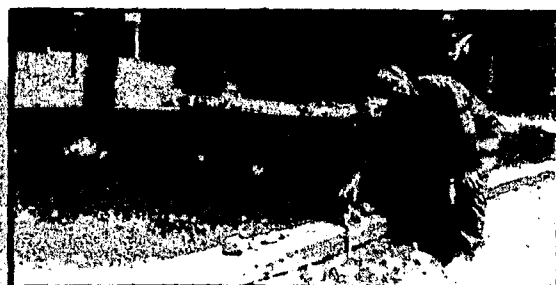


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### State to decide if Zia will be on hold

A state Public Utilities Commission hearings examiner will decide whether Zia Natural Gas will have to stop signing up new customers in the Capitan area.

The deadline was Friday for Zia to file a response to a motion by Capitan-Carrizozo Natural Gas Association (CCNGA). The motion asks the (PUC) to order Zia to stop soliciting customers.

No deadline has been set for the hearing examiner's decision, a PUC spokesman said.

An appeals court ruled earlier this month that a district court injunction against Zia's solicitations must be lifted. The court case was put on hold in deference to the PUC, which is handling Zia's request to sign on customers along a transmission line it purchased from the CCNGA.

The association contends that as a condition of the sale, Zia agreed not to use the line for direct distribution of gas to customers, only for transmission to distribution lines.

### Officers check seat belts near schools

New Mexico State Police officers say they will be spot checking schools in the Ruidoso area to make sure parents are putting their children in seat belts, as required by law.

The school-area enforcement will take place during the months of April and May, officers said.

Children seen wearing their seat belts will be given special cards, officers said. The cards will allow children to be eligible for a drawing for a new Wal-Mart bicycle on May 25.

### Holy Week, Easter special edition in Wednesday paper

A special edition about Easter events will be included in Wednesday's issue of *The Ruidoso News*.

Local Holy Week church services will be listed, and pastors will offer special holiday messages.

## Forest officials worry about early fire season

by KATHLEEN McDONALD  
Ruidoso News Staff Writer

Gusty winds and below-normal precipitation are creating critical fire conditions throughout the Lincoln County area.

Already, the U.S. Forest Service has posted a "very high" fire danger rating for the Lincoln National Forest.

Two major groups of wildfires have already hit this area. The most recent one was a controlled burn that went out of control in the Cibola National Forest near Corona. And on the Mescalero Apache Reservation, a group of wildfires raged out of control.

The very high fire danger rating, which is just a step below the highest "extreme" warning, comes about a month or two sooner than normal, said state forester Bill Duemling.

"Conditions can't get much worse," Duemling said yesterday. "This is early in the season to be looking at critical conditions; there's been no moisture, or hardly any at all since February, and we're getting into our windy period."

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STATE FORESTER

The rating went into place after last weekend's high winds which reached 59 mph in Ruidoso.

Ruidoso has also been in the third phase of its water contingency plan since January. All outdoor watering is prohibited, and will be until significant moisture falls and surface water levels rise, village officials say.

The U.S. Department of Agriculture

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## Sagebrush Rebellion suffers setback but supporters hold on

by DIANNE STALLINGS  
Ruidoso News Staff Writer

The so-called Sagebrush Rebellion is far from dead, despite two recent judicial punches to the stomach.

"The effort to claim (federal) land ownership (for states) is not over," said Rex Wilson, a local rancher and Lincoln County liaison to groups that want counties and states to claim federal lands in the West. "It may take 10 years, but we learn a lot as we go. The movement continues to grow and gather more support."

government owns and has the power to manage unappropriated public lands and national forest lands within Nye County, Nev.

In January, a federal judge overruled an Otero County law claiming federal public land was owned by the state of New Mexico.

U.S. District Judge James Robertson of Washington, D.C. dismissed the case under the Quiet Title Act, which limits to 12 years the period allowed to sue the federal government over land issues.

To be valid, then, the Otero lawsuit should have been filed by 1924, within 12 years after New Mexico became a state.

Federal officials have voiced hopes that the decisions will help relieve tensions between the two sides. They have pledged to work with local people for the common good.

### State fails to support

In the Nye County case, the ruling concluded the land belongs to the federal government, "but then it came right back and recognized the rights of states," said Lincoln County Commissioner Stirling Spencer, a Carrizozo rancher.

"The court ruled that under the equal footing doctrine, states can file with the U.S. Supreme Court for ownership of federal lands, although a county may not," he said Thursday.

In 1993, the Nye County Commission passed a resolution asserting

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### Capitan's Babe

Cody Townsend of Capitan feeds his piglet in the Capitan schoolyard Wednesday as part of a program to bring farm animals to schools. Please see story and more photos on Capitan Page.

## Lincoln already faces threat

by DIANNE STALLINGS  
Ruidoso News Staff Writer

Residents of Lincoln are open to any solution that will keep the historic preservation district around their community intact.

About 40 property owners attended the second community meeting since learning an ordinance used to create the district may not be valid.

On one hand, they said Wednesday they want to cooperate with the Lincoln County Commission in working out a solution.

On the other hand, they're worried about an advertisement in a Roswell newspaper for land in the settlement for sale with no restrictions.

While the ordinance hangs in limbo, they don't want conflicting land uses or architectural styles allowed into the 10-mile-long district 30 miles northeast of Ruidoso.

J. Robert Beauvais, a resident of Lincoln and former county attorney, said his proposal for a "friendly lawsuit" to settle the issue will be presented to the county commission at its regular meeting Tuesday.

The residents would be asking a judge to declare the 24-year-old district valid based on a combination

of state statutes allowing commissions to zone portions of a county.

County Attorney Alan Morel has ruled that a 1984 revision of the existing historic district ordinance is based on a state statute requiring countywide zoning. Although the county passed a zoning ordinance in 1988, it never has been enforced, because zoning maps have not been approved.

Lincolnite David Lee said a show of hands at the meeting illustrated most people in the community support using an ordinance to keep the district.

"I think the issue is bringing the community together," he said. "I think they want a long-term solution and immediate affirmation from the commission that the ordinance still is in effect, and they will support it until the time comes we can handle it independently."

A method of setting up the district as an independent unit, governed by its own board, was suggested by state Cultural Affairs director Gary Morton, an artist and former resident of Lincoln. The historic district would be created by referendum and a 51% majority.

But Beauvais said Thursday that may not be possible. The law requires 160 households and the

settlement may not meet that number.

A court has declared that same law unconstitutionally vague in defining the size and locations of districts, he said. It was revised in 1993 by the state Legislature, but the revision has never been tested in court, he said.

"The main concern of the court that still hasn't been answered is the unpermissible delegation to private persons to dictate the use of the land," Beauvais said.

Residents need to act quickly, he said, noting that he will not be paid for helping to file the suit for declaratory judgment.

With the land sale advertisement published, "the first crack in the dam already is showing," he said.

The group of residents Wednesday selected members for a steering committee to gather information and work out some solution.

The members are:

- Cile Dickerson;
- Colleen Salazar;
- James Sanchez;
- Judy Arrowsmith;
- and David Lee.

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## Sullivan lays out priorities as sheriff

by DIANNE STALLINGS  
Ruidoso News Staff Writer

Tom Sullivan, Republican candidate for Lincoln County sheriff, advocates patrol by district to reduce deputy response time to emergency calls.

Sullivan, 55, qualified to run for the sheriff's post March 5 along with seven other Republicans. But because he has been working in Grants as a correctional administrator at Western New Mexico Correctional Facility, he didn't announce his candidacy in advance like the other contenders.

Having served two terms as Lincoln County sheriff from 1984 to 1988, Sullivan says he knows what works and that includes pooling resources with other agencies to get the job done and to supplement the local law enforcement budget.

"I've been encouraged to run again, because people thought I had a good record as the sheriff before and they would like to see that kind of operation again," Sullivan said.

During his time in office, more than \$1.5 million in stolen property was recovered and 196 narcotics cases were filed resulting in confiscated drugs valued at more than \$1 million, he said.

While he was sheriff, a National Crime Information Center terminal was installed that gives the department immediate access to nationwide intelligence information and data, Sullivan said.

"The communications network for the department was redesigned and additional repeaters were installed at strategic locations, eliminating 'dead spots' in the

county," he said. "My achievements as sheriff were the result of a team effort by employees who were proud of their department and took pride in its accomplishments."

A night patrol using several deputies and patrol concentration in higher crime areas also were trademarks of his administration, Sullivan said.

"A sheriff never has enough deputies," he said. "To run a truly effective 24-hour patrol, the existing department ideally would almost have to be doubled. But the first thing you do is look at your budget. When you're elected, you come in at half-budget year and you can't make many immediate changes."

"But you can increase your effectiveness by working with other agencies. I was a drug agent for eight years in Texas covering a 31-county district, and I believe in multi-agency pooling of resources when investigating drugs cases."

"The federal government has lots of money set aside, and local task forces can be designed to tap into that."

Sullivan graduated from Wayland Baptist University with a bachelor's in criminal justice. He has more than 3,000 additional hours of training in law enforcement courses. He graduated from the Southwestern Police Institute, the School of Police Supervision at the University of Texas in Dallas and the International Association of Chiefs of Police School of Police Management in Austin, Texas, he said.



Tom Sullivan

His 28 years of on-the-job experience also includes six years as a state trooper, eight years in the narcotics service and 10 years with the New Mexico Department of Corrections, part of that time as deputy warden at Camp Sierra Blanca. He operated Sullivan's Security Service in Lincoln County from 1978 to 1993.

To run his campaign, Sullivan has been granted a leave of absence from Grants through the June 4 primary. He and his wife, Pat, a kindergarten teacher at Nob Hill Early Childhood Center in Ruidoso, live in Capitan. They have three grown sons.

Sullivan is past president of the Carrazo Rotary Club, former director of the Ruidoso Noon Lions Club, past president of the New Mexico Sheriff's Association and past president of the Texas Narcotics Officers Association, a 1,500-member group of federal, state, county and municipal law enforcement officers. He also was appointed to serve one year on the Capitan Board of Trustees in the late 1970s.

## Man accused of dropping baby, hitting mother waives hearing

George Padilla's Ruidoso Downs family misses his income, a public defender told the Ruidoso Magistrate Court Monday.

"His common law wife is requesting that he perhaps get out and work," district defender Sam Damon said. "She's in dire straits because she needs him to get out and work" pending his district court appearance.

Padilla is accused of assaulting the same woman who is asking that he be released. He's also accused of harming their infant son.

Judge William Butts denied the request, saying the 31-year-old Padilla has violated conditions of his January parole with his recent arrest on felony child abuse charges.

Before he can consider releasing Padilla, a parole hearing must be held and Padilla must cover a \$50,000 bond, Butts said.

Padilla has been held at the Lincoln County Jail since March 17 on three third-degree felony charges of child abuse and a misdemeanor count of battery to a household member.

The charges were filed after police concluded Padilla used his eight-month-old son as a shield while battering his girlfriend. The seven-year-old daughter of the victim and her seven-year-old friend witnessed the violence, police said.

The seven-year-old told police that the baby boy fell from Padilla's arms twice during the violence. Police said it appeared the baby

landed on his face because there was blood around his mouth when officers arrived.

The night of the domestic violence, officers said they found the victim lying on her trailer floor, bleeding from an inch-long cut on her nose. Padilla, who smelled of alcohol, stood a couple of feet from the victim and was holding the crying baby like a shield, police said.

The baby was held overnight at the Lincoln County Medical Center and released to his mother the next day, police said.

Padilla waived his probable cause hearing at the magistrate court Monday. With the waiver, he was sent back to the county jail.

## Lands

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ing a claim for state and county ownership of public lands. The Justice Department sued the commission.

Nye County officials were not supported by their state government in their claim for federal lands, Wilson said.

"The judge felt if the state didn't claim the land, that was part of the reason he ruled as he did," Wilson said.

The court said a county can't sue for ownership of federal land, but a state may, Spencer said.

The ninth federal judicial district is considered liberal in its interpretations, and such a position is encouraging from that court, he said.

If state officials changed their stance and sued for ownership, "you may have one hell of a case," he said.

Roger Marzulla, the Washington, D.C. lawyer who argued the case for Nye County, agrees the door has been left open.

Marzulla noted that Judge George wrote in his opinion that the issue of federal lands management had not been squarely placed before the court in the Nye case, so he would not address the question.

**"The effort to claim (federal) land ownership (for states) is not over. It may take 10 years, but we learn a lot as we go. The movement continues to grow and gather more support."**

REX WILSON  
LINCOLN COUNTY RANCHER

The state of Arizona may pursue a case for ownership of federal lands, Spencer said.

"The Arizona state Legislature has committed to moving ahead, but not all of the other state officials are with them," Wilson said.

"I'm not discouraged at all," Spencer said. "I think when you work within the law and the court,

it can be convoluted and it takes time and money and work."

"It's a shame more states don't take the lead. When counties try to carry the load, it looks like David trying to whack Goliath and they don't have the resources."

Lincoln County residents are lucky, because they have a good relationship with the staff of agencies that manage federal land within the county, Wilson said.

"We will have an opportunity to influence land management decisions," he said. The federal government manages about 1.09 million acres out of the total 3.1 million acres in Lincoln County.

As chairman of the county's Public Land Use Advisory Committee, Wilson said the group will draft a document encouraging certain kinds of federal land planning, and that's an opportunity for the public to be involved.

Although some people are getting frustrated, Wilson said he realizes change takes time, and he is encouraged by the changing federal attitude.

### BIRTHS

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21 1/2".

March 12, 1996

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# Xeriscaping is way to go during these times of drought

DIANNE STALLINGS

Ruidoso News Staff Writer

Meager winter snow and sparse rainfall have resulted in a ban on outdoor watering in Ruidoso. Compliance with village water restrictions will call for some creative xeriscaping this summer.

Water-hungry annual plants have to give way to less demanding perennials and to native plants that already have adapted to the lack of moisture.

Ted Hodoba, the owner of Desert on Nursery in Albuquerque and president of the Native Plant Society of New Mexico, was in the settlement of Lincoln last weekend at a workshop on water-wise landscaping, called xeriscaping.

Planning and design is the first element of xeriscaping, Hodoba said.

"You need a road map, because if you don't know where you're going, you may not wind up where you want," he said. The homeowner can draw his own map or a landscape designer can be hired.

Find where utility lines cross the property and enter the house, and where septic tanks are located underground, he advised.

Hodoba's other preparation suggestions include:

- pinpoint the predominant wind direction, areas of shade and other physical features of the planting area;

- determine if there is a bad view you may want to screen or a view you want to preserve;

- assess the existing vegetation and determine whether big trees and bushes should be kept or cut, and whether getting rid of a tree may open up an area to more sun;

- make a list of what you want in the yard, such as a vegetable garden, a flower bed, a dog run, a play area for children, and/or an arb garden. Vegetables take full sun and that will dictate where they're planted;

- plan for water use;
- lay out design elements such as odd-number groupings to give a natural look — nature doesn't plant in rows;

— and sit down and draw a plan on graph paper, correctly measuring the house and working area in relationship to each other.

The second element of the xeriscape approach is to develop a "practical turf area," or low-water lawn.

Use tough, natural grasses like buffalo and blue grama, and designate less than 20% of the landscape area to grass.

Many people use bluegrass, which is a cool season grass, Hodoba said. It goes brown in the summer and requires heavy watering to keep it alive, as much as six times that of buffalo grass, he said.

Plant wildflower meadows mixed with native grasses as an alternative, Hodoba suggested.

