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ON THE SIDE

Second fort booster group is formed

A group of residents interested in turning Fort Stanton into "an economic and historic powerhouse" have formed Operation Old Fort Stanton.

The group is headed by Sally Burkstaller, who has generated interest in turning Fort Stanton into a living museum and a recreation and convention center. The new group's motto will be, "Where Yesterday Builds Tomorrow."

Lincoln County Commissioner L. Ray Nunley reported to the group Sept. 12 about his trip to Fort Robinson State Park, a similar operation in northwest Nebraska.

Anyone wishing to volunteer may contact Burkstaller at P.O. Box 38, Ruidoso, N.M. 88345.

Another group called Friends of Fort Stanton also is trying to save the historic fort, which is located about 12 miles northeast of Ruidoso.

Mescalero receives housing grant

The U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) has awarded a \$400,000 grant to support housing programs for low-income families on the Mescalero Apache Reservation.

The grant was awarded under HUD's Supportive Housing program that helps homeless providers acquire, build, renovate and operate facilities that serve homeless families and individuals.

"These funds will help many homeless people in south-central New Mexico gain access to the housing and supportive services they need to live independently," U.S. Sen. Pete Domenici (R-NM) said.

South Central Mountain RC&D's election Sept. 24

The annual meeting and election of officers for the South Central Mountain Recreation, Conservation and Development Council Inc. will be at 9:30 a.m. Tuesday, Sept. 24 at Bonito Lake's West Lake Campground.

Coffee and rolls will be served at 9:30 a.m. The meeting will begin at 10 a.m. Lunch and the continental breakfast combined are \$4 per person.



Warrior pride

Ernest Kadayso paints an Indian warrior on a First National Bank window as part of Ruidoso High School's Homecoming activities this week. The homecoming king and queen will be crowned at 6:45 p.m. tonight at Willie Horton Stadium. Then the Warriors take on the Tularosa Wildcats at 7:30 p.m. Homecoming week culminates with the homecoming dance from 8 p.m. to 11 p.m. Saturday.

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Ballfields, water in the works

by KATHLEEN McDONALD
Ruidoso News Staff Writer

Increased water supplies via the Grindstone Water Treatment Plant will be available next month, and other Ruidoso bond projects like a new baseball field will be ready for play in time for next year's seasons, village officials say.

In addition to the sewer work currently taking place (see separate story), seven voter-approved bond issue projects are taking tangible shape, and basically on schedule, Assistant Village Manager Alan

Briley said.

The \$6.65 million worth of bond issues were approved by voters in August 1995, and sold last December. Conceptual designs for the projects began in the winter, and some of the work has been put to bid.

Grindstone expands

The Grindstone Water Treatment Plant currently provides water to about one-third of village residents, but it will serve half the

village after expansion.

By Halloween, the plant will be capable of treating two million gallons of water a day, double of what it previously treated, Briley said.

The work, costing \$528,000, started in June.

Decant basins at the plant, which will catch backwash water and recycle it, should also be done on Oct. 31, officials said.

The basin work is costing \$276,720 and began last month.

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Bear cub on road to recovery

Junior the bear cub, hit by a car in Ruidoso Friday, is doing better three days after arriving

at a wildlife center in Espanola.

Although he still was in intensive care Thursday, the 7-

month-old cub was seeing more out of his right eye, eating well and walking better, said Dr. Kathleen Ramsey, director of the center and veterinary clinic.



Veterinarian Mary Jane Ferguson comforts Junior, a 7-month-old bear cub hit by a car in Ruidoso Friday. Ferguson treated the bear's head injury over the weekend. It was flown Monday to The Wildlife Center in Espanola, headed by Dr. Kathleen Ramsey.

"We took him off the IV and some of the swelling (in his head) has gone down," she said.

Junior was hit on Main Road in Upper Canyon Sept. 13 and treated at The Ruidoso Animal Clinic over the weekend, before being flown to Ramsey's clinic. He was suffering from head injuries, a detached retina and cuts to his paws.

When she is confident Junior is out of danger, he will be moved to a pen with other cubs, Ramsey said. Initially, he will be separated from the others by a wire fence. Eventually, the partition will be removed and he will pick out what cub to bond with over the winter, she said.

"We try to get the bears to 100 pounds for release (into the wild), and we're looking at spring for Junior, when the females come out with their cubs," Ramsey said.

Female bears exit their dens in May and June. Males come out earlier.

Chino seeks restraining order vs. U.S. attorney

□ Kelly demands immediate closure of casino in Monday meeting

by KATHLEEN McDONALD
Ruidoso News Staff Writer

After U.S. Attorney John Kelly visited Wendell Chino in Ruidoso Monday, Chino went to court.

Kelly had asked Chino, the Mescalero Apache Tribe president, to voluntarily shut down the tribe's casino. He said he expected a response from Chino in the next few days, said tribal spokeswoman Catherine Bedell.

"To my understanding, it was not related to Mr. Chino why he was doing this now," Bedell added.

