## Midweek Edition

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Downs fire chief seeks more fire restrictions\% Arabela gets fire station.

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## Early voting now

 possible in RuidosoFor the first time, Lincoln
County voters will have the option of voting early at the Ruidoso Civi Events Center.
County Clerk Martha Proctor today (May 15) ppened an early voting polling place for the June 4 primanies. It wil stay open throug June 1.
wanted to accommodate the voters in Ruidoso," Proctor said. "This is not required for smaller counties, but I wanted to make voting was more accessible." The polling place will be open from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. each we Jun day and from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Jun voting.
Motorcyclist killed on U.S. HWy. 70

An 80-year-old Tularosa man was killed early Monday on U.S. when he was thrown from his motricy pickup
New Mexico State Portice filed by Johnny Ortega, William Thomps was headed east on U.S. 70 between Tularosa and the Mescaler Apache Reservation about 9:25 a.m. Thompson had stopped on the shoulder of the road and was at tempting to rejoin traffic when he apparently pulled into the path of ncoming traffic.
He was hit by a 1996 Ford pick up truck driven by Norris Kaydah zinne, 35 , of Mescalero. Kaydah-
zinne suffered minor injuries. No charges will be filed against Kharges will
Fort Stanton's Joiner reassigned the Fort Stanton Post Office for 10 years, Betty Joiner said Tuesday she's been reassigned to the Capitan Post Office.
"I heard yesterday." she told Lincoln County Commissioners during a special meating at the his coric fort. I bad given up that The fort wors coged in Mand 1996 by Gov. Gary Johnson after perating as a hospital for moarly century. Twe attempts to find a new tenant by the state Genere
Services Department have failed Willie Hobbs will take over as fieor in charge of the post office until another postmaster is assigned part time. The first Fort Stanton postmaster was appointed May 5 , 857.

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## by JOANNA DODDER

Ruidoso Nows Edito
More than half of the lincoln National Forest will be closed Monlike proportions. Lincepoln Coun have no place ty residents will have no place to camp on the predicted Bear Ranger District if predicted closure areas remain the
same. While closure areas in all the other forest districts have been set, Forest Supervisor Jose Martinez is considering revising the list for the Smokey Bear because, as it stands, not a singie campgr
"This is a historic high for fire danger" on the Lincoln National Forest, said information officer time that was worse than this." The regional forester in Albu querque has already given his querque has already given his
stamp of approval to the closure, ofstamp of app
ficials said.
Gates will not block roads, but signs will show. which ones are
heavily patrolled, officials said. Those who live in or own property pass through without written proof, but those with permission to use but those with permission to use
someone else's private land must have that permission in writing.

Measurements taken yesterday in the forest show dry conditions worse than any measurements taken in previous years. Pine needles (one-hour fuels) have $2 \%$ moisture and trees larger than three inches in diameter ( 1,000 hour fuels) have $6 \%$ moisture. That means it could literally take 40 days of rain to saturate these fuels. the Lincoln is 94 , and anything on the Lincoln is 94 , and anything
over 76 , equates to extreme fire danger, said Dave Cummings, fire management officer for the Smokey Bear District.
"You have the potential for extreme fire behavior - hot,
dangerous fires, dangerous fires," Cummings said.

The forest was closed for two days in the early 1980s and 30 days
in 1974, Glenn said. The 1974


SEASONOFDROUGHT losure followed a fire in the Sacramento District's Weed area, Glenn said.
"We've already exceeded the 974 conditions," Cummings said and that was considered one of the orst fire seasons in the southwest.
"We've heard oldtimers say we're We've heard oldtimers say we're exceed
1950s.
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Areas of the forest scheduled to

- Capitan Moun

White Mountains:

- forestland around Ruidoso including the fitness trail near the Stokey Bear District office and all the district's campgrounds and picnic grounds;
- and the Carrizo Mountains on the Smokey Bear District.