R.C. Eoff, who handles the plants and seeds at One-Stop Auto and Nursery at 315 Sudderth Drive, said decks, rocks and walls also can create interesting scenes and substitute for lawns.

The third element of xeriscaping is to provide sufficient irrigation.

Don't overwater, but soak slowly and deeply for long periods, encouraging plant roots to grow deep in the earth. Shallow, short periods of watering will encourage the opposite.

Native plants usually need no irrigation once they are established, but all plants need plenty of water at first.

Determine if you can capture runoff water and rain that falls on your property to be used on a garden, Hodoba said.

Drip irrigation works well with trees, shrubs and vegetable gardens; soaker hoses are good with flower beds and vegetables; and bubblers attached to a sprinkler system are good with trees and shrubs. Sprinklers should be reserved for very large areas, because of the loss of water from evaporation.

Soil improvement should not be needed, if the right plants are chosen and already are adapted to the soil in your area.

"Tree roots go out 20-40 feet and you can't amend all that soil," Hodoba said.

Vegetable gardens are the most likely candidates for additives such as nitrogen and organic matter. Potassium and phosphorus usually are not required, he said.

If using horse manure, Hodoba offered two cautions. Since seeds pass through the horse undigested, the gardener may end up with a wheat crop if the manure is not composted.

Even if the manure is dry, it could get "hot" again and burn plants once water is added if the manure has not broken down.

Soils in Ruidoso tend to be clay or decomposed granite. Use water when digging to soften the material, Hodoba said.

Ted Conley, of Conley's Nursery on U.S. 70 east of Ruidoso Downs, said the soils around Ruidoso tend to be fairly well balanced in alkaline-acid ratio, with just a few mineral deficiencies that can be solved with a good multipurpose fertilizer. When planting, use a potting soil with peat moss to add more acidity. In most cases, the alkaline content is sufficient, but may need augmentation in spots.

For mulch to build soil, conserve water and protect tender plants, Hodoba recommended "crushers fines," which is the product that is left over after gravel is crushed. Apply it to a depth of two to four inches and it will conserve water and give a more natural look. Bark mulch also is good, but more expensive, he said.

He urges gardeners not to put plastic sheets down around plants to discourage weeds, because it doesn't allow the exchange of gases and stops water from reaching roots. It also looks messy when it deteriorates, he added.

Special barrier fabrics that allow water and air through, but not weeds, is a much better alternative although it costs more, he said.

Appropriate plant selection is the sixth step. Native varieties already have adapted, but others are available that demand little water or maintenance.

Conley suggested selecting more perennials, because they need less



Dianne Stallings/The Ruidoso News

Dale Dix tends a sprinkler heads in his xeriscaped garden. It features yucca and shorter Century plants. He lives on Cree Meadows Drive in Ruidoso.

water once established and gardeners don't have to replant each year.

"I suggest planting a variety so you have color at different parts of the summer," Conley added. A few of the 60 perennials his nursery will carry include painted daisies, gay feather, bearded tongue, red hot pokers, creeping phlox and clematis.

"The key to keeping a healthy lawn and garden is water and fertilizer, because this is about as good

a climate to grow plants you can find," Conley said.

Two flowering plants most requested are geraniums and petunias, he said. They take less water and bloom all summer long. Geraniums can be moved inside and kept in pots during the winter, he added. If they're cut back in September, they'll be blooming again by December.

Some seed catalogues also specialize in plants native to the Southwest.

Eoff said he anticipated the

water shortage this year and is stocking yucca plants, a desert plant that is ideal when precipitation is scarce.

One of his favorite low-water perennials is dianthus.

Locally, most of his plant disease complaints center around black spot and mildew on roses. Both are fungus but are not caused by too much moisture. They require chemical treatment, as do spider mites, the major source of his pest complaints.

## Fires

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"We've been real lucky with the low temperatures and high humidity and that's what will change in the next month when temperatures increase," Duemling said.

Matching the dire fire danger and drought conditions are extremely low moisture readings for dead trees of three to eight inches in diameter, Duemling said.

As of March 14 in southeastern New Mexico, the average moisture content of these "1,000-hour fuels" is between 6% and 10%, Duemling said.

"It can't get much lower," Duemling said.

The lowest level is 5% and less. Thereafter, the reading is off the

scale, Duemling said.

Thousand-hour fuels are used in the National Fire Danger Rating System as indicators of drought, and reveal how long it will take for the wood's moisture level to return to 100%. According to the rating system, four days equates 100 hours and 40 days is about 1,000 hours.

Such dry fuel conditions, combined with high winds and missing moisture, increase the risk of fires putting out a lot more energy, Duemling said.

"Things are definitely getting critical," Duemling said. "Our office is already thinking of going into restrictions."

Outdoor fire restrictions usually don't come into place until May or

June — typically when more people start visiting the forest.

A decision to place restrictions is usually made in conjunction with the U.S. Forest Service.

"We're contemplating it, but there's been no decision yet," Duemling said.

ture issued an alert to Duemling and all fire personnel that the Southwest area may have "an extremely challenging year" with all fire activities.

"Precipitation and snowpacks are below normal, and the long-range forecasts through September 1996 are showing above-normal temperatures and below-normal precipitation," the memo warned.

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## OPINION

## EDITORIAL

## Support TNT concerts by seeing last band

Saturday will be the grand finale of the first Ruidoso Valley Chamber-sponsored concert series. It will be fitting to end it with spicy Tejano music and celebrate the local Hispanic culture.

This will be the community's last opportunity this year to show we can support such a concert venue; so far, the TNT series has not been profitable.

The TNT concerts were geared to what people in an arts survey said they wanted to hear: rock 'n' roll and the blues. Organizers said about 30% of the concertgoers have been visitors to town, and one of the goals was to use the concerts to bring more visitors.

It was tough on a new concert series to start in a drought year when the ski area had to close early. The last of the concerts was cancelled for that reason. But the Chamber's losses are minimal thanks to the concert series' sponsors.

One of the main advantages of this TNT series was the ability of our young people to hear the bands, because the concerts are held at the civic center. Parents were dancing with their children, and teenagers had a place to go on Saturday night.

It was disappointing to organizers that more teenagers haven't supported the concerts, however. Hopefully they'll show up Saturday night, because if they don't, next year's concert series may be held in less-costly taverns they can't enter.

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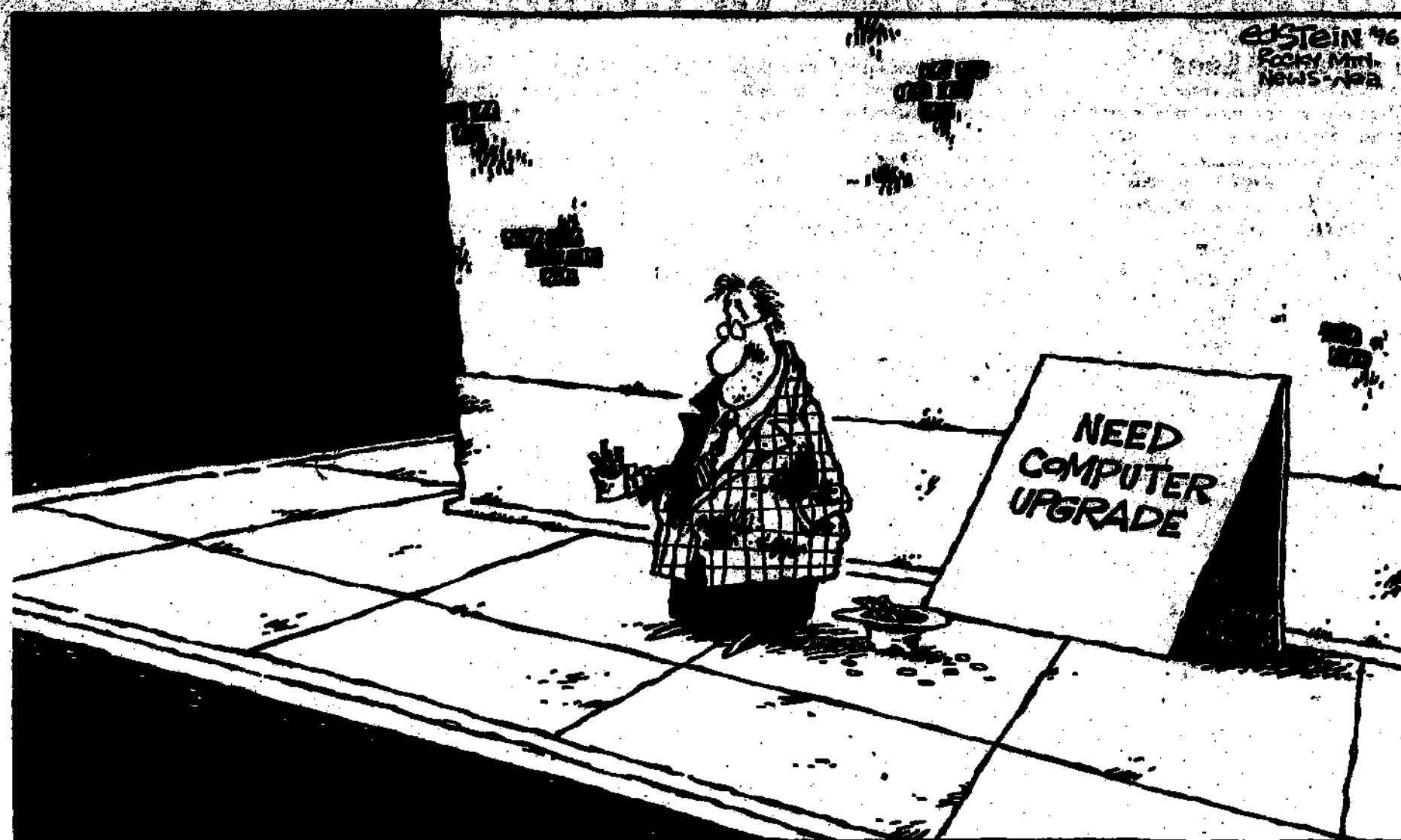
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## Article was not about Northern States Power Co.

TO THE EDITOR:

A March 25 letter to *The Ruidoso News* contained a serious factual error that must be corrected. A recent *Time* Magazine cover story on the handling of used nuclear fuel did not feature Northern States Power Company. The company in the article was Northeast Utilities.

Secondly, the issues covered in that article do not in any way apply to the proposed Utility/Mescalero storage project. The magazine article dealt with the refueling of a nuclear power plant and the storage of used fuel in a water-filled storage pool. Obviously, there will be no refueling activities at Mescalero and fuel there will be stored in sealed dry containers, not in water.

Finally, the U.S. nuclear power industry has safely handled, stored and shipped used nuclear fuel for more than a quarter century. Never in that time has there been an incident in handling these materials that has resulted in any radiation-related injury to a member of the public.

If a person is willing to look at the facts, there is a lot of good news about the safety of handling this particular hazardous material. We would live in a much safer country if all hazardous materials were handled as safely.

Scott Northard  
Minneapolis, Minnesota

## Fight Zia Gas Company takeover

TO THE EDITOR:

And also to the users of Capitan, Carrizozo, and Lincoln County Natural Gas:

This is about the the Natural Gas Processing corporation of Wyoming and its president, Mr. David Hamilton, who is also general manager of Zia Natural Gas of Ruidoso, Ruidoso Downs and Hobbs Gas Co., New Mexico.

Zia Natural Gas Company and its attorney are using every "dirty trick" to take over our Capitan-Carrizozo Natural Gas; a small company owned by the people of Capitan, Carrizozo, and Lincoln County. This is a municipal owned gas company. It is charging the lowest gas rate that we can in order to stay in business. If Zia Natural Gas takes our gas company and its assets, which is debt free, what a "plum" it will get!

I have had the opportunity to study the gas rates that Zia Natural Gas has for Ruidoso and area. The New Mexico Public Utilities Commission has given them an

open method to raise the rates for gas in the Ruidoso area. All Zia has to do is notify the New Mexico Public Utilities Commission fifteen (15) days before the rate is raised. No public hearing is necessary. Zia has the privilege to raise the gas rates at will — how wonderful!

The gas users of Ruidoso are now paying a basic charge on every bill. Homeowners pay eight dollars (\$8), small commercial accounts eleven-fifty (\$11.50) a month and large commercial accounts (\$38) a month, over and above the gas used or not used. You are charged for the privilege of Zia Gas selling you gas for your home or business. Think that is a "rip-off"? What other utility can charge you for selling you their product?

Zia says they can sell you natural gas for less — yes, with the basic charge guaranteeing them an income. But just wait until Zia takes over all the companies it wants. What do you think it will do with the rates? If you doubt me, look at what it did in Hobbs, New Mexico. They are paying 32-33% more, the highest in the state of New Mexico. What will you be paying if these plans go through?

Gas users of Capitan, Carrizozo and all potential users of Lincoln County need to get behind the Board of Trustees of Capitan-Carrizozo Natural Gas. Tell them to keep fighting Zia Natural Gas.

Let the Capitan-Carrizozo know you would like to use Natural Gas when they put a gas line to your property.

I can be wrong but the taxpayers paid to start the Carrizozo-Capitan Natural Gas Company. It is a municipal owned utility.

The Gas Company belongs to you. Help the trustees, give them your support so they can save your gas company!

If Zia Natural Gas has its way, it is going to force Capitan-Carrizozo Natural Gas Trustees to sell for a small price. If you think that is not serious, look what it did in Hobbs!

If Zia has its way you are next.

Senior citizens should consider what a 38% increase in their gas bills would do to their fixed income. Please help the trustees save the C&C Gas Company.

Russell F. Griswold  
White Oaks

## Democrats get things done

TO THE EDITOR:

The New Mexico State Legislature, at the request of Gary Johnson, met recently to take care of some important business: restoring the state's emergency savings account to an appropriate level.

Within just nine hours, the Democrat-controlled Legislature took care of the matter. They sent Johnson a bill similar to one he vetoed only months ago — and he signed it. As a result, the reserves will rise from a perilous \$28.5 million to a more conservative \$140 million. They did this without raising taxes.

Johnson tried to put a handful of other issues on their agenda, but they saw fit to take care of what was truly needed and save the rest for later. After all, the Legislature will meet again next January. The other major matter they took up and passed was a \$5.5 million education appropriation, to be sure that public school teachers around the state get a well-deserved cost-of-living adjustment.

Why would Johnson insist on other issues taking up so many other issues during a short two or three-day session? I think he must fear his margin of support in the Roundhouse will shrink even further after November's general election, and that getting his own proposals passed — the ones he says he won't fight for because he will be "leveraged" in the process —

will become harder than ever before.

The next time someone inquires about which party undertakes the business of the people and gets things done, the answer should be clear: it's the Democratic Party.

Earl Potter  
State Democrat Party chair  
Albuquerque

## Letter about nuclear waste full of errors

TO THE EDITOR:

Hazel Haynesworth's March 25 letter to the editor is so full of errors one scarcely knows where to start.

First, the *Time* magazine article she cites makes no mention of Northern States Power of Minnesota, but Northeast Utilities of Connecticut. Northern States Power is an outstanding company with a flawless reputation for safety. That is also true of the other utility companies involved with the Mescalero project.

Also, the Mescalero project proposes to temporarily store spent fuel in dry, sealed containers; a method of storing and transporting which is proven both safe and clean worldwide and through time. The alleged problems with Northeast Utility chronicled in *Time* refer to used fuel assemblies temporarily stored in pools, or "wet storage." Perhaps I'm just quibbling over details.

I'll give activists the benefit of the doubt that their misrepresentations are attributable to deceit but to intellectual laziness. I only ask that they no longer underestimate the intelligence of the people of Ruidoso.

