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Wal-Mart to clear land at Downs site

Wal-Mart's move from Ruidoso to Ruidoso Downs is apparently imminent, although store officials remain secretive about their plans.

Wal-Mart Stores has requested a special burn permit from the Ruidoso Downs government so it can clear property behind Cowboy's

Wal-Mart has purchased 24.8 acres of land, according to county clerk records.

Rumors have circulated for more than a year that Wal-Mart plans to build a larger store down the road on U.S. Highway 70. The move would mean a big boost in sales tax revenues for Ruidoso Downs, and a loss for Ruidoso. Only state officials are privy to sales tax revenue figures for specific businesses.

The Ruidoso Downs Village Council will consider the request at its next meeting at 7 p.m. Monday, Aug. 12 at the administration building.

The board of trustees will also receive monthly reports from police, fire, animal control, code enforcement, maintenance and municipal court departments.

The trustees will also vote on renewing a joint powers agreement between the Ruidoso Downs Police Department and the narcotics unit of the Ruidoso Police Department.

Attorney General joins in seeking quick action on gambling issue

New Mexico's Attorney General may seek to overturn a judge's stay that is allowing Indian casinos to stay open until the court rules on an appeal.

AG Tom Udall says he will file the motion if U.S. Attorney John Kelly's motion for an expedited appeal is denied.

Earlier this week, Kelly asked the 10th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals in Denver to expedite its review of a ruling that Indian gambling in New Mexico is illegal.

Udall will be filing a motion next week in support of Kelly's request, spokeswoman Kay Roybal said.

If approved, the court could act on the appeal in a couple of months rather than in eight months to two

"We want the issue to be decided quickly," Roybal said. "If it doesn't appear to be in the cards, then we'll ask that the stay be dissolved, too."

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Local leaders hold historic meeting

☐ Mescalero Tribal Council, Ruidoso Village Council and **Lincoln County** Commission gather to hear about tribe's economic impact on Ruidoso area

by KATHLEEN McDONALD Ruidoso News Staff Writer

The elected leaders of the Mescalero Apache Tribe, Ruidoso and Lincoln County met together for what may be the first time in history Thursday.

Mescalero Apache Tribe President Wendell Chino called the meeting to tell the tribe's side of the story about numerous issues especially the tribe's economic impact on Ruidoso.

Ruidoso is the primary outside benefactor of all the Mescalero Apache Tribal Enterprises, with \$44 million bolstering the village economy last year alone, Chino

"Good will. Good will you cannot buy," Chino said. "But we're proud to share this information with you that bespeaks the pride of the Mescalero Apache Tribe we want you to understand. We don't ask sympathy, don't want sympathy, we want understanding.

"I hope all the people who throw rocks at us appreciate this information," Chino said.

Most leaders at the Mescalero Inn meeting eagerly accepted Chino's report with warm words of praise and said it offered little surprise. Some officials added they'd like to gather again - possibly to discuss some more controversial is-

"When you're in someone else's house, you can't help but to be warm and fuzzy," Lincoln County



At Thursday's meeting between Mescalero, Ruidoso and Lincoln County elected officials, Ruidoso Mayor Pro Tem Leon Eggleston

Commission Chairman Monroy Montes said, adding there is a need to discuss significant issues like nuclear waste storage. "Next time you can come to our house."

Such an invitation was necessary first, said tribal Councilor Virginia Klinekole.

"The atmosphere in here has changed; someone mentioned dialogue," Klinekole said.

Ruidoso Mayor Pro Tem Leon Eggleston also offered a direct invitation for another attorney-free

Shaw was out of town.

"I believe this is the first time for this type of joint meeting, and I'd like to see it happen more often and without attorneys there," Eggleston said.

Ruidoso Councilor Robert Donaldson noted the tribe and village have a symbiotic relationship as neighbors.

to work through."

Chino held court throughout the two-hour meeting, closely following the 13-page economic report financial adviser Rob Burpo said was prepared during the last several months. The report included economic graphs and about 20 pages of support materials.

Chino's voice rose and fell when accentuating the millions filtering "We're all working toward the directly and indirectly in the local same thing," he said. "At times we economy outside the reservation.

meeting. Ruidoso Mayor Jerry have differences in opinion we have The septuagenarian leader also peppered his comments with tongue-in-cheek humor about the loss of tribal lands and white people being at fault for last winter's lack of snow.

(standing) invites Mescalero Apache Tribe President Wendell Chino

and the rest of the tribal council to hold a second meeting soon.

He said the meeting wasn't called for reasons of confrontation. but to share the economic information and to "clear the focus from (false) representations" of the In-

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Family finds way to get past fears of meat packer

by DIANNE STALLINGS **Ruidoso News Staff Writer**

When she drove two and a half hours to buy back one of her Cabrito goats from a packer, Cindy Foglesong knew she'd have to toughen up if the family was going to sell livestock.

The male goat had won grand champion Cabrito (meat goat) at the Lincoln County Fair Junior

Friday, Aug. 9

Saturday, Aug. 10

Livestock Sale, staged each year at the county fairgrounds in Capitan.

"After the sale, it hit me he was going to the packer," Mrs. Foglesong said. "I had nightmares for a week and finally called the packer. He still had it. We had hand-raised him and he had kissed us everyday. My husband had a fit and the packer said he couldn't believe I was buying back the goat,

Junior Exhibitor's Coffee

Lincoln County Fair Schedule

Capitan Fairgrounds

2 p.m.: Breeding cattle show

8 a.m. to 5 p.m.: Building open to the public

1 p.m.:Junior Livestock Sale

but a day later a man called looking for a pack goat."

The goat ended up as a happy member of a team used as pack animals on hikes by the man and his wife, who consider them pets.

Mrs. Foglesong admitted that in the year that has passed, she still hasn't come to terms with the inevitable end of some of the animals on the family farm.

But that's one of the reasons she and daughters Marlo, 14, and Traci ("T.J."), 13, picked dairy goats to raise. At least the female goats come home with them after being shown at the county fair.

Cabrito goats, which they also raise, are sold for meat. Male dairy goats usually are not kept, either.

With her husband John's help, Mrs. Foglesong and the girls hope to establish a reputation for supplying top quality goat's milk and goat cheese from their location near Capitan: They have registered Mountain Top Goat Farm with the **American Dairy Goat Association** and their goats are tattooed for identification.

Developing a good blood line is essential, Mrs. Foglesong said. The local reception for their milk

has been encouraging, she said. Many of their customers from California and Arizona don't blink at the \$4 price for a half gallon. Many are lactose intolerant and can't drink cow's milk, or they are looking for lower fat content. People who care for orphaned young animals also use goat milk.

"It's lower in fat, yet creamy and is the closest thing available to human milk," Mrs. Foglesong said.

The cheese sells for \$8 to \$10 a

T.J. also loves homemade ice cream from goat's milk. "It's to die for," Marlo agreed.

When I was growing up we always had animals, but I never lived on a farm until my late teens," Mrs. Foglesong said. When she moved from Bloomington, Ill., to New Mexico, he brought some horses with her.

The family soon had chickens and rabbits, but her daughters, who are in 4-H and FFA, wanted larger animals to show, breed and sell? They decided steers are too expensive and lambs are vulnerable to illness. Goats seemed a logical choice.

The first year, we bought cheap

goats and went to the fair," Mrs. Foglesong said. "No one had come by while we were raising them to say they were good or bad goats, but we learned pretty quickly at the fair they were bad and we sold

They found a respected breeder near Houston, Texas, and bought two does. One buck was purchased from a local family whose animals had a good reputation.

Today they have La Mancha goats with long ears and Nubians with no ears.

"Now we have 20 dairy goats," Mrs. Foglesong said. "We had all twins and triplets this year."

The Cabrito meat goats are judged at shows on their height and muscle (the quantity of meat yield). That's why their pens usually have structures they can climb to build up their muscle. They each sell for

around \$450. The girls work with the Cabritos, getting them used to the judging pose with the goat pushing against the leg of the owner to bet-

ter show its muscles. In dairy goats, the utters and

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Stricter state subdivision law already in effect, AG contends

by DIANNE STALLINGS **Ruidoso News Staff Writer**

concluded new subdivision regulations already took effect July 1, in- availability of water for wells. stead of a year later as Lincoln County officials thought.

related actions on hold Tuesday.

parcels or more, and requires line with the state law. owners to follow subdivision regulations except in the case of 13 exceptions.

ing county standards for roads, result in a \$10,000 fine.

State regulations list 13 ex-

parcels 35 acres or larger

ceptions to the new definition of

a subdivision that took effect

sold, leased or conveyed within

any 12-month period, if the land

has been used continuously for

agricultural purposes for the

ments, offices, stores or similar

the boundaries of a municipality;

which only gas, oil, mineral or

water rights are severed from

the surface ownership of the

by court order, provided no more

than one parcel per party is cre-

grazing or farming activities,

provided the land continues to

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Exceptions to new state law

giving buyers a county-approved disclosure statement on services The state Attorney General has and conditions, and providing a central water system or proving the

While Attorney General Tom Udall save the law took effect for all Uncertainty about the effective counties July 1, the state Legisladate of the new state subdivision ture included language in the law law prompted the Lincoln County saying only three larger counties Commission to put several land- would have to comply by that date. The other 30 counties were given The law redefines subdivisions until July 1, 1997 to amend or into include any split of land into two itiate subdivision regulations in

County Attorney Alan Morel told commissioners Tuesday that although he disagrees with Udall, Those regulations include meet- willful violation of the law can

- the division of land only to

alter boundaries to increase or

reduce the size of contiguous

parcels, not to increase the num-

create a parcel sold or donated

as a gift to an immediate family

member, limited to one parcel

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mortgages, liens or deeds of

trust, if they are not a result of a

that creates no parcel smaller

create a parcel donated to any

trust or non-profit corporation.

veyance of a single parcel from a

tract of land within a five-year

period. The parcel may not be

from a tract within a previously

approved subdivision, and any

subsequent sale from the same

tract would fall under the sub-

seller-financed transaction;

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ber of parcels:

family member:

than 140 acres:

church or school;

division rules.

Not wanting to chance a fine, commissioners decided to wait until Morel can get a better reading on the effective date for Lincoln County. They postponed action on requested lot splits on the agenda, including one in Ranches of Sonterra off Sierra Blanca Airport

"The new law allows for a summary review process for small five and under lots," Morel said from his office in Ruidoso Monday. "Although they still are considered subdivisions, the restrictions on those are not as enerous like putting in a 28-foot wide road."

He is drafting a resolution to set up a summary review procedure in Lincoln County until the commission can approve the required changes in the county subdivision ordinance.

"Realtors thought they had until 1997 to do four-lot splits, but the AG says even if you did a plat and filed it prior to July of 1996, if you sold those properties after that date, you'd still have to comply with the law," Morel said.

Several four-lot-split plats submitted for filing are on hold. The county has to take some type of action, he said.

The summary review will ensure there's access to all the properties in the split, which is "not a huge change," Morel said. The changes in local subdivision

law require about three hearings for public input, he said. We're going to be putting this in

as fast as we can," Morel said. A state committee created a template that all 30 counties could use to comply with the law by July 1997, Morel said.

At the commission meeting Tuesday, County Manager Frank Potter said the Association of Counties is considering sending an advisory to county clerks throughout the state that tells them not to accept plats until the issue is resolved.



T.J. Maroon (left) and her sister, Mario, daughters of Cindy Foglesong, show off two of the dairy goats they will show at the Lincoln County Fair this week in Capitan.

Federal grant awarded to build Mescalero homes

The U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) has awarded \$707,250 to the Mescalero Apache Tribe to support the building of new homes for low income families, Sen. Pete Domenici announced.

The Mescalero Apache Tribe was awarded \$707,250 to construct 15 new homes for low-income Native Americans.

"These HUD grants are important in helping with inadequate low-income housing," Domenici said. "I am pleased that these funds will be used to support building of low-income housing for these tribes."

HUD also awarded \$1 million to Jicarilla Apache Tribe to build 19 new homes. The \$1.7 million comes from HUD's Home Investment Partnerships program (HOME). Currently, both tribes are proposing to use the funds to construct homes that will be occupied by low income Native Americans.

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They're looking for a wide body capacity for kidding and a great mammary system that can be passed on in breeding," Mrs. Foglesong said. Breeding animals are not weighed in like meat animals. When they are shown, the breeder gains points toward the ultimate worth of the animal and blood line, Mrs. Foglesong said.

Unlike pigs, lambs and steers, the dairy goats are a year-to-year project. Their life expectancy is eight to 12 years. And for most of those years, the goats must be milked and fed twice a day.

"Dairy goats just have a dif-ferent attitude," Marlo said. "They're loving, calmer and you can do more things with them. They just want to be with you."

"We try to find homes for the little male dairy goats, people who are looking for a pet," Mrs." Foglesong said.

The dairy goats, which are dehorned, love to go for walks with the Foglesongs.

We just open the pens and they

walk right in a line with us." T.J. said. "The little ones kick up their heels and run. It puts you in a great mood. They're always happy to see you."

The girls enjoy taking care of the

animals, although it takes up a lot of their free time. It's a matter of responsibility.

And that's not all they're responsible for.

T.J. raised a colt from her filly. and both girls break their own "I remember my friends calling.

and showing horses," Mrs. Foglesong said. "I always had something to do." When several of T.J.'s friends

with nothing to do when I was a kid

called with the same boredom complaints, they went home with male. dairy goats for pets.

The family has come to terms with having to sell some of their goats. It's the only way to pay for hay and other expenses.

"This year we didn't beby the Cabritos," Mrs. Foglesong said. "We raised them as meat goats and we are prepared.

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Ruidoso official defends use of river for reservoir water

by KATHLEEN MCDONALD Ruldoso News Staff Writer

Supplying water to Ruidoso is the top priority for village officials, especially during a drought, offi-cials say.

That's one of the reasons why the daily diversion of the nearly dry Rio Ruidoso into Grindstone Lake didn't stop this summer, the assistant village manager says.

"It was never a consideration to

stop the diversion during the prought," Alan Briley said. "Our goal is to supply water to the populace — it's one our missions."

The village has received about a dozen letters from residents and tourists expressing anger that the village is diverting water. Some of the letters charged village officials with "playing God" by diverting the water and letting the river dry up.

Others suggested the village's aim in applying for supplemental water rights is to increase diversion from the Rio Ruidoso, but the opposite is true, Briley said.

If the river would not have been diverted during the drought, Grindstone Lake would have dropped further, and the water leaking from the dam would be lost money. Briley said.

The village would not have run out of drinking water if the diversion had been stopped while the river was low. But if the diversion was permanently halted, the lake would dry up and water supplies would be drastically reduced. Briley said.

The village is only allowed to divert what is lost through leakage at the dam. The only other diversion allowed is through effluent credits originating with Alto Lake water that's treated and put back into the Rio Ruidoso below town. But the village hasn't had any effluent credits for two years because Alto Lake is dry.

The Rio Ruidoso diversion is the

only source of water for Grindstone Reservoir, Briley said. About 358 cubic feet per second,

or about 237,600 gallons daily has been diverted from the river this year. It's flow is currently about 20 cfs; but an May was about .5 cfs, Briley said.

Not too far past the diversion point in the Upper Canyon, the river was perceptible only in

More of a flow was visible about four miles from the diversion point, where Carrizo Creek spills into the river behind the Chamber of Com-

With evaporation, transportation and domestic well use; my feeling is that the river would have

gone dry anyway," without the diversion, Briley said. Stopping the diversion would be a policy decision of the village council, which decided in 1986 to build the diversion line for \$720,000 so effluent credits could be stored at Grindstone Lake, Briley said.

An earlier diversion of about 500,000 gallons a day, lasting for 35 years, was stopped through council decision in 1994. That diversion was for the village's Upper Canyon treatment plant. The council decided to stop that diversion and close the outdated plant because of costly, high turbidity problems.

The lake was constructed in 1982 to supply water to residents, but didn't actually do so until a treatment plant was built last year.

It supplies about a third of the village with drinking water, and will serve about half of Ruidoso when expansion is completed later take more water from its four this year.

never goes dry, it carries fewer sed- cause of drought. iments than the village's other Lake the highest quality drinking strictly controlled by the state, water in the village, Briley added.

Briley said.



Assistant Village Manager Alan Briley stands on the intake area of the diversion line that takes water from the Rio Ruidoso for Grindstone Reservoir. Briley, an engineer, oversees the water department.

The rest of the village has been supplied drinking water solely through groundwater wells because Alto Lake is dry.

Supplemental rights

In wet years, the wells are only supplements to the two lake reservoirs, but in dry years they are heavily relied upon. More groundwater wells and water rights are held by the village in the Eagle Creek basin than in the Rio Ruidoso basin, but the water source is more reliable in the latter.

That's why the village has applied for "supplemental rights" to the wells, which will let the village Ruidoso basin wells if diversion of Because the Rio Ruidoso almost the Rio Ruidoso isn't possible be-

The supplemental rights would water source, Eagle Creek. This not allow the village to divert more makes the water from Grindstone from the river, a practice which is

It would only let the village apply its credits from the dam leakage to Ruidoso groundwater wells and only if the credits are in excess of what is diverted.

The four wells are located near the intersection of Sudderth Drive and U.S. 70; the intersection of Warrior Drive and Hull Road; near the Cherokee Mobile Home park; and one at White Mountain Meadows. The latter isn't producing any water.

The goal behind applying for the supplement is for more flexibility during times of drought. Village Manager Gary Jackson said.

If the river was dry and no diversion could take place, the village would be able to pump more pine. from its groundwater wells, which are a more reliable source than surface water reservoirs.

If approved, the supplemental rights would also give the village the option to release more water from the lake, or to stop the diver-

Council tries to define dying tree within law

by KATHLEEN MCDONALD Ruidoso News Staff Writer

Ruidoso's nuisance ordinance requires property owners to remove dead and dying trees, but it doesn't define such trees.

This leaves the law vague and vulnerable to the wrong interpretation, the village manager says.

"We need a clearer, better definition to help with enforcement efforts, and to clarify for property owners' what is considered a dying tree, Gary Jackson said.

Village councilors will consider adding definitions to the code at the 6:30 p.m. Tuesday council meeting. and schedule a public hearing.

They'll ale schedule a public hearing on legislative changes to the village lodger's tax law. Reporting dates, tax uses, auditing procedures and advisory board makeup have been changed.

Strengthening the nuisance ordinance with definitions of hazardous trees will give the village "more bite" if a complaint ends up in court, Jackson said.

Officials became aware of the need to beef up the code in recent months, he said.

"A visual observation shows a large number of dead trees in town, and it was also made clear from recent public hearings that people are concerned," Jackson said.

At the hearings held for revision of the forest protection code, several people said they wanted protection from their neighbor's hazardous trees with a mandatory removal ordinance.

State foresters also brought to light the epidemic level of bark beetle infestation in Ruidoso, which is killing large stands of ponderosa

Dead trees are obvious, Jackson said, but determining what is dying can be debated. What the council is likely to focus on are definitions noting structural integrity of the trees and trees that threaten to topple because of the odd angle in which they stand.

Foresters go further by citing fungus and root rot, but it would be difficult for the amateur dendrologist to determine that. Jackson said.

Currently, if a tree is determined dead or dying by village officials, it is red tagged and the property owner is required to remove it. If the tree owner fails to comply with the order, a criminal complaint is filed with the municipal court.

"This is the route we have taken. and will do," Jackson said.

The other option is for the village to remove the tree, but that ends up being costly and the village doesn't have that money budgeted. he said.

If the tree still isn't removed following court action, the village will put a lien on the nuisance property.

Following is the agenda for the regular Ruidoso Village Council meeting at 6:30 p.m. Tuesday, Aug. 13, at village hall.

REGULAR ITEMS

Request for vacation of right-of-way, lot 9, block F, Ruldozo Springs Subdivision;
 Consideration of date for public hearing for ordinance 96-12, pertaining to lodger's

... Consideration of date for public bearing for ordinance 96-13, an amendment to the property nutrances ordinance regarding diseased trees, weeds and vegetation;
BOARD APPOINTMENTS
CONSENT REGULAR ITEMS
... Consideration of village council meeting

— Consideration of the renewal agreement with American Linen Supply;
— Request for special dispensers permit for the New Mexico Municipal League Conference reception on Aug. 28;
— Request for out-of-state travel for Councilor Leon Eggleston to attend the National League of Citica 1996 conference in San Antonio, Texas;
— Request for out-of-state travel for the finance department director and one employee to Troy, Mich. for computer training;
— Request for out-of-state travel for the police chief to attend the Rocky Mountain Information Network executive meeting in

formation Network executive meeting in Phoenix, Ariz.;

Phoenix, Ariz.;

Request for ont-of-state travel for the parks and recreation department director to attend the National Recreation and Park Association Congress in Kamas City, Mo.;

Request for out-of-state travel for the airport emergency response chief to attend advanced aircraft fire control and rescue training

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OPINION

PORORIAL

Historic meeting was perfect way to start

We felt history happening before our eyes Thursday as we watched the Mescalero Tribal Council, Ruidoso Village Council and Lincoln County Commission gather around a table together for the first time in anyone's memory.