The city of Alamogordo has decided to close the popular Bonito cials added.
"This will have an impact on Ruidoso because it will shut down recreation activities around Ruidoso," Cummings said of the closures.
Areas remaining open include

Jicarilla Mountains north of Forest Road 72;

- Indian Divide area;

Capitan Divide area

- area south of forest roads 338 nd 57;

Hale Lake area;

- and lower Eagle Creek area The Forest Servic


## Few roads in county faster for cars today

$\square$ New speed limits affect
three county
roads
by RATHLEEN MCDONALD
Ruidoso News Staff Writer Lincoln County drivers soon will be able to reach their destination faster than ever without exceeding the speed limit - but just on three roads.
There are five increases in the 56 mph speed limit along Lineoln County highways, officials said (alBhorter lists):

- U.S. 70 عast from Ruidoso to Sunset (just past Picacho) will increase from 5 品 mph to 60 mph ; - U.S. 70 East from Sunset to Roswell will increase from $\mathbf{5 5}$ mph 0065 mph ;
380 - a 12 -mile stretch of Highway 380 from Carrizozo east to the Highway 37 turnoff will change fromin 55 maph to 65 mph ;
- Highway 380 from Carrizozo west to about five miles before (after road improvements are finished);
the junction of NM 545 to La Luz, all of U.S. 54 in Lincoln County will increase to 65 mph .
While the new law goes into effect today, it will take about two days before federal highways have new speeds and ive days for state roads, limits aren't effective until the signs are up.

Highway Department Secretary Pete Rahn was in Ruidoso for a highway commission meeting Thursday and a Friday morning breakfast gathering with local off cials. He said 75 mph speed limi signs have been installed on inter states and state highways.
"Whatever the sign says is what "he spsed limit is," Rahn warned. Rahn spent most of his Pi. Rahn spent most of his Ruidose visit describing his department's lost revenue from an tas tas leophole.

As much $0 s \$ 130$ million in taxes out of an estimated 1996.97 budget of $\$ 500$ million could be lost if the dian land is fully taken adventage of, Rahn said.

We have $\$ 20$ million in projects
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## Festive fiesta

Last weekend's La Flesta de Hondo was festive indeed, as these ancers show. The 44th performance included the crowning of king and queen Isaac Polaco and Cassie Garrett.

## Ruidoso councilors in favor of retail tax increase

by KATHLEEN MCDONALD Ruldoso News Staff Writer Starting in January, shoppers willilikely pay alightly more for producte in Ruid080.
Rripr to approving a preliminary $\$ 29.96$ million budget for $1996-97$ on Thesday village cotumilors also gave the nod to thike in the gross receiptstax.
A public hearing on the proppoed tax increase will be beld, anound July, the same time tibe final
budget is approved.

The m Wects. "Water's a very serious issue and equipment is needed," said Village The 1/8th of $1 \%$
The $1 / 8$ th of $1 \%(0.125 \%)$ increase in the gross receipts tox -
the last remaining partion the govthe last remaining partion the govempose - will generate an estimated $\$ 220,000$ a year, the village managersaid.
The additional sales tax will change the currint $6.8125 \%$ consumert are charged when buying
retail goods in Ruidoso to 6.9375\%.

If implemented, the increase will make Ruidoso's gross receipts tax rate the highest in the state, Laird revenue department said

## Currently the vill.

Currently the village has the and Red River have the highest rates of $6.875 \%$, Grasser said.

During budget workshops in Apuring budget workshops in
Ancrease be used to establigh an on
going equipment replacement fund.
But during recent weeks, the tions prompted him tought conditions prompted him to redraft the crease, he said
"Every waking moment weire oncentrating on water issues, Jackson said. "It's an appropriate prioritization at this time."
If the council gives final approval to the tax increase in July, uncilors will determine exactly
map of the closure areas tomorrow, All federal and state highways will stay open through the forest, but peopie are asked to stay on the pavement. The scenic drive to Ski Apache is scheduled to stay open, but again, people cannot leave the vement.
In general, areas with thick tands of Ponderosa Pine and mixed coniter are more likely to be ost potential for dengerous fres And in reneral this type And in general, this type of forest Forest officials all personal-use firewood banning Some commercial cutting will still one Cummings said. Some othe special uses such as cattle grazing vill also continue.
About 60 Forest Service refighters are on call on the lincoln right now, Cummings said.
On Tuesday, Ruidoso Mayor declaring "fire danger emergency" in the vill