Veronica Torres  
Albuquerque

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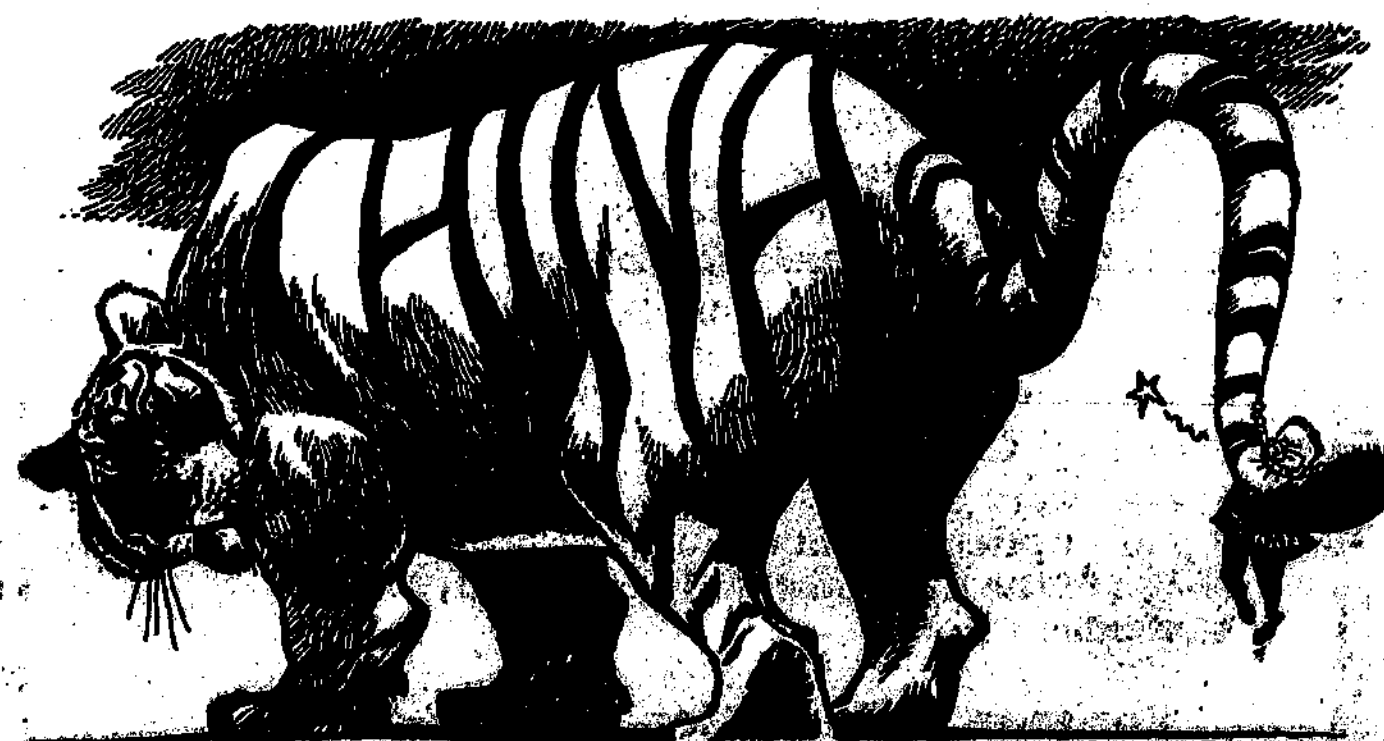
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TIGER BY THE TAIL

# CAPITAN

## Corriente Cowbelles stage school agriculture day in Capitan



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Chance Van Winkle and Erin McGrath watch Lincoln resident Ralph Dunlap spin wool using a spinning wheel he crafted. Dunlap has been spinning since 1970 when wool sold for 19 cents a pound.

by DIANNE STALLINGS  
Ruidoso News Staff Writer

A few reminders of the rural life that built the community of Capitan were brought to the schoolyard Wednesday by the Corriente Cowbelles.

Goats, calves, pigs and even some llamas from Cheryl McCutcheon's ranch in Ruidoso Downs were on display, for students primarily from the elementary and middle schools to pet and feed.

Bryan Krittendon of the Southwest Dairy Museum based in Roswell brought his van, milking machine and Espy the dairy cow.

The non-profit group primarily brings the units to elementary schools, state and county fairs and to children's festivals like the one in El Paso that draws 15,000 people, Krittendon said.

"We cover how we get milk, the cow's diet, how her body handles the food and the way she is milked in a modern dairy," he said. "Espy does real good. Sometimes, she leans her head on the ledge and goes to sleep. She was raised as a show heifer and has been doing this for two years."

Ralph Dunlap brought the spinning wheel he crafted at his home



Dianne Stallings/The Ruidoso News

Students from Capitan Middle School stop to pet a goat brought to the schoolyard as part of the Agricultural Day exhibits set up by the Corriente Cowbelles.

in Lincoln, and raw wool to be spun into yarn.

The state Forestry Division started the day off with a puppet

show. Students won agriculturally-related prizes such as seeds and beef jerky.

Barbara "B.B." Berry said the

Cowbelles hope to turn the special day into an annual event, and expand into some participation activities such as roping dummies.

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- Easter Sunday, April 7th  
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# RUIDOSO'S FOUR-DAY WEATHER OUTLOOK

<b>SATURDAY</b> High...58 Low...31 Mostly cloudy	<b>SUNDAY</b> High...60 Low...30 Mostly sunny
<b>MONDAY</b> High...63 Low...34 Partly cloudy	<b>TUESDAY</b> High...64 Low...35 Partly cloudy

## WEATHER ALMANAC

Ruidoso readings	High	Low	Precipitation
Tuesday	51	14	.00"
Wednesday	59	17	.00"
Thursday	65	28	.00"

Regional-Friday	High	Low	Forecast
Albuquerque	62	42	Showers
El Paso, TX	76	43	Partly cloudy
Lubbock, TX	75	45	Mostly cloudy
Midland, TX	76	46	Partly cloudy

Weather data courtesy of Meteorologist Cam Moore, KBIM-TV

## STARDATE

StarDate is courtesy of the McDonald Observatory at the Univ. of Texas at Austin. For more information call, 1-800-StarDate.

In early spring, the lengthening days make us do our starwatching ever later in the evening. This effect seems to speed up the seasonal turning of the sky. Already Leo has moved way over to the south by the time twilight ends. Its leading light, Regulus, is the brightest star due south — though it's no match for some of the winter stars that have shifted far to the southwest and west.

# OFFICIAL RECORDS

## RUIDOSO POLICE DEPARTMENT

The following information was taken from reports made by citizens to the Ruidoso Police Department.

### THURSDAY, MARCH 21 (continued from previous page)

— 8:08 a.m. Venado Drive caller reports runaway juvenile. Report taken, entered in national computer.  
— 8:19 a.m. Grindstone Drive caller reports elderly female having a stroke. Ambulance with one to LCMC.  
— 9:23 a.m. Ambulance transferring patient from Albuquerque to Indian Health Services.  
— 11:28 a.m. Willow Trailer Park caller reports officer for domestic. Male beating up female in gray pickup. All clear.  
— 12:01 p.m. La Luz Drive caller reports fire. Coals left, started deck on fire.  
— 12:25 p.m. East Drive caller reports officer for domestic violence. One prisoner to Ruidoso Downs Police Department jail.  
— 12:33 p.m. Junction Road caller reports suspect to Forest Lawn Cemetery.  
— 1:58 p.m. U.S. 70 caller reports accident. Truck knocked out power at RDPD.  
— 2:21 p.m. Ambulance enroute to pick up transfer from IHS to LCMC.  
— 3:22 p.m. Ambulance transferring patient from LCMC to IHS.  
— 4:46 p.m. 209 U.S. 70 caller reports subject got two lawn mowers. Paid for one, but not the other.  
— 5:00 p.m. Shaw Apartment caller reports suspect on criminal damage.  
— 5:40 p.m. 616 Suddeth Drive caller reports woman in brown van on property. Advised to leave.  
— 6:57 p.m. Main Road caller reports ambulance for woman possibly having a stroke.  
— 8:40 p.m. Wingfield Street caller reports subject walking along street, who keeps stopping in front of her house. Negative contact.  
— 9:23 p.m. Super 8 Motel caller reports suspect close patrol of motel. Subject in motel bothering her in lobby.  
— 9:28 p.m. 2812 Suddeth Drive caller reports large group of cars in the parking lot. Minors drinking. No beer found by officers.  
— 10:35 p.m. Evergreen Drive caller reports domestic situation in area. Not sure of location. All clear. Negative contact.

### FRIDAY, MARCH 22

Total calls by type:

- 1 Assist other agency
- 1 Disturbance
- 1 Domestic
- 1 Fireworks
- 3 Non-criminal activities
- 1 Other criminal
- 3 Traffic
- 1 Vandalism

— 12:10 p.m. Walnut Drive caller reports dog is barking again. Not outside now. Will call back later.  
— 2:10 a.m. Officer enroute with one arrest to RPD.  
— 10:23 a.m. 501 Mechem Drive caller reports on broken window. Report taken on vandalism.  
— 1:43 p.m. 309 U.S. 70 caller has one arrest.  
— 2:44 p.m. Officer has one arrest for shoplifting. Subject broke.  
— 2:50 p.m. 301 U.S. 70 caller reports female needs report on stolen skin. Subject didn't file report.  
— 3:01 p.m. University Drive caller reports VIN check. Negative.  
— 3:01 p.m. Dover Place caller needs report on vicious animal who killed and maimed rabbits.  
— 3:01 p.m. Cambridge Road caller needs report for vicious animal who killed another dog.  
— 3:53 p.m. 1015 Mechem Drive caller reports traffic control.  
— 3:55 p.m. 1301 Suddeth Drive caller reports loud music coming from area. All clear, all quiet.  
— 4:15 p.m. Paradise Canyon Drive caller reports party be located. Negative contact.  
— 5:19 p.m. 205 U.S. 70 caller reports subject arrested for shoplifting.  
— 5:34 p.m. Keys Drive caller reports small bear in a tree. Bear at top of tree. All clear. Game and Fish notified.  
— 6:15 p.m. Escalante Drive caller reports hearing shots in the area.  
— 8:22 p.m. T.P. Cabins caller reports domestic situation going on. All clear; female left the area.  
— 10:36 p.m. Swallow Drive caller reports hearing scratching on side of her house. All clear. Negative contact.

### SATURDAY, MARCH 23

Total calls by type:

- 1 Accident
- 1 Add info/followup
- 6 Ambulances
- 3 Assist other agencies

- 3 Fire calls
- 5 Non-criminal violences
- 1 Personal violence
- 3 Traffic
- 1 Vandalism
- 1 Warrant service

— 12:31 a.m. 911 hang up from 311 Suddeth Drive. Contact with clerk. No one around pay phone.  
— 12:51 a.m. 4th Street caller reports dog is barking every night. Negative contact with dog. Will patrol later.  
— 1:08 a.m. 506 Suddeth Drive caller requests officer about battery that occurred earlier at restaurant.  
— 1:29 a.m. State police officer enroute to RPD with one DWI arrest.  
— 1:46 a.m. Ruidoso Downs police requests backup for large party in Turkey Canyon. Possible trouble.  
— 2:19 a.m. White Mountain Drive caller reports deer had been hit in middle of road. Deer removed to side of road.  
— 3:15 a.m. Caller reports wanted subject at a restaurant. Subject arrested.  
— 6:15 a.m. 311 Suddeth Drive caller reports minor accident in parking lot. Report taken.  
— 8:01 a.m. Palmer Loop caller requests ambulance for male subject. A horse fell on him.  
— 8:10 a.m. Ambulance with one to Albuquerque.  
— 9:30 a.m. Willow Drive caller reports smoke coming from trailer. All clear, piece of wood on fire. Put it out.  
— 11:31 a.m. Signal Peak Drive caller reports he was showing a house and found out it had been broken into. Report taken.  
— 12:57 p.m. Suddeth Drive caller reports blue pickup driving recklessly. Officers had negative contact with vehicle.  
— 1:14 p.m. 200 Mechem Drive caller reports power line fell on tree and tree is on fire. All clear, fire put out.  
— 2:16 p.m. Sheriff's office requests fire units help with fire. Respond.  
— 2:24 p.m. Grindstone Drive caller reports dog without food and water. All clear. Owner advised dog has food in garage.  
— 2:52 p.m. Camelot Drive caller reports reckless driver. Officer found subject and talked to him.  
— 3:07 p.m. 2500 Suddeth Drive caller reports her purse is missing. Report taken on larceny.  
— 3:08 p.m. Hemlock Circle caller reports father needs ambulance.

— 4:09 p.m. Walnut Drive caller reports new sewage coming up in her back yard. Water unit notified.  
— 4:44 p.m. Tribal bar caller requests ambulance. Subject with head injury. Ambulance canceled by Mesquero dispatch.  
— 4:57 p.m. La Luz Drive caller reports broken water meter. Turned over to water unit.  
— 6:00 p.m. Hidalgo Drive caller reports grass fire. All clear. Contained and extinguished.  
— 7:18 p.m. Timberwolf Drive caller reports possible drunk trying to break into vehicle. Report taken on vandalism. One arrest.  
— 9:31 p.m. Ambulance transferring patient from IHS to LCMC.  
— 10:59 p.m. 400 Mechem Drive caller reports he saw two sparks from transformer. Electric company notified.  
— 11:45 p.m. White Mountain Drive caller reports water leak at condo. Water coming out of door. Water unit notified.  
— 9:35 p.m. Palo Verde Trailer Park caller reports man beating on wife and child. Subject arrested. Back-up requested.  
— 11:22 p.m. Report taken on dog bite in the Camelot area.  
**SUNDAY, MARCH 24**  
Total calls by type:  
1 Alarm  
2 Ambulances  
1 Disturbance  
1 Fire call  
1 Missing person  
5 Non-criminal activities  
1 Substance abuse  
1 Suspicious activity  
1 Traffic  
2 Vandalisms  
— 1:47 a.m. 1901 Suddeth Drive caller reports ride.  
— 1:58 a.m. Sandie Drive caller requests ambulance for her friend who fell and hit her head.  
— 1:59 a.m. Subject ran into RPD and said there was a big fight at Winner's Circle, 2535 Suddeth Drive. Fight broke up.  
— 1:59 a.m. Main Road caller reports her two teenage sons haven't come home yet. Didn't wait a report.  
— 2:04 a.m. Alarm at 637 Suddeth Drive. All clear.  
— 2:11 a.m. 600 Suddeth Drive caller reports dumpster in roadway. Dumpster moved.  
— 2:46 a.m. Main Road caller reports her

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**Date:** Saturday, March 30, 1996.  
**Time:** 2 p.m. till 4 p.m.  
**Place:** Senior Citizens Center, Ruidoso Downs, NM

No gifts please. Only your presence and a birthday card is needed.



## RUIDOSO POLICE DEPARTMENT

## Police

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sons came home and the youngest one is drunk. Requests officer to speak to him.

— 8:26 a.m. Grant Drive caller reports two tires on his truck are slashed. Report taken on criminal damage to property.

— 9:33 a.m. U.S. 70 caller reports gate down and someone inside. Wind damage. Helped put gate on hinges.

— 11:30 a.m. Lancelot Court caller reports no water. Turned over to water unit.

— 1:25 p.m. 2820 Sudderth Drive caller reports he has a dent in his vehicle. Report taken.

— 2:22 p.m. U.S. 70 caller reports accident with no injuries. Report taken.

