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Mescalero elect four councilors

Three incumbents were re-elected to the Mescalero Apache Tribal Council Tuesday.

They were joined by one newcomer out of a field of seven competing for four, four-year seats on the 10-member council. Candidates don't run for specific seats, so the four top votegetters are elected.

With an estimated 1,600 eligible voters, the turnout in the non-partisan election hit nearly 38% with 602 ballots cast.

Pulling the most votes with 370 was Paul Ortega, who will be serving for the first time. Silas Cochise, who previously headed the tribal council's nuclear storage project, was re-elected with 349 votes.

He was followed by incumbents Lewis LaPaz with 336 votes and Virginia Klinekole with 325 votes.

Falling short of the winning mark were Christie LaPaz with 313 votes, Raphael Mendez, who previously served on the council, with 259 votes, and Harlyn Geronimo with 299 votes.

Incumbent Larry Pebeashy didn't seek another term.

Popular student killed in car accident

Jenny Ames, a 19-year-old Ruidoso High School alumna and daughter of RHS history teacher Gerald Ames, died in a single-car accident on I-25 south of Socorro Thursday.

A funeral service for Ames is scheduled for 1 p.m. Monday in the RHS gym.

Ames, a University of New Mexico freshman, was president of the student council and a cheerleader at RHS. She graduated from RHS in 1995 with honors, school superintendent Mike Gladden said. She had plans to become a lawyer.

"It's just a real tragedy," Gladden said Friday.

At the time of the accident, she was traveling south from Albuquerque to Las Cruces to visit her older sister Sara, who was to undergo surgery this morning.

Ames was alone in her 1986 Nissan pickup when it veered left off the roadway for an unknown reason at 2:15 p.m., police said. Ames then over-corrected her steering to the right. Her truck came back across the highway and then flipped three times end over end, police said. She died at the scene.

Ames' family is requesting that in lieu of flowers, donations be made to establish the Jenny Ames Memorial Scholarship. Contributions can be made at the school's central office at 200 Horton Circle.



Cadet Welch is ready for flight in a BT-13 during basic flight training in Lancaster, Calif.

Memories of war never fade away

by KATHLEEN McDONALD
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World War II could have easily ended for Jim Welch and his squadron when a 2,000-pound magnetic mine was accidentally dropped on his plane.

The mine was dropped from a squadron plane above, then stuck on Welch's plane. To top it off, Japanese gunners were shooting at the flying crew from the cliffs above.

"Our plane was passing directly under the lead plane and one of the mines just released, struck our plane's fuselage behind the right waist gunner's window and lodged there," Welch recalled.

Fortunately, the mine was dislodged without anyone getting hurt, and Welch is still here today, sharing his war memories as if they happened only yesterday.

Welch, 76, a Ruidoso resident for 12 years, remembers his wartime life on Veterans Day, Nov. 11. And he remembers it much more often than that.

"Veterans Day honors those of us who are left," Welch said. "Of course, that includes all of us from all of the wars."

It's been more than 50 years since Welch flew with the B-24 Liberator Bomb Crew carrying 500 bombs and 2000-pound mines over the western Pacific islands.

"I feel that with as many narrow escapes that I had and the training, I was preserved for some reason," Welch relates, "so I try to lead a fairly decent life because of that."

Welch, a Crowell, Texas native and high school science teacher for 32 years, enlisted in the Air Force in 1942. He spent three harrowing

and gratifying years defending his country until May 1945.

He married the late Carmon Leda Whitis after the war, and raised three children — now Jan Dodd, James Jr., and Beth Powers, a Ruidoso High School teacher.

A co-pilot with the 42nd Bomb Squadron in the 7th Air Force, Welch and squad crews were chosen by the U.S. Navy to lay magnetic mines in the harbors of the Bonin Islands. The purpose was to deny the Japanese access to those harbors for supplying their troops on Iwo Jima (which didn't have harbors).

The Guam-based crew's first target was at Futami Ko on Chi Chi Jima, an important harbor. Each of the 12 planes in the squadron bombarded the harbor with two, 2,000 pound magnetic mines. That 12-hour mission went off without a hitch.

But the flight down a narrow valley on Haha Jima to mine one of that island's harbors was a different story.

"We were flying at about 200 mph and the valley wasn't wide enough for three B-24s to fly down," he said.

The crew was at a lower altitude than the cliffs, allowing the Japanese gunners to fire down at them.

At about the anticipated time for the lead bombardier to release a mine, Welch's plane moved to the right to avoid hitting land at the left. But when they moved to the right, the right wing tip struck the lead bombardier's plexiglass, shattering it. The 200 mph blast of air threw him over backward. As he

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Democrats look to future after across-the-board loss

□ Republicans have dominated county for more than a decade

by DIANNE STALLINGS
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Lincoln County Democrats received a wake-up call in the general election Tuesday as they watched their candidates in local races fall to Republicans.

Although some party cross-over was evident in voting for the office of state legislator, Republican voters, who outnumber Democrats by about 2,300 in the county, elected their own.

Now that the excitement is over, winners and losers in the county races have a chance to put aside the final vote totals and look at precinct results.

Republican Tom Sullivan won 13 out of the county's 16 precincts and scored big in both absentee and early voting in his bid for sheriff against Democrat Ralph Romero.

He pulled 469 of the absentee votes to Romero's 163, and 877 of

the early voting ballots to his opponent's 434.

His heaviest support came from Precinct 13 in his home base of Capitan, with 401 to 159 votes for Romero.

Finding support in his home area of Honda with 81 to 63 votes, Romero also took both precincts in and around Carrizozo.

The final tally gave Sullivan 67.5% of the vote with 4,203, and Romero 32.5% with 2,021.

"I think it was a learning experience for me in two respects," Romero said. "It showed where we stand in numbers on the Democrat side, and I also realized the independent vote was a factor in this election."

"The end result was, they won, and we'll work hard between now and the next two years to rebuild the Democratic Party in this county. We're not reaching the 18-year-old vote and that's one of the building blocks we can use."

Independents accounted for 1,134 or 10% of the voters registered for the election. Republicans represented 53% with 5,591 voters registered and Democrats, 34.3% with 3,617 voters. The Green Party and minor parties combined accounted for another 2% and 207

voters.

Republicans became the dominant political party in Lincoln County during President Ronald Reagan's second term, about 1985. And Lincoln became the first county in New Mexico (in recent times) to switch to Republican from Democrat, according to County Clerk Martha Proctor.

"The Republicans have remained dominant ever since," Proctor said.

One of the factors may be that people resent not being able to vote in the primary election, she said. If they're Democrats and see that the party has no primary races, they switch to have a political voice, Proctor said.

However, she's also seen an increase in voters who don't mark a political party, cannot participate in the primary and vote as independent.

"So mostly, I think Lincoln County is a conservative county," she said. "You can see that by how they voted in the national election."

Local voters also rejected all four bond issues and two of the five amendments to the state constitution.

Republican Scot Key has little to analyze in his win of the office of

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While one masked man held a gun to a bank manager's head Monday, this robber hurdled the bank teller counter at First Savings Bank at 2713 Sudderth Drive before emptying one of the cash drawers. A bank security camera caught the man's actions on tape, which Ruidoso police and F.B.I. agents enhanced with computers. The two men are still on the loose.

False hopes arise in arrest of suspected bank robbers

Ruidoso police were told Wednesday that the two men who robbed a bank here Monday had been arrested in Alamogordo, but the information was incorrect, detective Robert Layher said.

"They were the wrong men," Layher said Thursday. "They could validate with a receipt they had been in Brownwood, Texas, the day of the robbery."

The two men were arrested after a shoot-out and chase with Otero County and state police, which ended when the suspects' Jeep Cherokee flipped, police said. No

one was injured.

The two that robbed the First Savings Bank on Sudderth Drive Monday, Nov. 4 are described as Hispanic, between 18 and 22 years of age, 5-foot-8-inches and 6-feet tall, and about 155 pounds.

Soon after the robbery, a witness reported seeing suspects of similar description get into a light blue pickup truck with a black rollbar and loud engine in the Apache Hills area behind the 2713 Sudderth Drive bank.

One of the robbers was armed with a semi-automatic pistol. He wore a ski hat over his face with

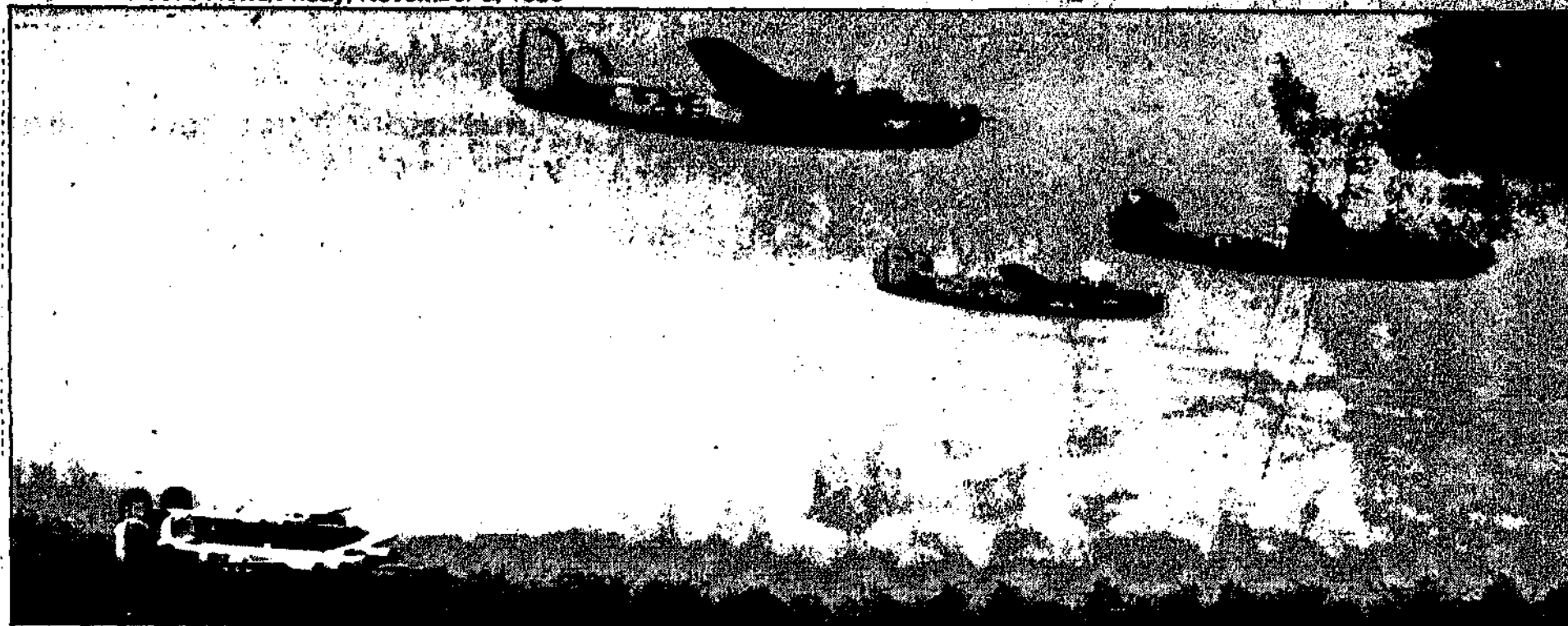
hand-cut eye and mouth holes. He was wearing baggy khaki coveralls and a white long-sleeved shirt.

The other man, who disguised his face with panty hose, wore a Michigan sports cap, and had an embroidered inscription on the left breast of his long-sleeved blue shirt. He also wore baggy khaki pants.

Anyone with information about the suspects is asked to call Crime Stoppers at 257-4545. A \$1,000 reward is offered to anyone with information leading to the suspects' arrest.

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The 42nd bomb squadron carried eight 500-pound bombs in this successful daylight raid of an Iwo Jima airfield in the summer of 1944.

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fell back, he pushed the button to release the mines, Welch said.

That's when the mine fell onto Welch's plane and lodged there. The crew had crowbars and axes on board as equipment in case they crash landed, and from inside the plane, they worked to dislodge the 55-gallon barrel sized mine. Miraculously, it worked and the bomb sailed away.

Welch's squadron flew 40 such mining missions during the war. They also flew bombing raids on Iwo Jima, Marcus and Truck.

"We had to take Iwo Jima," Welch explained. The island was halfway between Guam and Japan, and because of the 1,500 miles between the two, Iwo Jima was needed as a place for B-29s to refuel and land when disabled.

When it was taken by the Americans, 22,000 Japanese and 6,800 Americans were killed. But "We saved more men (by taking it) than the infantry lost taking it," Welch said.

For his action during the mine laying, Welch was promoted to First Lieutenant and awarded the Distinguished Flying Cross. He was also awarded six Air Medals, the Asiatic-Pacific Campaign Medal, the Victory Medal, and the American Campaign medal.

He was discharged from the service in September 1945, about a month after the atomic bombing of Hiroshima. Some men didn't return to Foard County, Texas like he did.

"We lost so many friends and local boys," Welch said. Thirty of the 3,000 Foard County, Texas residents died in the war.

Welch's experience in the war has a great deal to do with his personal philosophies on life, and underscores his Christian perspective, he said.

"The most defining thing (of the war experience) was to realize how fragile human life is," Welch concluded. "It's fragile for everyone — but in wartime, everything is accentuated."



James Welch is second from left, back row, in this 1944 photo of the B-24 Liberator Bomb Crew, 42nd Bomb Squadron in the 7th Air Force. The photo was taken at their Guam base in the western Pacific.



James Welch recalls World War II memories as Veteran's Day approaches.



Aviation cadets Welch and his good buddy Frank F. Weaver, Jr. (left) stand next to a B-13 in early 1944 at the War Eagle Field in Lancaster, Calif. Weaver died when his P-61 Black Widow Night Fighter plane was shot down over Italy four days before the war ended.

Extension sought for local hotel lease

By KATHLEEN McDONALD

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A chance remains for R.D. Hubbard and partner Ed Allred to hold onto their lease to construct a Ruidoso resort hotel.

The two-year lease held by Allred Investments, Inc. expires Nov. 17, but Hubbard is asking the Ruidoso Village Council for a nine-month extension, which would extend the lease to Aug. 31, 1997.

Attorney Don Dutton will make the request on Hubbard's behalf at the council's 6:30 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 12 meeting.

Hubbard said Thursday he would still like the Legislature approve additional forms of gambling at racetracks next year, but the project doesn't totally depend on that.

"If it happens, it gives all the more reason (to build)," he said. "I'm not saying it has to happen, but it does help."

"We're seriously looking at the hotel as a stand-alone project," Hubbard added. "Originally we expected a casino at the hotel, but we're not expecting that to happen. Now we're looking at a restaurant/bar hotel in conjunction with the golf course and convention center."

Hubbard first voiced uncertainty about the success of the upscale hotel in 1995, after legislators failed to legalize slot machines at horse racetracks and resort hotels.

Nowhere in the extension request is there mention of gambling legislation. This summer Allred officials indicated legalized gambling is necessary for the hotel to get off the ground.

"I have not been asked to put any contingency on this (request) as far as any gaming legislation is concerned," Dutton said.

To sweeten the extension deal for the village, Hubbard is also offering a \$1,000 per month payment to the village if the extension is granted. The payment would be discontinued when an application for a building permit is made, attorney Don Dutton said.

"There was nothing in the contract to provide for penalty" if construction was delayed, Dutton explained Thursday. "The thought process was to offer the village something for consideration."

Allred is also requesting that the hotel lease be downgraded from the current requirement of 150 rooms to 125 rooms, with the ability to expand as necessary, Dutton said.

The lease can be legally amended because the original request for proposals sought a hotel with 125-200 rooms, Dutton related.

If an extension is granted, the hotel design will have to be redrawn to make it "more economically viable" and less elaborate, Dutton said.

In September, the hotel partners said the local economy needed to be stronger to support an elaborate resort hotel, Allred treasurer Ed Burger related at the time. He could not be reached for comment Thursday about the company's change in perspective.

Late this summer, Mayor Jerry Shaw supplied two other prospective lessees with copies of the lease after they inquired about it. She hasn't heard back from either person yet, Shaw said.

"Since neither of the people I had contact with have gotten back with me, I have no objection to this (extension request)," Shaw said. "A bird in hand is something, and the (nine) months will not hurt us in any way."

Village officials have sought a hotel next to the convention center for years, and Shaw and others have said the center can only reach its full potential with a resort hotel next door.

"We've put out RFPs twice, and both times the only answer was from Hubbard," Shaw added. "For that reason, I don't see any harm in the extension."

Allred released sketch designs in late 1994 for a \$15 million, 200-plus room hotel. Hubbard doesn't have a cost estimate yet for a scaled back hotel design, he said.

Under the terms of the existing lease, the property and improvements revert to village ownership when the lease is up in 50 years.

Allred had originally proposed 150 rooms because in 1994, the state Legislature was considering allowing casino gambling at hotels with at least 150 rooms, Dutton said.

RUIDOSO VILLAGE COUNCIL AGENDA

The Ruidoso Village Council will consider holding a public hearing on a proposal to outlaw noisy "jake brakes" at its 6:30 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 12 meeting at village hall.

Also known as brake retarders, they are typically used on large trucks and use exhaust and/or engines to slow trucks down. Councilors may outlaw them under the village nuisance law. The idea was brought up by Councilor Joe Gomez.

Also on Tuesday's agenda:
REGULAR ITEMS

— Request from Allred Investments, Inc. to amend the lease for a convention hotel. The request is for an extension of time to commence construction.
— Vacation of public right of way at lot 130, Block BB, Sleepy Hollow Subdivision.

— Preliminary plat and final plat at the southeastern quarter of the southwestern quarter of Section 20, Township 11 south, Range 12 east, NMPM.

— Correction of encroachment at the Ruidoso Springs Subdivision, blocks A, B, C, D, E, F and G.

— Consider scheduling of a public hearing on proposed ordinance 96-17, prohibition of brake retarders.

BOARD AND COMMISSION APPOINTMENTS
CONSENT REGULAR ITEMS

— Consider governing body meeting minutes.

— Consider out-of-state travel for emergency management coordinator Chris Southard to go to the Southwest Fire Council fall meeting in Lubbock, Texas.

— Consider out-of-state travel for police training officer Bill Helgeson to go to the Special Olympics International Law Enforcement Torch Run Conference in Chicago, Ill.

— Consider out-of-state travel for airport manager Tim Morris to go to the 1997 Aviation Partnership Conference in Fort Worth, Texas.

— Cancellation of the Dec. 31, 1996 regular council meeting.

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Casino coalition leaders say they were unaware of 'blacklist'

by KATHLEEN McDONALD
Ruidoso News Staff Writer

A group of laid-off Casino Apache workers indirectly takes responsibility for a blacklisting of local businesses, but says the list was not issued with its knowledge.

The list names 12 Lincoln County businesses and is titled "Businesses That Do Not Support Us." It began circulating around the community in late October.

Some people obtaining the blacklist have said they believe it came from the New Mexico Coalition for Equal Justice — the volunteer group of laid-off Casino Apache workers trying to get their jobs back by asking businesses to sign

political petitions.

But no one at the coalition office has claimed responsibility, said one of its volunteers, Dolores Shorey.

"I can't definitely say it didn't come from here," Shorey said. "But we've asked everyone who has come in here and we can't get anyone to own up to it."

The coalition formed after the 10th Circuit Court of Appeals denied a request by the Mescalero Apache Tribe to block actions by U.S. Attorney John Kelly. Kelly ordered Casino Apache at the tribe's Inn of the Mountain Gods to close Sept. 24.

The coalition works out of a Suddarth Drive office, circulating peti-

tions demanding a grand jury investigation of Kelly, and asking the state Legislature to resolve the gambling issue.

"The only reason we're here is to get our jobs back," Shorey said, "not to hurt anybody."

Copies of the list were posted at Inn of the Mountain Gods, and some of the "blacklisted" businesses obtained the list, all before anyone at the coalition office had seen it, Shorey said.

The list is wrong and damaging, she added, and it was never circulated with group knowledge or support.

The office is financially supported by the Mescalero Apache Tribe, and is casually managed with as many as 500 people volunteering time. Because of that confusion, various lists were mounted saying "don't bother these people, and don't go back to this place," etc., Shorey said.

These lists were of businesses that already said they wouldn't sign or post petitions, or didn't want petitioners repeatedly soliciting them, Shorey explained.

"Someone took something from a list that said (these people) didn't want a petition and turned it into something ugly," Shorey concluded.

"I personally hate to see a list put out targeting businesses," said Inn of the Mountain Gods manager John McCullough. "Everyone is entitled to his own opinion on that committee (coalition), we still support them, but unfortunately things can get out-of-hand with people who are over zealous."

Michelle's Dress Shop, for instance, is wrongfully listed, Shorey said. The shop supplied the dealers with discount uniforms when they were working. And no one has approached her asking to sign a petition, which she would do, said shop owner Michelle O'Brien.

Another listed business, Pappy's Diner, has let pages of petitions be filled out at the restaurant, Shorey said.

Schlitzky's, which was also blacklisted, was apparently included because the business doesn't sign petitions no matter what the cause, said manager Jim Goodwin.

"It's nothing against the tribe," Goodwin said. "I just don't do petitions."

Ruidoso School District didn't violate student's rights, officer concludes

by PAMELA CROMWELL
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The Ruidoso School District did not violate the rights of a 19-year-old disabled student to a proper education, hearing officer Carolyn Richardson has concluded.

The student's mother, Jennifer Hobbs, says she is disappointed with the outcome of the hearing and she will appeal the decision.