Wednesday, two days after the meeting, Chino filed a motion in U.S. District Court requesting a temporary restraining order and preliminary injunction preventing Kelly from shutting down Casino Apache, a tribal press release said.

A hearing about the motion is scheduled for 9 a.m. Tuesday, Sept. 24 in Santa Fe with U.S. District Court Judge Martha Vazquez.

The Mescalero Tribe's motion says, "During this (Sept. 16) meeting, President Chino agreed to close if the Tenth Circuit found that nothing under federal law authorized gaming on the Mescalero Reservation."

Chino said in the press release that he is seeking the injunction to protect the tribe's 2,635 employees. Many would lose their jobs if the tribe's slot machines and card tables are shut down, he said.

The casino and the Ina Da Card Room are in the Inn of the Mountain Gods resort, about two miles from Ruidoso.

Kelly's spokesman, Ron Lopez, had no comment about the meeting

and said Kelly didn't either.

A temporary stay (delay) allowing casinos at nine state Indian pueblos to stay open was issued by Judge Vazquez in July. The pueblos requested the stay while they appeal her ruling that their casinos are illegal.

Previously, Kelly's office told *The Ruidoso News* that the stay did not protect casinos run by the Mescalero Jicarilla Apache. But First Assistant U.S. Attorney Robert Gorence said this summer that Kelly was waiting to take action on all of New Mexico's Indian casinos until the U.S. 10th Circuit Court of Appeals rules on the pueblos' appeal.

"It was not clear what provoked Kelly to make this request (for Casino Apache to close) prior to the Nov. 20 Tenth Circuit Court Hearing," Chino said in his release.

The Mescalero Apache gambling compact was ruled invalid by a federal court judge in June. The tribe is appealing that decision, Bedell said. The Jicarilla Apache casino also ruled illegal by a federal court in August. All three rulings say the governor exceeded his authority by signing the compacts without legislative approval.

Chino attended Monday's meeting with the tribe's attorney, Gregory Quinlan of Fettinger, Bloom & Quinlan, P.C. of Alamogordo.

The tribe's court motion says Kelly came to the meeting with an F.B.I. agent "in an attempt to intimidate President Chino and the tribe."

It also quoted Kelly as saying if Casino Apache is not closed, "enforcement efforts would immediately ensue." Kelly wouldn't say what type of enforcement he would take, the motion says.

However, tribal officials think "the presence of the F.B.I. agent is also an indicator of the type of enforcement that Mr. Kelly intends," the motion states.

County tax bills not expected to rise by sizable margin

by DIANNE STALLINGS
Ruidoso News Staff Writer

Unless the value of their houses or land increased, property taxpayers across Lincoln County will see little difference in their tax bills this November.

And as usual, taxpayers in Ruidoso will pay the highest rates.

In most of the county, property taxes will creep up slightly by 3% or 4%, but in a few areas such as Ruidoso Downs and Corona, taxes will decline as the long-term debts of their villages or school districts go down.

The overall value of property in the county for tax purposes increased by 4% from \$325.9 million in 1995 to \$339.3 million in 1996.

Slightly higher municipal, school and county tax levies, plus an increase in the special levy for the Ruidoso campus of Eastern New Mexico University, pushed up many tax rates.

The owner of a \$90,000 home in Ruidoso paid about \$1,057 in total property taxes in 1995 based on one-third of the home's value. The same owner will pay \$1,103 this year, about \$45 more, primarily because of the additional mill of support for the college, according to County Tax Assessor Patsy Serna.

Because no major property re-evaluation took place this year, most property values will stay the

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Councilors add parks and rec to plan, consider design for new athletic fields

Ruidoso Village councilors will talk about the future of parks and athletic fields in special meetings Monday at the Ruidoso Convention Center.

Then on Tuesday, they will hold their regular meeting at 6:30 p.m. in village hall.

At a workshop at 4 p.m. Monday, Sept. 23, councilors will discuss the village's five-year infrastructure capital improvement plan. Park and Recreation Department project priorities endorsed by the Parks and Rec Committee will be incorporated into the plan.

At 5 p.m. Monday, councilors will meet with the Ruidoso School Board to consider design plans for new athletic fields. This meeting will also be held at the convention center.

The public is invited to all council meetings.

Following is the agenda for the council's regular Tuesday meeting.

PRESENTATIONS

— Golden Aspen Rally Vice President Ron Andrews will make a presentation.

REGULAR ITEMS

— Request a waiver of the council's temporary moratorium on subdivisions.

— Schedule a public hearing on a zone amendment request to change the JB Close tract on Gavilan Canyon Road from commercial to industrial.

— Request for vacation of public right-of-way, lots 5A, block 5, lot 1A, block 2, Midway Townsite Subdivision.

— Consider a preliminary plat

and final plat for block L, K, and M, Middle Cedar Subdivision.

— Discussion of a policy for Lodger's Tax Committee members.