— 3:04 p.m. Park Canyon caller reports his 20-year-old had a seizure. Ambulance requested.

— 3:20 p.m. Officer reports she's out with a drunk subject. Given ride to reservation line.

— 7:17 p.m. 5th Street caller reports a trash problem with neighbor. Spoke with both parties. Advised they should call Lincoln County Solid Waste.

— 8:28 p.m. Butler Street caller reports she can smell gas in her house and it's making her sick. All clear.

— 8:30 p.m. 1901 Sudderth Drive caller reports a subject came in smelling of marijuana, then left heading towards Midtown.

— 9:49 p.m. Gavilan Canyon Road caller needs someone to contact sick child's mother at Winner's Circle.

— 10:41 p.m. 2nd Street caller requests welfare check on her husband. He hadn't returned from the other house.

## MONDAY, MARCH 25

Total calls by type:

3 Accidents

1 Ambulance

1 Assist other agency

1 Disturbance

1 Fire call

1 Non-criminal activity

1 Suspicious activity

1 Theft

1 Traffic

1 Vandalism

— 2:13 a.m. 1811 Sudderth Drive caller reports people throwing things at motel rooms. Left in red car. Unable to locate.

— 9:33 a.m. 301 U.S. 70 caller reports he has one male subject to pick up on adult probation hold. Subject brought to RPD and booked.

— 9:42 a.m. White Mountain Drive caller reports school is having fire drill. Fire drill completed.

— 10:10 a.m. Paradise Canyon Drive caller reports a pickup pulling a trailer has stalled in the road.

— 10:43 a.m. Alamo at 451 Sudderth Drive bank. Report taken on fraud.

— 2:53 p.m. Gavilan Canyon Road caller reports a vehicle going through the driveway had a blowout. Vehicle left scene. Unable to locate.

— 4:43 p.m. Hull Road caller reports vehicle off roadway. Wrecker called.

— 4:56 p.m. 301 U.S. 70 caller reports two minors knocked down a stop sign. Unable to locate.

— 6:16 p.m. Lark Drive caller trying to reach a friend, but there's no answer. Everything's okay.

## Big Brothers/Sisters sought with meetings

Big Brothers/Big Sisters of Lincoln County will hold group orientation meetings on Tuesday, April 2, at the Carrizozo High School and on Thursday, April 11, at the BB/BS offices at 617 Sudderth, Cornerstone Square in Ruidoso. Both meetings will start at 7 p.m.

Parents wanting to place their children in the program and adults interested in becoming volunteers are encouraged to attend.

Merriken Bryant, the case manager for Lincoln County, will present an overview of this special "friendship-mentoring" program and will answer questions about the Big Brothers/Big Sisters organization. Application packets for both

volunteers and clients will be available.

Big Brothers/Big Sisters of Lincoln County is a non-profit organization that matches a young person with a stable, adult volunteer for a special one-to-one relationship.

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For more information about the Big Brothers/Big Sisters program or the upcoming orientation meetings, please call 257-7107.

## PEOPLE



Dean and Speedy place the 58th rose in their Anniversary Bouquet of Life. Speedy started the tradition on their 42nd anniversary, when fresh roses cost \$45 a dozen and silk ones cost \$1 each. A silk rose has been added each year since.

## Dean &amp; Speedy Haynes

A surprise 58th anniversary open house was given for Dean and Speedy Haynes at their home at 420 Bradley in Ruidoso, by their neighbors Eunice Meyer, Reba & Doug Zembik and Eva & Ches Chesbro.

Daughter Carolyn Mathis of Baton Rouge, La., and son Doug Haynes of Midland, Texas arrived for the anniversary weekend, but had to depart before the surprise.

Refreshments were served as guests enjoyed sharing Dean and Speedy's albums and pictures of silver and golden anniversaries, and exchanging funny experiences from their own wedding days.

Dean and Speedy's wedding day was a Lea County sandstorm deluxe. They had to turn their car headlights on as they went to Seminole, Texas for their license.

Speedy promised Dean if she stayed with him 25 years he would give her a full church wedding, so their silver was a renewal ceremony in the church at Monu-

ment with wedding dress, tux, daughter Carolyn as matron of honor and sons Doug, Bruce and Ken as best men. Dean was given by her stepdad Ed Phillips. A reception was hosted by Dean's sisters Jean, Jane and Jody, and her Beta Sigma Sorority sisters.

Speedy and Dean bought their vacation home here in 1979 from Bill Pippin Realty, and made it a permanent home in 1989. They love living in Ruidoso, which they call the most beautiful place with the sweetest, friendliest people on earth.

Guests attending were Bruce and Gale Haynes of Ruidoso; Downs; and Margaret Cates, Bonnie McDaniel, Nelda Lewis, Anne Chapman, Sue McFarlane, Laura Cousins, Mickey Massey, Reba and Doug Zembik, Diane Clarke, Gloria Ferguson, Judy Shaw, Lou Horton, Eunice Meyer, Ches and Eva Dell Chesbro, Shirley and Blair Haladay, Jean and John Gilbert, all of Ruidoso.

## State Garden Club convention in Roswell

The New Mexico Garden Clubs, Inc. will hold its 47th annual convention April 11-13 at the Roswell Inn, 1815 North Main, Roswell. The theme of the convention is "Seeds of Change ... Then and Now."

Presiding will be State President Elaine McIlroy of Hobbs. Convention chairs are Mary Schultz of Capitan and Linda Treloar of Roswell.

National Council of State Garden Clubs President Mrs. John Michie, Jr. of Ft. Worth, Texas, and Doris Rae Arens of Oklahoma City, Okla., South Central Region director, will be guests of the convention.

Speakers at the convention include Roswell storyteller Boyd Barrett and Walter Haut, presi-

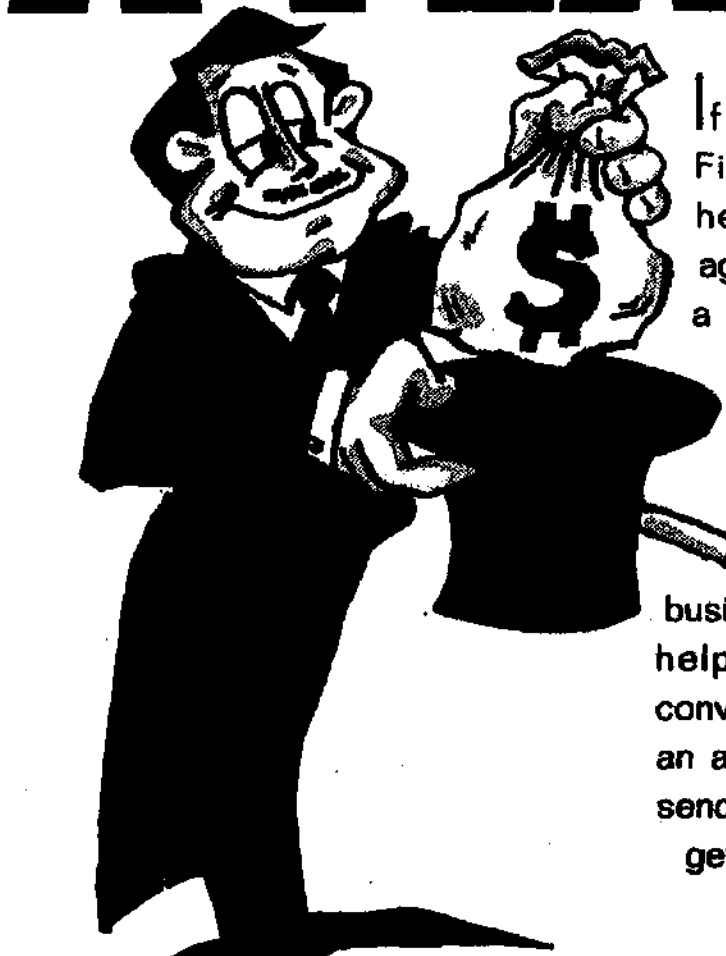
dent of the Roswell UFO Museum and Research Center. There will be floral design programs by Sarah Murdoch of Cloudcroft and by Nancy Colvin of San Antonio, Texas. Included are tours of the Historical Center for Southeast New Mexico and the International UFO Museum and Research Center.

Friday's luncheon will honor special life members Dora Sanders McKnight, Lois Minton, Myrl Good, Madge Blocksom, and Thyra Johnson, all of Roswell. Later there will be a tea at the Roswell Museum and Art Center honoring Michie and Arens.

There are 38 Garden Clubs in the state, and the eight clubs of District V will hostess this convention.

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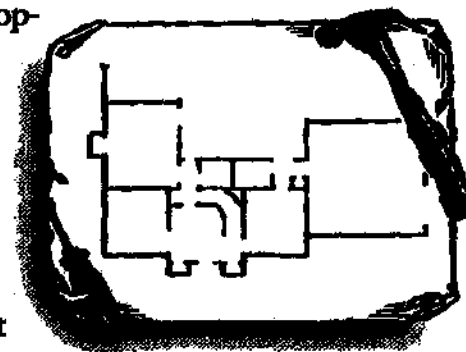
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## Walter Burns

Memorial service for Walter A. Burns, 59, of Carrizozo will be at 4 p.m. Saturday, March 30 at the Grand Funeral Chapel in Ruidoso. Officiating will be the Rev. John Johnson of Carrizozo.

Mr. Burns died Wednesday, March 27, at Lincoln County Medical Center in Ruidoso. He was born July 11, 1936 at Butler, Pa. He moved to Carrizozo from Butler in July 1990. He was a former Boy Scout Leader and was an avid bowler. He was a member of the Catholic Church and was a bricklayer in construction.

He married Ann Schlatter on September 28, 1957 at Rahway, N.J.

He is survived by his wife Ann of Carrizozo; a son, Scott Burns of Carrizozo, Pa.; three daughters, Robin Burns of Butler, Pa., Heather Allen of Pittsburg, Pa., and Rachel Hughes of Ruidoso; three brothers, Dr. Thomas C. Burns, III of Campstown, Pa., Joseph W. Burns of Houston, Texas and David Burns of Rocky Mount, N.C.; two sisters, Mary Ann Taylor of Boiling Springs, Pa. and Susan Bradshaw of Evanston, Ill.; eight grandchildren, nine step-grandchildren, one great-grandchild and one step-great-grandchild.

The family has requested memorials to the American Lung Association.

## Frank Pope

Funeral services for Frank A. Pope, 80, of Wolforth, Texas, will be at 2 p.m. Thursday in the First Baptist Church in Wolforth. Mr. Pope died Tuesday morning in St. Mary's Hospital following an illness.

Mr. Pope will be cremated. Memorial services will be conducted at 2 p.m. Saturday, March 30, in the First Baptist Church in Ruidoso. Rev. Alan Cooley will officiate.

Born on Feb. 18, 1916 in Abilene, Texas, he was a graduate of Bradley University in Peoria, Ill. with a degree in watch and jewelry making. He owned the Village Jewelry Store in Ruidoso before his retirement in 1989. He lived in Ruidoso from 1964 to 1993. He formerly lived in Lubbock, Texas from 1960 to 1964. He returned to Wolforth in 1993.

He married the former Dorothy A. Hunt on Feb. 5, 1940 in Stanford.

He was preceded in death by a granddaughter, Kelle Jo Hawley, in 1985.

He is survived by his wife Dorothy; two daughters, Raye Anne Hawley of Odessa and Faye Reeves of Lubbock; a son, Phillip Dawson Chase of California; four grandchildren and four great-grandchildren.

## Spring Weather Returns After Wintry Days

There is an old saying that goes, "If March comes in like a lamb, it will go out like a lion." March certainly came in like a lamb, with bees humming around the small apricot tree full of fruit blossoms; and all the storm vales echoing with the songs of the dove, robin and other birds of early summer.

Then after a few days of mild sunny weather, the west winds of March began charging over the hill and sweeping down the valley.

All day and all night you could hear the low, dull, softly roaring voice of the wind from the hilltops down to the trees along the river-side. Riding on the wind, the sands of the White Sands came flying over the land, turning the sky a dull white.

After one of the longest west wind spells to visit us in quite a while, it seemed to run out of breath and came to a halt around March 22.

Since this is the windy month, the north winds seemed to say, "Now it is my turn." And here it came, carrying misty clouds and a wave of cold, freezing air. The weather seemed to grow colder and colder by the day until, on the morning of the 26th, the temperature came down to 12 degrees above zero. Even with the bright sun shining down from a pure purple-blue sky in mid-morning, with the north wind blowing a cold gale, you were in mid-winter weather.

And now today on the 27th, the temperature was only 24 and the north wind had slowed down to a gentle breeze. And here at a



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half hour before high noon, the temperature is 62. The north wind is still blowing lightly, yet the bright sun beaming down has taken away its cold; and we are in spring weather once more.

## Song of the River

The stream is bright and clear as it winds its way along Storm's Bend, singing under the shadows of the branches of the walnut, oak, and box elder trees — humming a tune of the last days of windy March.

This is the first time, this time of year, that you did not see the water turning yellow-brown from the snow melting on the mountains. This year the snow has melted so gradually that the river has remained clear.

However, there is still snow in the canyons and arroyos on the shady side of the mountain, which will melt only a little at a time. In my 71 years here in Storm Vale, I have never seen the river go dry — maybe above and below, but not here. Is this "The Luck O' The Irish?"

There is an old Mexican jingle that goes,

"Enero primero, febrero le falta poco, marzo aroso, abril lluvioso, salimos a mayo, florido y hermoso." (January the leader, February lacks a little, windy March, rainy April, and we come out into May, flowery and beautiful.)

Let us hope that this old refrain keeps its word, especially in regard to "Rainy April."

Dwellers of New Mexico, especially of the mountain land, are survivors like our state flower the yucca, our state bird the Road Runner, and our state tree, the pinon.

We hang in there, knowing that the weather spirits will never let us down.

This brings to mind the old Mexican proverb: "Dios tarda; pero no olvida." (God may delay, but he never forgets).

## The Fool Killer

Back in the old south in places like South Carolina, when someone made a foolish blunder, his friends would say, "The next time the Fool Killer comes around, you hide out — hide way out."

According to legend, every April the Fool Killer arrived with a heavy club and stalked the land, thinning out the fools.

This is the last message I will get to send you before the first of April.

So watch out for April Fool's jokes. You don't have to worry about the Fool Killer, of course.

But spread the word and tell everybody to be careful.

Let us thank the good Lord for the arrival of "Rainy April" and all our other blessings.

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**FARLEY'S**  
Apply in person Monday thru Friday 1:30-5:00 p.m. Personal/Family insurance plans available.  
Farley's - 1200 Mechem Drive.

**Cattle Baron Restaurant is now accepting applications for dishwashers, cooks and wait staff.** Apply in person between 2-4 pm Tuesdays & Thursdays only. Health benefits available & the best compensation in the area.  
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Steak & Seafood Restaurant

**CASA BLANCA** is accepting applications for all positions. Apply in person, 501 Mechem Dr.

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**IMMEDIATE OPENING SUPERVISOR/SALES POSITION**  
EZ-TV and Appliance is expanding its professional work force and is looking for someone with supervisory and sales experience to lead a successful and professional TV and appliance showroom in Ruidoso. Send resume to: EZ-TV & Appliance, Inc., 1307 Tenth St., Alamogordo, NM 88310.

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**NOW ACCEPTING APPLICATIONS** for cooks, carhops and related positions at Sonic Drive-in. Applications in person only from 9-11 a.m. at 102 Sudderth. EOE.