"I'm appealing and going to federal court with it," Hobbs said. "I believe all we said and stood for fell on deaf ears."

Hobbs also plans to file a discrimination complaint against the Ruidoso Schools for failing to provide handicapped access for a friend, as the Americans with Disabilities Act requires.

The school district announced the decision Tuesday. It came 18 days after a five-day special education due process hearing in October requested by the student's mother Jennifer Hobbs, who felt her daughter's special educational needs were not being met.

The hearing centered around three main issues: student safety, procedural rights infractions, and the appropriateness and implementation of the student's education plan.

Richardson decided the school district followed the rules and did not violate the student's rights and those of her parents.

"All three issues were unsubstantiated and found to be without merit," the school's release stated.

If the decision had upheld Hobbs' complaint, the district could have been required to put her daughter back in school. Under this decision, however, the Ruidoso School District has no further responsibility to this student except to schedule a transition plan meeting to help her "move forward with the next phase of her life," the release stated.

"The special education services provided to students...are designed to meet their special needs," superintendent Mike Gladden said. "I am delighted to be associated with and be a part of the fine staff in the district who are dedicated to helping every student have a successful school career."

Hobbs' daughter graduated from Ruidoso High School with a first-grade reading level even though privately conducted tests indicate she may be capable of a fifth-grade reading level, according to Hobbs' advocate Robert Kegel. Hobbs contended the high

school curriculum was not modified for her daughter's abilities.

Hobbs also believes she is the victim of retaliation from school officials. Hobbs was fired from her job as a teacher at Ruidoso Middle School shortly after filing her complaint. Gladden stated previously that Hobbs' termination had nothing to do with her complaint against the district.

Hobbs' discrimination complaint stems from an incident at a recent school function, school administrators failed to provide access to a wheelchair-bound child who was Hobbs' guest. The 12-year-old boy has cerebral palsy and is confined to a wheelchair. Hobbs believes his needs were ignored because he was with her.

High school student advisor Bob Elders had agreed to make arrangements for using the elevator, but upon arriving at the event Hobbs found no one to unlock the elevator. Hobbs and the boy's caregiver had to carry the boy in his chair up and down the high school stairs, she said.

Elders said the incident was accidental.

"It was certainly not retaliatory nor intentional at all," Elders said.

True 'blacklist' for employees only

There is a private list that includes about four businesses that do not support Casino Apache, said a leader of a coalition of laid-off casino workers, but that list was never for circulation.

That true blacklist contains names that don't even appear on the falsely circulated list, said New Mexico Coalition for Equal Justice leader Dolores Shorey. It was drawn up one late summer night before the casino closed. Some dealers were celebrating a friend's birthday at a local restaurant and a conversation erupted with the restaurant owner, who said he thought the casino should close, Shorey said.

The diners left, feeling they had no reason to spend money at a restaurant that wouldn't support its customers' jobs. Later that night, the group listed names of businesses they knew were anti-casino, she said.

"The businesses that do not support us do not need our business and probably do not need our business in the future," said Jeff Meacham, one of the dealers who helped compile the list.

"That list has not gone anywhere except inside our office," he said. "I didn't know it was being circulated — it's just a list for us dealers."

"This is not something we're forcing down anyone's throat, or anything else," Meacham said. "Our

jobs as blackjack dealers is what gave us the money to spend in town, and it's our right to support who we choose."

Businesses like Cattle Baron and Farley's Food and Fun were on both lists because the corporate administrators of the jointly owned restaurants have declared neutrality on the gambling issue and won't sign petitions, Meacham said.

"The New Mexico Restaurant Association is against the proliferation of gaming," explained Cattle Baron/Farley's marketing director Mike Fisher. "But it will not oppose Indian gaming if there are safeguards that don't allow food or alcohol enticements."

"I appreciate neutrality, but it's like walking a thin line," Meacham said. "It's not a difficult question of whether the casino is good for Ruidoso or not. I don't see how they can't have an opinion."

Shorey and others at the coalition said they want to apologize to anyone offended by the list, and they appreciate everyone's support.

"This town has been wonderful to us," she said. "I've never seen the tribe have the support it has had in this community. All the camaraderie that has been built will go out the window because of one person — and I'm not even sure who it is!"

Alzheimers conference this Saturday

The New Mexico Alzheimer's Association will be holding a Conference for Caregivers and other interested persons on Saturday, Nov. 9 at the University Terrace Good Samaritan Social Center in Las Cruces.

The conference will provide an up-to-date overview of Alzheimer's disease and other forms of dementia, and cover other issues.

Topics include Providing a Safe and Secure Environment, Driving Issues, Patient Activities, Dealing with Problem Behaviors, Communication Tips, and Accessing Com-

munity Resources.

Registration begins at 8 a.m. with the program starting at 8:30. There will be no charge for attendance at the Caregiver's Conference, although the association said a donation to help cover expenses would be gratefully received. Pre-registration is suggested by calling 1-800-777-8155. Or you may register at the door. The Good Samaritan Social Center is located at 3011 Buena Vida Circle in Las

Cruces.

The Alzheimer's Association, New Mexico Chapter, is a non-profit association made up primarily of volunteers. It is dedicated to providing help for New Mexico families facing Alzheimer's disease today.

The Alzheimer's Association is planning a fall opening of a local service office in Las Cruces, to be located in the Munson Senior Center.

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OPINION

Maybe the Fort Stanton team can go for the gold

A half-dozen or so well-motivated Lincoln County people will be in Santa Fe today (Friday) to sit down with the state's General Services Department secretary to talk about the treasure that is Fort Stanton.

Considering the results of the Tuesday general election, the department's Stephen Beffort might just be willing to listen closely. It was an election that gave New Mexico's Republicans more clout in the Legislature — a rather improved situation for Gov. Gary Johnson as he prepares for the last two years of his first term.

The morning-after line had it that the lawmakers might have to be a bit more accommodating than in prior years, if progress is to be made.

And surely the governor, and Secretary Beffort, shouldn't be totally unaware of the solid majority Lincoln County voters gave to the GOP. (If not, perhaps these words will serve as a gentle reminder.)

The Lincoln County Friends of Fort Stanton and the Fort Stanton Foundation will, with some very clear reasoning and a distinct desire to be non-confrontational, hope to convince Secretary Beffort in his role as state buildings manager, that there is a better long-term use of the historic old fort than the current plan to set it up as a "temporary" prison for women.

Sally Burkstaller probably has done most to tip the county's residents toward development of the fort as a history-accented visitor destination for people who don't arrive under duress with no departure privileges.

She commented this week, "I still think we can do it if we work together within the system."

Perhaps the euphoric glow hanging over the governor's office this week will add a tad to the working of the system.

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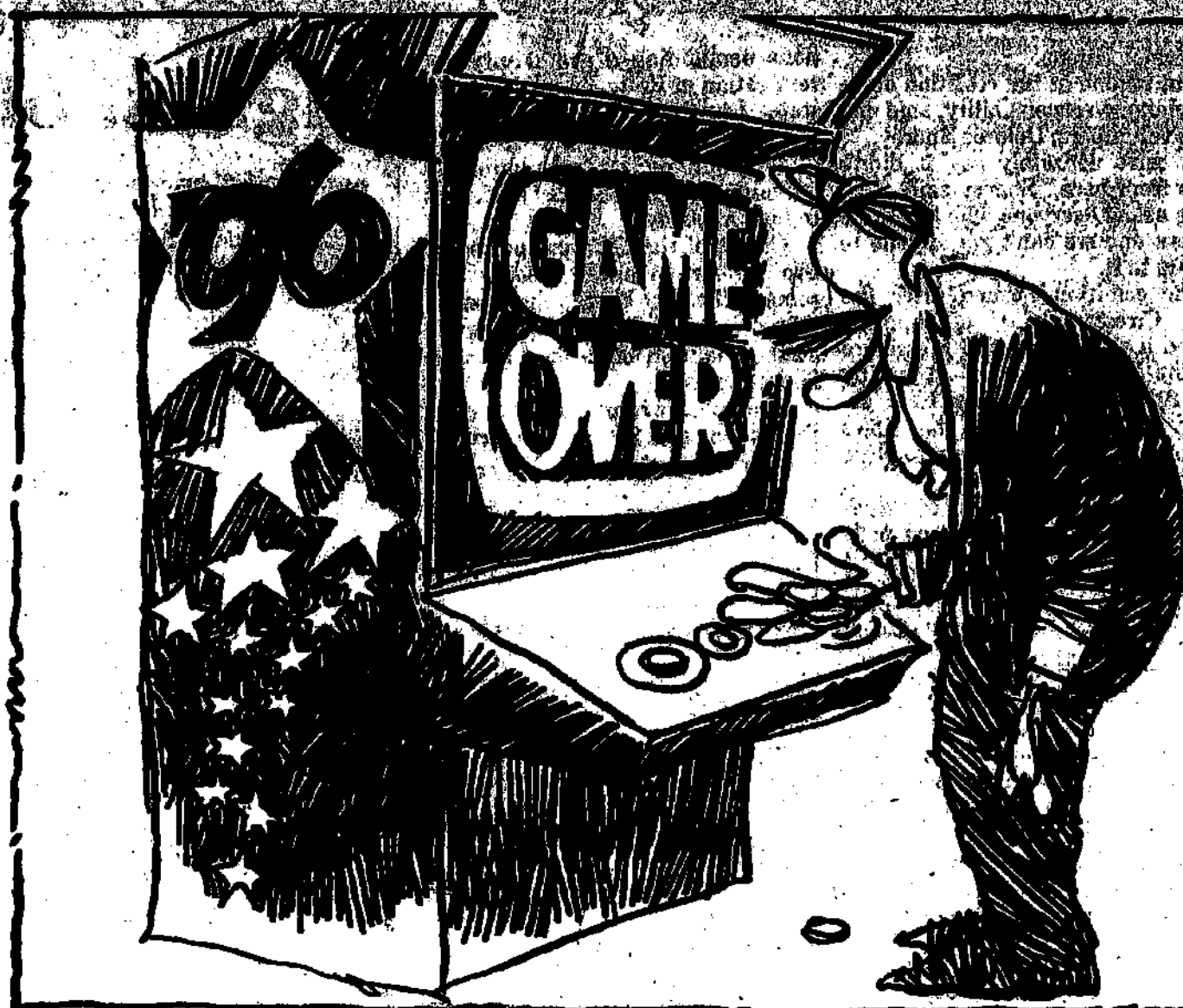
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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Many helped with kids bike and pet parade

TO THE EDITOR:

I would like to extend a belated but sincere thank you to a group of outstanding people that helped me and the kids of Ruidoso get through the kids bike and pet section of the Aspenfest Parade. Without their generous donations of time and prizes, things like this would not be possible.

So again a big thank-you to the following people: Ron Andrews, all the ladies at the Chamber of Commerce, Richard and Adam Ehard, Dana and Steve Roman, David Wheeler, Don Merritt, Elmon and Cecilia Sanchez, Adam Bates, Jimmy, James and April Portio, Dr. Donald Wolfel, Ann Blue, Marilyn McCoy, Laura Clymer, Alfred Romero, Derrick Moorehead, Vicky Daulton, and a special thank-you to Josephine, Anastasia, and Danielle Cadena. Also, thanks to the many businesses.

But most of all a great big thank you to all the kids and parents that participated — you all did a great job!

Prizes were as follows: Ages K-3 bikes: 1) Chip Mays 2) Chris Nolan 3) Clint Burrell.

Ages 4-6 bikes: 1) Colletta Bailey 2) EJ Sanchez 3) Michael Burrell
Pets: 1) Lindsey Williams 2)

Rachel Smith 3) Amanda McMasters.

Once again, thank you all very much.

Javier "JV" Cadena
Ruidoso

Abandoning efforts to preserve fort as historic site

TO THE EDITOR:

On Oct. 17 I attended a meeting of Sally Burkstaller's realty group that calls itself "Operation Fort Stanton." After hearing their grandiose plans for Fort Stanton Resort and theme park, I am abandoning all of my efforts to see Fort Stanton become a Historic Monument.

I realize now how misguided I was in my naive efforts to see an important part of Lincoln County's and the nation's heritage preserved and interpreted historically. Furthermore I realize now how my misguided efforts were standing in the way of progress and DEVELOPMENT.

I'm certain that after a while I'll get used to seeing condos and gated communities surrounding Fort Stanton. I'm also sure that if the common citizen of Lincoln County saves his money diligently he might be able to afford the admission for

his family to SallyLand (formerly for local people, I understand the Fort Stanton). After all, think of new Motel 6 will be hiring a few the gas money that will be saved by maids.

going to SallyLand rather than driving to Disney World. As for jobs

Lionel W. Lippmann
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Why do we Americans laugh so much?

Indian Summer Days in the Thankful Month

Winter moved in early with the October snow, and now Indian Summer has returned to the Mountain Land.

Today, just after high noon on Nov. 6, the sky above is bright blue with a tint of purple while the mountain meadows are glowing sunlight yellow under a golden sun. The temperature under the shade of the cedar tree at the gate is 70 degrees.

The Stellar Jay who came down from the pine and spruce country two months ago is today accompanied by four more, all feeding in the pathway along with a cottontail rabbit who had been hiding out during the snow, and snow birds who wonder what has happened to the weather because it has turned so warm suddenly.

Two doves now fly in from the hillside and begin feeding along with the other birds and the rabbit. All close together, side by side enjoying each other's company as they eat dinner, an early Thanksgiving festival in Indian Summer.

"Laugh and the World Laughs with You"

So goes the old saying. Through the years the bank has been kind



The Silver Lining

DANIEL AGNEW STORM
COLUMNIST

enough to let me call up and see how much I have left.

One of those who answers is a charming young lady named Jana.

I called up the other day and she said: "Dan, you have \$5,000 — I mean \$500," and then she burst out laughing. This started the day off with both of us in a good humor.

Days later when I called I thanked Jana for making me wealthy for a second or two, and we had another good laugh.

Our father had a lot of old sayings of his own. One was, "You can tell a lot about a fellow from how he laughs, what he laughs at, and what he thinks is funny."

Laughter — the sudden outburst of delight, you might call it — seems to be a trademark of Americans.

When my father and I were in Europe on a tour, we didn't see people in these different countries laugh (I did not get to go to Ireland).

England, Scotland, Denmark, Sweden and France. They were good folks all, but you seldom heard them laughing out loud.

In a very large restaurant you could spot the American from the ha-ha sounds coming from their table.

Where did we get this laughing kick? Is it an expression of freedom?

Did we acquire it from the African Americans?

During World War II when the organizations were segregated, you could always know when you were near a "colored" outfit from the echoing of the loud laughter.

So, laugh and the world laughs with you, and help the other fellow enjoy a laugh.

Little Savvy's Pard

Among the small home bunch of cows, Savvy is the only calf.

A week ago three cows came down, one of them with a bull calf. Looking all around, the calf seemed surprised at the corral, barn, road and all the strange things. From his way of acting I named him "Wild Bill."

Savvy walked up to the new calf much as to say, "Stick with me and I'll show you the ropes."

So now Savvy and Wild Bill are pals, always together.

Let us be especially thankful for our blessings during the Thankful Month.

County voters conservative with statewide amendments

by DIANNE STALLINGS

Ruidoso News Staff Writer

Lincoln County voters rejected all four state bond proposals and two of the seven proposed constitutional amendments in Tuesday's general election.

They were more conservative than the majority of voters in the state, who passed six of the seven amendments and three of the four bond projects.

Of the three amendments with local impact, Amendment 7 was the only one that didn't pass on the county and state level. It would have allowed the issuance of general obligation bonds for capital equipment for public roads, buildings and construction, and for the creation of open space.

Amendment 3, setting up a mechanism for recall of county officials, could have local impact in the future, if residents become disgruntled with elected county officials. As approved, recall requires a petition signed by one third of the registered voters in the last election prior to the action.

Amendment 2, rejected in the county but passed in the state, allows school districts to acquire debts by leasing to purchase educational technology equipment. Cur-

rently, districts must buy equipment outright or lease it year-to-year.

County and voters statewide approved the other four amendments that:

— change the requirements to invest distributions from the land grant and the severance tax permanent funds (Amendment 1);

— change the procedure by which constitutional amendments can be considered (Amendment 4);

— increase the per diem and mileage allowance for state legislators from \$75 and 25 cents a mile to \$124 and 28 cents (Amendment 5);

— and that abolish the corporation commission and replace it with a public regulation commission to oversee public utilities, transportation and business corporations among other entities (Amendment 6).

While Lincoln County voters rejected all four bond issues, state voters were more willing to endure a tax debt to pay up \$2,544,105 for construction and improvements to senior citizens centers or the purchase of equipment.

They approved issuing up to \$58.8 million for public education

State and County Vote Comparison

AMENDMENTS	county %	state %
I for	3,276 64	183,486 66
against	1,861 36	95,840 34
II for	2,546 48	142,754 70
against	2,743 52	140,031 30
III for	3,779 72	193,758 69
against	1,480 28	87,346 31
IV for	3,269 63	173,025 62
against	1,916 37	103,826 38
V for	3,419 65	162,699 63
against	1,807 35	96,511 37
VI for	2,777 54	143,380 60
against	2,330 46	96,511 40
VII for	2,339 46	133,871 49
against	2,790 54	139,611 51

capital improvement projects and up to \$5 million for juvenile correction and rehabilitation facilities.

They defeated a bond issue of nearly \$1 million for improvements to the New Mexico State Fairgrounds (see related chart).

Election

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district attorney in the 12th Judicial District. He swept all but one precinct in Lincoln County, plus early voting and absentee voting.

Incumbent Democrat Bert Atkins won in Honda.

Final totals were 3,700 votes for Key (61.4%) and 2,340 for Atkins (38.7%).

Republican Dub Williams took 10 largely rural precincts and won the absentees by comfortable margins in his bid for a second term as state representative from District 56, which includes all of Lincoln County.

The race was close in Precincts 3 (southeast Ruidoso), 10 (Ruidoso Downs), 12B (Honda) and 13 (Carriazo and to the west), with Williams edging out Democrat L. Ray Nunley.

Early voters tipped Nunley's way by 13 votes (664 to 651 for Williams) and he posted wins in Precincts 7 and 9 in southwest Ruidoso, and in 12A, San Patricio, where he was active in creating and improving a senior citizens center.

But he lost Precinct 1 in Corona, where he also worked hard to renovate an old building and equip

"[Williams] ran a very conservative, status quo campaign and if that's what the voters think is appropriate, then I must respect that."

L. RAY NUNLEY
COUNTY COMMISSIONER

it as a new senior citizens center.

Williams won with 52.5% of the vote, equating to 3,302 ballots, compared to Nunley's 47.5% and 2,984 votes.

Overall, "I figure I picked up about 1,500 Republican votes," Nunley said Thursday. "I also carried Mescalero in Otero County (part of District 56) despite the endorsement of Mr. Williams by (Mescalero Apache President) Wendell Chino. And I didn't do badly in Capitan, which pleased me."

"I thank everyone who voted for me and those who voted against me, because they voted and we had a good turnout," Nunley said. "I ran a campaign I felt was for promise and foresight and economic stability for Lincoln and Otero

counties. (Williams) ran a very conservative, status quo campaign and if that's what the voters think is appropriate, then I must respect that."

"I'll continue to do as good a job as I possibly can for Lincoln County as a county commissioner. I'd like to extend my best to Mr. Williams."

Williams agreed that voters were sending a message for him to continue to be conservative with the state's money.

"As I've said before, I will look to the needs of the district, not the wants," he said.

He congratulated Nunley for running a positive campaign and said he hasn't looked at the precinct returns.

Democrat Jack Johnson lost to Republican Stirling Spencer, 2,676 to 3,397. Johnson, Capitan municipal judge, took 44.1% of the vote and captured both Capitan precincts and the Honda area.

But Spencer, who did not run for re-election after serving six years as a county commissioner, took the rest of the precincts, the early voting and absentee voting.

All existing terms expire Dec. 31, with newly elected officials taking office as soon as possible in 1997.

Proclamation

For Thanksgiving at



November 28, 1996

To All the Pilgrims

inasmuch as the Great Father has given us this year an abundant harvest of Indian corn, wheat, beans, squashes, and garden vegetables, and has made the forest to abound with game and the sea with fish and clams and inasmuch as he has protected us from the savages of savages, has spared us from pestilence and disease, has granted us freedom to worship God according to the dictates of our own conscience; now I, your Magistrate, do proclaim all that Pilgrims, with your wives and little ones, do gather at the Tinnie Silver Dollar between the hours of 11 and 4 in the daytime, on Thursday, November 28 AD of the year of the Lord, one thousand nineteen hundred and ninety-six and tender Thanksgiving to the Almighty God for his blessing.

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BUSINESS

Young salesman learns business

by PAMELA CROMWELL

Ruidoso News Staff Writer
The secrets of good salesmanship are being revealed to 11-year-old Greg Blackman through his experience as a paperboy.

Every Wednesday and Friday, Greg picks up 100 copies of *The Ruidoso News* and sells them within about two hours at the Domino's Pizza parking lot near the post office on Sudderth Drive.

His mother Susann wasn't entirely sure at first that Greg should be working at such a young age, though she herself started working at age 12. Greg, however, understood the value of a dollar and wanted money of his own. Now Greg is the one who sometimes lends his mother a few bucks, and she says the job has been great for his self esteem.

"He used to be shy," she said. "He's learned courtesy, business principals. He buys me ice cream and invests in the stock market."

Greg is one of four children who currently work a few hours a week selling newspapers for *The Ruidoso News*. Thomas Redding sells papers at the Furr's supermarket on Highway 70, and T.J. Hale and Ricky Phillips work at the Furr's on Mechem.