Commission cool to state plans at fort
by dianne stallings
If state forestry and corrections officials expected Lincoln County to endorse turning Fort Stanton into a forestry work camp for minimum security prisoners, they were disappointed Tuesday.
Several county commissioners said they were distrustful of state programs that can be canceled suddenly, and of an administration that doesn't appear to plan ahead.
They still want to pursue a the historic fort and former state hospital. With the county handling hospita. With the county handling could be eliminated that have driven away private companies interested in 25 -year leases.
After the special meeting at the fort 15 miles northeast of Ruidoso Tuesday, Commissioner Wilton Howell said at least one company still wants the fort, but is unwilling to lease when the state could
revake the agreement without revake the agreement without
cause. But Commissioner L. Ray Nun-
ley eaid he strongly supports the idea of putting $150-200$ minimumsecurity inmates to work in the forest improving trails, thinning

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celemetry equipment that allows tanks to communicate through computars, water rights, line improve-


State Forester Toby Martinez (left) consults whth Garry Blackwell and State Forester Toby Martinez (left) consults whth Garry Blackwell and
Barbara Luna, Capitan district manager for the state forestry division, before the Lincoln County Commissioner meeting Monday.

## Pros, cons of fort prison plan

Several positives and negatives about the stata's idea for a forestry put forth at tuesday's county wer mission meeting. State Forester Toby Martinez pointed to advantages of the program as:

- the fort already is on a list of suitable facilitieb;
the work would help the community;
- jobs would be created;
- defensible space against fire around structures in Ruidoso would e created;
-and the project would help marism by amproving and areas. County Commiscione Wilton Howell criticized the stata's


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 head, noting that:March. Johnson elosed the fort n March 1995 without a plan for a operation
the head of the state depart ment of Children, Youth and Families (CYF) said in 1995 she didn't want young offenders near adult prisoners at Camp Sierra Blanca (CSB);
the county opposed a plan last year to put a minimum-security prison at the fort;

- When the state announced Camp Sierra Blanca will close later ais year, the CYF decided to start a juvenile
camp there;
- and now the state is again proposing to house adult inmates at

Fort
Conthined from page 1a out ailing traes and doing ather jobs that might otherwige never be
Btate Poxestar Tulty Martinez firom Ganta Fe said 11 вuch cramps already erre oparating in Nevads and citizens have requested two
A labs-formal pilot project based on the erame premise has started in the Cibola Nrational Farest, said Garry Blackwell of the state forestry division team that put togother the propossal for Fort
Corraction
Corrections Secretary Karl Sannichs supports the program, be-
cause while living in Nevada, he was associated with that state's program.
The inmates would be assigned to public projects, working on county, state and federal land. Some projects may be on private land if they benefit the community at large, Martinez said. The hist of possibilities is endless, he said.
Similar programs also are operating in the atater of Oregon, CailNow Mexico, four camps are enviNow Mexico, four camps are envi-
sioned, one for each quadrant of the state. Silver City has bean sugstate. Sor for the southwest and Fort Stanton for the southeast.
About 15 forestry employees and 15 corrections department workers would run the camp and supervise 12-man crews. The corrections people would be responsible for housing, feeding and other custodial care of prisoners. The training, supervise the work and training, suparvise the work and
coordinate projects, Blackwell said. "This would represent a higher degree of training," he said. "They would learn how to thin forests, build rock structures, restore historic buildings and protect watersheds."
Inmates would be paid 25-85 cents an hour and would not compete with private companies, "Unless we
Unless we get the resources were asing for, we will
it any further, he said.
If the state Legislature approves money for the program in January,
the dollars would litcomaiivaitithlo in July 2997. She Mropram wivula have to to rotipprowg and fungiad eacch yearir by the Le metanture.
The proposal altadity has beef prosenteat to the contumotis Griminal Juatice Council andit to his Chief of stafit It goes io coot Gaizy Johnson on May 28. Onie or two theilities grive
" Bo far we've yotition a lot of encouragament, L, artinos said. Lac influence the priority of considering the fort, he added.