We couldn't help but wonder, What do you talk about when you have a meeting like this? Who starts out the discussion?

Luckily, it was well-structured with a theme and an overriding purpose: to show what the Mescalero Tribe's enterprises do for the economy of Lincoln County, especially Ruidoso.

Mescalero President Wendell Chino presented the tribe's well-written and concise report with the style that is all his own: eloquent, humorous, forceful, defiant yet good-natured, and always proud of his people and their accomplishments, all rolled into one.

He should be proud. While everyone is aware that the tribe's casino, ski area and convention center are major reasons the Ruidoso tourism economy thrives all year (although some won't admit it out loud), never has it been taid out so clearly as in the tribe's economic report. Perhaps more than any other tribe; the Mescalero are finding ways to be self-sufficient in a world that fights them every step of the way.

Of course, Chino has been the driving force behind this success for nearly 40 years. He has seen countless village councilors and county commissioners come and go as he continues to be re-elected and reelected and re-elected.

it was a good meeting, and hopefully it won't be the last. Next time the groups will be ready for more giveand-take discussion, and this will bring more understanding, which is always good.

"if you curtail any part of speech, you're not really protecting people. You're hurting them, you're patronizing them by telling them, This is what you can't hear ? because it's going to hurt you."

> Sylvia Ibanez LAWYER • 1994

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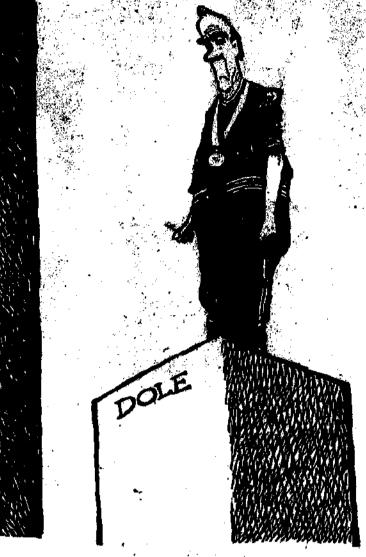
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LIEUTERS TO THE EDITOR

Don't divert Rio Ruidoso water

TO THE EDITOR

In 1984 after several years of visiting various areas of New Mexico and Colorado, I had the opportunity to attend a convention at the Inn of the Mountain Gods.

During that stay, my wife and I fell in love with the Village of Ruidoso and in particular the Upper Canyon,

In the summer of 1995, we finally found a 50+ year old cabin in the Upper Canyon and after some interior repairs and remodeling, we finally occupied it at Christmas.

One of our major reasons for selecting Ruidoso and the Upper Canyon was the river. Now I get sick every time I walk along the river and see what's happened.

There has to be a better solution than diversion of the area's premiere asset. Hopefully, the mayor and city council will establish a panel that can come up with a plan to save our river, which is part of the lifeblood of our city.

> Bill Young Ruidoso

Find other way to get reservoir water TO THE EDITOR:

What's happened to the river?

children and our grandchildren (18 in all) came to Ruidoso from California, Alabama, and Texas. In addition, 22 other relatives also came to be together.

The very next morning our children and grandchildren could hardly wait to get down to the river. Much to their disbelief, the river was dry, I told them it was the result of a very dry season.

I began thinking, I have been coming to Ruidoso since 1930 and don't ever remember the river being this dry, although several locals said they do remember seeing it like this a few times.

In any event, my son and I went up to the reservation gate and lo and behold there was a nice stream of water running just before being sucked up and sent over to Grind-

We went over to Grindstone and walked down below the dam and there was a nice little stream running into the Carrizo River. If you haven't noticed the Carrizo River and the amount of water that it has, I would encourage you to ob-

My wife's comment was, "Why aren't they pumping this back into the lake?"

Water to the community is certainly of paramount concern, make no mistake about that. And we certainly do not place our personal interest above that of the village, but if I may, let me make a few observations.

There is no question in my mind During the last part of June our that all legal matters pertaining to

the taking of the water have been handled properly. But how do those of us who have spent so much time, effort and money building our houses in the Upper Canyon protect our interests when we are only up here two or three months a year?

We pay yearly taxes based on property values just as everyone else does, as well as paying monthly water, sewer, etc., even though we are not here, and we don't ob-

One person with the city told me that notice in the paper was all that was required for hearings and notification to property owners wasn't necessary. I am sure that is true, but common sense tells me when you begin to change the whole character of an area that for 70 years has been developed based upon a river being there, that maybe an extra step in letting those people know so they might ve some input, might be in order.

It is very obvious that property values will be affected dramatically if the river continues to be dry (although it is running a little now at a result of the rainy season), resulting in tax revenues to the city dropping considerably.

Real estate people have said to me that they haven't yet seen prop-erty values in the Upper Canyon change, but they will drastically as evidenced by my cousin from Houston who came to Ruidoso to buy a home in the Upper Canyon and after looking things over said to me, "if they are going to take all of the water out of the river, we are not interested in buying." I have heard that from several people as well.

I would venture to say that the decrease in tax revenues would more than offset the cost of getting the water to Grindstone at some other point.

Surely by getting together, there must be a rational way to resolve this problem.

> Dick Bowen Ruidoso

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THE SILVER LINING

Olympics renews spirit of sportsmanship

Veterans install Officers

Members of the Jerome Don Klein Post and Auxiliary Number 7072 of the Veterans of Foreign Wars gathered Aug. 5 at the Legion Hall in Ruidoso Downs for the installment of of-

For the post the officers are as follows: Commander C.E. Chavez; Quartermaster Romeo Klein; Senior Vice Commander Elwood E. Gradine: Junior Vice Commander Joseph E. Mulqueen; adjutant Nancy Lee Mayer; and ie Roe, and Kody Sparks. Service Officer Lemnal C. Clark.

Michael P. Brillante will be in charge of

memorial Buddy Poppies; Romes Klein will sponsor membership; and L.E. Fletcher will promote Americanism and Loyalty Day.

For the auxiliary the officers are President Patsy Klein; Senior Vice President Carol Rue; Junior Vice President Anits Ordonies; Treasurer Virginia Armstrong; Secretary Anita Ordonies, and Chapleia Martha Chaves.

Trustees are Katie Klein, Ida Koshler, and Nora Corona. John Lopez of Alemogordo installed the

new post officers, while his wife Deputhy in-



The Silver Lining DANIEL AGNEW STORM

COLUMNIST

The Far-Reaching Good Of The Olympic Games.

Theodore Rosewelt and "This world will not be a very good place for any of us, until it

is a practy good place for all of us."

The Olympic games have been a force for worldwide understanding and good will — and sencetally this year contounist anniversary games in Atlanta,

There was a high level of good sportsmanable and impual appreciation throughout. The Counties athletes who starred in the 400 stalled the ladies.

Scholarships were given by the post and the descendants of slaves who made the long trip auxiliary to the following students: Nicole on fact on "The Underground Railway" some Coca, Shannon Gray, Kandra Egglasten, Jack- 160 years ago?

Sportsmanship in Everyday Life

Through the years, the ideal of sports-manship has made its way from the athletic fields into everyday life in the form of fair dealing, community good will, coincideration for others, and courage and feith in the face of advertity. Let us now take a page from the book of the Olympic games and renew our spirit of sportsmanship in everyday life.

The Mountain Land Continues to Rejoice

This is being sent to you right before high noon on Aug. 7. All morning the sky has been overcast with a light cover of clouds, and there is a light breeze out of the north,

There are only two colors in the world—light gray still every shade of green. A bit of ireland has moved into the valo.
Today you feel just a little hist of the fall, what with the walnuts under the big tree and the gramma grass with the flagsesets waving on their tell stems, like little feative banners colorating a golden your in the Mountain Land

Let us count our bleesings with thunkful-ness to God, and let us be a bleesing to others.

CAPIDAN

High enrollment worries Capitan

by Dianne Stallings

By DIANNE STALLINGS
Ruidosc News Stail Writer
Instead of a drop in annollment
as expected, the Capitan School
District may see a 25-student increase this year, School Supt.
Diana Billingsley said Thursday.
Seven grade levels already are
at their maximums, and a third
kindergarten teacher may have to
be added to the roster, she said.
Standants return to classes for

Students return to classes for half days on Monday and Tuesday, Aug. 19 and 20. First bell will be 8 a.m. and the days will end at 12:30

"I have no idea what the enrollment will be, but we're already overloaded in kindergarten and at the maximum in first, fourth, fifth, seventh, sighth, ninth and tenth grades," Billingsley said. The 1996-97 budget projected an enrollment of 575 students, down

20 from the official state count last year, but Billingaley said the final figure may be closer to 600, up 5 from last year.

She has been turning down new applications for students from Ruidoso, Carrizozo and Hondo to attend school out-of-zone in Capitan.

We're turning those away, but we will continue to take students who live out of zone and have been attending in Capitan," she said.

The influx is from new construction within the Capitan district, which includes Alto Village.

We're just adding to the population within the district, Billingsley said. Construction also is occurring on U.S. 880 from Capitan to Carrisozo, she said.

Her fear now is that new employees hired for a juvenile environmental work camp at Camp Sierra Blanca and a proposed adult prison forestry work camp at Fort Stanton will come in after the 40th day of school when the state takes its offischool when the state takes its offi-tial count. The number registered that day determines the amount of money the district will receive from

the state for the school year.
"I'm hoping both facilities look strongly at hiring people who already live within our district," she said.

Capitan School Board members will go off a retreat this weekend to focus on meeting the demands of growth and to develop a five-year plan. Proposals put together at that meeting will be discussed in subsequent board meetings, Billingsley

The retreat will begin about 2 p.m. Saturday and run through noon Monday at board member Tim Worzell's Bible Camp at Elephant Butte Lake.

When student return to campus 19, they'll find a newly painted gymnasium, new carpet in the band room and fans in the elementary classrooms.

Special education has been moved to the middle school, and the administration has been returned to the former administration build-

ing, Billingsley said,
Former Capitan teacher Bill
Mac Veigh will be the first full-time
principal at the middle school.

More teachers have been added and Jo Beth Vinson will teach French, an addition to the curriculum.

The music program has been expanded from outbacks last year, with DuWayne Shaver handling band and Wayne Ellison taking on choir and music courses.

"We're hoping for a bigger band this year and ordered more uniforms over the summer." Billingsley said,

The additional staff and new classes were possible because of an enrollment increase last year and a boost in the per student reimbursement from the state, she said.

The unit figure last year was \$2,113 and this year is expected to be \$2,125.83.

The regular class schedule will start with first bell at 8 a.m. and the ending bell at 3:15 for elementary students, 3:20 p.m. for



Whipple graduates

Colinda daughter of Craig and Connie Whipple, graduated with a cortificate in veterinary special services from Eastern New Mexico University last week.

A 1995 graduate of Capitan High School, Colinda plans to continue her education at Midland Junior College in Midland. Texas this fall in the veterinary technology program. She wants to become a veterinary tech-

She attended Eastern in Ros-

Senator and friends

U.S. Sen. Pete Domenici (R-NM) megts 4-H students from New Mexico, in Washington D.C. for Citizenship Washington Focus. The program provides apportunities for young people to practice respect for others in their world, while emphasizing social and civic responsibilities as they be come better citizens and leaders. Pictured (left to right) are students Casey Cunningham, Joe Burchett and Julie Bar-



J&L Snoes & Ghts

We have received the Trouser Socks. Also some anklets and slipper socks. We ran out of trouser socks last year, so this is the notice to all of you who said "Let me know when they come in." This is a good brand and we have been pleased with the colors. The customers have been complimentary about how well they wear. Another plus is the wide comfortable elastic so they stay where you put them.

More sox news is The Proper Sock that is Guaranteed for Two Years. Transpore Dri Fibre' is the secret that keeps your feet dry and comfortable. For all of you that are keeping your feet closed up in tennis shoes in this hot weather, these socks will make your feet happy. Two lengths, walking and tailer than walking. I brought a pair home for Paul to try and now he wants to throw all of his other socks away. His comment was "They are so soft." Package says "Will Not Saturate." Now isn't that all you ever wanted to know about socks

If you are complaining about the heat, don't feel alone. Every year at this time we think it is the very hottest ever. Maybe we cam make it another month.

Come see is! JeanAnn & Lyla

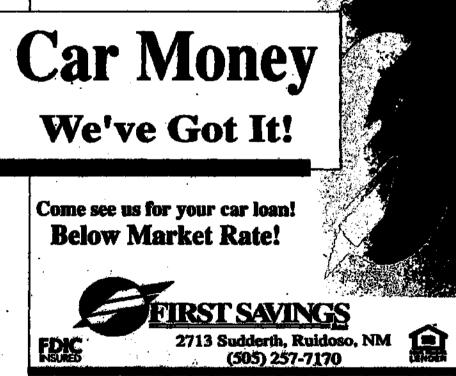
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Not too many years ago, catalog sales and phone orders were a new marketing gimmick viewed with much skepticism. The Internet today is like mail order in its infancy. Do you need an Internet site for your business in Ruidoso? Only you can decide that, but given today's competitive environment, it's a marketing tool well worth exploring. If you're trying to decide whether or not to market your Ruidoso business on the Internet, you are faced with tough questions like "Who uses the Internet?" and "Does my business really need a presence on the World Wide Web?"

"The answer is a resounding maybe," said Mark Doth of Grindstone Graphics. Doth, who offers Web site development as part of his marketing services, offers the following advice to those toying with

the idea of their own Web pages. An Internet site needs to be part of your overall marketing plan. You should incorporate it into all your promotional and sales materials and structure it toward your customer base. With the increased sophistication and savvy of today's buyers, the Internet works best as a niche marketing tool. Statistics show the typical user is well educated and has a higher-than-average income. Theoretically, this is a great group to go after — but they should also be seeking your product. If you offer something unique and different, chances are a Web site could work for you.

Does the "If I build it, they will come" philosophy really work in cyberspace? Yes and no. A well-designed, well-advertised site is obviously going to be more effective than one hastily created and lost on an unknown server. Building a Web page takes more than technical know-how. If you build your own site you need to be conversant in html code (which is what most Web pages are written in), but you also need to build a logical hierarchy into your site. Because of the nature of the Web, your site also needs to draw the user in with interesting bits of information offered at regular intervals. When developing a site for your business, it is often best to consult with people who have experience not only in building Web pages, but in

The Internet is growing at a tremendous rate and offers some terrific opportunities. Since June of 1994, the number of sites worldwide has grown from 1,265 to more than 15,000. By March of 1996, commercial sites were increasing by more than 200 a week. Also, the Internet environment is changing at a rapid rate, which means it is becoming more dynamic and useful to its users.

Site of the Week: cwsapps.com/intro.html?=introduction Note: The address above is prefixed with hppt://www. followed by the rest of the address, as are most Internet site addresses.

water, and they thought everything

was brown and ugly, and Ruidoso

just wouldn't look the same," Moore

said. "There's no way to make it up,

but August is looking better than

hotels are also seeing better sales

in August. With the warning from

firm leisure travel to busin

fic. Cattle Baron manager Bob

McNamara said the restaurant

definitely felt an impact from three

factors: the Lincoln National Forest

was closed, fewer people came up to

the racetrack, and the lack of

he said. "Business was steady, but

not over and above what we're used

Not as many trainers and people

Chamber of Commerce has been

helpful in letting people know that

the forestlands are open and the

drought is over. Hoteliers are brea-

thing a little easier now that the

survive this," Draper said. "We

"We've survived before, and we'll

He added, "I'm hoping for a

rains have come.

as a community."

Bella, had much the same story.

from the track were coming in."

Gina Tordella, owner of Che

to. We're recovering now."

"It was a slow start for summer."

Inn from the drought.

fore."

Draper and Freed said their

Summer rains relieve hotel drought damage

by PAMELA CROMWELL Ruidoso News Staff Writer

hotels Ruidoso area and restaurants are beginning to recover from drought damage, though they won't be able to make up for lost summer sales.

Sitzmark Chalet owner Neil Freed surveyed 12 Ruidoso hoteliers and found their sales dropped 25% to 40% in June and

At the Enchantment Inn, genermanager Dallas Draper said business was 30% below normal during the dry conditions and fire scare. He said the New Mexico Department of Tourism sent letters out warning hoteliers that the drought could hurt their business through October.

"It's the summer that never happened," Draper said. "I think travel planners today plan ahead better, with different ways of booking through travel agents and Internet. They plan in spring, and there was no assurance that the drought would end."

Hotels throughout New Mexico lost business during the drought. In Ruidoso, the problem was compounded by rumors that Casino Apache and Ruidoso Downs Race Track might close.

"I think multiple factors hit at once," Draper said. "Guests were not sure what was happening with the casino and the track. Plus, I think the Olympics may have had an impact if Texans went to Atlanta.

Innsbruck Lodge owner Trudy Schaeroth said her business was down slightly but was still okay. At Upper Canyon Inn, Linette Moore said people who stayed away from Ruidoso in June and July are now talling her they were worried by reports of extreme fire danger.

"They also heard we couldn't wonderful ski season."

Billboard points the way to Ruidoso

by PAMELA CROMWELL Ruidoso News Staff Wilter

For 30 years a pair of potential Ruidoso visitors have been driving between Boerne, Texas and Las Cruces without any idea they were passing through the playground of the Southwest.

A few nights ago they got lost, thanks to the direction of a red arrow now painted on the billboard at the intersection of Highway 70 and Highway 48, known locally as The Y. They wound up on a road they'd never been on before, Sudderth Drive, and stayed the night at Sitzmark Chalet.

"This is not unusual," said Sitzmark owner Neil Freed, "People have been driving past Ruidoso for 15 or 20 years, wondering why everyone was so excited about Ruidoso since there wasn't much to

Interviewing area hoteliers in July, Freed heard that many new Ruidoso customers have been traveling Highway 70 for years without ever knowing about Sudderth's shops, restaurants and

hotels.
"I think we'll see a significant inin drive-up business downtown starting in August, Freed said.

Freed was the driving force behind the new look for the "Y billboard." With the cooperation of the village of Ruidoso and the help of the Ruidoso Valley Chamber of Commerce, the new billboard now directs traffic into the heart of Ruidoso.

The Chamber is opening a Billboard Sponsorship Contest for all businesses with current Ruidoso business licenses. Official entry forms will be available at the Chamber office, 720 Sudderth Drive, beginning Aug. 14. They must be returned by Aug. 25.

From the entries, businesses in four categories - lodging, attrac-

tions, retail, and general business — will be drawn from a "pot" to fill 12 sponsorahip spaces on the billboard. The drawing is at 2 p.m.

Monday, Aug. 28.

Sponsorships are \$550 a year, payable to Signs by Smith within five business days of the drawing. Businesses do not have to be Chamher members to be eligible for the drawing. More details are available through the Chamber, 257-7395.

The idea for the billboard was sparked when Neil Freed asked the village of Ruidoso to develop a contingency plan for tourism disasters like the recent drought.

Freed is especially concerned that while the Forest Service

launched a massive fire danger into the area.

awareness campaign, very little "We've been telling the same marketing was done to inform folks in West Texas the same thing people that Ruidoso had not burned for years," Freed said. to the ground,

"In a town like Ruidoso, where tourism is the primary industry, a tourism contingency plan is just as

With an empty industrial park and limited tourism marketing, from future tourism crunches by base and enticing new industries motorcycle rally.

At present, no village funding is set aside for these concerns, according to Ruidese Village Councilor Robert Donaldson, Infrastructure important as a five-step plan for needs such as water, sewer, and water, Freed said.

now, he said. The Chamber of Commerce is ex-Ruidoso is dependent mainly on panding its marketing efforts not West Texas visitors for a healthy just for visitors but for convention economy. Village officials are look- business, Freed said. The Chamber ing for ways to protect Ruidoso is inviting entertainment conventions to create more events like the broadening the tourism market Ruidoso Art Festival and the



The landmark billboard located at the Intersection of Highway 70 and Highway 48, locally known as The Y, now directs traffic into Ruidoso. Some visitors thought the part of town located on Highway 70 was the extent of Fluidoso's áttractions. Area businesses may enter a drawing to receive biliboard sponsorship ad space for \$550 a year.

Business Briefs

Century 21 names the Department of Tourism, Draper Ruidoso agent top took steps to buffer Enchantment producer in district

"We changed our marketing Real estate agent Joseph A. Zagone of Ruidoso and Century 21 groups, offering golf and getaway Aspen Real Estate was named "Top packages," he said. "We managed to Producing Associate" for all of attract groups we didn't attract be-Century 21's El Paso and Southern. New Mexico District for the first Restaurants fared a little better balf of 1996. than hotels, with steady local traf-

The award was presented by representatives of Century 21's Southwest Region in El Paso on

Zagone can be reached at 257-

Building project center reopens bigger and better

After months of renovation and redesign, Foxworth-Galbreith "It wasn't serious," she said. "A celebrated the grand reopening of lot of it had to do with the horses. its Ruldoso Building Project Center with a ribbon-cutting ceremony Aug. 1. Draper said the Ruidoso Valley

We want the community to realize that we are committed to growing and expanding in Ruidoso, and that because our customers deserve the best, we're going to be the best,' said Daniel Brunson, the store's general manager.