— Resolution 96-17, infrastructure capital improvement plan.

BOARD APPOINTMENTS

CONSENT REGULAR ITEMS

— Approve minutes from previous meeting.

— Authorize negotiations with the top-rated firm for geotechnical and materials testing engineer work.

— Award bid for water fittings and accessories.

— Consider out-of-state travel to Phoenix, Ariz. for the convention center department director.

— Consider out-of-state travel to Austin and San Antonio, Texas for the purchasing agent.

— Consider a grant agreement

with the state Highway and Transportation Department Traffic Safety Bureau for traffic enforcement.

— Consider Billy the Kid Scenic Byways joint powers agreement with the state of New Mexico Highway and Transportation Department for the visitors interpretive center.

OFFICIALS' REPORTS

MANAGER REPORTS

INFORMATION ITEMS:

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

NEW BUSINESS— Closed session:

— Discussion subject to the attorney-client privilege pertaining to threatened or pending litigation;

— Discussion of collective bargaining strategy.

Any votes must be taken in open session.

Alpine Village elects sanitation board members

Voters of Alpine Village held a special election Saturday, Sept. 14, to choose a new board of directors for its sanitation district. Elected to the board were Walter Argall, Ralph Johnson, and Majel Powell.

The election clerk drew lots following the election to determine the length of office for each of the newly elected board members. Ralph Johnson will serve two years, Walter Argall will serve four, and Majel Powell will serve six.

The AVSD directors meet the second Saturday of every month in an open meeting. Area residents are encouraged to attend. For answers to questions concerning board policies or further information about meeting places and time, Al-

pine Village residents may call 257-5783.

DWI blitz begins

State police are holding a DWI road blitz in the Ruidoso area through Sept. 22.

Ruidoso and Ruidoso Downs police will not be participating. Ruidoso DWI officer Dewayne Goss said local officers are too busy patrolling during the Golden Aspen Motorcycle Rally.

The designated state police DWI blitz period started Friday, Sept. 13, but Ruidoso-area media were not notified of the blitz until Tuesday, Sept. 17. State law requires prior notification to the media.

Attempts to reach the state patrol official listed on the press release were unsuccessful, and dispatchers said he was the only person who knew about the local blitz.

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Ruidoso wants more time to file protest against Mescalero land annexation

by KATHLEEN McDONALD
Ruidoso News Staff Writer

Ruidoso officials asked for a 30-day extension Tuesday to file a legal argument against the Mescalero Apache Tribe's annexation of property in Ruidoso.

The legal brief, appealing the Bureau of Indian Affairs' July decision to allow annexation of property and buildings on Carrizo Canyon Road, is due in Washington D.C. Monday.

But the village wants a deadline extension because it hasn't received 18 of the 40 documents the BIA Albuquerque area office based its annexation decision on, Assistant Village Attorney Chay Rennick said.

"We want access to everything," Rennick said. "There are some things we have not seen."

Rennick said this is one of the first annexation appeal cases before the BIA Interior Board of Appeals in Washington, D.C. The mechanism allowing for judicial review was established by the Interior Department in April, following a ruling by the U.S. Eighth Circuit Court of Appeals against an Indian land acquisition in South Dakota.

The board is unsure about its new role, and it is unclear what happens following its decision, Rennick said.

As part of an Aug. 16 docketing letter, this uncertainty was relayed to both parties by administrative Judge Anita Vogt. She asked the village and tribe to address in their briefs what they consider to be the

scope of the board's review authority.

The board told the village Sept. 10 it could request a deadline extension, Rennick said.

Because the board offered the extension, Rennick said he expects it will be granted. Notice should be received in the next few days, he said.

BIA documents not received by village officials include:

— the BIA's July 1 request for an opinion about the title to the land;

— BIA June 18 letters to Gov. Gary Johnson and the Lincoln County manager notifying them of the area office's intentions concerning the annexation, and Johnson's May 9 response;

— the Mescalero BIA Agency's May 21 notice to the area office that it was sending the annexation document package;

— the BIA's written intentions to hold the land in trust for the tribe;

— a May 10 title insurance policy with all proprietary financial information removed;

— a BIA June 18 decision notice;

— an April 24 certificate of inspection and possession of the property;

— a May 8 memorandum from the U.S. Fish and Wildlife service;

— a survey map;

— the BIA field office's Jan. 16 memorandum to the area office transmitting tribal council resolutions;

— and the Mescalero Tribal Council's Jan. 6 resolution approving a contract with a consultant.

Village officials filed a lengthy appeal soon after the BIA's July annexation approval, and the legal brief due Monday is an updated argument against the decision.

After the village files its argument, the tribe has 30 days to review the village's brief and file its own argument, and then the village gets another opportunity to respond.

When Ruidoso first filed its appeal, attorneys for the tribe and village started negotiating to resolve concerns.

In August, attorneys were removed from the negotiations at the request of Tribal President Wendell Chino, who said negotiations were getting bogged down by water issues. Since then, no further negotiations have been held, but Chino did send a letter to Mayor Jerry Shaw asking that the appeal not be pursued, Shaw said.