The state only hats andint money to keep the fort mumind ithe Spancer 3hid ported the efiforts of tha two depperts. menta to dome up witha a plan;

We're here to aupport anythin that's good for the facility and the community, but you have to realize the commission is looking at running the facility and leasing it to a private company to. got away from the uncertainty of oparating undor the state," said Commisaion Cairman Monroy Montes. Commissioners $\quad$ Bill Sheyrettmann and howell said theyry leery of the state system
used to classify inmates for minimum securrity.

Manuel Romero, director of state corrections, saiti inmates would have to be in the last two or three years of their sentence, which cannot asceed five years. They could not be currently serving a sentence for a conviction on murder, sex crimes or crimes involving children. "Is this a plan or the flavor of it have day Howell asked. Wouldnt Sierra Blanca as it was? Over a year ago, Sannicks surgestad using the fort for non-violent inmates and I guess that hasn't changed."

It sounds like it's been repack aged so it's more acceptable, Montes said.
Stato Rep.

State Rep. Dub Williams (RClencoe) said he would like to sponsor a community picnic at the fort to get public response on the first-hand view of the facility:

## Locat hidicis

New playground equipment planned in Downs park
The Ruidoso Downs Board of Trustees Monday approved apending $\$ 2,000$ to buy new playground equpment

Police officer Ray Montes presented estimates from two playground equipment companies, and the village chose Quality Industrie
or $\$ 4,766$, they will buy two wing sets, a four-way "buek about, a merry-go-round, a siide,
and two barbeque grills. Quality
dustries gives municipalities a $10 \%$ discount.
A raffle held by the village five years ago generated $\$ 3,200$ to help boy playground equipment. The vi ballfield was fixed up and other balifield was fixed up and other Also at the Ruidoso Downs mose ing, Offieer Chris Condion was
awarded the President's National Medal of Patriotism by the American Police Hall of Pame. The homor recognizes an officer's dectication to
supporting the U.S. Constitation supporting the U.S. Constitution and Bin of Rights. Condox is past Fresident of both Kiwanis and the assistant scout master for Boy Scout Troop ${ }^{2} 57$.


## 'Fore' a good cause

Tom Nichals teas off from No. 16 at The Liniks of Sterra Blancia duifng a golf scramble benefil for Bly Brotherefilg Sisters of Lhcoin County. Forty-elght hackers participatiad in the evert phutcoso Ney Farteys, the Ruidoso Board of freaitors anci Tine Reed, Don Mann and Bof Wallace.

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on hpld right now," Rahn said. Those projects for 1996-97 primarily affect. the Fermington County are still going forward, department spokresperson said. Lincoln County ares proiect plamned to start in the fall of 1996 include state and fedaral highway expansion work, state aviation rumway work at the Sierra Blanca Regional Airport, and the statie's involvement in the Billy the Kid Scenic Loop. Trose projectis, none of which are purely state funded, are as watr continues during the next three to four years.