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Well established gift and collectible store has an opportunity available for a dynamic, aggressive, mature & friendly sales associate with related retail experience. Company has a comprehensive benefits package available including insurance, vacation and paid holidays. Send resume to P.O. Box 3854, Ruidoso, NM 88345.

**Lincoln County Medical Center** has an opening for a weekend cook. Must have six months experience in institutional cooking, preferable hospital or nursing home. Interested contact Pat Crumley at 257-8256. EOE

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Evenings

## 45 Auctions

**AUCTION Saturday, March 30, 6 pm**  
**AUCTION BARN**  
7023 No. Hwy. 70  
Viewing at 5:30 pm  
Lots of good things!  
437-9367 • 439-8330

## 46 Lost & Found

**LOST NEAR Lincoln County Grill.** Black neutered cat, has white collar and white tags. Call 257-2476.

**BLACK WALLET** Lost Fri. 22 or Sat. 23-possibly Wal-Mart area. Generous reward, no questions asked. 258-3343.

**LOST IN PORR DRIVE AREA** Small, three year old male blue heeler. Missing one eye. Answers to Dusty. 257-5383.

## 48 Announcements

Anyone having knowledge of the current whereabouts of **Dr. John Shollenberger**, an urologist who once practiced in Ruidoso, or anyone knowing of aliases used by Dr. Shollenberger, or who has knowledge of Dr. Shollenberger's medical practices in the area, please call:  
**Stephen Moffat, Attorney at Law**  
1-800-810-2774

## LEGALS

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Lot 12, Block 3, Town & Country North, Unit 2 Subdivision, Ruidoso, Lincoln County, New Mexico

By order of the PLANNING & ZONING COMMISSION.  
/s/Cleatus R. Richards  
Planning Administrator

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Lot 14, Block 15, Golf Course Estates, Ruidoso, Lincoln County, New Mexico

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**BID NO. 1995-24: ROOF REPAIR - HONDO FIRE DEPARTMENT BUILDING**  
**BID NO. 1995-25: INSTALLATION OF STREET SIGNS**

Specifications are available at the Office of the Purchasing Agent, Lincoln County Courthouse, Carrizozo, or by calling Martha Guevara at 505-648-2365.

The Lincoln County Board of Commissioners will review and make their final determination during their regular commission meeting scheduled for 9:00 A.M., on Tuesday, May 7, 1996.

Lincoln County reserves the right to accept or reject all or any part of any bid, waive minor technicalities and award the bid to best serve the interest of Lincoln County.

/s/Martha Guevara  
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**BID NO. 1995-21: CARPETING**  
**BID NO. 1995-22: ACOUSTICAL CEILING (LAY-IN)**  
**BID NO. 1995-23: LIGHTING EQUIPMENT**

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/s/Martha Guevara  
Assistant County Manager

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### LEGAL NOTICE

The Village of Capitán is accepting sealed bids for the following piece of equipment:

1991 Dodge Ram 4X4  
Standard Transmission  
V6 Engine  
Approximately 110,000 miles  
White color  
New tires

Send bid proposals to Clerk-Treasurer Deborah Cummins at the Village of Capitán, P.O. Box 246, Capitán, NM 88316. Please mail envelope with "Bids" on the front. For vehicle inspection, please call and make an appointment at 505-354-2247. The Village has the right to accept or reject any or all bids. Bids will be accepted until April 5, 1996 at 4:00 p.m.

/s/Deborah Cummins  
Clerk-Treasurer, CMC  
Village of Capitán

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Planning Administrator

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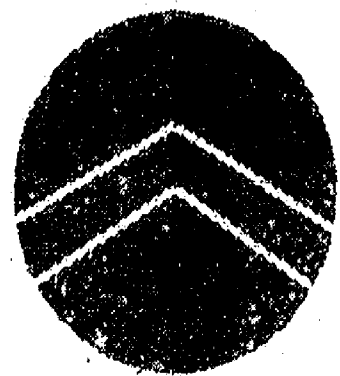
Lot 44B-452, Skyland Addition Subdivision, Ruidoso, Lincoln County, New Mexico

By order of the PLANNING & ZONING COMMISSION.

/s/Cleatus R. Richards  
Planning Administrator

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# ¡Vámonos!

Section B/Friday, March 29, 1996

THE RUIDOSO NEWS' GUIDE TO WHAT TO SEE AND DO IN LINCOLN COUNTY THIS WEEKEND

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Dressed in heavy gear for protection against the heat, manager Lance Latham and Legends Casting Co. employee Tim Tortella check the temperature of molten bronze before pouring a cast. Visitors are invited to watch Fridays.

# WHAT'S HAPPENING



## Music

□ **LAST OF TNT CONCERT/DANCE SERIES** — 8 p.m.-midnight Saturday, March 30 at the Ruidoso Civic Events Center with the Tex/Max sounds of "Siempre" from Las Cruces. Tickets for each concert are \$5 per person in advance and \$7 at the door. Tickets are available at the Ruidoso Chamber of Commerce, Farley's Food, Fun and Pub and the main Showtime Video. For more information call the Ruidoso Valley Chamber of Commerce at 257-7395.

□ **MARIE LAVEAUX, 1214 Mechem, Ruidoso 258-3764** — The Lincoln County Regulators will play the blues. 8 p.m. - midnight Thursday, April 4, sponsored by The Texas House. Admission is \$5 per person or \$8 per couple. Proceeds will benefit Rosemary Good.

□ **CREE MEADOWS COUNTRY CLUB 301 Country Club Dr., Ruidoso 257-2733** — 6 p.m. Thursdays and Fridays and 7 p.m. Saturdays. "Keri" will be playing.

□ **ENCHANTMENT INN - SCREAMING EAGLE LOUNGE, Hwy. 70 West, Ruidoso Downs 378-4051** — 7-11 p.m. open stage with Ron Turner Wednesday nights.

□ **THE TEXAS HOUSE, 2811 Sudderth, 257-3506** — Live entertainment Wednesday, Friday & Saturday. No cover. Open all night Friday & Saturday.

□ **MESCALERO NIGHTCLUB, 1 mile north of Inn of the Mountain Gods, next to Cafe Mescalero, 257-6693** — 8 p.m. - closing Fridays & Saturdays. Dance music with DJ.

□ **THE WINNER'S CIRCLE, 2535 Sudderth Dr., Ruidoso 257-9535** — 8 p.m. to close every Thursday through Sunday - JJR Band (local band performs country western and rock 'n roll), no cover.

□ **WIN, PLACE AND SHOW, 2516 Sudderth Dr., Ruidoso 257-9982** — 8 p.m. to close Mondays through Saturdays, 7:30 p.m. to 12:30 p.m. Sundays, country music.

**etc!**

□ **CARRIE TINGLEY CLINIC** — will be in Alamogordo Friday, March 29 at the New Mexico School for the Visually Handicapped located at 1900 White Sands. The clinic is for children with orthopedic problems. For appointments or more information, call 1-800-472-3235, ext. 5270. Advance scheduling is requested.

□ **EASTER EGG HUNT** — 10 a.m. Saturday, March 30 at the All American Park, next to the Senior Citizens Center in Ruidoso Downs. The event is sponsored by the Auxiliary of Ruidoso Downs.

□ **EASTER PARTY** — 1:30 p.m. Saturday, March 30 for young people from pre-school to sixth grade at the Alameda Park Zoo, Alamogordo. The zoo will be free all day. The party will start with a performance by Alamogordo's "Li' Bit of Broadway" performing "Tom & Huck." Immediately following the performance, drawings for prizes will take place. Sponsored by Vision Ford.

□ **RCC CHAMPIONSHIP 8-BALL CHALLENGE FINALS** — 7 p.m. Sunday, March 31 at the Winner's Circle.

□ **LIVING LORD'S SUPPER** — 7 p.m. Tuesday, April 2 at First Christian Church at Hull and Gavilan, Ruidoso. For more information call 257-4170.

□ **COMMUNITY HOLY WEEK SERVICES** — noon Wednesday, April 3 at Community United Methodist Church, 220 Junction Road, Ruidoso. For more information call 257-4170.

□ **CASINO APACHE, Carrizo Canyon Road, Mescalero Apache Reservation 257-5141** — Open 10 a.m. to 1 a.m. Sunday through Wednesday, 24 hours a day Thursday through Saturday.

□ **D LAZY 2 CHUCKWAGON CAMP** — Seven days a week year round. Reservations only. Authentic chuckwagon supper and chuckwagon entertainment (cowboy poetry, guitar music, etc.). Reservations must be made by 3 p.m. Call 257-7838 for information.

□ **RUIDOSO DOWNS RACE TRACK** — Simulcast racing. Call 378-4431 for times.

□ **INCOME TAX ASSISTANCE PROGRAM** — Sponsored by the Community Action Program. The program is for the 1995 tax season Jan. 30 through April 15. The assistance is for income-eligible people who need help with State and Federal Income Tax short forms. They will see clients by appointment only at 615 Sudderth, Suite 1 #10, Ruidoso. Call 257-6843 for further information.

□ **AARP TAX AIDE VOLUNTEERS** — 2-4 p.m. every Wednesday and Friday through April 12 at the Ruidoso Senior Center. The volunteers will help elderly low income taxpayers with both federal and state income taxes. A person does not have to be a member of American Association of Retired Persons to receive this help.

□ **CAMP MARY WHITE REGISTRATION** — Zia Girl Scout Council is accepting registrations for the camp located in the Sacramento Mountains near Mayhill. The camp is open to all girls entering grades 3-12 in the fall of 1996. You do not have to be a Girl Scout to attend. For a free brochure call 1-800-734-9846.

□ **ARTFAIRE '96** — Applications are now being accepted for Artfaire '96 to be held April 27 & 28. If you would like to participate or for more information, call (505) 622-0985 or write to: Artfaire '96, 1910 W. Bonita, Roswell, New Mexico 88201.

□ **GOVERNOR'S AWARD FOR OUTSTANDING NEW MEXICO WOMEN** — Nominations are now being accepted by the Commission on the Status of Women. For nomination forms and more information call (505) 841-8920 or 1-800-432-9168.

□ **1996 VISIONS AWARD** — Nominations are now being accepted by the Commission on the Status of Women. The Visions Award is given to an employer who has displayed innovative solutions to the problems of balancing work and family. For nomination forms and more information call (505) 841-8920 or 1-800-432-9168.



## Clubs & Meetings

□ **LINCOLN COUNTY REPUBLICAN PARTY** — 5:30 p.m. with dinner at 6:15 p.m. Monday, April 1 at Marie LaVeaux Restaurant, 1214 Mechem Drive, Ruidoso. Candidates running for public office in Lincoln County will speak. For reservations, call Genevieve Sewell at 258-5764 or Jimmy Luna at 648-2732 by noon Saturday, March 30.

□ **BIG BROTHERS/BIG SISTERS OF LINCOLN COUNTY** — 7 p.m. Tuesday, April 2 at the Carrizozo High School. The meeting is a group orientation for volunteers and clients. For more information call 257-7107.

□ **LINCOLN COUNTY MEDICAL CENTER AUXILIARY** — 8:30 a.m. Tuesday, April 2 at Lincoln County Medical Center, 211 Sudderth Drive, Ruidoso.

□ **AMERICAN SEWING GUILD OF NEW MEXICO** — Call Jennie Powell at 258-3896 to find out the meeting time and place. The purpose of the meeting is to get an American Sewing Guild going in Ruidoso.



## Library

□ **RUIDOSO PUBLIC LIBRARY, 501 Junction Rd. 257-4335** — On April 1, the library will begin using a computerized system for checking out materials. All library card holders will be required to have their present library card bar-coded and re-register. To re-register, bring the following materials to the library: valid driver's license, a piece of mail (recently postmarked) as verification of mailing address, and original library card. All library cards not bar-coded by April 1 will not be able to be used to check out materials.



## Movies

□ **AT SIERRA CINEMA, 257-0444:** "Up Close and Personal," "Sergeant Bilko." Call theater for show times and ratings.



## Museums

□ **ROSWELL MUSEUM AND ART CENTER** — An exhibit titled "Cela Munoz, Herencias: Now What?" opens on Friday, March 29. A reception for the artist will take place from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. Friday.

□ **MUSEUM OF THE HORSE** — Open 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. daily Tuesday - Sunday on Highway 70, Ruidoso Downs. Now showing: Anne's Attic - Selections from the permanent collection.

□ **LINCOLN COUNTY HERITAGE TRUST HISTORICAL CENTER/COURTHOUSE MUSEUM AND LINCOLN STATE MONUMENT** — Highway 380, Lincoln, 653-4025. Open from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. daily.

□ **APACHE CULTURAL CENTER, Saint Joseph Mission, U.S. Fish & Wildlife Mescalero National Fish Hatchery, all in Mescalero.**



## Theater

□ **"MINUS SOME BUTTONS"** — 8:15 p.m. Friday & Saturday, March 29 and 30; 2 p.m. Sunday, March 31 and at 8:15 p.m. Thursday-Saturday, April 4-6 at Roswell Community Little Theatre, 12th and Virginia Streets. Reservations should be made by calling (505) 622-1982. Admission is \$5 and \$2.50 for full-time students.



## Parks & Recreation

□ **RUIDOSO ATHLETIC CLUB, 415 Wingfield, 257-4900** - Aerobics, Nautilus, racquetball, free weights. Non-members welcome.

□ **WHITE SANDS NATIONAL MONUMENT** - a ranger-guided trip to Lake Lucero is at 10 a.m.-1 p.m. Sunday, March 31. Reservations are required and can be obtained by calling (505) 479-6124.

**To have your information listed here free, call**  
**The Ruidoso News**  
**at 257-4001.**

**Deadlines:**  
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**for Wednesday;**  
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### The Outlook White Oaks March 30, 1905

The finely appointed hospital at the Fort Stanton Sanitarium was burned quite recently. The patients were all removed without any fatalities, owing to good management and quick work by those in charge. The building was entirely destroyed but will shortly be rebuilt on a much larger scale than before.

Hotel Orono now open for business. Clean beds and excellent cuisine awaits the traveling public.

A.H. Hudspeth has been absent for a week past on legal business, recreation, and there may be a woman in the case, as he slipped out of town very quietly.

Rev. Paul Bently, of the M.E. Church, South reached this place through much tribulation and mud to minister to his flock for a short season in a spiritual way.

Ziegler Bros. will pay you the highest market price for hides and pelts.