In addition to the 3,400 square feet added to the store, customers need to continue to work together will see a tripled parking area, expanded product lines, and improved kitchen, bath and millwork displays.

Other features of the design conter include computerized design assistance for kitchen, baths or decks, a larger contractor sales area, and a new paint computer which matches a paint's color to the customer's exact specifications within minutes.

Brunson is quick to point out, however, that the Ruidoso store's remodeling is not just about a new layer of paint putting a brighter shine on the floor. It's also about spiffing up its commitment to customers.

"Our philosophy is your gain is our goal, and we expect to maintain that philosophy and really make it come to life," he said.

Grocery chain launches frequent shopper savings

Local Furr's Supermarkets are participating in a new "Extreme Savings" program designed to reward frequent shoppers. The program is underway in New Mexico and West Texas.

Furr's is the first grocery chain in New Mexico and in its West Texas markets to introduce a frequent shopper program that offers : its customers savings when they use their new Frequent Shopper

The program will be locally managed and operated by Furr's from its Albuquerque headquarters. When they sign up for the Fre-quent Shopper card, Furr's

customers will receive savings of up to 50% or more, special prices on more than 4,000 items, opportunities for expanded services, and after approval, expanded check-cashing services and rentals of Furr's 49-cent videos.

Furr's operates 70 stores in New Mexico and West Texas, including two in Ruidoso. With more than \$1 billion in annual sales, the New Mexico Business Journal this year ranked Furr's the number on privately-held business in the state for the third consecutive year.

Steer, heifer prices still increasing

The July price for steers and heifers increased to \$55.60 per hundred-weight, which is \$4.80 higher than last month, according to New Mexico Agricultural

Statistics Service.

This is the third straight month the steers and heifers price has increased. Calf prices also increased, rising \$5.70 from June to \$54. The average slaughter cow price increased by \$2.10 to \$36.60.

The July milk price increased slightly to \$14.40. The July average price for alfalfa hay fell to \$123 per ton. This was a \$6 decrease from last month, but it is still \$11 higher than this time last year.

Range and pasture feed condition remained steady; the rating averaged 15% very poor, 25% poor, 35% fair, 20% good, and 5% excellent.

Ranchers were able to continue to cut back on supplemental feeding in some areas; water hauling has also slowed as run-off continues to fill stock ponds,

Interest Rates This Week

The following interest rates on certificates of deposit and new car loans were reported Aug. 8 from local banks.

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Kokopelli golf club buys Club Carrizo liquor license

The liquor licensed owned by Carrizozo Mayor Cecelia Kuhnel, doing besiness as Club Carrizo, was transferred by the Lincoln County Commission Theoday to Rui Inc., for its new Kokopelli Golf & Termis Club on High Mess Road in Alto.

Attorney John Underwood, representing Rui, said no protests to the transfer were received and the company complied with all rules.

RUIDOSO'S FOUR-DAY WEATHER OUTLOOK

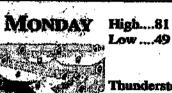


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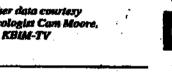
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Weather data courtesy of Meteorologist Cam Moore,



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County firefighters' insurance increased

by DIANNE STALLINGS
Rudoso News Stati Writer
Volunteer firefighters and emergency medical technicians in Lincoln County now are covered by a significantly improved life and

health insurance policy.
County commissioners voted
Tuesday to pay a higher premium to cover emergency volunteers injured while on a call, or their families if they are killed.

The policy with the Volunteer Fire Insurance Service through the

New Mexico Association of Counties will affect about 200 volunteers, said County Manager Frank Potter.

It increases medical expense coverage from \$10,000 to \$100,000 and adds disability coverage, said insurance representative Donna

When a volunteer is paged to a call, he or she is covered during travel time and for a 48-hour period like regular employed emergency workers.

We don't have rich firefighters on board. Chris Denne, chief of the Bonito Fire Department, told commissioners. As volunteers, we're not covered by workman's compensation. There's nothing to support firefighters or their families if they are murt. They're on their own. And the (previously) existing insurance could be used up quickly.

After the vote, Denne said

volunteers were extremely pleased with the commission's decision.

The county previously paid \$3,400 a year for a policy with National Casualty, but last year set aside \$25,000 to pay for more com-

coverage was not changed.

The new policy will cost \$24,000 annually. Potter said \$24,000 is left in the budget from last year and another \$25,000 was set aside this

Fidel said the premiums are based on the population of the coverage area, not the number of firefighters.

Since the insurance is offered through the Association Counties, no bids are needed.

"I believe with the severity of exposure of emergency medical and firefighters volunteers, we're obligated to provide them with good insurance," Potter said.

Commissioner Stirling Spencer, one of the most financially conservative on the commission, said the

prehensive coverage. However, the county's emergency and fire service coverage was not changed. are the finest basic service a county government can offer to it residents and said he would vote for the raise. A motion by Commissioner L.

Ray Nunley passed unanimously. Commissioners also talked about health insurance for employees who retire. The coverage would last until the age of 65.

However, commissioners decided to wait for more information, including the anticipated number of employees who would be eligible within the next five and 10 years.

Commissioners said they would not consider a request for a pension fund to be established for county deputies, since the deputies have formed a collective bargaining group and the issue should be a point of negotiation.

New subdivision delayed for more water info

by Dianne Stallings

Ruldoso News Staff Writer Approval of Lincoln County's newest subdivision was delayed Tuesday by county commissioners until they are sure the development has sufficient water rights.

A letter from the State Engineer didn't arrive in time for action at the commission meeting, although John Underwood, attorney for Kokopelli Mesa Subdivision in Alto, said it was expected before the end

of the week.

Commissioners said rather than give conditional approval to the preliminary plat (design plan) of the development adjoining the existing Alto Golf and Country Club golf course, they would wait until they can read the letter. If a special meeting is called later this month, the item will be put on that agenda, they said.

The subdivision, golf and tennis club are being developed by Rui

executive officer and director. It is provements are completed, he said. being built on a 127-acre tract off State Highway 37, about eight miles from Ruidoso.

Prices on the homes and lots won't be established until after the first of the year, Dodd said. The subdivision includes garden homes lots and 94 garden home units; (similar to townhomes) and singlefamily lots ranging in size from Alto Village,

lnc. with Herb Dodd as project three-quarters of an acre to 1.25 director, Bob Williams as general acres. Unlike most subdivisions, lot director and Gane Burdine as chief sales will not begin until all im-

Subdivision details include:

--- a golf course on 71 acres; - six acres of private roadway with curbs and gutters;

--- 41 acres with 32 single-family

domestic water supplied by

LOCAL BRIEFS

Senior center serves lunch every weekday

The Zia Senior Center in Ruidoso Downs is now serving hot lunches on a daily basis, Monday through Friday.

This program is targeted at the age 60+ population, and all seniors in the Ruidoso, Ruidoso Downs, Alto and surrounding areas are invited to come for lunch.

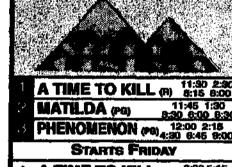
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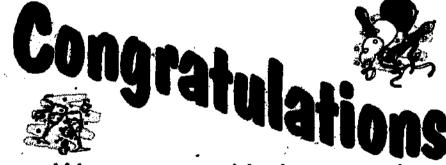
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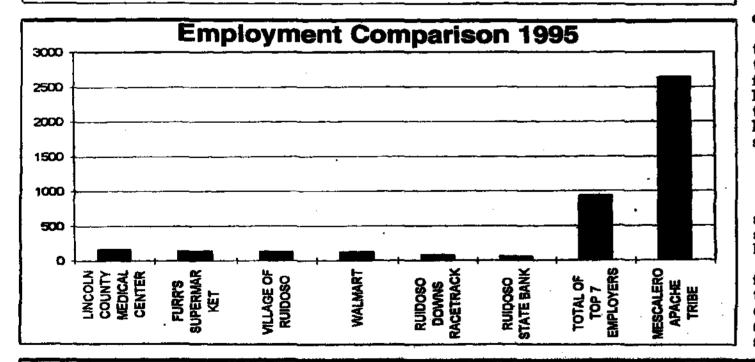
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Mescalero Apache Tribe President Wendell Chino displays the report about the tribe's economic impact on the Ruidoso area as he talks about its contents.

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Benefits of tribal enterprises detailed in new economic report

"Since 1853, after the treaty, we've tried to become good neigh-bors to the people in the strea, and we want to remain so," Chino told report, the tribe belstered Ruidoso's the approximately 25 government officials gathered before him at the Mescalero Inn. About 25 business leaders, tribal members and associates were also in attendance.

Bolstered by its economic strength, the tribe will start operat-ing its own butane and propane business in the next few weeks, Chino said, and its own electrical and telephone services will follow.

We're not doing this in retalia-

Mescalero Apache Tribe President Wendell Chino called a historic meeting between Ruidoso and Lincoln County elected officials Thursday for the purpose of sharing economic information, he said.

"Since 1853, after the treaty, we've tried to become good neigh-

According to the economic economy with \$44 million last year alone. Of those dollars, \$15.2 million was directly funneled into the village through things like employ-ee purchases in Ruidoso (\$10.7 million), Inn of the Mountain Gods purchases (\$1.8 million), Mescalero students in Ruidoso schools (\$1.6 million), and interests banks earned through tribal deposits (\$300,000).

Indirect income to the village

report says. The tribe employs 514 Ruidoso residents earning gross wages of \$4.4 million, making it by far the largest single employer of Ruidoso residents.

The tribe is also the largest depositor in Ruidoso banks with daily balances averaging \$5-\$8 million, Chino said.

Boy, that's a lot of money w paid for some of you people in Ruidoso," he said.



Mescalero Tribai Council members Raymond Kirgan, Oliver Enjady and Keith Miller (pictured left to right) listen to Mescalero President Wendell Chino as they review the tribe's report about its economic impact on the Ruidoso and Lincoln County area.



The meeting included (left to right) County Commissioner L. Ray Nunley, County Commission Chairman Monroy Montes, and Ruidoso councilors Frank Cummins, Joe Gornez and Robert Donaldson.



Ruidoso Village Manager Gary Jackson listens intently to Mescalero Apache President Wendell Chino talk.

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Among those falsehoods is the belief that Indians don't pay taxes; that Indians are freeloaders "looking around for handouts;" and that Indians are "hangers on."

"I'm here to tell you that's a lot

of bunk," he charged. All tribal members pay federal taxes, and they don't pay state taxes because they get nothing from the state. The wide variety of Mescalero tribal enterprises proves tribal residents work hard and believe in gainful employment, Chino

Other Issues

Along the way, Chino brushed against ongoing controversial is-sues disputed among tribal, Ruidoso, county and state officials.

Indian gaming can't be blamed for causing all the gambling addic-tions, he said, especially since any-one can walk into a number of local stores and blow their money on the state lottery.

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Indian gaming can't be blamed for the struggling horse racing in-dustry, either, because it began dying several years before Indian

gaming hit the scene, Chino said. Chine scoffed at the idea that the tribe is trying to "take" the Mescalero Inn from Ruidoso.

Gaim-Ko Inc., which provides machines to Casino Apache at the Inn of the Mountain Gods, gave the property to the tribe and now it makes money, he said.

The tribe isn't interested in ac-

quiring more property in Ruidoso — but some Ruidosoans are interested in selling it, he said, proving his point by displaying a recent letter with such an offer.

"We're not interested in buying more property. And we certainly don't want to buy all our former land back either," Chino cracked.

The U.S. Bureau of Indian Affairs has approved the tribe's application to annex the Mescalero Inn from Ruidoso, but Ruidoso officials are protesting for a variety of reasons, including the confusion over whether the village must continue to provide water and sewer services at the site.

services at the site. Private negotiations between the village and tribal attorneys about these issues are getting bogged down, Chino said.

"If the village does not want toagree and negotiate on an equitable basis ... it's going to be out of water. It's just as simple as that," Chino

inn of the Mountain Gods Manager John McCullough also referred to souring negotiations, saying there's a problem with what to do with sewage generated at the Mes-calery ins.

He also indicated part of asgoti-ations involve the village leaning water rights from the tribs, saying, "It's in the best interest to lease water to the village."

The village has a treatment plant and could handle the Inn's rage, he said.

"So, it seems to me, let's leave the hook-up and pay a fair rate," he said, "and somehow that's been tangled up in the water issue."

Water has been represented as the top issue for the village, and it's supply is "strangled," McCullough added.

Meanwhile, the Inn has run it's own water line to the property from a tribal well. It was installed about

three weeks ago, he said. "We haven't been the easiest to deal with when it comes to permits and red tape with the village," he also admitted.

Also addressing the Mescalero Inn annexation was Paul Brill, the acting BIA superintendent at Mescalero, who said the village's protest of the Mescalero Inn annexation was a slam. He called the written protest "a 15-and-a-half-page distribe, about three-fourths of the items so colored by misin-

formation it concerned me." But Brill closed his comments by omplimenting the meeting.
"I think this is history here, and

I hope it bodes well for the future. he said. "I beg you to be honest in your assessments and honest in your condemnation."

At that point, county commission Chairman Montes rose to the podium to say Chino's information was good, but next time, he wanted discussions to involve significant is sues like the tribe's nuclear waste.

storage project and economic development in Lincoln County.

County Commissioner Wilton Howell was the first to the podium when Chino finished his report.

"I haven't been talked to like this since the third grade in the principal's office for three hours for omething I didn't do," Howell cracked.

He commended Chine for being an effective leader, but added. There's a feeling out there yeu provide a lot, but are not doing much to take care of the residues of cambling."

Community Bible Study begins in Roswell

The Tuesday Evening Com-munity Bible Study in Roswell will host "An Information Night Ice Gream Party" at 7 p.m. Tuesday. Aug. 20 at the Enchanted Lands Park Pavillon at the corner of Riverside and Ganoncito.

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Study, an well as past members, are Nazarene, West Eighth and invited to attend.

Sycamore, The topic for this year's study is The Gospel of Mark and Paul's Letter to the Ephesians.

> For more information call Patrick Woelfel at 622-6583 or Rick Hale at 628-4110, or attend the Information Night Ica Cream Party.

Martin Castillo

Martin Castillo, 26, of Ruidoso Downs, died Aug. 6 in Ruidoso Downs.

A funeral mass was at 9:30 a.m. Friday, Aug. 9 at LaGrone Funeral Chapel The Rev. Mr. Ben Vigil of St. Eleanor's Catholic Church of-

ficiated. A rosmy was held Thurs- Downs the last five years.

Martin was born April 9, 1970 in Chihuahua, Mexico to Miguel and Alcia Morene Castille. Both parents survive him.

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He married Lucy Castillo on Sept. 29, 1994 in El Paso, Texas, Martin had worked in construction and had lived in Ruidoso

Survivora include his wife; one daughter, Irocema Castillo: one son, Ezequiel Castillo; one brither, Miguel Castillo; and six eleters, Maria Ramirez, Martha Chairecz, Irma Lazcano, Bertha Castillo, Martinez, Alma and Ernandez.

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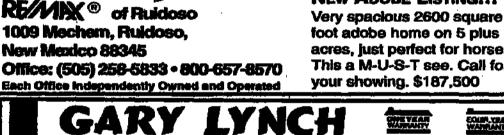
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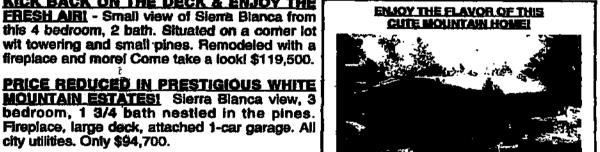
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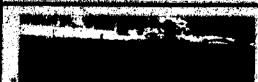
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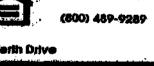
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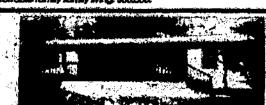




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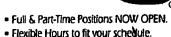
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I. CALL TO ORDER II. ROLL CALLINTRODUCTIONS III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES-JULY 18, 1998 IV. NEW BUSINESS

A. Commission Review Plat - Pro-posed Subdivision - Eagle Craek Acres, Unit 1 - White Mountain Develnent Co. B. Commission Review Plat - Pro-led Subdivision of Baxter Estate -Brady Baxter, Mike Jones, Agent

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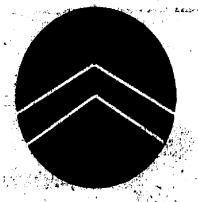
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 Capitan fall
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 start Monday
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Entertainment



John Castruccio grinds fresh coffee for the Lincoln County Pony Express Trail Ride chuckwagon dinner Sunday.

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Lincoln County cowboy chases his great American dream. page 8B

WHAT'S HAPPENING



GLADRAGS, 207 Eagle Drive, Ruidoso, 257-3753 — Classical guitarist Tomas Vigil will perform at 7-10 p.m. Friday.

BORDERLINE RAMBLERS — perform bluegrass and folk music at 8:30 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 10 on the Tailgate Stage in the upper parking lot at the Space Center in Alamogordo. For more information call (505) 437-2202.

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SCREAMING EAGLE LOUNGE, ENCHANTMENT INN MOTEL, Hwy. 70, Ruidoso Downs, 378-4051 — Weazel performs every Wednesday through Saturday night and some Sundays. This one-man band plays everything from pop to country.

THE TEXAS HOUSE, 2811 Sudderth, Ruidoso, 257-3506 — Live music every Friday and Saturday. Open all night Friday and Saturday. Teddi Sullivan plays a wide variety of music on keyboards many nights; other musicians scheduled throughout the summer.

TINNIE'S SILVER DOLLAR SALOON, Tinnie, 653-4425 — Sunday afternoon concerts on the veranda approximately once per month. Call for dates.

CREE MEADOWS COUNTRY CLUB, 301 Country Club Dr., Ruldoup, 257-2732 — 6 p.m. Thursdays and Fridays and 7 p.m. Saturdays, "Keri" will be playing most weekends. Keri plays a

variety of dining and dancing music from the 1930s and beyond.

CAFE MESCALERO, 1 mile north of Inn of the Mountain Gods — Los Tres Romanticos, mariachi music, from 6 p.m. to 9 p.m. every Friday and Saturday night through Labor Day.

MESCALERO NIGHTCLUB, 1 mile north of the inn of the Mountain Gods, next to Cafe Mescalero, 247-6695 — 8 p.m. - closed Friday and Saturday, dance music with DJ. Also, stand-up/comedy showcase at 9 p.m. every Saturday with \$3 admission.



ALL AMERICAN PHOTOGRAPHY
EXHIBITION - wine and cheese
reception with awards presentation at
6-8 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 10 at the
Museum of the Horse in Ruidoso
Downs. Free for members and participants, \$10 for non-members. The
show opens full-time on Sunday, Aug.
11. At 2 p.m. Sunday, Aug. 11, "Jurors
Choice." The judges of the All
American Photography Exhibition will
explain judging procedures and techniques, using examples from the
entries for the exhibition. Show runs
through Sept. 22.

ALL AMERICAN CUSTOM BIKE SHOW - noon to 5 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 10 at Ruidoso Downs Race Track. The public is invited to view a variety of custom motorcycles.

Wil.D HORSE REMOVAL—The Federation to Rescue Endangered Enquines will remove 30 wild horses from the White Sands Missile Range near Alamogordo on Saturday, Aug. 10 and take them to a wild horse sanctuary in Shingletown, Calif. The group seeks sponsors for the \$38/month cost of keeping a horse at the sanctuary. Call 916/429-2457 for more information.

SILENT AUCTION — noon to 8 p.m. Sunday, Aug. 11 at St. Eleanor Catholic Church. The event will feature an enchilada dinner. Adults \$5 and children \$3. All money raised will benefit efforts such as Meals on Wheels, the guild's echolarship fund, and other St. Eleanor projects.

RECEPTION FOR ARTIST DAVE MCGARY — 1-5 p.m. Sunday, Aug. 11 at McGary Studios Expressions in Bronze Gallery, 2002 Sudderth Drive, Ruidoso. McGary will reveal two new images, "The Rainmaker" and "Young Men of the Enemy Fear His Horses." For more information call 257-3790 or 600-687-3424.

PRESCHOOL MANUNIZATIONS—8:30 a.m. to 11 a.m. and 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. Mondays on Aug. 12, 19 and 26. Other appointments must be acheduled in advance with the immunization nume, Public Health Office, 106 Kansas City Road, Ruidoso. Gall 258-3252. Immunizations for children 0-18 years of age are free.

BR LEOARD SPONSORSHIP CONTEST — for all businesses with current Fluidoso business licenses.
Official entry forms will be available at the Chamber Office, 720 Suddent Dr.,

beginning Monday, Aug. 12, and will be accepted through Aug. 23. The drawing for the four business categories will be on Monday, Aug. 26. This biliboard is located at the intersection of Highways 48/70 (aka "Y") and sponsorship will be \$550 per year payable within five business days of the drawing. Businesses do not have to be a member of the chamber. For more information, call 257-7395.

