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Court says town can't pump Eagle Creek wells

The village of Ruidoso cannot pump water from exploratory wells drilled along Eagle Creek until a court decides the fate of the Eagle Creek Intercommunity Water Supply Association Inc.

District Judge Frank Wilson granted an injunction to the village of Capitan Wednesday prohibiting Ruidoso from pumping from the wells for its domestic water supply.

The injunction was mutually agreed upon by both sides in Capitan's lawsuit against Ruidoso. The suit, filed Tuesday, calls for the dissolution of the association and appointment of a liquidating receiver to protect its assets.

Ruidoso officials say the association still serves its corporate purpose, but Capitan contends board members who represent the two villages are at an impasse over the lack of delivery of water to Capitan and other issues.

The inability to use Eagle Creek well water will not be an immediate water shortage problem for the village, Ruidoso officials said.

Nature has cooperated by delivering nearly daily rain, filling the village's water storage tanks, they said. However, they drilled the wells with long-term expectations for their use.

Garage sale a big success for shelter

Thanks to the generous support of the community, the fifth annual Lincoln County Humane Society garage sale sponsored by The Ruidoso News was a great success.

More than \$1,000 was raised by the sale. The money will help meet the needs of the animals at the shelter on Gavilan Canyon Road in Ruidoso.

Commissioners take a holiday

The Lincoln County Commission is postponing its regular September meeting for a week.

Instead of meeting this Tuesday, it will meet at 9 a.m. Tuesday, Sept. 9.

The usual first Tuesday of the month meeting is being postponed because of the Labor Day holiday.

Johnson pledges fort partnership

by KATHLEEN McDONALD
Ruidoso News Staff Writer

Ownership of Fort Stanton will be transferred to the Lincoln County Commission if a cost-free partnership can be arranged for the state, Gov. Gary Johnson said yesterday.

Johnson made the comment in response to a question at the Ruidoso Convention Center during the New Mexico Municipal League's annual conference.

About 500 people heard his hour-long speech before the question-and-answer session. In the speech, the first-term governor

listed four top goals: cut bureaucracy, help the economy, improve education and lower the crime rate.

He also doused his talk with a little humor.

"It's good to get out of Santa Fe," he said. "You don't know how good. People wave to me in Ruidoso using all five fingers instead of just one."

Lincoln County Commissioner Wilton Howell brought up the Fort Stanton issue.

After an unsuccessful year-long search for a new tenant at Fort Stanton, where Johnson closed a

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New domestic wells face new regulation

□ Towns can now regulate use, state engineer says

by KATHLEEN McDONALD
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All new domestic well permits will be subject to water use restrictions starting Monday, state engineer Tom Turney said.

Turney announced the new domestic well controls to the New Mexico Municipal League Thursday at the Ruidoso Convention Center.

"This essentially gives cities and counties more local control over water issues," Turney said.

Under the new procedure, state permits will still allow well owners to use up to three acre-feet of water, or about one million gallons, each year. But starting Sept. 2, municipalities and counties can set their own lower limits, Turney said.

"They'll be subject to any city or county ordinance that is more restrictive" than the state engineer's permits, Turney said.

And if a city or county has a meter-reading program, well owners will also have to install meters, he said. Wells used in extra-territorial zones such as Alto can't be regulated by the municipalities just because they regulate zoning, he added.

In late June, Ruidoso village councilors made new domestic well permits subject to village water restrictions, and said they would consider metering these wells.

The new state rules don't apply to existing wells because a state

statute says the state engineer's authority over a domestic well permit expires 30 days after it's issued, Turney said.

This summer's drought and an ensuing surge in permit applications for domestic wells influenced Turney's decision to amend the regulations, he said later.

"Certainly, concerns were heightened because of the drought," he said. "But there are literally 10,000 reasons for the changes."

Those issues include a compact's "water debt to Texas" that the court has ordered New Mexico to pay, he said.

New Mexico has 102,700 domestic wells, serving about a third of the population, he said. If all the domestic wells pump the allowable three acre-feet annually, 10,000 acre-feet would be taken from the water table — the same debt owed Texas, he said.

Agriculture uses 85% of New Mexico water, while industries and municipalities each use 8%-9%, Turney said.

The state law allowing domestic well permits was passed in 1931. About two decades later, the state legislature required the state engineer to approve all domestic well permits.

The domestic well law's original intent was to give access to water for people in rural areas, not those in an area with a central water system, Ruidoso Councilor Robert Donaldson said.

Legislation has been proposed to prohibit wells where people have access to municipal systems, but it failed to pass, Turney said.



Ray Reed (right) watches an All American Futurity in the 1960s with legendary Hondo Valley artist Peter Hurd (center) and Walt Wiggins, who was also instrumental in the formation of the Ruidoso Downs Race Track and the All American Futurity.

Reed honored at All American Ball

□ Western swing star instrumental in formation of All American Futurity

by DIANNE STALLINGS
Ruidoso News Staff Writer

Still writing songs at 82, Ray Reed Thursday broke into a chorus of his latest, "Dim Lights and Soft Music."

His impromptu performance quickly attracted an audience as people stopped to enjoy his lyrics.

Reed's voice still is strong, his ear still on the mark. He revels in the smooth rhythms of swing, be it Western or a standard.

He spreads his gospel of "pure" Western music across the country, singing with bands whose players in some cases are only a few years younger.

The creator of the popular Lincoln Cowboy

Symposium which draws thousands to Lincoln County each October, Reed has added four new honors within the last month to his growing list.

Besides being asked to lead the All American Futurity Race entry parade Monday riding his 28-year-old horse Dan'al Boone, Reed will be the recipient of the 1996 Distinguished New Mexican Award from R.D. and Joan Dale Hubbard and the Museum of the Horse in Ruidoso Downs.

Reed will be given the honor at the All American Futurity Ball at the museum Sunday.

Then on Sept. 5, he will receive the All Around Cowboy Culture Award, also called the Will Rogers Award, during the 8th Annual National Cowboy Symposium and Celebration in Lubbock, Texas.

The annual local symposium he created with the backing of Hubbard and Robert O. Anderson in Glencoe was selected for a Cowboy Culture Events Award at the same Lubbock ceremony.

Actor Richard Farnsworth, who lives in Lincoln,

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District Judge Parsons won't seek third term

by DIANNE STALLINGS
Ruidoso News Staff Writer

After 12 years on the bench, District Judge Richard A. Parsons will hand over his gavel and robe in December.

Parsons, 70, said Wednesday he will retire from the 12th Judicial District judgeship at the end of his current six-year term that expires Dec. 31.

"It was a promise I made to the voters when I ran the last time," Parsons said. "I have withdrawn my name from consideration for retention (in the November election)."

"This is the most difficult decision I ever had to make. But I do believe in term limitations and I have served 12 years."

Some changes in his personal life also contributed to his decision.

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ALL AMERICAN festival

Time	Date	Event	Place
5 p.m.	Aug. 30-31	All American/Super Select Horse Sales	Ruidoso Downs Sports Theater
10:45 a.m.	August 30	All American Call to Post Brunch	Ruidoso Downs Turf Club
Friday 1-6 p.m.	Aug. 30-Sept. 1	All American Arts & Crafts Fair	All American Park
Saturday 9 a.m. - 6 p.m.			
Sunday 9 a.m. - 5 p.m.			
9 a.m. - 5 p.m.	Aug. 31-Sept. 1	All American Gun Show	Ruidoso Civic Events Center
6 p.m. - 1 a.m.	Sept. 1	All American Ball	
9th race	Sept. 2	All American Futurity	Ruidoso Downs Race Track

Driver hits downtown pedestrian

An Oklahoma woman was struck by a car Thursday as she tried to cross Sudderth Drive on a pedestrian crosswalk in Ruidoso's main shopping district.

Dolores Pence, 52, of Duke, Okla. had stepped onto the crosswalk in front of Faith Mountain sporting goods at 2313 Sudderth Drive when she was hit by a 1990 Cadillac driven by Nancy Griswald Cox, 72, of Arlington, Texas.

Pence suffered a broken leg. Police Chief Lanny Maddox, who happened to be at the scene when the accident occurred, said a bone around Pence's ankle was protruding from the skin.

One witness, who saw Cox's car actually hit Pence, said the woman's leg was struck with such force that it was thrust above her head upon impact.

Cox was cited for failure to yield right-of-way to a pedestrian in a crosswalk, which carries a \$36 fine.

Three witnesses told police the Cadillac did not slow down at the crosswalk, which is marked with white lines and has signs and lighted posts on each end.



Ruidoso Police Chief Lanny Maddox (behind car, pointing) surveys the scene of a vehicle-pedestrian accident Thursday. The vehicle and driver are pictured in the foreground on top of the crosswalk.

Witnesses told police a grey pickup truck was already stopped at the crosswalk to yield right-of-way to pedestrians when Cox approached the crosswalk.

Two witnesses also reported that Cox got out of her car and began yelling at Pence for running out in front of her car.

Cox told police she was passing a

car on her right and saw a couple starting across the crosswalk. Cox said Pence started running across the street and ran in front of Cox's car.

Detective Jim Biggs said he hopes the accident reminds drivers to be more cautious about pedestrians in crosswalks. Several are located in downtown Ruidoso.

Ruidoso school officials salvage discount day care

by DIANNE STALLINGS
Ruidoso News Staff Writer

Ruidoso parents who need financial help with child care will get it after all this year.

An after-school child care program sponsored by the Ruidoso school system will continue this year with local money generated through Medicaid.

The program, dropped by the state in July, primarily serves low and moderate income families who can't afford to pay for private day care.

Children will be accepted starting at 2:45 p.m. Tuesday, Sept. 3, at Sierra Vista Elementary School off White Mountain Road.

When officials with the state Department of Children, Youth and Families (CYF) decided not to award a grant to the Ruidoso program earlier this summer, many parents, school district representatives and the program coordinator protested, pointing to the fact the Ruidoso program had been used as a model.

But state spokesmen said no more money was available, even to run a scaled-down version. An average of 35 children were served by

the Ruidoso program each day, and officials will try to serve that many this year. They had hoped to expand the number of students this year with the state grant.

"I had four or five calls from parents who were dependent on that program and not aware until recently that it would not be available," school board President James Paxton said Monday. "Board members started talking to (Supt. Mike Gladden) about alternate possibilities."

Gladden met last week with officials from Region 12, the local office of the state cooperative education division, about the possibility of using Medicaid money. They agreed to contribute \$28,000 toward the program, enough to keep it afloat.

"The reason we can justify the use of that category of money is that (the day care program) provides proper nutrition and contributes to the motor development of children, their mental health and their health in general," Gladden said.

Since no CYF money is involved, a lot of red tape has been eliminated and a simplified sliding scale for payment has been

adopted, said program coordinator Lee Ann Southard.

Families earning up to \$1,000 a year will pay \$1 per child per day, those earning up to \$2,000 will pay \$2, and those earning more than \$2,000 will pay \$3. Additional children from the same family may attend for 50 cents a day.

The same staff will work with the children, but under the new name of Ruidoso After School Care and Learning Club, or the RASCAL Club, Southard said.

"It will be the same quality program," Southard added. "We still will use the CYF's food nutrition program and work with the kids to show them how to prepare nutritious snacks when they are at home."

Paxton emphasized the use of the Medicaid money will not cut any other program.

"The money is generated through services we provide," Gladden said, including diagnosing children with health and learning problems who are Medicaid eligible.

Sign-up packets for after-school care can be picked up at each school, or call the administrative office at 257-4051.

Reed

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will be one of the celebrity presenters at the Lubbock symposium.

Reed also recently learned he has been nominated for a Governor's Award through the New Mexico Fine Arts Division.

While he appreciates the attention and the recognition, it only briefly slows his nearly constant drive to promote the Ruidoso area, the symposium, pure Western music and his dreams of other projects to conquer.

Music came early

"I was about 10 or 12 when we played for ranch dances in a 20-mile radius around my home," Reed said as he pulled out a scrapbook with photos of eight decades of his life. "That's where I learned to play and sing."

Although he has changed bands and band names over the years, one of his favorite stints was during the 1940s with the Cross B Boys, a band headed by "King of the Cowboys" Bob Crosby.

He first visited the Ruidoso area with his grandfather in 1924, came back to play with bands off and on and then returned for good in 1946.

"I broke horses on the (Mescalero Apache) Reservation and played music in town at night at the Navajo Lodge," Reed said. "I'd have to ride horseback when the snow got so deep I couldn't use my pickup driving from Cow Camp (a cattle and horse area on the reservation) into here."

Over the years, he played guitar and sang at the old Ruidoso Bar, then Win, Place and Show and at the Chapparal, which has been torn down.

Gene Hensley developed the Ruidoso Downs Race

Track in the 1940s, long before current owner Hubbard arrived on the scene.

Hensley used to spend some of his evenings listening to Reed play, and eventually hired him to work in public relations with Walt Wiggins, a photo journalist.

Party spawns All American Futurity

The All American Futurity, the richest quarter horse race in the world, started with a wild party. Promoters from Carlsbad and Ruidoso were trying to convince the New Mexico Racing Commission to give them some race days.

A local representative on the commission called a meeting of prominent racehorse owners the day before the dates were to be issued, Reed said.

"I was always along with them, playing my guitar and singing, and I was a horseman," Reed said. "This was in the days of the characters."

The men there that evening were owners of famous running mares and had a lot of past races to catch up on, Reed said. As the whiskey flowed, the boasts and challenges increased, he said.

Before long, the owners were stuffing bet money into Reed's guitar lying on the bar.

"About 2-3 a.m., everyone staggered off to their rooms," Reed said.

The next morning, the local racing commissioner staying with Reed asked what happened the previous night.

"I said, 'I don't know, but I've got a guitar full of money,'" Reed said.

It didn't take long for the owners to realize their mares were either pregnant or too old to run any races, Reed said. The money was retrieved by the bet-

ters, but Hensley offered Ruidoso Downs for a race and the idea of an All American Futurity was born.

To boost the purse, Hensley sent Reed out on the road with a racing sign-up sheet and a pickup full of whiskey.

The first purse was a whopping \$63,000, an unheard-of amount in those days. The purse this year is nearly \$2 million.

"At that time the quarter horse industry didn't have a slick magazine, nothing, just a lot of fun," Reed said. "Hensley wanted to establish something for quarterhorses comparable to the Kentucky Derby."

Wiggins used his connections to major magazines to drum up publicity for the track, Reed said, adding, "And that's how the track got advertised and the word came to know about Ruidoso."

"It's a valuable asset and brings people into Ruidoso. It gives something for tourists to do when they get here."

Over the years while serving as director of the New Mexico Horsemen's Association, Reed has promoted other successful events, and he still dreams of creating a network of Lincoln County trail camps for a massive trail ride. The idea is based on several he attended in California with a long list of male movie stars.

"Something about this area draws people," Reed said, launching into a story about Walt Disney's reaction to the development possibilities of the historic settlement of Lincoln when he visited the area with Reed.

As the story ended, Reed paused, thinking about Hensley and the horse owners and the other characters he palled around with for years.

"I'm the only one left from that group," he said.



Ray Reed

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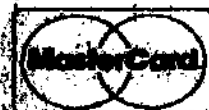


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Hondo School bond issue records found; survey out

Some documents for a 1994 Hondo School District bond issue have been located.

Superintendent Barbara Casey located the minutes Thursday to three school board meetings documenting the adoption of a resolution to issue a \$680,000 bond in April of 1994.

Casey, who has been Hondo superintendent only a few months, said she had difficulty locating records of the bond issuance because previous office staff left files in disarray.

Casey wanted to clarify an article that appeared in Wednesday's *Ruidoso News* which stated that records pertaining to the sale and purpose of the bond

were lost.

"The records aren't lost," Casey said. "I just haven't had time to look for them."

Casey said school officials are still looking for records confirming what the bond issue was for. School board officials said the bond issue was for expansion of the library, restrooms and administrative offices, and repairs to the vo-ag building. Only the vo-ag repairs have been completed, and \$300,000 of the bond money remains.

Casey is sending a survey to parents this week to ask them how they think the remaining money should be spent.

Judge

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Parsons said. He will be remarrying his former wife, Shari.

They were married for 27 years, spent 20 years apart and decided in April to give it another try, Parsons said.

"We plan to enjoy our grand-children together," he said. "The couple will stay in Lincoln County."



District Judge Richard Parsons

Parsons said he will miss the friends he has made in his two terms on the court, especially 12th District Chief Judge Robert Doughty, 7th District Chief Judge Edmund Kase.

Judge Doughty said Thursday he will miss having Parsons available on the other end of a phone.

"I came to the 12th Judicial District in 1973 and met him soon after," Doughty said. "Since Jan. 1, 1987, we have worked closely together professionally and developed a close personal relationship."

"I have a deep and abiding respect for him."

Parsons is known for being a tough judge in criminal cases, Doughty said. And he has distinguished himself in handling suits involving school boards and county commissions.

Parsons' judicial secretary Eugenia Vega still will be around the courthouse. She was selected as district court clerk Monday, after the position had been vacant for more than a year.

Parsons didn't have a smooth

path into law. He enlisted at the age of 16 and served during World War II. He earned his law degree on June 5, 1950 and 20 days later volunteered again, becoming a Naval Aviator during the Korean War.

He started private practice in Ruidoso in 1960 and for a few years served as assistant district attorney.

He will not practice law after his retirement from the bench, Parsons said. But he'll miss the action.

"There have been many wrenching criminal and domestic cases," he said. "I've also tackled serious constitutional questions and I have only been reversed in about six civil cases."

Although he's looking forward to more free time, Parsons said the decision to step back from the court was tough to make.

"I feel kind of sad about it," he said.

He would like to maintain a part-time connection with law, if possible, Parsons said. He hopes the Supreme Court will designate him as a district judge pro tempore, which will allow him to assist with cases as directed by the court.

Governor has first chance to pick judge's replacement

Gov. Gary Johnson has the first chance to appoint a successor to Richard A. Parsons when Parsons steps down as 12th Judicial District judge in December, according to a state elections bureau official.

Within 30 days after Parsons leaves, members of the state District Court Nominating Committee will solicit names of lawyers to consider as his replacement.

The committee will consist of the chief judge of the 12th Judicial Dis-

trict, one judge from the court of appeals, the speaker of the House, the president pro tempore of the Senate and the governor.

A list of names will be submitted to Johnson. If he doesn't ask for more names, he must appoint a successor within the next 30 days. If he fails to select a new judge within that time period, the job falls to the Chief Justice of the Supreme Court.

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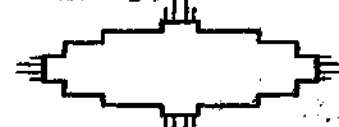
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Gov. Gary Johnson (third from left) and his staff applaud the New Mexico Municipal League after Johnson's speech Thursday. About 500 league members and citizens gathered at the Ruidoso Convention Center to hear the governor.

Governor

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state hospital in 1995, it was time to consider a "front burner" plan supported by the local county commissioners, he said.

The day before Johnson's speech, commissioners Wilton Howell and Mommy Montes were in Santa Fe discussing the fort with Johnson's chief of staff Louis Gallegos. Commissioners are backing a proposal to develop the fort into a living history museum, with re-enactments of everyday life in the 1800s.

The commissioners learned from Gallegos that Johnson supports the ownership transfer, but he doesn't want to put any more state money into it after the first year, even for maintenance, Howell related.

Before the league speech, Howell asked Johnson for confirmation.

"From a common sense standpoint, we're spending \$600,000 a year for upkeep of the fort, and we

want to unload that," Johnson said. "We can't find anyone to (take it). If we're going to spend the money anyway and you have a use on the front burner right now, let's work out an agreement."

On Tuesday, Johnson told *The Ruidoso News* he doesn't want to give the county any maintenance money if the county takes over the fort. But Thursday, about two hours after winning the league's three miles fun run, he was willing to turn over \$600,000 in leftover capital improvement money.

"Let's get into a partnership, so eventually, whatever we do, we get out of the \$600,000 and you control the facility," he said.

Primary goals

Johnson said he has four goals as governor to improve quality of life: to improve government efficiency, the economy and education; and to reduce crime.

"I'm short on politics and long on action," he said.

New Mexico has the fourth highest per capita number of government employees. Taxes are the third highest in proportion to income, Johnson said, referring to the 1996 edition of *Governing Magazine*. The state is ranked 42nd for small business success, he said.

"When it comes to cost, we're not as competitive as we should be," he said.

"Johnson wants every student to 'find out where they stand' by taking annual standardized achievement tests. It would help schools find out if they are meeting state school board standards. The program would cost about \$1.5 million annually, making it affordable and worthwhile, he said.

The state has the second-highest prisoner costs at \$28,000 per year per prisoner, he said.

The state is ranked seventh in the nation for its per-capita rate of violence.

"Criminals should be individually held responsible for the crimes they commit," he charged. "I happen to believe that punishment is the deterrent."

Johnson said his controversial plan to add 2,355 new cell beds and have a private business run the prisons would save \$26 million a year. His savings estimate has been reduced from \$40 million. Detailed plans will be released next week, he said.

Improving roads is vital to improving quality of life, Johnson added.

"I really believe the highways are incredibly inefficient here in New Mexico. We should have four-lane roads in all the major municipalities," he said.

Johnson will try again next year to get legislative approval of a \$1.2 billion bond issue to improve four-lane highways.

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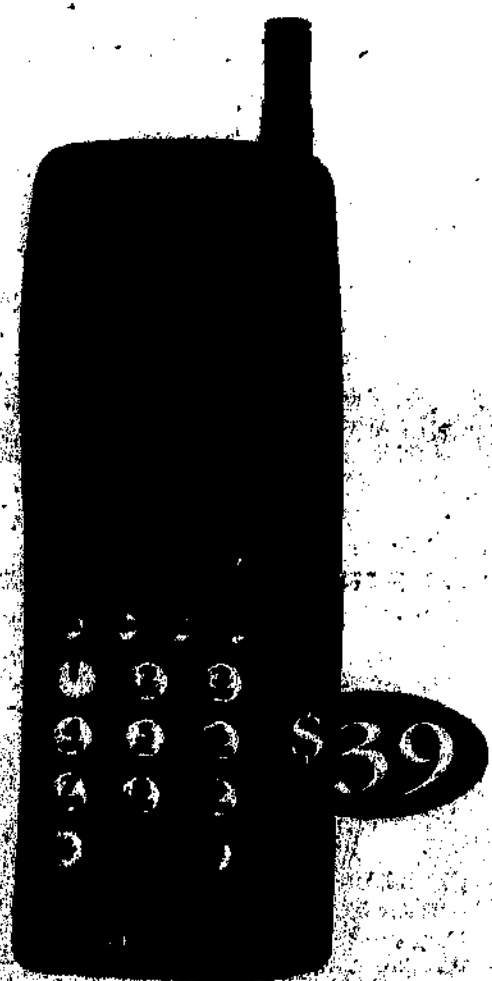
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OBITUARIES

James Capps

A funeral service for James C. Capps, 82, of Ruidoso will be at 2:30 p.m. Friday, Aug. 30 at Ruidoso Baptist Church with the Rev. Wayne Joyce officiating. Burial will follow at Forest Lawn Cemetery.

Mr. Capps died Tuesday, Aug. 27 in Albuquerque. He was born June 16, 1914 at Stamford, Texas and moved to Ruidoso in 1954 from Denver City, Texas and began to operate the Pueblo Theatre and later built the Downs Drive-in Theatre and the American Motel. He also had James Capps Car Sales. He was a member of the Masonic Lodge and attended Ruidoso Baptist Church.

He married Madelyn Blackwell on Oct. 27, 1934 in Stamford, Texas.

He was preceded in death by a son, James C. Capps Jr., on Nov. 17, 1987.

He is survived by his wife Madelyn of Ruidoso; a son, Mike Capps of Las Vegas, and his wife Beth; three daughters, Theresa

Smith and her husband Mike of Phoenix, Ariz., Ann Zedlitz and her husband Richard of Carlsbad, and Dixie Pope and her husband Rodger of Santa Fe; a sister, Pat Mahaffey and her husband Howard of Breckenridge, Texas; 10 grandchildren and five great grandchildren.

N. Elhart Kaydahzinne

Prayer service for N. Elhart Kaydahzinne, Sr., 64, of Mescalero will be at 7 p.m. Friday, Aug. 30 at the Mescalero Assembly of God Church, where the funeral service will be at 10 a.m. Saturday, Aug. 31. Officiating will be the Rev. Leonard Kanewah, Jr. Burial will follow at the Mescalero Cemetery.

Mr. Kaydahzinne died Monday, Aug. 26, at the Mescalero Indian Hospital. He was born March 17, 1932 at Mescalero to Caroline and Nelson Kaydahzinne. He had lived in Mescalero all of his life. He was a member of the Assembly of God Church and the Mescalero Red Hats. He worked as a heavy equipment operator and welder.

He married Deborah Sago on May 16, 1979 at Mescalero.

He was preceded in death by a son, Timothy Kaydahzinne, and a daughter, JoAnne Kaydahzinne.

He is survived by his wife Deborah of Mescalero; five sons: Nelson Kaydahzinne Jr., Dennis H. Kaydahzinne, Sr., Kurt M. Kaydahzinne and Elmer V. Kaydahzinne, all of Mescalero; five daughters, Caroline Long of San Carlos, Ariz., E. Faye Lester, Doris Kaydahzinne and Senaida Bearshield, all of Mescalero; and Celena J. Kaydahzinne of Wyoming; three brothers, Norris Kaydahzinne, Sr., Neil Kaydahzinne and Wayne Kaydahzinne, all of Mescalero; two sisters, Pearlly Spitty and Naomi Kaydahzinne, both of Mescalero; 26 grandchildren and five great-grandchildren.

Roy Rowland

Memorial service for Roy Ales Rowland, 80, of Ruidoso will be at 3 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 1, at the Episcopal Church of the Holy Mount in Ruidoso, with the Rev. John Penn

officiating.

Mr. Rowland died Wednesday, Aug. 28, at Lincoln County Medical Center. He was born Feb. 27, 1915 at Dilly, Texas to Dessie and Roy Rowland. He moved to Ruidoso two years ago from Cloudcroft, where he had lived for 10 years after moving there from El Paso. In El Paso, he owned and operated Southwest Millwork Manufacturing Company from 1961 until 1992. He was a member of the Episcopal Church of the Holy Mount.

He married Faye Peebles on Dec. 19, 1946 in Atlanta, Ga.

He is survived by his wife Faye of Ruidoso; a daughter, Susan Elaine Moore of Houston, Texas; a granddaughter, Criston Page Moore of Houston; two brothers, Lester J. Rowland of Bethesda, Md. and Bobby L. Rowland of Corpus Christi, Texas; and a sister, Mrs. Charles "Dorothy" Davis of San Antonio, Texas.

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BONDED, INSURED, SINGLED RETIREE, Reliable & Honest Housesitting. Looking for home to sit for winter months in Ruidoso or Ruidoso Downs area. Contact Directly by Pager 1-800-

Adult, mature male, non-drinker, non-smoker, affordable handy man wants to house sit, excellent credentials. 378-8083

44-1225 Page 5115 or call
Rivier Ranch RV Park,
Ruidoso Downs. Ask for
Howard to return call.

YOUNG COUPLE looking to
house sit from Oct. thru April.
Christian, No drinking or
smoking, very clean, conten-
tious & no kids. 505-744-
5557, homework or 703-
0174. Ask for Michael
Flanagan.

42 Child Care

*******BABYSITTING*******
IN MY HOME
Daily, Nightly or Just Drop-in!
Call anytime
378-5669.

DAY-CARE PROVIDER
seeking additional children in
my home. 257-5703 call any-
time.

44 Firewood for Sale

**SEASONED PINE, FIR,
PINON MIXED!** \$60
cord, \$100 full cord. 378-
8223.

**SEASONED PINON,
JUNIPER, PINE MIX** \$135.
cord. Delivered and stacked.
Half cord, \$70. (No carrying)
336-4524.

FIREWOOD FOR SALE Call
354-2541.

**QUALITY SEASONED
FIREWOOD** Juniper, cedar,
pinon and oak. Delivered or
you pick up. Different cuts
available. Reasonable prices.
Seasoned wooden fence
posts also. Preston Stone.
354-2356.

ANGUS FIREWOOD
Hwy. 48
mile marker 11, 1/2
west side
336-7834
253-0860
420-2323

46 Lost & Found

PLEASE JUST RETURN
birdie & papers. Lost 6/2
Walmart area. Perry, Bob
2309, Ruidoso, Black, Brn
trim. Thank you!

REWARD! Lost Siamese cat
in northern Ruidoso. Leave
message at 258-4217.

48 Announcements

HUNGRY? NEED FOOD?
We will help! Call T.L.
Lava-meatz 336-4441

LEGALS

LEGAL NOTICE
CALL FOR BIDS

NOTICE is hereby given the Lincoln County Solid Waste Authority, Lincoln County New Mexico calls for sealed bids on:

LEASE PURCHASE OF 1/2 TON PICKUP

Interested bidders may secure a copy of specifications at 222 Second Street, Ruidoso Downs, NM.

Sealed bids must be received by Thursday, September 5, 1996 at 5:00 PM.

**Lot 1A & 5A, Block 2, Midway Townsite
Subdivision,
Ruidoso, Lincoln County, New Mexico.**

**By order of the PLANNING & ZONING
COMMISSION.**

**/s/Cleatus R. Richards
Planning Administrator**

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LEGAL NOTICE

**REQUEST FOR INQUIRIES/
PROPOSALS**

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that the
Governing Body of the Town of Car-**

persons will have the opportunity to give written or verbal comment.

(s/Deborah Cummins
Clark-Treasurer, CMC
Village of Capitan

0554 5T(8)23,28,30(8)4,6

LEGAL NOTICE

**NOTICE OF CLAIMS APPEARING TO
BE OWNERS OF ABANDONED
PROPERTY**

Pursuant to Section 7-5-16 NMSA
1978, notice is hereby given that the
persons listed below appear to be
owners of abandoned real or other
personal property. To obtain informa-

LEGAL NOTICE
REQUESTS FOR PROPOSALS
TOWN OF CARRIZOSO

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT, the Town of Carriozo is seeking a person or entity to perform maintenance services on the bowling alleys and equipment located at Carriozo Recreation Center in Carriozo, New Mexico.

Responsive offers should outline in writing alllevant experience in servicing and maintaining bowling alleys and equipment.

Persons or entities interested in responding to this request for proposals should send in writing. Deadline for proposals is Monday, September 9, 1996 at 4:00 P.M.

The Town of Carriozo has the right to accept or reject all or any part of any proposal and may award the contract and award the proposal to best service the interest of the Town of Carriozo.

/s/Carol Schartz, CM/CAAE
Mayor, Town of Carriozo

direct inquiries to: **City of Carlsbad Municipal Airport**. Please direct inquiries/proposals to:

Town of Carlsbad
Mayor and Board of Trustees
P.O. Box 24
Carlsbad, New Mexico 88301

Inquiries/proposals will be received by the **Town of Carlsbad** until Friday, September 6, 1998 at 4:00 PM at city hall.

Is/Carol Schriber, CMC/AE
Town Clerk
Town of Carlsbad

6599 ST(0)16,23,30

LEGAL NOTICE

PUBLIC NOTICE

Please be advised that there will be a **Subcontracting Opportunity Contest** for all businesses with current **Fujiduro** business licenses. Official entry forms will be available at the **Chamber of Commerce**, 1250 Suddarth Dr. beginning **August 21, 1998** and will be accepted through **August 26, 1998** at 2:00 PM. The drawing for the four business categories will be on **Tuesday, September 3, at 2:00 PM** at the

an inquiry to the company whose name appears on the return, the normal address of the owner, the identifying check, policy, or other number a salesperson or agent would normally be presented to the holder's satisfaction within 30 days from the date of the second publication of the notice. If the abandoned property is not claimed within 30 days from the second publication of the notice, it will be placed in the custody of the New Mexico Taxation & Revenue Department. If the abandoned claims must be directed to the Taxation & Revenue Department.

Dr./Rm/D. Espinoza
Administrative Resolution & Services
Bureau Revenue Processing Division

(PFB) Insurance Corporation
10000 North Central
Durham, GA 30199-0001
404-433-2950
FAX: 404-433-2950
TOLL FREE: 1-800-368-7668
ALTO, TX 76012
1-800-368-7668
RICHARD C. KIMMELLY
PRESIDENT
RUNDGODD OWNERS, INC 82545

LEGAL NOTICE
SPECIAL MEETING
BOARD OF EDUCATION
September 2, 1988
8:30 P.M.
Library
5005 119th St

LEGAL NOTICE

The Planning and Zoning Commission of the Village of Hudson will hold a regular meeting on September 16, 1988 at Village Hall, 312 One Meadows Drive, the meeting will begin at 2:00 P.M. The purpose of the meeting will be to consider Case PZ-88-027 a Variance Request for the following description of property:

This billboard is located at the intersection of Highway #670 (aka "Y") and State Route 19, 10 miles south of Signs by Smith within five (5) business days of the drawing. Businesses do not have to be members of the Pukeduck Valley Chamber of Commerce. For more information, call 937-7396.

66-06 STATE #1,2,3

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a public hearing regarding the Petition for Declaration of Public Use of the 100 feet of White Oaks Avenue lying south of 22nd Street in Capitan, New Mexico will be held at 6:30 PM on September 2, 1990 at the Village of Capitan, New Mexico, County of Grant, State of New Mexico, at the Capitan Chamber, P.O. Box 419, Capitan, New Mexico.