If disagreements can be resolved before the Interior board hearing, Ruidoso officials said they would drop the appeal.

The Ruidoso land was given to the tribe in November 1995 by Gaim-Ko, Inc., the company supplying gambling machines to the tribe's Inn of the Mountain Gods. The tribe then renamed the Carrizo Lodge the Mescalero Inn. Buildings on the site contain a restaurant, meeting room, laundry facilities, nightclub and sports bar.

BELEVE IT OR NOT It's time to begin planning for your parade entry in the Aspenfest 1996 parade on Saturday, October 5, 1996, at 9:30 AM. The week-end's theme this year will be "Ruidoso Then and Now." Aspenfest 1996 is a terrific opportunity to pay tribute to the beauty that surrounds us here in Ruidoso-Village 'Round Playground of the Southwest!

PARADE REGULATIONS

- Registration deadline is Friday, September 29, 1996.
- Float dimensions should not exceed: width - 13', length - 40' (including tow), and height - 13'.
- Absolutely no throwing candy, gum or other items from the floats. Candy is a staple of parades; however, adult outsiders can hand it out to children along the route by and and replenish their supplies from their parent float.
- All float and pick-up entries carrying children must have an accompanying adult on the float or in the bed of the pick-up.
- The parade will begin at the corner of Mechem Drive and Sudderth Drive with the line forming northbound up Mechem. The parade line-up must be completed by 9:00 AM. The parade will disband at 720 Sudderth Drive (Chamber of Commerce Building), although floats will have to continue to Carrizo Creek Rd. and Two Rivers Park for room to disband.
- There will be \$100.00 awarded for the 1st place float; \$50.00 for 2nd; and \$25.00 for 3rd. Prizes will also be awarded for the best decorated bicycles by children, as well as for children marching in the parade with their pets, in grades K-6.
- Registration Fees:

Political.....	\$75.00	Non-Floats (Vehicles, Horses, Etc.)	
Commercial.....	\$50.00	Political.....	\$40.00
Non-Profit.....	\$25.00	Commercial.....	\$30.00
		Non-Profit.....	\$10.00
		Children's Entries.....	Free (Pet parade & bike entries)

Please fill out and send in the entry form below by September 29, 1996, to: Ruidoso Valley Chamber of Commerce, Aspenfest '96, P.O. Box 698, Ruidoso, NM 88345. For more information call 505-257-7395 or 800-253-2255.

ASPFEST 1996 PARADE ENTRY FORM

Organization: _____ Contact: _____
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<input type="checkbox"/> Antique/Classic Car	<input type="checkbox"/> Three	<input type="checkbox"/> Mounted Individual	<input type="checkbox"/> Political float
<input type="checkbox"/> Decorated Pick-Up/Car	<input type="checkbox"/> Wheelchair/Motorcycle	<input type="checkbox"/> Miscellaneous	<input type="checkbox"/> Comm'l float
<input type="checkbox"/> Kid's Bike Entry (free)	<input type="checkbox"/> Wheel/Buggy		<input type="checkbox"/> Non-Profit float

Parade applications will be available at the Chamber of Commerce office.

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Projects

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Also at the plant, a large water main tying the existing water system to the Flume Canyon/Chelsea Drive area should be completed by Sept. 30, Assistant Village Manager Alan Briley said.

This will improve water flow and pressure in that area, he said. The new line costs \$125,465. Construction began last month.

New waterlines
Beginning around November and two-inch galvanized waterlines all over town will be replaced with six-inch lines to increase capacity, volume and flow.

Streets will be torn up for the work.

The \$1 million job will begin right after the project is put to bid in November. Designs should be completed at the end of the month, Briley said.

The Country Club Estates Subdivision will receive the first of the new lines, with the \$300,000 job completed around March 1997.

The second phase of water line replacement work, planned for 28 different streets, will also start around November and end in March 1997. It will cost an estimated \$300,000.

Pegged waterlines are in the following subdivisions: Palmer Gateway; Two Rivers Park; Ruidoso Pine Lodge; Silver Mountain; White Fir; Ponderosa Heights, and Town Country Estates.

Athletic fields

Although plans are still being finalized for new playing fields by the White Mountain Elementary School complex, officials say they'll be ready for next year's baseball and soccer seasons.

Councilors have set a meeting for 5 p.m. Monday, Sept. 23 at the Ruidoso Convention Center to jointly authorize bids for the \$1 million

project with Ruidoso school officials and Park and Recreation Department officials.

Work contracts will include a guarantee that the varsity baseball field will be finished by Feb. 1 — the start of the ball season, Briley said.

Similar deadlines will be included for the soccer fields, requiring that those three or four fields be completed by the spring soccer season, he added.

"If it's a hard winter, there might not be grass," Briley said of the baseball field. "But we will have some sort of playable field surface ready by spring."