## Lecal hir years.

doutysares hudges inelude 1 tithed in 70 from the Mescalero in Apache Reservation to Ruidoso Downs, and state Fighway 48 from Sudderth Drive to Alto.
Throughout the astate, traffic volume has increased by $290 \%$ during the past 10 years, while the dopartmants road fur
"Roads are in bad shape and we
don't have the money to fix theme It's important legialators know that people want roads fixed," Rahn Unlike all othor state depart-
ments, the highway department
doesn't eat a sat aunount appropriated for its budget, but oparae8 off of propiactad gas trax and aderal governument contracts.
Gov. Gary Johnson called a apg al logislative session in March to an togisiators to close the 17 -cent gas tax axemption for gas distribappen incian lend, but it diaint
Since the session, three more ribes have recaived permits to opDute distributorships, Rahn saifl. During the rogular. Eession, Governor's Citizen Highway As covernor's Citizen Highway Asto secure $\$ 1.2$ billion in bonds for to secure $\$ 1.2$ bilion in bonds 109 billion wornld have been usqd iof state' highwas "avitprovements, and $\$ 110$ mition wpold have been divided amoing comnties (based on square mileage and population) for tícal rond improvementa.
Lincoln County was to recaive 2.4 million for roadmork through the bond proposal.
"It was a darned good Dlan," tahn said, so it will Hicely be resub nitted next year for legislative ap-
"If it's not CHAT, we can use mething deo - we fust need a slan to improve romis," Rahn said.


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## Ruidoso Downs fire chief seeks more

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"Most of pur firas hare axe caused hyy cigerattes," baid Tom Armstrong, a captain in the Downs
fire departmont.
Open fires, camplires, charcoal broifers, and outdoor wood and eool stoves are aiso al
in Ruidoso Downs
Feprera. wpants ta hap, gas grills at wioll.
At Monday's thustae meating Mayor Hayhurst and the truatees did not support Hearrera's request to tighten fire restrictions.
"Therre's a lot of proopla hiollering want to ban gas grills."
Becquse Ruidoso Downs bordera the national forest, Herrera said, it should follow cument Yincoln National Forsat fire restrictions. The rills and all smoking baxcept in ene closing velicles.
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 Phase I- of this plan is a nomemoregenem: public education campaid on "spanart wabor usage."

A public heaprity on whether or plan will be hald at the noxt vilage coinneil meeting an Monday, June 10.
"I think we need to be in this phase now anyway," Branum said. "It's important to not he wastefiul." Pait of the village's concorn is the need to have enpugh stored water to igint fures.
"Right now werre holloing good," Mayor Job Hayhurst saina, "O
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The village water bource is a mountain epring in Ruidoso Downs. Village Clerk Leann Weihbrecht
said the water maintenance ienartment has not gain any. signs of a water shortage in Ruidoso Downs.
Phase II of the proposed plan wrould call for moderate nsage: outdoor watering on an odd-even day uxstram, watering .only. hatween 8 pimurnde sfatins anp, cóncentrated media campaign effionts to reduce water consumption.
Phase III of the water contingency, plan would be water watering and fimited use of indoor water. In a Phase III situation, citations would be issued after one warning.

The tecision of when to move into a new phase would be left to ment, which monitors water levels and conssumption rates.


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## Folkloric group is

## last in concert series

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Playing Latin American rhythms including salis, rumba, cha-chia, samba, bossa nova, and es, pecially the native songs of the is both hauntine and besutfifi Most of Kauntings and beautinul. Spanish, but Quechuà (the language of the ancient Incan empira) and English Eolections are also included to produce a somnd that cuts
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## Hondo Fire Dept. plans Arabela substation

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## OPINION

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## Forestry camp at fort is idea worth considering

It may not be a good idea for county commissioners to shoot down state agencies' idea to have a forestry work camp for minimum security prisoners at Fort Stanton.

With the fire danger we're experiencing now, we could use some help thinning out forests around here. Since funding is often hard to come by, using prisoners at dirt-cheap wages is an ldea worth strong consideration. Plus, the prisoners get to work out in the sunshine instead of staying cooped up indoors, so It's not a bad deal for them, elther. li's just too bad that bureaucracy doesn't allow quicker action than early 1997.

If county officials have a better idea, now's the time to be specific about it. The fort has been olosed for more than a year now, and if county officials know about a good tenant, we want to know who it is. The prospective tenant needs to do some public labbying, too, and gets its plan out to the media.

We can't argue with some commissioners' com ments that the Johnson administration doesn't appear to plan ahead. But we need to do something with that fort before the dozens of buildings stant to deteriorate.