CLINIC FOR CAPITAN SCHOOL.

DISTRICT SUBSTITUTE TEACHERS

— 6 p.m. Tuesday, Aug. 13 in the board room of the administration building on the Capitan Schools campus. New and returning substitutes should plan to attend. Persons interested in substituting in the Capitan Schools should contact the Superintendent's office for an application as soon as possible.

FREE "BEHIND THE SCENES HACETRACK TOUR" — 10 a.m. Wednesday, Aug. 14. Observe horses being exercised, learn procedures at the starting gate, visit the barn area and visit with a trainer. Meet east of the Ruidoso Downs grandstand area (near the starting gate).

BOOKMOBILE — Wednesday, Aug. 14 at various locations: 8:45-10 a.m. at Nogal Post Office; 10:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. at Capitan Smokey Bear Cafe; 2-3 p.m. at Lincoln Post Office; and 3:30-4:30 p.m. at Hondo Store.

ACUPRESSURE LECTURE — 7-8 p.m. Wednesday, Aug. 14 at the Centre for the Healing Arts in Ruidoso. The lecture will be given by Carolyn Meyer, Call 257-7555 to register.

COSMIC VOYAGE— debuts at the Imax theater in the Space Center in Alamogordo on Thursday, Aug. 15. The film shows the worders of the cosmos.

GED TEST — 8:30 a.m. Friday, Aug. 16, at the ENMU-Ruidoso instructional Center, 709 Mechem Drive, Ruidoso. Cost is \$20 in advance. Offered each month and no pre-test is necessary. GED classes start Aug. 27. For more information, contact the ENMU office at 257-2120 (local) or 1-800-934-9668 outside of the Ruidoso/Capitan area.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED — Eastern New Mexico Area Agency on Aging's Ombudeman Program is looking for volunteers to become advocates for residents of long-term care facilities in this area. Anyone interested call (505) 752-6228 or 1-800-432-2080.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED—Lincoln County Food Bank needs volunteers to help serve food from noon to 4 p.m. on Mondays, Wedneedays and Fridays. The food bank provides food for people in need. To volunteer call James Lanfor at 257-5598 or Gary Dean at 257-2281.

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

RUNDONO DOWNS RACE TRACK—Live racing Friday - Sunday and simulcasts. Call 378-4431 for times.



Clabs & Meetings

ALPINE VILLAGE SANITATION DIS-TRICT --- 8:30 a.m. Saturday, Aug. 10 at Eastern New Mexico University-Ruidoso. Area residents welcome to attend. Call 257-5783 for more information.

p.m. Sunday, Aug. 11 at the social center of the Good Samantan Village, 3011 Buena Vida Circle, Las Cruces. A donation of \$5 per person is requested to delray meeting costs. For more information call (505) 522-4667.

RUIDOSO DOWNS VILLAGE COUN-CIL --- 7 p.m. Monday, Aug. 12. Agenda includes burn permit for Wal-Mart Stores.

RUIDOSO FEDERATED WOMEN'S
CLUB — book review with polluck and
card games at 11 a.m. Monday, Aug.
12 at The Women's Club, 111 S.
Evergreen. Dorie Svetoka will review
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Please bring a covered dish. A \$5
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ANNEXATION AD HOC COMMITTEE

— 9 a.m. Tuesday, Aug. 13 at

Ruidoso Village Half.

RUDDGO VILLAGE COUNCIL — 6:30 p.m. Tuesday, Aug. 13 at Rudoso Village Hall.

NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF RETIRED FEDERAL EMPLOYEES—annual polluck picnic at noon Tuesday, Aug. 13 at Cedar Creek Picnic Area in Lincoln National Forest next to Ruidoso, Meat, breed and drinks will be furnished. Please bring a salad, vegetable or desert.

THE ROBWELL AREA MULTIPLE
SCLEROSIS SUPPORT GROUP will
hold it's regular meeting at 11:30 s.m.
Tuesday, Aug. 13 at the Mason Jer
Restaurant. The guest speaker will be
Rex Smith, area director for the
National Multiple Sciences Society. All
persons with MS, their friends and
families are invited to attend, For more
information, call Barbara May at 5238332.

LIBRARY BOARD — noon Wednesday, Aug. 14 at the Ruidoso Public Library.

EAGLE CREEK WATER ASSOCIATION — 6:30 p.m. Wednesday, Aug. 14 at Capitan Village Hall.

LINCOLN COUNTY MEDICAL CEN-TER BOARD OF TRUSTIES — 6 p.m. Thursday, Aug. 15 in the hospital conference room. The agenda will be available at the administrator's office on Monday Aug. 12.



RUIDOSO PUBLIC LIBRARY, 501 Junction Pid., 257-4335.



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SHERRA CINEMA, Ruidowo, 257-9445 — "Phenomenon," "Matilde," "A Time to Kill," Call theater for show times and ratings.



Theater

"STAR SPANGLED GIRL" — a comedy performed by Fluidoso Little
Theater at the Castle on Highway 70
West. Performances at 8 p.m. every
Thursday-Sunday in August, Matines
performances at 3 p.m. on Sundays,
Aug. 18 and 25. Tickets are \$7 for
adults, and \$5 for seniors and children
12 and under. Reservations may be
made with Ruidoso Chamber of
Commerce at 257-7305.



SHOOTING COMPETITION— Saturday and Sunday, Aug. 10 and 11 at the Capitan Gun Club's high power shooting range east of the village off U.S. 380. The competition is an NRA registered planta match. For more information call 354-2859.

FREE LINE DANCING LESSONS — 10-11:30 a.m. on Mondays beginning Aug. 12. Classes will be at the Ruidoso Senior Center behind the public library at 501 1/2 Junction Road.

REGISTRATION FOR FALL GYM-NASTICS CLASSES — 6-7 p.m. Thursdays, Aug. 15 and 29, at the Ruidoso Gymnastics Building in Agua Fria. For more information call 378-

WHITE SANDS NATIONAL MONU-MENT, Alamogordo, (505) 479-6124 - 8:30 p.m. Friday, Aug. 9 evening program: "Star Talk." 8:30 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 10 & 15 evening progrant: "Chinushuan Desert Plants and Animals." 8:30 p.m. Sunday, Aug. 11 evening program: "Perseid Meteor Shower Weich." 8:30 p.m. Monday, Aug. 12 evening program: "New Mexico's Frontier Forts." 8:30 p.tri, .. Tugeday, Aug. 13 evening program: "Land of Lost Borders," 5:30 p.m. Wathaday, Aug. 14 evening program: "Desert Semephore." Sunset Stroll Nature Walk every night at 6:45 p.m. from Seturday, Aug. 10 through Saturday, Aug. 17. The paintings of artist Dan Stouter will be on display Aug. 10 through Sept. 1. For more information call (505) 479-

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

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into Lincoln A glimpse County's past, compiled from lecal newspapers by Polly E. Chavez.

Ruidoso News Aug. 9, 1946

Every town has growing peins. Ruidoso has them in due degree just as in other places where progress collides with inertia: Liur needs are many, Some are beginning to be filled. A good water system is now being installed. Bonds have been voted and soon we will have an adequate high school. Our fire protection will be vastly improved as soon as firepluge have been installed. All this is good. But...

We need a sewer system. We need some telephone service. What we have now cannot be commended. When a man can hop into his car and drive to Roswell and back in less time than he can get through a long distance call; its pretty had. Of course there are extenuating circumstances, there's been a war on, equipment and materials have been and still are difficult to get. But a monopoly should serve community and not impede it.

...This mountain slope on which we live is the finest place in the Southwest. But there's nothing so good that it cannot be improved upon.

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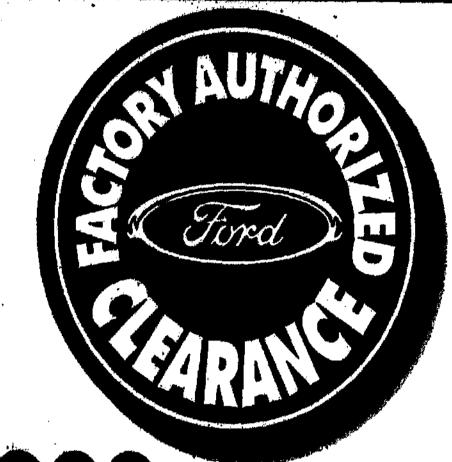
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ENTERTAINMENT

Delivering a history lesson Three-day trail ride honors the traditions of the Pony Express

by JOANNA DODDER **Ruidoso News Editor**

The Lincoln County countryside looked as green as Ireland last weekend as dozens of riders honored the tradition of the Pony Express riders.

They didn't go quite as fast as the Pony Express riders in 1860, who crossed more than 2,000 miles in 10 days or less; but that gave them more time to admire the beauty of the land between White Oaks and Lincoln, and think about the history they were reliving.

Until last year, the Pony Express ride every August in Lincoln County was a wild race between experienced riders. Horses and riders were often injured. By 1994 only one team was bold enough to enter, and animal activists were on organizers' tails, related Roland Caster.

That's when the Lincoln County Sheriff's Posse was asked to take over. The posse made it a three-day ride instead of a race.

"That way more people can experience the Old West," said Caster, who is president of the posse.

'What we're trying to salvage is the tradition of the Old West," Caster explained. "We have a lot of tradition in our society that could be lost forever."

Walter Haskell of Alameda,

the oldest Lincoln County Pony Express rider this year, was thankful for the slower pace.

"It's as green as Ireland." Haskell said after the secondday's ride. He heard of the ride through an ad in Horsemen's Voice magazine. Although it was easier than galloping, the riders still traveled up to 32 miles a day, prompting Haskell to joke he needed some moleskin on his saddle side.

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ROLAND CASTER LINCOLN COUNTY SHERIFF'S Posse President

Other riders came from places like Georgia, El Paso and Odessa, Texas.

The ride started in White Oaks with the same oath Alexander Majors required Pony Express riders to take 136 years ago: an oath against cussing, fighting or drinking on the trail. And they were each given a Bible to carry, like the original Pony Express riders.

Castor figures those Bibles

may have been the reason God blessed them with fair weather. They didn't get rained on like many other parts of the county last weekend.

The only rain drops to hit the riders lasted two minutes, said ride leader Joe Smith.

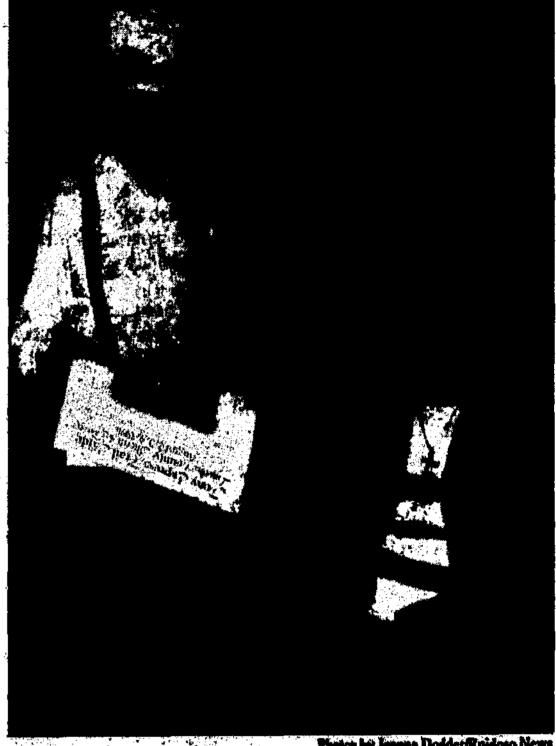
Smith, a rancher all his life, represents the toughness that epitomized the original Pony Express riders; he tore some ligaments in his leg a few days before the ride began, but rode along anyway and said the injury wasn't bothering him.

"I've had more bones broke than I have fingers and toes,' Smith said.

Nearly 100 people joined the riders for the biggest social event of their weekend, a chuckwagon dinner at an old pavilion at Fort Stanton Saturday. There, the riders faced their only hitch; despite several assurances everything was taken care of, state officials never turned on the electric power.

Of course, nothing can stop the Pony Express. They found a few generators and solved the problem.

After some hearty stew and homemade ice cream, Pony Express riders and friends sat down to some musical entertainment, jokes from actor Richard Farnsworth (also a posse member), and poetry by Walt



Photos by Jenna Dodder/Roidoso News

This year's oldest Pony Express rider, Walter Haskell of Alameda, gets artist Bert Seabourn to sign his commemorative poster. Seaboum's work graces the poster.

Birdsong.

When darkness set in, it wasn't long before the riders settled into their beds so they could get up early and hit the trail to Lincoln, delivering the mail by 10:30 a.m. Sunday and then joining the Old Lincoln

Days parade.

Tim Rich was among those ready to hit the sack early.

"I got a hurt in my little toe a minute ago, and that's the first feeling in my leg in 24 hours," cracked Rich before walking off into the darkness.



Chuckwagon head cook A.D. Powers, Pony Express Ride leader Joe Smith, and Lincoln County Sheriff's Posse President Roland Caster talk about the day's ride Saturday."



White Oaks cowboy poet Walt Birdsong entertains the crowd at Satunday's Pony Express Ride chuckwagon dinner. Birdsong, who is hard of hearing, said he came up with the "Cowboy Pope" idea when he thought his wife said "cowboy pope" instead of "cowboy poet."

ENTERTAINMENT

Open house features McGary's latest work HAPPENINGS

Artist Dave McGary premieres two new images, "The Rainmaker" bronze and book and "Young Men of the Enemy Fear His Horses" masterwork, at his Ruidoso gallery Sunday.

The open house runs from 1 p.m. to 5 p.m. Aug. 11 at Expressions in Bronze Gallery/McGary Studios.

"The Rainmaker" bronze is a bered book will feature a retrospec-nine feet. tive of McGary's work over the past 22 years.

Fear His Horses" masterwork fea- ment. It is scheduled for unveiling

bronze sculptural portraits of Na- to the Astrodome. tive Americans. A master of McGary's work was also excorporations. museums. numerous private world.

feet high and 22 feet long and was contributions to the arts.

ART SCENE

installed in September 1992. In July of 1995, the "Free Spirits of Noisy Water" monument was installed at the Museum of the Horse in Ruidoso Downs. It depicts eight Hunkpapa Sioux warrior seated on horses representing seven breeds. boulders, and the limited edition 255 feet in length, running through book is enclosed in the walnut base. 'a natural landscape. Each horse The bronze and book will be avail- weighs 3,000-5,000 pounds and all able in May 1997. The signed num-eight horses are balanced on only

"Touch the Clouds," a seven-foottall Miniconjou chief, will be the The "Young Men of the Enemy subject of McGary's newest monutures the Ogiala Sioux warrior in February 1998 at the Houston standing next to his fully painted Astrodome at the beginning of the war horse, both poised to go into Houston Livestock Show and Rodeo. It is 30 feet tall and 15 feet McGary is best known for his wide and will stand at the entrance

realism, he has worked in three hibited in a one-man show at the dimensional art since his early Russell Senate Rotunda in Washyouth. His works are included in ington, D.C. in 1993. He was and selected as the only artist in the collections United States to personally exhibit throughout the U.S. and around the in the United Nations Environment Programme's exhibit, "Art and the His monument "The Founding of Earth - A Dialogue with Nature." Santa Fe" was commissioned by the As further recognition of his work, city of Santa Fe to depict Don Pedro McGary was given the New



de Peralta and his engineer. It is 18 Mexican of the Year Award for his Dave McGary's "Touch the Clouds" will be the artist's newest monument: It's scheduled for unveiling in February 1998 in Houston.

Strumming for the stage

The Fluidoso Little Theatre's benefit concert at its new home in the Castle raised \$1,400 for Lincoln County's only performing arts group. Patric Carille, left, and Randy Jones, right, were just two of the entertainers who took the stage Aug. 1. Another \$6,000 was raised through generous donations from the community. The current FILT show is Nell Simon's comedy, "Star Spangled Girl," which opened Thursday night. To reserve tickets, call 257-7395. Tickets are \$7 for adults, \$5 for seniors.

Silent auction and enchilada dinner Sunday at church

A silent auction will be hosted by the St. Eleanor Catholic Church Women's Guild from noon to 8 p.m. Sunday, Aug. 11.

The event will also feature an enchilada dinner. Adults can eat for \$5 and children for \$3. The menu will consist of enchiladas, refried beans, rice, salsa and chips, a variety of dessert, and iced tea. Dinner will be served until 7:30 p.m.

During the annual silent auction, people can bid for a variety of merchandise donated by local businesses and individuals, All money raised will benefit efforts such as Meals on Wheels, the Scholarship Fund, and other St. Eleanor projects.

All members of the community are invited to attend this dinner and silent auction.

Book review at Women's Club meeting Monday

Doris Svetoka will review the book "Out To Pasture (But Not Over The Hill)" by Effie L. Wilder at 11 a.m. Monday, Aug. 12 at the Ruidoso Women's Club, 111 S. Evergreen.

A potluck and card games will also be on the agenda with the book Teview.

Svetoka is a well-known book reviewer in the Southwest. She lives in El Paso, and Ruidoso is the Svetokas' summer residence.

Attendees are asked to bring a covered dish A \$5 donation is suggested for the R.H.S. Student Scholarship Fund.

Meteor shower viewing Sunday at White Sands

The dark skies above White Sands National Monument in the Tularosa Basin provide an excellent setting to view the night sky. On Sunday, Aug. 11, the National Monument will hold a Perseid Meteor Shower Watch.

The Perseid Meteor Shower is reputed to be one of the best annual meteor showers. In good years, 40 to 50 meteors an hour can be seen.

The program will begin at 8:30 p.m. with a slide program discussing the origin and nature of meteors, followed by two hours of meteor viewing.

CRIMESTOPPERS "CRIME OF THE WEEK"

The Ruidoso-Lincoln County Crime Stoppers will pay up to \$1,000 for information that leads to the arrest and Grand Jury indictment or Magistrate Court Bindover of the person or persons who committed this crime or any other unsolved felony crime in Lincoln County. Let's work together to call a stop to crime.

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Legislative Update: Graffiti

The New México State Legislature has passed an amendment to the panalties for persons who commit the crime of graffiti, effective July 1, 1995. This new law states that whoever commits the crime of graffiti to real or personal property when the damage is greater than one thousand dollars is guilty of a fourth degree felony and shall be required to perform one hundred-sixty hours of community service within a continuous eight month periad immediately following his/her conviction and shall be required to make restitution to the property owner for the cost of damages and restitution as a condition of probation or foltowing any term of incarceration as a condition of parole. A fourth degree felony as defined in New Mexico State Statute is any crime punishable by eighteen months incarceration in a state penal institution, a five thousand dollar fine, or both.

Don't allow your participation in this senseless crime ruin your future.

The Crimestoppers phone line is manned twenty-four hours a day, seven days a week, and you do not have to give your name to be eligible for a cash reward. The Crimestoppers phone number is 257-4545. Anyone wishing to call collect, may do so with-In Lincoln County.

This is Chief Lanny Maddox, for the Ruidoso Police Department, urging you to be a crimestopper!

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ENTERTAINMENT

Laughs continue at the Nightclub

Professional comedian Patrick Candelaria lights up the Mescalero Nightclub at the Stand Up Comedy Showcase this Saturday, Aug. 10.

Candelaria is a six-year veteran of the comedy stage. His friendly, easy-going stage presence has made him a favorite in several cities throughout Southwest. the organizers said. He has headlined shows in Albuquerque, Tucson, San Antonio and, of course, in his native El Paso, His meteoric rise to headliner was preceded by four years as a stage actor and amusement park juggler/magician. Candelaria will also be appearing in this fall's movie "Last Man Standing" with Patrick Candelaria Bruce Willis.

musician/songwriter and recording forms regularly around southern artist Bob Diven from Las Cruces. New Mexico. His original music is Diven performs original songs that available on two cassettes: "Boat in tell stories that are "true, but not the Water," and "Steel Rail/Split necessarily factual." Born in Illinois Skunk," both available from the but raised in New Mexico. Diven artist. accompanies himself on guitar singing such tunes as "Steel Rail/Split is opener Teddy Aspen. This crazy Skunk Blues," a song which com- man from Albuquerque is also a lopares love to the fate of an un- cal disc jockey. Teddy incorporates fortunate skunk that lingered too a little magic into each of his long on a railroad track. Diven has shows, always inviting members of been a regular guest on KRWG-FM the audience to participate in his Public Radio's "The Back Porch performances. His impersonation of



Featured performer is comic with host Dave Brower," and per-

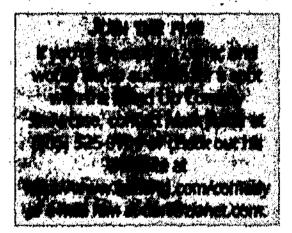
Coming down from Albuquerque

Marge and Homer Simpson's sex life may turn you off from sex permanently, but it will leave you laughing.