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MOUNTAIN VIEW, NY 10989
CREE MANOR
BOX 2888 STAPLE DRIVE
HUNDOGO NH 03245-0000

FIRST NATIONAL BANK
ATTN: CASHIER
451 BUDWORTH DR
HUNDOGO NH 03245-0000

HOUSE OF NEW JERSEY
2888 CANTONMENT RD
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SHACK CASHIER BOX
THE HOUSE OF HUNDOGO
1288 CANTONMENT RD
HUNDOGO NH 03245-0000

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HUNDOGO NH 03245-0000

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DOGO STATE BANK
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DR: DEBBY JOHNSON
DOGO NM 96345-9999

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Houston, TX 77850
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Moody Plaza
Houston, TX 77850
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Worth, TX 76102-5384
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COUNCIL BLUFFS
PEAN NM 59405

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RICK BRADSHAW UNIVERSITY
DOGO NM 96345

AND A MORE AMERICAN
NATIONAL TRAVEL CENTER
1000 W. 10TH ST
ALTO NM 96312

ELLISON J HILSCOME
DOGO NM 96345

BEZ C KILLERHEW
 RUTH E WISER
 BOX 233
 MURDOCK NM 86345

 EDITH R PRESCOTT
 BOX 373
 MURDOCK NM 86345

 Cefes One LP
 c/o Clearing House POB 0200
 Boston, MA 02200
 TEL 654-01421
 WILTON J ST KIRBY
 BOX 1002315
 ALTO NM 86312

 Catebus Development Corp.
 1618 South Vase St. 500
 Houston, TX 77057
 TEL 771-1111
 LYNOR LORRA SAMPSON
 PO BOX 1490
 MURDOCK NM 86345 2699

 Connecticut General Life Insurance Co.
 1000 Main Street
 Hartford, CT 06102
 TEL 457-78447
 RALPH MORTON
 PO BOX 8
 PORT STATION NM 86925

 DAVID ABERNETHY
 10057 TUESDAY
 PO BOX 257
 CAPTAIN NM 86816

 Empire Film & Marine Inc. Co.
 1024 Douglas St.
 Omaha NE 68102
 KATHLEEN C. L.
 DAWN O'NEILL
 126 MORTON CIRCLE
 ALTO NM 86312

 First National Bank in Alamogordo
 1000 N. 1st St.
 Alamogordo, NM 88310
 TEL 437-6661
 JUSTICE LYBON
 BOX 708
 MURDOCK NM 86345

 General Instrument Corp.
 8770 W. 13th Ave Ste 1900
 Chgo IL 60651
 ID# 00000
 DONALD F. CHENOMOL
 FORT ROBERT P. CHENOMOL JR.
 DONALD F. CHENOMOL
 FORT ALEXANDER W. CHENOMOL
 BOX 278
 MURDOCK DOWNS NM 86945-4275

 Prudential National Insurance Company
 1000 Main Street
 Newark NJ 07102
 PO BOX 100
 ALTO NM 86312

 ID# 892169
 David R. Johnson
 1000 N. 1st St.
 ALTO NM 86312

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 HUDSON NM 88345

 Phillips Petroleum Co. C-O Chem
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 New York NY 10001
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 TRUSTEE
 DEVO EVALYN H
 BOX 347
 HUDSON NM 88345

 State Mutual Life Assurance Com
 440 Lincoln St
 Worcester MA 01805
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 ELIZABETH BELTRAN
 BOX 418
 ALTO NM 88312

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 Springfield IL 62774-0495
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 CARPACZO NM 88381

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 1886 BUDDETH DR
 HUDSON NM 88345-0009

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 ALTO NM 88312

 Transco & Petroleum (PIT)
 PO Box 585
 Santa Fe NM 87808
 ID# 4409
 TONY AGUILAR
 BOX 4885
 HUDSON NM 88345

 ID# 57815
 LINDA DONNIA BALDWIN
 BOX 1195
 HUDSON NM 88345

 ID# 57704
 MORRIS BROWN
 BOX 111
 ALPINE NM 88318

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 BOX 1861
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 MARISELA MONTOYA
 BOX 122
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 ID# 378366
 DEANNA RAUSCH
 BOX 105
 RUDOLFO NM 88348

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 JERALD L PUGHING
 BOX 3672 HS
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 ID# 380673
 MARY JOHNSON
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 RUDOLFO NM 88348

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 RAK W WEBER
 BOX 205
 RUDOLFO NM 88348

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 GENERAL DELIVERY
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 Denver CO 80601
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 Minneapolis MN 55470-1008
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 CARMANCO NM 88601

 TRANQUILLIONNA SILVA
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 CAPITAIN NM 88514

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 2000 Zuni in Roswell
 Denver CO 80421
 ALLEN S MILLER GARY PHILLIP
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VÁMONOS!

RUIDOSO, NEW MEXICO • FRIDAY, AUGUST 30, 1996

Three for the money

Trainer Jack Brooks likes his odds in Monday's All American Futurity. Three of his horses have qualified for America's richest quarter horse race.

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PROFILE



Loving & letting go

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ENTERTAINMENT

Hurd's works featured

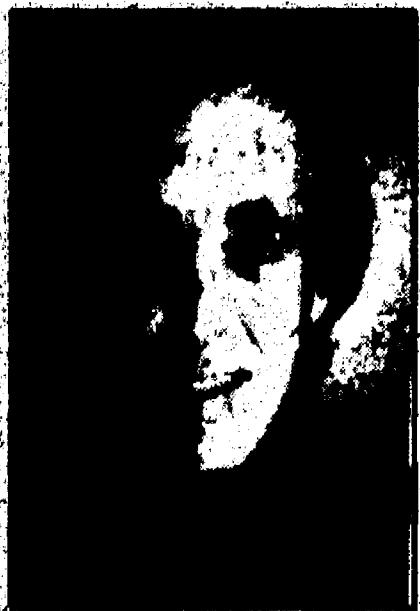
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SPORTS

Ruidoso opens the prep grid season tonight

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CALENDAR



Weekend planner. Page 2B

PAST TENSE

Home, home on the stage

Wild Bill goes Hollywood. Page 12B



What's happening?



Music

ANDY WILKINSON — contemporary western folk music songwriter and singer will perform at the Museum of the Horse in Ruidoso Downs at 7 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 31. Adults \$6, seniors \$5, children \$4, museum members free.

ROSWELL SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA — 5:30 p.m. Monday, Sept. 2 at Spring River Park and Zoo, Roswell. For more information call (505) 623-5882.

BUDDY HOLLY CELEBRATION — Thursday-Saturday, Sept. 5-7 in Lubbock, Texas. A street festival and benefit concert are among festivities planned to celebrate the 60th birthday of rock 'n roll legend Buddy Holly.

GALLOPING TORTOISE, 662 Sudderth, Ruidoso, 257-2511 — Live music 8:00 p.m. Thursday - Saturday. 3-6 p.m. Sunday afternoons, acoustic guitar jam sessions.

HOLLYWOOD INN, 2239 Hwy. 70 West, Ruidoso Downs — Live music Thursday - Sunday. Pool tourney Wednesday nights.

TULIE CANTINA, Tularosa, 585-2011 — Friday-Sunday, Aug. 30 through Sept. 1, Tularosa High School 20-year reunion. DJ Dance on Saturday, Aug. 31. Open pool tourney Wednesday nights, \$5 entry. Dart league Sunday afternoons.

RUIDOSO COMMUNITY CONCERT ASSOCIATION — has announced its line-up of 1996 musicians and has begun to sell season tickets. Prices for four concerts are \$35 for adults, \$75 for families, and \$20 for students through high school. Tickets to individual concerts are not available. Tickets on sale at The Great Southwest and The Aspen Tree bookstores in Ruidoso.

MARIE LAVERAUX NIGHTCLUB, 1214 Mechem Drive, Ruidoso, 258-3764 — 6 p.m. - midnight on Sunday, Sept. 1, health product charity event for Amber Bowles. Spoiled Rotten will play rock music. The Dating Game, a video dating service in Ruidoso, will auction off contestants for lunch or dinner. For more information call "Matchmaker Netty" at 629-9204. Different rock and roll band every weekend, performing Friday and Saturday nights.

TINIE'S SILVER DOLLAR SALOON, Tinnie, 653-4425 — 8 p.m. Sunday and Monday, Sept. 1 and 2, rock 'n roll music by "Ace" from El Paso. \$3 cover charge. Sunday afternoon concerts on the veranda approximately once per month during the summer. Call for dates.

IN-ESPRESSO-BLE COFFEE-HOUSE, Sudderth Drive, Ruidoso — James & the Boren Friday nights. Live music on Saturday nights.

GALLOPING TORTOISE, 662

Sudderth Drive, Ruidoso 257-2511 — Live music 8 p.m. Friday and Saturday nights and Sunday after-noon.

WIN, PLACE AND SHOW, 2516 Sudderth Drive, Ruidoso, 257-9862 — Live bands every night. Lincoln County Band, the Rattlers and the Smokehouse Band are the summer bands performing everything from old and new, top 40 to country western music.

THE WINNER'S CIRCLE, 2535 Sudderth Drive, Ruidoso, 257-9535 — 8 p.m. to close every Thursday - Sunday - live country and western and rock 'n roll, no cover.

FARLEY'S FOOD, FUN & PUB, 1200 Mechem Drive, Ruidoso, 258-6676 — Live upbeat music on patio every Friday and Saturday night. Also video games, live interactive trivia, pool tables.

INCREIBLE SALOON, North Hwy. 48, Almo, 336-4312 — Live music on weekends.

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, 257-3508 — Live music every Friday and Saturday. Open all night Friday and Saturday.

CREE MEADOWS COUNTRY CLUB, 301 Country Club Dr., Ruidoso, 257-2733 — 6 p.m. Thursdays and Fridays and 7 p.m. Saturdays. "Kerl" will be playing most weekends. Kerl plays a variety of dining and dancing music from the 1930s and beyond.

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

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

etc!

FREE LEAD SCREENING — 10 a.m. - 3 p.m. Monday-Friday, Aug. 28-30, at Lincoln County Medical Center in Ruidoso. Call Roberta Cox at 257-7381 for screening questions.

ART OF WILLIAM WARDER — Aug. 29-Sept. 9 at Benson Fine Art, #1 Adobe Plaza, 202 Mechem, Ruidoso. Watercolors by Warder and prints by photographer, Paul Kozal. Call 257-2813 for more information.

ALL AMERICAN NEEDLEWORK FAIR — now through Saturday, Aug. 31 at Stitch 'N' Stuff, 2306 Sudderth, Ruidoso. The public chooses winners.

For more information call Susan at 257-9428.

ALL AMERICAN CALL TO POST BRUNCH — 10:45 a.m. Friday, Aug. 30 at Ruidoso Downs Tuff Club. Cost is \$12 (includes buffet, Tuff Club admission and general parking). Post positions for All American Futurity quarterhorse race will be randomly chosen. For more information call Teri Hall at 378-4431.

ALL AMERICAN/SUPER SELECT HORSE SALES — 5 p.m. Friday and Saturday, Aug. 30 and 31 at Ruidoso Downs Sports Theater. For more information call Jackie Riddle at 378-4474.

ALL AMERICAN ARTS & CRAFTS FAIR — 1-6 p.m. Friday, Aug. 30, 9 a.m.-6 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 31 and 9 a.m. - 5 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 1 at All American Park, Ruidoso Downs. For more information call Shirlene Roberts at 378-4184 after 6 p.m.

ALL AMERICAN GUN SHOW — 9 a.m. - 5 p.m. Friday, Aug. 30-Sunday, Sept. 1 at Ruidoso Civic Events Center. For more information call Jackie Powell at 257-9071.

6TH ANNUAL COTTONWOOD FESTIVAL — 10 a.m. - 6 p.m. Friday, Aug. 30 and Saturday, Aug. 31 and 10 a.m. - 4 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 1 in Alameda Park, Alamogordo. Admission is free. For more information call the Alamogordo Chamber of Commerce at (505) 437-6120 or 1-800-545-4021.

CLOUDCROFT LABOR DAY FIESTA — Saturday and Sunday, Aug. 31 and Sept. 1 in Cloudcroft. Enjoy sidewalk sales, ceramic booths for children, piñata bash at 3 p.m., musical entertainment, 8 p.m. - 11 p.m. western street dance on Buño Avenue. For more information call (505) 682-2733.

GUS MECKER BASKETBALL TOURNAMENT — Saturday and Sunday, Aug. 31 and Sept. 1 in Roswell.

ALL AMERICAN BALL — 8 p.m. - 1 a.m. Sunday, Sept. 1 at Museum of the Horse in Ruidoso Downs. For more information call Sunny Hirschfeld at 378-4142.

ALL AMERICAN FUTURITY RACE — Monday, Sept. 2 at Ruidoso Downs Race Track. For more information call 378-4431.

LINCOLN COUNTY HEADSTART PROGRAM — Ruidoso: 8:45 a.m. - 2 p.m. starting Monday, Sept. 3; Hondo: 8:30 a.m. - 1:45 p.m. starting Sept. 3; Capitan: 8:11:30 a.m. and 11:30 a.m. - 2:30 p.m. starting Monday, Sept. 9 at the Capitan Country Store. For more information call Sylvia, 257-5025.

SEAT BELT BLITZ — by police throughout New Mexico now through Saturday, Sept. 7.

EXHIBITORS SOUGHT — for the Southern New Mexico State Fair, Sept. 27-29. The booth fee is \$125 for three days. Call the fair office at 524-6897 or call 524-7217.

SPACE RACERS SOUGHT — for the

8th Annual Great and Only SpaceRace on Saturday, Oct. 19. Specific types of vehicles are allowed. Entry forms and a complete set of rules may be picked up at the Space Center Education Department, or call 437-2840 or 1-800-545-4021.

CASINO APACHE, Carrizo Canyon Road, Mescalero Apache Reservation, 257-5141 — Open 24 hours a day. Ina Da Card Room also open daily.

RUIDOSO DOWNS RACE TRACK, Hwy. 70, 378-4431 — Live racing Friday - Sunday and simulcasts through Labor Day. Call for times.

LINCOLN COUNTY GOLD MINING COMPANY, 629 Sudderth Drive, Ruidoso, 257-4070 — Gold panning excursions in the Lincoln National Forest.

D LAZY 2 CHUCKWAGON — seven days a week, year round. Reservations only. Authentic chuckwagon entertainment (cowboy poetry, guitar, music, etc.) Reservations must be made by 3 p.m. Call 257-7836 for more information.

SERTOMA SPEEDWAY, Hwy. 54 north of Tularosa, 524-7813 — Races at 8 p.m. every Friday night.

MOUNTAIN LEGENDS GALLERY & FOUNDRY, 610 E. Hwy. 70, Ruidoso Downs, 378-8040 — 1-4 p.m. every Friday - public bronze pourings and tour of the foundry. Call for reservations. Hours are Wednesday-Saturday, 10 a.m. - 5:30 p.m.

Clubs & Meetings

NEW MEXICO MUNICIPAL LEAGUE — 39th annual conference concludes Friday, Aug. 30 in the Ruidoso Convention Center.

RUIDOSO MIDDLE SCHOOL ACADEMIC BOOSTER CLUB — first meeting of the school year at 5:30 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 5 in the RMS library. All parents are invited to attend.

Library

RUIDOSO PUBLIC LIBRARY, 501 Junction Rd., 257-4336. The library will be closed Saturday-Monday, Aug. 31-Sept. 2, for the Labor Day weekend.

Movies

SIERRA CINEMA, 721 Mechem Drive, Ruidoso, 257-8444 — "Tin Cup," "Jack," "A Very Brady Sequel." Call theater for show times and ratings.

Theater

"STAN SPANGLER GIRL" — a com-

edy performed by Ruidoso Little Theater at the Castle on Highway 70 West. Last performances at 8 p.m. Friday and Saturday, Aug. 30-31. Tickets are \$7 for adults, and \$5 for seniors and children 12 and under. For reservations, call the Ruidoso Chamber of Commerce at 257-7395.



Museums

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MUSEUM OF THE HORSE, Hwy 70, Ruidoso Downs, 378-4142 — open 9 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. daily Tuesday - Sunday. The museum is located just east of Ruidoso Downs Race Track on Highway 70. Showing through Sept. 22: "Hansen Collection of Western American Art" and All American Photography Exhibition.

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Parks & Recreation

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RAINBOW LAKES FUN PARK, 806 Carrizozo Canyon Road, Ruidoso, 257-6774 — putt putt golf, bumper boats, batting cages, basketball shoot and arcade.

RUIDOSO ATHLETIC CLUB, 415 Wingfield, 257-4800 — Aerobics, Nautilus, racquetball, free weights. Non-members welcome.

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

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Going out

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ON THE ARTS

San Patricio gallery showcases Hurd's works

More than 150 of Peter Hurd's paintings in oil, watercolor, egg tempera, drawing and sketches are featured at the Hurd-LaRinconada Gallery in San Patricio.

"Return to the Valley," a Peter Hurd retrospective, opened Aug. 25 and runs through September 1996. The turnout to Hurd LaRinconada Gallery is located at mile marker 281, Highway 70 in San Patricio.

Major pieces to be featured are the "Portrait of R.O. Anderson," Mescalero Rodeo, Study for "The Legend of San Yesidro," Study of LBJ, The Last Escape of Billy the Kid, and a variety of the War sketches. Most pieces featured will be for sale, although selected works are on loan from private collections.

Special posters and cards will be available as part of this tribute to Peter Hurd. A portion of the print and card sales will be donated to the Alzheimer's Association.

Peter Hurd grew up in Roswell, and attended the New Mexico Military Institute from which he obtained an appointment to the United States Military Academy at West Point. Admirably fitted as he was for West Point life and for a military career, his love of drawing and painting proved to be even stronger and, like Whistler before him, he did not finish the course at West Point. After a short spell at Haverford to satisfy his father, he found that the academic life was not for him and he became a private pupil of N.C. Wyeth, the great American illustrator.

All in all, he spent some 12 years in the east, ending up as a

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successful artist in the post depression era when it was very difficult to be successful at anything. During this time, he and Henriette (the eldest daughter of N.C. Wyeth) had married and their first two children were born in Chadds Ford, Penn.

During his years in the east, Peter Hurd never forgot his goal of returning to the west. He returned to his beloved New Mexico to build a studio and residence. He found what he wanted about 50 miles west of Roswell in the Hondo Valley. There in the village of San Patricio, he bought 60 acres and an old adobe house. This was to be the nucleus of the now famous Sentinel Ranch, with its familiar hills, river, and green pastures.

Peter Hurd painted in oil until 1936, utilizing the familiar landscape of Pennsylvania. His great reputation came during the '30s and '40s through his great tempera paintings of the landscapes. This difficult medium in his hands became capable of expressing the moody changes of weather and atmosphere that are part of this unique area of the west.

At the same time, in the last great period of American graphics, he created a striking and well-remembered series of lithographs. The rich blacks of the lithographic process gave him the means of expressing the darkness of shadow and his unusual interest in night and artificial light.

His national fame received a



Peter Hurd

tremendous boost from Daniel Longwell, the great founding editor of "Life," who reproduced his western pictures and then commissioned him during the war to tour the battle fronts as a combat correspondent. Hurd had been accustomed to working in tempera, where each tiny brush stroke is applied. Now he learned to make quick sketches in watercolor for development into large pieces. These field sketches, as he called them, are among the most remarkable drawings of our times and they have a Rembrandesque quality for which they are widely renowned.

Hurd's work is included in the collections of Abbot Laboratories of Chicago, the Brooklyn Museum, Life Magazine, The William Rockhill Nelson Gallery of Art, Texas Technological University, Standard Oil of New Jersey, the Roswell Museum, and many others.

Closely identified with his environment, Hurd is the best known painter of his native New Mexico landscape. Although he has served as a war correspondent and has made pictorial records of the U.S. Armed Forces in Britain, Africa, the Middle East and India, his paintings of rural New Mexico and its inhabitants remain most vivid in the public mind. One of the most prolific painters of his time, Peter Hurd worked in oil, watercolor, egg tempera, charcoal, pencil, and gouache. He also did other work ranging from stone lithography to full scale murals.

Henriette Wyeth, Michael Hurd, and the Hurd LaRinconada Gallery Staff cordially invite the public to attend "Return to the Valley," a Peter Hurd Retrospective.

This will be a once-in-a-lifetime chance to see some of the most famous art of the late great Peter Hurd.

Western folk singer performs Saturday

Songwriter and contemporary western folk music singer Andy Wilkinson will perform at the Museum of the Horse in Ruidoso Downs at 7 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 31.

A descendant of the famous cattleman Charles Goodnight, the stories in Wilkinson's songs relate to the myths and realities of western life which remain relevant today.

Wilkinson is a popular performer at cowboy gatherings throughout the United States and has entertained enthusiastic crowds in England and Scotland as well. He is the 1995 winner of the National Western Heritage "Wrangler Award" for Best Contemporary Western Music.

"Andy Wilkinson really has the credentials, and I know he has a huge following," museum publicity director Scott Wells said. "He's got three albums out, and his play about Charlie Goodnight premiered at the Cowboy Hall of Fame. He's one of the best entertainers we've had all year."

Tickets are \$6 for adults, \$5 for seniors, \$4 for children and free for museum members.

The Museum of the Horse is located on Highway 70 just east of Ruidoso Downs Race Track.

Free concert in Roswell Monday

The Roswell Symphony Orchestra will present its annual free Labor Day concert at Spring River Park and Zoo at 5:30 p.m. on Monday, Sept. 2.

The concert will feature patriotic and traditional music designed to entertain young and old alike. Everyone is welcome.

Concessions will be available. Bring your lawn chairs, blankets and picnic baskets.

Cottonwood Festival

Alamogordo's Sixth Annual Cottonwood Festival is Labor Day Weekend, Aug. 31-Sept. 2, in Alameda Park on White Sands Blvd.

Alamogordo means "Big Cottonwood" in Spanish.

This free, three-day event sponsored by the Alamogordo Chamber of Commerce features more than 70 arts and crafts vendors.

The festival runs from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Saturday and Sunday, and from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Monday. For more information contact the Alamogordo Chamber of Commerce at (505) 437-6120 or 1-800-545-4021.

Plenty of guffaws for audience at The Nightclub Saturday

Making his Stand Up Comedy Showcase debut, Mike Kirschenbaum is called a hilarious headliner to the line-up that includes Gabriel Williams and Corey Michaels.

The three perform at 9 p.m. Saturday at the Mescalero Nightclub on Carrizo Canyon Road, where the Mescalero Apache Reservation meets Ruidoso.

Mike has previously performed at clubs that include Hollywood's Comedy Store and Laugh Factory, across the nation to New York's Dangerfield's and Comic Strip and all points in between. He's also appeared on TV's "D.C. Follies," "George Schlachter's Comedy Club"



Mike Kirschenbaum

and "Freddy's Nightmares." Mike has also written for other performers including Phyllis Diller, Joe Mendoza, Joe Piscopo and Jim Henson's Muppets.

Watching most comics is like drinking beer while experiencing Mike is like sipping fine wine, comedy club organizers said, adding that Mike delivers the best one-liners since Woody Allen.

Featured performer Gabriel Williams is a fast-rising comic from El Paso who gives his personal insight on what it's like to be vertically challenged in an otherwise 6'0" world. Gabriel tells us of his trials and tribulations of dating and being, well, short, and having to take

along a step ladder so he can give his date a good night kiss. He also shares his experiences of fatherhood and how his daughters dress him like the "Lucky Charms" leprechaun for Halloween.

Opening act for this Comedy Showcase is Corey Michaels, a native of New York. He is a fresh new face on the comic scene and is taking it by storm, making heads and ears turn and take notice, organizers said. Michaels' candid nature and relaxed delivery makes for a personable and memorable performance.

Admission to the comedy show is \$3.

After the Showcase, the audience can bump and grind the night away as Mix Master Mike lays down hot tracks. From techno to hip-hop or rock 'n' roll to disco. They'll even slip in a measure or two of country if that's what you need.



Scott Wells demonstrates some training techniques to members of Big Brothers/Big Sisters.

Museum of the Horse hosts Big Brothers/Big Sisters

The Museum of the Horse played host to the Otero and Lincoln county chapters of Big Brothers-Big Sisters on Saturday as part of a regional get-together.

More than 50 pairs of participants were met at the Ruidoso Downs museum by publicity director Scott Wells, who is also a Big Brother.

Wells greeted the crowd on horseback and demonstrated some training techniques and answered questions. Then the mounted tour guide led the crowd around the Free Spirits at Noisy Water monument.

Museum volunteer Mary Allen and Lincoln County Big Brothers-

Big Sisters director Merriken Bryant then led the group inside the museum, where Allen directed a tour.

"Everyone had a great time, and the kiddos really enjoyed getting to pet a live horse and then seeing him gallop around in the museum parking lot," Bryant said. "Then everyone went inside and enjoyed the museum."

The group met for a picnic lunch, then a spree at Funtrackers amusement park.

"The Museum of the Horse loves to reach out to kids, and this is a great way to do it," Wells said. "Each child was accompanied by an adult and they could either follow

the organized tour or see things of interest two-by-two.

"Of course, my little brother, Levi Williams, had to work for a while. He had to help me give my horse a bath after the demonstration. But that's no problem because he loves horses, and we caught up with the others at the park for the picnic."

Because of an oversight by the state agency, the Lincoln County chapter of Big Brothers-Big Sisters received no state funding for this year and is supported entirely by donations. To inquire about volunteer work or tax deductible donations, contact Merriken Bryant at 257-7107.

Spencer Theater officials name first art director

Rand Harmon of Austin, Texas, has been named the first director of the Spencer Theater for the Performing Arts in Lincoln County.

Spencer Theater officials said they now begin hiring permanent staff and programming the theater's opening season. It is currently under construction approximately six miles northeast of Ruidoso, and is scheduled to open in June 1997.

Temporary offices for the Spencer Theater will open Tuesday, Sept. 3.

The Spencer Theater for the Performing Arts, Inc. board of directors chose Harmon, who started work on Aug. 19. Harmon was formerly assistant to the director at the University of Texas Performing Arts Center in Austin.

The non-profit institution will

feature a broad range of performing arts (including Broadway theatre, dance, classical music and jazz) for southeast New Mexico and north and west Texas.

Founded and endowed by Alto philanthropists Dr. and Mrs. A.N. Spencer, the 500-seat theater was designed by renowned architect Antoine Predock. Featuring stunning architecture and landscaping, elegant hospitality spaces and state-of-the-art electronic, acoustic and theatrical equipment, the Spencer Theater is poised to become the premiere performing arts destination of southeast New Mexico, theater officials said.

For information, write The Spencer Theater for the Performing Arts, P.O. Box 140, Alto, NM 88312; or call (505) 336-0010; or fax (505) 336-4001.

Operatic enchantment



Four Santa Fe Opera apprentice artists and an accompanist will tour New Mexico and Arizona in September, stopping for two free concerts in Lincoln County on Friday and Saturday, Sept. 6 and 7. This is the third such tour, titled "An Evening of Operatic Enchantment," in what has become an annual event. The tour will be at the Museum of the Horse at 7 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 7, and an as-yet-unannounced location in the Ruidoso/Mescalero area on Sept. 6.

Great and Only SpaceRace seeks entrants for '96 contest

The Space Center in Alamogordo will hold its Sixth Annual Great and Only SpaceRace on Saturday, Oct. 19, as part of its 20th Annual International Space Hall of Fame Induction Day activities.

Racing — for those brave enough to attempt it — will begin at 9:30 a.m. on New Mexico Highway 2001 (the entry drive to the Space Center).

In the SpaceRace, gravity-powered "spacecraft" compete in three categories: "Ludicrous Speed" (from the course's highest point), "Warp Speed" (the intermediate level) and "Light Speed" (the bunny hill). There will also be an exhibition award.

SpaceRace "vehicles" must be gravity powered, no more than 80 inches in length and no more than four feet high, and must have a wheel base of no less than 50 inches. No bicycles will be permitted. Axles must be a minimum of one-half inch in diameter. Each axle must have a positive locking device — cotter pin, lock nut, etc. — to prevent wheels from coming off during the downhill run. Axle movement must be limited so that the front wheels cannot move more than six inches in either direction. At least three wheels must be in contact with the ground at all times during the run.

All racers must have steering

and braking capabilities. Helmets must be worn by all drivers (loaner helmets will be available).

SpaceRace drivers must be at least nine years old. SpaceRace drivers are required to sign a waiver of responsibility for any injuries incurred in the race. For those brave drivers under the age of 18, a parental signature is a must.

Awards will be given for first, second and third place in each category.

Entry forms and a complete set of rules may be picked up at the Space Center Education Department, or can be obtained by calling 437-2840 or 1-800-545-4021.

tennis courts, a good swimming pool, croquet and horseshoe courts, penny arcade and all the many other forms of entertainment that assures real amusement for all members of the tourist family, young and old, are missing. Someone could make a fortune here by installing and operating a nice tourist recreation center which provides these things. Perhaps it should be a municipal project. Conceivably its income could support the town and make needless any future tax programs, when time comes to pave the streets, put in sewers and provide the other facilities which are customarily found in a progressive community.

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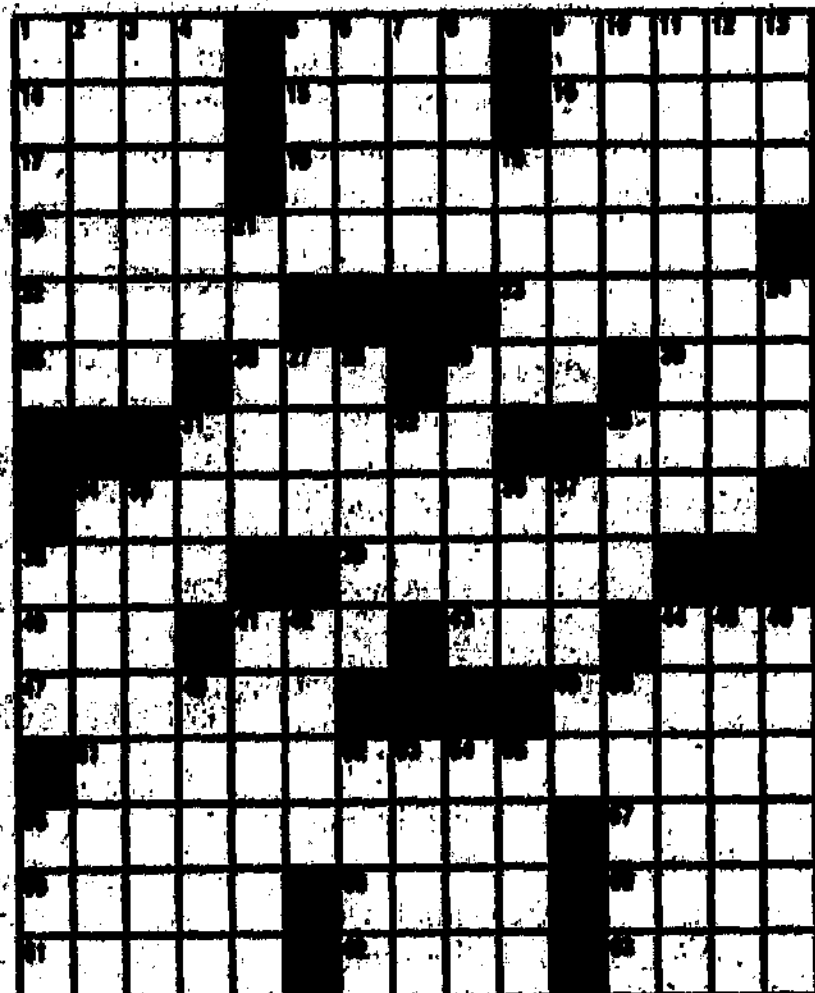
If you are interest in joining a club, members of both Ruidoso clubs will be present to discuss their organiza-tions.

Space is limited so please call 258-4470, 258-4350 or 257-5736 if you plan to attend.

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
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1.6 Million latch-key kids in U.S. are alone at home

About 1.6 million or 8 percent of grade school children of employed mothers came home to empty houses in 1991, reported Computed Services recently.

A Census Bureau report released May 20, 1994, titled "Who's Minding the Kids? Child Care Arrangements: Fall 1991," states that nearly one-third of the children were 5 to 11 year-olds, while the remaining two-thirds were 12 to 14.

"The mother's job characteristics are the most important factors in determining if a child is a latch-key kid," says Lynn Casper, one of the authors of the report. "Factors such as income take a back seat to whether a child's mother works full or part time, or has an evening or night shift."

Children 5 to 11 whose mothers were full-time workers were four times more likely to be latch-key kids than children whose mothers were part-time workers.

As any single parent knows, this is a worrisome situation. Parents want to know that their children get home from school, and that they are all right. In the summer it is even worse, because many kids are alone all or most of the day. Parents want to check up on their children but that's not always possible, especially when an employer frowns on personal phone calls.

Now, there's a solution. A new service has recently been introduced by Computer Services of Ruidoso. Called, "Computerized Monitoring," this new service will faithfully call each day and verify that the children are safe at home. If there is a problem, the parent or designated person will be notified immediately.

Here's how it works. At the times the parent specifies, the specially programmed computer will call the home phone number with a customized message for the children. If they need assistance, they just push "0" on a touch tone phone and the service will immediately alert the parent or the person the parent has previously designated. If the phone is always busy or if there is no answer, the parent or designated person will be notified. If everything is okay, the child just pushes "1" on the phone and hangs up. IT'S THAT SIMPLE.

The GOAL of this service is to give parents the peace of mind of knowing their children are safe at home, and that, if there is a problem, parents will be notified immediately. That way, parents can function at their highest possible level at whatever it is that keeps them from being at home with their children.

CompuLink has a variety of calling options, and can customize a calling package to suit the needs of the family. Because the monitoring service is reliably performed by computer, the cost is minimal. Every working parent can afford the peace of mind knowing their kids are safe at home.

The Computerized Monitoring is a valuable tool in checking in with the elderly, anyone living alone or in questionable health, to confirm his or her well being. Caring relatives and friends who perhaps should inquire every day find it difficult or impossible to do so. NOW Computed does it faithfully for them, providing peace of mind and help, if needed. With Computed checking in everyday, many activities can be resumed with confidence because if there is a problem, they know help will be summoned. Our GOAL is to enable people to live in their own homes, functioning at their highest possible level while maintaining their independence.

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Correction

Ruidoso Downs Race Track's cash loss this year will end up somewhere between \$700,000 and \$900,000, so it may be down slightly this year. However, adding principal and interest on its debts, the total loss to the track by the end of the season will be as much as last year, about \$2.3 million, said Marc Wilson, president of Hubbard Enterprises Inc.