We like Rep. Dub Williams idea for a community picnic at the fort to see what the community thinks Williams should schedule it as soon as possible.
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## Please support Optimists' May 18 Golf Scramble

 TO THE EDITOR:The Optimist Club of Ruidoso has done so much good for the youth of our community, that I feel it is important to urge the citizens of this town to support our Galf Scramble at the Liniks on May 16.
There are children who have had no shoes, or coats, or food, that our club has provided fon We worts with flead Btart and all of thie schools, trying to provide anything
that the principals ask us. This that the principals ask us, This year has been anazing. woll hold anothor) a bicycle safoty rodeo, assisted with the immumization program, will with photos and fingerprints should their parents ever need. them; orgenized over 100 students to clean up the river; filled up hotel rooms in this town with our convention; and offored scholarahips for an oratorical contest, ENMU, and an essay contest. This list goess on and It is tima to ask you one more hole sponsor to our club so we can
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Other important datas: May 18, Golf Scramble: May 25, Child 18, program and immunisations at Wablants Junc 1, Bitycle Rodeo (bicyulto atill boing accopted for
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TO THE EDDTORS
This week our mation and community will honor police officers that have
Police officers deal with people overy day, and mont of the time the people are at thair wurets Balowis a poem writton by Randolph Eitboc, a past president of MJ Lodse Hety. Next time you recoive a speeding ticket, think of this poem and reyous, they are conly more mout to get your family and fifends.
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## RHS alum's team captures track title

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## Scott Neal


Mankew and Neal keep in touch chring the tract beastons as one would expect from a coach and his protegt. The kuidoo mentorp Courching has influyenced craduato's. tryse, Neal said. Neal remembers his
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"Chis have made a lat of prog ress aince last year, the Warrio montor said. "Wove got some girl re dang good competitors.
DROMIREATS: The Warcion boye 400 -metar reiay team rap on of its bettor times in the event, but didn't make the finals...It was hot hot, hot in Albuquerque, but it didn't hother Ruidoso's entries -at thing was, it wasn't just hot in ou thing was, it wasn't

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Price and Kay Jenson powled a
2612 for the three-game handicap event. Local entry, JAKS, finished Bowling for JAKS were Xathy Rtchardson, Sylvia Donaldson, Jeff Murshy and Albert Richardson. WSMR-2 picked up a first-place check for \$450 for its efforts. Seconíd place paid \$250. Capturing third place and $\$ 136$ were Fred Vega, Sherry Hoffer, Rayann GSV 4. GSV \#4 posted a 2474 . Is GSV \#4, GSV \#4 posted a 2474 fourth place was Famiy. Joe Shafer and Donny Shafer bowled a 2438 and won $\$ 100$.
Optimist Club spoinsor Sierra Blanca Scramble It's not too late to sign up for the Optimist Club of Ruidosos annua Niay 18, at the The Links of Sierra Nay 18,
Blanca.
Entry fee is $\$ 55$ and includes green fees, cart and lunch. Tee of is set for 12:30 p.m. Entrants have a chance to win a 1996 Chevy S-10 truck for a hole in one on hole No.
For more information, call The Links at 258-5330, or Phil DiPao at 258-4643

Bowling day May 15 for tocal apecial ofympians Lincoln County Special Olympic Lincon County Special Oly (RBC) will host a bowling gettonight from 4:30 to 6:30 p.m. at RBC.
All special athletes are welcome Cost is $\$ 1.50$ a game. For more information, call Melanie Kotila at

Red Raider Basebali coming to Ruldoso The Texas Tech baseball coaching staff will offer a baseball summer camp for children ages seven to 18. Rupidoso Baseball Inc. is hosting the clinic, whic will ron from June 10-13 at Ruidaso's
A day camp will be offered to seven- to 12-year-olds. Cost is $\$ 50$. Thirteen to 18 -year-olds ca attend a two-day camp for $\$ 80$. Cost includes lunch each day, a T shirt and coaching. For more information, call 258 5885 or 257-7501.