Building expansions

A new village library should be open for use by Christmas 1997, and the senior center expansion will be finished a few months later.

Conceptual designs for the new, \$1.6 million library are done, and about 20% of the final designs are finished, Briley said.

The library will be built next to village hall on Katsaga City Drive, and will take about one year to construct.

Both the library and the \$350,000 village hall expansion will be put to bid in November. It will be up to the contractor whether the projects can be built concurrently. If not, the village hall work will start right after the library is completed.

Around the time the library is completed, the \$100,000 renovation of the existing Sudderth Drive library into a senior center will start.

Also next month, the \$100,000 expansion of the Ruidoso Convention Center for storage space will start. Work should be completed by Decemb. 1996, officials said.

Lincoln County RESIDENTIAL Taxable Values and Mills				
	1992		1995	
	TAXABLE VALUE	MILLS	TAXABLE VALUE	MILLS
Ruidoso	122,484,823	26.772	119,003,830	35.244
Ruidoso Downs	6,437,553	27.762	7,574,930	29.056
Outside Ruidoso	11,757,221	21.860	11,133,964	20.233
Carrizozo	2,472,440	31.283	2,515,256	27.631
Outside Carrizozo	2,980,227	22.170	2,762,740	19.283
Corona	405,931	20.343	348,399	21.233
Outside Corona	1,070,524	16.278	1,051,922	17.214
Hondo Valley	4,498,894	21.833	4,286,326	21.350
Capitan	4,693,329	29.284	4,323,448	29.698
Outside Capitan	63,750,417	16.767	59,777,857	16.274

Lincoln County NONRESIDENTIAL Taxable Values and Mills				
	1996		1995	
	TAXABLE VALUE	MILLS	TAXABLE VALUE	MILLS
Ruidoso	38,322,915	41.933	37,034,825	40.281
Ruidoso Downs	7,852,378	33.688	7,388,862	34.378
Outside Ruidoso	9,578,482	26.204	10,000,222	24.338
Carrizozo	1,831,686	33.992	1,801,327	32.184
Outside Carrizozo	6,406,750	26.462	6,327,278	23.149
Corona	607,537	24.459	525,884	24.954
Outside Corona	15,983,921	20.465	14,405,574	20.946
Hondo Valley	7,610,144	26.077	7,750,370	25.164
Capitan	2,330,637	33.809	2,403,499	33.545
Outside Capitan	25,842,820	20.991	25,555,027	20.003

Bills

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sams. Last year's countywide re-evaluation effort resulted in a 17% or \$46.9 million increase in taxable value.

Deputy assessor Doug Whittaker said any re-evaluations this year were tied to building permits that triggered inspections by the tax assessor's staff.

About \$8,132,622 was added to county tax values from new construction, Serna said. Another \$1,622,166 came from increases in

land value when lots passed from a subdivider to an individual owner, such as at Ranches of Sonterra on Sierra Blanca Airport Road, she said.

The rest of the increase in property values came from utilities, the railroad, and gas pipelines, Serna said.

Those paying the highest residential and non-residential property taxes in the county live in Ruidoso.

While residential property values increased by \$3.68 million

(3%) in Ruidoso, the total tax levy edged up 4% from 35.244 mills to 38.772 mills. One mill is equal to \$1 for each \$1,000 of taxable property value. Property in New Mexico is taxed on one-third of its value.

Non-residential property values in Ruidoso rose \$1.28 million (3%) to \$38.2 million, with the tax rate increasing 4% from 40.281 mills to 41.933 mills.

Small increases occurred in the millage for the county's operational budget, as well as Ruidoso's budget

and debt service, but more than one mill was added to the college's operational allocation.

The lowest tax rate in the county is paid by residential property owners living outside Corona at the northern edge of the county. They will pay 16.278 mills, down 5% from last year (please see chart).

The deadline for property value protests has passed and was tied to notices sent out March 15. Appeals of tax bills must be filed in district court.



Planning ahead

Ruidoso Planning and Zoning Commissioners review requests at the Monday, Sept. 16 meeting. Pictured are (left to right) Van Patton, Leroy Nowells, Ovella Estes, and Linda Flack. Four commissioners attended the meeting, just enough for a quorum. One of the agenda items couldn't be heard because it was to be presented by Patton, who would have had to dismiss himself from the commission for that item, thereby leaving too few remaining members to vote.

Correction

An article in the Sept. 6 issue of *The Ruidoso News* incorrectly reported that failure to make quorum is one reason the Ruidoso Planning and Zoning Commission is moving its meetings to Tuesdays from Mondays.

Meeting delays have resulted when a commission quorum is short by one member, but only twice in eight years has the commission failed to make quorum, Commissioner Ovella Estes said. Four of the seven members need to be present for a quorum.

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FRI	DJ MIKE B. Spinning the Latest in Dance, House, Techno, Hip-Hop Old School, Retro & Even Country! 9 p.m. to Close. No Cover.
SAT	STAND-UP COMEDY SHOWCASE DJ Bush After Show Till Close 9 p.m. to ? \$3 Cover for Show. No Cover after Show.