Two of them are home-schooled, so they sometimes sell papers during school hours. The others work after school.

The paper sellers earn a 40% commission, and Susann Blackman said Greg brings home big bucks in tips.

The children are often supervised by their parents while working. Still, they must deal with the



Paperboy Greg Blackman learns business principals through his job.

public without a buffer, which can be difficult for any salesperson.

Postmaster John Quemada has observed Greg Blackman in action, and he supports the boy's presence near the post office.

"This paperboy is a real hustler and a credit to *The Ruidoso News*," he said. "Unless I get a lot of complaints, I'm willing to let him sell papers on the sidewalk that borders the post office."

Vendors aren't allowed to sell anything on government property, so Domino's Pizza officials gave

Greg permission to sell papers from their side of the post office parking lot.

Greg has learned to have change ready so cars don't pile up at the post office exit, where drivers often pause to pick up a paper along with their mail.

"People have said they're glad to have him there, that it saved them time," Susann said. "He has a lot of repeat customers and regulars."

The sense of responsibility and independence is rewarding for Greg, his mom said.

High Co. with Colo. Casualty 15 years

High Country Agency, Inc. of Ruidoso is celebrating 15 years with Colorado Casualty Insurance Company based in Englewood, Colo. Colorado Casualty is a regional commercial property and casualty insurer, specializing in small and medium-sized businesses.

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In 1981, the company did business only in Colorado through 30 independent agencies. Now more than 500 agencies represent Colorado Casualty in 15 states.

"We are where we are because of dedicated employees and agencies like High Country Agency, Inc. in Ruidoso," Morey said.

Colorado Casualty Insurance Company became a subsidiary of Guaranty National Insurance Company in 1992.



Mary Jo Oxford is starting a new interior design business, specializing in faux finishes.

Designer defeats ugly walls with trompe l'oeil finishes

by PAMELA CROMWELL

Ruidoso News Staff Writer

Mary Jo Oxford has heard rumors that 1970s burnt orange carpeting still haunts Ruidoso homes, not to mention the wood paneling, plastic venetian blinds, and avocado and harvest gold appliances. She has also lived through the horror, but as an interior designer she had the power to beautify her world.

Her own decorated home is her showcase, and photos of the original decor (or lack of it) will convince new clients that she can save them, too, from living in ugly rooms.

Oxford moved to Ruidoso two years ago from Arizona, where she ran her own interior design company for 15 years. Having taken a breather here, she is ready to start consulting and painting in Ruidoso.

She specializes in faux finishes for walls and furniture, using latex paints to create stenciled designs.

"Some of the stencils are precut and some I cut myself," she said.

Oxford designed a new stencil just for Ruidoso, a delicate hummingbird.

These stencils are not the "little

yellow duck look" that some people envision when they hear of stenciling, Oxford said. The technique is called "trompe l'oeil," which means "a trick of the eye." Using three overlays gives the designs a textured look with fine detail. No two designs are exactly alike. Oxford employs stencils to complement the look of the whole room.

For walls with a few sins to hide, Oxford likes to use a French swirled plaster technique. A rubbed finish is great for the bathroom because a polyurethane glaze protects paint from all kinds of damage.

"If kids wrote on this with crayons, you could get it off," Oxford said.

The rubbed finish gives walls the look of antique parchment, with subtle shadings, and it can be overlaid with trompe l'oeil.

In her own bedroom, Oxford striped the walls to give her low ceiling a heightened appearance. Stripes go with almost any style, she said. In the children's room, Oxford painted gold Greek suns and misty clouds.

A faux finish beats wallpaper any day, Oxford said, because it doesn't crack, fade, peel, or go ob-

solete. Changing the design is easy, too, because she just paints over the wall.

"The cost of a faux finish is comparable to wallpaper," Oxford said.

Oxford charges \$40 an hour for consulting, and she does new move-ins or redecorating using a client's existing furniture, pictures and treasures. A dining room can be transformed with adjustments to lighting, window treatments, and picture arrangement.

"It's about balance and space," Oxford said.

For newly constructed homes, Oxford helps clients with color and product selections.

Oxford is currently working on a book titled "More Style Than Money," in which she guides the do-it-yourselfer through easy, inexpensive ways to dress up a room.

"Some details can be added with basic skills," she said.

Oxford works out of her home in Ruidoso without the crew and storefront she had in Arizona. Still, she believes a need for her services exists here and looks forward to consulting with area homeowners. She can be reached at 258-3266.

Interest Rates

The following interest rates on certificates of deposit and new car loans were reported Nov. 7 from local banks.

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1 year	5.25%

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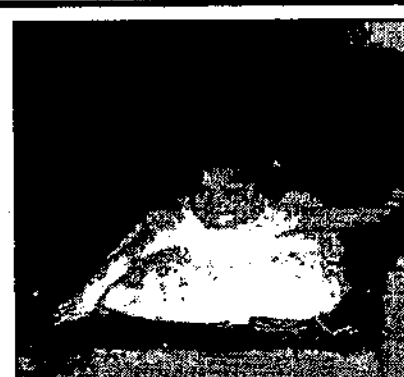
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At approximately 10:12 AM on November 5, 1998 the Ruidoso Police Department received notification of a bank robbery alarm at the First Savings Bank located at 2713 Sudderth Drive. Two Hispanic males enter the bank, armed with a semi-automatic pistol and forcibly threatened the employees lives. The two subjects stayed in the bank approximately thirty-nine seconds and left on foot in a southwest direction. One subject carrying the pistol is described as a male, 3'8" to 5'8", medium build, approx. 150-155 lbs., wearing baggy khaki pants with suspenders hanging in the rear, a dark sweatshirt, white tennis shoes, and a white ski mask over his head. The second subject is described as an Hispanic male, 5'8" to 6', medium build, approximately 165-175 lbs., wearing khaki baggy pants with suspenders hanging in the rear, a dark colored sport shirt, white tennis shoes, and a blue ballcap with a gold bill with the Oregon University logo embroidered on the front.

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LOCAL BRIEFS

Ruidoso man commits suicide

A longtime Ruidoso resident was found dead of a gunshot wound at his 1231 Apache Hills residence Wednesday, and police concluded it was a suicide.

Perry Jack Tice, 60, was found by neighbors who became concerned about his well-being after they didn't see him for several days and his newspapers began piling up outside his residence. They opened the door to his house around 3:30 p.m. Wednesday, and when they smelled an unusual odor, they called police, Chief Lanny Maddox said.

Tice died from a .22 caliber bullet to the left side of his chest, police said. He was found dead in his bed with a handwritten suicide note apologizing to his family, Maddox said.

Tice had been dead since Oct. 31, Maddox estimated. His next of kin have been contacted in Roswell and El Paso, Texas.

School board meets Tuesday

The Ruidoso School Board will announce the election day for a

board issue and two school board seats when it holds its regular session at 7 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 12, at the school administration building, 2001 Hector Circle.

The board will proclaim a February school board election. Terms are expiring for two positions, those held by James Paxton and Jim Varnadore. The bond issue would be used for capital projects.

In a third proclamation, one that is made every year before a new legislative session, the school board will publicly ask legislators for the support and consideration of children of this district.

White Mountain Intermediate students will give an honor program presentation. Jim Miller, director of Eastern New Mexico University in Ruidoso, will give a status report. Coach Les Carter will tell the board about athletic accomplishments. Transportation contractor Matt Bryant will give a status update on how well the bus surveillance video is working.

The school board will plan a site visit to White Mountain Intermediate for Nov. 21, and the board will approve the selection of an architect for a multi-term contract for work that may be funded by the bond issue. Mike Gladwin chaired an interview committee which selected an architect from a group of proposals.

Downs council meets Monday

The Village of Ruidoso Downs Board of Trustees meets at 7 p.m. Monday, Nov. 11 at the village hall along Highway 70.

On the agenda are the accounts payable reports and monthly reports from fire, police, and code enforcement departments. Ruidoso Valley Chamber of Commerce executive director Joan Bailey will also give her quarterly report.

Alzheimer's seminar Monday in Roswell

"Working With Persons With Alzheimer's Disease" is the topic of an all-day seminar on Monday, Nov. 11 at Villa del Rey Retirement Village, 2801 North Kentucky, Roswell. The seminar presenters will be Diane Hammond, LMSW, BSN and Paula Thomas, MSN, RN of the University of New Mexico's College of Nursing, Alzheimer's Consultation, Education and Training Department.

The seminar is free, although attendees wishing to receive CEUs (continuing education credits) are asked to pay a \$10 filing fee. Registration begins at 9 a.m., and is limited to the first 30 registrants.

The seminar will begin at 9:30 a.m. and adjourn at 5 p.m., with a lunch hour from 12:15 to 1:30 p.m.

The seminar will include an overview of dementia, specific information about Alzheimer's Disease, managing activities of daily living, managing difficult behaviors, supporting caregivers (family members and professionals), and answering questions that families frequently ask about legal and financial considerations and sources of help.

For more information about the seminar, contact Mary Ann Hickman, Assisted Living Director of Villa del Rey, or Mary Wilcox, Community Relations Director, at 622-1656.

Rental assistance applications accepted here starting Nov. 12

The Lincoln County Housing Center will start accepting applications for the Section 8 Rental Assistance Program (Certificate) for Lincoln and Otero counties beginning on Nov. 12. Applications will be accepted every weekday from 8 a.m. until noon, except holidays.

The Lincoln County Housing Center is located at 615 Sudderth Drive, Suite #8, Cornerstone

Square, Ruidoso.

People with a disability who are in need of a reader, amplifier, qualified sign language interpreter, or any other form of auxiliary aid or services should contact the Authority prior to obtaining an application.

A family that is already on the Section 8 waiting list does not need to reapply.

A family that is on a 1937 Act Public Housing waiting list will not lose its place on that waiting list by applying for the Certificate Program.

Hunters urged to be courteous

With the opening of hunting season, the Bureau of Land Management encourages all recreational hunters to abide by state regulations, road closures, and reduce the amount of littering and vandalism that sometimes occur on public lands.

BLM law enforcement and resource specialists will continue hunter patrols during the deer seasons; checking for hunter success, littering, vandalism and problems that the recreationists may encounter in their hunting area.

Multiple uses occur on public lands, and those users need to be courteous to one another and

respect resources that provide them that special hunting opportunity. BLM officials said. Public lands are often intermingled with state and private lands. Officials are asking people to respect other landowners' property, oil and gas facilities, and range improvements. When driving by ranch headquarters, stop to let them know that you are in the area and will be hunting on their allotment.

For information on access and maps identifying land ownership, call the Roswell District Office at 627-0272 or come by our new office at 2909 West Second.

DWI screener sues county for pay

The Lincoln County Commission and head of the county's DWI program are being sued by a person hired to screen suspected intoxicated drivers.

Filed in district court in Carrizozo, Delcia Maurice Gudgel contends the county owes her \$1,500 and is suing for breach of a written contract.

She signed a contract with the county April 20, 1995 working under Charlie White, Lincoln County DWI Grant program director.

She was to be paid \$1,500 per month for an 11-month period ending March 19, 1996. She performed the duties, was not terminated, but the county refuses to pay \$1,500 owed, the suit states.

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CAPITAN

Berglund is science teacher of the year

by DIANNE STALLINGS
Ruidoso News Staff Writer

Ric Berglund went through two careers before deciding to concentrate on teaching.

Saturday, he was named New Mexico Science Teacher of the Year by the New Mexico Academy of Science.

For the past two years, Berglund has been Capitán's gifted teacher for kindergarten through 12th grade students while acting as coach and sponsor for both the high school "Supercomputing" and middle school "Knowledge Bowl."

His name was submitted for consideration by the elementary teachers of the district. He received the award in Albuquerque, where Berglund told the audience, borrowing from Hillary Clinton, that he sees as a teacher that education is the responsibility of the village of New Mexico.

Born in Wasau, Wis., Berglund spent 20 years in the Army, where at one time he was involved with Teachers Opportunity to Promote Science (TOPS), an experience that eventually led him toward a master's degree in science.

After leaving the service, he spent eight years in private business, first as a scuba instructor and finally with three dive shops in Arizona, New Mexico and Mexico.

"I decided I really liked to teach," Berglund said. "Once I decided, I got pretty involved and took overloads" in college classes to finish early.

He earned a B.A. in special education for kindergarten through 8th grades, an M.A. in special ed for kindergarten through 12th grades, and a masters in science from the University of New Mexico.

He started teaching in the public system in 6th grade science class at



Ric Berglund, special education teacher in Capitán, has been selected as New Mexico Science Teacher of the Year.

Bayard Elementary as part of the Coche Consolidated school system near Silver City.

He was widowed in 1992 and moved to Ruidoso, teaching two years. In 1994, Berglund started in

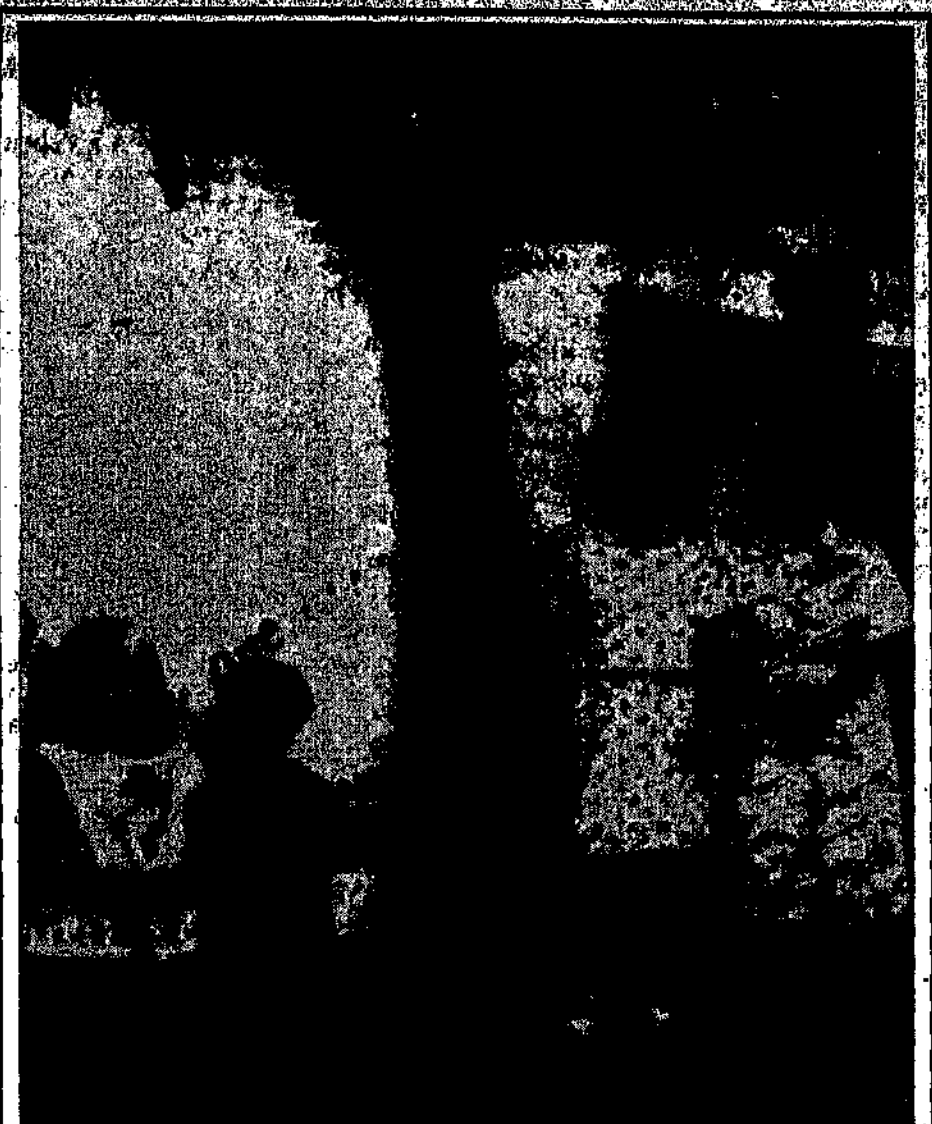
Capitán.

Berglund currently is working with students in Project Uplift, which conducts science-related programs for students during the summer and school year.

Double credit given for receipts

Parents of children at Capitán Elementary should be sure to save their grocery receipts next week, says Principal Becca Ferguson.

Furr's grocery store will double all register receipts for points toward earning computers and other equipment during American Education Week, Nov. 17-23.



Spiders and creeping things

Teachers Mary Shanks (left) and Laura Jones went all out again this year decorating the entrance to their second grade classrooms at Capitán Elementary with spiders and ants and other paper creeping things. Students David Darrah and Lauren Eshom (at left) admire the handiwork of their teachers.

Shoe boxes being gathered for those in need around world

by DIANNE STALLINGS
Ruidoso News Staff Writer

A shoe box is something most people throw away, but for children in war-torn countries this Christmas, they will become treasure chests of joy.

And Lincoln County residents, schools, churches, clubs and companies could be part of the source of that holiday cheer.

Wendy Curran at Fort Lone Tree, a non-denominational Bible camp near Capitán, is heading the local branch of Samaritan's Purse, a Christmas outreach program led by Franklin Graham, son of evangelist Billy Graham.

She heard about the program from a friend in Tucson, Ariz., whose church sent 50 boxes to children in Mexico.

In 1995, more than 812,000 children in 15 countries including Bosnia, Jordan and Rwanda received boxes filled with toys, school supplies and other small gifts, according to information from Graham.

"We want to send a message of hope with a gift-filled box," Curran said. "It's up to each donor what to put into the box or how to decorate it. They could choose things for a boy or a girl and designate the age group of 2-4, 5-9 or 10-14. The items could be toys or things like toothpaste and toothbrushes, or even candy and pads of paper. They

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Once collected, the boxes will be taken to Albuquerque by Nov. 26. From there, they will go to the North Carolina headquarters of Graham's organization, which will then ship the boxes to children in countries all over the world, Curran said.

"I went to the \$1 store and it was so exciting to fill the box," Curran said. "We did it in an hour and a half. We also put in vests and some clothing. It's a giving thing at

Christmas and I thought there may be other people who want to get involved."

This deadline for boxes to reach Curran is Nov. 24 and she may coordinate the collection with an event already planned at the Capitán school complex that day, Curran said.

Box builders can include a letter and a photograph of themselves or something else of significance in their lives. The letter will be translated into the language of the recipient, Curran said. The child has the option of writing back, Curran said.

Donors are asked to include a check for \$5 to cover shipping and other costs and to seal the box with a rubber band. The cost of the gifts and shipping are tax deductible.

Before the box is shipped, a small pamphlet about the story of Christmas also will be included in the box by Graham's group.

Other suggested gifts include baby items, flashlights with extra batteries, T-shirts, socks, children's picture books, sealed hard candy and gum, hygiene items such as soap, comb and brush, and school supplies such as crayons, coloring books, pens, pencils and pencil sharpeners.

Curran can be contacted at the fort by calling 354-4265.

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OFFICIAL RECORDS

CIVIL CASES

The following civil cases were taken from Lincoln County District Court records in Ruidoso. They are identified by the date filed, the plaintiff and defendant, the type of action and the docket number.

July 15 — The Ruidoso Jockey Club, Inc. and Ruidoso Horse Owners Association vs. New Mexico State Racing Commission, Thomas E. Fowler, Billy J. Blackburn, Gregory A. Brakes, Peggy J. Beaudette and Jim Naege; petition for writ of mandamus and complaint for damages; CV98-118.

July 16 — Carl Alex Gordon vs. Susan Gibbs; complaint for negligence; CV98-119.

July 17 — Donna Brass vs. William Carmen Phillips; complaint for money damages for promissory estoppel, unjust enrichment, breach of contract, intentional infliction of emotional distress and sexual harassment; CV98-120.

July 18 — Bill Scott and his wife, Coleen Scott vs. Testing Laboratories Inc., a New Mexico corporation; negligence complaint; CV98-121.

July 24 — First Federal Savings Bank of New Mexico vs. Eagle Creek West Inc., a New Mexico corporation, Hildegard Strobel, individually, Peter H. Strobel, individually, Jorge A. Nogueira, individually, and Graciella O. Nogueira, individually; complaint for foreclosure; CV98-124.

July 29 — Associates Financial Services Company of New Mexico Inc. vs. Oliver L. Garms, the unknown spouse of Oliver L. Garms, William A. Carr and unknown spouse, R.L. Garms, also known as Robert L. Garms, Rose L. Garms, GE Capital Mortgage Services Inc. and Centerbank Mortgage Co.; complaint for foreclosure; CV98-125.

July 29 — Alan S. Jump vs. State of New Mexico, Motor Vehicle Division; notice of appeal; CV98-126.

July 29 — Walker B. Porter D.V.M. vs. Bill W. Shepard; complaint for payment of bill for veterinary services; CV98-127.

July 30 — Pete Nantz and Ron Wright, doing business as Par Auto Sales, vs. Marshall Peables; notice of appeal; CV98-128.

Aug. 2 — C & L Lumber and Supply Inc. vs. Bharat H. Mody and Champa B. Mody, Super Saver Inn, Roman Gonzales and J.R. Roofing; foreclosure mechanics lien; CV98-130.

Aug. 2 — Charles Turnbo and Beverly Turnbo, husband and wife, vs. Tony Gallo, Ameralight Manufacturing Co. Inc. and Ed Cillesen, doing business as E.F.C. General Contractor, license #23424; breach of implied warranty for fitness; CV98-131.