The Stand Up Comedy Showcase takes place at 9 p.m. every Saturday at the Mescalero Inn Nightclub/ Doors open at 8 p.m. and the cover charge is \$3.

If you stay after the show and talk with the entertainers, you can dance the night away with Mix Master Mike, who plays everything from techno to disco to rock in roll to country.

The Stand Up Comedy Showcase is produced by the Dona Ana Repertory Theatre in Las Cruces, which is is dedicated to bringing professional entertainment to the Southwest and allowing up-andcoming local citizens the opportunity to perform with profes-





Old Lincoln

The Last Escape of Billy the Kid" was performed on an outdoor stage last weekend as part of the Old Lincoln Days in Lincoln, in photo above, the Murphy/Dolan men shoot down the Regulators as they try to escape from the burning McSween house. At right, Billy the Kid (John Shrecengost) makes his escape from the courthouse and reluctantly shoots his friendly guard, Deputy J.W. Bell (Lee Crandalli



The movie "War in Lincoln County," filmed all in Lincoln about Lincoln Lincoln history, will be shown on TBS (Turner Broadcasting System) Saturday, Aug. 17. There will be a sneak preview held at the Lincoln County Heritage Trust the evening of Aug. 16.

This has been a pusy summer and it seems we have missed a lot of activities. One thing we missed was the 50th anniversary of The Ruldoso News and the party for Dan Storm. Congratulations Dan. See you at the pageant practices.

The Dolan House museum is now open. Also, the old-time photographers are busy at the Curry Saloon ice cream parlor. The photographers are having a ball, Lincoin is also getting ready for the upcoming "Old Lincoln Days." It is a Lincoln water system. busy little town.

The Lincoln County Heritage. Trust celebrated its 25th anniversary recently with various activities, including a tour of the Tunstall killing site, tours in town, barbeque and special presentations.

We had a surprise visitor this month. Doug Miller and friend dropped in for a short visit. They were on their way to Scattle, where Capitan to help them celebrate. Doug will be in the photography husiness. He had been in New York the past two years and loved it. He was doing all kinds of photography there. He said he had 125 rolls of film of New York that he had not developed yet.

There are two book signings scheduled in Lincoln this fall, Mr. will be Aug. 24 in Ruidoso. Paul DeGolyer will be signing his book Hutton will be the guest speaker. on the "Santa Fe Trail - mid 1840" Aug. 10 and Mr. Cramer will be Lincoln County War?" signing "Seven Rivers." More on this next week.

photography show to be held at the Museum of the Horse in August. even more beautiful when framed. The club now has 19 members.

visitors to Lincoln recently. They busy. The council met at Carrizozo. are looking for a home in Lincoln in the same townhouse complex,

Day a sentence was left out. It County Fair.

By Rosalie Dunlap

should have said the church choir from Capitan furnished the music, then the list of names.

Our sympathies to Shirley Steily, our next door neighbor. Her daughter died recently in North Carolina.

Jen Ramey and N.E. Britton were callers in Lincoln recently. Ken witched a future well for the

Sam Hammond is home from the hospital. He was visiting in Lincoln Sunday. Nice to have you back, Sam. Grady Eldridge is doing fine in spite of all his health problems. You can't keep a good man down.

Emma Jean and Fletcher Hall celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary last week. Friends and family gathered at their home in

The Lincoln County Historical Society Board met at the Gallegos house this month. They will now be open on Thursday for archival days. So if you want to do any research, you can come to Lincoln on Thurs-

The next meeting of the society He will speak on "Who Won the

The Pony Express Committee has posters celebrating the event The Photography Club of Lincoln on sale at La Piacita and the en-County is busy with the upcoming velopes at the Stagecoach Cafe. The poster is of excellent quality and is

The Family Community and Ed-Al and Lee Booky have been ucation clubs and council have been

The La Junta Club met at the County. They are now living in Ros- San Patricio Senior Citizens Cenwell. They and Pam McArthur live ter. Plans were made for the bake sale during the Old Lincoln Days In my column on the San Juan and for the upcoming Lincoln

Bluegrass band to perform

The Borderline Ramblers perform on the Tailgate Stage at 8:30 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 10 in the upper parking lot at the Space Center in Alamogordo.

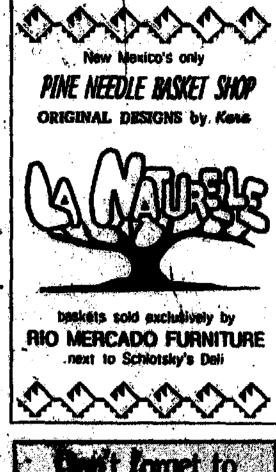
You can fill your car with people, bring your lawn chairs and your dinner, and purchase a parkingspace for \$18.

Leading the Borderline Ramblers is Virginia native Steve Smith on mandolin, guitar and vocals. He brings more than 15 years of touring experience to the Ramblers.

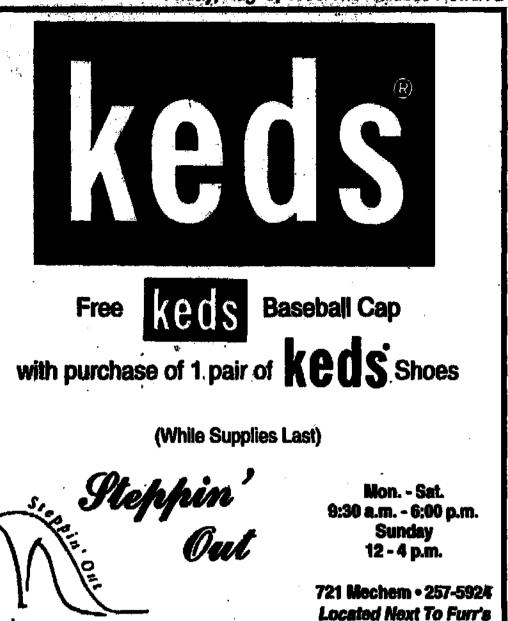
Jane Horton, vocals and guitar, is comfortable on any stage, with vocal styles ranging from traditional, folk and blues to big band and jazz to classical art songs.

Gordon Butler, fiddle and vocals, is principal second violin in the Las Cruces Symphony and also plays in the western swing group, the Desperados, as well as in the Steve Smith Quintet.

Bob Hull is also a member of the Steve Smith Quintet and the most recent addition to the Ramblers.

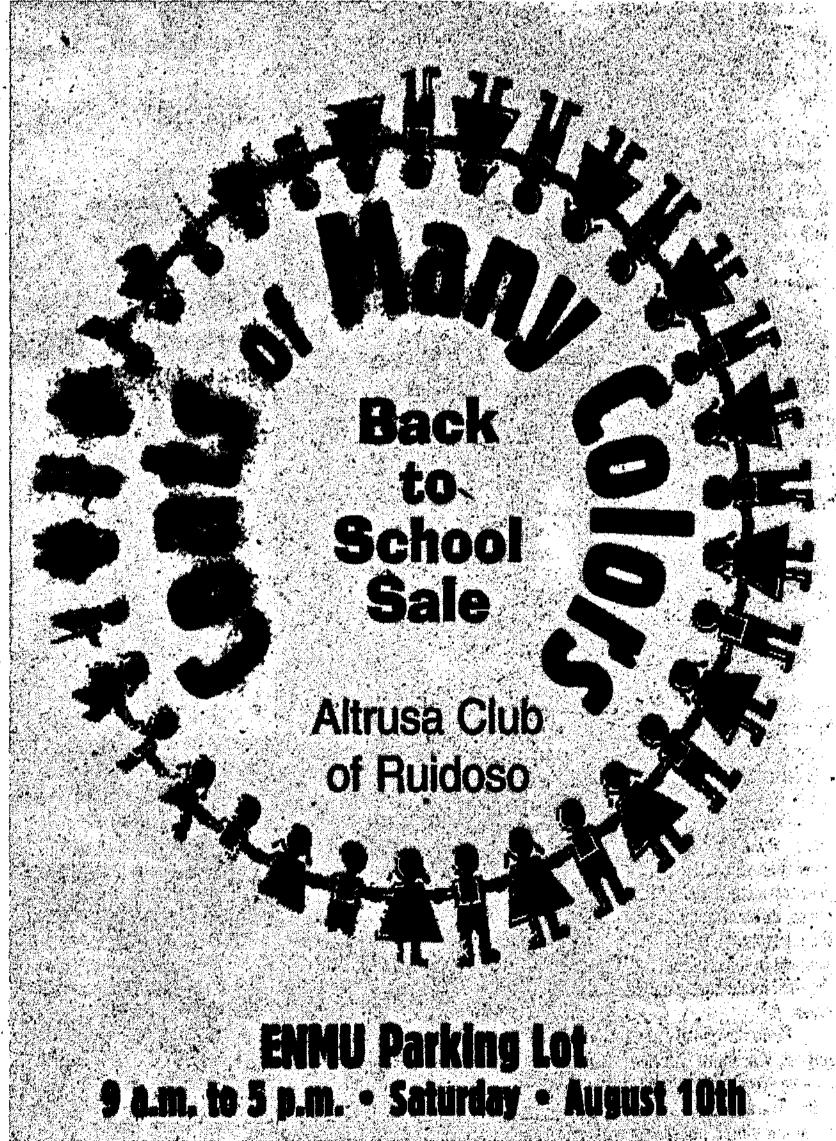


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Lincoln County Cowboy Chases His Great American Dream

Saddle bronc rider Justen Washburn is on a mission that will hopefully lead him to the promised land — National Finals Rodeo

by LAURA CLYMER

Ruidoso News Sports Writer
Justen Washburn's dream chase

has pulled him in every direction—north, west, south and east. It's taken him as far north as Ponoka, Canada and then across most of America to towns like Sydney, Iowa, and Sikeston, Mo., Hermiston, Ore. and Okeechobee, Fla.

He'd go just about anywhere and travel all night if it meant getting closer to the final destination, that dream spot. In the last year alone he's criss-crossed more than 110,000 miles of American and Canadian landscape.

The 26-year-old Capitan High School graduate hangs onto to his goal with a grip as tight as the one he uses when he climbs aboard an ornery steed for saddle bronc competition.

Where would Washburn find himself if he were to catch his dream?

He would wake up in glitzy Las Vegas, Nev. for the gritty rodeo every cowboy hopes to be in — the National Finals Rodeo (NFR).

The sacrifices Washburn has made to achieve his goal of making the National Finals Rodeo in saddle bronc riding might lead some to think he's certifiably crazy.

It's an argument that can be made. Consider these points:

— Washburn and his travel buddy, Ryan Mapston, will log more than 100,000 road miles in a year traveling to rodeos in various towns, many of them widespots in the highway. They'll drive all day, compete in the rodeo, and then hit the road immediately for the next rodeo:

- From the end of June through August, Washburn will compete in a rodeo every day — sometimes two a day. The schedule slows down a bit in the winter, but not much;

- Every time he competes, a bred-to-buck, 1,200-pound horse

will try its darndest to remove Washburn from its back. Washburn then encourages the horse by spurring it to jump, twist and pitch.

He's not crazy; just enamored.
"You've got to love it to do it,"
says Washburn of his profession.
"It's pretty much all I ever wanted
to do."

Washburn's parents, Royce and Joanne, raised their son on a ranch where Justen got plenty of exposure to the cowboy way of life. And Royce is a veteran of the rodeo circuit. The senior Washburn used to ride bulls and compete in calf roping.

Justen fell right in step, attending junior rodeos when he was just five years old.

"It's been a way of life," Washburn says.

He continued to hone his skills, participating in high school rodeo. Not only did he ride bulls and saddle broncs, but Washburn also climbed aboard highstrung racehorses as a jockey. At a slight 5-foot, 6-inches and 120 pounds, Washburn raced horses at the state fairgrounds his junior and senior years at Capitan.

After graduating in 1988, Washburn was a "ride-on" to the Eastern New Mexico University rodeo team. His first-year performance earned Washburn a full-ride scholarship for his final three years of eligibility at ENMU.

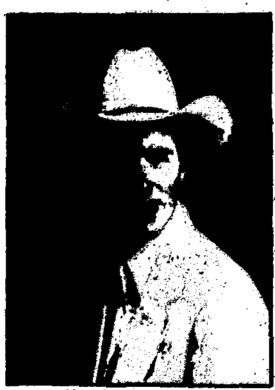
The college rodeo media guides probably listed agricultural business as Washburn's academic study, but in reality, he admits he majored "pretty much in rodeo" those four years.

During those college years, Washburn grew up, literally. By the end of his four years at ENMU, Washburn was six inches taller than when he first enrolled and 55 pounds heavier.

"A lot of the people I graduated with (from high school) wouldn't



Justen scored 83 points during this ride on Pappa Smurt in Calgary, Canada this year.



Justen Washburn

recognize me," Washburn said. Now, at 6-0 and 175, Washburn is a little tall for a saddle bronc

rider. The ideal height would 5-8 to 5-10, he says.

It wasn't enough to deter Washburn from concentrating on saddle bronc riding. His senior year at ENMU was a successful one. Washburn won the 1994 regional championships in saddle bronc riding and all-around competitions. He closed out his college career competing in the National College Finals in Bozeman, Mont.

Washburn's senior year success was a sign.

"That was a kind of a stepping



As a sophomore, Justen competed in the state high school rodeo finals. He went on to ride for Eastern New Mexico University where he was a regional all-around champion by his senior year.

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Ten-year-old Justen won the all-around competition in the New Mexico Junior Rodeo Association.



Justen when he was a licensed lockey riding racehorses at the New Mexico State Fairgrounds.

stone, indicating that I might have what it took," Washburn recalls.

So Washburn won the required \$2,500 in prize money and bought his permit, making him a professional rodeoer.

The four-year pro has earned about \$23,000 in prize money this year, enough to keep him on the road with some cash in the bank.

Only rodeo's best can rely on sponsors for financial supplement.

"It's hard for a newcomer," says
Washburn, who is just reaching the
peak age for saddle bronc riders.
"They don't really want to take a
chance on a newcomer. You have to
prove yourself unless you can find
someone who believes in you."

In order to reach the NFR, Washburn needs to be a top 15 money leader in saddle bronc riding.

After a good first quarter, Washburn was in the top 15. But the summer hasn't been as generous, The way he sees it, he's riding a three-week slump.

"If your horse doesn't buck, it's pretty hard to score good," Wash-burn said at his parents ranch Wednesday.

In saddle brone riding; the rider



Justen graduated from Capitan High School in 1988.

tries to hold onto one rein for eight seconds. In that time frame, he's graded by two judges for the rhythm of his feet (the back and forth spurring motion) and how well he spurs the horse, also known as "how much iron" he puts into the horse. Horses are judged for how high they kick and how well they buck.

Saddle brone riders are slaves to the luck of the draw. Horses are as-

signed randomly.

"We pretty much know the horses. Yeah, there are always those that we want to draw," Washburn says. "You don't want one who spins because they are harder to spur. You want a horse that kicks high and jumps high."

The judges give points ranging from one to 25, making a top possible score of 100.

Washburn scored a 77 Tuesday



Justen's kindergarten picture

night in Lovington, a ride he hopes will break him out of his slump.

"I haven't had any good luck in the last three weeks. I hope I broke it (the bad luck) last night," Washburn said.

Washburn then drove home to Capitan from the Lovington rodeo and arrived at 2 a.m. The visit was brief; by noon he and Mapston were back in Mapston's 1991 Dodge Cummins with a camper, and on the road to Colorado Springs for another date with yet another rodeo.

After Colorado Springs, Washburn's grueling schedule for the next week reads something like this: Thursday, Sikeston, Mo.; Friday, Hermiston, Ore.; Saturday, Omak, Wash.; Sunday, Colorado Springs; Monday, off; and Tuesday, Canby, Ore.

It's the road time that wears on Washburn and concerns his mother, Joanne.

"It's fine with me (that he rodeos). You know, I worry more about him on the road than in the arena," says mom. "He needs to do it while he can."

His travels have taken him to many places where he's met many people. Washburn has been on the road with Cody Lambert and Ty Murray, two of the best in the business. And he's met idol Clint Johnson, a three-time world champion cowboy.

"It's been real good for me," says Washburn, who hopes one day to be a world champion himself. "I want to keep doing it as long as I'm healthy and I'm making a living doing it."

When his rodeo days are over, Washburn would like to have a ranch where he could raise cattle and horses.

He doesn't have much time to think about that now, however.

Washburn has a rodeo to get to and a dream to chase.

CLUB CALENDAR

ADULT SINGLES GROUP

The Ruidoso/Lincoln County Adult Singles group meets every Thursday at 6:30 p.m. at The Texas Club, Ruidoso. The group has a no-host dinner with speakers and discussions to follow. Activities are also planned throughout the month. All adult singles are invited to join the group for dinner and socializing. For further information call 258-2635 or 378-8469.

AFTERCARE CHEMICAL DEPENDENT GROUP 4 p.m.-5:30 p.m. every Wednesday at the Counseling Center, 1707 Sudderth Dr. This group is designed to assist people who have completed in or outpatient treatment and have a desire to continue healthy recovery. This group is free. Call 257-5038 for details.

ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS

Meets at the Lincoln Tower, Lower Level, rear entrance.

Mondays - Noon AA meetings and 8 p.m. Step Study. Smoke free book study every Monday at 7 p.m. at the Methodist -Church in Ruidoso.

Tuesdays - 8 p.m. closed AA and Alanon. Noon meeting.

Wednesdays - Noon AA meetings and 8 p.m. Alanon Study.

Thursdays - Noon open women's meeting and 8 p.m. Open meeting.

Fridays - Noon AA meeting and 8 p.m. Book Study.

Saturdays - 8 p.m. AA open. Noon meeting.

Sundays - 8 p.m. open ladies' and men's stag meeting. Noon meeting.

Birthdays, last Saturday. Phone number 258-3643

Grassroots Group meets every Monday at 7 p.m. at Methodist Church, East Sunday School Room. For more information call 378-8015.

> ALL AMERICAN DUPLICATE BRIDGE CLUB

Meets at the Ruidoso Senior Center at 1 p.m. Saturdays. Open game. Novice players welcome. For information, call Joe Ranne at 257-9228.

ALTO WOMEN'S ASSOCIATION

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

ALTRUSA CLUB

Meets at the Episcopal Church of the Holy Mount, 121 Mescalero Trail. 7 p.m. the first Tuesday of every month for program and at noon the third Tuesday of every month for lunch. President Karen Morris.

> **ALZHEIMER'S MONTHLY** Support Group

Meets the first Wednesday of each month at 7-9 p.m. at Ruidoso Care Center. Call 257-9071 for more information.

> AMERICAN ASSOCIATION OF RETIRED PERSONS

AARP meets at the Senior Citizens Center behind the Ruidoso Public Library at 10 a.m. the fourth Wednesday of every month. President, Bart Young.

AMERICAN CANCER SOCIETY OF LINCOLN COUNTY

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

AMERICAN LEGION ROBERT J. HAGEE, POST 79

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

> AMERICAN SEWING GUILD OF NEW MEXICO

Neighborhood group meeting. Call

Jennie Powell at 258-3896.

B.P.O.E. No. 2086

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

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

BETA SIGMA PIN

Four chapters meet in members' homes. 7:30 p.m. the second and fourth Mondays of every month. For more information call 257-5368.

BOY SCOUR OF AMERICA

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

CHOIR GROUP

Meets Tuesdays at 6:45 p.m. at 1089El Paseo Road, Las Cruces. Call locally for possible carpool and information at 258-5621.

> CHRISTIAN SERVICES of Lincoln County Inc.

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

CO-DEPENDENT ANOHYMOUS

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

> COMMUNITY FRENDS OF THE VIETNAM WAR

Meets at 6 p.m. the first Monday of each month at the VFW Post 7686 Auxiliary Hall, 700 Hwy. 70 West, Alamogordo.

, COUNSELING CENTER

Stress management group every Monday at 4 p.m. at The Counseling Center, 1707 Sudderth Drive. Call 257-5038 for more information.

> DAUGHTERS OF THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION

Meets in members' homes at noon the second Thursday of every month. For more information call 258-4006.

> DISASLED AMERICAN VETERANS COR-CURRY CHAPTER 23

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

FAMILY CRISIS CENTER

24-hour crisis line answered by the Ruidoso Police Department. Call 257-7365 and ask for the Family Crisis Center volunteer. Board meets at 6 p.m. the first Thursday at Dr. Arlene Brown's office. Free women's support group at noon Mondays at Dr. Birgit LaMothe's office in Compound 1402 at 1401 Sudderth Drive.

> FEDERATED REPUBLICAN WOMEN OF LINCOLN COUNTY

Meets the fourth Tuesday of each month at 11 a.m. for a business meeting and program. For more information call Caren Bremer at 257-6788.

> FRATERNAL ORDER OF POLICE LODGE #26

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

FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY Meets at the Ruidoso Public Library at 4 p.m. the first Monday of every month.