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It's the "Big 30" Sale at Rocky Mountain Sports

Rocky Mountain Sports is celebrating Cindi's biggest (and oldest) birthday ever and we want you to join in on the fun!
One week only, September 23-29.

All specialized Mountain bikes are on sale at spectacular Birthday savings!

Hardrock	\$200
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OPINION

EDITORIAL

Let's give a big hand for those orange barrels

People who regularly watch Albuquerque television are quite familiar with orange barrels, those ubiquitous bright plastic markers that divert traffic while work is being done on streets or sewer lines or water lines or gas lines or buried power lines or phone lines...

Ruidoso has had a bit of a respite from those creatures, since completion of the Main Street project in Midtown a year or so ago, but another invasion is in the works.

Sudderth, between Carrizo Canyon and Paradise Canyon Road, is under the gun right now, for up to 90 days (work was supposed to start Tuesday, but has been delayed until this coming Monday, officials said). Right behind, maybe overlapping, will be more work on Sudderth toward Upper Canyon.

Later on, water lines will be upgraded in a variety of neighborhoods: Country Club Estates, Palmer Gateway, Two Rivers Park, Ruidoso Pine Lodge, Silver Mountain, White Fir, Ponderosa Heights, Town and Country Estates.

When workmen start tearing up streets, traffic is interrupted or slowed, tempers rise, and letters to public officials and newspapers increase in number.

One thing about it, though, orange barrels are symbolic of more than interrupted traffic. They're signs of a growing community.

Show us a town that never has hosted a flock of orange barrels and we'll show you one that's dying on the vine.

The village is tackling infrastructure problems on many fronts, and that's just the beginning: in the works are more athletic fields, enlargement of municipal offices, convention center renovations, a brand new library building, and a bigger senior center. That means somebody's routine will be disrupted at one time or another.

Let's just keep in mind that major investments are ahead to make Ruidoso a better, more comfortable place to live.

So, let's hope residents and visitors alike can keep their cool...and let those orange barrels roll.



LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Help Indians, don't hinder them

TO THE EDITOR:

Why don't we get off the Indians' back? Everything they try to do, it seems we want to put a roadblock in front of it. The recent article on the bank teller machines is a good example. They are not out there for the benefit of the Indians, they're out there for the convenience of the tourists, and tourists are the lifeblood of our community.

Let's remember, they had permission from the governor of the State of New Mexico to put the gambling, and they have spent a bunch of money to make the Inn a great place to come and gamble if that's what you want.

As for annexing the old Carrizo Lodge, why give them so much flack? Have you been out there to see what they have done with it? If what they have done is a good example of what they do with annexed property, I'm for letting them annex some more.

I think most people would be surprised at how many people are on the payroll out there, and a whole bunch of them are not Native Americans.

I am having my best year ever in my small business, and a lot of my success is due to the tourists that come here to enjoy the casino. Why don't we help them and not hinder them? Write letters to our lawmakers in Santa Fe and tell them how much the casino means to our village.

Tom Forister
Ruidoso

Bear hunter responds to attacks

TO THE EDITOR:

To the residents of Upper Canyon who are offended by bear hunting, I would like to apologize for upsetting you.

Especially to the lady that was throwing handfuls of dirt and rocks at us. Also to the lady that said she would kill my dogs if she could get her hands on them. And not to forget the lady that called us names that would make a mechanic blush in shame. Last, but not least, the lady who calls my house each night with questions about my ancestry.

To the lady that said I baited dumpsters: baiting a dumpster would be about as smart as sticking your hand in a bucket of scorpions.

To C.E. Campbell: I've probably logged about a hundred miles on foot for every bear I've caught, but my heart filled with joy when you explained to me in your letter that hunting with dogs is a lazy way to hunt. I was thinking I might be getting too old to hunt. Maybe you could take me hunting with you sometime, and we could drag up a couple lawn chairs and shoot some doves by a waterhole. That way I

have a chance to soak up some more of your lofty wisdom.

By the way, if your buffer zone around Ruidoso is created, would that mean that those people feeding bears would have to walk to your boundary line to feed the bears?

Mr. Campbell I don't think hunters need you guiding their backsides.

To all petition signers: If your petition is successful and a child was attacked and killed by a desperate, hungry, or aggressive bear, would you stop by the funeral home and explain it to the child's parents?

Bears are still wild animals, no matter how cute they look on your deck, and can be totally unpredictable. A sow with cubs, for instance, will do anything to protect her young.

To Mr. Volquardsen: I'm especially sorry that violence and inherent danger have been lurking outside your door since bear season began. I'm sure that you could calm down if you picked out a "real" problem to attack. Examples — the welfare system, drug problems, unemployment, etc.