Aug. 2 — Innsbrook Village Country Club Inc. vs. Bobbie McDonald; failure to fulfill implied contract re: architectural plan compliance; CV98-132.

Aug. 5 — David Calaway and Catherine Calaway vs. David Arreola and Julia Arreola; complaint for personal injury and damages; CV98-133.

Aug. 5 — Bob Black vs. Joe White and Ken White; complaint for breach of contract and damages and fraud and misrepresentation; CV98-134.

Aug. 7 — Michael Robinson vs. State of New Mexico, Motor Vehicle Division; notice of appeal; CV98-135.

Aug. 8 — Elva Valles and Paulino Valles vs. David L. Sanchez and Barbara T. Sanchez; complaint for equitable relief and remedies for breach of real estate contract; CV98-136.

Aug. 12 — Clark C. Pfingsten Memorial Public Safety Trust, by and through its trustees, Jack Johnson and Ralph Dunlap, vs. New Mexico Department of Corrections, Secretary Eloy Mondragon, individually in his official capacity, Classification Bureau Chief Don Hoover, in his individual and official capacity, Warden Sandra McFadin in her individual and official capacity at Camp Sierra Blanca, and John Doe I, II, III, in their individual capacities acting as correction officers at Camp Sierra Blanca; complaint for negligence resulting in wrongful death and deprivation of constitutional rights under the New Mexico constitution; CV98-137; and complaint for violation of civil rights; CV98-138.

Aug. 14 — Pinellif Condominium Project Association of Apartment Owners and Track Insurance Exchange vs. Paul Allen; complaint for money damages and subrogation; CV98-139.

Aug. 14 — FT Mortgage Company, doing business as FTB Mortgage Services, formerly known as Carl L. Brown and Co. vs. Luis A. Camille and Alejandra A. Camille; complaint for foreclosure; CV98-140.

Aug. 15 — David L. Montero vs. State of New Mexico, Motor Vehicle Division; notice of appeal; CV98-141.

Aug. 19 — Jacqueline Ste. James vs. Cassina Tarela and Min. Tye Inc., a New Mexico corporation; suit for liquidation of corporate assets, appointment of a receiver pendente lite, preliminary injunction and conversion; CV98-142.

Aug. 20 — David Warner and Debra Gonzales, individually and as legal guardians of Davis Warner, Desmond Warner and Nicole Warner, vs. Aaron C. Factor and Bravo Enterprises, doing business as Pizna Hut; complaint for personal injury; CV98-144.

Aug. 20 — Bobbie Sue Bairdon vs. Tom Newton, warden of New Mexico Women's Correctional Facility/Corrections Corporation of America, Grants, N.M.; petition for writ of habeas corpus; CV98-146.

Aug. 26 — John P. Capitani Corporation vs. Rahn E. Epley and Patricia R. Epley, also known as Pat Epley; complaint for foreclosure of judgment lien; CV98-147.

Aug. 28 — Thomas Welch and G.M. Welch vs. Paula Doleay, Stephen Krebbs, Roy Leland Krebbs, Faye Krebbs, Dale Krebbs and Maxine Krebbs, the estate of Ralph Stephen Krebbs Sr., the estate of Clyde Krebbs, the estate of Charles Wilber Krebbs and the unknown heirs, devisees and assigns of said estate and any and all unknown claimants of interest in the premises adverse to the plaintiff; complaint to quiet title; CV98-149.

Aug. 28 — Brenda Cole vs. Circle K Corp.; notice of appeal of order of non-determination and complaint for wrongful termination violation of Title VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 and for violation of the New Mexico Human Rights Act; CV98-150.

Sept. 5 — Village of Ruidoso vs. Owen M. Russell; notice of appeal; CV98-152.

Sept. 5 — Danny Negrete vs. Sandra McFadin; petition for writ of habeas corpus; CV98-153.

Sept. 10 — In re: the forfeiture of U.S. Currency in the amount of \$55.45 and concerning Gary Pack, respondent; CV98-154.

Sept. 10 — In re: the forfeiture of U.S. Currency in the amount of \$294 and concerning Olen E. Gray, respondent; CV98-155.

Sept. 11 — Thomas Welch and G.M. Welch vs. Camelot of Ruidoso, a Delaware corporation, Albert Apodaca and Jane Doe Apodaca, and all unknown claimants of interest in the premises adverse to the plaintiff; complaint for quiet title; CV98-156.

Sept. 11 — In the matter if the petition of William Caleb Grigorio, also known as William Caleb Hull, for change of name; CV98-157.

Sept. 13 — Timothy H. Rich and Bonny T. Rich vs. Juan Arreola, Carol Arreola, his wife, and Jessica Arreola; complaint for negligence, negligence per se, negligent entrustment, failure to supervise and personal injury; CV98-158.

Sept. 13 — Margarita M. Trevino and Olga E. Trevino vs. Ruidoso State Bank, a national banking association, Albert Nobles, individually and as agent for Coldwell Bankers, SDC Realtor, and Coldwell Bankers, SDC Realtor, a New Mexico corporation; complaint for breach of contract, for unjust enrichment, for negligent misrepresentation and for fraud; CV98-159.

Sept. 16 — Associates National Bank (Delaware) vs. Dallas J. Cox; complaint for part on open account; CV98-160.

Sept. 19 — Bankers Trust Co. as trustees for holders of D.L.O. Mortgage Acceptance Corp. Mortgage Pass Through Certificates vs. Julio Cesar Gutierrez Avitia; com-

plaint for foreclosure; CV98-163.

Sept. 20 — Elizabeth Shirley, as parent and next best friend of Laura Lorella, vs. David Arreola Sr. and Ester Arreola, husband and wife, and David Arreola Jr.; complaint for personal injury and damages; CV98-164.

Sept. 21 — Sandra Bear Cortica vs. Joe Dan Yates, individually and as property manager for Century 21 Aspen Real Estate Inc., and Century 21 Aspen Real Estate Inc.; complaint for breach of contract, breach of fiduciary duty and damages; CV98-165.

Sept. 23 — In re: forfeiture of one salvage model 98E, .308 caliber, serial number 1176127 with scope and concerning Don W. Swanner and Billy J. Hicks, respondents; CV98-166.

Sept. 24 — Karen Graves and Clifford Lester Graves, individually and as parents and next friends of Clifford Aaron Graves, a minor child, vs. Sanong Detvongse; complaint for damages for personal injuries and for punitive damages; CV98-167.

Sept. 24 — Ruidoso State Bank vs. Nancy Honeyfield and the estate of Charles Gaylord; complaint on promissory note and suit for foreclosure; CV98-168.

Sept. 26 — Sierra Bank, a New Mexico banking corporation, vs. Steve A. Gonzales; complaint for money judgment and mortgage foreclosure; CV98-170.

Sept. 27 — Sun World Savings Bank vs. Richard M. John; notice of filing of foreign judgment; CV98-171.

Oct. 1 — Delcia Maurice Gudgeal vs. County of Lincoln, board of county commissioners and Charlie White, Lincoln County DWI Grant program director; complaint to recover damages for breach of written contract; CV98-0172.

Oct. 2 — Tamara Bryant vs. Thomas G. Blaney; complaint for negligence; CV98-173.

Oct. 3 — United States of America, acting through the Rural Economic and Community Development, formerly known as Farmers Home Administration, U.S. Department of Agriculture, vs. Debra Lynn Crown and the unknown spouse of Debra Lynn Crow; complaint for foreclosure; CV98-174.

Oct. 3 — Martha T. Montoya vs. Louis T. Montoya, Alfred Montoya, Fred Montoya and Cecelia Silva and all unknown claimants of interest in the premises adverse to plaintiffs; complaint to quiet title; CV98-175.

Oct. 3 — Bruce Wiggs and his wife, Laura Wiggs, vs. Tony R. Conde; complaint for breach of contract, fraud and unjust enrichment; CV98-176.

Oct. 4 — Brian G. Baca vs. William E. Seaford and Avis Rent A Car; complaint for negligence; CV98-177.

Oct. 4 — Edward S. Dunn and Jean Dunn, husband and wife, vs. Bill Rickard; complaint for debt and money due; CV98-178.

Oct. 7 — Jimmy Jeter and Bobbie Jeter vs. U.S. Credit Life Insurance Co. and Norwest Bank, successor to United New Mexico Bank; complaint for recovery on health insurance policy by insured including bad faith failure to pay claim, breach of contract and unfair trade practices; CV98-179.

Oct. 8 — Connie Garrison vs. Wanda Thomason and Jim Thomason; complaint for damages for conversion and tortious interference with business relationships and for equitable relief; CV98-180.

Oct. 8 — Ella Stewart and Patricia Miles vs. Warner Enterprises and Garza P. Stullier; complaint for damages for personal injury; CV98-181.

Oct. 9 — Ruth Foster vs. Rarsins Equipment Company; complaint for negligence, gross negligence, negligence per se, personal injury and compensatory and punitive damages; CV98-182.

Oct. 10 — Terry Stokes vs. Allany's Store Incorporated; notice of appeal of non-determination letter and complaint for violation of the New Mexico Human Rights Act; CV98-183.

Oct. 15 — Gene Wilson, as parent and next friend of Steven Wilson vs. Betty Herrera and Johnny Durham; doing business as Sierra Blanca Motor Co.; complaint for negligence; CV98-184.

RUIDOSO MAGISTRATE COURT

The following information was taken from Ruidoso Magistrate Court records.

A Ruidoso motel manager charged with stalking a former tenant was found guilty Tuesday of the misdemeanor charge by Ruidoso Magistrate Judge William Butts.

Gerald Johannes Delast, 58, the owner of 29 Pines Motel, was issued a year of probation and a \$1,000 fine by Butts after a two-hour trial.

During the time of his probation, Delast must obey all laws, refrain from all contact with the victim and not go within 100 yards of her residence or workplace, Butts added.

Delast had been charged with stalking after a former motel resident complained he was seen peeping through the window of her new Cartera Lane apartment Oct. 6.

A suspect is guilty of stalking if proven it was done at least once, Butts said.

After moving out of Delast's motel, the victim and a friend saw Delast lurking in the dark and peeping in her window and then hiding behind a propane tank during the evening of Oct. 5, and twice in the early morning hours of Oct. 6.

Delast told the court he had not been stalking the victim, but was

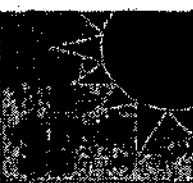
outside her residence that night and morning because he was surveying a neighboring property for prospective buyers. He had also been behind the propane tank because he was measuring it.

When issuing his judgment, Butts said it was unreasonable for Delast to be surveying property at 2 a.m.

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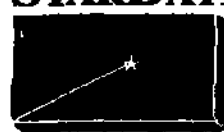
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WEATHER ALMANAC

Ruidoso Readings	High	Low	Precipitation
Tuesday	63	20	.00"
Wednesday	57	29	.00"
Thursday	51	20	.00"
Regional-Friday	High	Low	Forecast
Albuquerque	61	26	Sunny
El Paso, TX	68	31	Sunny
Lubbock, TX	63	27	Sunny



STARDATE



Saturn has been climbing higher in the southeast. It's only one-ninth as bright as Jupiter (shining at a magnitude 0.3 compared with Jupiter's -2.1), but its greater height may make it easier to spot after dark. Saturn is all alone in the dim constellation Pisces; there's nothing else as bright in the southeast that you can confuse it with. Saturn shines a steady, unwinking yellow.

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

OBITUARIES

James Richardson

James E. "Jim" Richardson, a longtime local resident and lately of Albuquerque, died Sunday Nov. 3 in Albuquerque. Services have already taken place. Burial place is in Santa Fe at the Veterans Cemetery.

Mr. Richardson was born Sept. 19, 1936 in Fredrick, Okla. to Tom and Johnnie Richardson. Both his parents and wife preceded him in death.

He is survived by a son, James T. Richardson of Albuquerque; a daughter, Renee Keith of Ruidoso; five sisters and seven grandchildren.

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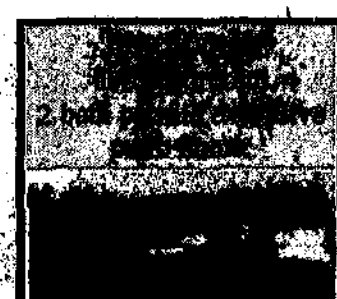
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This adorable and cozy 2 bedroom, 2 bath home is ready for your immediate possession. Call us for more information. Priced right at \$75,000!! MLE #98-61892.

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3 Land for Sale

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4 Houses for Sale

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LOCATION, LOCATION, and energy efficient! Beautiful 2 or 3 bedroom, 2 bath home with large master, garden solar room and attached double garage. Marvin windows and doors, life time stucco finish. \$188,500. #968128. CALL JOSEPH A. ZAGONE at 257-9057.

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7 Houses for Rent
2 bedroom house in Lincoln, unfurnished. 338-4412.

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VACATION RENTAL Splitlog cabin in White Mtn. Estates. Also full time rental, three bedrooms, two bath. \$900/Mo. Furnished or unfurnished. Call 258-3674.

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8 Apts. for Rent

LARGE CLEAN 1BR/1.5B in Capitan. Furnished or Unfurnished, water/sewer/garbage paid. Available Nov. 15. 354-2008/354-9211.

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9 Mobiles for Rent
QUIET LIVING 155 PALO ALTO, 3BR/2B/2A, mobile home. Fully furnished with kitchen, heads, dishes, pots/pans, etc. Nice deck, pretty surroundings. NO pets. \$450/Mo. plus security deposit. 1-800-822-3899 or 257-7591.

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10 Condos for Rent

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11 Cabins for Rent

NICE 2BR/2B on Paradise Canyon \$450/Mo. plus security deposit. Inquire at Timbers Mall Sweet Shop or call 505-437-1384 after 5.

2 CABINS-2BR/2B kitchen, shower, color TV, fireplace. \$450/Mo. includes utilities, ALSO 1BR/1B. 257-2435.

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12 Mobile Spaces/Rt

NICE MOBILE HOME SPACE in park on river. 378-4458.

13 Room for Rent

ROOMMATES mature adults, W/D, kitchen privileges. 257-6782 after 5PM.

15 Storage for Rent

L & D SELF STORAGE Hwy. 48 Space available. 258-5940 or 257-9463.

17 Business Rentals

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RETAIL STORE for rent 1 1/2 miles east of racetrack. 1600 sq. ft. \$700 includes gas/water 378-4681.

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SPACE DOWNTOWN Shopping District, heavy traffic \$200/Mo. bills paid, parking available. 257-3553.

18 Bus. Opp.

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ONE LEVEL ALTO HOME - Natural lighting, open concept, serene setting. Great quality, custom built home in High Mesa. Now \$139,900. #9501505. CALL WARREN ROUSE at 257-9057.

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UNIQUE SOUTHWESTERN RANCHETTE
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42 Child Care

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LEGALS

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF MEETING

Lincoln County Medical Center Community Board of Trustees will meet on **THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 21, 1996** at 6:00 P.M. in the Hospital Conference Room. The agenda will be available at the Administrator's Office on Monday, November 18, 1996.

0607 2T(11)8,15

LEGAL NOTICE

BEFORE THE NEW MEXICO PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION

CAPTAN-CARRIZO NATURAL GAS ASSOCIATION

Complainant,

vs.

NATURAL GAS PROCESSING COMPANY OPERATING THROUGH ITS DIVISION, ZIA NATURAL GAS COMPANY.

Defendant.

Case No. 2602

NOTICE OF HEARING

NOTICE is hereby given by the New Mexico Public Utility Commission ("Commission") of the following concerning various filing and disputes by and between Zia Natural Gas Company ("Zia") and Captain-Carrizozo Natural Gas ("CCNG"):

1. Zia, a division of Natural Gas Processing Company, has filed an Application to Construct and Operate Additional Distribution Facilities ("Application") with the Commission seeking the issuance of a certificate of public convenience and necessity ("CCN"), or, in the alternative, an amendment to its current CCN, to permit Zia to construct and operate additional natural gas distribution facilities in order to provide natural gas distribution service to customers located in Lincoln County, New Mexico.

2. Zia is a public utility subject to the jurisdiction of the Commission under the New Mexico Public Utility Act,

NMSA, Section 92-3-1, et seq. (Repl. Pam. 1993) as amended. Cum. Supp. 1995), and is presently engaged in the business of distributing and selling natural gas to the public in Lincoln County, New Mexico, including the communities of Ruidoso, Ruidoso Downs, Alto Village and surrounding areas, and in Lea County, New Mexico, including the City of Jal and surrounding areas, pursuant to CCN's previously issued to Zia by the Commission.

3. In addition to its distribution facilities and pursuant to authorizations granted by the Commission, Zia has acquired and is operating a four-inch natural gas transmission pipeline and related facilities and has constructed and has now operating an eight-inch natural gas transmission line and related facilities located in Lincoln County, New Mexico.

4. The proposed additional service is generally located either along Zia's 8 inch transmission line or east of Zia's existing service area.

5. The legal description of the proposed additional service area is: Townships 6 through 11 South, Range 10 East; Townships 4 through 9 South, Range 15 East; Townships 4 through 9 South, Range 16 East; and Townships 5 through 9 South, Range 13 East (excepting the area where Zia is already permitted to serve under its existing CCN).

6. Zia proposes to extend service to customers located in the additional service area in accordance with its tariffs, rates and rules filed with and approved by the Commission.

7. Pursuant to NMSA 1978, Section 92-9-1, (Repl. Pam. 1993), no public utility shall begin construction or operation of any public utility plant or system of extension thereof without first obtaining a CCN from the Commission.

8. Pursuant to NMSA 1978, Section 92-9-6, (Repl. Pam. 1993), the Commission shall, among other things, give due regard to the public convenience and necessity, including, but not limited to, unnecessary duplication and encroachment in determining whether to issue a CCN.

9. Captain-Carrizozo Natural Gas As-

sociation ("CCNG") has filed an Amended Complaint ("Amended Complaint") with the Commission alleging that Zia has solicited business for the retail sale of natural gas in areas that are noncontiguous to Zia's certificated territory and in the area occupied by CCNG, including the Village of Capitlan. The Amended Complaint has been consolidated with Zia's Application.

10. The Commission's Hearing Examiner has established the following procedure for the hearing on Zia's Application and CCNG's Amended Complaint:

A. A public hearing will begin at 10:00 AM on January 6, 1997 at the offices of the Commission, Marian Hall, 224 East Palace Avenue, Santa Fe, New Mexico, for the purpose of hearing and receiving testimony, exhibits, arguments and any other appropriate matters to determine if the relief sought in Zia's Application and/or in CCNG's Amended Complaint, or other relief, if appropriate, should be granted by the Commission.

B. Any person who desires to become a party to this case must file a Motion for Leave to Intervene, pursuant to NMUC Rules 110.56 and 110.57, on or before November 18, 1996.

C. Any intervenor (not including Zia and CCNG) concerning the request for relief sought by the other may file direct testimony concerning Zia's Application and/or CCNG's Amended Complaint on or before December 13, 1996.

D. Any rebuttal to the testimony referred to immediately above shall be filed on or before December 27, 1996.

11. The Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure, NMUC Rule 110, will apply to this case except as modified by Order. A copy of said Rules may be obtained from the Commission.

12. Any person whose testimony is filed in this case will attend the hearing and submit to examination under oath.

13. Any interested person may appear at the time and place of hearing and make a written or oral statement at the hearing pursuant to the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure without becoming an intervenor, but the statement will not be considered as evidence in the proceeding.

14. Interested persons should contact the Commission for confirmation of the hearing date, time, and place since hearings are, on occasion, rescheduled.

15. Any interested person may examine the filings together with any exhibits and related papers that may be filed at Zia's office located at 707 Short Drive, Ruidoso Downs, New Mexico 88346, telephone: (505) 378-4277, or at the Commission's offices, Marian Hall, 224 East Palace Avenue, Santa Fe, New Mexico, 87501, telephone: (505) 827-0940.

16. Any person with a disability requiring special assistance in order to participate in this proceeding should contact the offices of the Commission 24 hours prior to the commencement of the hearing.

ISSUED at Santa Fe, New Mexico 4th day of November, 1996.

NEW MEXICO PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION

/s/ Michael Barlow
Hearing Examiner

0602 1T(11)8

LEGAL NOTICE

TWELFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT COUNTY OF LINCOLN STATE OF NEW MEXICO

PINECLIFF CONDOMINIUMS PROJECT ASSOCIATION OF APARTMENT OWNERS, AN UNINCORPORATED ASSOCIATION, AND TRUCK-INSURANCE EXCHANGE,

Plaintiffs,

vs.

PAUL ALLEN,

Defendants.

NO. CV-96-139

NOTICE OF SUIT

STATE OF NEW MEXICO to the above-named Defendant(s), GREETINGS:

You are hereby notified that the above-named Plaintiff, Pinecliff Condomin-

ium Association of Apartment Owners, an unincorporated association and Truck Insurance Exchange has filed a civil action against you in the above-entitled Court and cause, the general object thereof being to seek judgment for monies due for money damages.

That unless you enter your appearance in said cause on or before the 22nd day of November, 1996, judgment by default will be entered against you;

Name and address of Plaintiff's attorney(s):

Daniel J. O'Brien
O'BRIEN & SKINNER, P.C.
6301 Indian School Road, N.E., Suite 800
Albuquerque, New Mexico 87110
(505) 883-8181

WITNESS the Honorable Richard A. Parsons District Judge of the Twelfth Judicial District of Lincoln County, this 30th day of Sept., 1996.