A story published Wednesday listed the incorrect total loss.

Fishing report

Bonito Lake -- Fishing is good using powerbait, salmon eggs, corn, small spinners and fly and bubble combinations.

Grindstone Reservoir Fishing is good using salmon eggs and powerbait.

Rio Ruidoso -- Fishing is good using hopper pattern flies, small spinners and single salmon eggs on small hooks for small browns and stocked rainbows.

Orange/Black Tiger teams scrimmage

The Capitan football team will have an intrasquad scrimmage at 6:30 p.m. today.

Admission will be charged, with proceeds going to the purchase of new helmets for the football team.

Hunter education

A hunter education certification class will be offered Saturday and Sunday, Sept. 7 and 8.

The classes last from 8:30 a.m. to 6:30 p.m. each day at the Ruidoso Police Department, 421 Wingfield St.

Ruidoso Hunter Education instructors will teach the class. Hunters under the age of 18 must take this class before they go afield. The class will provide valuable information to all hunters, regardless of age.

The course is approved by the New Mexico Game and Fish Department. It is recognized in all other states that require adults to pass an approved hunter education course.

Students under the age of 12 must be accompanied by an adult for the entire class. Students only need to bring a pencil to class. Everything else will be provided.

Class size is limited. Those interested should pre-register by calling the Ruidoso Police Department. A registrant's social security number is required.

Cost is \$5 and can be paid the morning of the first class.

For more information, call Bill Heincken at the Ruidoso Police Department, 257-7365, or David Wheeler of the Ruidoso Ambulance Service, 257-8290.

Warrior grididders declare open season on Bulldogs

By LAURA CLYMER
Ruidoso News sports writer

PREP FOOTBALL

If there's one lesson Ruidoso Warriors learned from last year's grid campaign, it's that football is a team sport.

"Last year we played as individuals. This year we're playing as a team," says senior wide receiver/safety Rick Pacini.

Teammate and classmate Erik Padilla agrees.

"We're a more competitive team. Our team works real hard. We've got dedication, too."

It'll take a team effort when coach Les Carter's squad takes the field tonight at 7:30 p.m. against traditionally strong Artesia in Ruidoso's home opener.

Both teams are coming off mildly disappointing seasons. The Warriors finished 6-4 overall and 3-2 in District 3AAA play, but they didn't make the playoffs. The Bulldogs posted a 5-5 record and 1-2 district mark. They were left out of the postseason as well.

"We've got to go out and minimize our mistakes and hope that they maximize theirs," says Carter, who enters his third year as the Warriors' head coach.

"We've had great practices this week. The kids are just really up. We're excited. We're ready to play."

The Warriors will start 10 seniors on offense and six on defense. But that senior-laden lineup is somewhat deceiving, Carter says. Of those 10 offensive starters, six started last year.

One of those starters from 1995 is quarterback Pascal Enjady, who directed the Warrior offense in all 10 games. Enjady stepped into that role after classmate Billy Rogge broke his leg in a preseason scrimmage.

This year, Enjady earned the starting nod for tonight's opener over Rogge and sophomore signal caller Cory Saenz.

"Pascal has just proven himself, and he deserves that opportunity to start," Carter said.

But that doesn't mean Rogge and Saenz will be on the sidelines charting plays.

"They're all three the kind of players that need to be on the field somewhere," Carter said.

Saenz and Rogge will spearhead the Warriors' defensive attack in the backfield. Saenz starts at safety beside Pacini, and Rogge joins senior Gilbert Sambrano as the team's defensive backs.

In addition to the renewed team spirit, the Warriors are reviving a defensive scheme that Carter prefers, the 5-2 set.

Ruidoso ran a "split 6" defense in 1995, which put more players on the line and less in pass coverage, Carter explained.

WARRIOR FOOTBALL

Who: Ruidoso vs. Artesia

When: 7:30 p.m. Friday

Where: Horton Stadium

With the 5-2, the Warriors should be able to play the pass better. They'll have to rely more on linebackers Matt Wharton, a senior, and Arthur Miller, a junior, and the defensive backfield, but Carter has confidence in both.

"We seem to play more teams that are trying to throw the ball, and with our defensive backfield we feel we can cover the pass and still have good run support," he says.

The 5-2 also requires a good nose guard, Carter says. He has that in 185-pound Brian Moore. Joining Moore in the defensive trenches are tackles Justice Quintana (jr. 180) and Jason Leadingham (soph. 170), and ends Padilla and Garvin Grant (soph. 200).

"With this kind of defense, you need to have a real good nose guard and good linebackers," Carter says.

The Warriors are also changing offenses, from a pro set to a wing-T formation. The wing-T features more inside running play such as counters and misdirection plays.

Moore joins senior tailback Arthur Rojas in

the Warrior backfield to lead the Ruidoso rushing attack.

The Warriors' offseason program and participation in a couple of passing league tournaments this summer helped refine the Ruidoso passing game.

"We want to be able to throw when we want to, not when we have to," Carter adds.

Carter changed the offensive and defensive schemes because both were better suited to fit the Ruidoso personnel.

The wing-T should be familiar to Padilla and his senior teammates. They ran that offense as eighth and ninth graders with positive results. That eighth-grade team finished undefeated, and as freshmen, the team only lost one game.

"It will open the pass plays and running plays," added Rojas, who led the Warriors in rushing last season.

Artesia will test Ruidoso's new offensive and defensive sets from the get-go.

"We scouted them, and offensively they are a typical Artesia team, explosive," Carter notes. That means a good passing game.

"But if you focus too much on that, they'll burn you with the run," he says.

Leading Cooper Henderson's Bulldogs is senior quarterback Paul Maupin. Maupin missed last year because of an injury, but that shouldn't slow the 5-10, 160-pound signal caller.

Artesia's high-octane offense won't discourage the Warriors, Rojas vows.

"We won't give up when we're behind. We're not going to get down if someone else scores," he promises.

Pacini finds nothing daunting about the Bulldogs, either.

"Everybody's ready for Artesia. It's just a name," Pacini says.

Padilla adds that fans can expect "a lot of hitting going on" at the Horton Stadium playing field.

"You have to hate Artesia to beat them. We have to earn their respect. (After tonight) everybody in New Mexico will understand that we're going to be up there" as a contender, Padilla said.

Track ends with running of the All American

The 38th running of the All American Futurity Monday caps off a successful season of racing at Ruidoso Downs, despite the troubled times in New Mexico horse racing.

The supporting cast on the undercard of Labor Day will consist of the 550 Championship and

the All American Futurity Consolation. Both events will help build up the excitement to the ninth and featured race on Monday's card.

Ruidoso Downs General Manager Rick Baugh expects a standing-room crowd of nearly 10,000 for the featured race of the

meet. "We've been preparing for this weekend for the last month," Baugh said Wednesday.

His main concern is the weather. Baugh will have his television tuned into the Weather Channel during the day so he can keep a close eye on what fronts might blow in.

"We just need some pretty days

to bring the people out," he said. "We want them shoulder to shoulder."

Sports Services, which handles the concessions at the track, is bringing in additional help to serve the expected 10,000 patrons Sunday and Monday.

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Brooks breaks drought with three qualifiers

By LAURA CLYMER

Ruidoso News sports writer

Horse trainer Jack Brooks knows how to win the All American Futurity. After all, he's done it six times — three times more than any other trainer.

But how does one of quarter horse racing's top trainers respond when he doesn't even qualify a mount to the world's richest quarter horse race for the past two years in a row?

By simply qualifying three to this year's race.

"I couldn't go into it with anything any better," Brooks said Wednesday from his barn area at Ruidoso Downs. "I wouldn't trade any of them (horses). It's a good feeling to have."

Brooks, 60, will saddle three 2-year-olds — a third of the field — for Monday's \$2 million All American Futurity.

Having at least one qualifier in the All American is something of Brooks' speciality. Since 1978 he's had at least one mount in the big annual race, sometimes two and even three.

But that string was broken in 1994 and 1995.

"I really thought I would qualify (those years)," says Brooks, who has been training racehorses since 1959.

Last year, he had a talented filly by the name of Heavenly Note.

"She caught the only head wind of the day," Brooks remembers. She went on to win her heat of the All American Futurity trials, but wasn't fast enough to make the final cut. In 1994, Brooks' Melt-down had the same misfortune.

"You have to have talent and you have to have good luck," he says.

Brooks has both this year, threefold.

Veteran jockey Kenny Hart will ride Mr Special Express, a gelding who has had "talent from the get-go," according to Brooks. After some additional schooling in the gate, he's been running particularly well. Mr Special Express lost by a nose in the Rainbow Futurity Consolation, but managed to post the third-fastest time, 21.540, in the All American Trials.

Duck N Dash is another promising 2-year-old. Brooks gelded Duck N Dash, and since then it has made a difference in his performances on the track. Duck N Dash was sired by Merganser, the Brooks-trained 1988 All American winner.

Brooks' third qualifier is the high-spirited filly The Ravin Maniac. Joe Benilla will be in the irons for Brooks, who says he's been high on this filly for awhile.

"She's just like her name," Brooks says. Some additional work from the gates and on the track have helped, he says, and the filly has come around the last 30 days.

Just how does Brooks bring out the best in his trainees?

The Blanchard, Okla. native learned his trade from W.W. Wilson. He galloped and rode horses for Wilson and absorbed all he could about training, caring and feeding racehorses.

"He was really a horseman," Brooks says of Wilson. "He did more for me than anyone in the business."

In his more than 35 years in the business, Brooks has learned that

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Jack Brooks,
Horse trainer

racehorses are like people — there are no two alike.

"They'll tell you how to train them. They're just like children," he says.

A horse ready to run will go to the track enthusiastically. One that isn't feeling well or has run too much will look back longingly to the barn area, he says.

"They really train themselves if you start listening to them," Brooks says.

Monday promises to be a busy one for Brooks, but he's not too worried.

"You're a little uptight. But it's something that you look forward to," he says. "When you qualify one to the All American you still feel like a winner."

Even though he's won six Futurities, Brooks wouldn't mind another one.

"There's nothing like the All American. It's just the beginning, and you don't want to stop with just one (victory)," he says. "In the business, you don't retire. It's too much fun. Every year you keep looking



Laura Clymer/The Ruidoso News

Jack Brooks has trained six All American Futurity winners. Monday, he'll saddle a third of the field for the finals of the \$2 million race.

for that 2-year-old to win the All American," he says.

Brooks' first All American winner was Moon Lark in 1978, and his last was Dash Thru Traffic in 1992. In 1982, Brooks swept first and second places with Mr Master Bug and Miss Squawhand. Then, he won it back-to-back with Merganser and Strawberry Silk in 1988 and 1989.

He can't single out a favorite among the six; they're all special for different reasons.

Any one of the nine in this year's field could win. There's no clear favorite, says Brooks, noting that

3/10ths of a second separate the fastest qualifier (21.430) from the 10th qualifier (21.735).

In addition to liking his own entries, Brooks has been impressed with Blushin Bugs, the fastest qualifier, and Rainbow Futurity winner Swingin Val. Streakin Flyer will challenge also, Brooks predicts.

"It's equal — the whole field. There's not a one who couldn't win it if things go right for them," Brooks added.

But really, Jack, who do you think will win it?

"I wish I knew. I just hope it's one of mine," he says with a smile.



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Brooks adopted the colors of green and orange and the turtle mascot 30 years ago. He was running a dozen horses at a Oklahoma racetrack and forgot to bring blinkers. Brooks had to borrow the only pair of blinkers available for that meet — a pair of orange and green blinkers with a turtle on them. Brooks won more than a half dozen races with his entries, and hasn't given up the lucky colors or mascot since.



Laura Clymer/The Ruidoso News

Brooks says it's important to listen what the horse tells you. It's a formula that works; Brooks six All American Futurity winners to his credit.

Final weekend has more than the All American

Ruidoso Downs closes the 1996 race meet with its most exciting weekend of racing of the season. The celebration begins today with an afternoon of racing followed by the Ruidoso Super Select Yearling Sale at 6:30 p.m. in the Sports Theatre.

Many All American Futurity winners and champions have passed through the sales ring in the Super Select Sale. Admission is free.

Saturday heats up the racing action with the All American Derby Consolation and Ruidoso Mile Handicap. The mile will be the final test for older thoroughbreds. Set Records won the race in 1995 and Leger Cat took it in 1994. Both horses earned Thoroughbred Horse of the Meet honors in those respective years.

The All American Derby Consolation could very well be a more competitive race than the derby final. Rainbow Derby winner Kims First Dash will face off against Ruidoso Derby champ Naturally A Winner.

Also in the consolation final is Evening Snow, who made his second start of the year in the trials of the All American Derby. The winner of last year's inaugural Los Alamitos Million finished third in his trial behind derby finalists Dash Of Essence and Fearless Freda.

Saturday evening, the All American Yearling Sale will complete the two days of the annual quarter horse yearling sales at the Sports Theatre.

Both Friday and Saturday feature simulcast wagering on Retama

Park at 6 p.m. and Los Alamitos at 8 p.m.

Sunday, the racing action approaches the boiling point with the finals of the All American Derby and the Ruidoso Thoroughbred Futurity.

The Thoroughbred Futurity will showcase two tough thoroughbreds from the "Sleepy" Gilbreath barn, Igofast and Demand Deposit. The latter captured his trial heat, while the former finished second by a nose to the promising Cain N Abel from the James McArthur stable.

The All American Derby may be one of the most contentious and exciting races of the year. World Champion Winalota Cash will be the horse everyone is gunning for after his impressive trial win Aug. 16. The Gregg Sanders trainee seemed to run the 440-yard course

ALL AMERICAN WEEKEND

What: Final four days of racing at Ruidoso Downs

When: Starting today through Monday, Labor Day

The list of contenders became eight when Elegant Dasher, third-fastest qualifier and the only horse to beat Winalota Cash this year, chipped her knee in the trial, ending her 1996 season.

Of the eight remaining, Western Heart was second-fastest qualifier after finishing behind Winalota Cash in the trials. The Jack Brooks trainee finally showed his potential, breaking well from the gate for the first time this year at Ruidoso Downs.

effortlessly, blistering the racing strip in 21.135 seconds — the fastest 440 of the year, the fourth fastest at Ruidoso and fifth-fastest time in history.

The Andra Meridith-owned gelding looks to be on track for another World Championship finish.

As with Cigar's defeat in the Pacific Classic a few weeks ago, nothing is a sure thing. There are eight other horses with their eyes on Winalota Cash.

Two other geldings, Grits Gator and Dozens Destiny, will be making their third derby start at Ruidoso Downs after qualifying to both the Ruidoso and Rainbow derbies. Grits Gator ran second in the Ruidoso, while Dozens Destiny ran third.

All American race

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Baugh has also added more security and an additional shuttle van to service the parking lots.

ESPN rolls into town Saturday to begin setting up for its broadcast of the race on espn2. Tom Dawson, Chris Lincoln and Jeff Medders will call the race for the sports network.

The gates open at 10 a.m. Monday, with the first post slated for noon.

The 38th running of the All American Futurity is any horse's race, Baugh said. Only 3/10ths of a second separates the fastest qualifier from the last qualifier.

Blushin Bugs, a California-bred gelding, posted the fastest qualifying time of 21.430 seconds for the 440-yard trial heats. That effort quickly shot him into the role of favorite in the field of nine.

Billy Peterson, regular rider on Winalota Cash and winner of last year's All American Futurity, could find the winner's circle again since he has the fastest qualifier for the second straight year to the futurity.

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Rick Baugh,
Ruidoso Downs
General Manager

Even more remarkable is that Billy will ride the fastest qualifiers to both the All American Derby and Futurity. He could pull the rare double with a victory Sunday in the derby aboard Winalota Cash and Monday in the futurity on top of Blushin Bugs.

The All American Futurity, however, seems to be a wide-open affair this year with such horses as Streakin Victory, second-fastest qualifier, and Swingin Val, Rainbow Futurity winner.

Both Streakin Victory and Swingin Val put up the \$50,000 supplemental fee to enter the trials. The other supplement who gambled \$50,000 to qualify is White Glove Delivery. She pulled up lame after her trial win with a broken sesamoid and has been retired to the breeding shed. The filly will receive last-place money of \$53,911, which at least recoups the cost of her entry fee.

Trainer Jack Brooks has three entries in Mr Special Express, Duck N Dash and The Ravin Maniac. That ends a two-year dry spell for the trainer who has won more All Americans than any other.

Miss Rodeo New Mexico Melissa Grand will lead the post parade to Monday's ninth race, the All American Futurity.



Blushin Bugs



Duck N Dash



Ina Calyx Kitty



Mr Special Express



Rare Ruler



Speedy Empress



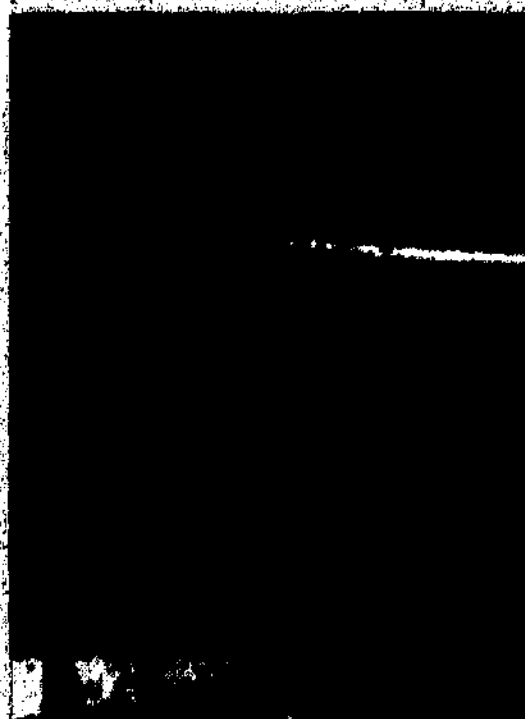
Streakin Flyer



Swingin Val



The Ravin Maniac



White Glove Delivery

RUIDOSO DOWNS ENTRIES

Aug. 31 Entries

1st RACE Purse \$1700. Mdn 2yo 120
Cln \$5000 400 Yd

- 1-Rockless Surprise (no rider) 120
 - 2-Pandagon Baby (Meador) 117
 - 3-Bj Smashed Dancer (Gomez) 120
 - 4-Make Meant Faced (Theoford) 120
 - 5-Super Do Hot (Perez) 120
 - 6-First Down Step (M Fuentes) 120
 - 7-Little Double Deb (no rider) 120
 - 8-Riveting (no rider) 120
 - 9-Playa Panchito (Madrid) 120
 - 10-Saravina Six (Sherbino) 117
- Also Eligible: Genoa Big Dog, Special Fast One

2nd RACE Purse \$1800. 3yo&up N/W Yd

- 5/23 120/122 Cln \$2500 \$70 Yd
- 1-Candace Sam (Webb) 122
 - 2-Jumbo Jake (no rider) 119
 - 3-In Made In Usa (no rider) 122
 - 4-Horizon On Go (Fincher) 119
 - 5-Contralto (no rider) 122
 - 6-Southern Navy (no rider) 122
 - 7-Tanya Chica (Blevins) 122
 - 8-Meliana (J Martinez) 122
 - 9-Little Tobin (no rider) 120
- Also Eligible: Singles Only

3rd RACE Purse \$2600. Mdn 2yo Nwb 120 5 1/2 Fur

- 1-Gracious Trick (Gomez) 117
 - 2-Boxer Shorts (Fincher) 120
 - 3-Ice Pass (Roller) 120
 - 4-Derrick's Gold (no rider) 120
 - 5-Fuego Del Mar (Sherbino) 120
 - 6-Little Jackson (Holmes) 120
 - 7-Zaided Again (no rider) 120
 - 8-Chispas (Lidberg) 120
 - 9-San Felipe's King (no rider) 120
 - 10-Dragon Slew (no rider) 120
- Also Eligible: Brave Jack

4th RACE Purse \$1800. Mdn 2yo 120 350 Yd

- 1-Cadillac Dancer (no rider) 120
 - 2-Zelma (Blevins) 120
 - 3-Oh Vandy Duck (no rider) 120
 - 4-Zachs Rowdy Effort (no rider) 120
 - 5-Sour Mash Dash (no rider) 120
 - 6-Hondinger (no rider) 120
 - 7-Changin The Charts (Martin) 120
 - 8-Jack The Lad (Thompson) 120
 - 9-House Of Spirits (no rider) 120
 - 10-Red Rocks Away (no rider) 120
- Also Eligible: Hot Austin Duncan, Annie Annie, Mother Cash

5th RACE Purse \$1900. 3yo&up 120/122 Cln \$3500 550 Yd

- 1-Sound A Victory (Hart) 122
- 2-Might Get The Cash (Estrella) 120
- 3-My Buddy Breat (Perez) 120
- 4-Native Gold Digger (Myles) 122
- 5-Sacalin Streakin (M Fuentes) 120
- 6-Special Alarm (no rider) 120
- 7-Six Pros (Blevins) 120
- 8-Trackinforblacktype (no rider) 122

6th RACE Purse \$4900. F&m 3yo&up 117/120 Alw 6 Fur

- 1-Sue's Geisha Gal (no rider) 114
- 2-Centerfire (M Fuentes) 111
- 3-Dela's Diamond (J Martinez) 114
- 4-Angel Feather (J Martinez) 117
- 5-Sailing Seaba (no rider) 120

- 6-M's Fizz (no rider) 117
- 7-Adelita Rose (Gomez) 120
- 8-Leisure Kite (Al Fuentes) 117

7th RACE Purse \$20000. Rai Mile Hdcp 3yo&up 1 Mile

- 1>Show Courts (Madrid) 120
- 2-Acrylic (Rex) 122
- 3-Lorys Tab (Mitchell) 120
- 4-Hogan The Rail (Lidberg) 116
- 5-Martin (Fincher) 117
- 6-Vice Versa (no rider) 116
- 7-Polar Ridge (Al Fuentes) 109
- 8-Ran John (J Martinez) 116
- 9-Catchy Prospect (Rivas) 117

8th RACE As Derby Con. 3yo 122 440

- 1-Kellys Merger (no rider) 122
 - 2-Accommodash (no rider) 122
 - 3-Rockless Rola (no rider) 122
 - 4-Fistole (Mc Mahon) 122
 - 5-Naturally A Winner (Vaughn) 122
 - 6-Road My Liptick (Martin) 122
 - 7-Bowling Snow (Baddilla) 122
 - 8-Sixteen Ramon (A Baldille) 122
 - 9-Kellys Down (Percell) 122
 - 10-Kims First Dash (J Martinez) 122
- Also Eligible: Real Six Time

9th RACE Purse \$2500. Mdn 2yo Nwb 120 Cln \$5000 6 Fur

- 1-Mister Cookie Man (Holmes) 120
- 2-Star Of Creation (Smallwood) 117
- 3-Chockie (no rider) 117
- 4-Hollie Dawn (no rider) 120
- 5-Braxton Jace (Mitchell) 120
- 6-Flashy Odds (Theoford) 117
- 7-She's The Jack (no rider) 117
- 8-Pretty Boy David (Lidberg) 120
- 9-Boggy Depot (no rider) 120

Sept. 1 Entries

1st RACE Purse \$1800. 3yo&up N/W 5/23 120/122 Cln \$2500 350 Yd

- 1-Go Baggy Time (Apodaca) 122
- 2-Sunnie At Ya (no rider) 120
- 3-Make It Last (Perez) 122
- 4-Magnificent Boogie (Roller) 119
- 5-Super Easy Tador (Viochilli) 120
- 6-Danish Bag (Al Fuentes) 122
- 7-Best Bag Ever (no rider) 119
- 8-Easy Certain (Webb) 122

2nd RACE Purse \$2000. 3&4yo Nwb 3 117/121 Cln \$4000 7 1/2 Fur

- 1-Countryolite (Rivas) 111
- 2-Mistic Wink (no rider) 111
- 3-Speed Predicted (Fincher) 118
- 4-Bus Storytime (Roller) 117
- 5-Happy See (no rider) 118
- 6-Relaxed Image (Artesaga) 114
- 7-Clever Drone (Gomez) 117

3rd RACE Purse \$1800. Mdn 2yo 120 400 Yd

- 1-Sign In Cash (M Fuentes) 120
- 2-Fast Flare (Thompson) 120
- 3-Diamond Slash Dash (Waithorn) 117
- 4-Streak N Bounces (Perez) 120
- 5-Heza Champas (Valdez) 117
- 6-Zachs Rowdy Effort (no rider) 120
- 7-Blue Jeans Birt (no rider) 117
- 8-Huchinango (Sherbino) 120

4th RACE Purse \$1800. Mdn 2yo 120 Cln \$5000 6 Fur

- 1-Cinnamon Soap (no rider) 117

- 2-Go Bo Go (Roller) 120
- 3-Dewantowin (Gomez) 120
- 4-Dusty Anchor (no rider) 120
- 5-Shamus Dawn (no rider) 117
- 6-Swiss Monday (no rider) 120
- 7-Just Tezzin (no rider) 120
- 8-Crookator (no rider) 117
- 9-Banchofum (Apodaca) 120
- 10-Storytime Gal (no rider) 117

5th RACE Purse \$2900. 3yo&up Nwb 3 120/122 Alw \$70 Yd

- 1-Mino Fortunes (no rider) 120
- 2-Duel Master (J Martinez) 122
- 3-Gail Mountain (no rider) 120
- 4-On A Date (Viochilli) 122
- 5-Smiles Image (no rider) 122
- 6-Moon Johnson (M Fuentes) 119
- 7-Fire Down Sate (no rider) 122

6th RACE Purse \$2900. 2yo Nwb 3 120 Alw 400 Yd

- 1-Jalabethgryphon (no rider) 120
- 2-Chica Alas (Baddilla) 120
- 3-Cash For Coins (no rider) 120
- 4-Wildcat Cash (Myles) 120
- 5-Royal Diamond Dash (Carter) 120
- 6-One Morning Star (J Martinez) 120
- 7-Windy Season (Thompson) 120
- 8-Griffin Special (Viochilli) 120

7th RACE \$20000 Added. Rai Tb Fur 2yo Nwb 117/120 6 Fur

- 1-Chacalaca (Viochilli) 120
 - 2-Headed (no rider) 120
 - 3-Bounty Prince (no rider) 120
 - 4-Diamond Deposit (J Martinez) 120
 - 5-Tec Um Up (Fincher) 120
 - 6-Dauntlessfinch (Lidberg) 120
 - 7-Bethin N The Dark (M Fuentes) 120
 - 8-Rising Express (Rivas) 117
 - 9-Sat Knight (Al Fuentes) 120
 - 10-Rays Legend (Roller) 120
 - 11-Cala N Abel (Mitchell) 120
 - 12-Igofat (Thompson) 120
- Also Eligible: Seat Pass, Imperial Prince.

8th RACE Purse \$2500. 3yo&up 117/121 Cln \$6250 6 Fur

- 1-Cowboy's Kid (Madrid) 121
- 2-Mama's Madness (J Martinez) 121
- 3-Jermaine Classic (Roller) 121
- 4-One Fell Swoop (no rider) 121
- 5-Believe In Stars (no rider) 121
- 6-Li Clarence (Al Fuentes) 121

9th RACE \$25000 Added. Purse \$185,091 AA Derby 3yo 122 440 yd

- 1-Fearless Freda (Pilkenton) 122
- 2-Elegant Dasher (Creager) 122
- 3-Western Heart (Hart) 122
- 4-Heza Ramblin Man (Carter) 122
- 5-Dozens Destiny (Hanson) 122
- 6-Grits Gator (Williams) 122
- 7-Winakea Cash (Peterson) 122
- 8-Streakin Kar (Thompson) 122
- 9-Blazen Bryan (Martin) 122
- 10-Dash Of Essence (J Martinez) 122

10th RACE Purse \$1800. 3yo&up 117/121 Cln \$2500 5 1/2 Fur

- 1-Cesar C. (no rider) 121
- 2-Land And Si (Smallwood) 121
- 3-Crown Me Royally (M Fuentes) 118
- 4-Crook Cowboy (no rider) 121
- 5-Tewa Chief (Rivas) 118
- 6-Separica (Madrid) 121
- 7-Ponder Pass (no rider) 118
- 8-I Got It Too (Al Fuentes) 121

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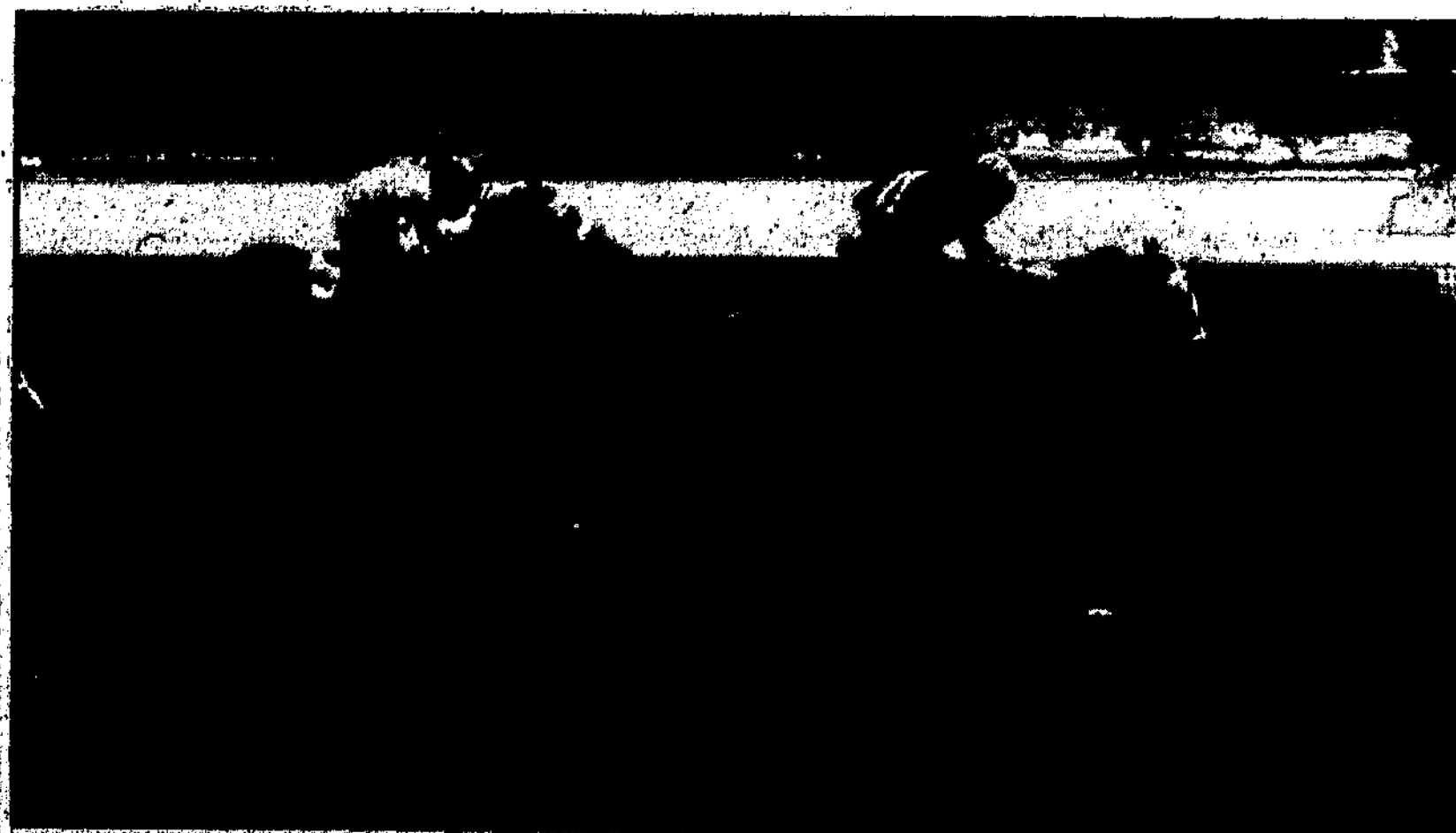
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Bluebird Bugs heads into Monday's All American Futurity final as the favorite because he posted the fastest time in the trials. Billy Peterson will be aboard the 2-year-old quarter horse who was bred in California.

Crochet business hooks a chance at success

BY PAMELA CROMWELL
Ruidoso News staff writer

Chris Elliott is chasing the dream of owning a business in the mountains, where the air is clean and the people are friendly. She is finding that making dreams a reality is hard work, and the challenges are endless.

Chris's Crochets and Crafts opened in May in a 250-square-foot teepee at LeClaire's Mountain Village. The small space makes effective display challenging, especially when the inventory is varied.

Elliott sells her own crochet, seeking to turn a hobby into a profitable business. She also sells clothing made by her mother, featuring quirky vests that are a popular fashion accessory.

Consignment items include jewelry made by Marilyn and Michelle Kanady. Elliott rounds out her inventory of crafts with novelty items she picks up at garage sales.

"We're adding shelves and trying to find ways to fit everything in," Elliott said. "This place is packed."

The most dominant display in the little shop is a rack of used books, hardbound and paperback, selling for \$3 and 25 cents respectively.

With no business experience and no business plan, Elliott is running her shop by instinct. She also has the advice and support of the shop owners around her. She's found Ruidoso to be more conducive to a fledgling business than Portales, where she was selling crochet from her home.



Chris Elliott sells crafts and novelties at Chris's Crochets and Crafts.

Pamela Cromwell/Ruidoso News

NEW BUSINESS

"Portales was dirty, dry and the people were inconsiderate," Elliott said. "Here it's the complete opposite. People help each other."

The biggest obstacle to opening a shop in Portales, Elliott said, was that most business spaces did not meet standards for handicapped access. Owners of those spaces were not willing to invest in remodeling to comply with the Americans with Disabilities Act.

At LeClaire's, Elliott must deal with low visibility, but shoppers do ascend the steps at the complex to browse.

"We've had more lookers than buyers here this year," Elliott said.