Mark Hughes
Capitan

Disagree with bear hunter's comments

TO THE EDITOR:

This letter is in direct response to Mark Hughes' letter dated 9-13-96. Mr. Hughes has missed the point entirely. He professionally guided a 14-year-old with a gun in a highly populated residential area on a bear hunt. He allowed this boy to fire the gun in this area without regard for the safety of others or their property.

Mr. Hughes is trying to insinuate that the residents of the Upper Canyon "constantly feed" the bears. I don't believe so, the bears raid the dumpsters in the area for food. Mr. Hughes took advantage of this fact for his personal gain, he forgot to mention that, didn't he? As for the "inherent danger from an illegally fed bear," I don't believe I have ever seen a bear with a gun. Hunting accidents (human error) happen more often than bear attacks. According to New Mexico Game & Fish, there were 526 bears shot last year alone. How many real bear attacks did you hear about?

Mr. Hughes goes on to state that man knows more about protecting any species than does Mother Nature. My question to that is, what did Mother Nature do for those thousands of years man was not here? The bears were here long before man was.

I am not an unformed fanatic. There is a proper place to hunt bears if you must. It should NOT be in or close to any residential area. Reading out of the 96-97 Proclamation of Seasons put out

by the N.M. Game & Fish Dept., it states it is unlawful to "Discharge a firearm within 150 yds. of an inhabited dwelling or other building, except abandoned or vacated buildings, without permission of its owner or lessee." According to my eyewitness, he was well within the specified yardage and had no permission by landowners.

In closing I was glad to see the village charge both the boy and Mr. Hughes for firing a weapon inside the city limits. If Mr. Hughes only receives the full six months in jail and \$500 fine, he should be thankful that no one was accidentally hurt or worse. I am still going on with the petition to stop hunting within at least 500 yds. of the village limits or any residential area. I believe that in this case, the needs of the many outweigh the needs of the few.

Rick Volquardsen, president
Arm the Bears Committee
(By Human Intervention)
Ruidoso

What are we to think of Clinton?

TO THE EDITOR:

Regardless of opinions, I am about as non-partisan as they get. I put myself on my back for my freedom to vote for candidates of my choice. Not the Democratic Party selection or the Republican Party selection, but my selection, regardless of affiliation.

I have read about and wondered about the incumbent president. Also, I have read about and wondered about Senator Dole.

It was announced on the Today Show that Senator Dole is 21 points behind the incumbent in the polls. This is a big spread and I wonder why? Could it be that the voters approve of the incumbent's actions against the tobacco industry or his approval of the Republican Welfare Bill? Could it be, because of his words about the family and children?

All three are areas of merit and regardless of the power of money, in the tobacco industry the majority of people have to agree that tobacco is a drug. It is just as insidious as heroin, morphine or any other addictive substance. We see emphysema, cancer, impaired hearts and many other diseases as a direct result of the tobacco industry's ability to tie their customers to their products by addiction. Even smokers resent being played as a sucker by the lies of it's advertising. The power of the tobacco industry

as a financial giant is negated by the suffering and terrible expenses created by this drug. Incumbent Bill Clinton knew exactly what he was doing by placing tobacco under the FDA. He could do nothing but gain in the polls.

The welfare bill? Republicans and Democrats, both knew the welfare direction needed to be changed. The affected recipients were a small group compared to the total number that were watching the abuse of their tax dollars. Another gain for the incumbent.

The continuing reference to family and children, by the incumbent, a subject automatically removed from controversy and acknowledged by psychologists to be a must for the politically ambitious. Nothing will endear the public to a cause or individual more than a strong stand supporting children and family. A natural plus for the incumbent.

Slick Willie? A suitable name for a cartoon character but not this man! No! This man is a calculating genius. He knows exactly what he is doing.

Then there are other sides of the incumbent. Immorality. This one is effectively "downplayed" by his staff and constituents so that it will probably have no effect on the outcome of the election. Sexual immorality seems to be an accepted fact by many voters.

The old cliché that "BIRDS OF A FEATHER GATHER TOGETHER" makes us wonder as to the true character of Bill Clinton. We have seen appointees, close friends and former associates of the president incarcerated for their actions and the incumbent denying their effects, as an innocent among thieves. We see a suicide by his close friend and White House head, and now the resignation of his principal campaign manager, in disgrace as an adulterer. We read of the denunciations of Arkansas State Police officers and the descriptions of a dirty White House both verbally and drug related. Draft dodger, liar and cheat are common descriptions of this man. Are they correct? Or should we consider such massive denunciations as inconsequential?

We have heard political leaders make the plea for eliminating character assassination in speeches and yet the ones who have made it possible are the reporters, commentators and writers who have revealed all of what we have learned.

The final question for all of us is: How do we vote?

Roberta B. Schuller
Ruidoso

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The Narrows opens up to different world

On the Border of Golden Fall
In the Mountain Land

This is being sent to you just at high noon on Sept. 19 and will reach you on Sept. 20. That means this will be the last message I will send on this summer, because the first day of fall falls on Sept. 23.