/s/ Eugenia Vega
Clerk of the District Court

0625 4T(10)19,24(11)1,6

LEGAL NOTICE

PUBLIC NOTICE

ANNEXATION AD HOC COMMITTEE SCHEDULED MEETING OF NOVEMBER 12, 1996

Notice is hereby given that the Regular Scheduled Meeting of the Annexation Ad Hoc Committee has been canceled. The canceled meeting was scheduled for Tuesday November 12, 1996, at 9:00 AM. The next regularly scheduled meeting will be Tuesday December 10, 1996 at 9:00 AM. Meetings of the annexation Ad Hoc Committee are open to the public. If you have questions please contact the Planning Department, Village of Ruidoso, 513 Cree Meadows Dr., (505) 258-4014.

/s/ Joyce McMath, Secretary

0603 1T(11)8

LEGAL NOTICE

TWELFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT COUNTY OF NEW MEXICO

RAMPART CAPITAL CORPORATION, A TEXAS CORPORATION,

Plaintiff,

vs.

JOHN E. EPLEY and PATRICIA R. EPLEY, a/w PAT EPLEY,

Defendants:

NO. CV-96-147
Div. III

NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on November 28, 1996, at 9:00 AM, at the front entrance to the Village of Ruidoso Municipal Building located at 313 Cree Meadows Drive in Ruidoso, New Mexico, the undersigned Special Master will offer at public sale and sell to the highest bidder for cash the following described real property:

Lot 4, Block C of RED CEDAR SUBDIVISION, Lincoln County, New Mexico, as shown by the plat thereof filed in the office of the County Clerk and Ex-Officio Recorder of Lincoln County, June 5, 1992, in Book 2 of Plats, page 58-C.

The real property is located in Cedar Creek on Hall Circle Drive in Lincoln County, New Mexico.

Plaintiff's Judgment directed for foreclosure of the real property to satisfy the following Judgment liens:

Principal and interest	11/26/96	\$317,751.04
Costs		341.88
Advancem taxes		393.03
Special Master's fee		200.00
Attorney's fee		801.00
TOTAL		\$319,486.95

In addition to the foregoing Judgment liens, there will be accruing costs, including costs of publication of this notice.

The Special Master may continue the date of sale as long as the Special Master or his representative appears at the designated time scheduled for the sale and announces the postponement to another specific date.

WITNESS my hand on October 30, 1996.

/s/ Lee Griffin for Nick Vega, Special Master

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LEGAL NOTICE

ALPINE VILLAGE SANITATION DISTRICT

Monthly meeting—9:00 AM, Saturday, November 9, at ENMU-Ruidoso. The agenda will include presentation of current bills, committee reports, swearing in of the newly elected board members, and the situation on past due accounts. Alpine residents are welcome to attend the board meeting. Call 257-5783 for more information.

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LEGAL NOTICE

PETITION TO VACATE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a public hearing regarding the Petition by the contiguous landowners to vacate approximately 160 feet of White Oak Avenue lying south of Fifth Street, Capitlan, New Mexico, shall be held at 9:30 PM on November 11, 1996 at the Capitlan Village Hall, 114 Lincoln Ave., Capitlan, New Mexico. All interested persons will have the opportunity to give written or verbal comments.

/s/ Deborah Cummins
Clerk-Treasurer, CMG Village of Capitlan

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LEGAL NOTICE

PUBLIC NOTICE

The Lincoln County Planning Commission will hold a regular meeting on Thursday, November 14, 1996. The meeting will begin at 7:00 PM in the Commission's Room of the Courthouse in Capitlan, NM.

A PUBLIC HEARING is scheduled for proposed Subdivision Regulation Changes to bring into compliance with state regulations.

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LEGAL NOTICE

LIEN SALE WILL BE HELD:

11-10-96 at 9:00 AM, A-1 Mini Storage, 253 Carrizo Canyon, Ruidoso, NM.

0659 2T(11)8,13

LEGAL NOTICE

TWELFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT COUNTY OF LINCOLN STATE OF NEW MEXICO

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF WILLIAM RONALD SCALF, Deceased.

PROBATE NO. PB-98-58

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned has been appointed personal representative of the estate. All persons having claims against the estate are required to present their claims within two months after the date of the first publication of this Notice of the claims will be forever barred. Claims must be presented either to the undersigned personal representative at P.O. Box 2742, Ruidoso, New Mexico 88345, or filed with the District Court of Lincoln County.

DATED: October 28, 1996.

/s/ Joyce Bunch Scott
Personal Representative of the Estate of William Ronald Scalf, Deceased.

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Legal Deadlines

5 p.m. Monday and 5 p.m. Wednesday

VÁMONOS!

RUIDOSO, NEW MEXICO • FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 8, 1996

*'Mamas, don't let your babies
grow up to be ... stunt pilots'*



IN PROFILE: Stunt pilot Jim Franklin, Page 8B

GOING OUT



**Christmas
jubilee
rings in
holidays**

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ENTERTAINMENT

**Pianist
performs
tonight**

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SPORTS

**Kickers
win in
shootout**

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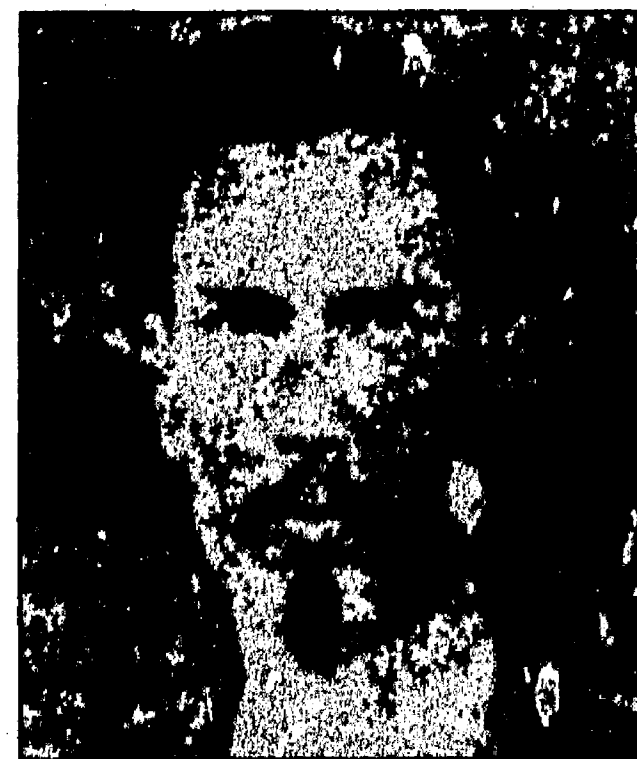


Weekend planner. Page 2B

PAST TENSE

**Indiscriminate
killer**

Destiny led Bill Longley
to the gallows. Page 11B





VAMONOS

What's happening?



Live Music

GABRIELLA IMREH — 7:30 p.m. Friday, Nov. 8 at the First Christian Church, Hull and Gavilan Canyon Roads, Ruidoso. The second performance of the Ruidoso Community Concert Series features this classical pianist who has won worldwide acclaim for her electrifying and impeccable artistry. For ticket information call 258-9122 or 336-4015.

LAS CRUCES INTERNATIONAL MARIACHI CONFERENCE — Thursday through Sunday, Nov. 14-17. The conference features a 25th anniversary tribute to Mariachi Cobre; three days of music and dance workshops, Nov. 14, 15 and 16; concert with Mariachi Cobre, Alda Cuevas & Los Camperos de Nati Cano; Mariachi Mass and Parque Festival, Nov. 17. For information call (505) 523-2681. To order tickets by phone call 1-800-654-9545.

THE COFFEE POT, 606 3rd St. Tularosa, (505) 585-8262 — Saturday evening, music and dinner. 1 block east of Catholic church. Look for the pink windows.

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

DAN LI KA DINING ROOM, Inn of the Mountain Gods, Mescalero Apache Reservation, 257-5141 — Piano dinner music 6-10 p.m. every night with Bill McClain Monday and Tuesday, Dave King Wednesday-Sunday. Bill Gross plays vibraharp for Sunday brunch noon-3 p.m.

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

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

IN-ESPRESSO-BLE COFFEEHOUSE, Sudderth Drive, Ruidoso — Live music Friday and Saturday nights.

ININCREDIBLE SALOON, N. Hwy. 48, Alto, 336-4312 — Live music on weekends.

MARIE LAVEAUX NIGHTCLUB, 1214 Mechem Drive, Ruidoso, 258-3764 — Different rock and roll band every weekend, performing Friday and Saturday nights.

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

WIN, PLACE & SHOW, 2516 Sudderth Drive, Ruidoso, 257-9982 — Live country music seven nights a week, 8:30 p.m. - 1:30 a.m.

THE WINNER'S CIRCLE, 2535 Sudderth Drive, Ruidoso, 257-9535 — 8 p.m. to close every Thursday - Sunday - DJ, no cover.

THE TEXAS HOUSE, 2811 Sudderth, Ruidoso, 257-3506 — Live music every Friday and Saturday. Open all night Friday and Saturday.

etc!

OPERATION DWI, "Celebrate Safely" — Now through Sunday, Nov. 10. The Ruidoso Police and Ruidoso Downs Police will hold sobriety checkpoints and/or saturation patrols during the statewide DWI enforcement program. Law enforcement agencies throughout the state will take part in program.

RUIDOSO VALLEY GREETERS CHRISTMAS JUBILEE — Weekend of Nov. 8-10 at the Ruidoso Civic Center. Local merchants are on hand to provide the shopping extravaganza of the year. In addition to the shopping there will be a raffle on Sunday, children can visit with Santa on Saturday and Sunday, and the grownups can enjoy a fashion show on Saturday afternoon. For more information call 258-4545.

WRITING WORKSHOP by Judyth Hill — 9:30 a.m. - 3 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 9 at the Museum of the Horse, Hwy. 70, Ruidoso Downs. Judyth Hill conducts sessions in a lively, high energy format that gets participants motivated and jazzed to write and share their work. Sponsored by the N.M. Tumblewords Project. Admission \$20. RSVP by calling 378-4142 and bring your lunch.

WEAR YOUR POPPY WITH PRIDE, Jerome Don Klein Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 7072 and ladies auxiliary — Buddy poppy sale Saturday, Sunday and Monday, Nov. 9, 10 and 11.

BINGO FUNDRAISER FOR WORLD YOUTH DAY — 1-5 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 10 at St. Eleanor's Hall, Ruidoso. Lots of prizes, including cellular phones, half-cord of firewood, suede jacket. Refreshments will be provided. For more information call 257-2330 or 378-8294.

SERTOMA SPEEDWAY, Hwy. 54 north of Tularosa, 524-7913 — Mud Boggs competition 2 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 10.

VETERANS DAY CEREMONY — 11 a.m. Monday, Nov. 11, flag raising ceremony to honor our veterans. Everyone is invited to come. The Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 7072 and auxiliary, the D.A.V. and the American Legion Post 79 and auxiliary will start assembling at 10:30 at the American Legion Hall, corner of Spring Road and Hwy 70 East, Ruidoso Downs.

N.M. VETERANS' MEMORIAL DEDICATION CEREMONIES — Monday, Nov. 11 at the memorial, one block north of Gibson on Louisiana SE, Albuquerque. 1 p.m. performance by Baile Folklorico de Nuevo Mexico; 1:30-3 p.m. formal dedication ceremonies

CASH DRAWING — Monday, Nov. 11, at the Lincoln County Republican Party's campaign chest drive. A \$500 bill is the prize. Tickets are \$10 each. Donations may be made in one lump-sum or in increments during the campaign.

Contributors can obtain their tickets by contacting the Party Treasurer at 258-3446 or by mail at P.O. Box 2499, Ruidoso 88345.

N.M. VETERANS INVITED TO SPACE CENTER — Veteran's Day Monday, Nov. 11. N.M. veterans are invited to a free tour of the International Space Hall of Fame in Alamogordo. Veterans are asked to provide proof of service with a Form DD-214 or a veteran's identification card, as well as proof of residence in New Mexico, such as a driver's license.

DOG OBEDIENCE CLASS — starting 7 p.m. Monday, Nov. 11 at the Ruidoso Athletic Club. For more information call Marilyn at 258-3039.

RUIDOSO HEALTH OFFICE CLOSURES — WIC and Health offices will be closed for two holidays in November: Veteran's Day Monday, Nov. 11 and Thanksgiving, Thursday and Friday, Nov. 28-29.

ANNUAL TURKEY DINNER — 11 a.m.-1 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 13. Served by the United Methodist Women of Trinity UMC, 1000 Av. D, Carrizozo. Donations accepted.

UNITED WAY APPEAL — Volunteers needed for charter board of directors, disbursement committee and campaign committee. Non-profit agencies in Lincoln County are invited to submit applications for funding. Send replies to The United Way of Lincoln County, P.O. Box 1087, Ruidoso, NM 88345.

MOUNTAIN LEGENDS GALLERY & FOUNDRY, 610 E. Hwy. 70, Ruidoso Downs, 378-8040 — 7:30 a.m.-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

N.M. ALZHEIMER'S ASSOCIATION CONFERENCE — Saturday, Nov. 9 at the University Terrace Good Samaritan Social Center, 3011 Buena Vida Circle, Las Cruces. Registration begins at 8 a.m.; program starts at 8:30. The conference will be an up-to-date overview of Alzheimer's disease and other forms of dementia, as well as a variety of topical issues for caregivers of patients who now have the disease. Topics include: providing a safe a secure environment, driving issues, patient activities, dealing with problem behaviors, communication tips, and accessing community resources. Pre-registration is suggested by calling 1-800-777-8155; or you may register at the door.

OPEN HOUSE FOR CARRIZOZO COMMUNITY AND PARENTS — 4-6 p.m. Monday, Nov. 11 at the Carrizozo Municipal Schools. Superintendent Paula Papponi extends a warm welcome to all to come see improvements made with your bond money.

LINCOLN COUNTY REPUBLICAN PARTY — Monday, Nov. 11 at K-Bob's, Ruidoso. 5:30 p.m. social hour; 6:15 p.m. drawing for \$500. Contact Jimmie Luna 648-2731; Genevieve Sewell 258-5764; or Pat Humie 354-2382 by noon Saturday, Nov. 9.

RUIDOSO DOWNS COUNCIL — 7 p.m. Monday, Nov. 11 at village hall.

CAPITAN SCHOOL HEALTH PROGRAM — meets Monday Nov. 11 in the Capitán library. If you have any questions please contact Mrs. LaMay the school nurse at 354-2238.

ROSWELL AREA MULTIPLE SCLEROSIS SUPPORT GROUP — monthly meeting 11:30 a.m. Tuesday, Nov. 12, at the Mason Jar Restaurant, 3601 N. Main Street, Roswell. Guest speaker is Roger Wilcoxon, manager of Roswell Home Medical. For further information, please call Barbara May at (505) 623-8332.

WHITE MOUNTAIN INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL PARENT ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING — 5:30 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 12 in the school library.

THE LINCOLN COUNTY CHAPTER OF THE NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF RETIRED FEDERAL EMPLOYEES — 10 a.m. Tuesday, Nov. 12 at K-Bob's Steak House. Verna Adams of the Home Health Services of Lincoln County will be the guest speaker.

RUIDOSO SCHOOL BOARD — 7 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 12 in school administration building.

VILLAGE OF RUIDOSO — Tuesday, Nov. 12 meetings at the village hall are as follows: 9 a.m., annexation ad hoc committee; 6 p.m. village council meeting.

STUDENT NUTRITION DEPARTMENT PARENT/STUDENT ADVISORY MEETING — 4 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 13 in the Ruidoso School Board room, 200 Horton Circle. For further information call School Nutrition at 257-4051.

LIBRARY BOARD — meets at noon Wednesday, Nov. 13 at the Ruidoso Public Library.

EAGLE CREEK WATER USERS' ASSOCIATION — meets 6:30 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 13 at the Ruidoso village hall.

ART & FILM BOARD — meets 4 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 14 at the Ruidoso village hall.

CAPITAN BOARD OF EDUCATION — monthly meeting 7 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 14 in the Capitán board room at the administration building.

LINCOLN COUNTY RESOURCE EXCHANGE — meets noon Thursday, Nov. 14 at the Pizza Hut, 1201 Mechem, Ruidoso. For more information call Sharon at 258-3252 or Misti at 257-5038.



Library

STORYTIME AT THE RUIDOSO PUBLIC LIBRARY — 2-3 p.m. on Wednesday afternoons. From 10 to 11 a.m. Thursdays, there are puppet shows, songs, dance, nursery rhymes, storytelling, arts and crafts, and creative drama. For 3- to 6-year-olds, no sign-ups and it's free.

SUNDAY AFTERNOONS AT THE LIBRARY, Alamogordo Public Library — 2-4 p.m. through Nov. 24. Writing workshops and poets on tape as part of the Tumblewords project. Sunday, Nov. 10 - Judyth Hill helps attendees to "Write up Front." For more information contact project coordinator Ann Newell, (505) 585-4769.

RURAL BOOKMOBILE-EAST, New Mexico State Library, 451-1206 — Stops at the following locations. Tuesday, Nov. 12: 4-6:30 p.m., Carrizozo/Otero Electric. Wednesday, Nov. 13: 8:45-10 a.m., Nogal P.O.; 10:30-noon, Capitán Smokey Bear Cafe; 2-3 p.m., Lincoln P.O.; 3:30-5 p.m., Hondo Store; 5:30-6:30 p.m., Capitán Smokey Bear Cafe; 7:30-8:30 p.m., Carrizozo/Otero Electric.



Movies

SIERRA CINEMA, 721 Mechem Drive, Ruidoso, 257-0444 — "High School High," "Dear God," "Sleepers." Call theater for show times and ratings.



Theater

"LION IN WINTER" — James Goldman's play is presented by the Ruidoso Little Theater, curtain time 8 p.m. Performances on Thursdays, Fridays and Saturdays, Nov. 7-9, and 14-16. Tickets are \$7 for adults and \$5 for seniors and children under 12. For dinner reservations and other information call the Ruidoso Chamber of Commerce at 257-7395.

"THE GAZEBO" — a two-act comedy/mystery presented by the Truth or Consequences Community Theater on Friday, Saturday and Sunday, Nov. 8-10. Friday and Saturday plays start at 7:30 p.m.; Sunday matinee starts at 1:30 p.m. Dinner is served at 6 p.m. Saturday; Sunday brunch is provided at 12:15 p.m. Tickets are \$6 and meals are an additional \$6. Senior citizen discount of \$1 is available for play tickets. Call Betsy Bauer at (505) 894-7425 for additional information.



Museums

MUSEUM OF THE HORSE, Hwy. 70, Ruidoso Downs, 378-4142 — 7 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 9, "Wonders of the Mind." Judyth Hill returns to entertain with her unique poetry. Her spirited readings are

entertaining even to those who may be reluctant in their appreciation of poetry. Admission free. Museum hours: 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 now through Jan. 12: Fall American Art Show and Sale. Artists from the southern half of New Mexico will participate in this juried show and sale. Regular admission.

RAKOCY ART AND HISTORY MUSEUM, 2808 Sudderth Drive — An 18-panel pictorial history of Billy the Kid is currently on display. This work has been painted by gallery owner Bill Rakocy.



Parks & Recreation

ROADBLOCKS FOR WILDLIFE — N.M. Department of Game and Fish will have roadblocks at various locations throughout the southeastern part of the state. Conservation officers will check for game law violations and collect information on hunter harvests.

OPERATION GAME THIEF — Help fight poaching. If you witness or know about a game law violation, please report it to the authorities. Call Operation Game Thief any time of day or night, 1-800-432-4263. All callers remain anonymous and need not testify in court. Information leading to apprehension of poachers is eligible for a sizeable reward.

NOVICE BULL RIDING AND STEER RIDING BUCKLE SERIES, Salazar Arena, Mescalero — 1 p.m. every Saturday through Nov. 16. Prizes awarded for each go round. Fees \$37 for novice bull riding, \$22 for steer riding 12 and under. Entries open 7 a.m. every Tuesday the week of the event and stay open until books are filled. For more information call (505) 378-8185 or 258-6043. Spectator admission \$3 for adults, \$1 for children.

RUIDOSO ATHLETIC CLUB, 415 Wingfield, 257-4900 — 3 on 3 Volleyball Tournament 7 p.m. every Tuesday. Must be a member to participate. Prizes and trophies. \$30 per team. For information call Jennie, 257-4900.

FREE LINE DANCING LESSONS — 10-11:30 a.m. every Monday at the Ruidoso Senior Center, behind the public library at 501 1/2 Junction Road.

BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT, 438-7400.

SMOKEY BEAR RANGER STATION, Lincoln National Forest, 257-4095.

RUIDOSO MUNICIPAL SKATEBOARD PARK, White Mountain Drive, Ruidoso.

FUNTRACKERS, 101 Carrizozo Canyon Road, Ruidoso, 257-3275 — go carts, pro track cars, putt putt golf, bumper boats, and game room.

INN OF THE MOUNTAIN GODS ARCADE, Carrizozo Canyon Road, Mescalero Apache Reservation, 257-5141 — Video arcade, pool tables. The Inn also has tennis courts, horseback riding and fishing.

RIANCHO SOSEGADO TROUT FISHING & PICNICS, 5 Nogal Canyon Road, Bent, 24 miles W. of Ruidoso on Hwy. 70, 671-4500 — Fishing and picnicking.

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

Dining Out

An Advertising Feature

Menu

Still InnCredible after 30 years

Maybe the best place in town to enjoy a good meal and catch up on all the latest news, The Inn Credible Saloon and Restaurant is a traditional stop for seasonal residents and ski buffs.

But the restaurant about five miles north of Ruidoso also has a loyal following of year-around residents, putting owner Jennie Dorgan in an enviable position for a county with a tourist-fueled economy.