GOLDEN AGE CLUB

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

HIV + Surrout GROUP

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

> HUMANE SOCIETY OF LINCOLN COUNTY

Meets at 4 p.m. the third Wednesday of every month at Texas-New Mexico Power community room. -

Knyame Club

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

> KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS. FATHER E. DOLAN COUNCIL

Meets in the parish half at St. Eleanor's Catholic Church at 7 p.m. the second and fourth Tuesdays of every month. Fred C. Knapp, grand knight.

LA JUNTA F.C.E.

(FORMERLY HOME EXTENSION CLUB) Meets et San Patricio Senior Citizens building at 10:45 a.m. the third Wednesday of every month. All are welcome. For more information call 653-4912.

> LAMAZE PREPARED CHEDSIRTH CLASSES

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

LINCOLN COUNTY BIRD CLUB

The Lincoln County Bird Club meets once a month. For more information call Anita Powell at 257-5352.

> LINCOLN COUNTY DEMOCRATIC PARTY

Meets once a month. Call Cece Griffin, chairperson at 257-7558 for date and

LINCOLN COUNTY FOOD BANK

In St. Eleanor's Catholic Church. Board meets at 7 p.m. the third Thursday of every month. Food bank hours are noon-4 p.m. Monday, Wednesday and Friday. For more information call 257-5823.

LINCOLN COUNTY HOMEBURDERS Meets at Cree Meadows Restaurant the first Tuesday of each month. Board of Directors meeting at 6 p.m. and general meeting at 7 p.m. President Jerry

> LINCOLN COUNTY MEDICAL CENTER AUXILIARY

Bertramsen.

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

LINCOLN COUNTY SHERRE'S POSSE Meets at the Lincoln County Fair Building in Capitan at 2 p.m. the first

Sunday of every month. President Roland Caster, 257-6767.

LIONS INTERNATIONAL EVENING LIGHT CLUB

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

Masone Loope #73

Meets in the Masonic Family Building. 144 Nob Hill Rd., for dinner at 6:30 p.m. with the meeting at 7:30 p.m. the first Monday (second Monday if first is a holiday) of every month. W.M. - Tim Rich, 257-6758; secretary, Leo Mitchell, 258-4182. All visiting Brethren Welcome. Coffee for family & friends each Saturday from 8:30-10:30 a.m.

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NARCOTICS ANONYMOUS

Meets Tuesdays at 6:00 p.m. in the white apartments next to the First Baptist Church on Mechem.

NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF RETIRED REDERAL EMPLOYEES, CHAPTER 1379 Meets at K-Bob's Restaurant at 10 a.m. the second Tuesday of every month. For more information call 258-5464; 258-

NOISY WATERS SERTORIA CLUB Every Wednesday at noon at the Enchantment Inn. For more information. call Charlie Graves at 257-2021.

OFFICE CLUB

4980 or 258-4023.

Moets every Tugsday at Cree Meadows Country Club from noon to 1 p.m. For information call Emmett Hatch, 258-5717 or Jim Wood at 258-9218.

ORDER OF THE EASTERN STAR REIDOSO CHAPTER #65

Meets in the Masonic Family Building, 144 Nob Hill Rd., at 7:30 p.m. the second Thursday of every month. Visiting members welcome.

OVERFATERS ANONYMOUS Advanced Hair Designs, 1101 Mechem, at 6 p.m. Tuesdays. For more information call 258-3313.

> PIME TOP ROD AND CUSTOM CAR CLUB

Meets every second Wednesday of the month at 7:30 p.m. at the Texas-New Mexico Power Building.

CULTING GROUP

Meets the third Tuesday of the month at 7 p.m. For more information call Judy at 336-8064 or Diana at 257-2446.

> REPUBLICAN PARTY OF LINCOLN COUNTY

Meets the first Monday of each month at 6 p.m. Anyone interested is welcome. For more information call Bob Nys at 258-4372 or Pat Hume at 354-2382.

ROTARY INVENIATIONAL RUDOSO-HONDO VALLEY CLUB Meets at the Swiss Chalet Inn at

Tuesdays.

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

RVIDOSO CHESS CLUB

7 p.m. (or later) every Wednesday at Pizza Hut on Mechem. No dues or fees. Beginners welcome...For further information call Alan at 258-4757 or Tony at 336-4219.

RINDOSO DOWNS LADIES AUXILIARY Meets at the Senior Citizens Center on Sudderth at 7 p.m. on Thursdays. For more information call Margaret H., Bowden at 258-4678.

RVIDOSO DUPLICATE BRIDGE CLUB Meets every Thursday at 7 p.m. at the Ruidono Senior Citizens Center behind the Ruidoso Public Library. For more information call Margaret Bowden at 258-4678 or 257-2452.

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

RUDONO GARDEN CLUS Meets in various locations at 10 a.m. the third Tuesday of every month. For informution call 258-5509 or 25-2877.

RUDOSO GRASSROOTS AA GROSS Meets at the Gateway Church of Christ, CAME CHICAGO Tuckdays - 7 p.m. open meeting

Thursdays - 7 p.m. open meeting Saturdays - 7 p.m. open meeting Phone number 257-4074 or 354-3345,

RUDOSO CUN CLUB Meets at 7 p.m. the first Monday of each month at the Church of the Holy Mount, Mescalero Trail, Ruidoso.

> Recoto Pictualdia CHLING GROUP.

Meets from 7 to 9 p.m. the third Tuesday of every mouth at the First Baptist Church Hall. For more information call Diana at 257-2446 or Judy at 336-8064.

Rudoso Puete Lurary Board Meets at noon the second Wednesday of every month at the library.

RYDOSO SHAWE CLUS

Meets at Cree Meadows Restaurant at 6:30 p.m the fourth Wednesday of every month. For more information call 258-3348, 336-4175 of 336-4125.

REPORTO VALLEY MOON LIONS Mocts at Cree Meadows Country Club for breakfast at 7:30 a.m. Tuesdays.

SERVICE CLUB COUNCE. Meets at K-Bob's at goon, the first Monday of each month.

> SHIRA BLANCA AMATEUR RADIO CLUB

Meets at the Deck House at 9 a.m. Saturdays. For more information call Dusty Rhodes at 257-2135.

SHIRA BLANCA DVPLICATE Sance Cire

Meets at the Senior Citizens Center behind the Ruidoso Public Library for weekly open and novice games. I'p.m. Tuesdays. For more information call 257-9228.

Sierra Blanca Swingers

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

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

THURSDAY BUILDE

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

UNNED WE STAND

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

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

Don Klein VFW Women's Auxiliary Unit 7072 meets at 6 p.m. the second Friday of every month at American Legion Hall, US 70 and Spring Road in Ruidoso Downs. For more information call 257-5796.

White Mountain Search & Resche p.m. the third Monday at the public meeting room at Ruidoso High School foyer. Belly Berchum, President: John Lieftinck, Secretary. For more informa-

tion call 258-5441 or 336-9669. YOUR HELPING HANDS

Meets on the third Wednesday of every month. The organization stiffer money for equipment and supplies for White Mountain Search an Rescue. For more information call Susan at 257-9704. Sherry at 257-4787 or Katie at 257-2295,

ZIA GINE SCOTT COUNCIL . Ruidoso service unit meets at the Episcopal Church of the Holy Mount the second Monday of every month at 6 pm.

Dolan's disposition was in eye of beholder

There have been many historians, both amateur and professional, who have labeled Jimmy Dolan a villain — sometimes the villain of the Lincoln County War.

This is an easy conclusion to jump to, but not necessarily an accurate one. To be sure, Jimmy had some unorthodox business practices, but he was not any different from many of the businessmen of his time.



Past tense

DREW GOMBER THE RUIDOSO NEWS

When he was confronted with competition — namely John Tunstall and A I e x a n d e r McSween — he reacted as any businessman would. He set about doing everything he could

to keep his business solvent and, if possible, eliminate the competition.

Of course, in Jimmy's case, eliminating the competition was synonymous with eradicating the competition from the planet. This is something that modern businessmen do not do — well, at least not as publicly as Jimmy did back in 1878. But to truly understand Jimmy Dolan, we must understand where he came from.

in Frederick Nolan's masterwork, "A Documentary History of the Lincoln County War," the author points out that there is some confusion over Jimmy's exact birth date. But there is no doubt that he emigrated here from Ireland, probably in the late 1850s.

Like many young Irishmen new to this country, Jimmy chose to join the army. It was a regular paycheck and gave the enlistee the opportunity to familiarize himself with this country and it's customs. It also got the enlistee out of New York's Irish ghetto — a place that, even at it's most convivial, was dreadful.

It was in the military that Dolan met the man who would become his mentor, Lawrence G. Murphy.

Many of the men who settled in Lincoln after the Civil War were veterans of the "California Column." This unit marched here from California to thwart the efforts of the Confederacy to gain a foothold in the Southwest.

Like L. G. Murphy, Dolan was inordinately fond of keeping his "innards" preserved in alcohol. And also like Murphy, the bottle would play a part in his ruination, and ultimately, his death.

But not before Jimmy Dolan would play a key role in making the lives of the other residents of Lincoln County quite exciting, to say the least.

After his discharge from the service at Ft. Stanton, Dolan took employment with his former commanding officer, L.G. Murphy, at the Murphy Store in Lincoln.

Dolan was like a son to Murphy, some said he was even more than that, and in no time, Dolan was made a partner.

Jimmy was also known to go out of his way to help a friend. When 20-year-old Hiraldo Jaramillo found out that his 16-year-old wife had been having an affair with George Peppin, a friend of Dolan's, the young Hispanic threatened to kill the 34-year-old Peppin. Jimmy graciously interceded for his friend George. He provoked an argument with the hapless Jaramillo, and then killed the young man "in self-defense."

Though short in stature, Jimmy Dolan was definitely the "enforcer" of the firm. His naturally combative nature made him perfect for the part. He was generous and open-handed with his friends, but if you managed to gain his ill will, then you truly had an enemy.

When John Tunstall first showed up in Lincoln and joined forces with Alexander McSween, who was already on Dolan's list of people he would most like to see in a casket, Tunstall automatically became Dolan's enemy. And Tunstall, who was quite naive when it came to evaluating the character of the men that opposed him, seems to have felt that he and Dolan were involved in some sort of high-stakes chess game for the control of Lincoln County. He wastly underestimated his opposition. The sort of chess that Jimmy Dolan played was likely to have terminal penalties for the loser.

Tunstall was very careful about taking anyone into his confidence locally, but he was quite open about his goals and desires in his letters home to his family. This was a mistake, considering that the postmaster — the man who han-

dled virtually all of the incoming and outgoing mail in Lincoln at that time was none other than (you guessed it) James J. Dolan.

Apparently just reading the mail of Tunstall and McSween was not quite enough to suit Jimmy. When either of his adversaries said something in print that itked the young Irishman, he would actually add his own comments in the margins of their letters!

Needless to say, Tunstall and McSween caught on to this rather quickly and found other ways to get their mail delivered. But the damage was done. Jimmy already knew their plans, and what was more, how they thought to carry them out.

If Jimmy Dolan had possessed the hindsight that we have now, more than a century later, he probably would not have done many of the things that he did. But he did do these things, and so the Eincoln County War came to be.

Through much of the war, Dolan acted as puppetimaster for the Murphy/Dolan faction, which is not to say he was not an active participant, gun in hand.

When Huston Chapman, Susan McSween's lawyer, was confronted by a group of drunken gunmen that included Dolan on the street in Lincoln on the night of Feb. 18, 1879, it was Billy Campbell who jammed his pistol into the lawyer's chest, threatening him.

But it was Jimmy Dolan, in the back of the crowd, who fired the first shot. His bullet thudded harmlessly into the ground, but the sound startled Campbell just enough to get him to reflexively tighten his trigger finger, bringing Chapman's life to a decidedly abrupt ending. In a way, it was typical of Jimmy: he had been in the back of the crowd, but his actions were directly related to the lawyer's death.

Jimmy survived the war. His adversaries, Tunstall and McSween, did not. Dolan's life, however, was never the same. The war spelled financial ruin for the firm of J.J. Dolan & Co., but Jimmy remained a force to be reckoned with in Lincoln County to the end of his days. Unfortunately for his health, as the years went by, Jimmy drank more and more

In 1880 he campaigned heavily for the election of Pat Garrett to the position of county sheriff. Garrett had promised Dolan and other important figures in New Mexico that he would rid them of the local equivalent of Public Enemy #1: Billy the Kid. And, as history tells us, Pat made good on his promise.

But with the death of Billy, a strange thing happened. It was as though all of the surviving participants of the Lincoln County War took some sort of vow to never again speak of the events in Lincoln during the years 1878 and 1879.

And it was a vow that, unfortunately for history, no man ever broke.

Jimmy left no letter, no communication of any sort, to inform others of the circumstances of the war. He could have enlightened us in many ways, but he chose not to.

Dolan was not alone in this. It was as though the survivors of both sides wanted to forget the whole thing ever happened. Of course, none of them would ever forget. It would haunt them for the rest of their lives.

Jimmy married Caroline Fritz, daughter of Emil Fritz, late partner of Murphy and Dolan in the store. In 1880, their first child, named Emil for his grandfather, died at the age of 2. In 1886, shortly after giving birth to a daughter named Bessie, Caroline Fritz died. She was 25.

In 1888, Jimmy remarried. His new bride was Eva Whitlock, his children's nurse. By all accounts the marriage was a stormy one at best. It seemed that happiness was just not in the cards for Jimmy. A year after his marriage to Eva, his daughter Louise, age 5, died.

Things did go better in the business world for him in the years after the war. Despite the fact that the war had left him more or less bankrupt, Dolan began a long, steady climb back to solvency.

Among other things, Jimmy confiscated the ranch that had belonged to John Tunstall — an act that probably still has the Englishman spinning in his grave. Dolan built a fine home not far from Tunstall's original dwelling, which was little more than a shack, and both are still there.

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Jimmy Dolan, left, with L.G. Murphy.

He also re-established himself in the mercantile business. By this time, the Murphy/Dolan store was owned by the county and was serving as the courthouse. Jimmy ran his business out of the old Tunstall Store, undoubtedly much to the disgust of many of Tunstall's former associates (Susan McSween for one).

In 1882, with New Mexico's premiere cattle rustler (the

In 1882, with New Mexico's premiere cattle rustler (the Kid) securely in his grave, Jimmy, in the company of fellow Santa Fe Ring alumnus William Rynerson, started a cattle operation on the old Tunstall place. It was called the Feliz Land and Cattle Company. And it was successful enough that it is still in existence today - as the Flying H Ranch.

Jimmy Dolan, a man considered by many to be a thief and a cheat of the first order, was twice elected to the position of county treasurer, in 1884 and 1886.

In 1888 he was elected to the Territorial Senate, but bad luck was not quite through with him. After co-signing a bond for his friend Frank Lesnett, Dolan was left holding the bag when Lesnett up and vanished in 1893.

This particular bag was worth \$10,000, and Jimmy was held responsible.

He drank more and more. Family members made the rounds of all the local saloons, asking bartenders to not serve him, but it did no good. As is the case even today, when a man wants to find liquor, he will find it.

On Feb. 26, 1898, James J. Dolan collapsed and died at his home on the Feliz. He outlived the former owner, his arch-enemy John Tunstall, by 20 years and eight days. His family said Jimmy died of a "hemorrhage of the stomach."

Former Regulator and friend of Billy the Kid, Frank Coe, was a trifle more blunt. Frank said Dolan died of delirium tremens - the "DTs." Coe's diagnosis is probably the more accurate.

Jimmy Dolan, sometimes known as "The Irish Rose," was deeply mourned by some, while news of his death led others to rejoice. This has always been the way with powerful men.

Was Jimmy a good man or a bad man? Looking back as best we can through the mists of time, it is still impossible to judge.

"Man is not the creature of circumstances. Circumstances, are the creatures of men." - Benjamin Disraeli (1804-1881).

SPORTS

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Coed softball league information meeting

Those interested in playing in the parks and recreation coed fall softball league should attend a meeting at 7 p.m. Wednesday, Aug. 14, in the parks and recreation Grindstone Canyon Road office.

Cost to play is \$10 per player. Money is due by Wednesday, Aug. 21. The six-week league begins play Wednesday, Aug. 28. All games will be played Wednesdays. For more information, call Debbie Jo Almager at 257-5030.

CAMPS & EVENTS

Free tennis clinic

White Mountain Composting and Recycling Co., a division of Ruidoso Paving, and Ruidoso **Parks and Recreation Department** are sponsoring a free tennis clinic Saturday, Aug. 17, at the city tennis courts, located on Sudderth Drive.

Times and age groups are: adult classes from 8 to 9 a.m.; fourth and fifth graders from 9:10 to 10:10 a.m.; sixth, seventh and eighth graders from 10:20 to 11:20 a.m.; and ninth through 12th graders 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

Directing and instructing the clinis Barry Chase. Chase is a 20-year veteran of the courts. He has coached Texas high school tennis for the last five years, and was ranked in the top 70 in the Championship USTA as a junior tennis player. Chase played for Tyler Junior College.

All levels of tennis ability are welcome. Participants need to bring a can of tennis balls for drills. For more information, call 257-2098 and ask for Barry.

Ruidoso pool hours

Cost for daily swim is \$2.25 and swim/slide is \$6. The pool is open seven days a week from 11:45 a.m. to 4:45 p.m. Adult lap swim time is 5-6:30 p.m. Monday, Wednesday and Friday.

FISHING REPORT



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Bonito Lake - Fishing is pretty fair using salmon eggs, worms and Powerbait.

Ruidoso River-German browns have been biting on worms below Two Rivers Park. Fish are pooling in spots below the park.

Grindstone Reservoir Fishing is decent in the evenings using salmon eggs, worms and Powerbait. Fishing is still restricted to the area along the road and the lake is open from 6 a.m. to 10 p.m.

Eagle Lakes - Fishing is good.

Warrior preps open fall seasons Monday

by LAURA CLYMER

Ruidoso News Sports Writer

Summer vacation ends a week early for Ruidoso High School athletes, as Monday signals the start of the fall athletic campaigns and the beginning of twice-a-day practices for most athletes.

For some Ruidoso Warriors, an unfamiliar face will shout instructions, give encouragement and cajole for that extra effort, Most others will recognize the coach in charge of preparing them for the upcoming season.

The newest member of the Ruidoso coaching staff is Sigrad Schmitz, who takes over the head coaching responsibilities of the Warrior boys soccer team from Dean Hood.

Hood was a main architect of the fledging Ruidoso soccer program, which enters its fourth year of varsity competition. In his three years as head coach, Hood twice took the Warriors to the state soccer tournament playoffs. The Warrior finished 11-6 in 1995, losing to Los Alamos in the first round of the Class A-AAA state tourney.

"It was just time (for me to leave)," Hood said of his decision not to return. The time away from th responsibilities of a varsity coaching job will also give Hood the opportunity to see son Cory play college soccer and basketball at Culver-Stockton College in Missouri.

The longtime Ruidoso teacher and coach will serve as seventhgrade boys basketball coach this winter.

Schmitz, who graduated from High, Ruidoso returns from

Portales, where he was an assistant coach for two years before assuming head coaching duties in 1995. Portales dropped its soccer program for the 1996-97 school year. The St. Louis native has seven years of coaching experience and will teach pre-algebra at Ruidoso High School. The soccer team starts practice Monday.

Jauna Sanchez's volleyball Warriors will have a new look for 1996. Gone to graduation from Ruidoso's 1995 team, which finished third in state, are heavy hitters Amber Livingston, Sheryl Dockery and Angelica Figueroa, and setter Heather Stover.

"It's going to be a little'a different," Sanchez understated, "We are a totally different team. Our depth is much stronger than last year. We're a better passing team."

Without the height advantage it enjoyed last year, Ruidoso will rely upon its defense and serving abilities.

"We're going to have to work harder (for our points)," Sanchez

The Warriors are heading into two daily practices after a solid showing at the University of New Mexico's team volleyball camp. The varsity Warriors took first in the consolation bracket, while the junior varsity team won its division.

Sanchez as she watched her team improve their conditioning.

The Warriors will get a healthy Sanchez promised.



Two-a-day practices for Ruidoso high school athletes begin Monday for the football, volleyball, cross country and soccer teams.

practice Monday through Friday, teach language arts to seventh and then it will shift to one practice graders. a day when school starts Tuesday.

volleyball Sanchez's One thing became evident to Fran Webb will handle the junior varsity coaching responsibilities play at UNM; the Warriors have to and Eddie Hedin will direct the freshmen.

Sanchez has an adjustment to dose of running, jumping and make herself. Her teaching assign- won't face any new surprises. sprinting the first week of practice, ment is now at Ruidoso Middle Coach Ronny Maskew returns for Ruidoso will have two-a-day at the high school. This fall she'll mentor of the Ruidoso runners.