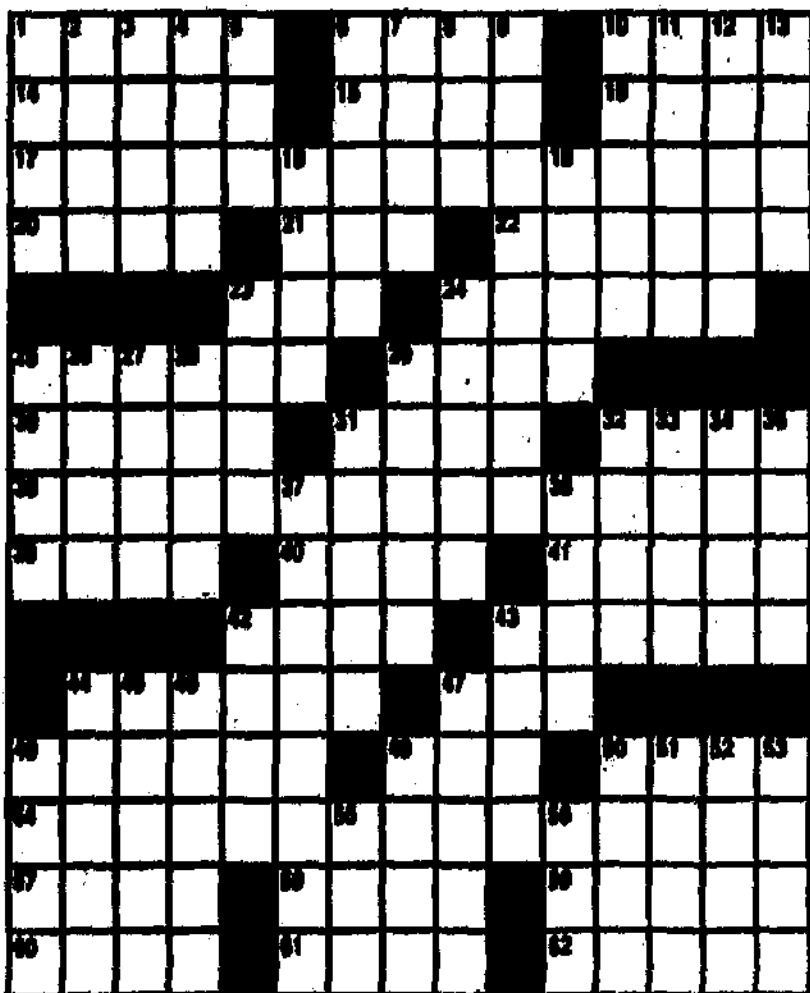
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- 62 Wayne — (Batman's home)



Puzzle by Sidney L. Robbins

- overboard!
- 6 R. J. Reynolds brand
- 7 War deity
- 8 Gun, as an engine
- 9 Blender-mixed cocktail
- 10 Distance runner
- 11 Wipe out
- 12 Friendship
- 13 Makes leather
- 14 Artificially blonde, say
- 15 Illicit drug, in slang
- 22 Wooded valley
- 24 Shalom in Honolulu
- 25 Gene's son
- 26 Honolulu's site
- 27 Employer
- 28 Aug.-Oct. divider
- 29 — nous
- 31 Country on a continental tour
- 32 Takes to the slopes
- 33 Stew vegetables
- 34 Prince Charles's sister
- 35 Fast planes
- 37 Conspicuous wealth
- 38 Brag

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# SPORTS

## SPORTS SHORTS

### Adult softball coaches meeting April 15

A softball league meeting is scheduled for 6:30 p.m. Monday, April 15, at village hall, 313 Cree Meadows.

Coaches of all adult softball teams for both men's and women's should attend this meeting and pay their entry fee of \$375. Only those teams who pay their fee by this date will be scheduled for league play.

Those players wanting to play and needing a team should attend the meeting and speak with coaches individually.

For more information, contact Debbie Jo Almager at 257-5030.

### Girls slo-pitch signups in progress for summer league and season

Girls ages 18 and under can sign up for the Village of Ruidoso's slo-pitch softball league with the parks and recreation department. Cost is \$30. Practice starts April 10. For more information, contact Debbie Jo Almager at 257-5030.

## REPLAY



This week in Lincoln County sports history, compiled from *The Ruidoso News*.

**10 years ago** - Ruidoso's Katherine Sanchez and Jeff Willingham earn All District 3AAA honors for basketball.

**20 years ago** - Ruidoso's bicycle club, The Alpine Shifters, completes the fifth annual Portales Marathon. David Hoffer, Jim McGarvey, Brian Cupp and coach Galen Farrington take 8th, 9th, 10th and 11th respectively.

**30 years ago** - Fifteen Ruidoso thinclads travel to Carrizozo for the Grizzly Relays. Leading the Warriors are Rick Scott, Dale Perry and Donnie Klein.

**40 years ago** - White Mountain Grocery and Hat-T Ranch have leads in their respective bowling leagues. White Mountain Grocery is three games ahead of Sacro Bros, and Hat-T holds a six-game margin over Hollywood Lbr.

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## Top hoopsters

Winners of the Little League boys basketball sixth and seventh grade title were sponsored by Rotary. Members of the team included (from left to right): front row - Lem Bartley, Willie, Ben Smith and Josaph Barnett; back row - asst. coach Ryan Trout, Harley Davidson, Patrick Hodges, asst. coach Joshua Hodges, Dustin Cole, J.R. Floyd and head coach Jim McGarvey.

## Wells elected to AQHA board

Scott Wells of Ruidoso Downs was elected as a director of the American Quarter Horse Association during the 1996 Convention this month in Seattle, Wash.

"We are pleased to have Scott as part of our board," said Bill Brewer, AQHA executive vice president. "I know his commitment to the American Quarter Horse will carry over to the association."

Wells has been an AQHA member since 1972 and is a member of the New Mexico Quarter Horse Association. He is the director of publicity/marketing at the Museum of the Horse in Ruidoso Downs.

AQHA is governed by a board of 150 directors who oversee the activities of the American Quarter Horse Association. Each director is appointed to one of AQHA's standing committees and is responsible for promoting AQHA programs, membership and American Quarter Horse registration through contacts with individuals and groups.

## INSIDE THE OUTDOORS

# New fishing season begins Monday

It's already beginning.

It usually starts with the arrival of the spring issue of the catalog announcing this year's line of new fishing equipment. Even though the weather is still unpredictable, spring is here. Many folks are thinking about heading out to fish, but there are some things you need to do first.

The first day of the fishing season is Monday, April 1, the day most anglers will need to get a new fishing license. Those youngsters under the age of 12 do not need a license. In addition, residents of New Mexico 70 years old or older do not need to purchase a fishing license.

This year, the entire fishing license fee structure has been revamped. There is no longer a "Trout Stamp or Trout Validation." All fishing license fees now include what was formerly referred to as a Trout Stamp.

A year-long resident fishing license now costs \$17.50 and for nonresidents the fee is \$39. There are reduced-fee licenses for Juniors (ages 12, 13 and 14), Seniors (ages 65-69) and Impaired (Handicapped) that cost \$10.50.

There are also combination hunting and fishing licenses available that will be cheaper than purchasing hunting and fishing licenses separately.

## Inside the Outdoors



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Those hunting, fishing or trapping on U.S. Forest Service or U.S. Bureau of Land Management properties will also need to have a Wildlife Habitat Improvement Validation. Anglers that do not need to have a license (those under 12 and 70 or over) do not need a Habitat Stamp.

Now that you have a license, probably the most important question is, "Where are the fish biting?"

Getting the answer to this question is now very simple. The New Mexico Department of Game and Fish is involved in a program where you can get the latest fishing information 24 hours a day, seven days a week. All you have to do is call a toll-free number that is easy to remember: 1-800-ASK FISH. Callers can get up-to-date fishing reports from almost all waters in the state. The reports will tell you

where the fish are biting, what kind of fish are biting and what they're biting on.

In addition, you can get information on fishing licenses, fishing regulations, boat launch areas, locations of different waters, answers to commonly asked questions and what's new in the realm of sport fishing. If you are traveling to another state and wish to find out about fishing there, information is available from Arkansas, Florida, Kansas, Mississippi, Oklahoma, Oregon and Utah on the same toll-free number.

Now that you know where the fish are biting, the next step is to locate that particular water in the state.

To make this easier, the Department of Game and Fish has maps available that outline all the fishing waters in the state. These may be obtained from any of our offices. The maps also include a description of the water as well as what game fish species inhabit each lake, river or stream.

Last, but not least, talk to the bear and get some time off. It's terrible to know that the fish are really biting, but you can't go fishing. Make this year a good one and get out to the old fishing hole more often.



## How wonderful is Ruidoso's Che Bella Italian Restaurant?

It's no wonder Che Bella restaurant owner Gina Tordella named her fine Italian dining business Che Bella ('How Wonderful' in Italian)

Fresh tomatoes, basil and garlic delicately spice the pastas and meats at Che Bella, creating a savory experience for even the smartest of palates.

Part of this culinary success is due to Chef John Hartley, who treats herbs with respect. Che Bella sauces are never coated with too much garlic, basil or sage, but with just the right amount to dazzle taste buds.

And the herbs are fresh; this month, a greenhouse will be completed outside Tordella's Ruidoso home, so spices can be picked fresh each day.

These will be sprinkled on tomatoes the cooks daily crush for sauces — an essential ingredient that compliments more than half the menu.

These efforts at the 2833 Sudderth Drive restaurant go a long way; Che Bella's homemade ravioli,

pastas pene tricolore, pesto and the four cheese rigatoni quattro formaggio are favorites with the most practiced diners.

So are the penne ala vodka, chickens cacciatore and verde, scampi villa caesar and veal bianco, says Che Bella manager Stagger Lee Pittman.

Meals range from \$7.25 for spaghetti alio olio to \$19.95 for veal costoletta. Also tucked in the 31-entree menu are pizzas, steaks, salads and appetizers.

During lunch hours, a \$5.95 buffet with three daily pastas, meat, vegetables, soup and bread is also offered.

Che Bella offers a lengthy choice of California and Italian wines that, by the glass or bottle, will blend with any dish.

"We have one of the best wine lists in the area," Pittman boasts.

While waiting for meals at the white stucco restaurant, diners can enjoy the fresh baked focaccia Italian bread and revel in the elegant decor.

Italian cuisine lovers return to Che Bella because, as Pittman says, "They can dine in a pleasant European restaurant atmosphere and it doesn't cost them European prices."

Che Bella is open 11:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. and 5 p.m. to 10:30 p.m. Wednesday through Monday.

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# ENTERTAINMENT

## EASTER EVENTS

### Living Lord's Supper next week

The First Christian Church of Ruidoso will host a unique worship experience next week with the Living Lord's Supper.

The 1996 presentation will be made at 7 p.m. on Tuesday and Thursday, April 2 and 4 in the church's sanctuary at 1211 Hull Road. The Fifth Annual Living Lord's Supper is offered as a Holy Week gift to the community of Ruidoso.

The Living Lord's Supper is a dramatic presentation of the life and ministry of Jesus Christ during the depiction of his last Passover meal. Eighteen members of the First Christian Church will portray various roles, including the Disciples and Jesus, while 45 members serve as support crew and ushers.

The Living Lord's Supper worship commemorates the heritage of Christianity and is intended to prepare people for the Easter Resurrection Celebration.

"Frequent communication of the Christian message is essential to maintain the fabric of our society," said the church's Rev. Bill Kennedy, inviting the general public to attend the Living Lord's Supper.

### Community Easter egg hunt Saturday

A community Easter egg hunt begins at 10 a.m. Saturday, March 30 at the All American Park, next to the Senior Citizens Building in Ruidoso Downs.

Children will be divided into age groups when they arrive. Each group will have a designated area.

Age groups are as follows: Group One — ages 2-5; Group Two — ages 6-8; Group Three — ages 9-12.

Prizes for lucky eggs will be given. The Auxiliary of Ruidoso Downs is sponsoring the event.

## Siempre's Tejano music last in series

Enjoy a celebration of fiesta music when the Tejano band Siempre takes to the Ruidoso Civic Events Center stage Saturday.

"Siempre means 'Always' in Spanish," said lead singer Chris Rodriguez. "We do a party mix of Tejano, country and oldies."

The band is from Las Cruces and has played many events statewide, including several times in Ruidoso, he said.

"We've played at the Whole Enchilada Festival in Cruces, the Albuquerque State Fair, lots of the local wine festivals, and about three or four graduation and wedding

parties in Ruidoso," Rodriguez said.

Siempre was formed about eight years ago by a group of high school friends. The members of the band include vocalist Rodriguez, Greg Martinez on trumpet and guitar and Ruben Romo on keyboards and trumpet. Sergio Mendez plays bass, Fred Levario plays drums, saxophonist is Ralph Lara, and Servando Padilla rounds out the group on bass guitar.

"People can expect a good time because we try to have a lot of fun and have a real fiesta atmosphere," Rodriguez said. "Besides the Tejano music, we do a lot of oldies like The

Twist, La Bamba, Tequila and just a bunch of party music."

The band also has an extensive repertoire of country music, including standards by artists like Clint Black, George Strait and Brooks and Dunn, he said.

"Our mainstay is mostly Tejano, but we throw everything else into the mix and just have fun," Rodriguez said.

The appearance of Siempre marks the end of the TNT/Concert Dance series to benefit the Ski Apache Handicapped Skiers Association. Another concert was planned

but with the closing of Ski Apache, promoters decided to halt the series.

Siempre will perform at 8 p.m. to midnight Saturday at the Ruidoso Civic Events Center.

Tickets for the concert are \$5 in advance and \$7 at the door. Food, beer and wine will be available. Advance tickets are available at the Ruidoso Chamber of Commerce at 720 Sudderth Drive, Farley's Food, Fun and Pub at 1200 Mechem and at the main Showtime Video at 1715 Sudderth Drive.

## Potters take center stage at Eagle Ranch

April is the month when the art gallery at Eagle Ranch is filled with the best of the area potters. The diverse and distinctive talents on the potters wheel has made the Tularosa Basin known as 'The Place' to shop for pottery when coming to the southwest.

Joining the potters this year is Pat Robertson's watercolors and oils. Her paintings of the local scene are a perfect backdrop for the potter's clay. Pat studied in Taos for eight years under the tutelage of artist Ray Vincella, and then continued her studies at NMSU-A after moving here.

Those potters participating in the show are Vicki Conley of Ruidoso, Don Ellis of Cloudcroft, Ed Rooney and Wes Brownfield, both of High Rolls, and Roy and Joy Brown of Tularosa.

Vicki Conley began her thriving

pottery business as a hobby. Having a degree in chemistry and a master's degree in physiology, she took a "just for fun" pottery class while she was looking for a job after graduation. She was hooked. Although she worked in medical research relating to diabetes, she continued to take more pottery classes and expanded her knowledge of the medium. "Pinon Pottery," named after her favorite tree, is displayed in specialty shops in towns throughout New Mexico.

Don Ellis fulfilled a dream when he could become a full-time Cloudcroft resident and in-house potter at "Cloudcroft Potter." Don works on the potter's wheel on the front porch of his log cabin studio he built several years ago when he was still a part-time resident. Large decorative vases using the

raku firing technique are one of his specialties.

Ed Rooney has been producing pottery for more than 17 years. Many people are familiar with his successful White Sands pottery sold at shops nationwide. His whimsical motto, "I'm O'Clay, You're O'Clay," is shortened to "O'Clay" when inscribed on the bottom of each piece.

Wes Brownfield was raised in Alamogordo and is a graduate of NMSU in Las Cruces. He learned his skills through apprenticing with a potter in Montana. After years of experimenting with different formulas to come up with deep, intense colors, vibrant purple and turquoise are the signature of this talented potter.

Joy and Roy Brown are partners in pottery and in life. A Texas native, Roy Brown obtained a graduate degree in ceramics in Texas and

worked as an artist in residence in Oregon. He returned to the southwest in 1981 and located his pottery studio in his home in Tularosa.

In 1983, he was joined by Joy Brown. She had completed her degree at NMSU and started her business in Las Cruces in 1979 and later worked in Colorado. Together, they created Tularosa Old Town Pottery, their showroom and studio.

Since each was a potter before joining forces, each continues to produce his or her own distinctive style. Joy is known for her functional ware that is thrown on the wheel and then altered to form various shapes. Roy's specialty is vases with intricately textured surfaces.

The show runs April 1-30. Gallery hours are 9 a.m. to 6 p.m., seven days a week. Eagle Ranch is located on U.S. Highway 70 south of Tularosa.

## Roswell's Hispanic community highlighted

An exhibit titled "Celia Munoz, Herencias: Now What?" opens at the Roswell Museum and Art Center on Friday, March 29. A reception for the artist will take place from 5:30 to 7 p.m.