Dorgan will celebrate the restaurant's 30th anniversary next year. She purchased the business 16 years ago.

"I never operated a restaurant before, but I'd eaten in a lot of good places and felt we could make a go of it, if we applied good business principles," Dorgan said.

When she took over, she found her more innovative recipes had to be balanced with some basics.

"I was from the Midwest and when we went to the bank (for a start-up loan), the banker said

something about having chicken fried steak on the menu," she said. "I didn't know what that was, but I said, 'Of course,' and it remained on the menu for 15 years."

One of the first distinctions was that her menu included seafood. Today, her Australian cold water lobster is considered one of her signature entrees.

"We sell more Australian lobster than any other restaurant in the state," Dorgan said. But the menu doesn't stop there.

"We have 50 entrees including steaks and seafood," Dorgan said. "Our prime rib is the house specialty."

Dinners range from \$9.95 to \$21.95, with a few others based on current market prices. A separate children's menu also is available.

Dorgan describes the restaurant as casual dining with excellent food.

"We make people feel comfortable and treat them well," she said. "We've established a niche here in

Ruidoso and I feel flattered."

But she doesn't take the restaurant's success for granted and researches new ideas to keep the menu interesting. Two of the more popular are the hot rocks and fondue.

"We heat granite rocks to 450 degrees. The food comes out fresh and the customer cooks it," Dorgan explained of the hot rocks meals. "We also have cheese and chocolate fondue. Both are real ice breakers for people eating together for the first time."

Over the years, Dorgan refined her wine list and has noticed that many customers upped their tastes in step with the growth of her wine selection.

If staff loyalty is a measure, Dorgan must be doing something right. Several of her serving staff have been with her for more than 10 years.

The bar opens at 3:30 p.m. every day and for the winter, the restaurant begins to serve at 5 p.m.

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Going out

Community concert series continues

Romanian pianist performs tonight

Pianist Gabriela Imreh will be heard in concert at the First Christian Church at 7:30 p.m. tonight, Friday as part of the Ruidoso Community Concerts Association.

Described by the London Sunday Express as "a fast-rising Romanian-born virtuoso," Imreh has been praised by critics and audiences alike for her "breathtaking agility, lovely touch, and keen musical intelligence." Commenting on her Copenhagen debut with the Tivoli Symphony Orchestra under the baton of Sergiu Comissiona, Politken called her "...a brilliant pianist with a subtle, light and distinctive touch... (she) brought out the romantic essence with a plastic modeling, of tempo, sensitive rubato and beautifully-breathed ritardandi..." The Newark Star Ledger said, "...Her playing was very expressive, her pianissimos among the most delicate the listener has ever heard... she played brilliantly."

Since her professional debut with the Romanian State Philharmonic "Transylvania" at age 16, Gabriela Imreh's performances have spanned the globe with orchestral engagements in Europe, North America and the Far East. She has frequently performed with Romania's leading orchestras and has been heard as a soloist with several American orchestras on National Public Radio in the United States, with the Vancouver Symphony on the Canadian Broadcasting Corporation and on several state radio and television stations in Europe.

Her packed 1996-97 season includes a coast-to-coast recital tour covering 16 states, several concerts in England highlighted by an appearance at St. Martin's in the Fields in London and as soloist with the Guildford Philharmonic and the London Mozart Players, a tour in her native Romania, and concerts in the Far East with French conductor Yan Pascal Tortelier and the Hong Kong Philharmonic.

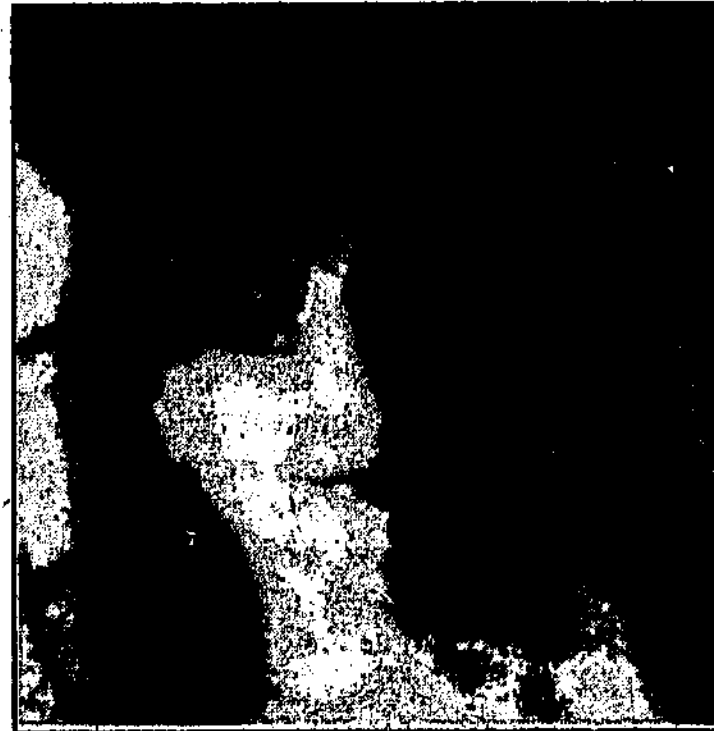
Possessing an unusually large and varied repertoire ranging from the complete concerti of

J.S. Bach to the complete works with orchestra by Rachmaninoff, Imreh sees herself as a Romantic at heart, with a special affinity for the music of Franz Liszt. She is receiving international praise for her all J.S. Bach CD on the respected Connoisseur Society label and has recently recorded the Liszt Hungarian Fantasy with the Philadelphia Virtuosi Chamber Orchestra, also with Connoisseur Society. Her third CD, due for release in 1997, will be the complete "Soirees de Vienne" by Franz Liszt, and will be the only single disc available of this beautiful, but much-neglected masterpiece.

Recently Gabriela Imreh was a featured performer for more than 100 United Nations ambassadors and distinguished diplomats from around the world in an event celebrating Hungarian-Romanian friendship. Her acclaimed 1994 New York debut in Weill Hall at Carnegie Hall was followed last season by her first appearance at New York's Lincoln Center, and her New York orchestral debut with the Philadelphia Virtuosi Chamber Orchestra.

Born in Tirgu Mures, Transylvania (Romania), Gabriela began studying when she was 5 years old. Her parents were engineers with no formal training in music; nonetheless, they surrounded her early with books, music and art. Her mother especially, who had a great passion for classical music and grand opera, stimulated Gabriela's interest and helped guide her work. They often attended concerts where she heard inspiring Eastern European pianists such as Radu Lupu, Lazar Berman, Annie Fischer and Sviatoslav Richter.

At age 8, under the urging of her teachers who recognized her great talent, Gabriela's parents arranged to move their home and jobs to Cluj-Napoca, where she could continue in the Performing Arts School and later attend the "Gheorge Dima" Academy of Music where she graduated summa cum laude as the top conservatory student in Romania. Her studies with the



Romanian pianist Gabriela Imreh performs tonight at the First Christian Church. Imreh started playing the piano when she was a 5-year-old child, growing up in Transylvania.

Harald Wagner and the Russian pedagogue Nina Panieva were augmented by seminars in Hungary with Gyorgy Sebok and in East Germany with Peter Solymos and Rudolf Kehrner.

Her engagement and subsequent secret marriage to American conductor Daniel Spalding in 1985 was eventually given state approval the following year under pressure from the American government. The couple was later allowed to travel to the United States and they currently reside in New Jersey with their dog, Daisy, who is a sensitive listener from her post beside the piano.

The Ruidoso Community Concert series offers four concerts this season for a season ticket price of \$35 for adults, \$75 for families and \$20 for students through high school. Tickets are available at The Great Southwest and The Aspen Tree bookstores in downtown Ruidoso.

EYE ON THE ARTS

'The Lion in Winter'

Ruidoso Little Theater's interpretation of the classic play "The Lion in Winter" continues this weekend with two performances.

Continuing performances will be Friday and Saturday, Nov. 8 and 9, and Thursday, Friday, Saturday, Nov. 14-16. Curtain time is 8 p.m. Tickets, which can be purchased at the door, are \$7 for adults and \$5 for children and seniors.

The James Goldman work of astringent wit and brilliant language transforms dry history into a play of truly comic repartee filled with unforgettable characters.

The play is being produced by the Ranches of Sonterro, and performances are at the Castle on U.S. Hwy. 70 West. A Medieval Feast will be catered by the Incredible in the castle Great Hall at 6:30 p.m. before the Saturday, Nov. 16 performance. Cost for dinner and the play is \$15.

Local artist signs works at jubilee

Sculptress Adrian Henry will be signing pieces of her work at a special exhibition today (Friday), Saturday and Sunday at the Christmas jubilee at the Ruidoso Civic Events and Convention Center.

She will be on hand to sign works from 5 to 7 p.m. Friday, 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. 3 to 6 p.m. Saturday, and 1 to 3 p.m. Sunday at the Galleria West booth.

Russian conductor, pianist join Las Cruces Symphony

The Chamber Players de Las Cruces will present the second series of subscription concerts at 8 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 9 and at 3 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 10 in the Music Center Recital Hall in Las Cruces.

Guest conductor Dmitri Orlov will conduct the entire program, including "Variations on a Theme by Tchaikovsky" for string orchestra by Anton Arensky to open the concert. Russian pianist Dmitri Balakin will perform his own one-piano arrangement of "Carnival of the Animals" by Saint-Saens.

Tickets for the concerts start at \$11 and are on sale at the Pan Am Ticket Office or Dillards.

Southwest Arts Festival

The 24th annual Southwest Arts Festival will be held at the Lujan Exhibit Hall, New Mexico State Fairgrounds on Nov. 8-10. Approximately 200 artists and craftspeople from 35 states, selected by jury from more than 700 applicants, will show and sell their works. Among the artists will be Daryl Howard of Ruidoso.

The festival is open to the public 11 a.m. to 9 p.m. Friday, Nov. 8 and 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday and Sunday. Admission is \$4.

Getting a head start on your holiday shopping

BY KATHLEEN McDONALD
Ruidoso News Staff Writer

This weekend's Christmas jubilee will set the ho-ho mood for Ruidosians.

The ninth annual jubilee, sponsored by the Ruidoso Valley Greeters, will be held at the Ruidoso Convention Center Friday, Nov. 8 - Sunday, Nov. 10.

Jubilee hours are 1-7 p.m. Friday; 9 a.m. - 8 p.m. Saturday; and 11 a.m. - 3 p.m. Sunday. Admission is free.

"It kind of starts the Christmas shopping frenzy," explains jubilee chairman Carole Benham. "It brings in winter."

The jubilee has 78 booths featuring clothes, jewelry, wood carvings, crafts, shoes, pet gifts, plants,

perfumes, household items and knickknacks galore.

"We do this for Lincoln County merchants," says Benham, one of 26 Chamber of Commerce greeters.

"That's all we invite (to show their wares) - licensed Lincoln County merchants."

Christmas tunes will fill the air with Randy Jones, 4 p.m. - 6:30 p.m. Friday; Ron Turner, 5 p.m. - 7:30 p.m. Saturday; and noon - 2 p.m. Sunday.

"The music does help set the

SHOP 'TIL YOU DROP

What: Christmas jubilee
Where: Ruidoso Convention Center
When: 1 to 7 p.m. Friday, 9 a.m. to 8 p.m. Saturday, 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. Sunday.
Who are showing their wares: Lincoln County merchants

mood," Benham said.

A food court will also offer treats for purchase from the Blue Goose, Ellis Store and Company, Lincoln County Grill, Roxanne's Bakery and Schlitzskys

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Santa Claus, joined at times Saturday with his merry wife, will also be at the jubilee taking wish lists from good girls and boys.

The Claus duo will be on the scene 9-11 a.m. Saturday. Santa will be solo with the children 1-3 p.m. Saturday.

White Sands official tries to lessen confusion about fees at monument

The recent debate in Congress over the Fiscal Year 1997 operating budget for the National Park Service generated a number of questions regarding entrance fees at White Sands National Monument.

In response, White Sands Superintendent Dennis Ditmanson noted that while the monument is studying several proposals for new or revised fees, the fee structure will remain the same for now. He added, however, that the policy regarding school groups has been modified from previous years and he provided the following clarification.

The regular entrance fee for the White Sands National Monument is \$4 per each "private, noncommercial" vehicle. For entry by anything other than a "private, non-commercial" vehicle, i.e., busses, vehicles owned or operated by tour companies, vehicles owned or operated by churches or other non-profit companies, bicycles, motorcycles, walking, etc., the cost is \$2 per person, ages 17 and older. The pass issued at the time of purchase is valid for seven days.

Frequent visitors are encouraged to purchase either a White Sands Pass (\$10), valid at the monument for one year from the date of purchase, or a Golden Eagle Pass (\$25), which is valid for entrance fees throughout the National Park system. Senior citizens may purchase a lifetime Golden Age Pass for a one-time cost of \$10.

Educational groups visiting the monument for specific educational purposes may apply for a fee waiver. Fee waivers must be requested in advance and must include documentation of official recognition as an educational institution and include a signed statement relating the specific instructional objectives of the proposed visit. Schools should apply for fee waivers at least two weeks in advance of their visit.

Schools visiting the monument on recreational visits will be charged the fees as noted above for all adults, ages 17 and above.

Questions regarding fees, or applications for educational fee waivers, should be addressed to the superintendent, White Sands National Monument, P.O. Box 1086, Holloman AFB, New Mexico, 88330.

Talbot returns



Ruidoso's favorite Austin import, the Jim Talbot Band, returns to town Saturday, Nov. 16, at the Mescalero Night Club. Talbot's three-man blues band, with Appa Perry on base and Bill Sneeringer on drums, plays original Talbot tunes as well as B.B. King, Albert Collins and Freddie King. A new Jim Talbot Band CD is forthcoming and may be available at the Ruidoso concert.

Mariachi conference in Cruces

The Hispano Chamber of Commerce de Las Cruces and the Diocese of Las Cruces Foundation host the Third Annual Las Cruces International Mariachi Conference Thursday through Sunday, Nov. 14-17.

Cooperating sponsors of the event include New Mexico State University and the City of Las Cruces. 700 workshop participants and some 10,000 mariachi lovers are expected at the Spectacular Concert, Parque Festival and the Mariachi Mass.

The conference features 2 1/2 days of music, dance and voice workshops. Registration fee is \$45 per person prior to Nov. 1, with a late registration fee of \$75. The workshops will offer young and old alike an opportunity to enhance their folkloric dance and mariachi style of music.

Workshop participants will have an opportunity to display their music and dance skills at the Music and Dance Showcase at Pan American Center Nov. 15. Tickets are available at Pan American Center and Dillards Ticket outlets for \$8 each, with no reserved seating.

The highlight of this year's conference, in addition to the Spectacular Concert on Saturday,

Nov. 16, is a 25th Anniversary tribute to Mariachi Cobre. Mariachi Cobre, instructors for this year's music workshops, will be featured with Mariachi Los Camperos de Nati Cano of La Fonda fame in Los Angeles at the Spectacular Concert. This year's featured vocalist is internationally-known recording artist Aida Cuevas of Mexico City. Selected as "Nuevo Talento" (new talent) is Orlando Antonio Jimenez from La Mesa. In addition, young, talented 7-year-old Tatiana Bolanos from California will appear at the Spectacular Concert and will also perform at Parque Festival.

The Spectacular Concert will feature all workshop participants in a unique interweaving of a colorful "salsa" of music, song and dance. Tickets for the Spectacular Concert are on sale at the Pan American Center and Dillards ticket outlets. A special group package including five general admission (\$15) tickets for the price of four will also be available this year.

Proceeds from the event benefit social programs in support of colonias, health and nutrition programs for unwed mothers and single parent families, Hispanic scholarship funds, and other family and youth projects.

LINCOLN COUNTY SCRAPBOOK

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

Ruidoso News Nov. 8, 1946

Counter to the national trend toward Republicanism, New Mexico on Tuesday elected a Democrat. Dennis Chavez won re-election to the United States Senate over Maj. Gen. Patrick Hurley and Thomas J. Mabry, former Supreme Court Justice, defeat-

ed Edward L. Safford for the governorship.

Ruidoso and Lincoln County went Republican in a decided manner. Nick S. Vega was re-elected to the sheriff's office in one of the important races in this county. Will T. Coe was re-elected as Lincoln County's representative in the state legislature.

Herbert Smith will succeed George H. Seele as Ruidoso's justice of the peace. Constable E.W. Wade was re-elected over John H. Porr.

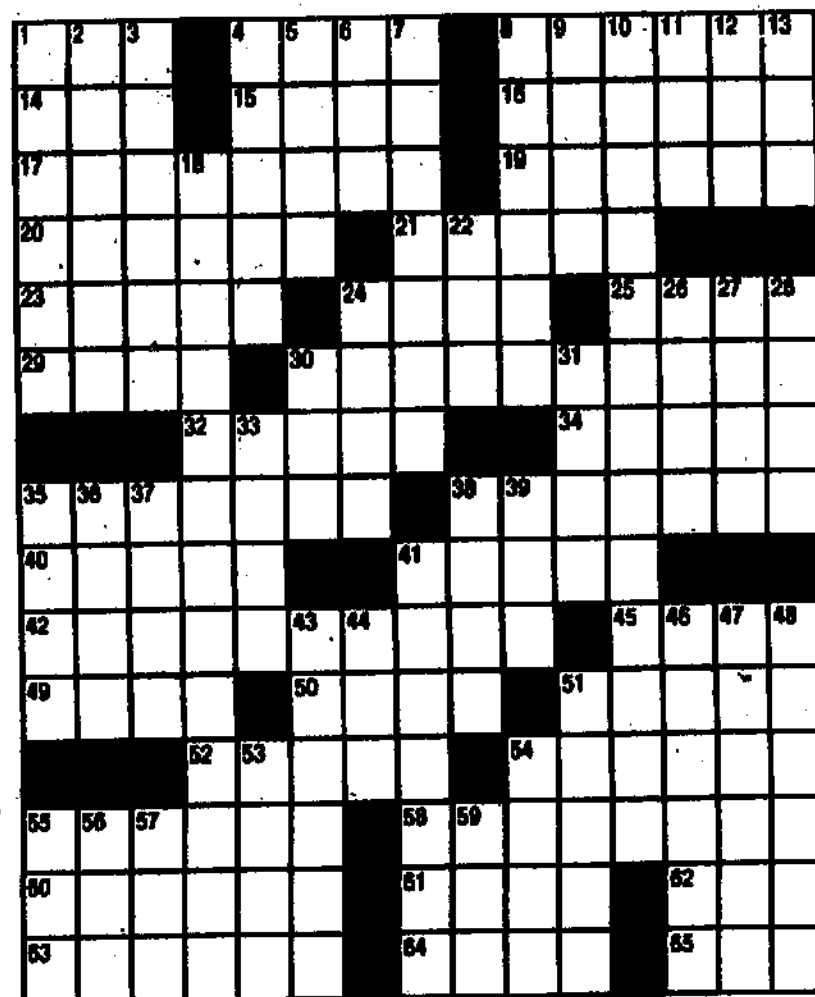
NY TIMES CROSSWORD

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- 16 Kind of collision
- 17 Sleuth out
- 19 Relative of euchre
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- 21 Automaton
- 23 1958 Edgar winner Rex
- 24 Ship, in poetry
- 25 Some Duchamp art
- 29 Chinese dynasty
- 30 Book and TV crime solver
- 32 Utility customers
- 34 Northern native
- 35 Historic launch
- 38 Suitcases
- 40 Like dogwood leaves
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Puzzle by William Canine

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- 10 P. D. James's crime solver from Scotland Yard
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- 24 "The King and I" actress
- 26 Cruising
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- 28 A chip, maybe
- 30 Stew morsel

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- 48 Common inscriptions
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- 59 Fumble

ANSWER TO PREVIOUS PUZZLE

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Sports

SPORTS SHORTS

Cross country team hosts district meet

Coach Ronny Maskew's Ruidoso boys cross country team defends its District 3AAA title today (Friday) at RHS. The Warriors host Cobre and Silver in the district meet. The Warrior girls will try to improve upon their third-place showing in 1995.

The girls varsity race begins today's action at 3 p.m. The three-mile course starts and finishes on the Ruidoso practice field and winds through the forest behind the high school. This will be the first time this season RHS has met district foes Cobre or Silver.

RAC offers six-week ski conditioning class

The Ruidoso Athletic Club is offering a six-week, progressive ski conditioning class, starting Monday, Nov. 11. The class is open to non-members of the RAC for \$40. It is free for RAC members.

The class will emphasize agility and muscle strengthening for skiing. It will meet at 7 p.m. Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays beginning Nov. 11.

For more information, call the RAC at 257-4900.

Sports Replay

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

10 years ago - District 1A champion Capitan takes on Tatum in the first round of the Class A football playoffs. Leading the Tigers are running backs Jay Eldridge and Anthony Sanchez and quarterback Troy Padilla. Capitan is coming off a 35-0 win over Carrizozo. Eldridge rushed for 139 yards and scored four touchdowns in the win over the Grizzlies.

20 years ago - Rachel Howell's Ruidoso girls volleyball team finishes as state runnerup in Class AA. The Warriors lost to Estancia in the finals, 15-3 and 15-3. Members of the team include Melanie McGuire, Patricia Reeves, Diane Padilla, Sandra and Wanda Sanchez, Kristi Perryman, Julie Gooch, Cindy Montoya, Lorena Herrera, Donna Posey, Jackie Tully and manager Bonnie Posey.