Elliott has a few business tricks up her sleeve, which she does not care to publicize at the moment. As she gains experience with Ruidoso customers, both locals and tourists, she develops ideas for new products.

She has already found one unique market — making crochet and cross-stitch crafts for elderly customers whose hands have become too stiff to craft.

"It's good therapy for my blood pressure," Elliott said. "I'd rather do this than take a pill."

If the philosophy "Do what you love and the money will follow" holds true, Elliott is bound for success in Ruidoso. Sometimes a little dream and a lot of work pays off.

BUSINESS BRIEF CASE

Low cow inventory will raise beef prices

The beef industry has been dealing with too many cows to feed and not enough carnivores to eat them. But it is about to see a turn-around as the beef cow inventory declines, according to the New Mexico Agricultural Statistics Service.

Retail beef prices have been declining since late fall, but are expected to rise in the second half of 1996 as beef supplies tighten.

The beef cow inventory has peaked. On July 1, 1996, the beef cow inventory was 35.6 million head, down from 36.1 million in 1995. This marks the first inventory decline in six years and signals the beginning of the contraction phase of the cattle cycle.

Relatively high cattle prices in the early 1990s encouraged rapid herd expansion. The buildup of cattle supplies and subsequent beef production pushed cattle prices down beginning in 1994. Low cattle prices this spring, the result of large beef supplies and high feed costs, have led to the largest cow slaughter in a decade.

Second-quarter beef production was up 5% from last year, and steer and heifer weights are up. Cattle prices have strengthened since early spring lows, but will remain under pressure.

Interest Rates This Week

The following interest rates on certificates of deposit and new car loans were reported Aug. 29 from local banks.

CD Rates (Minimum \$500 balance)

Pioneer Savings Bank	
3 months	4.32%
6 months	5.20%
1 year	5.41%

New Car Loan Rates

Pioneer Savings Bank	
48 months	8.875%
60 months	9.000%

All Lincoln County banks are welcome to have their interest rates listed free each Friday on the Business page. Call Pamela Cromwell at 257-4001 or fax current rates on Thursdays to 257-7053.

net.news/space/

What's new on the World Wide Web? A press release from the Space Center in Alamogordo directs Internet surfers to two new sites.

The first is at <http://www/wazoo.com/~alamo/space/index.html>. This site was designed by the Alamogordo Consortium and is housed by Wazoo Computers of Alamogordo.

The pages offer text and photographs that tell the history of space research in New Mexico. The site also gives current features at the Tombaugh Theater, hours of operation, admission prices and

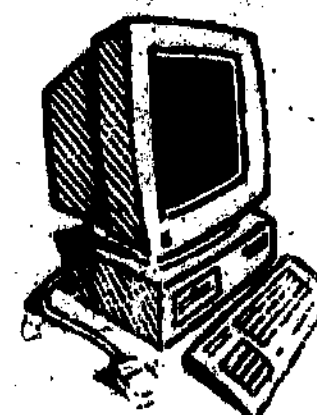
special events. If you visit the site, sign the guest book while you're there.

The second site is a cooperative venture between the Space Center and New Mexico State University-Alamogordo (NMSU-A). Space Center Program Manager Bob Wood designed the pages. Wood is also a computer science and electronics instructor at NMSU-A.

Located at <http://abcc.nmsu.edu/~bwood/>, Wood's page details how the Land of Enchantment became the birthplace of America's space program. Site visitors will also find informa-

tion on International Space Hall of Fame inductees, the Governor's Space Center Commission, and links to other space-related Web sites.

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Neighbors

Rooney loves wild animals, then lets them go

by KATHLEEN McDONALD
Ruidoso News Staff Writer

Edie Rooney knows how to love and let go.

All her life she's nurtured companions and strays only to release them, usually for good.

"She's probably the most caring and loving person you could ever run into," says Rooney's colleague at the Ruidoso police department, Yvette Jaramillo. "Has a real mothering instinct."

She has two of her own adult sons, but also has been a foster mother to about 100 abused Lincoln County children.

Now, Rooney now rehabilitates orphaned and injured animals at her Ruidoso homes. They, too, are let go when the time comes, when they are healed or grown.

"I've always loved animals," she laughs. "I used to bring home kids. Now I bring home the four-legged ones."

A Ruidoso police dispatcher for six years, Rooney gets help caring for the creatures from her friend Truman McBride, a 25-year police department veteran. Together, they pay for food and other needs of the wild animals.

"I'm always in need of old cages, carriers, pens — anyone who has them, I'll take them," Rooney is quick to add.

The cost of caring for the animals often adds up to hundreds of dollars annually, but the satisfaction gained from the wild ones is worth it, Rooney says.

The animals, mostly raccoons, have been brought to her for the past three years by the Ruidoso and Ruidoso Downs animal control officers, as well as the state department of game and fish and local veterinarians.

They bring the orphans to Rooney because there aren't any animal rehabilitation centers in the county, she explains. It's also difficult to find room in the Alamogordo and Roswell zoos for all the baby raccoons found and brought to him each spring, explains local game warden Ron Moore.

"People say 'Just pinch its head off,'" Moore relates. "I'm not going to do that. I think my job is to help protect the critters, and to get them some place where they can be taken care of."

Moore emphasizes people should leave the infant wildlife alone, because there's a good chance the mother is still around. And wild animals should never be treated as pets because they become used to people, making them more vulnerable to sudden deaths.

"Edie's approved to do it (give care.) This is not something for other people to do," Moore warns.

Rooney's mission is to nurse the animals strong and then release them in the forest where they belong. She can't breed or sell the animals.

Right now she has seven raccoons at her adobe home, and two mule deer fawns. About 11 other abandoned raccoons were also at her home during the past two years, along with a lost cockatoo, sick gray fox and injured squirrel hawk.

Four of the raccoons caged outside her house right now are a couple months old and have had minimal contact with humans. But the other three — Alice, Crandon and Norton — were only three weeks old when brought to her in mid-June. Some like to play like kittens.

"Crandon doesn't like to be held, but Norton begs for loving, and Alice likes loving, but likes it only when she wants it," she explains.

The nocturnal creatures will be released this fall when they're about four or five months old.

The two-month-old fawns, Lucy and Ethel, were placed in Rooney's care last month. They're being bottle fed with goat's milk, and they graze around the yard. They will also be returned soon to the forest.

Saying goodbye to the "babies" can tug at her heart, she says, but she knows she must let them go. Though a couple of the raccoons have come by her house afterwards, most exit the scene for good.

"They do become wild, and will have nothing to do with us," she says. "Raccoons are probably the easiest animals to rehabilitate to the wild. They don't make good pets, because they're set on breeding, and then there's one thing on their minds and one thing only."

Bayou babies

Growing up next to a Beaumont, Texas bayou, Rooney's experiences

with wild animals began in her childhood.

"I would always bring home hurt birds, horny-backed toads, lizards," she recalls. "One time I brought home a baby alligator I found in the bayou and put it in the bathtub. My mom came unglued!"

See Rooney, page 15B



Rooney saddles a pony at age 4.

in PROFILE

Edie Rooney

Hometown:
Beaumont, Texas
Occupation:
Police dispatcher
and wild animal
rehabilitator

Favorite pasttime:
playing with raccoons
Animals cared for:
horny-backed toads,
lizards, alligators,
bobcats, skunks, bull-
frogs, horses, goats,
calves, finches, para-
keets, chickens,
ducks, raccons, deer.



Norton, an orphaned raccoon, loves to play with Rooney.



Lucy, an orphaned fawn, gets a dose of goats milk from Rooney.

Wild Bill goes Hollywood

When we think of men such as Wild Bill Hickok, the tendency is to think of them performing the deeds of daring that made them famous. The idea of Hickok, or any other famous western gunman performing on stage, tends to strain the imagination.

Yet, in Hickok's case, it is true.

Wild Bill first became nationally famous in February of 1867 when that month's issue of New Harper's Magazine printed a story about him. Almost immediately the "dime novels" picked up on this new hero, and Wild Bill and his exploits, both real and imagined, were indelibly printed on the national psyche.

PAST
TENSE



Drew Gomber
Ruidoso News

Hickok enjoyed his notoriety immensely, and he had absolutely no problem enhancing his image for the benefit of the press. When Henry M. Stanley, the newsman and explorer best remembered for the famous line he delivered in Africa ("Dr. Livingstone, I presume"), interviewed Hickok, he was clearly in awe of the famous gunman. He had to be, in order to believe the monumental load of hogwash that Hickok fed him.

Stanley never so much as batted an eye when Hickok told him (with a straight face) that he had personally killed more than 100 men.

In 1870, Hickok got the idea that he could make a fortune by taking the west to the east. Wild Bill's friend Buffalo Bill Cody would eventually be the one to perfect this idea, and it appears that Wild Bill should have consulted him first.

But he didn't, and with an investment of \$2,000, Hickok started his own Wild West Show: "The Daring Buffalo Chase of the Plains." It probably should have been titled "The Disastrous Buffalo Chase of the Plains."

Wild Bill hired three cowboys and, in their company, headed out onto the Nebraska prairie to capture six buffalo. All four men had extensive experience with buffalo, but only in shooting them. It had never even occurred to them how difficult it might be to capture the great shaggy beasts. They soon found out that capturing buffalo was nobody's cup of tea.

First they had to run the animals until the buffalo dropped from exhaustion. Then they had to coax, drag and push the critters to Ogallala's train depot. This was an occasion for amusement to the residents of Ogallala. They assumed that Wild Bill was now playing with cards a tad shy of a full deck.

In addition to his three cowboys and six buffalo, Hickok enlisted four Comanches who had been living in settlements and were considered to be "friendlies."

At least two of the Comanches were a tri-

ple eccentric: one flatly refused to go east if he couldn't bring his pet bear. Another just had to take along his pet monkey (if anyone can enlighten me as to just what a Comanche would be doing with a monkey for a pet, I would be most grateful.)

The show opened in Niagara Falls, N.Y. on July 20, 1870. Approximately 5,000 locals crowded into a seatless wire enclosure. There weren't even any tickets sold. Hickok relied on the citizens to pass the hat.

Things got off to a slow start. The buffalo were not impressed with show biz and would not do anything but stand around and paw the ground. The Comanches were lounging about yawning, and the crowd grew restless. Finally, Wild Bill drew a revolver and fired several shots into the air, and the buffalo took off.

The Comanches got into the spirit of things and became suddenly wild. The cowboys also became enthusiastic, galloping about and firing their pistols. All this was fine with Wild Bill. It was beginning to look as though his show might just be a success after all.

Then the roof fell in, so to speak. The audience began leaping over the barricades to join in the chase. Pandemonium reigned. Children, dogs and adults were joyously racing about in the middle of the "buffalo chase." It was a miracle no one was killed.

At this point, the buffalo decided that the arena was just too crowded for them, and much to Hickok's dismay, decided to release themselves on their own recognizance from his custody.

Cut off from the buffalo by the crowd, Hickok and his cast could only watch helplessly as the six buffalo headed for downtown Niagara Falls to sample urban living.

When the hat was finally passed, Hickok's gross receipts totalled a paltry \$121.89. In disgust, Wild Bill placed the three cowboys, the Comanches, the bear and the monkey on a train west. All were homesick for the plains, with the possible exception of the monkey.

The buffalo, as usual, got the raw end of the deal. They stayed on in Niagara Falls to become exotic meat for the locals.

After a lengthy stay in a couple of local saloons, Hickok, too, headed back west. He'd had quite enough of show business. Show business, however, wasn't quite through with Wild Bill.

Two years later, in 1872, Ned Buntline wrote and produced "Scouts of the Plains," starring Buffalo Bill Cody and a man named Texas Jack Omohundro. When Buntline and Cody quarreled over the profits, Cody and Omohundro decided to produce the show themselves, without the cantankerous Buntline. With the idea of beefing up the cast, Cody headed west to look up his old friend Hickok.

Wild Bill was somewhat less than enthusiastic about Cody's proposition until Cody informed him that no, Wild Bill wouldn't

have to put up any of his own money. In fact, Cody would be paying him. This appealed to Wild Bill. In addition to the financial prospects, Hickok had been experiencing recurring eye trouble, an unfortunate ailment for a man who made his living as a gunman.

Wild Bill decided to give show biz one more try.

However, after the Niagara Falls disaster of several years before, Hickok was prepared to hate everything about the stage. Overstated, heroic gestures were not Hickok's style.

Naturally soft spoken, he made no attempt to shout so the paying customers in the back of the theater could hear him. Nor did he make any secret of the fact that he didn't give a damn whether they heard him or not.

He never could remember that pesky dialogue, but Wild Bill did love to tell stories. Ignoring the plotline, such as it was, Hickok was more prone to have a few drinks, relax, and spin outrageous tall tales for the audience, which loved it.

Critics hated this show with a passion. Everyone else, however, loved it. They considered Hickok to be charming and found Buntline's odious dialogue, on the rare occasion that Wild Bill actually used it, to be quite amusing.

After the Chicago performance, pedestrians on the Loop were known to suddenly stop in their tracks, screaming "The Indians are upon us!" Then they would double over, laughing hysterically.

In one of the show's more famous scenes, Wild Bill, Buffalo Bill and Texas Jack were sitting around a campfire drinking and telling stories. When the bottle was passed to Wild Bill, he took a long pull and then suddenly spit the contents across the stage. "Do you think I am such a fool I don't know iced tea from whiskey? This stuff don't count and I can't tell no story 'till I get some whiskey!"

This delighted the audience, which stomped and screamed until Wild Bill got his whiskey.

By this time, Hickok was giving Cody tiny little heart attacks on a nightly basis. Wild Bill thought it amusing to load the blank charges in his pistols with extra heavy charges. That way, the next time he fired at the legs of the Anglo-Saxon "Indians," they would jump high into the air indeed.

He then began to pursue the female lead, an Italian actress named Josephine



Left to right: Wild Bill Hickok, Texas Jack Omohundro, Buffalo Bill Cody.

Morlacchi, both on and off stage in a manner that was definitely not called for in the script. This was dangerous because Texas Jack was in love with the lady and was not the least bit intimidated by Hickok's deadly reputation. Cody began to worry that Texas Jack might start "forgetting" to load his pistols with blanks and use real bullets.

Luckily for all concerned, Miss Morlacchi settled the issue by marrying Texas Jack.

When the troupe played Titusville, Pa., there was more trouble. A group of local toughs, less than impressed with the "Scouts of the Plains" than others had been, let it be known that they intended to "clean out the Buffalo Bill gang."

Cody, seeking to avoid violence, gave all of his players carefully selected routes to the theater. Hickok just smiled when Cody handed him his directions, causing Buffalo Bill a considerable amount of worry. Sure enough, Hickok went straight to the saloon where the hoodlums hung out and proceeded to break chairs over their amazed heads. It wasn't for nothing that he was known as "Wild Bill."

By this time, Wild Bill had taken about all he could stomach of this foolishness called show business. Finally, in Rochester, N.Y., the plainsman decided that enough was enough, and quit the show.

Heading back to the real plains, Hickok would travel from place to place for the next couple of years until finally, on Aug. 2, 1876, he sat in on a card game in Deadwood, Dakota Territory.

He was dealt what he thought would be a winning hand: Two pair, aces and eights.

He never saw the little man creeping up behind him with a pistol in his hand. And after that day, the hand Hickok held, aces and eights, has been known as "The Dead Man's Hand."

NEIGHBORS

Local rescue group searches for funding

by DIANNE STALLINGS
Ruidoso News Staff Writer

Since she joined White Mountain Search and Rescue, Mary Ann Steensgaard has searched for four lost persons and recovered one body.

Hauling a body out of rugged mountain terrain near Three Rivers with seven others wasn't a pleasant chore. But it isn't the type of assignment she dreads the most.

It's going into unfamiliar territory at night that gives her cold chills.

But go she will, just like the other 30 members of Lincoln County's volunteer White Mountain Search & Rescue group will do when they are called.

It's their job.

"I love being out in nature and helping other people," Steensgaard explained.

The group is looking for more members and more money this year. While its workload has increased, the money it receives from the Lincoln County Commission dropped from \$4,500 in 1995-96 to \$2,250 this year.

Members have turned to the community for help to cover the expenses of operating base camps during searches, for equipment and other necessities.

They also need more members. A long search can deplete their member reserves quickly.

"If someone is interested, there's no age minimum, although we're still trying to decide what function younger members could serve," said Jim Edwards, field coordinator.

"We offer monthly training to develop the skills to go out on searches," he said. "Right now most of our team is composed of new folks without a whole lot of training. And what they have, they have gained by being called out."

A special training session is set for Sept. 7-8 about the state's incident command protocol. By developing a standardized approach to handle searches, the protocol should allow new teams from different areas to walk in cold and pick up without missing a beat, he said. The group also is starting orientation trips on the trails.

White Mountain is fortunate to have a high angle (rappelling) team and a tracking team with a dog, as well as ground beaters who may literally line up about six to eight feet apart and search the ground as they walk forward.

"But we always need help in the base camp for those who aren't able to get out on the trails. You don't need to have a four-wheel vehicle. We need people, not vehicles," said Edwards, who joined the group in 1981.

The idea for a local search and rescue team started back in 1949, when some residents who owned

Jeeps formed a recreational organization and soon were helping state, county and municipal law enforcement officers with traffic control and searches.

By 1967, the members decided search and rescue had become their primary function. They renamed the group from White Mountain Jeep Club to White Mountain Search and Rescue.

The outdoor hiking and chance to help people attracted Steensgaard to the group.

A backpacker since the age of 10, she's used to the rugged outdoor life, although this is her first involvement with a rescue group.

"I bought commercial property from Betty Beachum (president of the White Mountain team) and got roped into it," Steensgaard said. "In fact, so did my whole family. Although my father still lives in Iowa, he's already been out on two searches here."

"Since I joined, I've decided to get my emergency medical technician certification."

Steensgaard has a head start. Before she moved to Ruidoso, she was studying forensic medicine in college.

She's not involved in search and rescues because she has time on her hands — Steensgaard owns two businesses in town.

In fact, most of the members are business owners. They are able to shut down their offices or turn their stores over to clerks when a rescue call comes in, said Holly Johnson, public relations officer for White Mountain.

See Rescue group, page 15

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He was reported missing by his supervisor on Monday, August 5, 1996. He was seen in the Taos area on Monday and Tuesday. Mr. Hartenfeld is described as a 46-year-old white male, six feet, 200 lbs. and sandy brown hair. He is driving a beige 4-Runner - plate number 724-HYX.

New Mexico Crime Stoppers and the Department of Public Safety are asking for your help in locating Mr. Hartenfeld and/or his vehicle. If you have such information, please call the 24-hour anonymous hot line at 1-800-432-8833. A cash reward up to \$1,000.00 is offered by New Mexico Crime Stoppers. An additional reward is being offered by Mr. Hartenfeld's family and friends.

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TRAIL TALK

Mills Canyon is not for the faint at heart

The hike begins at an elevation of approximately 7,080 feet at the Mills Trailhead, located about three miles below Bonito Lake. The trail climbs up the Mills Canyon and eventually ends at the lookout located on Monjeau Peak.

To reach the trailhead, take U.S. Highway 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 1/2 mile to the trailhead located on the left (south) side of the road. A sign marks the location.

An important fact to note at this time is that the Mills trailhead is not located where it is shown on the USFS topo map. The trailhead is now located just across from the

mouth of Philadelphia Canyon, approximately 1/2 mile west of the mouth of Mills Canyon. As a result, a short hike along the Rio Bonito is required just to get back to Mills Canyon.

Upon leaving the trailhead parking lot, take any of the numerous paths present down to the Rio Bonito and cross the stream. Pick up Mills Trail (22) which runs along the south bank of the Rio Bonito and proceed east. After hiking along the stream for about 1/2 mile, the trail reaches a sign and forks. Trail (22) follows the right (south) fork and begins to veer away from the stream. Shortly thereafter, the trail will enter the mouth of Mills Canyon.

The trail gently climbs along the bottom of Mills Canyon for about 1/3 mile to Mills Spring, which is not shown on the topo map. A small pond approximately 7 feet wide by 15 feet long with a crude dirt dam is present below the main seep. Small amounts of flowing water are generally present in Mills Canyon during wet seasons.

The route proceeds another 1.5 miles to the intersection with Dry Mills Trail (24). Continue west on Trail 22. The hike begins to change character at this point. No longer is it merely a stroll through the forest. Instead, the steepness of the trail begins to increase and the condi-



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Scrub oak, running streams and alpine meadows are just some of the many beautiful scenes along Mills Canyon. The hike is strenuous and takes a good day to complete.

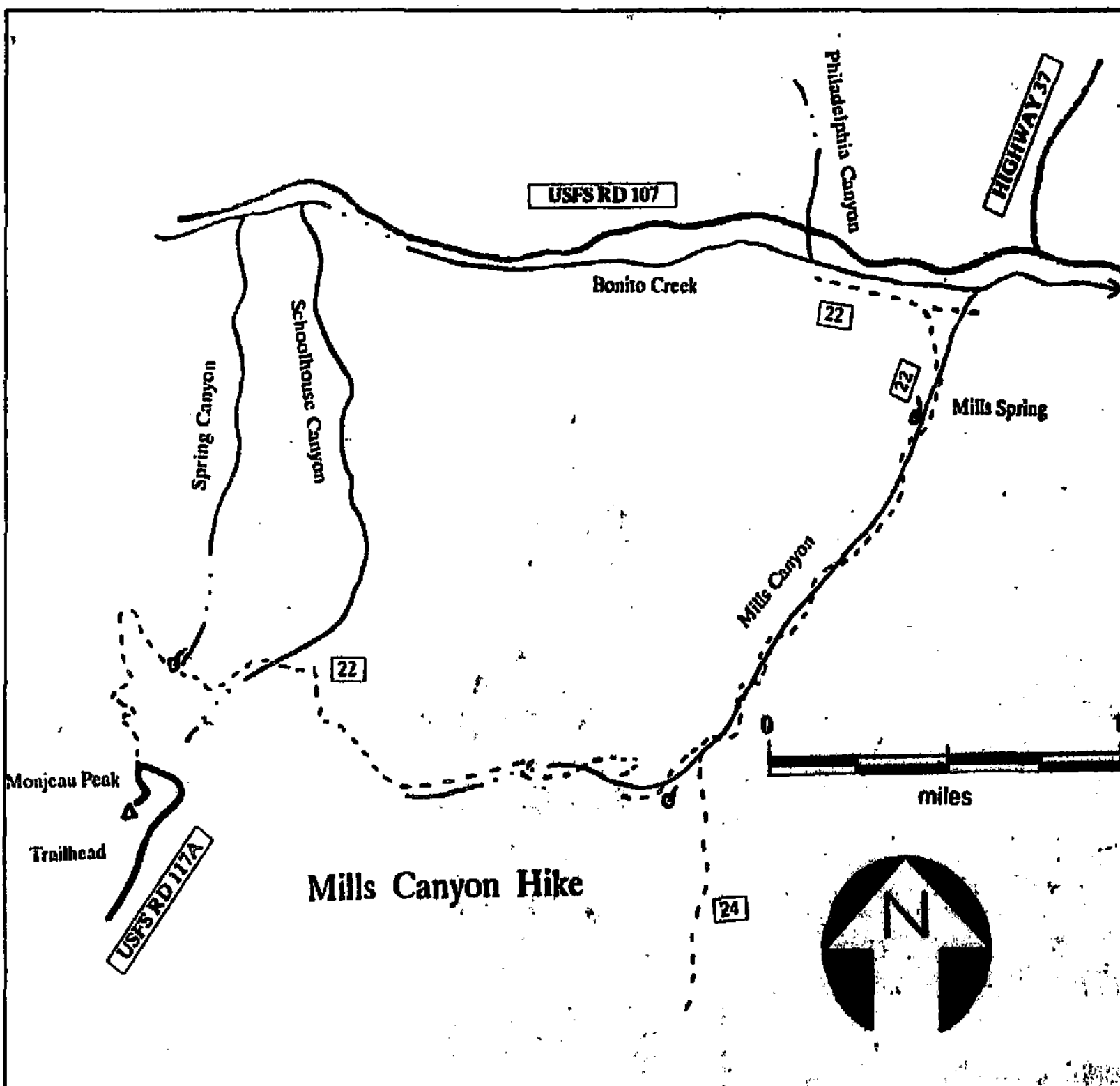
tion of the trail unfortunately decreases. Note the many dead ponderosa pines in the area that fell victim to the pine beetles.

Upon reaching the divide at the head of Mills Canyon, Trail 22 skirts the upper portions of Schoolhouse and Spring canyons. Upper Schoolhouse Canyon is a classic alpine scene with lush meadows, aspen groves and conifers. Spend some quiet time in this area early or late in the day, and your chances of seeing elk are good. At the head of Spring Canyon, the trail passes next to Fox Spring. Some crude piping and a stock trough are present at the spring. Fox Spring is generally perennial and due to the piping, a reliable water source. Notice the pyrite flakes in the stream immediately below the outflow from the trough.

The path proceeds a couple of hundred yards past Fox Spring onto the ridge between Spring and Bear canyons. Monjeau Lookout lies only 1/2 mile away at this point. The problem is the 750 vertical feet that still remain. Unless

you really want to climb the remainder of the distance just to see a view that you can easily drive to, this location might make a more logical turnaround point. Turning around at the ridge would reduce the net elevation gain of the hike to around 1,800 feet. However, if you've never been to the lookout and still have the energy, the view from the top is nothing short of spectacular. Retrace the route to the trailhead to complete the hike.

Camping locations are abundant along much of the route. The lower Mills Canyon area has the best locations because of the presence of water and some horizontal turf. Amazingly enough, where the trail emerges onto the ridge between Bear and Spring canyons, an excellent campsite is present. A rare flat place in an otherwise sea of vertical terrain can accommodate a fairly large group. In addition, water is only a couple hundred yards away at Fox Spring.



MILLS CANYON

General Description: A 9.5-mile round-trip hike from Bonito Creek to Monjeau Peak.

Special Attractions: Running streams and alpine meadows. Panoramic views of Nogal Peak and the upper Bonito Creek drainage.

Net Elevation Gain: 2,500 feet.

Difficulty: Strenuous.

Estimated Hiking Time: 7.5 hours.

Rooney loves and lets go

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"He was such a big influence in my life — so very, very optimistic. Always saying 'I'm going to beat this,'" she relates. "The only time I saw him down was right after the diagnosis. He was in the garage, was crying, saying, 'Will I be able to throw a football with my boys?'"

Rooney doesn't downplay the tragic element in her losses, which have been many. Her father died in World War II when she was only 1 year old, and a long-time boyfriend died in a car wreck.

But she doesn't dwell on what she once had, either, because her life continues to flow, she says. That ease doesn't come so much from having animals and letting

them go, but in appreciating the vibrancy of life by sharing love.

"I'm a firm believer that through love, you learn to love more," Rooney says. "I mean, I feel so very fortunate to have known so much love through animals and people."

She was already known as an animal lover by age 11, when her friend's father brought her an injured bobcat. She also cared for skunks, bullfrogs, lizards, horses, goats, calves, finches, parakeets, chickens and ducks during her youth.

Most of the care involved common sense coupled with advice from experts, she says.

Ruidoso roots

Rooney decided to make her Ruidoso sanctuary a permanent home in 1970, not long after her husband of three months died in a Fort Worth plane crash.

Soon after settling in with her pets, she met her next husband Pat Rooney, an outdoorsman, business owner and life-long Ruidoso resident. Rooney's parents, Bernard and Marie, built the Brady Canyon home she lives in today.

About six years into her marriage to Pat, he was diagnosed with multiple sclerosis. He was confined to a wheelchair by 1980 and died in 1982.

Rescue group

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"But in some cases, there is no money coming into those businesses while they are gone," she added. "Some rescues last several days."

And many rescues involve helping search and rescue groups in other areas who have played out their members. Major searches initiated by the New Mexico State Police usually involve multiple agencies including flying units, fire departments, police, sheriff's offices and often the Border Patrol, she said.

Johnson, who handles communications on many of the rescues, said her next fundraising effort will be connected to the Golden Aspen Motorcycle Rally Sept. 18-22. To be able to participate, she's rounding up door prizes from local merchants and other businesses.

She's hoping they'll help, "because you never know when you or someone in your family could be out there and need help," Johnson said.

The rescue group also will produce literature and programs to educate people on how to increase their chances for survival and rescue if they are lost in the wilderness.

One emphasis will be to convince hunters to discard their camouflage clothing for bright reds and other colors, Johnson said.

For more information about joining the group, donating door prizes or other help, call Johnson at 257-2402.

RUIDOSO'S FOUR-DAY WEATHER OUTLOOK

SATURDAY High...69
Low49



Thunderstorms

SUNDAY High...73
Low48



Thunderstorms

MONDAY High...73
Low48



Thunderstorms

TUESDAY High...75
Low47



Thunderstorms

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Ruidoso readings	High	Low	Precipitation
Tuesday	71	54	.00"
Wednesday	73	55	.03"
Thursday	72	52	.00"

Regional-Friday	High	Low	Forecast
Albuquerque	82	63	Thunderstorms
El Paso, TX	91	69	Thunderstorms
Lubbock, TX	83	66	Thunderstorms
Midland, TX	83	66	Thunderstorms

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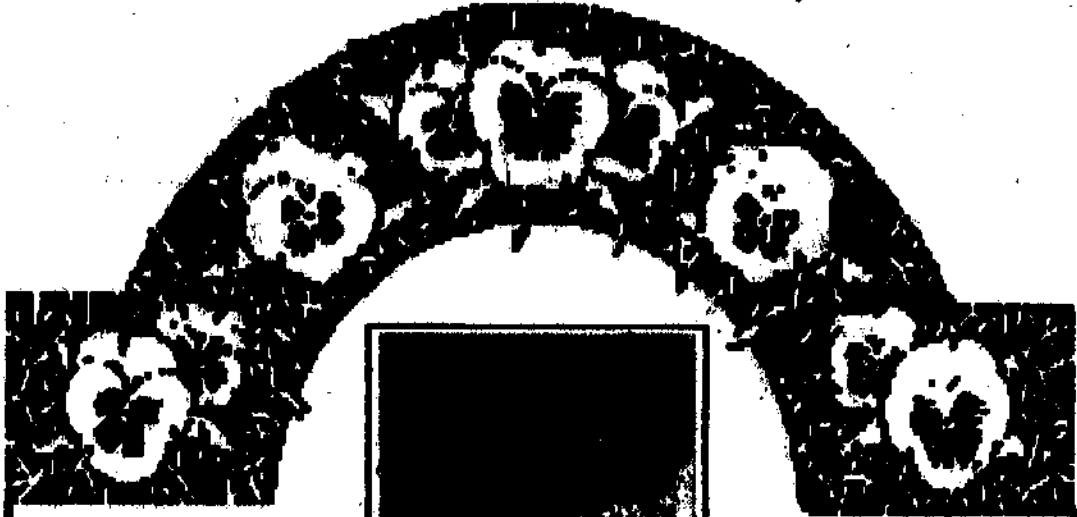
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Wednesday services-7 p.m.
First Baptist Church

Ruidoso Downs
David Jordan, Pastor
General Assembly-9:30 a.m.
Worship hour-11 a.m.
Sunday School-9:30 a.m.
Evening worship-6 p.m.
Wednesday prayer meeting-7 p.m.
First Baptist Church

Tinic
Bill Jones, Pastor
Sunday School-9:45 a.m.
Sunday worship-11 a.m.
Gateway Baptist Church

445 Sadderth Drive
257-3859
Robert Lee Huffman, Pastor
Sunday School 9 a.m.
Worship 10 a.m.
Sunday night 6 p.m.
Wednesday night 7 p.m.
Nursery provided.

Iglesia Bautista Vida Eterna

420 Mechem Drive
Luis F. Gomez, Pastor
Domingos: Escuela Dominical 10 a.m. Culto de predicacion, 11 a.m.
Culto de Predicacion 6 p.m.
Miercoles: Escuela Biblico 7 p.m.
Mescalero Baptist Mission
Mescalero
Rev. Tim Gilliland, Pastor
Sunday School-10 a.m.
Sunday worship-11 a.m., 7:15 p.m.
Training Union-6:30 p.m. Sunday
Wednesday services-6:30 p.m.
Ruidoso Baptist Church

Ruidoso Baptist Church

126 Church Drive
Palmer Joyce, Pastor
Randal Widener, Associate Pastor
Sunday School-9:45 a.m.
Sunday worship-10:45 a.m., 6 p.m.
Wednesday Bible study-7 p.m.
Trinity Southern Baptist Church
Capitan (south on Highway 48)
Floyd Goodloe, Pastor
Sunday School-9:45 a.m.
Sunday worship-8:30 a.m., 11 a.m., 6 p.m.
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CATHOLIC.

St. Eleanor Catholic Church

Ruidoso
257-2330
Reverend Richard Catmich
Sacrament of Penance-Sat. 4:30 p.m. or by appointment.
Saturday Mass-5:30 p.m.
Sunday Mass-10 a.m. (English)
11:30 a.m. (Bilingual)
Sacrament of Reconciliation:
Saturday-4:30 p.m.
Sunday Mass-St. Jude Thaddeus,
San Patricio-8 a.m.
Women's Guild-7 p.m. the third Monday
Knights of Columbus-7 p.m.
2nd and 4th Tuesday.
Sacred Heart Catholic Church

Capitan 354-9102
Saturday Mass-5 p.m.
Sunday Mass-9 a.m.
Adult Bible Study Monday-6 p.m.
Santa Rita Catholic Church
Carizozo 648-2853
Father Dave Bergs, Pastor.
Saturday Mass-6:30 p.m.
Sunday Mass-11 a.m.
Adult Bible Study Tuesday-6 p.m.
St. Theresa Catholic Church

Corona
Sunday Mass-6 p.m.
St. Joseph Apache Mission
Mescalero
Father Tom Herbst, Pastor
Sunday Mass-10:30 a.m.
Our Lady of Guadalupe

Bea
Father Tom Herbst, Pastor
Saturday Mass-6 p.m.
Sunday Mass-8 a.m.