## REPLAY



This week in Lincoln County sports history, compiled from The Ruidoso News.
10 years ago - Bighth-grader Ardena Comanche is one of 10 state meet. She'll rua in the $\mathbf{3 , 2 0 0}$ meter run. The Warriors 1600 meter relay team of Kirstin Tidmore, Dari Stierwalt, Jana Johnston and Shala Gosdin als qualifies with a time of $4: 20.09$ 20 years ago - Sierra Blanca Junior Racers hand out awards to girls and Jiminy Reudenbush for most improved boys. Club members elect Greg Mobley as "Mr. Jr. Racer."
30 years efse - Results of Lineoln County athletes at the Class B state meet in Albuquerque: Ruidoso's rrankin Josept, tirdi Stone, third in high hurdies 157. Carrizozo's 'Tom Ontiz third in th shot put 50-10 1/2m. Zozo's M Petty, thitd inf 440 -yand run (52.5) and second inthe 220-yind dish (23)2) Endil ray Lockey, 5 th in 880 yand kun, 2001 , 40 year $y^{2}$ Mescaleto
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hattar plave for stroke, Myra was a better player, But mentally the Silver girl kept her stability," Ander-

To help gain experience, Romere plans to play as many United States Tenvis Association (USTA) Anderson said Romero will comperte in a higher afe class so she play against the oldar, heavier-hithing givls.

Roro carned her trip to Albuquarque by finithing third in the District 4A-AA tournament, hosted by Now Wexico Military lnstitute (NMMI) May 4.
Most other Ruidoso toams com-
pete in District 3AAA, but Anderpete in District 3AAA, but Anderson prefers the 4AAA be
stronger tennis district.
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canse almest all of the kids from this district made it past the firss round. 80 , werre obviously in the rigint district - its stronger, said Anderson, noting NMMIs boys won had the rumer up in boys singles play.

Anderson's remaining Warriors hidn't fare as well as Romero at the The Ruidoso boys No. 2 doubles team of Juan Arreola and Jerema Phillipg and singles player Chad as did the Warrior girls singles plaser doubles teame Dorie Mald and Melissa Lucero and Rachel Beddoe and Amanda Sigson.
Eighth-graders Charles Flan nery and Bryant Davis proved they might hold the Warriors hopes for the future. The Warciors No. boys doubles duo stabbornly lost in tournoy.



## EdUCATION

## RHS vice principal position eliminated

by PAWELACROMWELL
Ruicoso News
The Ruidobso School Boand approved the restructarinint of Ruiddos at its Thesday meeting:
RHS Vice Princípal Danny Flores is transfarring to Sierra Vista Primary, where he will re
place Don Weems as principal. Weams is rettring this year.
Rather than hire a new vice principal for the high sechool, Principal Ron Hodges has redistributed that position's duties ampong two partment heada, the registrar, and partmant heretary.
Mike Cladden supported the idea of restructuring the administration, which will free up money for student services.

Officials taid the Ruidoso School District now ranks 81st out of 89 costs per pupili, making it one of the most efficient.

Principal Hodges assured the school boord the high school will still operate effectively.
"I will mizs Danny, but I don't Hodges said.

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Carter, who is also the RHS athletic ofrector, will expand his duties to discipline for ninth graders, transpiortation requaste, over disempline for 12th graders in addition to his regular dititiea as principal.

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The board also heard about everal school district achieve

Three high school students were named ACT Scholars. Shamnon Gray, Melissa Miller, and Anthony Trujillo all scored within the 92 percentile on the ACT test and or higher.

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Michelle Perry will fill the: position of Ruidoso Middle Sohpol's inatructor for spocial oduration and gifted classes Loxi Creach will be the new occupational, therimy assistant at White Mouifaim Intarmediate, and Somia Nocalla will be for the schools.