30 years ago - Mike Payne scores one TD and Edwin Miller adds another to pace the Warriors past Hot Springs 13-0 in District 3B prep grid action.

40 years ago - Tatum shut out Capitan, 13-0, for the southern C championship, despite efforts by Tigers Joe Aldaz, Mick Guck, Dale LaMay and Ernie Francis.

Warriors, Tigers battle for playoff spot

BY LAURA CLYMER
Ruidoso News Sports Writer

A pair of high school football teams with identical records and identical objectives square off at 7:30 p.m. tonight, Friday, at Horton Stadium in Ruidoso.

For the past two years, the winner of the Ruidoso/Hot Springs game has earned a trip to the state football playoffs. Tonight is no different.

The 4-5 Warriors, who have a 2-1 district mark, take on a 4-5 Tiger squad with its 1-2 District 3AAA record.

The winner continues the grid season. The loser heads home to prep for the winter sports season.

"They are a young team, but they are very well-coached," Warrior head coach Les Carter said of the Tigers. Hot Springs coach Travis Lee will have his team prepared, Carter added.

The Warriors need to do what they've done well in their last several outings: play physical and control the line of scrimmage.

"Our offensive and defensive lines have been doing an excellent job. If we win the war at the line of scrimmage, we'll be OK," Carter added.

Hot Springs' district setbacks came to Silver and Santa Teresa. The Desert Warriors beat the Tigers 42-28 in a shoot-out last week. A week earlier, Hot Springs nipped Cobre, 16-13, on a last-second field goal.

Ruidoso was a 44-18 winner over Santa Teresa Oct. 11. The Warriors pounded Cobre last week, 44-0.

So on paper and on points, one could reason

that the Warriors should beat the Tigers.

Not so fast. Carter cites an Albuquerque paper that lists the Warriors as 14-point underdogs, which is fine with him. The Warriors seem to play better when they are the underdogs, and no doubt Carter will mention that slight in his pregame pep talk to the Warriors.

What can Ruidoso expect from Lee's troops?

"They are a run-oriented team. They'll try to just keep grinding it out and hope they'll get the big play," Carter said.

The Warriors want to force the Tigers to pass the ball, he added.

If Hot Springs does resort to the airways, the Warriors will have sophomore safety Corey Saenz roaming the secondary. Saenz is one of the state's leading interceptors. He has seven picks this season. Joining him in the defensive backfield is senior Pascal Enjady, who captains the Ruidoso defense.

Leading the Warriors in tackles is junior linebacker Arthur Miller.

"He's got a great knack for where the ball is," Carter said. "He reads the offense and makes the play."

Junior fullback Brett Meyer has had back-to-back-to-back field days running the ball for the

THE NUMBERS

Ruidoso	85	51	43	60	239
Opponents	28	54	62	56	200
Team Stats	RHS	Opp.			
First downs	118	127			
Rush att.	332	336			
Yds. gain rush	1630	1506			
Yds. lost rush	-239	-230			
Net rush	1391	1276			
Pass comp/att.	54-121	72-142			
Interceptions	4	12			
Comp. %	44.6%	51.4%			
Yds. pass	904	1326			
Fumbles lost	7	18			
Punts	32	24			
Ret. yards	982	23			
Total Offense	2295	2602			
Net rush. ave.	154.6	141.8			
Net pass. ave.	100.4	147.3			
Total off. ave.	255.0	289.1			

Warriors. Meyer has rushed for 248 yards against district foes this season.

"He's not flashy; he's just a great straight-ahead runner. His speed is deceptive. He doesn't look like he's running fast but he is," Carter said of the junior fullback.

Opening gaps in the defense for Meyer and running back Arthur Rojas are center Caleb Hull, guards Seth Bassett and Chris Jones; and tackles Brad Beavers and Tommy Richardson.

Additionally, Saenz is growing more and more comfortable at quarterback since Carter tabbed him a starter Oct. 11.

"He's just maturing every week," Carter added.

If the Warriors win, there's a good chance they will host a first-round playoff game Saturday, Nov. 16. Las Vegas Robertson is the leading candidate to face Ruidoso. Robertson leads District 2AAA going into tonight's contests with an 8-2 overall mark and a 3-1 district slate.

Before the Warriors think about that, however, they have get past the Tigers. Kickoff is set for 7:30 p.m. Prior to the kickoff, the players and their parents will be honored.

Keeper preserves win for Warriors

RHS kickers advance to semis

BY LAURA CLYMER
Ruidoso News Sports Writer

With Class AAA's top two scorers on his team, some might overlook the role that keeper Jose Maldonado plays for the Ruidoso soccer squad.

If they did, they won't now. Not after Maldonado's heroics in the Warriors' quarterfinal win over the Pintos at the Class A-AAA State Soccer Tournament in Bernalillo Thursday.

Maldonado battled away Moriarty's last attempt to tie the game, preserving the win for Ruidoso.

With the win, the Warriors advance to the semifinals for the first time in the history of its soccer program.

"I wasn't thinking anything. My priority was to block the shot and get us into the second round," said Maldonado, who admitted he felt the pressure.

Ruidoso and Moriarty battled to a 1-1 tie in less than ideal conditions. The cold was numbing and the wind played fits with the ball.

"The fields are in pretty good shape, but we were slipping and sliding on the frozen grass," Ruidoso's first-year coach Sigrud Schmitz said.

The state's top scorers, Jimmy Stover and Piper Adamian, teamed up for Ruidoso's only goal. Stover threw the ball in to Adamian, who headed it into the goal in the first half.

Just six minutes into the second half, Moriarty tied the game at one. And that's where it stayed through regulation and two 10-minute halves of sudden death overtime.

"We had our ups and downs and they had their ups and downs, and between that we scored one goal and they scored one," Schmitz said.

Like last year's first-round loss to Los Alamos, the Warriors out-

shot the Pintos but couldn't find the back of the net.

They did when the match came down to five penalty kicks in the shoot-out.

The Warriors made four of five penalty kicks. Stover, Adamian, Todd Strasser, and Zach Carey were good on their attempts. Ryan Blackmon was just wide on his.

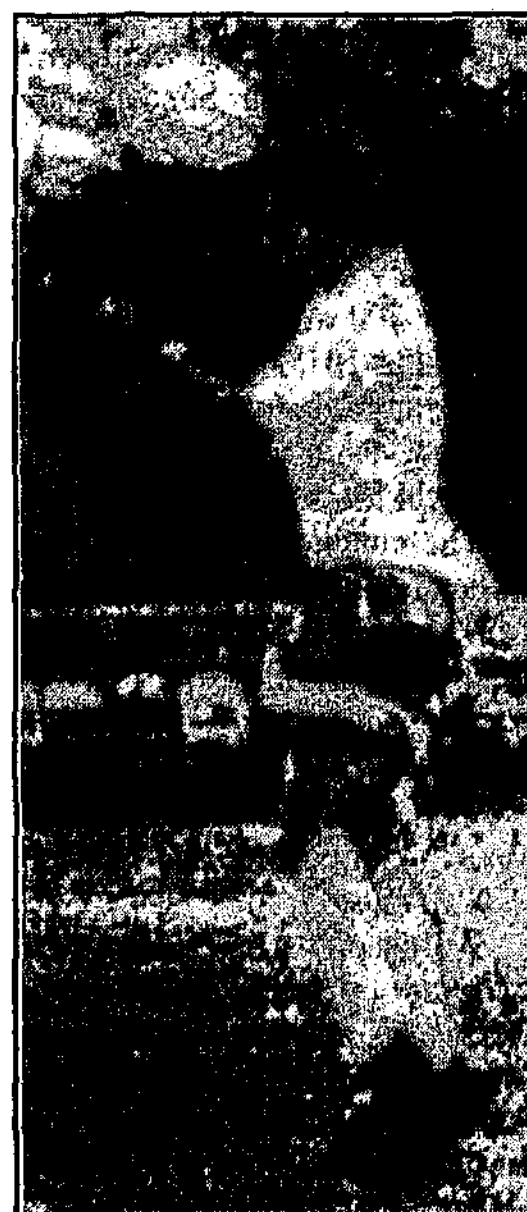
Then it was Moriarty's turn. The Pintos scored their first two, missed wide on the third and scored on the fourth, setting the stage for Maldonado's game-saver.

The Moriarty attempt was a grounder to Maldonado's left. The senior Ruidoso keeper lunged that way and knocked the ball out of bounds.

Not a bad performance for a first-year keeper in his first-ever shoot-out.

Maldonado's save hushed a

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Ruidoso News file photo

Piper Adamian's header was the only goal in regulation for the Warriors Thursday. He scored off a Jimmy Stover throw in.



The Capitan Tigers let it be known who is No. 1 in District 6AA volleyball. Members of the 1996 district champs are (from left to right): front row – E'rin Autrey, Shawna Shrecengost, and K'rin Autrey; middle row – Ann Holt, Michelle Wilson, Coye Robbins and Monica Johnson; back row – Andra Fish, Casey Cunningham, Joni Autrey, Mandi Aldaz, Trisha Seidel and Julie Barham.

Laura Clymer/Ruidoso News

State bid at stake for Capitan

BY LAURA CLYMER
Ruidoso News Sports Writer

Capitan's girls volleyball team is preparing for the best – the best an Animas team might have to offer.

The 11-6 Tigers meet the Panthers (12-5) in the semifinals of the Region D Volleyball Tournament Saturday in Capitan, but just which Animas team will show up is the question of the week.

"They were pretty much lethargic because they had some internal problems," Tiger coach Bryan Massé said.

Massé said he heard through the grapevine that veteran Animas coach Kate Shelton planned to remove the player who was causing the strife from the team.

"Sometimes it can really get a team together. We're preparing for them to be clicking – cured of the fighting and playing normal ball Saturday," Massé said.

The Panthers, who lost to Hatch Valley in their district final, have a tough middle blocker, Massé added.

BUMP, SET SPIKE

What: Region G Girls Volleyball Tournament
Who: Capitan, Dexter, Animas and Hatch Valley
Where: at Capitan H.S.
When: Semifinals at 11 a.m. and 1 p.m. with finals at 5 p.m. Saturday

Animas likes to double block on the outside and in the middle. The double middle block is something new to the Tigers.

"It's something we're working on because we haven't seen that this year," Massé said. "And they're pretty scrappy."

The Tigers have had a good week of practice and are recovering from some lingering bumps and bruises, coughs and sniffles.

Capitan's most powerful hitter, junior Coye Robbins, is spiking the ball and jumping better, Massé added.

The home court advantage, specifically not facing a long road trip, should also play in Capitan's favor, he said. Plus, the Tigers'

bench allows Massé plenty of substitutions without losing much.

The Tigers and Panthers meet at 11 a.m. To advance to the regional championship match and earn a trip to state, Capitan must serve and pass well and play smart volleyball.

"If you serve consistent and pass consistent, it takes care of everything else," Massé said.

District 6AA runnerup Dexter plays Hatch Valley in the 1 p.m. match. The winners meet at 5 p.m. to decide the Region G champ.

Saturday's regionals will feature some of the better Class AA programs in the state. But only two will make the Class AA State Volleyball Tournament in Roswell Nov. 13-16.

"I went to the state tournament last year and I was just sick because I saw six teams that we were better than," Massé recalled.

"The top two teams from our two districts are four of the best eight teams in double A, and it's too bad that only two get to go to the state tournament," he added.

Massé hopes his Tigers will be one of those two.

Spikers unable to get past Tigers

BY LAURA CLYMER
Ruidoso News Sports Writer

Hot Springs ended the Ruidoso volleyball season with a five-game win over the Warriors in District 3AAA semifinal action Wednesday.

The Tigers downed Ruidoso 15-4, 14-16, 15-13, 15-17, 15-6 to advance to the district finals against Silver High School.

"We played hard. We fought. We just didn't get it done," said Ruidoso volleyball coach Jauna Sanchez.

The Warriors finish 8-10 overall as the district's third-best team.

After a demoralizing first game, The Warriors rallied behind senior Kelle Lutterman's play in the middle games.

"When we lost the first game, I thought it was over," Sanchez said.

The Warriors didn't get the fast start Sanchez had hoped for, but did battle back to win two of the next three, including a rally from an 11-6 deficit in the fourth game.

In the deciding fifth game, Ruidoso held leads of 4-2 and 6-2 before the Tigers staged their comeback. The Warriors had trouble scoring off their serve, which allowed the Tigers to catch up and eventually win the game.

Lutterman finished with a team-high 15 kills.

"She played like an all-stater," Sanchez said of Lutterman.

"All the seniors played like seniors – they didn't want it to be their last game," she added.

Shirynn Williams added nine kills for the Ruidoso cause, and Marissa Martinez scored 13 service points for the Warriors. Both are seniors.

Sanchez couldn't point to any specific area that led to the Warriors' downfall.

"We played well. We just lost to a good team," she said.

The Warriors did have a little trouble with the compact confines of the Hot Springs gymnasium at first.

The low ceiling ate up some of the Warriors' passes, and the rowdy Tiger crowd filled the gym to capacity.

"Both teams seemed real nervous," Sanchez said.

But Ruidoso made adjustments in its passing and put the crowd out of its mind, she added.

The season isn't over for all Warrior volleyball players. The Ruidoso junior varsity team plays in its district finals Saturday in Silver City. Fran Webb's JVers take the floor at 6 p.m. The Warrior freshmen play in the district semifinals earlier in the day at 1 p.m. If they win, they play for the championship at 5 p.m. If they lose, the RHS plays for third place at 3 p.m.

Tiger gridders meet Texico in playoffs

The Capitan Tigers travel to Texico for a first-round Class A football playoff game at 2 p.m. Saturday. Ed Davis' Tigers are 4-5 overall. The Wolverines bring a 7-3 mark and a No. 2 state ranking to the contest. A month ago the two teams met in a non-district battle with Texico coming out on top, 28-14. In that game, the Tigers committed five turnovers.

"Our offensive line is our major key," Davis said. "If we are going to have success, our offensive line is going to have to start playing in the first quarter." Texico's offense features a pair of solid backs in Toby Askew and Chris Chumley. QB Melvin Askew directs the THS offense that runs behind the 6-5, 250-pound lineman Leroy Selinas.

Soccer: keeper's save sends RHS to semis

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vocal Moriarty crowd, while the Warriors broke out in pandemonium.

"Moriarty brought their whole dang school," Schmitz said. "We haven't seen a crowd like that before."

Though thankful for the win, Schmitz didn't like that it came down to penalty kicks.

"Penalty kicks are probably the

worst way to win because a bad team can beat a good team. It doesn't really tell you who the better team is," Schmitz said.

The win enables the Warriors to meet a tough Sandia Prep team in the semifinals at 11 a.m. today, Friday. The winner of that match plays for the Class A-AAA title at noon Saturday. The loser plays for third place at 9 a.m. Saturday. All games are played at the New Mexico Soccer Tournament Complex near Bernalillo.

Neighbors



A bird's eye view for Jim Franklin's wing walker, Lee Oman.

Mamas, don't let your babies grow up to be stunt pilots ...

BY PAMELA CROMWELL
Ruidoso News Staff Writer

Feeding cattle was Jim Franklin's favorite chore on his father's ranch because it meant at least an hour in the air every day.

Jim's father Zip Franklin gave a whole new meaning to "dropping off feed" for his cattle. The ranch pick-up was a PA-14 Family Cruiser Piper Cub.

"I'd get off the school bus, then fly the plane about 30 miles, feed and check the cattle, then fly back," he said. "I built up early air time that way."

In the air since infancy, it's not surprising that the junior Franklin grew up not to be a cowboy, but a stunt pilot. Now 47 years old, Franklin lives in Alto with his 16-year-old son Kyle when the two aren't flying in stunt shows around the world.

Jim Franklin made his first unauthorized solo flight at the age of 12. He was home alone at the ranch near Cap Rock with nothing much to do, so with a great deal of effort he rolled his father's plane out of the hangar. He managed the solo flight without incident, but getting the plane back into the hangar was another story.

When Dad asked the boy what he'd been doing while the family was away, his son answered, "I've been flying your airplane." Zip had been allowing Jim to co-pilot since he was a baby, so he wasn't angry with the boy. He just suggested it might be better for Jim to fly when his dad was around.

"The first time I remember really flying and feeling confident, I was 8 years old," Franklin said. "We had an orchard at the ranch, and we'd take peaches home in the plane, take catfish from the ranch tanks."

Zip started out ranching with horses, like

others, but got rid of them. He used motorcycles, planes and sometimes a truck.

"Dad believed if you can't fly there, you can't get there," Franklin said.

As a result, the whole family learned to fly, including Jim's sister Terry, his little brother Steve, and his mother Valerie. Steve did air shows with Jim for several years, then got a real job as a pilot for Southwest Airlines. Terry became a schoolteacher and lives in Lovington.

And Jim makes his living executing snap rolls, outside loops, and "berserk headaches," a Czech stunt called a "lomcevak" that turns the plane end over end. Franklin Air Shows is a top attraction at events around the U.S., in Canada and Mexico, and overseas.

Lee Oman is Franklin's wing walker, the death-defying guy in a red jumpsuit who dangles from the axle of Franklin's "Mystery Ship," a souped-up UPF-7 built by Weaver Aircraft Company (WACO) in 1940. The red and white biplane was Franklin's first love.

That plane was the centerfold in an Antique Airplanes magazine Franklin saw when he was 12 years old. He pulled the picture out and kept it, dreaming of flying that plane someday. When he was 19, he spotted a WACO UPF-7 at an air show in Fort Worth and bought it.

"It was that same plane I saw when I was 12," he said.

Franklin has improved the WACO to meet his needs, doubling the horsepower, moving the cockpit back, and modifying the engine to run upside down. The plane he fell in love with at 12 came to fulfill the dream he envisioned at 12, when he attended his first air show.

"I decided that's what I wanted to do to make a living," he said. "I bought Harold Crier's book and taught myself aerobatics. In



Jim Franklin at 22 in his Confederate Airforce attire.

in PROFILE



Jim Franklin

Age: 47
Hometown: Caprock
Occupation: Stunt Pilot

What intrigues him? Aladdin lamps and antique firearms.

Where he vacations: Home

What he's flying: WACO Mystery Ship

the process of learning, I was scaring everyone to death in the country."

Using whatever plane was available, Franklin trained himself in loops, rolls and hammerheads, then got his pilot's license at age 16 in Ruidoso. The airport then was where The Links Golf Course is now.

"I loved it here as a kid," Franklin said. "I miss that airport."

When he was 17, he got his private license and at 18 he got his commercial license. He went to Odessa, Texas and began test flying BÄcker Jungmeisters built by Roy Schlameyer. When he bought the WACO, he started his own air show called Jim Franklin's Flying Circus.

When the flying circus was at its peak, Jim was performing with his brother Steve and father Zip, using four planes and 13 acts.

"We were the air show," he said.

Franklin developed one-of-a-kind maneuvers, such as the ribbon pick-up.

"I was getting good at flying 10 feet from

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AROUND THE TOWN

Chavez graduates

Air Force Airman Angel R. Chavez has graduated from basic military training at Lackland Air Force Base, San Antonio, Texas.

Angel Chavez

Chavez is the daughter of Frank S. Chavez of Ruidoso, and Arlene E. Chavez of Albuquerque. The airman is a 1996 graduate of Ruidoso High



Susan Whitney of the Alto Village Homeowners Association with Chris Denne, chief of Bonito Fire Department.

Homeowners group

The Alto Village Homeowners Association presented a check for \$500 to the Bonito Fire Department for its service to the area.

"The people who volunteer their time and talents to serve on the Bonito Fire Department deserve whatever help we can give them to get their job done," said association president John Haines. "The Alto Village homeowners appreciate their prompt and conscientious response when fire happens, and we hope our contribution will help them buy some needed equipment and supplies."

Happy birthday



Friends and family of Jake Harris will celebrate Harris' 80th birthday with cake and well wishes from 2 to 4 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 24, at 500 East Spring in Ruidoso Downs.

Franklin: a cowboy stunt pilot

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the ground upside down," he said. "A friend once bet I could pick up a ribbon between two coke bottles."

Franklin's plane goes within three feet of the ground to hook the ribbon. He once dragged the tail on the ground, but little more than his ego was damaged.

"Invariably something goes wrong," Franklin said.

Like when Lee Oman slipped from the axle at 100 feet. He was caught by a guidewire, but Franklin had to lower him into the bed of a speeding pickup truck to save his life.

During the '80s, Franklin was inspired by Star Wars to create Captain Zar, a space alien character dressed in a black cape with a silver lining who flew a black Aerostar. He also got into television and film. He has performed stunts in movies such as "Three Amigos," "Choke Canyon," "Rocketeer," and recently "Terminal Velocity."

As his career was taking off, he also became a father and immediately introduced his son to the air.

"Kyle rode with me when he was 4 weeks old," he said.

The 1980s brought the greatest show years, with about 15 professionals doing 90-95% of the shows, Franklin said. Since then, more than 300 pilots have moved in on the air show scene, and it's a little harder to get the bookings.

"It's not as much fun anymore," he said. "The fans keep me going, but the shows are bigger and more complicated."

Not only that, but in 1991, Zip Franklin died in a

tragic plane crash. He and two of Jim's best friends were taking the Aerostar out of Ruidoso when the door popped open on take-off, causing the plane to over-rotate and crash. Pilot Gary McMillan was also killed in the crash; passenger Beldon Walden survived.

Now Kyle, who turned 16 this year and just did his first solo flight, is Jim's sidekick.

"He's my best friend, and he happens to be my son," Jim said.

Kyle loves planes and Deloreans, so the Franklin comedy act involves a high

Jim Franklin,
Stunt pilot

speed car-plane drag race down the runway.