The Warriors will get their second taste of live action on Saturstaff day, Aug. 24 in Cloudcroft. They remains the same as last year's. will join three other teams -Cloudcroft, Carlsbad and Lovington - for a day of scrimmages. The Warriors play their first game at 9:50 a.m

Cross country team members School. Last year she taught math his umpteenth season as head

A few new coaches greet Capitan's athletes

by LAURA CLYMER

Ruidoso News Sports Writer

With the Capitan coaching assignments finalized for the 1996-97 season, Tiger coaches can now welcome back fall athletes Monday for two-a-days.

The only major changes in the Tiger athletic staff are the promotions of two coaches and the additions of three others.

head boys basketball coach, assumes the duties of athletic director. He takes over for Norman Cline, who accepted a teaching and coaching position in Jal. Montes kethall coach.

will also assist head football coach Ed Davia.

Picking up Cline's head girls basketball job is his assistant coach from last year, Dionne Lewis, Lewis will continue as assistant volleyball coach to Bryan Masse, who enters his second year at Camtan.

New to the Tiger coaching staff are Kim Jose, Chad Ghormley and Mike Rogers.

Charmley and Rogers both have Gerald Montes, who served as coaching assignments in football and basketball. Ghormley comes to Capitan from Ruidoso, He will couch middle achool football and serve as Montes' assistant boys bas-

school football and head the girls Rogers, middle school. middle school basketball program. the Tigers as well.

Jose relocated from northern New Mexico to teach and coach in Capitan. She'll assist Lewis with the high school girls cage team. Jose, who teaches special education, joins Cheryl Bowman in directing the middle school girls volleyball program at Capitan.

Coaching assignment for the Tigers this year are:

Rogers, who taught in Clovis sistent coaches; Buddy Little, last year, will also coach middle Ghormley. Dale Jackson and

- Volleyball: Massé, head coach; He will teach high school math for Lewis, assistant coach; Jose and Bowman, middle school.

> Boys basketball: Montes, head coach; Ghormley, assistant coach: Little, middle school.

.... Girls basketball: Lewis, head coach: Jose, assistant coach; Rogers, middle school.

-Boys track: Davis, head coach; Ventura, assistant coach; Jackson, middle school.

- Girls track: Masse, head Football: Ed Davis, head coach; Little, assistant coach; coach; Pat Ventura and Montes, as- Lewis, middle school.

SPORTS

Last major test for thoroughbreds Sunday

The final test of the season for 3-year-old thoroughbreds at Ruidoso Downs drew a field of seven to contest the 1 1/16 miles of the Ruidoso Thoroughbred Derby Sunday at Ruidoso Downs.

Tiffy Go Home will once again try to prove he is the best of his age group at Ruidoso. The Doyle Roberts-trainee already has the Norgor Derby and Jockey Club Handicap under his belt for 1996. He will carry the top weight of 121 pounds including regular rider Alfonso Fuentes.

Owned by Nelda Segotta of Springer, Tiffy Go Home is undefeated at this mountain oval, and has four wins and two seconds in six starts this year. The New Mexico bred son of Water Bank out of Last One Home has career earnings of more than \$54,000.

Set to challenge the top weight is Jockey Club Handicap runner up Tule Creek. The Joel Marr-traince was making his first start at Ruidoso in the Jockey Club after taking the Riley Allison Derby at Sunland Park in the spring.

Leading rider Fernando Gamez will once

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of graded stakes winner Tricky Creek out of My Lucky Choice. The dark bay gelding races for S. Ed Wright of Amarillo, Texas, and is likely to improve off of his last start.

Older fillies and mares square off in Saturday's feature race, the mile-long Henriette Wyeth Handicap.

The 1995 winner of this race, Forsythe's Tune, returns to defend her title. The Ramon Gonzalez-trained distaffer came down from Santa Fe for the 1996 version of the race. She was assigned the highweight of 120 pounds.

Challenging Forstythe's Tune is 1996 Ruidoso Oaks winner Straight Sets. The 3year-old filly is owned by Margaret Bloss and Margaret DuPont of El Paso.

Straight Sets seems to like the length of this race. She captured the Ruidoso Oaks again be aboard the New Mexico foaled son impressively, defeating the likes of Love Is

Blind and Sasha's Pal, both top 3-year-old fillies in the state.

awarded based on class, and best of show record of 16 consecutive wins. will receive a \$750 first prize.

HOOFBEATS: Also on tap for Sunday is the special simulcast of the Shebester Derby Saturday, the equines will share the from Blue Ribbon Downs in Salisaw, Oklatrack with the 'Hogs' for the All American homa....Saturday's simulcast card features Bike Show. Harley Davidson owners from the \$1 million Pacific Classic. The outstandnear and far will show off their rides in the ing thoroughbred Cigar is entered in this lower grandstand area. Prizes will be race as he attempts to break Citation's

Bike show at racetrack Saturday

The Ruidoso Downs Race Track will host the All American Bike Show on Saturday, Aug. 10.

The show features some of the best Harley Davidson motorcycles from near and far. This will be the first time Ruidoso Downs has hosted such an event, as the bikes will be displayed throughout the main line of the grandstand.

All entrants in the show will be judged in the following classes: antique.

stock, custom, radical, sportster and foreign.

The winner of each class will receive a plaque, and then those six will be judged for Best of Show with \$750 to first, \$500 to second and \$250 to third.

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"Weazel" will perform music from 11:30 a.m. until 12:45 p.m. in the main grandstand entrance along with local musicians Randy Jones and Geneva. The sale of T-shirts benefits Big Brothers/Big Sisters of Lincoln County.

RUDOSO DOWNS ENTRIES

Aug. 9 Entries

1st RACE Purse \$1800. 3yokup 118/122 Clm \$2500 870 Yd 1-Mito Fortunes (no rider) 118 2-The Tall Guy (Gamez) 122 3-Southern Eavy (Vicchrilli) 118 5-Bullion Powder (Webb) 118 6-Consulado (M Focates) 118 7-Ej Cach Register (no rider) 118 8-Budgets Streaker (Madrid) 118

2nd RACE Purse \$2600. Mdn(F) 2yo Nmb 1-Miss True Color (no rider) 118 2-Charlotte's Ego (no rider) 118 3-Chockie (Webb) 118 4-Lovable Lois (Al Foentes) 118 5-She's The Jack (no rider) 118 6-Hurry Maria Hurry (Roller) 118

3rd RACE Purse \$2500. Mdn 2yo Nmb 120 350 Yd 1-Blazin Dooley (no rider) 120 2-Songy Siz, Delight (no rider) 120 3-Little Double Deb (no rider) 120 4-Real Denim (Perez) 120
5-Buga Boogie (Valdez) 120
6-Sugaruning Six (Sherbino) 120
7-Spot A Christy (no rider) 120
8-Pyro Tru (Madrid) 120
9-Benasena (Thedford) 120 10-Blue Jeans Brat (no rider) 120 Also Eligible Last Call Youll

4h RACE Purse \$1800. Mdn 2yo 120 350 Ya 1-Memorics Of Luxury (M Garcia) 120 2-Hackingge (Sherbine) 120 3-A Smooth Leader (Ad Fuentes) 120 4-Magic Rock N Fire (Hemandez) 120 5-Be So True (Vaughn) 120 6-Chicks Ryon (Perez) 120 7-Its All Memories (Thompson) 120 8-Dank Of Glitter (A Baldillez) 120 9-Oaly Game Is Town (Thedford) 120 10-Winkers Cash (Myles) 120 Also Eligible: Rime N Klu, Basksbility.

5th RACE Purse \$2400. 3you p 120/122 Cles 57500 400 Yd

1-Glass Arrow (no rider) 122
2-Tai Chick (Rodriguez) 122
3-Kikapu Kid (A Baldrilez) 122
4-fe Script (no rider) 122
5-Ekpress The Jot (Vaugha) 122
6-Western Magic (Caster) 122

6di RACE Panie \$2700. Synday Nieb 120/122 Cam \$4000 \$70 Yd 1-Baty James (Sherbino) 122

2-Bradamas (no rider) 122 3-Poly's Inspiration (Astenna) 122 4-Ns Tootsie Roll (no sider) 120 5-Dang It Wind (no rider) 122 6-Challenger Six (no rider) 122

7th RACE Purse \$1200. Agha Challenge Tris 3yokup 120/122 350 Yd I-Little Thunderheart (no rider) 122 2-Silk Stalkings (Perez) 120 3-Ber Hay Dude (Vicchrilli) 122 4-Sneakin Streakin (M Fuentes) 122 5-Brush With Reality (Layton) 120 6-Beginning Leader (no rider) 120 7-Shoot Six (Rodriguez) 120 B-Winning Secrets (Carter) 120 9-Make it Last (Apodaca) 122

8th RACE Purse \$1200. Agha Challenge The 3yokup 120/122 350 Yd 1-Highongoodbyes (Myles) 122 2-Ronnin At Ya (Rodriguez) 120 3-Sweet Melba Ruth (Fincher) 120 4-Relentless Dash (no rider) 120

5-Chicks Red Rock (no rider) 120 6-Piesan (Blevins) 120 7-Devious Dimoles (Ad Fuentes) 122 8-Go Bugsy Time (Vaughn) 122 9-Red Vibration (no rider) 120 .

9th RACE Purse \$1800. 3yo&up N/W 5/24 117/121 Clm \$2500 5 1/2 Fur 1-Dodge The Devil (Webb) 121 2-Caro Has It (Al Fuentes) 121 3-Supartica (Madrid) 121 4-Cad's Caper (Rivas) 121 5-Fine Creek (Holmes) 117 6-Baby Bell (Collier) *108 7-A J Choke (Webb) 118 8-Strummer (J Maninez) 121

Aug. 10 Entries

1st RACE Purse \$1900. Mon 3yoution 120/122 Cim \$3500 550 Yd 1-Hardto Danceto (Rodriguez) 120 2-Alwaysraiseyourglass (Webb) 120 3-Miss Doubsfire (O Baldillez) 120 4-Thie Third Strike (no rider) 120 5-Sheltulocumofyon (Viccinilli) 122 6-Intente Pilot (Meador) 119 7-Red Dog Saloon (Sherbino) 122

2nd RACE Parse \$2500. 3yolkap New 2 Nash 117/121 Clas \$2500 5 Par 1-What A Pressers (Collier) #112 2-Ratain Doll-(Gamez) 112 3-Sheza Gordie (Mandor) 116 4-Dirent Modifit (Rivas) 117 5-Stormy Poly (no rider) 121 6-Ratain Dusseny (no rider) 121

3rd RACE Pune \$1800. 3yodup Nvw 2 120/122 Clm \$2500 350 Yd 1-Queen Of Scouts (Roller) 118 2-Miss Mama Jo (Estrada) 118 3-Aust Nelly (Sherbino) 120 4-In The Line Of Fire (no rider) 120 5-Downtown Train (no rider) 118 6-Real Cone Guy (no rider) 117 7-Likus Goody Tu Shoos (Vicchrilli) 118 8-Easy Certain (Webb) 120 9-Oh My Ninetytwo (M Puentes) 119 10-Salsa Dulce (no rider) 120

4th RACE Purse \$2800, F&m 3yo&up 117/121 Clm \$7500 5 1/2 Fer 1-Aggravation Lady (Bui) 121 2-Sailing Seeba (no rider) 118 3-Gold Express (no rider) 121 4-Jena Jinsky (Al Fuentes) 118 5-Dela's Diamond (no rider) 117 6-Roan And Groan (no rider) 121 7-Smirks Image (no rider) 121 8-Fancy San Shine (no rider) 121

5th RACE Parse \$1800. Mdn 3yo&up 117/121 Clm \$2500 7 1/2 Fur 1-Relaxed Image (Arteaga) 112 2-Angel Fire (Rivas) 116 2-Angel Fire (Rivas) 116
3-Pure Country Man (no rider) 114
4-Secret Reeper (Gamez) 112
5-Aces Or Better (Meador) 117
6-Firetothewire (Webb) 118
7-Slew King (Roller) 121

6th RACE Pure \$2800. 3ye Nvw 3 Nmb 120 Clm \$5000 5 1/2 Fur 1-He's A Choker (no rider) 120 2-Parthy Lady Lad (no rider) 120 3-Missic Wink (no rider) 115 4-Sableade (no rider) 120 5-Sweet Seventeen (no rider) 115 6-Country Hit (Fincher) 120 7-Wave Of Hope (Roller) 120:

7th RACE Paris \$1900. Mdn(F) 2yo 118 1-Tower Of Paine (Al Fuentes) [13 2-Sharma Deen (I Martinez) 118 3-Knobbill Gal (Roller) 118 4-Missy Cherib (M Fuentes) 118 S-Mine's A Flying (Rives) 118 6-Crokolator (no nder) 118 7-Sing Doma Sing (no rider) 118

8th RACE Prime \$3500. Synday New 3 117/121 Alw 6 Per 1-Dévan Lune (Thompson) 117 2-Believe la Stars (Gamez) 118 3-Speed Predicted (Rivas) 118 4-Chokam Dan (Ad Pacntes) 114 5-Life Story (Roller) 117 6-Danjilliyna (J Martinez) 118

9th RACE Purse \$13,150. Wyeth Hdcp F&m 3yo&up 1 Mile

1-Straight Sets (Madrid) 115 2-Possythe's Tune (no rider) 120 3-Rum Cooler (no rider) 112 4-Magic Alpha (Sherbino) 110 5-Poupon Express (Smallwood) 114 7-Dazzle Del Sol (Bui) 116

10th RACE Purse \$1700. 3yo&np N/V 6 Fur 5/24 117/121 Clm \$2000 6 Fur 1-Pay By Crystal (Smallwood) 116 2-Gifted Inspiration (no rider) 121 3-Maxipro (Collier) *116 4-Francis Shot (no rider) 121 5-Jakens (no rider) 121 6-Anchor Patti (no rider) 116 7-Poonevoy (Webb) 118 8-Silent Attack (Roller) 121 9-Tannas Brat (no rider) 118 Aug. 11 Entries

1st RACE Purse \$1900. 3yo&up N/W '96 120/122 Clm \$5000 400 Yd 1-Roll The Credits (Blevins) 122 2-Fevers Rising (Al Fuentes) 122 3-Dela Special (Vaughn) 122
4-Diables Fortune (Valdez) 119
5-Magnificent Boogie (Roller) 119
6-Sailin Martha (M Fuentes) 122
7-Master Of The Wind (Fincher) 119

2nd RACE Pame \$1800. 3vo Nvw 2 120 Clm \$3500 6 Fur 1-Phraig (Fincher) 120 2-Blue Darter (Vicchrilli) 115 3-Royal Cowboy (Apodaca) 120 4-Amazing Blade (Rivas) 117 5-Let's Perform (Blevins) 120 6-Seattle Sam (no rider) 117

3rd RACE Patte \$1700. Mdn 2yo 120 Clm \$5000 400 Yd 1-Sit Part Mack (Myles) 120 2-Ployds Pretty Boy (Han) 120 3-Lant Call Youll (no rider) 117 4-Three Shakes (Rodriguez) 120 5-Blazin Bully (no rider) 120 6-What Luck De (Thedford) 120 7-Ej Smathed Dancer (Gamez) 120 8-Brians Racin Nord (no rider) 120 9-Recklets Sirprize (Estrada) 120 10-Pass On Thirteen (Perez) 120 Also Eligible: Make Mama Proud, A Climater Of Hope

4th RACE Parie \$1800. 3yokup 117/121 Clm \$2500 7 1/2 Per 1-Mancos (Ad Puentes) 118 2-Discorbis (Hemandez) 118

3-Marvin Hagley (no rider) 118 4-Cadet Colonel (Fincher) 121 5-Focus Wonder (M Fuentes) 116 6-Murraya Hour (Thedford) 121 7-China Sea (Webb) 118 8-La Clarence (Al Fuentes) 121 9-She Doesn't Choke (Apodaca) 110 10-Kwahadi Dancer (no rider) 121 Also Eligible: Pade The Speed, Who Do.

5th RACE Purse \$1900. Mdn(F) 3yo 120 1-Fashionabii Bet (no rider) 120 2-Princess Jellybean (Holmes) 120 3-Crown Royals Ego (Viochalli) 117 4-On Serve (Al Fuentes) 120 5-Convincing Era (no rider) 120 6-Miss Ho Choy (no rider) 120 7-Talk O' The Town (Roller) 117 8-Perfect Move (Collier) *115 6th RACE Purse \$2800. 3yo&up N/W2 '96 Nmb 117/121 Clm \$4000 6 Far

1-Bold Classy (no rider) 118 2-Slap Dancer (Apodaca) 118 3-Mexican Affair (no rider) 121 4-Our Kaveman (Fincher) 121 5-Winnerslaughnjoke (no rider) 117 6-House Cleaner (Arreola) 116

7th RACE Purse \$3600. 3yokup N/W '96
120/122 Aiw 300 Yd
1-Ole White Lightning (no rider) 122
2-Sin Special Shake (Thedford) 122
3-Image Of Gaiety (Carter) 122 4-Signed To Run (Blevins) 120 5-Phantasma (Perez) 120 6-Shes A Hauler (no rider) 120 7-Basy Rumors (Fuller) 122 8-Modern Woman (Vaughn) 119 9-Stella D Oro (Fincher) 120

8th RACE Pame \$10000. Rui To Dby 3yo

1-Raisin Looker (no rider) 115 2-Tule Creck (Gamez) 117 3-Tinker's Ego (M Fuentes) 117 4-Ima Top Gun (Fincher) 117 5-Tiffy Go Home (Al Puentes) 121 6-Western Country (Webb) 117 7-Rompin Mary B (Collier) 110

9th RACE Pune \$1800. Mdn 2yo 118 Clm \$4000 5 1/2 Fur 1-Cinnamin Snap (no rider) 115 2-Texas Rhyme (no rider) 118 3-Boggy Depot (no rider) 115 4-Bouchofsun (Apodaca) 118 5-Go Bo Go (no rider) 118 6-Crokolator (no rider) 115 7-Just Gran (no rider) 115 8-Rushin Rushin (no rider) 115 9-Check The Odds (no rider) 118 10-Hollie Dawn (no rider) 118

Scenic South Fork trail is worth the effort

The South Fork Rio Bonito Loop may very well be the most scenic hike in the White Mountain Wilderness Area. The trailhead is located just above Bonito Lake and as a result, the lower parts of the trail experience heavy use during the summer season. However, because of the large dis-

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tance and net elevation gain of the
loop hike, probably only one hiker
out of every 20
that visit the area
actually completes
the loop.

The hike begins at an elevation of approximately 7,520 feet at the

South Fork Trailhead located just above Bonito Lake. The trail climbs up the South Fork of Rio Bonito, loops around the Bluefront Trail to upper Bluefront Canyon and then comes back down this canyon to the trailhead.

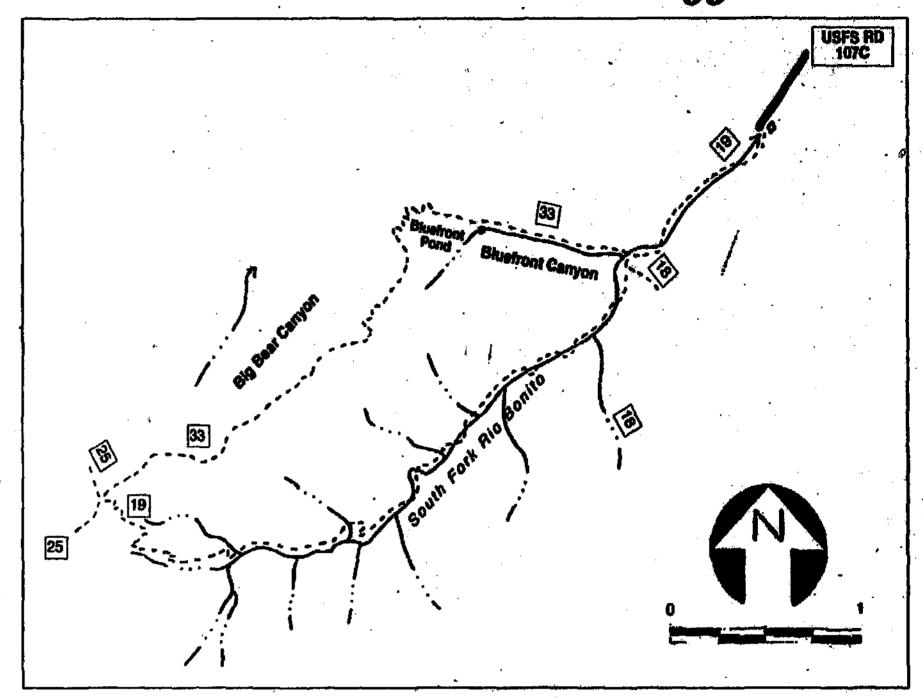
To reach the trailhead, take U.S. Hwy. 48 north out of Ruidoso approximately 10 miles to the junction with Highway 37. Turn left onto Highway 37 and go approximately 2 miles to the intersection with United States Forest Service (USFS) Road 107. Look for the sign pointing the way to Bonito Lake. Turn left onto USFS Road 107 and go approximately 5 miles to the intersection with USFS Road 107C (South Fork Campground turnoff) located about 1/2 mile past Bonito Lake. Turn left onto Road 107C and go past the entrance to the Westlake and South Fork campgrounds to the end of the road.