CHRISTIAN

First Christian Church (Disciples of Christ)

Hill and Gavilan Canyon Road
Bill Kennedy, Pastor
Sunday School-K-12/Adult-9:30 a.m.
Regular Sunday Worship-10:45 a.m.
Choir-7 p.m.
Youth Group-Sunday-6 p.m.

CHURCH OF CHRIST

Capitan

Highway 48
Lee Harwood, Minister
Sunday Bible study-10 a.m.
Sunday worship-11 a.m., 6 p.m.
Wednesday Bible study-7 p.m.
Gateway Church of Christ

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

CHURCH OF JESUS CHRIST LATTER DAY SAINTS

Church of Jesus ChristLDS

Ruidoso Branch
12 miles north of Ruidoso
on Highway 48 on east side
between mile posts 14 and 15.
336-4359 or 258-9138
Sunday School-11:10 a.m.
Priesthood Relief Society-12:10 p.m.
Primary & Young Women-11:10 a.m.
Sacrament meeting-10 a.m.
Church of Jesus ChristLDS
Mescalero Branch
Marvin Hansen, President
434-0098
Sunday: Priesthood & Relief Soc. 11:30 a.m.
Sunday School & primary noon
Sacrament meeting-10:30 a.m.

EPISCOPAL

Episcopal Church of the Holy Mount

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

Lincoln
Sunday: Holy Eucharist-10:30 a.m.
St. Anne's Episcopal Chapel
Glenoco
Sunday: Holy Eucharist-9 a.m.
St. Matthias Episcopal Chapel
6th & B Street, Carizozo
Sunday: Holy Eucharist-9:30 a.m.

FOURSQUARE

Capitan Foursquare Church

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

FULL GOSPEL

Mission Fountain of Living Water Full Gospel

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

The Potter's House Christian Fellowship Church Full Gospel New Testament Church

441 Sadderth Drive
(behind Gateway Exxon)
Sunday-10:30 a.m. & 6:30 p.m.
Wednesday Service-7 p.m.
Nursery provided, everyone welcome
Phone 378-4608
Pastor Jesse Aircola

JEHOVAH'S WITNESSES

Ruidoso-Kingdom Hall

106 Alpine Village Road, Highway 48
258-3659, 257-7715
Sunday public talk-10 a.m.
Sunday Watchtower-10:50 a.m.
Tuesday Bible study-7:30 p.m.
Thursday ministry school-7:30 p.m.
Thursday service meet-8:20 p.m.
Congregacion Hispana de los Testigos de Jehova
106 Alpine Village Road, Highway 48
258-3659, 336-7076
Reunion publica Dom.-1:30 p.m.
Escuela de la Biblia Dom.-2:20 p.m.
Escuela de Libro Lam.-7 p.m.
Escuela del ministerio teocratico Mir.-7 p.m.
Reunion de servicio Mir.-7:50 p.m.

LUTHERAN

Shepherd of the Hills Lutheran Church

1210 Hill Road
258-4191, 257-5296
Kevin L. Krohn, Pastor
Sunday worship-8:30 a.m., 10:30 a.m.
Sunday School & Adult Bible Class-9:30 a.m.
Wednesday: Noon-1 p.m. Bible Study
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METHODIST

Community United Methodist Church

220 Junction Road
Behind Daylight Drive
Craig Cockrell, Pastor

Sunday School-9:45 a.m.
Sunday worship-9:30 a.m., 10:55 a.m.
United Methodist Church Parish

Trinity Cantina/Capitan
648-2893, 257-5614
Warren K. Schmeidler
Pastor, Capitan/Capitan
Carizozo
Sunday School 10:00 a.m.
Sunday worship 11:10 a.m.
Wednesday choir-6:30 p.m.
Capitan
Sunday worship-9:15 a.m.
Adult Sunday School-4:30 a.m. 2nd
Sunday School 11 a.m.

PENTECOSTAL

Spirit of Life Apostolic/Pentecostal Tabernacle

209 Lincoln Ave., Capitan
(2/10 mile past fairgrounds heading toward
the business district)
Alan M. Miller-Pastor
257-6864

Bible Study-7 p.m. Tuesday
Sunday School-10 a.m. Sunday
Sunday Evening Services-6 p.m.
Ladies fellowship-6 p.m. 1st Thursdays

NAZARENE

Angus Church of the Nazarene

At Beale Park (Nazarene Conference
Center, Angus, 12 miles north of Ruidoso
on Highway 48
Charles Hall, Pastor
336-8032

Sunday School-9:45 a.m.
Sunday worship-10:45 a.m. & 6:00 p.m.
Wednesday fellowship-6:30 p.m.

PRESBYTERIAN

First Presbyterian Church

Ruidoso, Nob Hill
257-2220
Dr. Jeanne Richter, Pastor
Church school-9:45 a.m.
Sunday worship-11 a.m.
Potluck fellowship lunch after worship the
third Sunday; women's Bible study & brown
bag lunch at noon the second Tuesday.
Mountain Ministry Parish
Community United Presbyterian Church of
Ancho
Sunday worship-9 a.m.
Sunday School-10 a.m.
Carson Presbyterian Church
Worship-11 a.m.
Nogal Presbyterian Church
Adult Sunday School-10 a.m.
Worship-11 a.m.

REFORMED CHURCH

Mescalero Reformed

Mescalero
Bob Smith, Pastor
Church school-9:30 a.m.
Sunday worship-10:30 a.m.
Mon. junior high youth-6:30 p.m.
Wed. high school meeting-7 p.m.
Thur. Kids Club (grades 1-5)-3:30

SEVENTH DAY ADVENTIST

Ruidoso Downs, Agua Fria
Harmon Osterwald, Pastor
624-2484, 378-4356
378-4922
Sabbath School-9:30 a.m.
Church service-11:00 a.m.

NON-DENOMINATIONAL

American Missionary Fellowship

Greg Hart
354-2307

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

Corner of Mechem & Sadderth
Pastor Ben Shabetai
257-5915
11 a.m. Sunday Worship
7 p.m. Wednesday, 1st-4th Week Bible Study
& Kids' Adventure Club
Christ Community Fellowship
Capitan, Highway 380 West
Ed Vinton, Pastor
354-2458

Sunday School-9:45 a.m.
Sunday worship-10:30 a.m.
Cornerstone Church

Cornerstone Square,
613 Sadderth Drive
257-9265
B.A. Thurman, Pastor
Sunday services 10:30 a.m. and 6 p.m.
Wednesday-7 p.m.

Living Word Church

Pastors: Terry and Suzanne Lewis
441 Mechem, 336-7874
Sunday School 9:30 a.m.
Sunday 10:30 a.m. and 6 p.m.
Wednesday 7 p.m.
Peace Chapel

Interdenominational (ULC)

Also North
Service Schedule:
Morning chapel-6:50 a.m.
(Sept. thru June)
Sunday Service-11 a.m.
Joanne Price, Pastor
336-7075
Ruidoso Word Church

Ruidoso Downs
Al and Marty Linn, Pastors
378-9464

Children's Ministry-9:30 a.m.
Sunday worship-10:45 a.m.
Thursday services-7 p.m.
Trinity Mountain Fellowship

1108 Gavilan Canyon Road
336-4213

Sunday Worship
9:30 a.m. Prayer
9:30-10:30 a.m. Sunday School
10:30-12 Noon Service
For our weekly schedule call
378-8391.

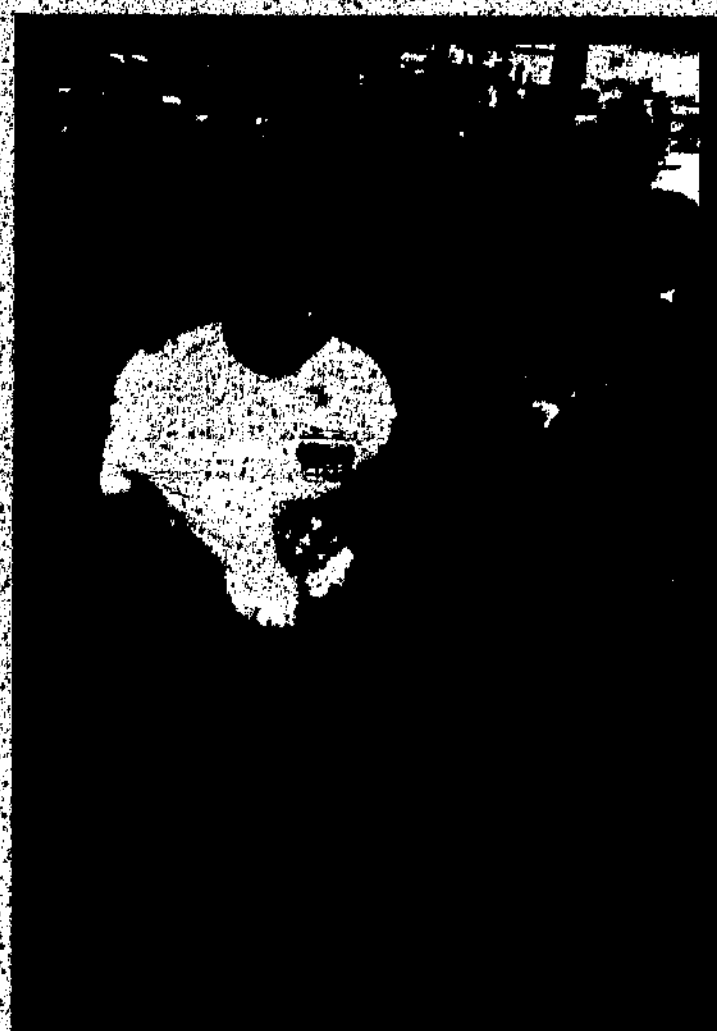
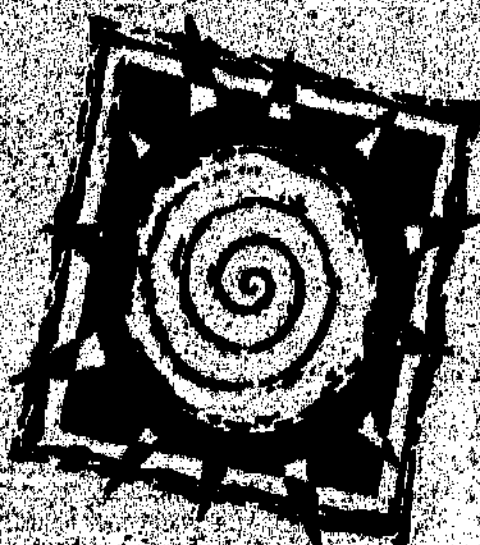
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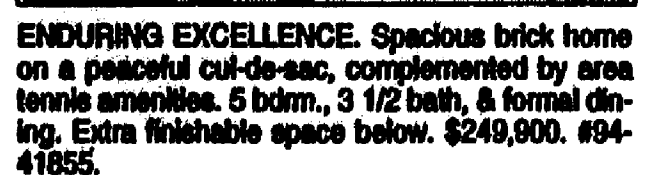
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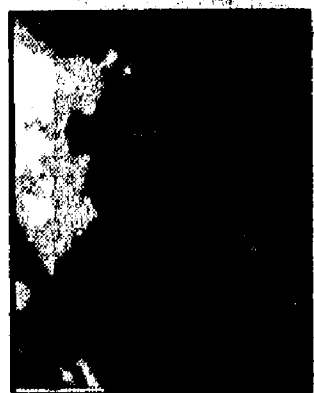
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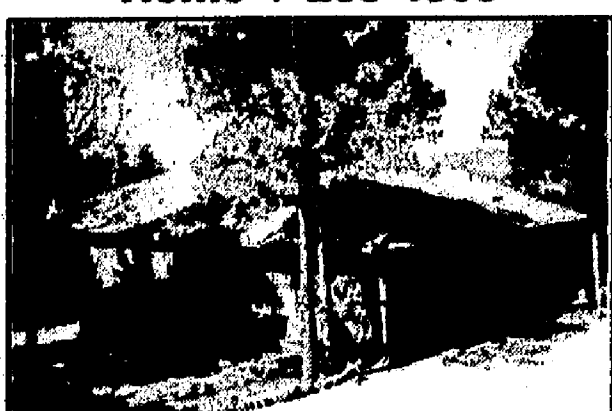


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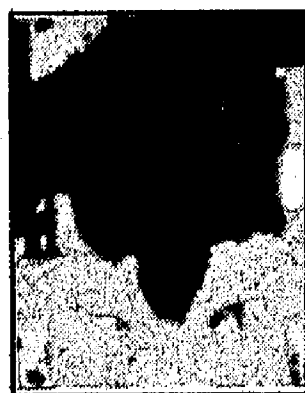


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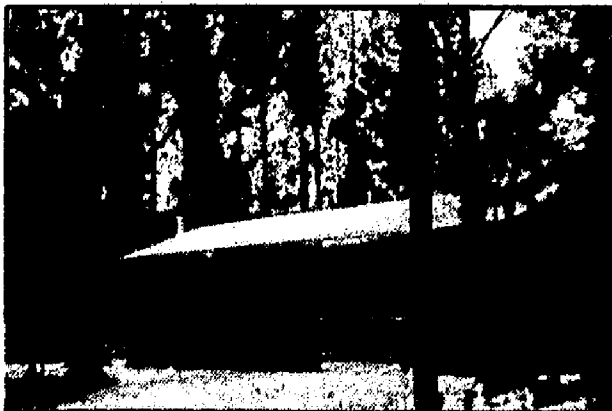


EASY ACCESS from Hwy. 70, one level, 3 bdrm., 2 bath condo, new paint and carpet. Indoor swimming pool, hot tub and tennis court on site. Prop. mgng./rental income right there! #95-01298. \$59,000.



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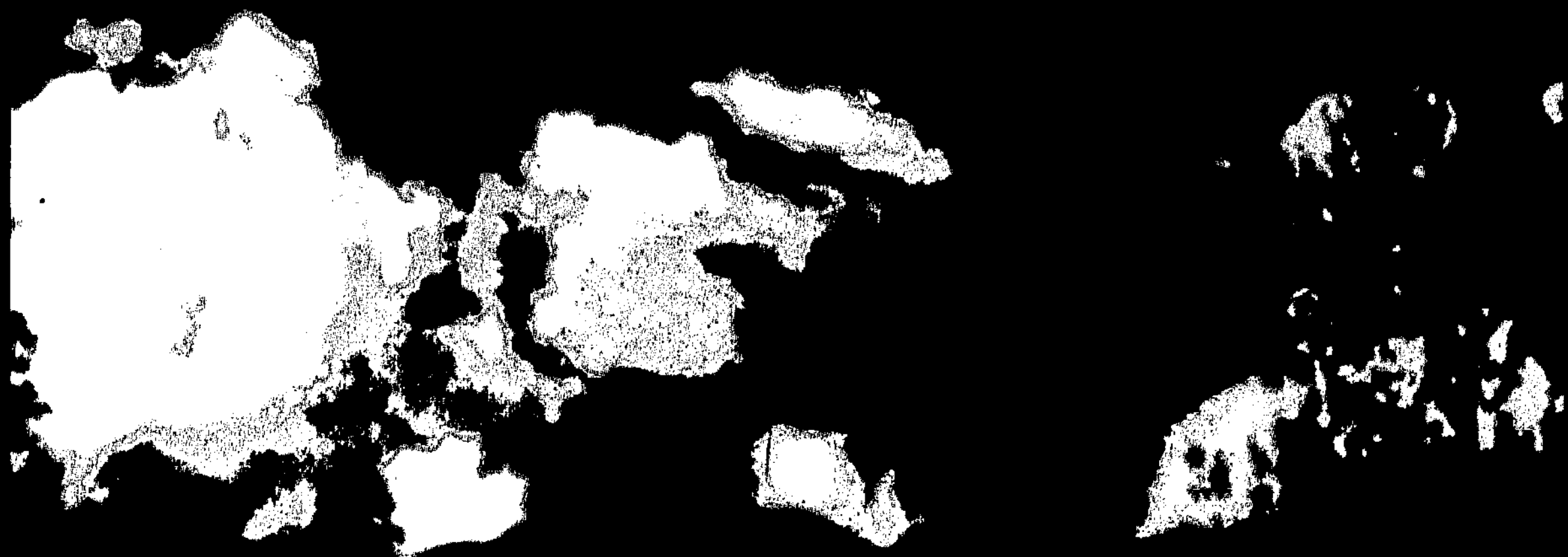


NICE CORNER LOT. 3 bdrm., 1 1/2 bath, single car attached garage w/ lg. utility room. Good locations w/easy access. #95-01986.



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Fun places for the young — and young at heart

by KATHLEEN McDONALD
Ruidoso News Staff Writer

There's no reason for a child to complain about boredom when visiting the Ruidoso area.

Children can be entertained at a variety of fun places around Ruidoso.

Check out Funtrackers at 101 Carrizo Canyon Road, Ruidoso (257-3275). The amusement park

offers bumper boat rides (for children seven or older); three tracks for go-carts (children 14 and up only on the new "pro" track); 18 holes for miniature golf; arcade; pool tables and a snack bar/restaurant.

Bumper boats, go-carts and golf cost \$3.50 each; the new "pro" track costs riders \$4.

Funtrackers is open 10 a.m. to

10 p.m. daily from Memorial Day through Labor Day.

A little further down the lane at 806 Carrizo Canyon Road is Rainbow Lakes (257-6774).

This little amusement park offers putt-putt golf, batting cages (\$1.25), bumper boats with water guns (\$3.50), trout fishing (\$1), and an arcade with a mechanical horse, motorcycle, chuck wagon and train rides.

Trout fishers get to have their fish cleaned and bagged for 40 cents an inch. For another \$1.50, visitors can have their catches grilled for them and served with side dishes at Rainbow Lakes' picnic area.

Another place for games is the Inn of the Mountain Gods Arcade off of Carrizo Canyon Road (next to the fishing shop and tennis courts behind the main Inn building). (257-5141)

The arcade offers 21 game machines, a pool table, and a candy and soda machine. It's open 9 a.m. to 11 p.m. Friday, Saturday and Sunday; or 9 a.m. to 10 p.m. Monday through Thursday.

Children wanting to cool off should go to the village swimming pool at Schoolhouse Park, along Sudderth Drive next to the Ruidoso library. (257-2795)

The pool, which is operated by the Ruidoso Parks and Recreation Department, is open Memorial Day to late August.

Swimming fees are \$2.50 per swim, or \$50 for a season pass. Hours are 11:45 a.m. to 4:45 p.m. Monday through Friday; and 11:45 a.m. to 5:45 p.m. Saturday and Sunday.

It costs \$6 for swimmers who



A family enjoys miniature golf at Rainbow Park.



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also want to use the slide, or \$60 for a season pass. Lap swims cost \$2.25 per person or \$30 for a season pass.

An adult lap swim is also scheduled for 5 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. Monday, Wednesday and Friday.

Family passes are also available for \$75, or \$150 with use of the slide.

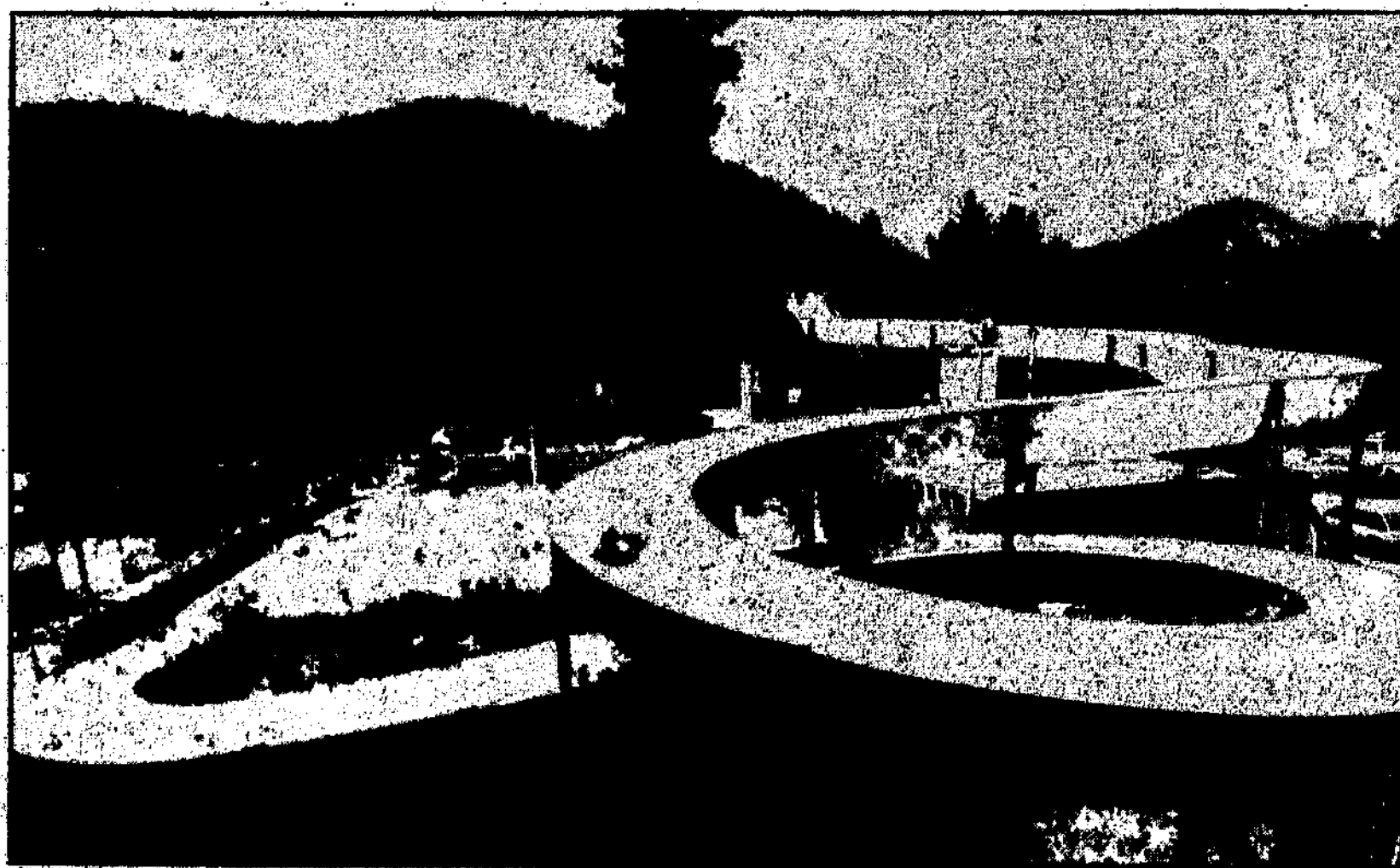
Those seeking swim lessons can register with the parks department. Registration, which will be held at the pool, begins May 20 and lasts until classes are filled. Call 257-2795 for more information.

Also at Schoolhouse Park, on the picnic pavilion is next to the play area, and the Rio Ruidoso borders the park. For information, call 257-5030. The park closes at nightfall.

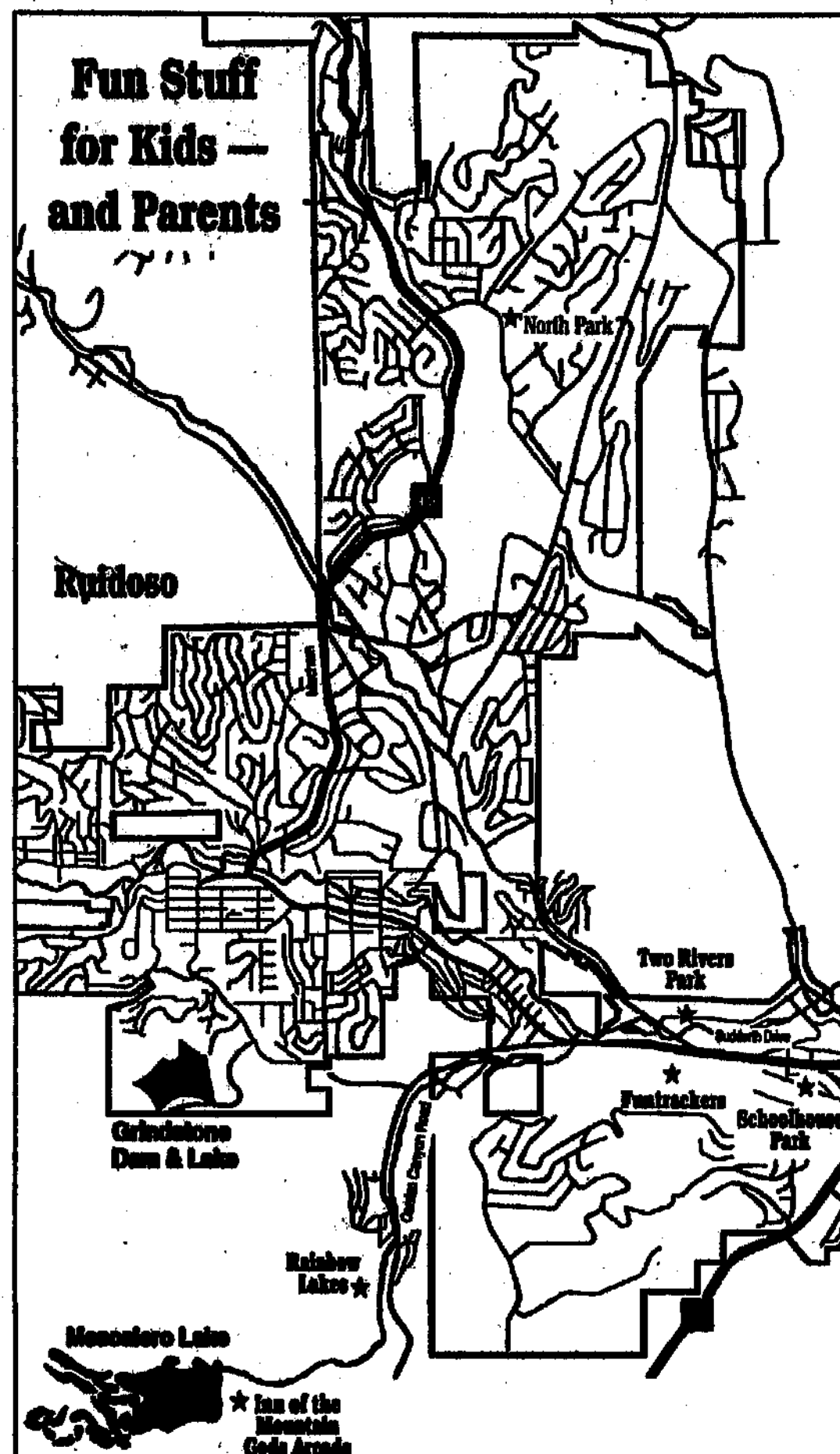
Skateboard and roller blade fanatics will want to stop by a new village park, Northpark, next to the Fire Station #2 on White Mountain Drive. It is open 8 a.m. to 9:30 p.m. Sunday through Thursday; and 8 a.m. to 11:30 p.m. Friday and Saturday. A parent or legal guardian is required to be in attendance at all times with children under 13 years of age.

For information, call 257-5030.

Going a short jaunt west on Sudderth Drive, behind the Ruidoso Valley Chamber of Commerce building is Two Rivers Park. The park also offers a playground with swings, a slide and circular ride. A



The slide at the Ruidoso Municipal Pool is a great place to cool off during the summer.



Michelena's Italian Restaurant

2703 Sudderth Drive • 257-5753

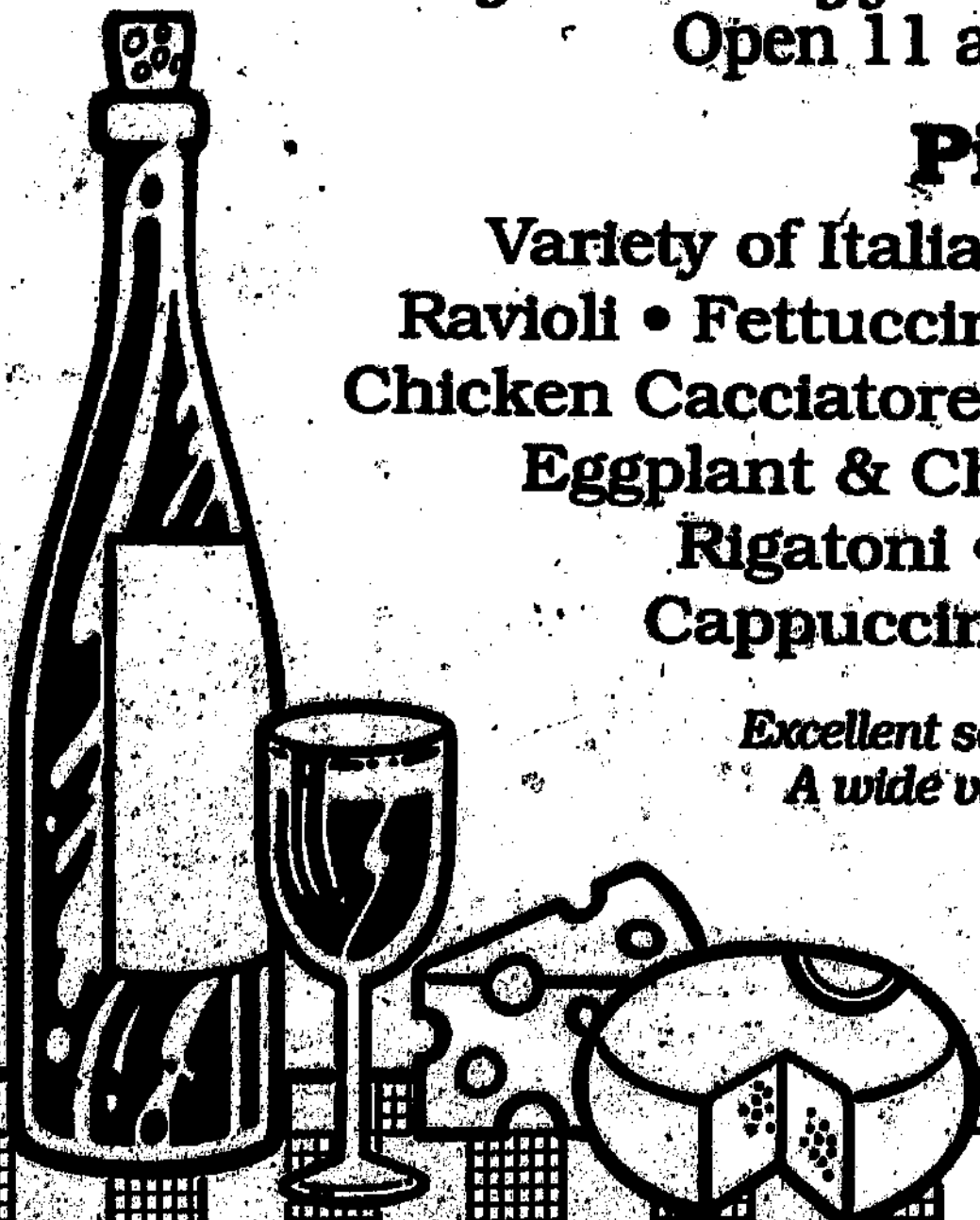
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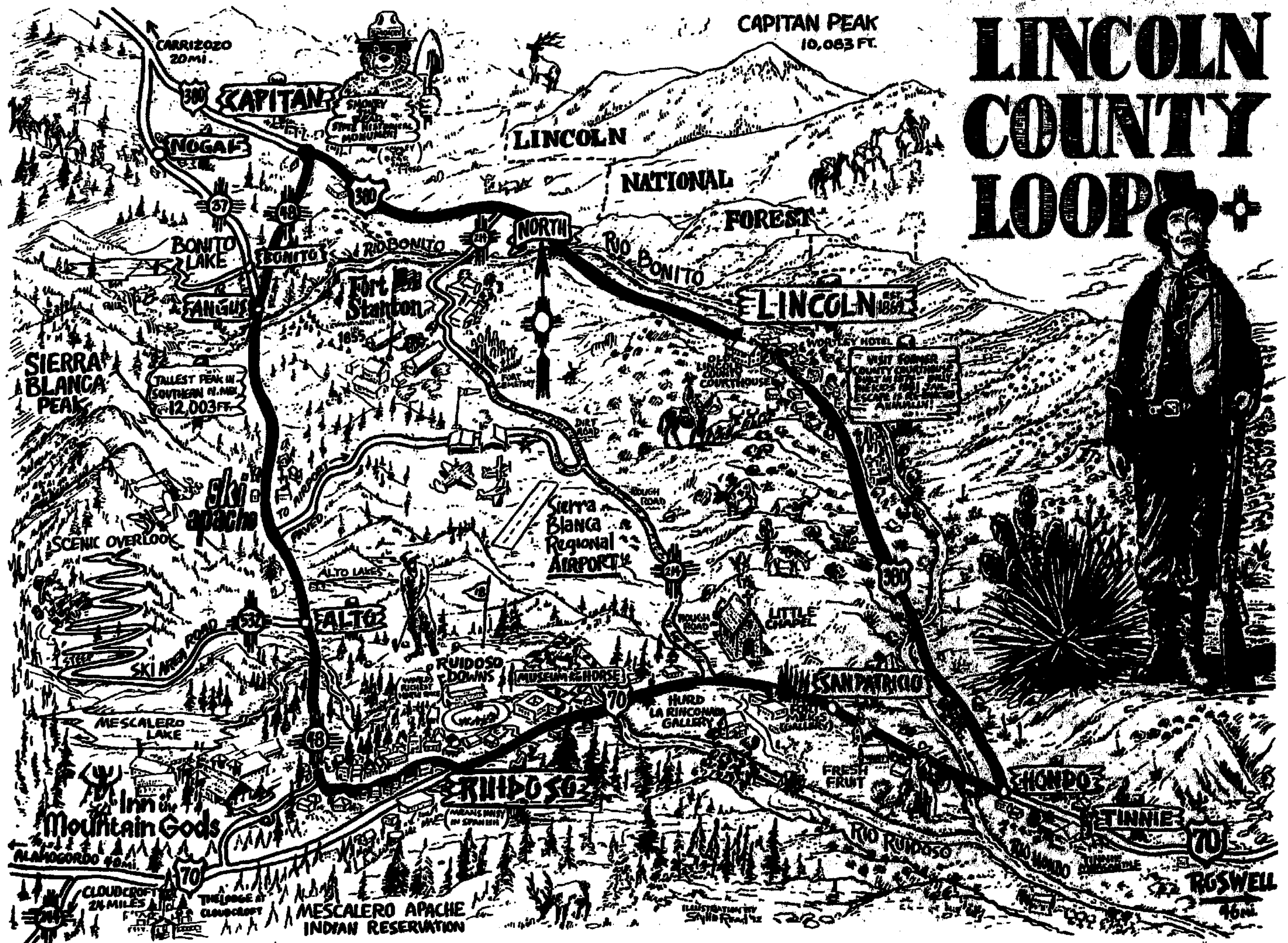
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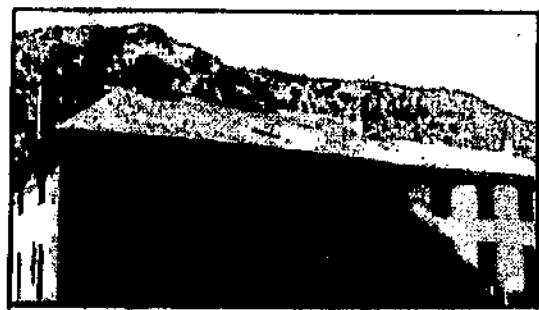
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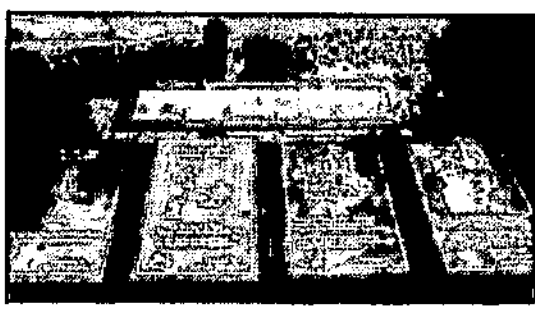
New scenic byway traces Old West history



LINCOLN COUNTY LOOP



The courthouse in Lincoln where Billy the Kid escaped.