Kyle has spent his summers at air shows, watching his father thrill the crowds, but he said he never worries about his father.

"I know he's one of the best," Kyle said. "I like watching him make everyone else nervous."

The stunts don't thrill Jim the way they do his audience.

"When it starts scaring me, I'm going to quit," he said.

For a guy who's more comfortable in the air than anywhere else, he's a pretty down-to-earth person with simple needs. He'd be perfectly happy without all the technology of the 20th century.

"I could go back before the Industrial Revolution and live happily," he said.

In addition to collecting Aladdin lamps and antique firearms, Jim wears an 1800s-style medicine man hat that has become his air show trademark.

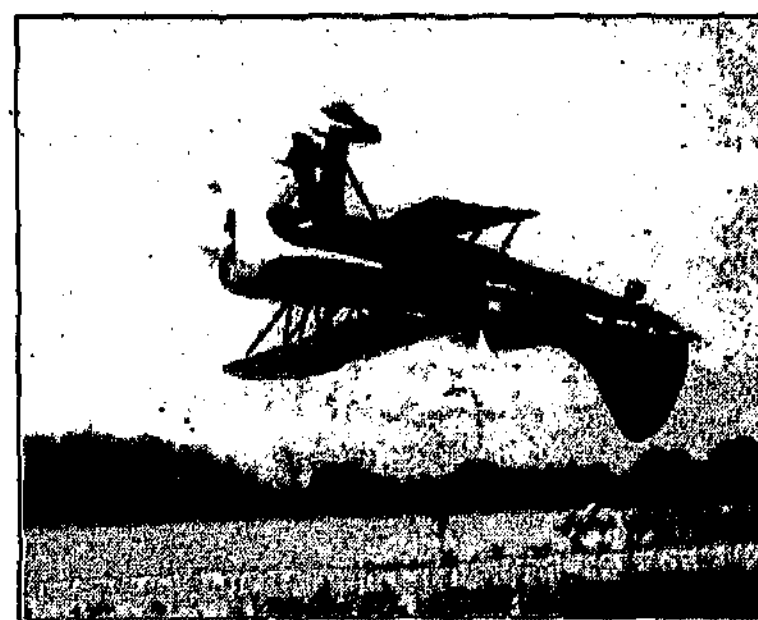
"The style started out as a Stetson with a trimmed brim so the wind wouldn't blow it off," he said.

Apparently, you can take the pilot off the ranch, but you can't take the cowboy out of the pilot.



Pamela Cromwell/Ruidoso News

Jim with his son and best friend, 16-year-old Kyle.



Franklin flies his plane even closer to the ground than this. He can fly it within three feet of the surface to hook a ribbon tied between two coke bottles.

Out of this world



Dianne Stallings/Ruidoso News

Longtime Hondo Valley resident Ernest McDaniel proves that green meteorites are nothing new in the skies over New Mexico. This painting by the late Peter Hurd was based on a description by McDaniel of a meteorite he spotted at 11:25 p.m. March 31, 1965. "It went down below a hill and exploded," McDaniel said recalling that night. "The whole night sky was illuminated. I've seen others, but none as spectacular as this." Minute fragments of the meteor were found in the Four Corners area, he said.

Land between wilderness areas in northwest NM now protected by law

The U.S. Senate has completed congressional action on a bill to protect the De-Na-Zin and Bisti wilderness areas in northwest New Mexico by granting federal protection to nearly 16,700 acres in between the two areas.

The Bisti and De-Na-Zin Wilderness Expansion and Fossil Forest Protection Act, introduced in January 1995 by Pete Domenici, and co-sponsored by Jeff Bingaman, is included in the Omnibus Parks and Public Lands Management Act of 1996 that passed the Senate Oct. 3. It was already passed by the House.

The lands outlined in the bill are immediately adjacent to the existing boundaries of the Bisti and De-Na-Zin wilderness areas, about 18 miles northwest of Chaco Canyon, between highways 371 and 44. The bill links the two areas together to create one large wilderness area in the northwest New Mexico badlands.

"Joining of the Bisti and De-Na-Zin wilderness areas provide more environmental protection to these badlands and enhances the

wilderness experience for visitors," Domenici said. "This area represents a unique paleontological area in New Mexico that represents an important period of time and space in our country's natural history."

"This legislation will add great value to the existing Bisti De-Na-Zin wilderness area by including the stark beauty of the surrounding badlands," Bingaman said. "These adjacent land are of high wilderness quality and will permit visitors the opportunity for hiking, backpacking and geological study of this historic area of New Mexico."

In December 1991, approximately 10,750 acres were exchanged between the Bureau of Land Management and the Bureau of Indian Affairs, acting in trust with the Navajo Tribe, to contribute to this area. Further land exchanges with the state of New Mexico and the Navajo Tribe will be needed to complete the wilderness area, but both parties have in the past expressed their willingness to enter into such agreements.



Church calendar

ASSEMBLY OF GOD

Apache Indian Assembly of God

Mescalero
Donald Peitney, pastor
Telephone: 671-4747
Sunday School-9:45 a.m.
Sunday worship-10:45 a.m. 7 p.m.
Wednesday services-7 p.m.
First Assembly of God
El Paso Road, Ruidoso
Rev. Bill Lenard, Pastor
Sunday School-9:45 a.m.
Sunday worship-10:30 a.m., 6 p.m.
Wednesday services-7 p.m.
Royal Rangers Ministry-7 p.m.
Wednesday

BAPTIST

First Baptist Church

Carrizozo
Hayden Smith, Pastor
Sunday School-9:45 a.m.
Sunday worship-11 a.m., 7:15 p.m.
Church training-6:30 p.m. Sunday

First Baptist Church

Ruidoso
420 Mechem Drive
D. Allen Cearley, Pastor
Sunday School-9:30 a.m.
Sunday worship-10:45 a.m., 6 p.m.
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

Tinnie
Bill Jones, Pastor
Sunday School-9:45 a.m.
Sunday worship-11 a.m.
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: Estudio 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

126 Church Drive
Palmer Gateway
Wayne Joyce, Pastor
Randel 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.
Morning Worship - 11 a.m.
AWANA Wed - 6:30 p.m.
For information, call 354-3119

BAHA'I FAITH

Baha'i Faith

Meeting in members' homes.
For information, call 257-3987 or 336-7739.

CATHOLIC

St. Eleanor Catholic Church

Ruidoso 257-2330
Reverend Richard Catanach
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 354-8102
Saturday Mass-5 p.m.
Sunday Mass-9 a.m.
Adult Bible Study Monday-6 p.m.
Santa Rita Catholic Church
Carrizozo 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
Bent
Father Tom Herbst, Pastor
Saturday Mass-6 p.m.
Sunday Mass-8 a.m.

CHRISTIAN

First Christian Church (Disciples of Christ)

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

CHURCH OF CHRIST

Church of Christ

Capitan
Highway 48
Les Earwood, Minister
Sunday Bible study-10 a.m.
Sunday worship-11 a.m., 6 p.m.
Wednesday Bible study-7 p.m.

CHURCH OF JESUS CHRIST LATTER DAY SAINTS

Church of Jesus Christ LDS

Ruidoso Branch
12 miles north of Ruidoso
on Highway 48 on east side
between mile posts 14 and 15.
336-4359 or 257-9691

Sacrament meeting-10 a.m.
Sunday School-11:10 a.m.

Priesthood Relief Society-12:10 p.m.
Primary & Young Women-11:10 a.m.

Church of Jesus Christ LDS

Mescalero Branch
Marvin Hansen, President
434-1098

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

Glencoe
Sunday: Holy Eucharist-9 a.m.

St. Matthias Episcopal Chapel

Carrizozo, 6th & E Street
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 Sudderth Drive 378-4608
(behind Gateway Exxon)
Pastor Jesse Arreola
Sunday-10:30 a.m. & 6:30 p.m.
Wednesday Service-7 p.m.
Nursery provided, everyone welcome

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

Alpine Village Road, Highway 48
258-3659, 336-7076
Reunion publica Dom.-1:30 p.m.
Estudio de la Atalaya Dom.-2:20 p.m.
Estudio de libro Lun.-7 p.m.
Escuela del ministerio teocratico
Mier.-7 p.m.
Reunion de servicio Mier.-7:50 p.m.

LUTHERAN

Shepherd of the Hills Lutheran Church

Hull 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
A member of the Missouri Synod

METHODIST

Community United Methodist Church

Junction Road
Behind Daylight Donuts
Craig Cockrell, Pastor
Sunday School-9:45 a.m.
Sunday worship-8:30 a.m., 10:55 a.m.

United Methodist Church Parish

Trinity Carrizozo/Capitan
648-2893, 257-5614
Warren K. Schoenecker Pastor.
Capitan/Carrizozo
Carrizozo
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-8:30 a.m. 2nd
Sunday School 11 a.m.

PENTECOSTAL

Spirit of Life Apostolic/Pentecostal Tabernacle

Capitan, Lincoln Ave.
(2/10 mile past fairgrounds heading
toward the business district)
257-6864
Allan M. Miller-Pastor
Bible Study-7 p.m. Tuesday
Sunday School-10 a.m. Sunday
Sunday Evening Services-6 p.m.
Ladies fellowship-6 p.m. last Thursdays

NAZARENE

Angus Church of the Nazarene

Angus
at Bonito Park Nazarene Conference Center
12 miles north of Ruidoso
on Highway 48
Charles Hail, 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
James Hovland, 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

Ancho
Sunday worship-9 a.m.
Sunday School-10 a.m.

Corona 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 Schut, 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

Seventh Day Adventist

Ruidoso Downs, Agua Fria
Herman Ottoschowski, Pastor
624-2684, 378-4396, 378-4922
Sabbath School-9:30 a.m.
Church service-11:00 a.m.

NON-DENOMINATIONAL

American Missionary Fellowship

Gregg Horns
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 & Sudderth
Pastor Ben Slaboda
257-5915

11 a.m. Sunday Worship
7 p.m. Wednesday, Mid-Week Bible Study
& Kids' Adventure Club

Christ Community Fellowship

Capitan, Highway 380 West
Ed Vinson, Pastor
354-2458

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

Cornerstone Church

Cornerstone Square,
613 Sudderth Drive
257-9265

B.A. Thurman, Pastor

Sunday services 10:30 a.m. and 6 p.m.
Wednesday-7 p.m.

Living Word Church

441 Mechem, 257-3470

Pastors: Terry and Suzanne Lewis
Renewal services:
Sunday 10:30 a.m. and 5 p.m.
Wednesday noon - intercessory prayer
7 p.m. - mid-week services

Peace Chapel Interdenominational (ULC)

Alto North
Jeamie Price, Pastor
336-7075

Service Schedule:
Morning chapel - 6:50 a.m.
(Sept. thru June)
Sunday Service - 11 a.m.

Ruidoso Word Church

Ruidoso Downs
Al and Marly Lane, Pastors
378-8464

Children's Ministries-9:30 a.m.
Sunday worship-10:45 a.m.
Thursday services-7 p.m.

Trinity Mountain Fellowship

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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Less than discriminate, killer Bill Longley slowly but surely made his way to the gallows

William Preston Longley was born Oct. 6, 1851. At the time of his death in 1877, he was known as the most dangerous man in Texas, with the possible exception of John Wesley Hardin.

Longley's career as a shootist started when he was 16. At that tender age he shot a black man, supposedly for insulting his father.

There were many blacks in Texas during the Reconstruction. Many newly-freed slaves had found employment with Governor Edmund Davis' hated state police.

It was a fact that did not sit well with the large majority of whites then inhabiting Texas. And Bill Longley was no exception.

Longley was never a member of any gang. He never robbed. He just killed. Within several years of his first killing, he was known as "The Nigger Killer." Which is not to say that the tall (he was well over 6 feet) gunman killed only

blacks. He killed men from ambush, he killed men in blind rages and in ritualized, stand-up gunfights. In short, he killed anyone that got in his way.

He was a drifter. Earning a living as a field hand, cowboy and gambler, he wandered more or less aimlessly through Texas, Kansas, Wyoming, the Dakotas, Arkansas and the Indian Territories. Wherever he went, he left dead men. He seemed utterly devoid of conscience.

For a time, he ran a saloon in the Black Hills. Later, he would wistfully reminisce that "There was no law at all. It was simply the law of claw and tooth and fang and the weakest went to the wall. When the majority of people got down on a man, they simply took him out and strung him up on a limb, and they had a big spree on the strength of it."

One of Longley's more infamous exploits occurred in Lexington, Texas. When he and a partner in the race horse business saw that blacks in that town outnumbered whites, the two withdrew their horses from a scheduled race. That night, when Longley heard that blacks were celebrating in the town square, he decided to do something about it.

Riding with his partner to the edge of the square, Longley let the reins fall down onto his horse's neck. With a revolver in each hand, he spurred his horse into the milling crowd and began firing. There was no need to aim, he simply fired into the crowd from the hip. With his horse whirling around,

Longley fired until his guns were empty. Then he galloped out of town.

In his wake, two lay dead and at least half a dozen more were wounded.

Several months later, in late 1866, word supposedly reached Longley that several blacks were defying anyone to throw them out of Evergreen, Texas — Longley's home town. One of the black men died before Longley's subsequent onslaught and the others fled.

Early in 1868, Longley was hanged — by mistake. Captured by vigilantes in the company of a horse thief, Longley was forced to join his stock-stealing companion at the end of a noose. Left for dead, Longley's great weight (in excess of 200 lbs.) snapped the rope from which he dangled. He tumbled to the ground, gasping for breath, but alive. It was not to be his last experience with the noose.

For a time, Longley rode with Cullen Baker, who was waging a self-styled guerrilla war with the hated carpetbaggers then infesting Texas. Legend has it that during that time, Longley came across one of the vigilantes who had strung him up some months before. Leading the hapless man back to the same tree that the vigilantes had attempted to hang Longley from, the fellow was strung up in exactly the same place from which Longley had briefly dangled. This time, the rope did not break.

Texas had become pretty hot for Bill. He joined a trail herd that was heading for Kansas. However, keeping a low profile was not in Longley's makeup. He killed a fellow drover on the trail. Then he killed a soldier in a Leavenworth saloon.

Captured in St. Joseph, Mo., Longley was returned to Leavenworth and thrown into the guardhouse. But Bill made the acquaintance of a guard whose sympathy could be bought and was soon back on the trail to nowhere.

In Cheyenne, Wyo., Longley went to work as a teamster for the government. He and the quartermaster, a man named Gregory, teamed up to find ways to relieve the government of some of its excess money. But the two had a falling out, and Longley killed Gregory from ambush when the latter came looking for him.

This time, Longley was captured and tried for the killing. He was sentenced to 30 years in the Iowa State Prison. Again, however, Longley managed to escape his captors and subsequently lived with the Snake Indians for nearly a year. The wisest course that Longley could have chosen would have been to remain with the Indians, but he missed Texas.

Longley was not home long before he killed another black man, this one described

by some historians as a "desperado."

Shortly after this, Longley was once again captured by an enterprising sheriff named Finley.

However, once the sheriff had the outlaw in custody, he began to experience a good deal of difficulty in collecting the reward. When a relative of Longley's approached the lawman and offered \$500 to secure Bill's release, the sheriff jumped at it. Longley was free again.

In Bill Longley's life, it was never long between gunfights, and this period was no exception. In Frio County, Texas, he quarrelled with a Mexican over a horsetrade. As was his custom, Longley left the man dead in the dust behind him.

Moving to Bastrop County, Texas, Longley found work as a ranchhand under an assumed name. But he heard there was a brand new sheriff named James Madison Brown on his trail and that Brown was not the sort of man to give up easily. Deciding that discretion was indeed the better part of valor, Longley moved on.

By November of 1875, Longley was working near Waco at a gin. There, he ran afoul of a local badman named George Thomas. As Longley was living under the assumed name of Jim Patterson, most locals figured Patterson was a walking dead man. They were quite surprised when "Patterson" confronted Thomas in front of a grocery store and shot the local man dead. After apologizing to the storekeeper, Longley galloped out of town and into the night.

Near San Antonio, Longley's horse was stolen. When Bill caught up with the thief, he killed the man and repossessed the horse.

Next, Longley teamed up with a local hardcase named Sawyer until he discovered his new partner was planning on killing him for the reward. The two fought a long, drawn-out battle in a brushy area that left both Longley's horse and Sawyer dead. Sawyer, however, did not die as easily as Longley's other victims. Longley had to shoot the desperado an amazing 13 times before the man died.

Shortly afterward, Longley killed a former neighbor named Wilson Anderson with a shotgun. It was this killing that would prove to be his undoing. It happened in Lee County, the bailiwick of Sheriff James Madison Brown.



Bill Longley

In Madison County, love found the desperado. He was thunderstruck by a beauty named Louvenia Jack. Taking a job as a laborer on a nearby farm owned by a parson named Lay, Longley began to court

Louvenia. However, according to Longley, the parson objected to Longley's attentions to Louvenia. When Longley threatened the parson's life, Lay had him arrested.

However, plank walls did not long a prison make for Bill Longley, and after escaping from the jail, he made his way to Parson Lay's home and shotgunned him to death.

Fleeing once again into the Indian Nations, Longley was wounded by a local man and nursed back to health by a half-breed Cherokee girl.

He returned to Texas for a time and then rode over to Louisiana. In DeSoto Parish, he was known as farmhand William Jackson. And it was there that he was captured for the last time.

Nacogdoches sheriff Milton Mast, alerted by a young officer in Louisiana who had been struck by the amazing resemblance between William Jackson and the descriptions of the Texas desperado Bill Longley, wandered over to Louisiana to investigate. Mast and his man took Longley by surprise and without a struggle.

On June 21, the Austin Statesman noted of Longley that "he is credited with killing 32 men."

Longley was tried and convicted of the murder of Wilson Anderson, for which he was sentenced to death.

From his cell, Longley observed, "Well, I do not propose to boast of being brave at all, but I have had no help in my meanness when it comes to killing a man. I have done such things on my own account, and always alone."

On Oct. 11, 1877 at 1:30 in the afternoon, Longley was led from his cell by Sheriff James Madison Brown to the gallows. In the crowd were hundreds of blacks, there to see the boogiemaster die.

As Longley gazed out over the crowd, he observed, "I see a good many enemies around, and mighty few friends."

Then the executioner placed the hood over Bill Longley's head and the inevitable finally happened.

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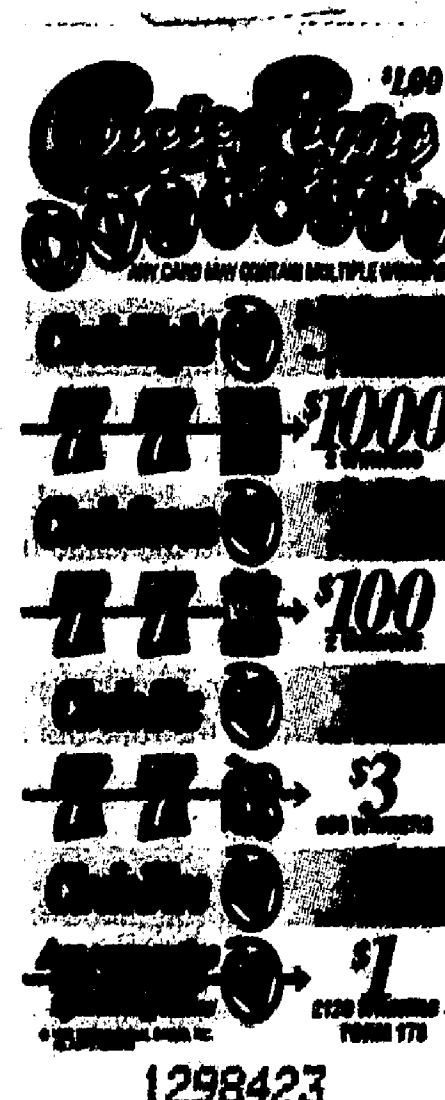
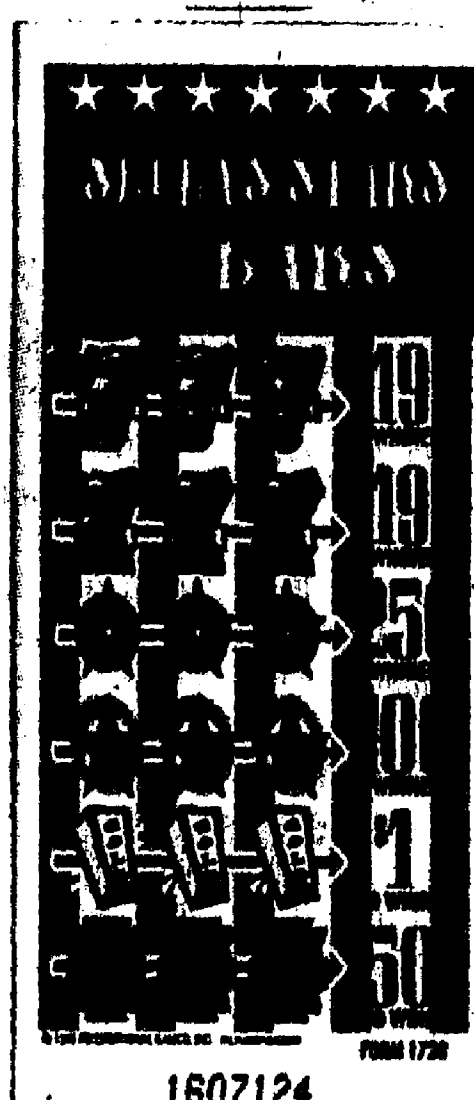


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