Free parking is available in the center of the turnaround loop at the end of the road. Most other parking places require a fee as they are associated with the campgrounds. USFS Road 107 is narrow but paved and is easily traversed by car.

The hike begins at the South Fork Trailhead on South Fork Trail (19). This trail generally follows the South Fork Rio Bonito. The trail crosses the stream numerous times but split logs, strategically placed rocks and low-water levels combine to make the crossings easy.

Just past the first crossing, the trail passes the ruins of some old buildings. This site was homesteaded by the Runnels family back in the late 1800s. Notice the remains of an old steel-wrapped wooden pipeline along the trail in this area. The pipeline transferred high-quality water to Carrizozo to be used in steam locomotives. The line was taken out of service upon completion of Bonito Dam. Just past the second stream crossing, the remains of a diversion structure, which funneled water into the pipeline, can be seen beneath a bluff on the opposite bank.

Continue on South Fork Trail (19) past the intersection with Bluefront Trail (33). The Bluefront Trail will be used on the return hike.



The geology of the area changes considerably over this first mile. The rocks near the trailhead are associated with the Bonito Lake Stock. The trail crosses an outcrop of the volcanic Walker Andesite near the diversion dam remains, and then goes into the Three Rivers Stock just past Bluefront Canyon. The Three Rivers and Bonito Lake stocks were intruded into the volcanic flows of the Walker Andesite approximately 25-30 million years ago.

South Fork Trail climbs gently up the canyon for another three miles and then becomes progressively steeper over the last two miles. The last mile is particularly brutal as the trail emerges at the base of a large meadow and then begins switchbacking up the slope to the intersection with Bluefront Trail (33). This intersection is marked with a sign. Bluefront Trail is fairly faint initially, but is marked with rock cairns and generally follows the route shown on the USFS topo map.

Follow Bluefront Trail in a northeasterly direction along the divide between South Fork and Big Bear Canyon. Many panoramic views are available for the hearty hiker along this ridge. Aspens are extremely abundant in the upper South Fork Canyon and during late September to early October, the canyon is literally a sea of gold.

> Proceed approximately two miles on Bluefront Trail and you will notice many of the Three Rivers Stock rocks along the trail have small swiss-cheese within holes Many them. of these holes, called miarolitic cavities, contain smail very clusters quartz crystals growing within them. Continue

Continue northeast on Bluefront Trail for

South Fork Rie Bonite

GENERAL DESCRIPTION - A 12-mile roundtrip hike into the South Fork Rio Bouise draining above Bouise Lake.

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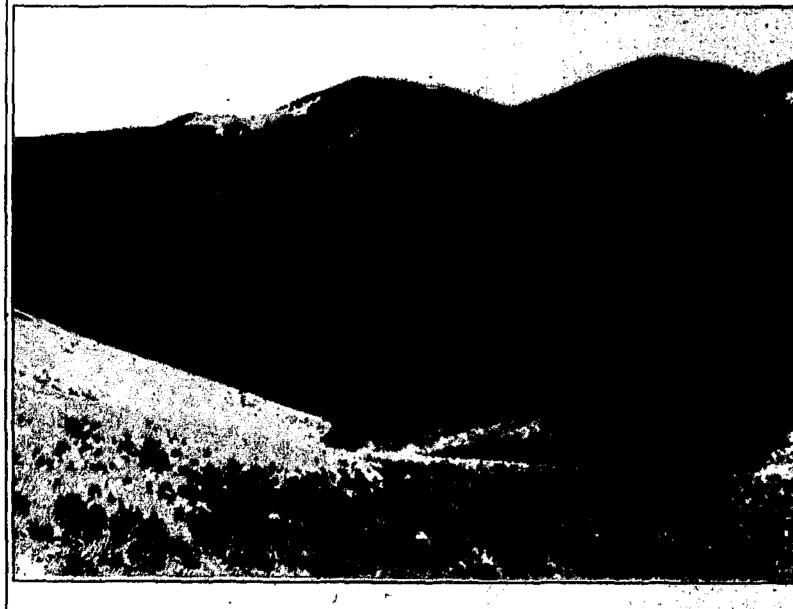
another mile and the route leaves the ridge and begins switchbacking down into Bluefront Canyon. The point where the trail leaves the ridge is marked with three large rock cairns. A portion of the trail in the vicinity of the Great Western Mine has been rerouted since the printing of the USFS topo map. The trail switchbacks steeply down into Bluefront Canyon, effectively avoiding the Great Western Mine.

The Great Western Mine is one of the more famous mines in the area. The mine area was first staked in 1887 by J.C. Coggins and L.H. Bourne. The mine acquired the name Great Western' in 1908 from T.J. Grafton, and the name endured. Recent analyses of rock samples from the mine revealed trace amounts of gold but some silver assays were in excess of 5 ounces per ton of rock.

About 1/3 mile above Bluefront Pond, the Bluefront Trail merges with a road that extends from the Great Western Mine to a pond. Follow the road down Bluefront Canyon to the pond, which is not much of a pond anymore since the dam is mostly washed out. The pond was originally constructed to catch water that was then pumped over to the Great Western Mine to be used in its operations. The remains of a recent PVC line are still visible. During the late 1960s, Bluefront Pond contained a large population of stunted Brook Trout.

Continue east on Bluefront Trail (33) for another mile to the intersection with South Fork Trail (19). Follow South Fork Trail back to the trailliead to conclude the hike.

Camping locations abound on terraces along South Fork. Many of the locations closest to the trailhead are overused and have a trampled appearance. Perennial water is generally present in South Fork for all but the last 1,5 miles. Bluefront Canyon has some small camping sites in the vicinity of Bluefront Pond and usually has small amounts of running water. The only other camping option would be along Bluefront Trail (33) on the high ridge, but the complete lack of water makes it a less desirable location than the two canyons,



PEOPLE



Linda Marie Boegeman will exchange vows with Steven Alan Collins at Grace United Methodist Church in Alamogordo at 4 p.m. Saturday, America forward." Sept. 14. The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles T. Boegeman of Pine, Artz. The groom's parents are Mrs. Joan Collins charitable works last year was \$143 of Alamogordo and the late Mr. John F. Collins.

Elks leader at national convention

Pete Esquibel, Jr., of Ruidoso, attended the 132nd National Convention of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks in Las Vegas **July 14-18.**

Esquibel is the current exalted ruler of Ruidoso Lodge No. 2086 and a Ruidoso police officer.

While in Las Vegas, Esquibel was commended for the lodge's dedication to the organization's philanthropic endeavors, which include youth athletic and drug education programs, aid for people with disabilities, scholarships and veterans service.

"The 2,300 local Elks Lodges are the foundation of our long tradition of service to our communities, our states and our country," remarked Grand Exalted Ruler Gerald L. Coates of Greensboro, N.C., the national leader. "With their support, I know we can continue to help guide

The total value of the Elks million, officials said.

Dan Storm honored for 50 years as lay leader in Episcopal Church

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ed Dan, as he is known to his St. Matthias in Carrizozo. friends, with the certificate during his annual visit to the Episcopal Church in Lincoln County (ECLC) on July 28. Dan also received a plaque inscribed in his honor from the parish. It was presented by ECLC Rector, the Very Rev. Canon John W. Penn.

At the ceremony, Dan was vested in the surplice with his mother, Bertha Storm, made for him when he first started serving as a lay reader at St. Anne's Chapel in Glencoe in 1946. Dan smiled and thanked God for the life of his mother, saying, "I'm sure she is looking down on me with pride on this very special day." He credits his mother for instilling in him as a and Christian outlook on life.

most senior lay reader in the often featured in his columns, the Very Rev. Canon John W. Diocese of the Rio Grande, and pos- which deal with the positive things. Penn, rector of the Episcopalsibly the oldest in the Episcopal in Lincoln County.

Daniel Agnew Storm has been Church in the USA. He still reads "I want to emphasize the happy awarded a certificate of apprecia- nearly every Sunday and oc- side of life," Dan explained. "I see tion honoring him for 50 years as a casionally serves as a chalice the Lord's work in the little calves licensed lay reader in the Episcopal bearer at St. Anne's Chapel. On that come every spring and the The Rt. Rev. Dr. Terence Kel- ECLC mother church, Holy Mount grateful for such wonderful family shaw, Bishop of the Episcopal in Ruidoso, or one of its other two and friends." Diocese of the Rio Grande, present-chapels, San Juan in Lincoln and

ECLC parish is geographically one of the largest in the contiguous United States. It spans approximately 6,000 square miles, covering a region larger than the Diocese of Connecticut.

Dan is the only lay minister in the Diocese of the Rio Grande to hold a permanent license; other lay ministers are required to apply for renewal of their licenses annually.

The blue tippet which he wears as part of his vestments was prepented to him when he was honored. for 40 years of lay ministry.

special occasions he serves at the birds that come and sing, and I'm



Dan came to the Hondo Valley in Dan Storm (left), the oldest active 1946 and began to write a weekly lay reader in the Diocese of the column for The Ruidoso News. He Rio Grande, receives diocesan child his enduring faith in the Lord still writes twice weekly for the and parish awards for service paper. His beloved St. Anne's from the bishop, Rt. Rev. Dr. At age 87, Dan is the oldest and Chapel and the whole ECLC are Terence Kelshaw (center), and Church in Lincoln County.

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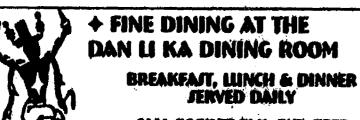


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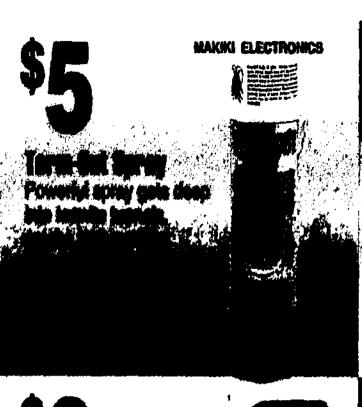
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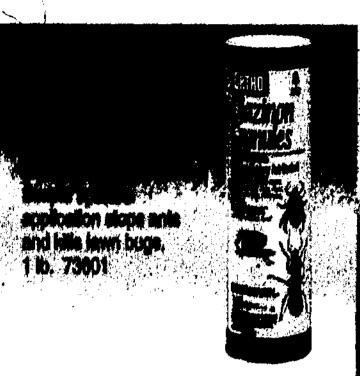
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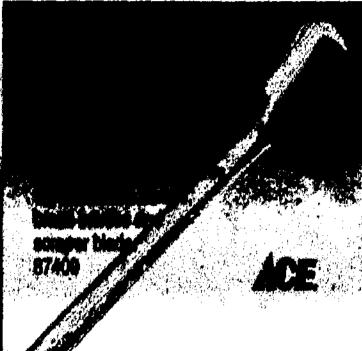
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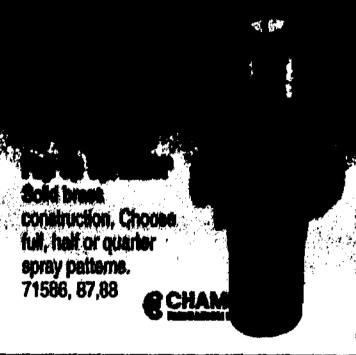






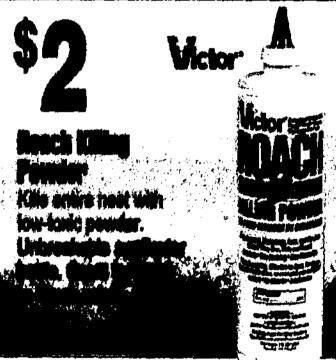


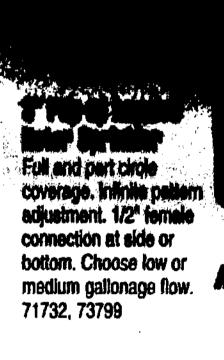




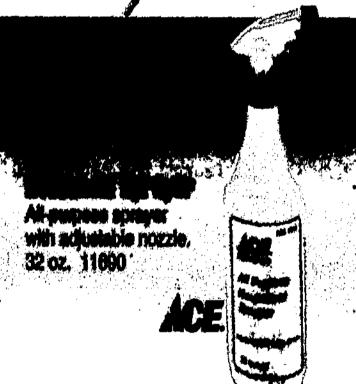














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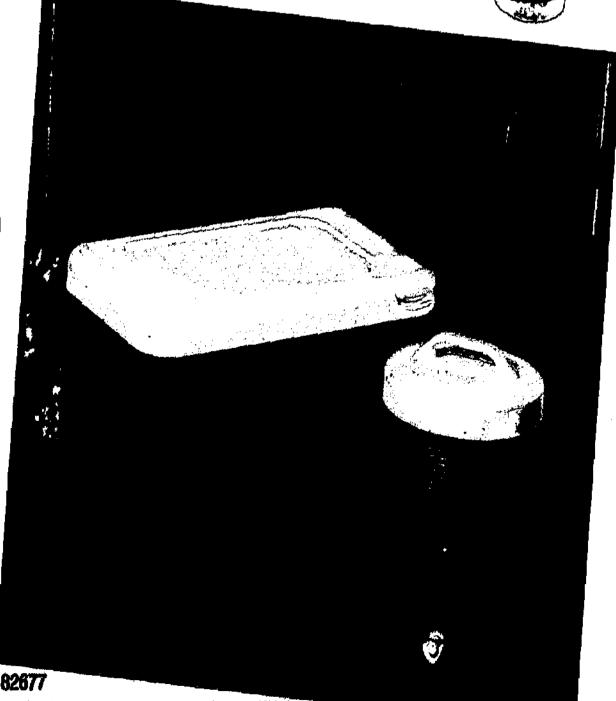
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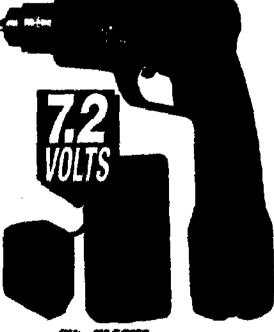
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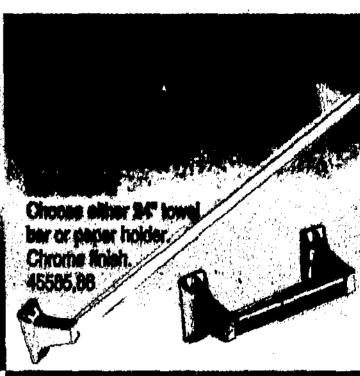
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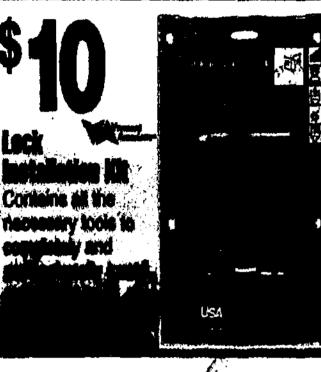
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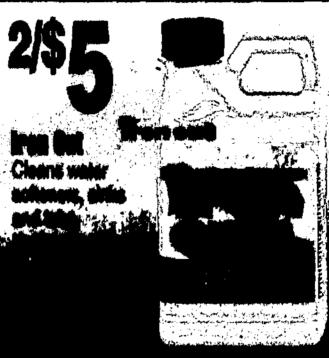
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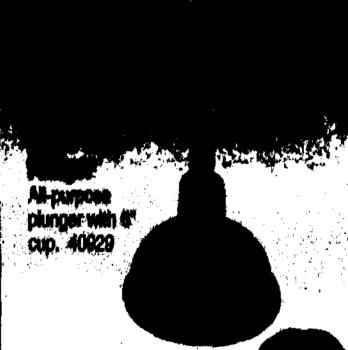








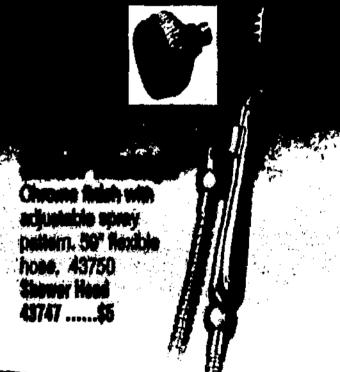














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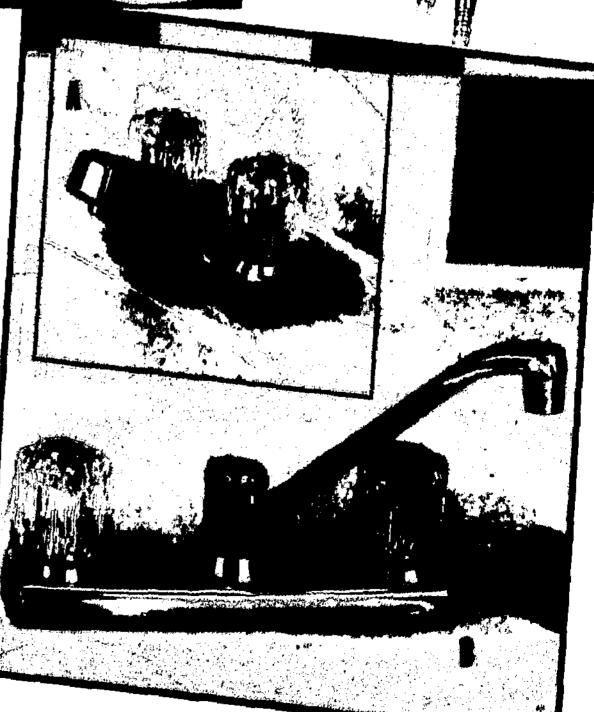
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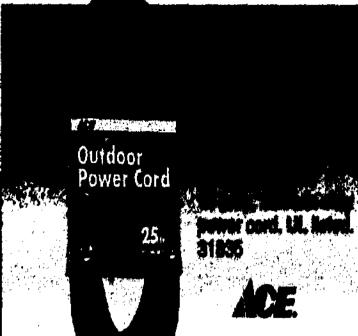
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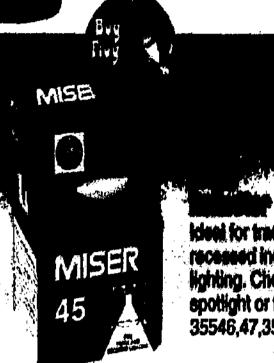




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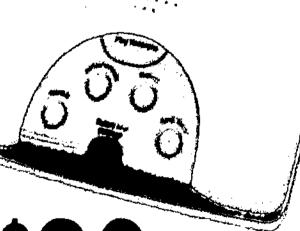
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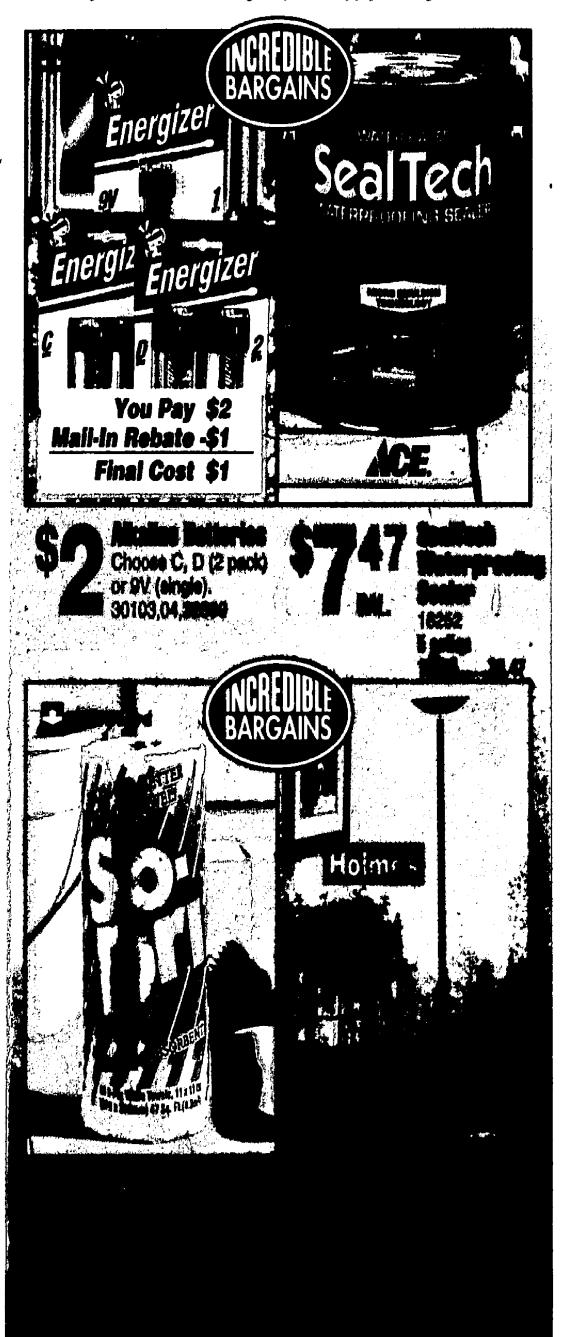
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