The Smokey Bear vista on Highway 380 points to the site Smokey Bear was rescued from fire as a cub.



Old Down Mill in Ruidoso, where famous Old West figures milled about a century ago.



The San Patricio Church off U.S. 70 is popular with photographers.



The Coe Ranch along U.S. 70 is one of the oldest in the county. The family was involved in the Lincoln County War.



Fort Stanton area, where Kit Carson and Gen. Pershing were among the commanders.



The Dr. Woods House in Lincoln is one of several museums in historic Lincoln.



This historical marker on U.S. 70 marks death that sparked the Lincoln County War.

Entertainment in and around Ruidoso



□ **APACHE TEE**, Inn of the Mountain Gods, Mescalero Apache Reservation, 257-5141 — Occasional live music.

□ **CREE MEADOWS COUNTRY CLUB**, 301 Country Club Drive, Ruidoso, 257-2733 — Ken plays a variety of dining and dancing music from the 1930s and beyond, every Thursday through Saturday night.

□ **FARLEY'S FOOD FUN & PUB**, 1200 Mechem Drive, Ruidoso, 258-5676 — Video games, live interactive trivia, pool tables. Live upbeat music on patio every Friday and Saturday night.

□ **FOUR WINDS LOUNGE, CORNER OF HWY. 54 AND 380, Carrizozo**, 648-2984 — located in restaurant next to motel.

musicians scheduled throughout the summer.

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

□ **WAYNE'S PLACE LOUNGE**, 1137 Mechem Drive, Ruidoso, 258-3912 — Occasional music on weekends.

□ **WHITE OAKS SALOON**, Hwy. 349, White Oaks — Old west saloon with impromptu country jam sessions. Occasional country bands on weekends.

□ **WIN, PLACE AND SHOW**, 2516 Sudderth Drive, Ruidoso, 257-9982 — Live bands every night. Lincoln County Band, the Rattlecats, and the Smokehouse Band are the summer bands performing everything from old and new top 40 to country western music.

□ **THE WINNER'S CIRCLE**, 2535 Sudderth Drive, Ruidoso, 257-9535 — Country bands every Thursday through Saturday night.

□ **RUIDOSO DOWNS RACE TRACK**, Hwy. 70 East, Ruidoso Downs, 378-4431 — Live racing Friday through Sunday, simulcast racing throughout the week.



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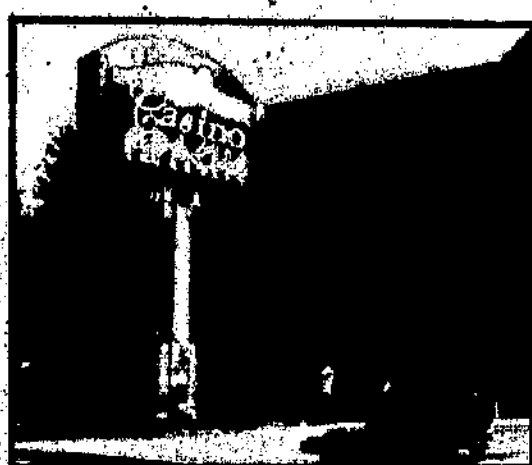
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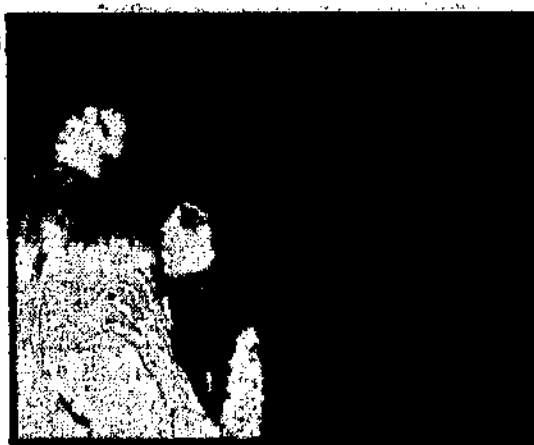
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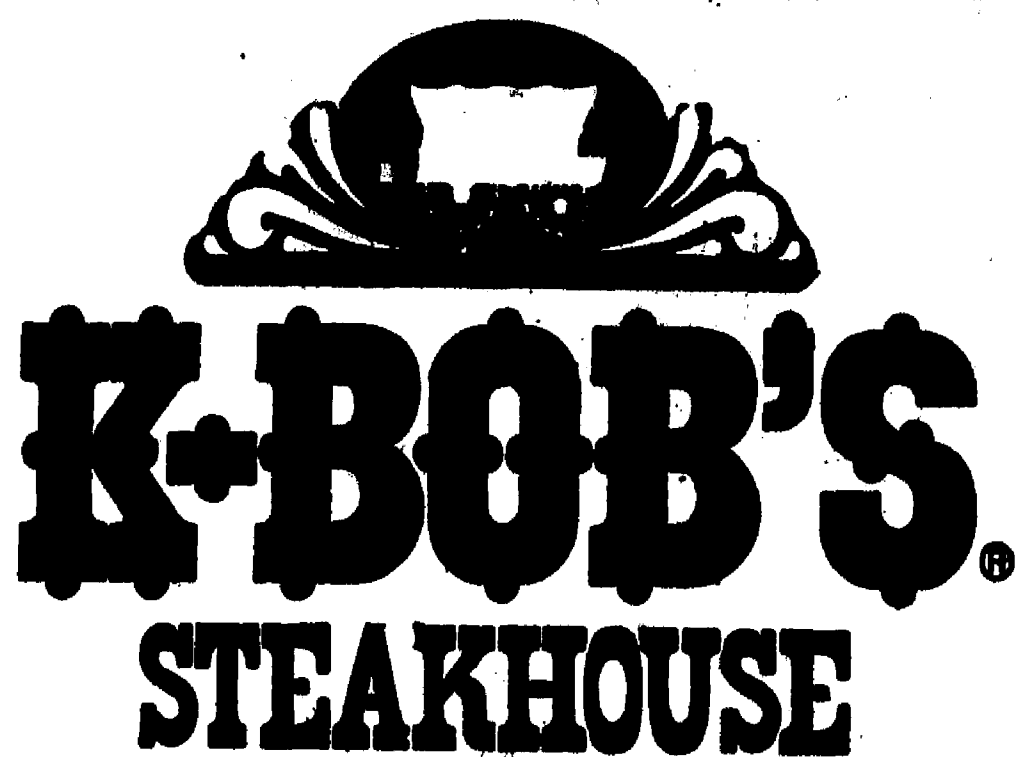
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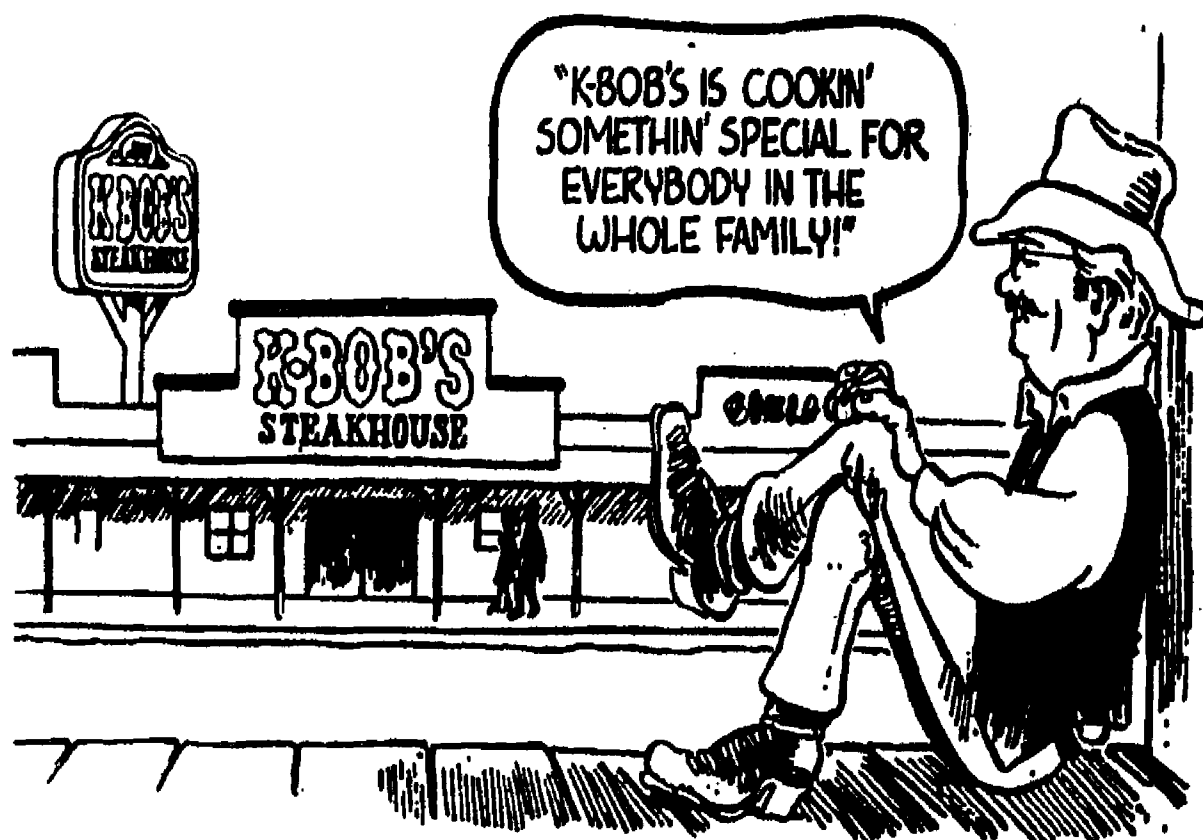
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Western musical revues offer old-time entertainment

by LAURA CLYMER
Ruidoso News Staff Writer

Foot-stomping, down-home fun is the main course on the menus of Lincoln County's two Western musical revues, the Bent Tree Jamboree and the Flying J Wranglers.

For an evening of entertainment the whole family can enjoy, check out these two shows which preserve the musical sounds and fun of the Old West.

Bent Tree Jamboree enters its fourth season this summer.

"We do a little bit of everything, from bluegrass to modern contemporary country music and everything in between," says Lois Harris, who owns and operates Bent Tree Jamboree with her husband, Eldon, and their daughter and son-in-law, Shelly and Phil Jones.

The show features eight entertainers, including local talent Joni Autrey, Fiddler

Doug Moreland returns and will take center stage for some special performances throughout the summer. The Harrises have added another show to the program — one will run on odd days of the month, the other on even days.

"It is more country music than anything, but we do a little corny comedy as well,"

"We do a little bit of everything, from bluegrass to modern contemporary country music and everything in between."

Lois Harris
Bent Tree Jamboree Owner



The Bent Tree Jamboree

"We try to take people back 100 years when cattle drives were still happening, and we try to tie it (the show) into the history of Lincoln County."

James Hobbs
Flying J Ranch Owner

adds Lois. She and Eldon recently added another iron to the fire when they opened up The Brandin' Iron restaurant, located at entrance of Upper Canyon in Ruidoso.

The Bent Tree doors open at 6:30 p.m. and prior to the show, visitors can enjoy pony rides or watch amazing rope tricksters twirl the twine.

The dinner bell rings at 7:30 p.m. Sidle up to an all-you-can-eat buffet of barbecue chicken, steak fingers, catfish nuggets, potatoes, baked beans, gravy, homemade desserts and of course, all the fixings.

After stuffing yourself, sit back and enjoy the western singing and stage show. Don't relax too much — heroes need to be cheered on and villains need to be hissed at.

Located off Airport Road and nestled among the rolling hills, Bent Tree Jamboree opens Saturday, May 25, Memorial Day weekend. Shows continue through Sunday of Labor Day weekend. Call 336-4076 for reservations and more information.

Flying J Ranch features the Flying J Wranglers, a talented, seasoned bunch of entertainers. Flying J owner, manager and entertainer James Hobbs and his wife, Cindy, join world champion fiddler Bart Trotter and Jayson Jones to form the Wranglers.

Trotter isn't the only national award winner in the Wranglers. Cindy Hobbs has captured the Grand National Western Yodeling Championships as well.

"The Flying J is our home, and our primary focus is to put on a top-notch Western-oriented family stage show every night during the summer," James says. "It celebrates the traditions of the American West, the cowboy and the cowgirl."

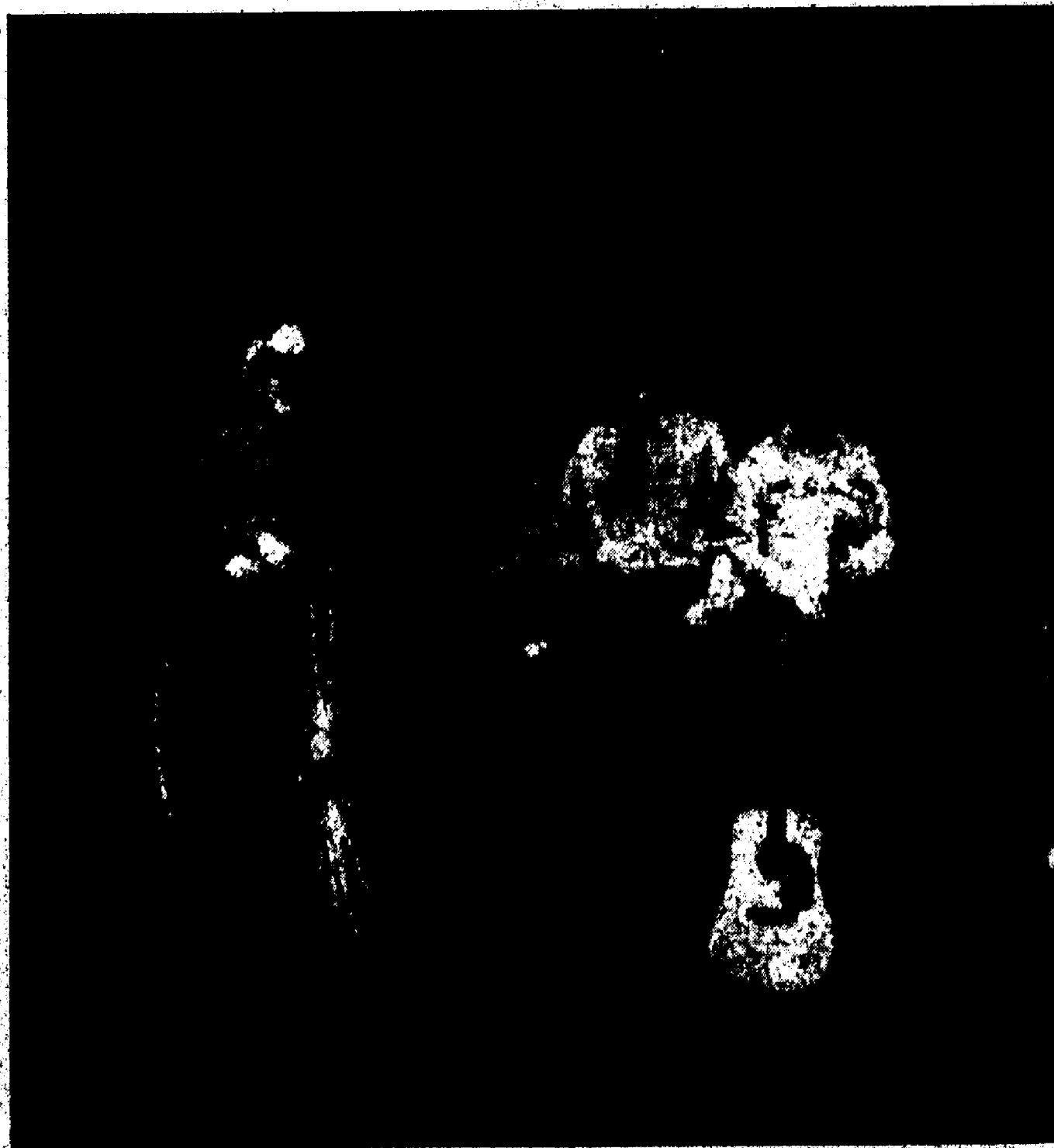
"This is not a place where you'll hear top 40 stuff," he adds. "We try to take people back 100 years when cattle drives were still happening, and we try to tie it (the show) into the history of Lincoln County."

The Wranglers' resumé includes performances at the Lincoln County Cowboy Symposium, on the main stage of the National Cowboy Poetry Gathering, at the Grand Ol' Opry and on the Nashville Network.

The ranch serves up a chuckwagon supper followed by its Western stage show. Before the main attraction, visitors can enjoy gift shops, pony rides and a shootout Billy the Kid would be proud of.

The Hobbs opened Flying J in 1982 on what used to be part of the Peebles ranch, which was settled in Lincoln County more than 100 years ago.

The Wranglers open the 1996 season Friday, May 24, and perform Monday through Saturday Memorial Day weekend through Labor Day. Reservations are preferred to help with the food count. Flying J Ranch can be found on Highway 37 just north of Alto from Ruidoso. For more information call 336-4330.



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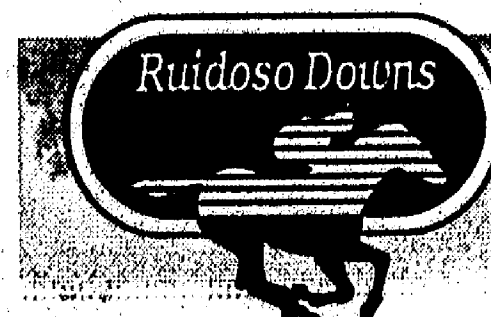
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Racetrack celebrates 50th season

It all started close to the turn of the century as a side attraction to the rodeo. A crude oval was constructed around the rodeo grounds, and the Ruidoso Downs Race Track was born.

This year, the granddaddy of all quarterhorse tracks celebrates its 50th year of state-sanctioned parimutuel racing.

A total of 49 race dates fill this season, with nine races each Friday, 10 each Saturday and nine more each Sunday, Memorial Day through Labor Day.

Like every year for 38 years, the Ruidoso Downs season ends Labor

A new track announcer will join Ruidoso Downs this season, but his family has a long history in the racing arena. Keith Henson's father Rick was general manager at Ruidoso Downs in the late 1980s, and his grandfather Harry Henson is known to many as the granddaddy of race announcing. Keith's uncle is also an announcer.

Race fans heard Keith at Ruidoso Downs a few times last year, but he spent most of his time at Rillito Park in Tucson, Ariz.

One of Ruidoso Downs' unique features is fans' close proximity to the track.

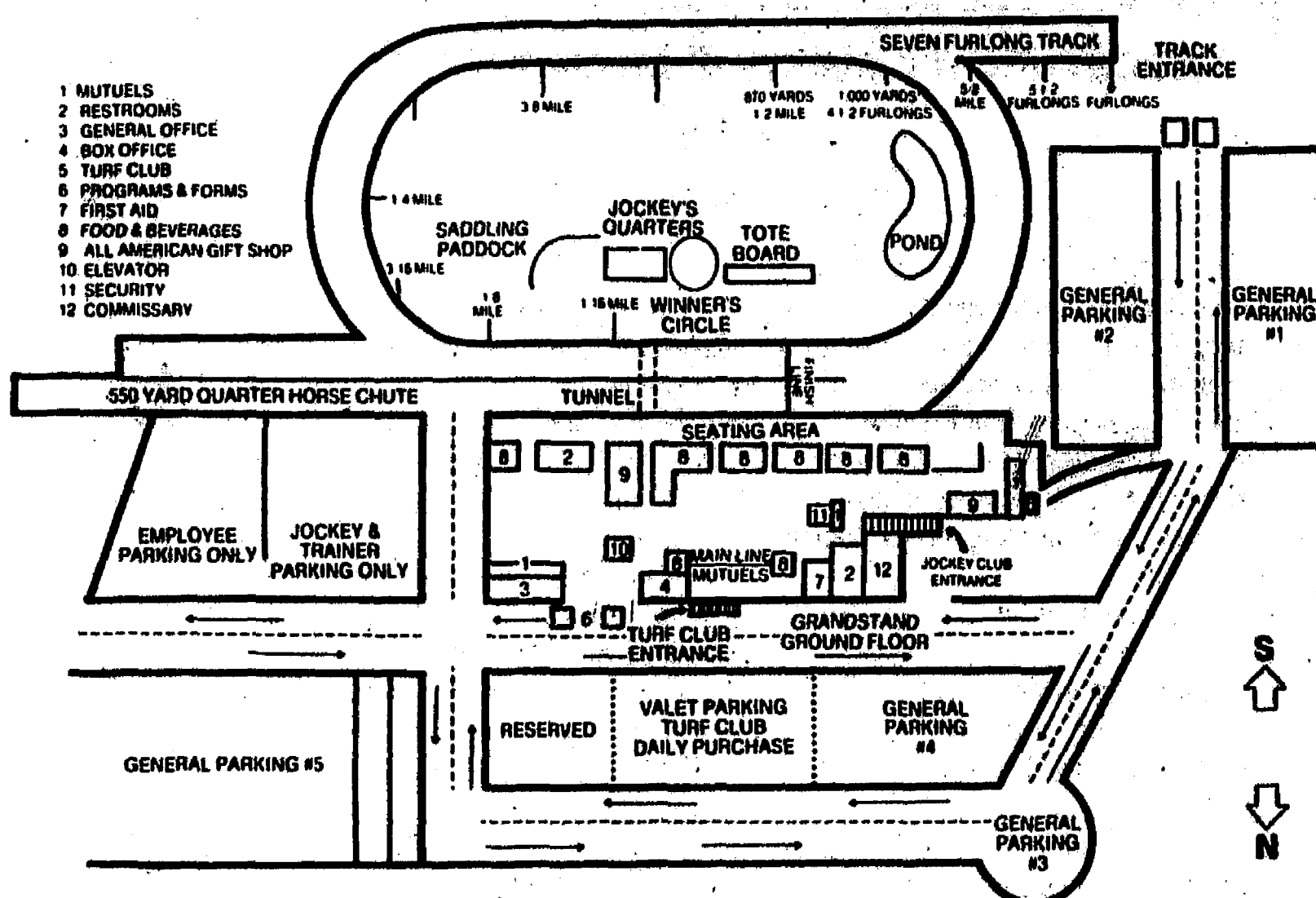
Children can play in a video arcade, or on the new playground located on the east end of the grandstand.

Watching the races can cost visitors as little as \$3 - the cost to park their vehicle. General admission is free of charge. Cost of seating ranges from \$2.50 for open-air reserved seats to \$8.50 in the Turf Club, with levels in between. Box seats, table seating and individual seats are available.

If you want to learn more about the history of the Ruidoso Downs Race Track, stop by the Museum of the Horse next door. You can't miss it - look for the huge sculpture of running horses called "Free Spirits at Noisy Water" by Ruidoso artist Dave McGary.

Inside, you'll find the new Ruidoso Downs Race Horse Hall of Fame, with classic photos and exhibits about the horses and people that made Ruidoso Downs great.

You'll also find a spectacular art show on display through Sept. 22, "The West in American Art," from the Bill and Dorothy Harmsen Collection of Western Americana. This traveling exhibit compiled by the Colorado Historical Society displays the different ways the West was captured on canvas over a span of a century. The Museum of the Horse is its first stop.



Day with the running of the All American Futurity, the world's richest quarter horse race where the winner receives a \$1 million purse.

Track officials plan to focus on live racing this year, cutting back simulcasts to only Hollywood Park's Hollywood Nights and Santa Fe Downs.

Just about every race day will feature a stake or trial, so "We'll have a big race about every day," promised publicity director Paul Ryneveld.

Track officials are hoping to put together a match race in early August featuring last year's All American winner, Winalota Cash. Whoever puts up \$500,000 gets to race against him. The \$1 million, winner-takes-all matchup would be sure to draw lots of interest.

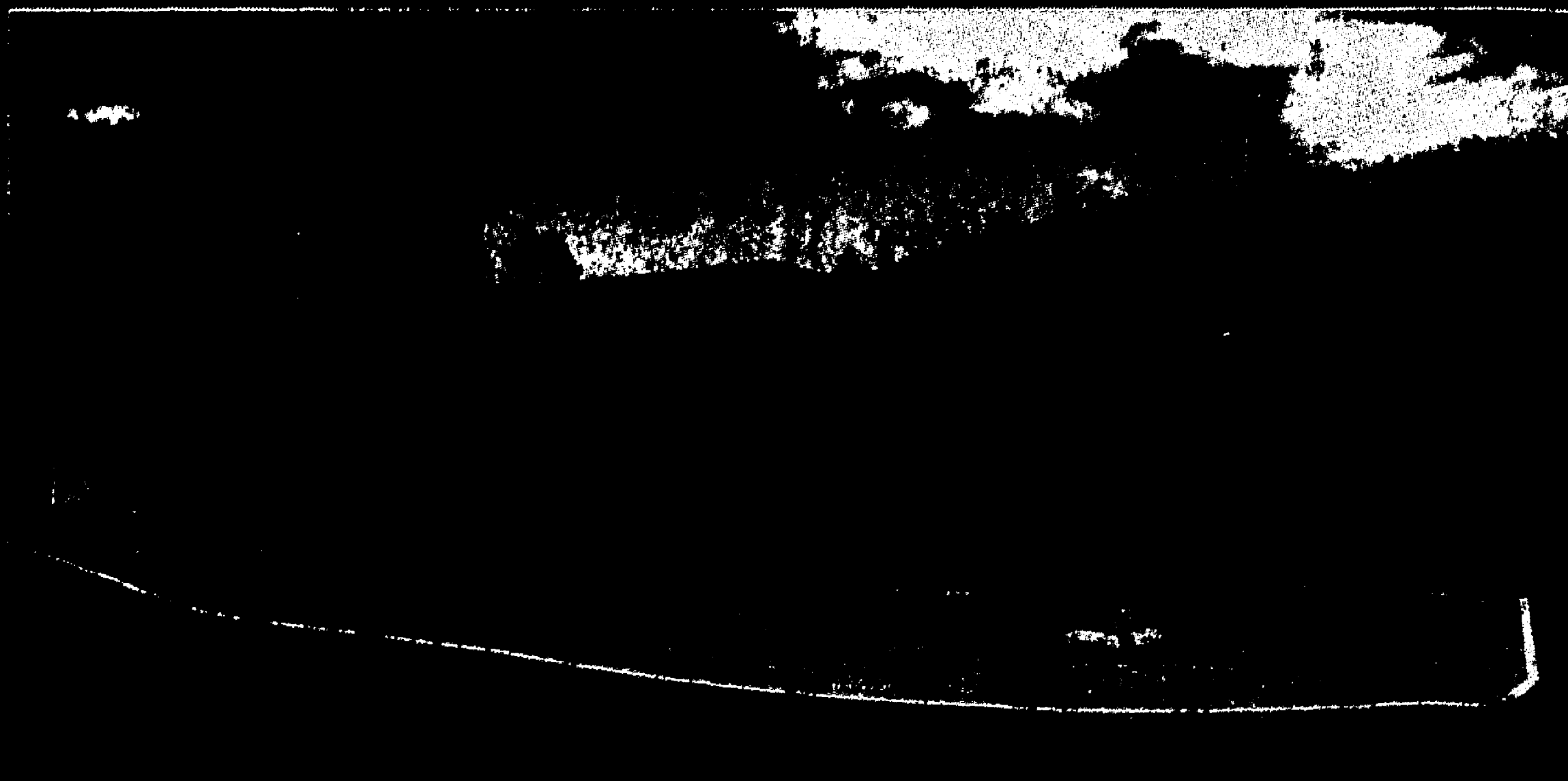
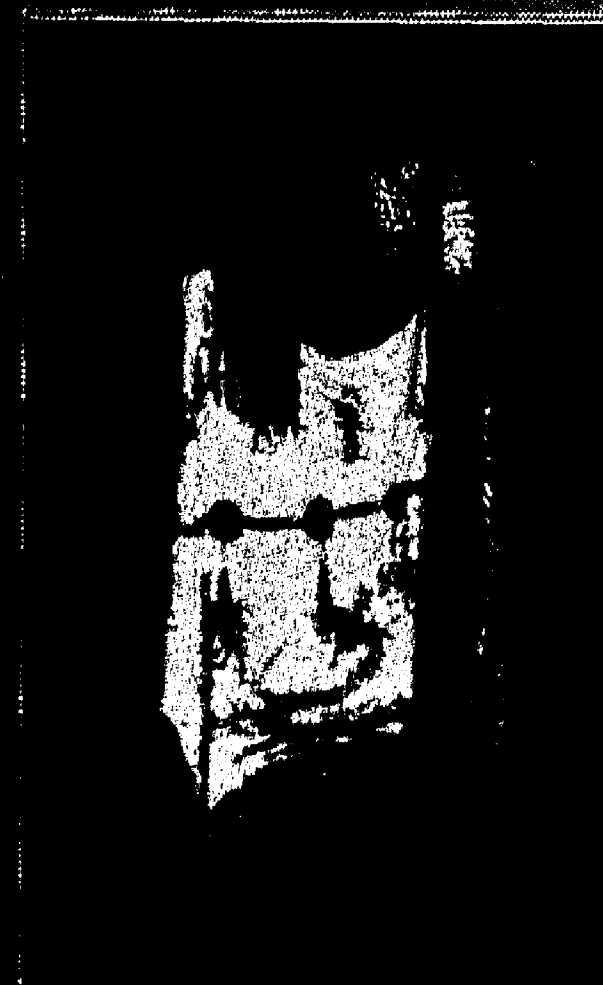
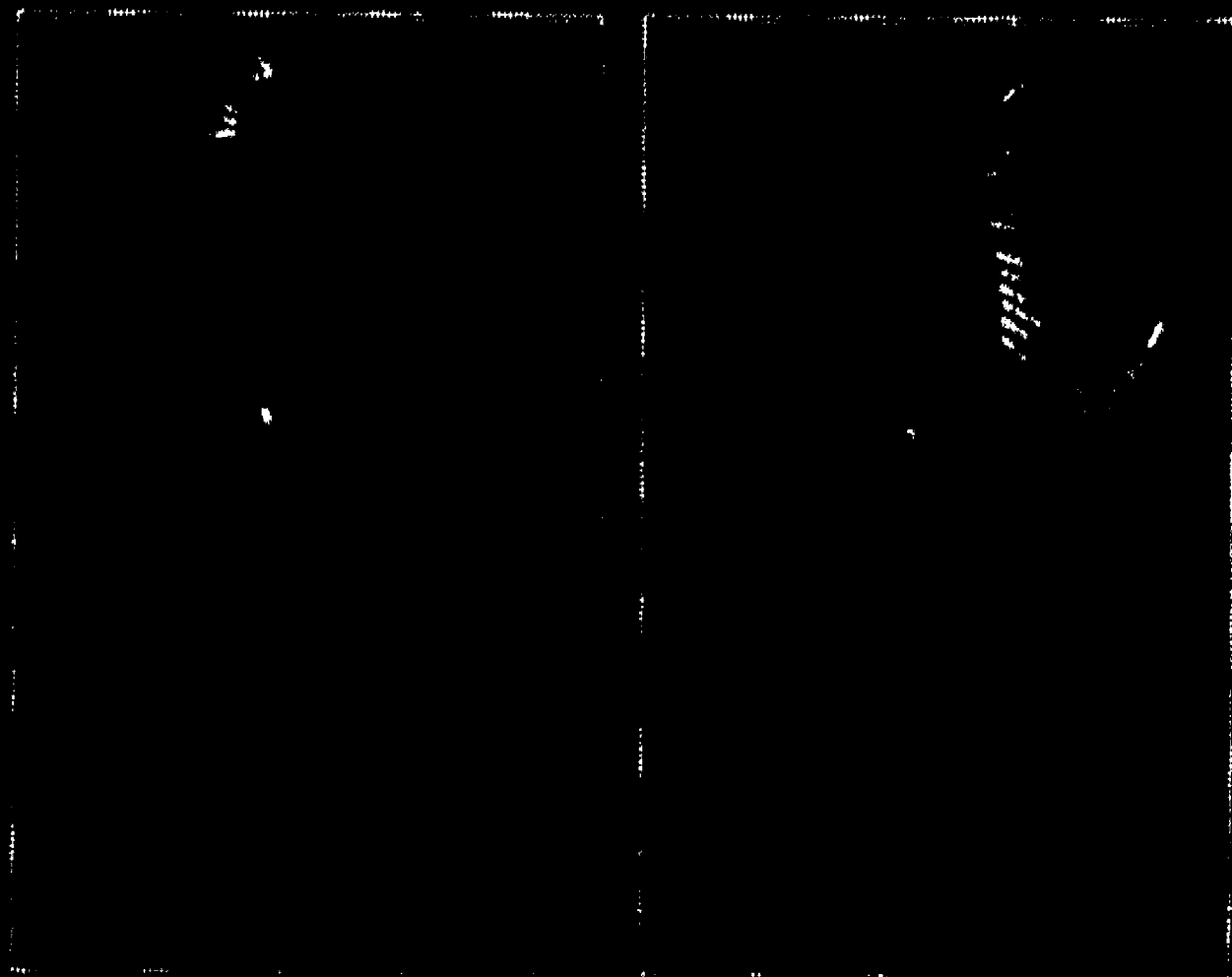


C.L. Maddon and his great mare Bright Eyes. Bright Eyes was world champion in 1949 and again in 1951. She was never defeated at Ruidoso Downs and some of her track records still stand. She is just one of the many horses featured in the Ruidoso Downs Race Track Hall of Fame, located next to the track at the Museum of the Horse.



