave was with Billy and the gang when Tom OFolliard was killed at Pt. Sumner by Pat Garrett's posse. He was also present at Stinking Springs (modernday Taiban, N.M.) when Charlie Bowdre was killed by the same posse. Dave; Billy and the rest of thie geng were captured.

On Sept. 19, 1881, while awaiting erecution in Las Vegas, Rudabaugh, his old pal J.J. Webb (who hed been rocaptured yot argin) and asparal othere tried to shoot their way out of jail with a pistol thathid bowin suigeled in to them. They sucteedied ooly in geting one of thair nimbler lilled by an alert jailer.

However, "if at frot you don't aucceed..." in December, Midebaugh, Wetb and five ofters tonnolled their way to freedom. At this juncture, Webb disaipeared into the mints of history, and Rudabaugh apparently flei to old Meríco.

On 18 February, 1886, in Parrat, Hexico, Rudabaugh finally met his, richly deserved end:
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## Ruidoso Convention \& Civic Events Center Wednesday, February 14

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Tickets - \$15. ${ }^{00}$
No tickets will be avallable at the door.

# Club Calendar 

## ALCOHOLICS ANONYIOUS <br> Ruidoso Arid Group

Meets at the Stroud Building. Lower
Level, rear entrance
Sundays- 8 p.m open lodies and mens slag meeting.
Mondays-Noon AA mectings and 8 pin Step Sudy.
Tuesdays-8 p.m. closed AA and Alanon.
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## CO-DEPENDENTS

 ANONYMOUSMects al Texas-New Mexico Power Company. Step study meeting. 7 p.m Tuesdays

## NARCOTICS

 ANONYMOUSMaking Changes Group meets Fridays 8 p.m. at Gateway Church of Christ 425 Sudderth Dr.

## OVEREATERS

 ANONYMOUSMeets al 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 pm. Saturdays. Open gane Novice players welcome. For nformatoon, call Ruby Greenhaw 257. 7411

## ALTO WOMEN'S <br> ASSOCIATION

Meets a: $11 \mathrm{a} . \mathrm{m}$. Tuesdays at the Alto (lub House for lunch at noon and cards at I p.m Business meeting the list Tuesday

ALTRUSA CLUB
Meets al the Episcopal Church of the Holy Mount. 12I Mescalero Trail p m first Tuesday for program and at moon third Tuesday for tunch President Jane Deyo, 257-4088
AMERICAN ASSOCIA TION
OF RETIRED PERSONS
AARP meets an the Senior Citizens Center behind the Ruidoso Public Librury at 10 a.m. the founth Wednesshay President Bart Young

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SOCIETY OF LC.
Memosial Chairman Sandy Thomas P.O. Box 2328, Ruidoso NM 88345 Telephone: 257-4041

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Robert J. Hagee, Post 79
Meets an 7 p.m. the third Wednescday in the American Legion Building at U.S. Highway 70 and Spring Road in Ruidooo Downs. For more informaslion, call 257-57\%.
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BOY SCOUTS OF AMER-

## ICA

Boy Scout Troop 59: 7-8:30 p.m Mondays at the Episcopal Church of he Holy Mount. Scoutmester Steve Norbury 258.3417.
Cub Scouts: Ruidoso pack meeting at 2 p.m. the third Sunday.
RUIDOSO CHESS CLUB
8-10:30 p.m. Wednesday at Pizze Hut on Mechem. No dues or fees. For information, call Ron ma 257-7023.

## CHRISTIAN SERVICES

 OF LINCOLN COUNTY INC.Volunters serving the less fortunate in the arca. 7 p.m. first Mondays it $\mathbf{1 2 0}$ function Road (Church of Christ buildng). President Rick Osbonse, 257. 7162.

DAUGHTERS OF THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION

Meets in members' homes is noon the second Thursday. For information, call 257.7186.

## DISABLED AMERICAN

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DAV mects at 7 p.m. firse Tuesday in the American Legion Hall al Highway 70 and Spring Rosd in Ruidoso Downs. Por information, call 257. $57 \%$.

## FAMILY CRISIS CENTER

24-hour crisis line answered by the Ruidoso Police Department. Call 257. 7365 and ask for the Family Crisis Center volunteer. Board meets at 6 p.m. the first Thursday at Dr. Artene Brown's office. Free women's support group at noon Mondey's at Dr. Birgit LaMothe's office in Compound 1401 at 1401 Surdderth Drive.

## FEDERATED REPUBLICAN

WOMEN OF L.C
Meets the fourth Toesday of each month at II a.m. for a business meeting and program. For information, call Coleta Elliot. 250-4455.

## FRATERNAL ORDER OF

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Meets at K-Bob's Steak House Restaurant al noion every Thorsday.

FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY

Meets at the Ruidoso Public Librry. 4 p.m. fint Monday.

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## GOLDEN AGE CLUB

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## HUMANE SOCIETY

OF INCOLN COUNTY
moets at 5:30 p.m. the thind Wedmerday at the shetter on Gxilan Canyon.

## KWANIS CLUB

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

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Six-week sewion every eight week meets of the Lincoin Comity Medical Center with noetings at 7 p.m. Mondays. Instructors are Jacque Heddix, RN, and Jan Davey. RN. Call 257 7381 for information or to register for classes.

LINCOLN CO. FOOD BANK
In St. Eleanor's Catholic Church Board moets 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

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## LINCOLN CO. MEDICAL

 CENTER AUXILLARYMects in the hospital conference room at $9: 30 \mathrm{a} . \mathrm{m}$. firat Tuesday.

## LINCOLN COUNTY

SHERIFF'S POSSE
Meets at the Lincoln County Pair Building in Capitan at 2 p.m. the first Sunday. President Rolend Coster, 257 6767.

LIONS INTERNATIONAL
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## OUILTING GROUP

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## REPUBLICAN PARTY

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These pets are currently up for adoption at Lincoln County Humane Society Call 257-9841


Dooley is a two-year-old neutered male Labrador mix. He's smaller than average, but smart and eager to please. He would respond well to training. Dooley was found wandering as a stray in midtown Ruidoso.


Thumper, a four-month-old collie mix with eyes that could melt all but the coldest hearts, was brought to the shelter with her sister by an owner who did not have room for them. They're bright, attentive and ready to bond.

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"In the case of Demodectic mange, puppies are infected within the first few days of life, but symptoms may not appear until the puppy is four months old," Riggins said. "This condition though similar in appearance, does not itch. It generally is reparded as a hereditary condition. Animals who are diagnosed should not be allowed to breed. The condition also often is extremely resistant to treatment.'
However, don't dispair. In a recent case, a local veterinarian feared a four-month-old puppy's immunity system was too compromised to fight the infestation. However, he gave the akita mix strong medicated baths once every two weeks for eight weeks, with the expectation that four additional baths might be needed or that she might not respond. To his delight, the initial treatment brought the infestation under control and a luxurious coat grew.

The mites are part of the normal akin fauna and do no harm in small numbers on a healthy animal. Sometimes, a dietary change is needed to encourage proper development of the immune system in young animals.
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