Celia Munoz, a nationally-known installation artist from Arlington, Texas, has created an exhibition that considers the role of Roswell's Hispanic community in its history, growth and future.

Munoz will also present a free public lecture about her Roswell installation, the people she worked with, and her overall experience at 7:30 p.m. Saturday, March 30.

The exhibition is a culmination of Munoz's one-month residency in Roswell, working with members of the Hispanic community, young and old.

The exhibition title, "Herencias," refers to inheritance, legacy, and heritage.

Born in El Paso, Texas, Munoz grew up in a large Mexican-American family. Mexican cultural

values were central to Munoz's home life, while at school she was faced with learning American ways. Crossing between two distinctly different cultures in a border community presented itself as a daily challenge. An even greater challenge was to define her place within society.

**The exhibition is a culmination of Munoz's one month residency in Roswell, working with members of the Hispanic community, young and old.**

Munoz has frequently drawn upon her family life and values when developing an art installation. Borders, family ties, broken and unbroken traditions come into play. On a more universal level, her

work deals with the dynamics of immediate communities — social, economic, environmental, and psychological issues that suggest our richly variegated terrain.

Munoz has been called a master at isolating cultural allegory, stereotype, and what has been called "historical amnesia" in a community. Through her poignant text-and-image constructions, she joins personal memory with cultural identity.

For more information, call the Roswell Museum and Art Center at 624-6744.

This residency and exhibition project has been funded in part by The Marshall L. and Perrine D. McCune Charitable Foundation, the Institute of Museum Services, and the New Mexico Arts Division.

## ENTERTAINMENT BRIEFS

### Gillem wins in writers' contest

Gail Jennings Gillem of Ruidoso won third place in the 1995 Housewife-Writer's Forum Elaine Fantle Shimberg Essay Award: Confessions of a Housewife-Writer' contest.

Her piece, "Contest of Sanity," is included in the 1995 Contest Issue

of Housewife-Writer's Forum magazine. It was chosen as a winner over approximately 100 entries.

Housewife-Writer's Forum is published six times a year and is on many newsstands nationwide. Contests are held yearly. For more information write to Housewife-Writer's Forum at P.O. Box 780, Lyman, Wyo. 82937.



# ENTERTAINMENT

## Foundry offers public a glimpse of bronze pourings

by DIANNE STALLINGS  
Ruidoso News Staff Writer

The molten brew simmers at nearly 3,000 degrees as Lance Latham and Tim Tortella prepare

to pour liquid bronze into the molds of artist Ken Payne's master works.

A mechanical arm handles the red hot crucible, guided by the human hand of another assistant. The

three are flanked by Robert Freeman, ready with a bucket of water to solidify the bronze if a mold breaks or a major spill occurs.

To educate the public and publicize the bronze process, people are invited to watch pourings starting at 1 p.m. each Friday at Legends Casting Company on U.S. 70 in Ruidoso Downs.

The foundry and gallery is owned by Payne, who also sells through his gallery in Sedona, Ariz. The foundry previously operated out of an old schoolhouse in Lincoln, said general manager Gaylon Gillem.

Visitors will be able to see a 1.5 times life-size Indian warrior on horseback being created by Payne, based on a smaller sculpture of a Chiricahua Apache.

To produce a finished product, the statue will be cut into 125-130 pieces from which molds will be made and wax pieces produced, said gallery director Patricia Baxter.

Those pieces then are coated in a silicone slurry and sand to create the final ceramic mold to be used for the bronze pouring.

The 32-step process required to reach the point of pouring is time consuming and a staff of about 20 people is required.

Depending on the size of the job, 10 to 20, 25-pound ingots of bronze are dropped into the burner, which takes hours to fire up to between 1,900 and 3,000 degrees.

After the bronze has been poured into the molds, the pieces

are laid out to cool for about two hours. The molds then are chipped away to reveal the bronze form inside. A quick dose of sandblasting clears away any remaining debris.

The shapes are supported by stems of bronze, pedestals and other features that will be removed or flattened before rough edges are smoothed, details added and patina applied with chemicals and heat.

If the sculpture is a larger form, all of the pieces must be welded together.

Many of the employees also are artists, and Payne allows the added bonus of pouring their work for 10% above material cost, and provides a place to display the sculptures.

Although originally designed only to cast Payne's work, the foundry is accepting jobs from other sculptors and is handling \$60,000-\$70,000 a month in bronze work.

The staff is excited about the public tours, Baxter said.

"We're hoping to offer tours to schools," she added.

**To educate the public and publicize the bronze process, people are invited to watch pourings starting at 1 p.m. each Friday at Legends Casting Co. on U.S. 70 in Ruidoso Downs.**

The gallery at Legends will not open officially until May, Baxter said. However, Payne already sells from eight to 15 bronzes a week from his Sedona gallery.



One of Ken Payne's completed works.



Ken Payne is carving a 1.5-times life size Indian on horseback from this smaller model in bronze.



A close-up of molten bronze.



Tim Tortella and Lance Latham pour bronze into a mold.

# PERSONALITIES

## Margaret Rench never passed up a good day's work

by DIANNE STALLINGS

Ruidoso News Staff Writer

At the age of 84, Margaret Rench was working in a doctor's office during the day and cleaning houses at night.

She drove a car until she turned 89, and she didn't quit her last job until she was 91.

Her major frustration in life at 93 is that she can no longer will her body to keep up the pace.

But despite the sorrow of burying two husbands and two sons, her spirit and appreciation of life remain strong, her mind sharp and her affection for friends and strangers unchanged.

After living alone for the last three decades, she has come to value her independence, but she also values the kindness of those who stop to check on her welfare and to chat.

### Nebraska born

Born Margaret Sharp on June 30, 1902, Rench grew up in Walthill, Neb., about 30 miles south of Sioux City, Iowa.

She was raised on her family's farm with two brothers, took piano lessons, finished high school and married Earl B. Rountree, 10 years her elder.

But her husband didn't want to stay in Nebraska. With his new wife and two sons, Boise and Rolland, in tow, he left the protection of the Nebraska farm and headed to New Mexico.

While Rountree was in the military, his parents had moved from Corona to Las Cruces. The young couple helped them clear some land, visited Rountree's sister in El Paso and then headed north to his brother-in-law's ranch near Corona, the W.R. Loveless place.

"That was in 1925 and New Mexico only had been a state for 12 years," Rench said. "There were no highways. We were dodging mesquite bushes all the way north."

"When we hit Newman (a small Texas town just a few miles north of El Paso), we came on a camp with about 600 mules. They were getting ready to start the highway (U.S. 64)."

Instead of bunking in at the main W.R. Loveless Ranch near Corona, Rountree was sent north to the South Well, which was on land that now is part of the Jones family ranch.

When Rench saw her new home, she was disheartened, although she never mentioned it to her husband.

"I never had seen anything like it. This was real pioneer living," she said. "It was a square rock building.

The floors were broken through in the second room, but we renovated four large rooms and when we were finished, it was lovely.

"I had never seen rattlesnakes in the open before, but there, you'd find them lying on the doorstep. We thought the barn was safe and would let the children play there until one day a kitten came into the house with a swollen head" from snakebite.

The family lived there one year and in that time, Rench managed to create a vegetable and flower garden among the scrub and dust.

Several nights each week, Rountree would be gone because of work at other ranches.

"One night, the wind was blowing so — the memory makes my heart start beating fast even now. I heard a 30-foot windmill turn loose in the wind," Rench said. "I told the boys, 'If mother doesn't come back, stay in the house.'"

"Two-thirds of the way to the top of the windmill, a wire was broken. I was scared to death, but I got it spliced and shut it off and got back safely."

On a trip to the now-defunct community of Jicarilla, a tire blew on the big-wheeled Ford truck Rench was driving. She stopped and mended it, then completed the trip to the post office.

"It's these things that made me love this country," she said.

For the next three years, the family lived at the Loveless Ranch headquarters. Rench would help her husband deliver supplies and she started another garden.

In 1929, they left the ranch and moved to Corona where Rountree continued to work on ranches in the area. But by 1930, his health began to change.

"We didn't know it then, but he had heart problems," she said. "We came to Capitan where his aunt ran the Buena Vista Hotel" (now the Hitching Post).

### New home in Capitan

While Rench worked at the hotel, Rountree went to work on the Bonito Dam project to create a reservoir for the railroad. The water rights and reservoir later were sold to the city of Alamogordo.

His responsibilities centered around housing for the crew, and was also a foreman for a trucking company in Roswell.

Rench remembers hearing about one of the construction workers on the dam dying when he fell into the wet cement.

It was about this time that the couple bought about 1.5 acres in

Capitan along what was to become U.S. 380 through the middle of town.

"The road didn't exist then," Rench said. "The only route came around by Nogal. The Green Construction Company won the bid on the highway and by the time the dam was built, work on the road was underway."

"Earl bought the land because he knew the highway was coming. He was a man of vision. He said Capitan is going to grow when the highway comes in. He knew that everything should be started like a subdivision."

When he sold a lot, he dictated the land use. He also specified on deeds that a 33-foot wide easement be conveyed to the village for an alley to run at the back of properties.

Just recently, the village reaffirmed the existence of the alley after a neighbor contested, Rench said. But the pressure of the dispute took its toll at her age. She always had operated on a basis of trust with people, and it was the first time she'd ever run into trouble with a neighbor, she said.

When the dam was completed, Rountree was given the surplus lumber. When Green finished the highway, the owner stored his equipment on Rountree's land, letting him use the equipment if he paid for the gas.

Those two advantages allowed the couple to build five tourist cabins west of the home they moved into August 1, 1931. One of the cabins still stands behind the El Paisano Restaurant. That same year, they planted more than a dozen elm trees at the front of their property. Rench watered them by bucket.

Together the couple built a tower for a 9,000-gallon water tank. She drove their Nash to create a pulley system that lifted lumber to her husband in the tower. Rountree later put in a oil rack for what was to become a service station.

In 1932 while Rountree was working on a windmill, his left eye was punctured by a piece of steel.

Rench rushed him to Roswell, but the eye couldn't be saved and he was fitted with a glass eye. During that same time period, both of their sons suffered acute appendicitis and then Rench needed surgery for an ailment.

"We spent May through late November in St. Mary's Hospital and they were wonderful to us," she said.

When the family returned to Capitan, their friends had lined up a distress home loan for them,

## fast Facts



**Name:** Margaret Rench

**Born:** June 30, 1902

**Raised:** Walthill, Nebraska

**Children:** Boise and Rolland Rountree, both deceased.

**Pets:** a parakeet and a dog

**Favorite Pastime:** Working with her plants.

**Her Hope:** To be active until the end of her life.

anticipating their financial situation. At times, Rountree would become depressed, but Rench wouldn't allow the mood to last and soon they were out working on another project together.

She continued working on their businesses while Rountree built fences as part of a watershed project from Ruidoso to Roswell.

He died suddenly in 1934 after 13 days in the Veteran's Hospital in Albuquerque. He was buried in Angus Cemetery.

The widow didn't wait long to dig in her heels.

"He had tires in the station ready to go and a cash register," (which is still used at Judy's Beauty Shop next to Rench's home),

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Margaret Rench is surrounded by flowers in her Capitan home.



# PERSONALITIES

## Rench

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Rench said.

She began selling and repairing tires, as well as running the cabins and a cafe with meals ranging from 5-cent hamburgers for school-children to full-plate lunches. She'd get up at 2 a.m. to get things started and open the businesses by 6 a.m. She did all of her own washing and sewing and later even opened a laundromat. She also twice broke down physically.

She credits Dr. D'Elia, an osteopath in Ruidoso, and a three-year regimen of vitamins with restoring her health.

"By 1941, I had a big business and several people working for me," Rench said.

She took some time out to travel and in 1942, she married Joseph E. Rench.

Using his talent as a brick mason and her muscle, the couple helped build the rock building for the Smokey Bear Museum. His crew donated their labor to construct the rock fireplace.

"I hauled rock from the quarry in Corona," she said. The pieces were cut in 48-inch long slabs and she unloaded them by herself. She was 58 at the time.

### We're not alone

One experience she hesitates to talk about occurred about 1947 or 1948.

Rench and her husband were driving to Roswell and were near the Rodeo Bar about 5:30 a.m. when they saw an object with bright lights underneath rise up from the flats south of the bar.

Just a few weeks later, they were driving below the bridge crossing near Lincoln when the motor of their car died. They looked toward the bridge and saw a similar object with lights and a blue flame moving straight up into

the sky. Within seconds, the car motor kicked on.

"A lot of people saw similar things, but later they said it never happened," Rench said. "Others were afraid to talk about it. But we saw it."

### On her own again

In 1958, Rench's husband served as mayor of Capitan, but died in 1960 before his election for a second term.

"There was no warning," Rench said of the aneurysm that burst in his aorta. "He just had a headache." He was 69.

But Rench managed to survive, following jobs and business pursuits whenever she saw an opportunity.

In 1935 she had started selling Avon products. She stayed with the company 43 years, frequently sold enough to be in the president's club and at one time covered Carrizozo, Ruidoso, Hondo, Capitan and Lincoln.

She worked for Dr. D'Elia in Ruidoso for 18 years until he died. During the same time period, she cleaned a local beauty shop for 14 years.

Until three years ago, she wrote a community column for The Lincoln County News.

When she first started the column, a friend convinced her it would be fun. Rench would do the writing and the friend would type the column to submit to the newspaper.

The friend last two weeks. Rench lasted 39.5 years.

Rench also managed to find time to help her community by serving as secretary and treasurer for the Capitan Chamber of Commerce several years, and she was matron of the local Eastern Star organization twice during her 50 years with that group.

People in town were accustomed

to seeing her out with a hammer on her way to repair something on her own property or that of a friend.

"I never quit anything until I just physically couldn't do it anymore," Rench said.

Her main interest today is her flowers that hang and sit in plant baskets in clusters around her windows.

Help with everyday problems comes mostly from Mildred "Mille" Muse and from other friends such

as Betty Joiner.

"Most of my older friends are gone and my younger friends are such a big help," she said.

She still believes in vitamins.

"I don't take heavy medicine and I still go to a homeopath," she said.

Besides her young friends, her closest companion is Toggie, a small black mutt she adopted 15 years ago.

"She has spine trouble like me, but she's the sweetest thing,"

Rench said.

Work has kept her physically active and mentally alert as she's aged, Rench said.

"I couldn't sit down. I always was doing something with my hands," she said. "I crocheted, tatted and painted until I couldn't hold the strings anymore."

"Everything I've given up, I did in protest. I'm afraid I'll be forced to give up my plants someday and they're all I have left."

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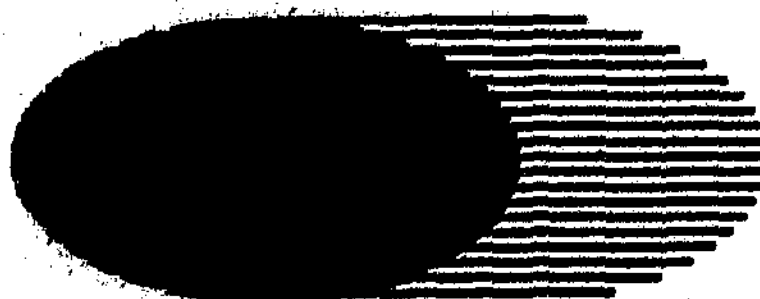
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**MARGARET RENCH**

# Doc Holliday's gun compensated for his slight build

Born at Griffin, Ga. in 1851, John Henry Holliday was a young man from an aristocratic family. He was intelligent, his manners were impeccable, and his family sent him to dental school in Philadelphia, where he excelled and received his degree in dentistry.