Elementary school launches space shuttle
by PAMELA CROMNELL
Ruidoso Nows Stafi. Writer blasted off Friday from White Mountain Elementary School with 26 young astronauts aboarc. The third and fourth gradors in the space shuttle education program sponsored by NASA visited two distant galaries and returned safoly. minor difficulties, and astronauts reported their findings at a press conferance following their return. Astronaut Matt Haines reported that the shuttle suffered a broken wing, a loose panal, some turbulence and one backfire.
The Starghip Enchantment is converted school hus donated several years ago by Rick Simpson and painted to resemble a space shuttle. It blasted off with a puff of green smoke ejected

The launching ceromonies followed actual NASA procedures as closely as possible, with 120 students partimpating in various jobs Security guards monitared all welcomed guests.
Medical technicians, with the help of school nurse Paula Tim merman, made health checks on all the astronauts. Launch and landing crews were assisted by Southwest Airlines pilot Stowart Force and light attendant Robbia Force. Several dignitaries attended the launch, including Ruidoso Downs Trustee Jachie Branum, Lincoln County Commissionar L. Ray NunGomez, Ruidoso School Beard mem
ber Jim Varnadore, and State
School Board President and Ruidoso School Board member Susan Lutterman.
The event was given an official military style with the White Sands ing and retiring colorg prosentceramony. A spenial cors for the made by Gerpman Air Force, Pilo Volkser Henkal, fram wiohlomantair Force Base.
Sevaral speakers told the stu dents that the most important key to success is following your dreams. "If you want to do it, just do it, it when you're in your aircraft, and your afterburner lights and you get a kick in your back, and you go straight up."
White Mountain Elementary (WME) Principal Frank Cannelle applauded the teachers and volunteers who organized the space pated, including Alice Payne's, Susie Rhodes', Molly Long', Gary Stamper's, and Susan Carter's.
Volunteers from parent groups, White Mountain Search and Rescue, and various businesses Ruidoso High School 14-Karat Gold Band played the national anthom and other spirited sangs.
WMI students volunteered to participate in the space shuttle program, and they had to paiss a numbeod. pacord of academich and citizenship.
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the physical tests included boumc- Overdorf holped conduct various ung a ball as long as possible, jump- everifinents with solar power. ing rope, and running an obstacle course. She said the experiente was fun and tlaught har ahout being an fun and tionaut.
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The second crew visited Skylab on the Saturn moon Titan (Ruidoso Middle School), where Ruidosp figh School science teacher Rick

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Four types of parieftos commonly afilict doge in the Ruidovo area.
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But don't jump ahead and begin movining a dog that may be thowing thove yymptoms, gaid Sandra Picid mamitant dinoctor of the linecoln County Humane Socicty mimin ahalter on Gavilan Canyon Riod.
"Let your veterinurim perform teats and diaguqge the coriditian," she said. "Civing a dog worming modication without a cuiagnosis and a preseribed treatment can be harmful to a pet, because remedies against one type often are inefifective against another."

The moce cammon parasites treated in the Ruidoso areas are rovid worms, tapemorms, coccidia and giardia.
Hookworms and whipworms are rare heste, accorring to local veterindrians. If they are seen at 'all, it is in doge that have come from: humid climates where the parasito Iolourish.
Peta can' ingest parasitas by exting roients and othyor manal animalo that arready are infosted. They also cun pick up parasites from eatiny yrass, being around
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Puppites expocially are vuls nerable. Roundworms can be passed to pups throuech their mother's mill. Vetaringiins find coccidia cummon in pupo. raised outrido in mutes vith a divt floor.
Sandation is the best prevention. Kisep dogs' bedding clean and dry, pick up foces in the yard regularly and don't encourased your pet to hunt rodents.
Drinking from ponde, gutters and streams, dose can coritract a microsconic parasito call ciardia.
Infection can be preventod easily by dolways having a fresh water source available. Rumning mountain streams often are contaminated.
When planning a long walk or hike with a canine friend, you may want to bcing water for both humans and dog. However, your dog still may sueak down to the stream to drink.

Even without symptoms, take a stool sample with when your dog goes for its annual rabies, Parvo and distemper shots and overall check up. Your doctor can look for parasites in the stool inder the microccope. The vet will send home the necesesary mecication to kill the parasite, usually with no signiictant side effects.

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