Winalota Cash after winning the 1995 All American Futurity at Ruidoso Downs. The horse's owners are challenging any takers to a winner-take-all match race at Ruidoso Downs this August.

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Mountain biking's popularity surges in New Mexico

by LAURA CLYMER

Ruidoso News Sports Writer

If you're into the hills, chills, thrills and sometimes the spills of mountain biking, you won't be disappointed with the trails of the Sacramento Mountains.

Even though it's one of the hottest recreational activities in the northern ranges of Colorado, mountain biking remains relatively untapped in the southernmost Rockies.

Still, there are plenty of trails to explore the wilder reaches of Lincoln and Otero counties. The trails feature a wide range of difficulty — from those for beginners to those for the fearless including a nationally recognized top-10 trail between Cloudcroft and Sunspot.

Since opening their Faith Mountain Sports and Collectibles store in midtown Ruidoso, owners Lana and Derrel Robertson have witnessed a veritable boom in mountain biking. The Robertsons sell mountain and hybrid bikes, and camping, hiking and skateboarding equipment.

"(We've seen) unbelievable growth in the sport. We were shocked. Mountain biking has just taken over down here," says Lana.



"New Mexico is just catching on to this sport."

Faith Mountain Sports, along with Rocky Mountain Sports and Fitness, are the only two Ruidoso stores where visitors can rent mountain bikes for a half day or day.

"...Mountain biking has just taken over down here. New Mexico is just catching on to this sport."

Lana Robertson
Faith Mountain Sports

Lana Robertson has made an effort to collect as much information about the local trails as possible. Her collection is available for perusal at the store.

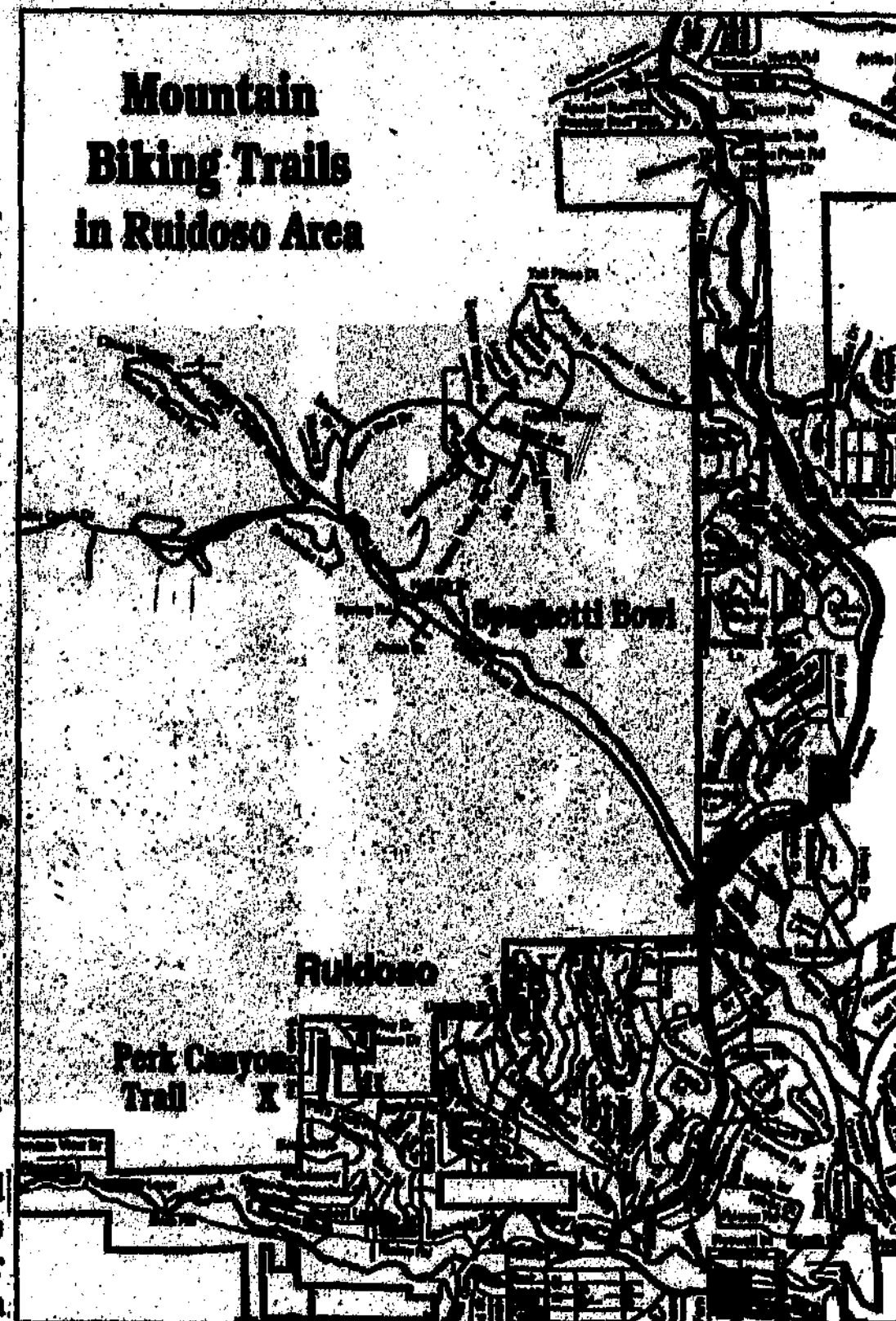
Two favorites on the outskirts of Ruidoso are Perk Canyon trail off Upper Canyon and the Spaghetti Bowl in Cedar Creek. Mountain bikers also like the many trails branching off Forest Road 107 to Bonito Lake and Ski Run Road.

Ruidoso's "Pasta" trail originates at the Cedar Creek picnic area, just beyond the Smokey Bear Ranger Station located on Cedar Creek Road. This trail is especially popular because it loops to more difficult trails, Lana says. Families will find a user-friendly path as well.

The Rim trail, located south of Ruidoso near Cloudcroft, boasts one of the nation's premier paths. The 17-mile trail features spectacular views — bikers can see the White Sands from their two-wheelers during the first two miles of the ride along the rim. It's also considered a top 10 trail in the nation.

The New Mexico Off-Road Championship Series made a stop in Cloudcroft for the Ridge Runner Rally in May — the second in a

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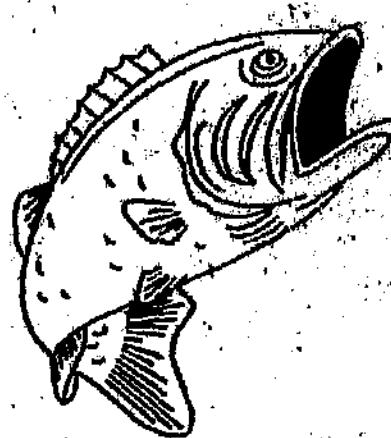
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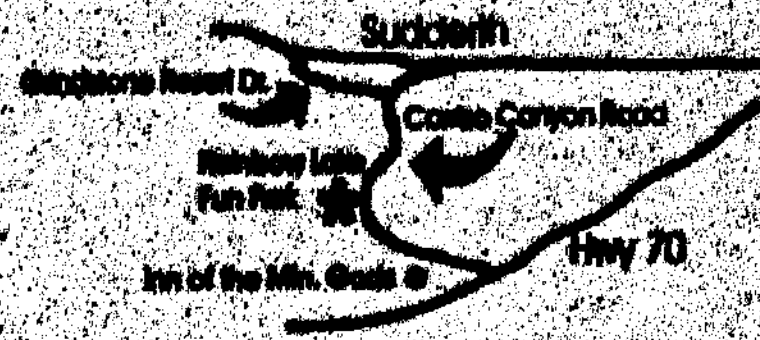
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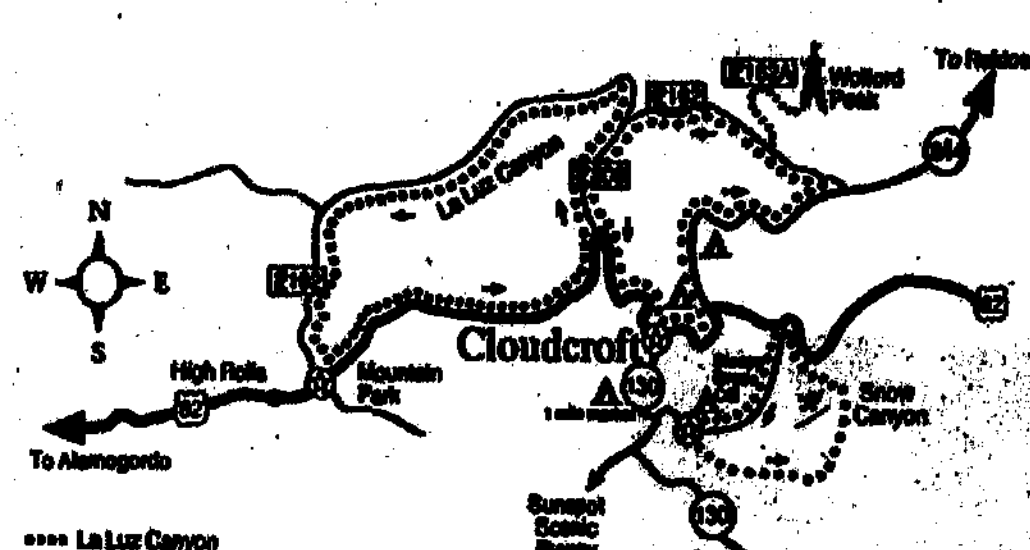
"I've had people from out of state ask about the Rim trail," Lana says. Three other mountain biking trails are favorites in the Cloudcroft area. La Luz Canyon is a 15-mile loop originating off Forest

The Rim trail, located south of Ruidoso near Cloudcroft, boasts one of the nation's premier spots.

Mountain Biking Trails in the Cloudcroft Area
(also refer to Hiking Trails in the Cloudcroft Area)

In order to make loops of these trails, it is necessary to travel on other Highway 82 or 244. There are both riding, mountain bike trails with narrow shoulders. If you require a wider, or possibly paved path to avoid the highways, the 4-wheel vehicle is a good alternative. For more information, contact the Cloudcroft Ranger Station at 505-257-2531.

La Luz Canyon	Silver Springs Loop	Pumphouse Canyon
Length: Fifteen Mile Loop	Length: Twelve Mile Loop	Length: Seven Mile Loop
Begin in High Falls heading east on Hwy 82 toward Mountain Peak Road - FS 206. Don't turn, but note that to the left, the road becomes FS 162, where you will be completing your ride.	Head east from Cloudcroft on Hwy 82 till you reach Hwy 244 to Pumphouse, approximately one mile. Turn left and ride approximately 0.5 miles till you reach FS 162 toward Wofford Lookout and La Luz Canyon. Turn left. When you come to FS 162 take a right 1.5 miles to Wofford Lookout. After riding the lower, return to FS 162, take a right and go 2.5 miles till you reach a fork. Stay to the left on FS 206 which will lead to Hwy 82. Turn left and head back uphill to Cloudcroft where you began your ride.	Two hundred yards before reaching Sleepy Grass Campground on Hwy 130, approximately one mile south of town, look for a trail to the right. This trail travels up Pumphouse Canyon. After traveling 2.5 miles to Snow Canyon Ski Area, you reach Hwy 82. Turn left and travel 1.5 miles to Sleepy Grass Picnic area which is FS 206. Go left. This gravel road follows Apache Canyon and ends up at Sleepy Grass Campground, your starting point.
Ride uphill 5 miles on Hwy 82 until you reach FS 206. Turn left. You will be following the old railroad grade. Travel FS 206 a bit more than 2 miles till you reach FS 162. Go left. Ride air miles till you reach a fork in the road. Turn left, still on FS 162 and travel downhill toward High Falls where you ride began.	Note that you will not find this trail on the National Forest Map.	



Legend:
 - - - - La Luz Canyon
 - - - - Silver Springs Loop
 - - - - Pumphouse Canyon

Road 162 from Forest Service 206. Silver Springs Loop starts in Cloudcroft and takes riders past the Wofford Peak Lookout tower and La Luz Canyon. Pumphouse Canyon starts at Sleepy Grass campground and loops seven miles by the Snow Canyon Ski Area. (Pumphouse Canyon trail is not on the Lincoln National Forest map.)

If you're a first-time mountain biker or a seasoned enthusiast, chances are good that you will find a trail to your liking in the beautiful Sacramento Mountains of Ruidoso and Cloudcroft.



A mountain biker emerges from the trees in one of the Spaghetti Bowl loops.

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Camping brings families closer to nature, each other

by KATHLEEN McDONALD
Ruidoso News Staff Writer

Abundant camping in the Ruidoso area offers a great yet affordable getaway for families or couples, a chance to get away from crowds and back in tune with nature.

For those seeking certain amenities while resting in the woods, the Smokey Bear Ranger Station in Ruidoso and the Cloudcroft area's Sacramento Ranger District — managing a combined 707,500 acres of the Lincoln National Forest — offer numerous maintained camping areas.

Be sure to check with a ranger station about potential forest restrictions during your visit, which could be temporarily in effect because of conditions such as drought or forest improvement work.

The Smokey Bear District maintains three developed camping areas in the Ruidoso area:

— South Fork Campground, which offers 60 campsites with picnic tables and fire rings for both tents and RVs; two handicapped accessible sites; flush toilets and drinking water. Campers are charged \$6 per vehicle and the maximum stay is 14 days.

This area is geared toward a family-type campground, Brown says, and has a campground host between May 15 and September 15.

To get there, take Highway 48 to Highway 37 toward Nogal. Turn left at the Bonito Lake turnoff and follow the road five



miles down to the camping site.

— Three Rivers Campground, which offers 14 campsites with picnic tables and fire rings for tents and RVs; vault toilets but no drinking water.

Six horse corrals offering horseback riding are also located at this site, and trailer parking is available.

Brown said the campground, which was just upgraded by the Forest Service, is on the west side of Sierra Blanca and 75 miles south of the district office. It is the furthest from any commercial area, although there is a convenience store 15 miles from the campground.

Because of its lower elevation (6,000 feet), the site offers good winter camping away from snow. During summer months, the flowing Three Rivers Creek allows some limited water recreation.

Several hiking trails are in the area. The

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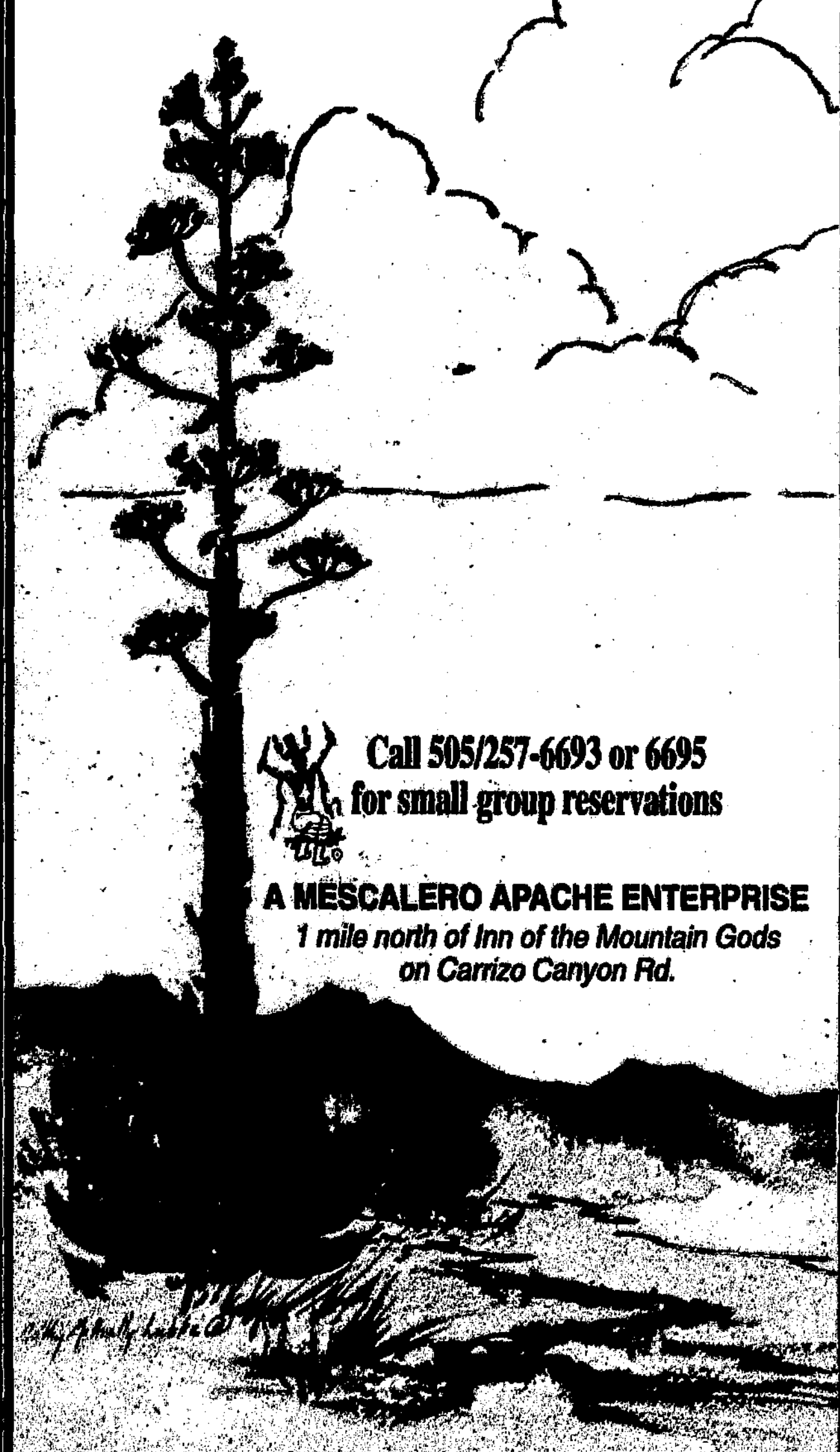
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Evan LeFloche and Randi Winant take a picnic break near the Monjeau Lookout campground. The area has panoramic views and a stone fire tower.

Camping

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campground also offers splendid views of the Sierra Blanca mountain and opportune bird watching.

Take highway 70 south toward Alamogordo, and head north on Highway 54. Seventeen miles north past Tularosa, there is a turnoff for Three Rivers Petroglyphs on the right; follow this road for 16 miles to the campground.

Cedar Creek has three group camping areas and is available by reservation only. Call 257-4095. The site offers a pavilion, picnic tables and grills; vault toilets; drinking water; tent or RV parking but no electrical hookups. The maximum length of visit is 14 days. Fees range from \$60 for 1 to 60 people; \$80 for 61 to 80; and \$100 for 81 to 100 people.

Numerous unmarked hiking trails run through the area, and across Cedar Creek Road is a fitness trail. Freshly piped spring water is also available at the end of the road.

The site is conveniently located about 1.5 miles from the Smokey Bear Ranger Station on Cedar Creek Road, three miles from Midtown Ruidoso.

Smokey Bear Ranger Station also maintains three dispersed camping areas (non-fee areas without actual designated sites, nor tables at each site) off highway 37 near Bonito Lake, with limited facilities:

— the Argentine/Bonito Trailhead, which is for tents or RVs, has vault toilets but no drinking water. Bonito Creek is close by, as are several hiking trails. The area also has four horse corrals. This site is favored by horse riders.

— Philadelphia Canyon, with fire rings in place for tent campers. Bonito Creek is close by, as are several hiking trails. No drinking water or toilets.

— Pennsylvania Canyon, near Nagai Canyon. Because it is off the beaten path, the canyon receives little visitation, but is quite beautiful. There is creek water, but no drinking water or toilets.

Other dispersed camp spots in the Ruidoso area are:

— Monjeau Lookout camping area, which has a historic Civilian Conservation Corps fire lookout; four tables and grills; tent camping; no drinking water.

The site offers panoramic views of Sierra Blanca and the White Mountain Wilderness, but is quite windy and has dramatic temperature changes. Be prepared for windy conditions.



The area is accessed by traveling Highway 48 to Ski Run Road. Turn right up Monjeau Road and travel to top.

— Oak Grove and Skyline Camping areas, both near Monjeau. Oak Grove offers 30 picnic tables with grills and Skyline has 17 tables and grills. Both have vault toilets but no drinking water.

Another dispersed camping area which is designed for group use is the Boon Campground, off Highway 300 in Salazar Canyon just east of Capitan. The area offers pit toilets and some limited water. Drinking water is not available.

Cloudcroft District

The Lincoln National Forest in the Cloudcroft area, which is served by the Sacramento Ranger District, offers seven campgrounds charging fees between \$6 to

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\$7. It also has five group areas, with prices ranging (according to site and group size) from \$40 for 1 to 50 people, up to \$95 for 50-plus people.

Peg Crimmins, staff member of the office's recreation lands and minerals division, explains the district's more modern sites include Silver, with 32 sites, Saddle with 17, Apache with 26 and Silver Overflow campgrounds (popular with RVs) with 3 or 4 tables and fire rings. Each of these areas, which are off Highway 244 towards Cloudcroft, provide drinking water, tables, grills, and vault toilets. They can serve tent campers as well as RVs, Crimmins says, adding that an RV dump station and showers are located near the Silver Overflow Campground.

The older sites, which are designed for tent camping and located off of Highway 82, are the Pines with 47 sites (off of Highway 244), Deerhead with 34 sites (off of Highway 130), and Sleepygrass Campgrounds with 44 sites (off of Highway 130).

Crimmins says the district's five group areas are available by reservation only. Campers can call 1-800-280-2267 (CAMP). Two of the five group areas — Upper Fir with 12 tables and Lower Fir with six tables — offer drinking water, as well as tables, fire rings and vault toilets. The other three — Slide with 10 sites, Aspen with seven, and Black Bear with 10 (all off of Sunspot Highway 6563) — do not provide water.

Dispersed camping is available at James Canyon, which is free of charge and has six tables. This site off of Highway 82 also has fire rings and toilets, but no water. And Up-

per Karr Canyon, which has neither tables nor designated camp areas (also off the Sunspot Highway), provides fire rings and vault toilets.

The area offers wonderful views of fall foliage.

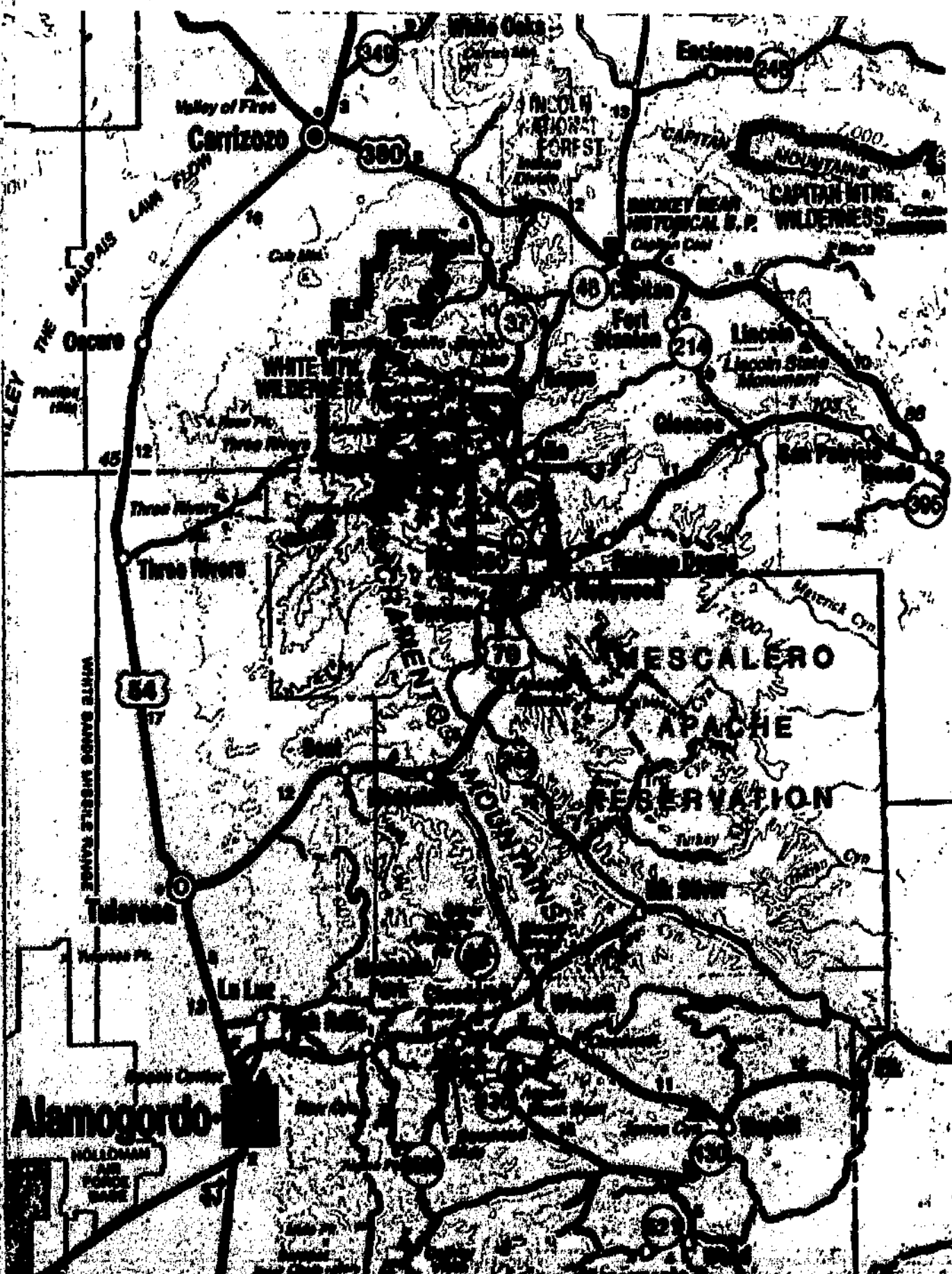
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Ruidoso is surrounded by a number of lakes that are regularly stocked by the state Game and Fish Department, assuring anglers young and old a good chance at catching fish.

In all, there are eight fishing waters within a 30-mile radius of Ruidoso, in addition to four fishing waters on the Mescalero Apache Reservation. They are all cold-water, trout fishing waters.

One of those lakes, Alto, has suffered the consequences of drought and did not fill up with spring runoff this year. The others were large enough to offset drought effects.



New Mexico fishing licenses are required to fish in state and federal waters. Licenses can be purchased at Western Auto and Wal-Mart in

Ruidoso (or Inn of the Mountain Gods to fish on the reservation).

The 1996-97 New Mexico Fishing Proclamation is available at the above locations, bait shops or at the Smokey Bear Ranger District office of the Lincoln National Forest. The proclamation has information about bait, boating regulations, special trout waters, bag limits, and waters with special rules.

Fishing waters in Lincoln County

Bonito Creek - Runs from Bonito Lake through Angus to Fort Stanton, Lincoln and Hondo. The upper part of the creek features brook trout and the lower part has rainbow trout.

Bonito Lake - Located five miles from Angus off State Highway 37, the fishing season runs from April 1 to Nov. 30. The lake is stocked with trout. Open daily from 5 a.m. to 10 p.m., no boats or floating devices allowed.

Carrizo Creek - The creek runs from Mescalero Lake on the reservation and joins the Rio Ruidoso. The creek is not stocked and features brown trout.

Eagle Creek - Springs and runoff feed this creek that parallels State Highway 632 (Ski Run Road).

It's not stocked and has brown trout.

Grindstone Reservoir - Located off Grindstone Resort Drive in Ruidoso, the lake is stocked with trout and is open year-round. Summer fishing hours from sunrise to 10 p.m. Boating allowed from sunrise to sunset.

Rio Ruidoso - Originating in the Sacramento Mountains, the river winds through Upper Canyon and runs east through town and on past Ruidoso Downs to Hondo. It's stocked with trout. The river features a special trout water for rainbow trout fishing (limit 2 per bag/possession). This special section is along U. S. 70 in Ruidoso Downs from Fridenbloom Drive to 0.7 of a mile downstream.

Tularosa Creek - Starting below the reservation, the creek is stocked with trout by New Mexico Game and Fish Department. Open year-round.

Fishing waters on the Mescalero Reservation

Eagle Lake - Located off Ski Run Road, this stocked lake opens May 1. Permits can be purchased at entrance of recreation area.

Mescalero Lake - Located at the Inn of the Mountain Gods, this



Grindstone Lake is one of the most popular fishing holes in the Ruidoso area because it is well-stocked and close to town.

der of the reservation, this stocked lake opened April 1. Permits can be purchased at the entrance to the area.

Private fishing waters

Seeping Springs Trout Lake - This campground offers a spring-fed, trout-stocked fishing lake. Because it's privately owned, New Mexico fishing license is not required. Located four miles east of the racetrack on U.S. 70, this family-oriented recreation area is open from March 1 to Oct. 1.

Rio Ruidoso - The upper portion of the river on the reservation opened for fishing May 1. Permits can be purchased at entrance to area. Limit of 12 trout per day for adults, six per day for children.

Silver Lake - Located off State Highway 244 on the southern bor-

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County's museums display fascinating Old West history

by KATHLEEN McDONALD
Ruidoso News Staff Writer

With its many authentic adobe structures, vast cattle ranches and unspoiled wilderness, daytrippers through Lincoln County can easily sense the area's legendary past.

But to really gain a grasp of what that history's about, visitors and locals alike should stop for a spell at the variety of museums. A good tour usually takes a couple of bucks and an hour's time, and directly heightens cultural appreciation.

The Museum of the Horse

Open daily 9 a.m. to 5:30 p.m., May 1 to Labor Day, and 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., September through October. From November through April, hours are 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Tuesday through Sunday.

General admission \$4; children \$2.50; seniors 65 and older, \$3.

Located on Highway 70, next to the Ruidoso Downs Race Track, the museum celebrates the heritage of the horse and its intrinsic role in the American West. Highway travelers can't miss the museum; out front, seven striking horse sculptures announce what's in store.

The awesome horse scene was designed and cast by Ruidoso artist Dave McGary, who unveiled the "Free Spirits at Noisy Water" in July 1995.

Inside the museum, visitors will find the private collection of the late horse lover, Anne C. Stradling. Through Stradling's request, her 10,000-piece collection was moved to the former Hubbard Museum (owned by Ruidoso Downs Race Track owner R.D. and Joan Dale Hubbard) before she died in 1992.

Stradling, a studied trick rider who also learned to rope, started her collection as a girl when living on her family's New Jersey estate. As an adult, her collection continued to grow as she traveled the West and settled in Arizona.

Through her agreement with the Hubbards, the collection can never be divided, but must be kept under one roof.

Her collection displays horse items from around the world, including pieces from ancient Greece and Rome, a Russian horse sleigh, an authentic circa 1860 stagecoach, a Conestoga wagon (covered wagon or prairie schooner), Buffalo Bill's 12-passenger stagecoach and a variety of carriages, wagons and charro saddles. The collection also includes fine art, furniture and silver.

Group tours can be scheduled with guides during weekdays. These tours should be pre-set with education curator Jim Dickinson by calling 378-4809. Otherwise, trained volunteers are on hand to answer visitors' questions.

Showing April 27 to Sept. 22 is the "The West in American Art: Selections from the Bill and Dorothy Harmsen Collection of Western Art."

Museums in Lincoln

Drive east down Highway 70 and turn west on Highway 380 to Lincoln.

This carefully preserved settlement, the

former county seat, offers three museums with which to learn about some of the disputes and characters involved in the Lincoln County War. A fourth museum depicts life at the turn of the century. One ticket costing \$4 (free for children) will allow visitors into all four museums.

The Lincoln Historical Center is the place to begin a walking tour of the town, and is where visitors can purchase admission tickets. It's open 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. daily.

A tour starts with a 10-minute slide show which explains the economic conflict that was at the root of the Lincoln County War. Exhibits focus on Billy the Kid, the most legendary figure in the war. The displays also concentrate on the area's Mescalero Apache Indians, Buffalo Soldiers, cowboys and Hispanic heritage. Guides, who are clothed in period dress, can also explain the many historic photographs, art, weapons and documents at the center.



Further down the street is the Lincoln County Courthouse Museum where Billy the Kid made his infamous escape 115 years ago by shooting his way out of imprisonment. He did so by getting hold of a gun and killing his guards, Marshal Bob Olinger and Deputy J.W. Bell.