Unfortunately, the young man had shown a certain propensity for violence even as a youth. Before departing for dental school in 1872, John and some of his boyhood friends had cleared an area on the Withlacoochee River to be their own private swimming hole. One day the youthful Holliday went out to this place and found a group of freed slaves swimming in it. To a loyal southerner in the South of Reconstruction days, this was an affront that could not be ignored.

Grabbing an 1851 Navy .44, the unreconstructed youth opened fire, scattering the interlopers in all directions. Even though no one was hit, the incident became known as a "massacre" after being retold four or five times by locals anxious to 'keep the negroes in their place.'

When in his early 20s, young Holliday contracted what was then known as consumption and is now known as tuberculosis. He may have contracted it from his mother, who died of the disease.

His doctors advised him to try out a drier climate, and pointed him in the direction of the southwest.

He became one of the most colorful characters the old west would ever know. Unlike many of his contemporaries, young John was destined to pass into legend, thanks largely to an exaggerated biography of his best friend, Wyatt Earp.

John Henry "Doc" Holliday took his profession seriously. Unfortunately, as his disease progressed and he began to cough more and more, he found that, not surprisingly, he had fewer and fewer patients.

He still needed to make a living, and did so as a "sporting man" or gambler, a profession that was fairly respectable in Doc's time. The drawback was that, respectable or not, it could be an extremely dangerous profession.

Men, especially intoxicated men, did not usually take kindly to losing their life savings — or even a week's wages — to a reed-thin, sickly-appearing man who looked as though he couldn't lick his weight in kittens.

They were right about that, and Doc knew it. As far as fistcuffs went, Doc didn't stand a chance against a reasonably healthy 15-year-old.

Which is not to say he was defenseless. Before becoming a professional gambler, he had honed his skills with a six-gun until he was satisfied that he could hold his own with anyone. And just for good measure, he carried a large knife in concealment.

New Year's Day of 1875 found Doc in Dallas, Texas. The frustration of knowing that his time was short had taken its toll on Doc by this time and he had become known as an edgy, irascible, dangerous man.

The Dallas Herald of January 2, 1875, reported that "Dr. Holliday and Mr. Austin, a saloon-keeper, relieved the monotony of the noise of firecrackers by taking a couple of shots at each other yesterday afternoon. The cheerful note of the peaceful six-shooter is heard once more among us. Both shooters were arrested."

Doc must have made himself pretty scarce in Dallas after paying his bond, because 10 days later he was indicted by a grand jury in Ft. Griffin, Texas for "gaming in a saloon." Among the people arrested with him was a woman named Katherine Haroney, a Hungarian immigrant plying the world's oldest profession.

She is more commonly known to history as "Big Nose Kate," Doc's on-again, off-again paramour for the next six stormy years of his life.

Probably the most famous story involving Kate occurred when Doc killed a man named Ed Bailey in Ft. Griffin. According to Wyatt Earp, Bailey had been playing a less-than-honest game of poker, and Doc had



## Past tense

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caught him at it. Admonishing Bailey to "play poker" (the professional gambler's polite way of telling a man to stop cheating or suffer the consequences), Doc finally swept up the pot without showing his hand, something he had a perfect right to do under the circumstances.

Bailey did not see it that way and went for his gun. In Earp's words, Doc immediately "jerked a knife out of his breast-pocket and with one sideways sweep... caught Bailey just below the brisket. Well that broke up the game..."

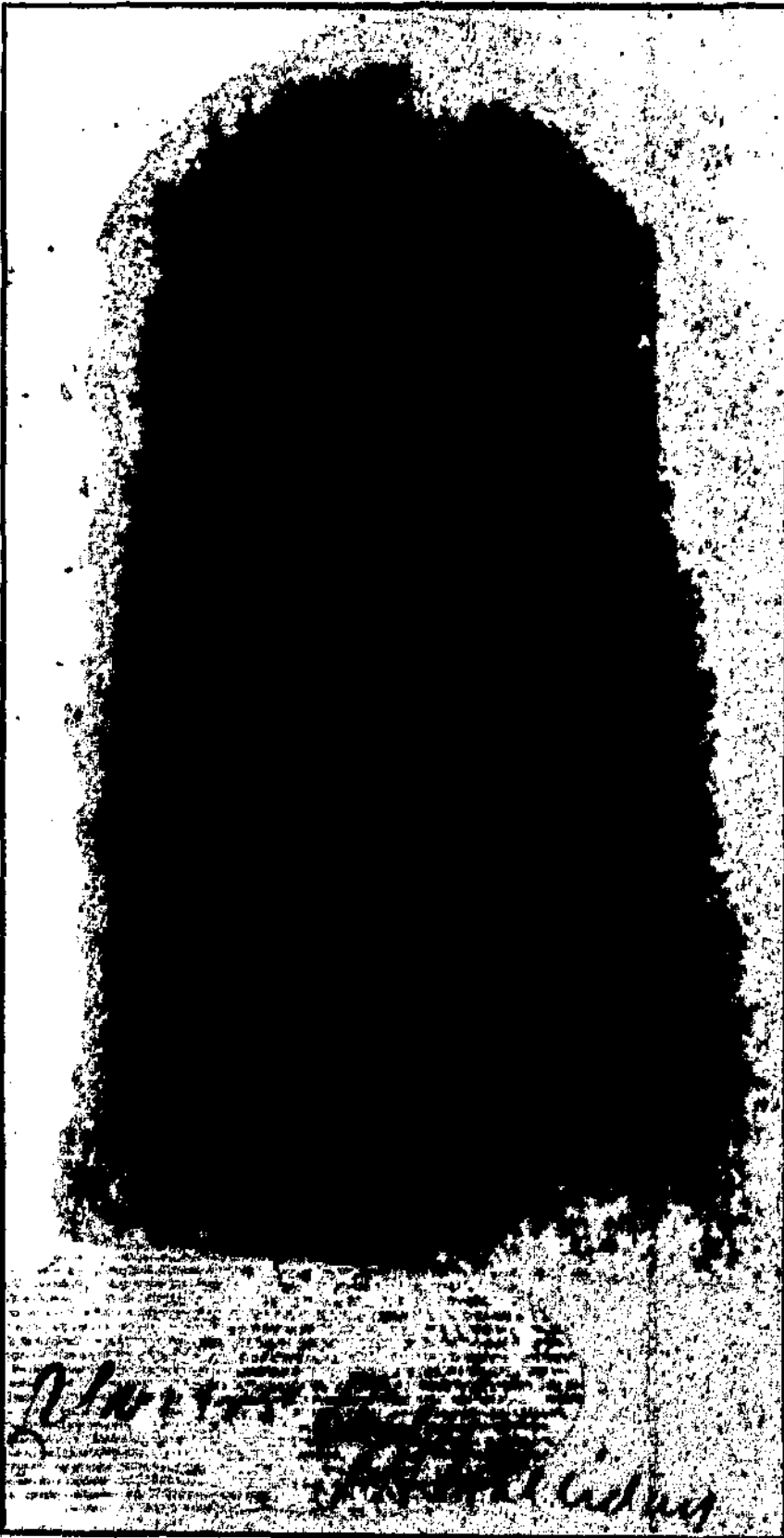
Indeed. Unfortunately for Doc, Bailey had been a rather popular fellow, a status rarely enjoyed by Doc, and many of the deceased friends were howling for Doc's blood.

When it looked like a lynch mob was forming, Kate set fire to a shed, and in the resulting confusion, she and Doc managed to escape.

Several years passed with Doc following the gambling circuit to places such as Dodge City. Here, he was able to renew the friendship he had forged with Wyatt Earp when Earp had passed through Ft. Griffin on the trail of Billy the Kid's nastiest henchman, Dave Rudabaugh.

In 1879, Las Vegas, N.M. was booming. Corruption and vice were rampant, and the city attracted many who were interested in the more sordid forms of entertainment available — gambling, prostitution, and liquor being the most popular. In short, it was Doc's kind of town.

Although he did make one last attempt to practice



An autographed photo of Doc Holliday.

dentistry in Las Vegas, he spent most of his waking hours in the saloons and gambling halls. Ultimately, he opened his own place on Center Street in July of that year.

The town was then under the control of what was known as "The Dodge City Gang" — a loose knit group of men who had known each other in Dodge City and had combined their talents in that Kansas town in much the same way that they did in Las Vegas.

The gang included a man named Hyman G. Neill, aka Hoodoo Brown, who was Las Vegas' first justice of the peace. Hoodoo Brown and his men — Dave Rudabaugh, J.J. Webb, Mysterious Dave Mather and other Dodge City alumni — virtually ruled the town. And they were all, quite conveniently, friends of Doc.

The same month that Doc opened his own saloon, he got into his first New Mexico shooting scrape.

Mike Gordon, an ex-army scout considered to be something of a badman had been involved with a young lady of dubious virtue employed by Doc in his saloon.

It seems that Mike wanted the young lady to quit her job and begin life anew. Actually, he didn't really want her to stop doing any of the things she was doing. He just wanted her to stop doing them with everyone else.

The lady in question could not quite bring herself to give up her only source of income just for Mike, and told him so.

At first he took it rather well. He simply bought a bottle of rotgut and left the place. But several hours later, after the liver-marinade had taken effect, Gordon returned to the saloon, determined to convince the object of his affections to reconsider her decision.

When the young lady's protestations became loud enough for the other patrons, including Doc, to hear, Doc strolled over to Gordon and told him to go about his business.

Storming out of the place, Mike went and armed himself and returned to the street in front of Doc's saloon. At first he just hurled insults in the direction of the good doctor's liquor emporium. Then he made the mistake of following them with a bullet.

Even then, Doc remained unfazed, apparently adopting the attitude of "drunks will be drunks" (a subject with which he was intimately familiar). He waited to see if the one bullet would satisfy Gordon's inebriated honor.

It did not.

When Mike sent another round crashing into the saloon, Doc got mad. Stepping out onto the wooden sidewalk, Doc almost casually took aim and shot Gordon down with one bullet just below the heart. Gordon lingered through the night and died the next day.

There being a saloon-full of eye-witnesses, Doc was never so much as indicted for the killing. People just figured, correctly, that Gordon had asked for what he had gotten.

In the fall of 1879, another friend of Doc's from Dodge City stopped in Las Vegas on his way to a new boom camp in Arizona called Tombstone.

Wyatt Earp was full of enthusiasm for Tombstone. He saw unlimited possibilities for enterprising young men such as Doc and himself, finally convincing Doc to leave New Mexico for Arizona.

It was just as well. It had become obvious to Doc that the "Dodge City Gang" couldn't maintain its hold on Las Vegas forever, and Wyatt did make Tombstone sound good.

So Doc followed his friend to Tombstone, but not directly. He had a run of good luck in Prescott, Ariz., that lasted for several months. By the time he arrived in Tombstone, his friend Wyatt along with brothers Morgan, Virgil and James Earp had established themselves in the town. They had been there long enough to make enemies: a couple of families named Clanton and McLaury.

And that, of course, is another story.



## LINCOLN TRAILS

Lincoln town had a wonderful turnout for the town meeting last Wednesday. Everyone was willing to fight to keep our ordinance to protect not only the historic aspects of our historic area but also to protect the investments that the people have put into their homes and property.

If it means going to court, everyone is willing to help in whatever way is needed. But it is looking hopeful that a solution will be found in the various laws that cover historic areas. There will be another meeting at 6:30 p.m. this Wednesday at San Juan's church.

Lincoln County is well represented in the last issue of the New Mexico Magazine. There was a great story on the renovation of the San Patricio Church.

Tom Hall Jr. of Roswell and Lincoln was recognized recently for 49 years of perfect attendance of the Roswell Rotary Club. This is dedication to your organization. Congratulations from all your Lincoln friends and customers. Norm Stevens was also recognized for 12 years of attendance. Norm and his wife Dolores have built a lovely home about seven miles east of Lincoln.

Visitors at the San Juan Church services Sunday were Margaret Edgington of England, a friend of Father Davey's brother Paul, and Bob Belton, Father Jan's brother-in-law of Flagstaff, Ariz. They were visiting Bill and Fr. Jan for a few days. Other visitors were Harry and Joanne Rose of Roswell.

The La Junta FCE Club (former extension club) met at the San Patricio Senior Citizens Center last week. Dates to be remembered are the District meeting to be held in Artesia April 29-30. Entries at the District meeting will only be accepted on the afternoon of April 29. May 1 will be the Lincoln County FCE Council meeting.

## Lincoln Trails

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It will be held at the San Patricio Senior Citizens Center. After lunch the group will visit the Museum of the Horse. All club members of Lincoln County are encouraged to attend. The annual La Junta June picnic will be held at the John Meigs meadow.

The Lincoln County FCE held its annual Cultural Arts show Saturday at the Carrizozo Women's Club. The theme was "The Rites of Spring." There were 36 members and guests present.

Following the registration, June Hobbs of Carrizozo introduced the guest speakers for the day. Ralph Dunlap, former Lincoln County Agent, spoke about caring for trees. Judy Blucher of White Oaks, author of gardening articles for well-known magazines, presented a very interesting program on home gardening — types of different vegetables that grow well here, planting techniques, etc. Greg Hausler, District Conservationist for Natural Resources Conservationist Services, presented a very interesting slide show on the wildflowers that grow in Lincoln County.

Following the program and lunch, door prizes were given and the ladies participated in a workshop on making "Wreaths of Spring," presented by Betty McCreight.

The book signing Saturday afternoon by Steve Havill held at the Lincoln Visitors Center was well attended, in spite of the very heavy winds. The visitors were treated to music by Joe and Lacy Salazar, while they visited with the author, toured the museum and browsed through the store. Also on tour of Lincoln was Dave Townsend and his class of Alamogordo, and Bob Hart of the NM Farm and Ranch Heritage Museum of Las Cruces.

As if that wasn't enough activity for one day, a surprise birthday party was held for Larry Torrez on his 60th birthday in the valley and Fred LaMay celebrated his birthday with friends and neighbors at the home of Paul and Nellie Ruth Jones, Glencoe. All the old-timers, I'm sure, had a great time visiting and reminiscing. Since we had company we were unable to attend Fred's party.

Mr. and Mrs. Russ Gregg of Gunnison, Colo. were unexpected guests of Ralph and Rosalie Dunlap. Ralph and Russ worked together in Tunisia. Marcia and I worked with the handicapped and Marcia also taught swimming. The Greggs are looking for a warmer climate to live and were going to spend some time in Roswell. Of course we are hoping they will find a home there.

Rosina Locke donated the Steve Havill books to the Handicapped Ski Auction.

How many have been watching the comet "Hatakatar"?

We have had several small fires in the area lately, the largest being around 30 acres. So we all must be careful how we handle fires, cigarettes, etc.

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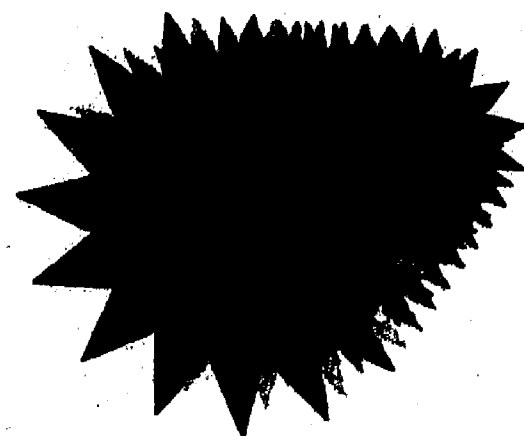
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