The museum houses gun exhibits, artifacts like Billy the Kid's spurs, and a life-size portrait of Billy. At the bottom of the stairwell is a bullet hole believed to be the result of Billy shooting one of the guards.

The two-story adobe courthouse was built in 1873-74 and became a museum in 1939. It's open 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. daily.

The Tunstall Store Museum is open 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. May through September.

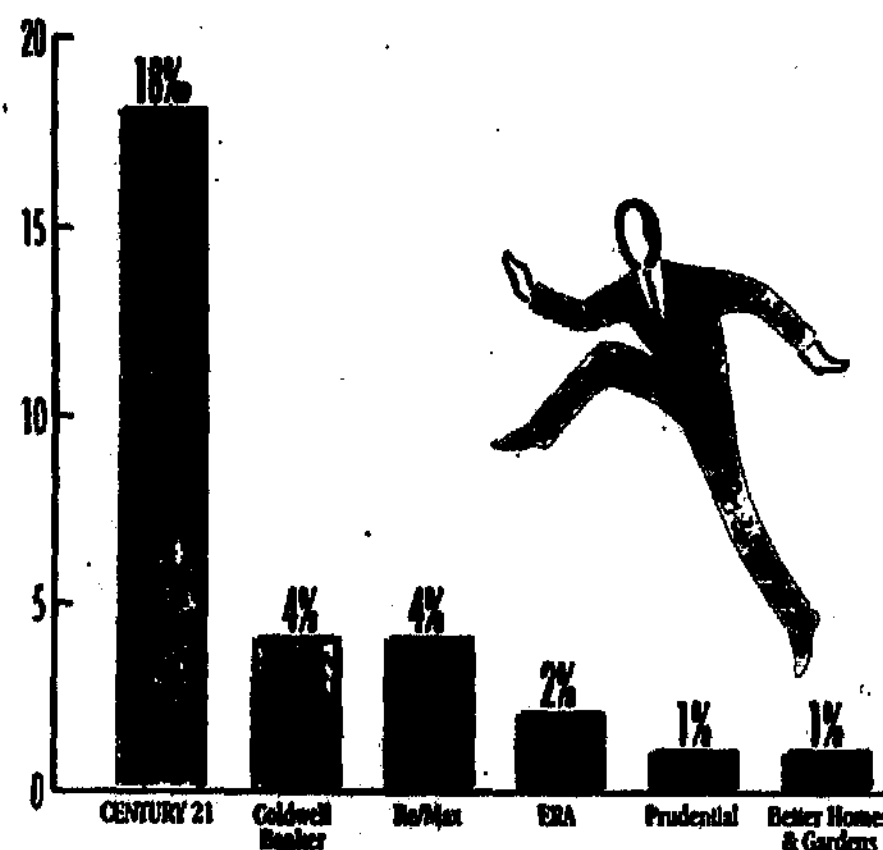
The Tunstall Store Museum tells the story of the young and wealthy store owner, John Henry Tunstall, who was murdered a year after building the mercantile in 1877. With his death in 1878, the Lincoln County War erupted.

Historians believe Tunstall was killed because his business was directly competing with the area's long-controlling mercantile, owned by Lawrence Murphy. When Tunstall built the mercantile, economic and political tensions became heated in Lincoln, and it was Murphy's men who shot him dead.

Friends and associates of Tunstall immediately formed a posse called the Regulators, which included Billy the Kid.

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When avenging Tunstall's death, Billy and other Regulators ambushed and killed Lincoln County Sheriff William Brady from behind the store. Both Tunstall and his partner Alexander McSween are buried behind the Tunstall Store.

The Tunstall Store, which also

has original store stock dating back to the early part of this century, is open 9 a.m. to 6 p.m., May through September.

Other historic buildings in Lincoln which are associated with the Lincoln County War are the torreon, the Wortley Hotel, the Ellis Store and the Casa de Patron.

Also in Lincoln is Dr. Wood's House, a museum which closely resembles a doctor's office and home during the early 1900s. The house, formerly known as a mansion, was built circa 1885 and was later owned in 1925 by Dr. Earl Woods. The house is open 9 a.m. to 6 p.m., May through September.

Smokey Bear Museum

Continue traveling west on Highway 380 to Capitan. The Smokey Bear Museum is open 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. daily May through September (10 a.m. to 4 p.m. daily during the off season). Admission is free.

The museum, located next to the Smokey Bear State Park, explains the history of the little black bear cub that later became the symbolic mascot of the U.S. Forest Service wildfire prevention campaign.

Smokey was found after a wildfire that raged through the Capitan Mountains in 1950. He was nursed back to health by bottle, one of which is on display at the little log cabin museum. After years as a zoo celebrity with enough mail to have his own zip code, he was buried in Capitan.

Also on display are reams of old Smokey memorabilia and dozens of collectors items, photos and newspaper articles.

Ancho Museum

Continue traveling west on Highway 380. Turn right at Highway 54 and go about 25 miles north of Carrizozo to Ancho. This museum is open 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. daily, May through October 15; admission is \$3 for adults, 50 cents for chil-

dren under 12.

This is a museum house in Ancho's former nine-room railroad depot, run by L.V. and Sara Jackson. The historical depot contains an array of 100-year-old railroad artifacts, clothing, appliances, photographs, guns, telegraph equipment, china and furniture. Rooms include a parlor, kitchen and dining room.

The Jacksons are the only full-time residents of Ancho, and proudly relay the community's history. Most of the items in the museum belonged to Sara's mother, Jackie Silvers, a descendant of the Straley family which homesteaded in the area in the early 1900s.

Ancho means "wide" in Spanish. It was established in 1902 and once was a thriving community with the depot, two brick factories and a plaster mill, and its own baseball team. A uniform, circa 1915, is on display at the museum.

The station at Ancho was eventually shut down, and the Jacksons' mother bought the depot in 1959 and opened it to the public in 1963.

White Oaks museums

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This is an authentic, two-story schoolhouse where students at the once-thriving White Oaks were educated from 1895 to 1947. This former gold mining town once had 3,000 residents. It has experienced a rebirth in recent years as an artist community, but it's most commonly referred to as a ghost town.

Visitors to the schoolhouse will first find a classroom, circa 1910, which displays an ominous teacher's desk, an old globe and a portrait of President Zachary Taylor. Pictures of actual White Oaks children fill the walls.

Upstairs is an assortment of artifacts, including teaching books, tools, antique furnishings and an old prescription book. Copies of the former White Oaks newspaper, the Old Abe Eagle, dated 1894, are also on display. Schoolhouse guides, several whom lived during the time depicted, spice the tour.

Also in White Oaks is a new museum, the Miner's House, open daily 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., May through September. Admission is free, but donations are appreciated.

The two-bedroom house was a rental unit for miners families in the late 1800s. In 1950, it was moved about 2.5 miles out of town by "Preacher Hobbs," who planned

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to live in it. However, adding electricity to the old clapboard house proved too expensive.

A community group called House of Memory Echoes (H.O.M.E.) formed in 1991, raised money to buy the house, moved it back to White Oaks and restored it, said H.O.M.E. president Ruth Birdsong. "This has been a labor of love," Birdsong said.

Much of the money raised for the museum was through donations and calendars celebrating Lincoln County that H.O.M.E. has published for the past seven years. The calendars are on sale at the museum for \$6; a collectors addition (only 13 are left) is also available for \$50.

The house sits on land owned by Birdsong. She'll donate it and a tool shed out back to the state once

paid off, Birdsong said.

Opening day for the newly restored house was May 4, 1996.

Visitors will find antique furnishings related to a miner's life, and such historical items as an ice box from the old Fort Stanton Hospital (circa 1890). The house also has a display wall with old pictures of White Oaks mining activities and life.

Museum phone numbers

Lincoln State Monument (for Historic Settlement of Lincoln tours): 505-653-4372

Lincoln County Heritage Trust Historical Center: 505-653-4025

Tunstall Store Museum: 505-653-4049

Museum of the Horse: 505-378-4809

Smokey Bear Museum: 505-354-2298

Ancho Museum "My House of Old Things": 505-648-2456

White Oaks Schoolhouse Museum: 505-648-2228

White Oaks Miner's House: 505-648-2363

Mescalero Apache Tribe Cultural Center: 505-671-9254

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Inn of Mountain Gods offers variety of recreational activities

by DIANNE STALLINGS
Ruidoso News Staff Writer

Just in case spectacular scenery, scrumptious food and the excitement of a casino aren't enough, the staff of the Inn of the Mountain Gods has assembled a dozen other activities to keep guests entertained all summer.

"We're trying to provide a wide range to get that magic mix to please our guests," inn manager John McCullough said.

Mescalero Lake, a deep blue reservoir of mountain water fringing the 253-room luxury resort one mile outside of Ruidoso, can be fished, rowed, pedaled and speed skimmed.

For \$8 an hour, try oaring along the shoreline or across the width of the lake on the 463,000-acre Mescalero Apache Reservation.

If your legs are stronger than your arms, pile into a pedal boat with some friends. The pedal-powered contraptions rent for \$12 to \$16 an hour, depending on the number of friends enlisted.

A motor will provide the thrust for tooling around the lake on an aqua cycle for \$16 an hour.

The boat docks are being



The Teepee Arcade manager sits at its unique entrance. The arcade features a variety of video games.

remodeled and new boats purchased for the summer, McCullough said.

For a more passive afternoon, fishing permits sell for \$8 a day with a 12-fish limit. Bait and tackle is available at the docks and fishing is limited to between sun-up and sundown.

The lake is stocked with rainbow and cutthroat trout by the Mescalero Fish Hatchery.

Those who prefer their recreation on land can pack golf clubs and tennis racquets.

An 18-hole golf course edges the lake shore. Golfers also can practice their putting on a special green as 12,000-foot Sierra Blanca Peak looms in the distance.

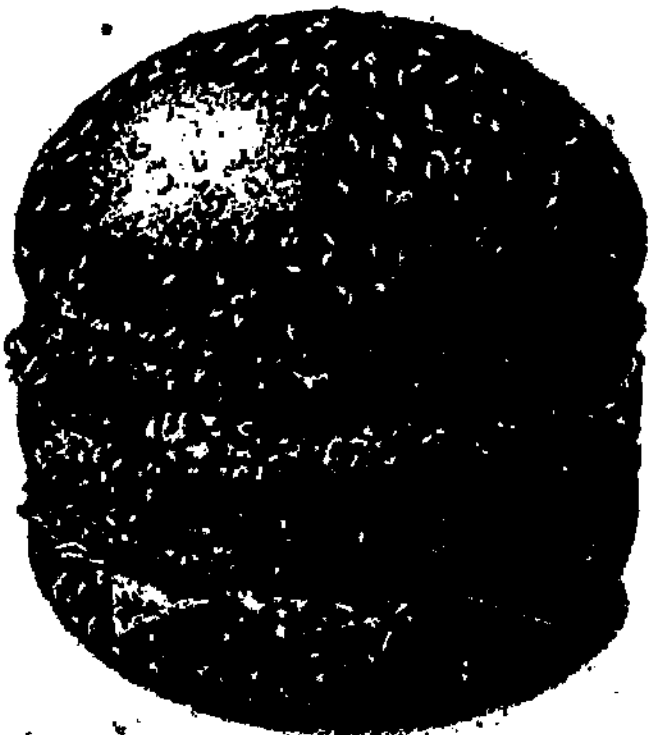
"If guests have never played this course before, they may end up concentrating less on their game and more on their surroundings," golf pro Daniel Nunez said.

"It's a tough course, but also relaxing because there are no homes around the fairways and no out of bounds. If a ball is hit into the wilderness and can't be found, it's simply a lost ball."

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features, he said.

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Number eight is a par three shot down 150 feet from an elevated tee, \$20 and \$14. If you forget your

Nunes said.

Each hole is surrounded by two to three sand traps and we have water features on four out of the first nine holes and five of the back nine," he said.

Green fees for guests are \$35 for 18 holes and \$25 for nine. Carts are \$20 and \$14. If you forget your

clubs or couldn't travel with them, a set may be rented at \$20 for 18 holes and \$15 for nine.

Lockers and separate saunas to ease aching muscles at the end of a busy day are available for women and men.

If swinging a racquet appeals more than swinging a club, one of

the half dozen tennis courts may be reserved by hotel guests for \$10 per hour, single play and \$20 for doubles.

Private tennis lessons are \$25 per hour. Group lessons, tournaments and clinics are scheduled throughout the summer.

Accessories, stringing service and sports clothing are for sale at the golf and tennis pro shops.

A court also is available for playing basketball and volleyball for \$3 an hour.

Want to see the countryside while you exercise?

Try bicycling around the Inn, on connecting roads or into town. Bikes can be rented at the boat dock for \$8 an hour.

Live transportation can be found at the stables 1.5 miles west of the Inn.

Open from 8:30 a.m. to 3 p.m., weather permitting, the stables offer one-hour rides for \$12 on a pre-set schedule. Check with the hotel desk.

Full-day rides may be arranged with 24-hour advance notice. The charge is \$87 for one person, \$140 for two, \$187 for three and \$220 for four persons.

Lunches also can be prepared for the all-day rides at an extra cost.

The stables are closed during big game hunts, including elk, bear

and turkey.

For more sedentary entertainment, video games galore are ready and waiting for guests of all ages in the teepee arcade in the tennis complex.

After all that exercise, physical or mental, sample the Sunday award-winning brunch at the Dan Li Ka Dining Room or enjoy a bounty of shrimp at the Apache Tee Restaurant. More good eating and some evening entertainment can be found at The Mescalero Inn, which lies on the boundary line of Ruidoso at the foot of the reservation.

"Given the outstanding setting and between all of the outdoor activities, we provide something for most of our visitors and are working on offering even more opportunities in the evening," McCullough said.

"Slot machines are open 24 hours a day and we have a video arcade for the children that's open in the evening. We're trying to coordinate our various restaurants so guests have a place for a late night snack. We're remodeling one area for a deli and looking at options for entertainment at The Nightclub at the Mescalero Inn.

Under discussion are comedy acts, line dancing, live music and karoake.



Mescalero Lake at the Inn of the Mountain Gods is well-stocked with trout for fishing. It's also a great spot to just sit and relax, as these two people have discovered.

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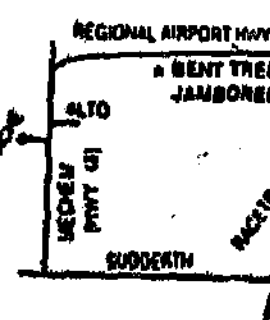
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Mescalero artists keep traditions alive

by DIANNE STALLINGS
Ruidoso News Staff Writer

Preserving the traditions of the Mescalero Apache Tribe motivates many of the artisans who continue

to create handmade moccasins, ceremonial dresses, beading, cradle boards and baskets.

Others are seeking new forms of expression through sculpture, wood

and oil paint.

In the past, finding their goods hasn't been easy. But today many show their work at the Kaa Da sita (Hanging Arrow shop) about 10 miles west of Ruidoso on U.S. 70. Kaa Da sita is open from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. seven days a week.

"I learned how to bead when I was 17," said Francine Burgess, who owns the shop on the Mescalero reservation and creates impressive traditional and new beading designs.

Ironically, she was taught in the Catholic boarding school she attended, not by a family member.

"I guess I really got started when I married," she said. "I stayed home a lot and it was something to do."

Burgess uses a homemade loom about two feet long to create blocks of bead work in a process similar to weaving. She also can bead directly on a garment, such as a leather coat recently brought to her.

The size of needle, the type of thread and bead differ depending on the desired effect.

"I do a lot of beading for dances, for puberty rites and for jewelry," she said.

When the beading designs are traditional and to be used in ceremonies, Burgess selects the

special colors of the Mescalero Tribe: white, black, yellow and green.

"But I like to do a lot of experimenting," she said. "I like combining different colors."



Olivia Essary enjoys gathering piñon wood in the forest before starting a new cradle board.

That's the type of wood she finds bends the best when heated to form the arched frame of the cradle board. She lets the wood sit for two days first to shrink and ensure that everything fits snugly.

Small bush stems are used for the protective lid.

"I learned from my sister when I was around 16 years old and my sister learned from my mother and my aunt," a soft-spoken Essary said.

Not many women make the cradle boards anymore, as some

young mothers prefer other methods of transporting their babies.

But a few years ago people started coming to Essary to create cradle boards for their babies.

"I made some for my nieces and nephews and grandkids," she said. "I enjoy it."

She also designs doll-size cradle boards.

"If I have everything I need assembled, it takes me about two days to do the work (on a full size)," Essary said.

The material used to complete the cradle board and to strap in the baby can be buckskin, deer skin or canvas, she said.

"I do the bottom first, heating the piñon over a hot fire to make it bend," she said. "It takes two sticks for a full-size cradle. The foot structure comes next and I use the stem of a yucca plant."

She always found the cradle board effective for children, Essary said.

"They seem to sleep better," she said. "I think they feel secure."

A child may stay in a cradle board until it is six to nine months old and is too heavy to carry, she said.

Although minor differences may exist among tribes on cradle board decorative design and approach to



Francine Burgess owns the Kaa Da sita store on the Mescalero Apache Reservation. She is also an artisan, creating detailed bead work on clothing and other items.

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Olivia Essary keeps the Native American tradition of cradle boards alive, and more and more young mothers are now using them.

wrapping a child, Essary said, "I guess it's pretty much the same style for all Native American groups."

The decorative design that may be incorporated is up to individual taste, she said. No traditional designs are dictated by Mescalero membership or family lineage, she said.

At 65, Essary said she's pleased one of her daughters has asked to learn the skill and she knows it will be passed down for at least one more generation.

Interpretive sculpture

Arden Hosetosavit turns a block of alabaster into a Native American

face, a spirit or a scene.

He prefers pink alabaster, although he works in many colors.

Part Comanche and Mescalero, Hosetosavit has lived in Mescalero all of his life except for his years at the Institute of American Indian Arts in Santa Fe.

"My father knew I was a good artist," he said, and made sure his son was given the opportunity of attending the institute, where he also earned a high school diploma and attended several years toward a college degree.

"When I went there, I didn't know I was good in sculpture," Hosetosavit said. "I was taking advanced painting and ceramics. When on a break in class, I went to the sculpture school and found out I was good. It gave me the desire to become a sculptor."

He left the school in 1969 and returned to Mescalero, where he worked odd jobs to devote most of his time to his art.

He uses alabaster from Utah and from Denver and Fort Collins, Colo. Imported soapstone also is a preferred medium.

"I never use a model," Hosetosavit said. "It's all from my mind and heart."

His tools include chisels, gougers, hammers and a rasp. He prefers working on large subjects and enjoys creating Eagle warriors



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Arden Hosetosavit creates alabaster sculptures.

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Elbys Hugar creates elaborate Mescalero Apache ceremonial garments and moccasins.

Artists

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and scenes from modern and traditional Native American life, such as women making baskets, women carrying cradle boards or men dancing.

"I have to see what I can put in the rock," he said.

His parents were artistic and encouraged his interest from the time he was a small child, Hosetesavit said. But they also encouraged him to stay in school.

"My father urged me to learn all I can, because I will need it in life," he said.

Moccasins

Proud of her Mescalero heritage and devoted to preserving the tribe's traditions, Elbys Hugar offers a prayer and blessing before creating a pair of moccasins or ceremonial garments.

"I made puberty dresses for all of my granddaughters," she said, blessing each bead and jingle and everything else pertaining to the dress, which can take three months to finish.

"I believe in this through my ancestors," she said. "I come from the family of Cochise and my grandfather was Naiche. My father was Christian Naiche Jr."

"I respect the language. I speak and write it and helped compile the Mescalero Apache dictionary."

She has mastered the techniques of making both Mescalero and Chiricahua moccasins.

The latter is unique because it incorporates a toe guard of rawhide.

"They were always running in rough country and needed protection from rocks and cacti," she said.

The rawhide is sewn to the top of the moccasin and soaked in water to soften it. When it dries, the guard stands up by itself, she said.

Each tribe has its own way of constructing moccasins based on the needs of their particular lifestyles, Hugar said.

The Mescalero use two approaches: a low-cut moccasin and another type cut right under the knee.

Girls going through puberty rites wear the high moccasins, as do dancers.

"Some people have different designs and different paint they want to use," she said. "In my family for puberty dresses, we use red and yellow paint and some green."

Some use natural dyes, but Mountain Spirit dancers use ashes and white Indian paint as part of their special preparations, she said.

"I was about nine when I started making the moccasins," Hugar

said. "They were worn by my grandmother on a daily basis, but were plain and not beaded. You saw them a lot in the 1930s and on a lot of the older people."

Now they are worn mostly for ceremonial purposes, she said.

To sew the rawhide soles to the top material of the moccasin takes Hugar about two hours if she's not interrupted. The rawhide creates a tough, hard sole to protect the foot.

On a below-the-knee-cut moccasin, the work could take as long as 1.5 weeks if a great deal of beading is involved, she said.

"I still tan hides (for the leather), but I'm getting to where I can't handle as much anymore," said the 66-year-old Hugar.

Last year, she created about nine pairs of moccasins, some for Mountain Spirit dancers.

A few of her children are learning to make the moccasins, but it's difficult for them to find the time with their work and families, Hugar said, adding, "But they're willing."

She doesn't mind the work, Hugar said.

"I'm the only one left from my family," she said. "My parents, brothers and sisters all are gone. That's why I keep myself busy. So I don't have much time to think about that."

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May 25-27: Rodeo, Wimsatt Arena, Cloudcroft. 505/682-2733.

June

June 1-Aug. 10: "Cowboys, Racing and Other Horse Activities," Museum of the Horse, Ruidoso Downs. 505/378-4142.

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June 3-Aug. 9: Wilderness Camp, Wingfield Park, Ruidoso. 505/257-5030.

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June 7: Youth Fishing Daze, Two Rivers Park, Ruidoso. 505/257-5030.

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June 15: "Ma'am Jones of the Pecos," Museum of the Horse, Ruidoso Downs. 505/378-4142.

June 20-22: "Goodbye to the Clown," Ruidoso Little Theater, Ruidoso. 800/253-2255.

June 21-23: Bluegrass Festival, Zenith Park, Cloudcroft. 505/682-2733.

June 22: "Inventing the American West," Museum of the Horse, Ruidoso Downs. 505/378-4142.

July

July 4-7: Smokey Bear Stampede, Capitan. 505/354-2224.

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July 6: "Benefit Blast," Ruidoso Convention Bureau, Ruidoso. 505/378-4142. Dinner dance gala featuring car and cash give-aways to benefit the Committee for Breast Awareness and the Museum of the Horse.

July 6-7: July Jamboree, Zenith Park, Cloudcroft. 505/682-2733.

July 13: "Charlie Russell's Old Montana Yarns," Museum of the Horse, Ruidoso Downs. 505/378-4142.

July 26-28: 25th Annual Ruidoso Art Festival, Convention Center, Ruidoso. 800/253-2255.

July 27: "Baby Doe Tabor," Museum of the Horse, Ruidoso Downs. 505/378-4142.

July 29-Aug. 9: Sierra Blanca Writers Workshop, Museum of the Horse, Ruidoso Downs. 609/275-2947.

August

Aug. 2-4: Old Lincoln Days, downtown, Lincoln. 505/653-4025.

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Aug. 3: Lee K. Abbott Lecture, Museum of the Horse,

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Aug. 6-7: Photography Seminar, Museum of the Horse, Ruidoso Downs. 505/378-4142.

Aug. 6-10: Lincoln County Fair, Lincoln County Fairgrounds, Capitan. 505/354-2273 or 505/354-2202.

Aug. 7: Readings from Leslie Ullman and Paul Zimmer, Museum of the Horse, Ruidoso Downs. 505/378-4142.

Aug. 9-31: "Star Spangled Girl," Ruidoso Little Theater, Ruidoso. 800/253-2255.

Aug. 10-Sept. 22: All American Photo Show, Museum of the Horse, Ruidoso Downs. 505/378-4142.

Aug. 11: "Jurors' Choice," Museum of the Horse, Ruidoso Downs. 505/378-4142.

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Aug. 17: "Pops Concert," Museum of the Horse, Ruidoso Downs. 505/378-4142.

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Aug. 15-Sept. 2: All American Festival, Ruidoso and Ruidoso Downs. 505/378-4431.

Aug. 18-20: Singing in the Clouds, high school gym, Cloudcroft. 505/682-2733.

Aug. 24: 13th Annual Runner's Classic, Village Hall, Ruidoso. 505/257-5030.

Aug. 31-Sept. 1: All American Gun Show, Ruidoso Convention Center, Ruidoso. 800/253-2255.

Aug. 31-Sept. 2: All American Arts and Craft Show, Ruidoso Downs City Park, Ruidoso Downs. 800/253-2255.

Aug. 31-Sept. 2: Labor Day Fiesta, Chamber of Commerce, Cloudcroft. 505/682-2733.

September

Sept. 14: "Tejano Fiesta," Ruidoso Downs Race Track,

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Sept. 18-22: Golden Aspen

Motorcycle Rally, Ruidoso Convention Center, Ruidoso. 800/452-8045.

Sept. 28: Santa Fe Opera - The Apprentice Tour, Museum of the Horse, Ruidoso Downs. 505/378-4142.

October

Oct. 5-6: Aspenfest weekend, Midtown, Ruidoso. 800/253-2255.

Oct. 5-6: Oktoberfest & Aspencade, Zenith Park, Cloudcroft. 505/682-2733.

Oct. 6-Jan. 12, '97: Fall American Art Show & Sale, Museum of the Horse, Ruidoso Downs. 505/378-4142.

Oct. 11-13: Lincoln County Cowboy Symposium, Glencoe Rural Events Center, Glencoe. 505/378-4142.

Oct. 18-19: Oktoberfest, Ruidoso Convention Center, Ruidoso. 800/253-2255.

Oct. 26: Saunders Cavalry from NMML, Museum of the Horse, Ruidoso Downs. 505/378-4142.

Oct. 26-27: Bowl-A-Thon, Ruidoso Bowl, Ruidoso. 505/257-7107.

Oct. 27-Nov. 11: Elder Hostel "Ruidoso...from History into the Heavens," La Junta Guest Ranch, Ruidoso. 505/257-2120.

Oct. 27-Nov. 3: "Arts Week," Ruidoso and Ruidoso Downs. 800/253-2255.

Oct. 27-Jan. 12, '97: Louise Serpa Collection of Rodeo Photos, Museum of the Horse, Ruidoso Downs. 505/378-4142.

Oct. 31: "On Broadway" Revue, First Christian Church, Ruidoso. 505/257-9884.

November

Nov. 1-16: "Lion in the Winter," Ruidoso Little Theater, Ruidoso. 800/253-2255.

Nov. 5: Bluegrass Jamboree, high school gym, Cloudcroft. 505/682-2733.

Nov. 8-10: Christmas Jubilee, Ruidoso Convention Center, Ruidoso. 800/253-2255.

Nov. 8: "Gabriela Imreh" Concert, First Christian Church,

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Nov. 9: Writing Workshop by Judyth Hill, Museum of the Horse, Ruidoso Downs. 505/378-4142.

Nov. 9: "Wonders in Writing," Museum of the Horse, Ruidoso Downs. 505/378-4142.

Nov. 16: "Place Names in New Mexico" lecture, Museum of the Horse, Ruidoso Downs. 505/378-4142.

Nov. 28: Thanksgiving Day — Ski Apache Opens. 800/253-2255.

Nov. 29-30: "Yule-Fest" Winter Carnival, Ruidoso and Ruidoso Downs. 800/253-2255.

Nov. 29-Dec. 1: "An 1880 Christmas in Lincoln," Lincoln County Heritage Trust Museum, Lincoln. 505/653-4025.

December

Dec. 13-14: Christmas in Cloudcroft, Main Street, Cloudcroft. 505/682-2733.

Dec. 14: Annual St. Nicholas Party, 2 p.m., Museum of the Horse, Ruidoso Downs. 505/378-4142.

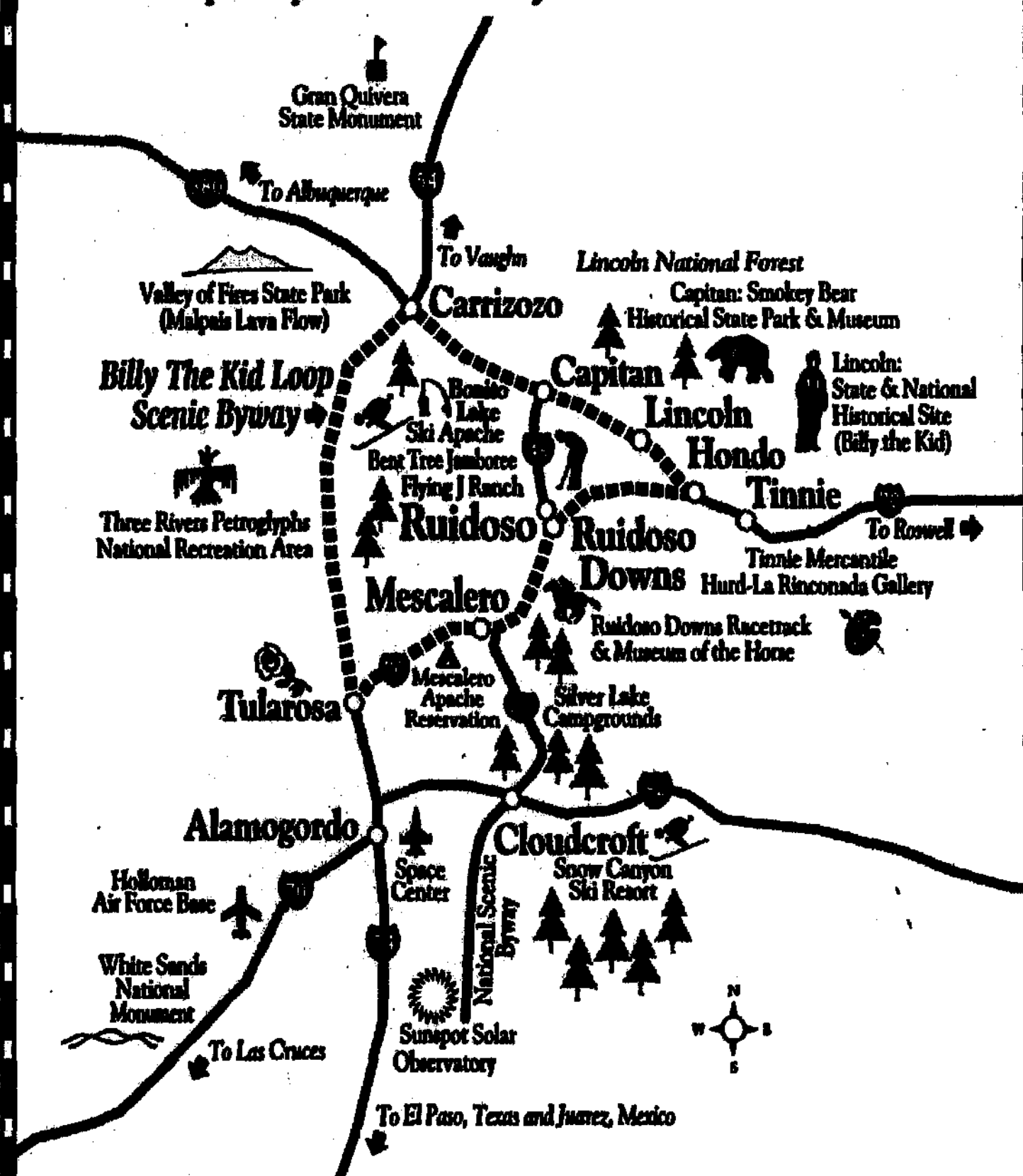
Dec. 14: Santa Fe Desert Chorale, 7 p.m., Museum of the Horse, Ruidoso Downs. 505/378-4142.

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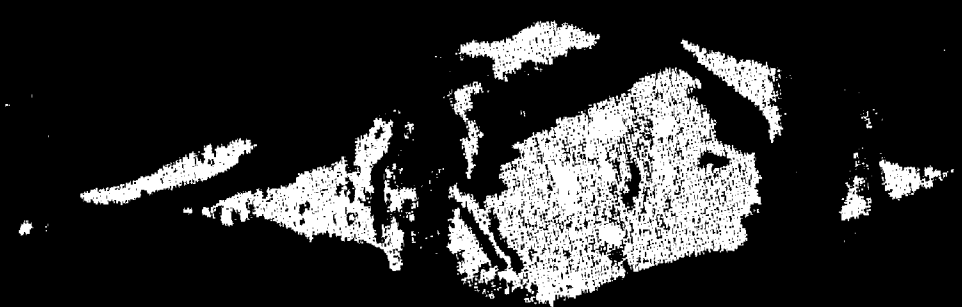
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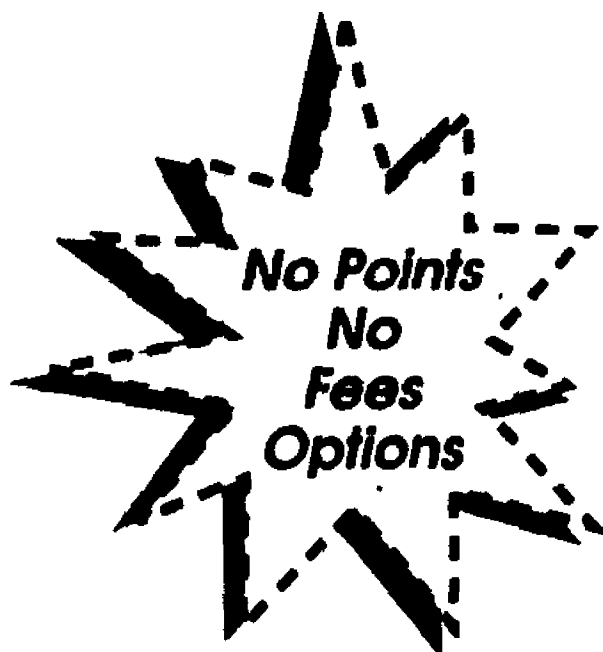
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