On the 19th the east wind and the steady rain came in a half, pushed back by a brisk west wind which brought a sudden weather change all in a day.

Since then the skies have been pure blue, but the nights have been a cool 42 degrees, bringing you a message of the approach of fall. Still as you look out this morning at the sunlit meadow sparkling in dew-drop jewelry, it is all a picture of summertime, with all the leaves and the grass several shades of green.

Yet, as you drive up the way just after you get out of "The Narrows" there at the Fox Cave and the Riverside Campground and the valley opens up, you are in a different world.

A world of early fall. Jack Frost has not been through there himself, but he has sent in his advance guard, which has decorated the mountain world with the very earliest of fall



The Silver Lining

DANIEL AGNEW STORM
COLUMNIST

leaf colors.

There on the right, as you make the turn, a woodbine covers a small cliff turning into a wall of leaves suddenly turned autumn crimson.

The winding parade of box elder trees on the riverbank are all touched with orange-amber; and the oakbrush all along the hillsides to the south have turned yellow-green all in one day.

All along the way, the sunflowers — the emblems of summer's welcome to the fall — are in full color high on their stalks, which have now reached their full height. And all along the wayside, like little brothers of the

sunflower, all sizes of golden New England daisies all present a display of golden autumn celebration.

A Dividing Point

In other words, "the narrows" is a kind of dividing point between the lower and the upper Ruidoso Valley.

Very soon now, the aspens on high will add their shining gold to the many colored autumn leaf pageant, in joyful celebration of autumn in the mountain land.

The Apple Season

The apple season is here in the Ruidoso-Hondo Valley, and over toward Bent and Mesalero, and later on the upper Bonito.

Later on the wild cherries will be ripe in the upper reaches along the borders of the White Mountains.

So now we come into the harvest time of the year, a favorite season worldwide.

So let us rejoice and be glad along with all the creatures of Mother Earth, always thankful to our Lord for all our blessings.

RUIDOSO'S FOUR-DAY WEATHER OUTLOOK

SATURDAY High...72
Low...35



Mostly sunny

SUNDAY High...74
Low...37



Partly cloudy

MONDAY High...72
Low...37



Partly cloudy

TUESDAY High...68
Low...35



Partly cloudy

WEATHER ALMANAC

Ruidoso readings	High	Low	Precipitation
Tuesday	72	43	.00"
Wednesday	71	41	.00"
Thursday	67	39	.00"

Regional-Friday	High	Low	Forecast
Albuquerque	74	43	Partly cloudy
El Paso, TX	88	57	Sunny
Lubbock, TX	82	48	Sunny
Midland, TX	85	54	Sunny

Phases of the moon

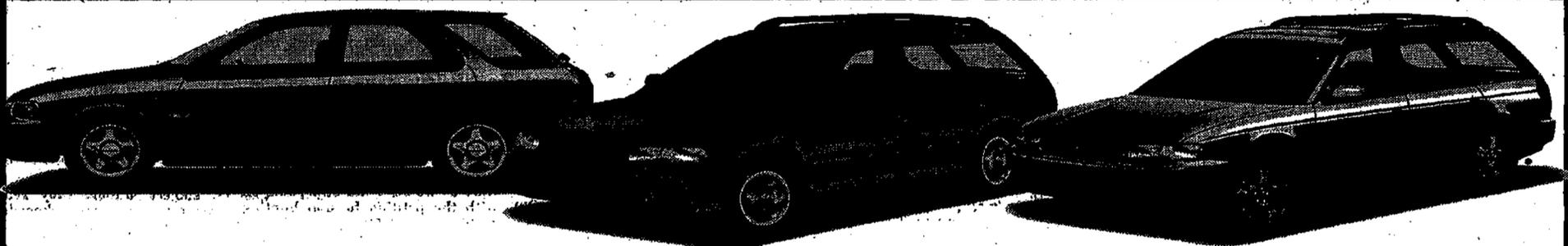


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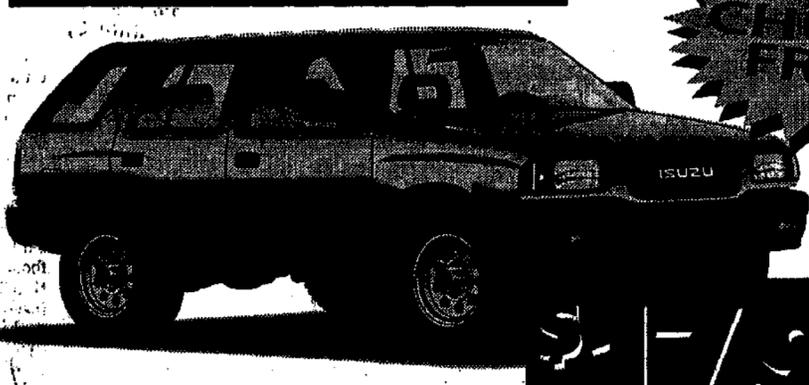
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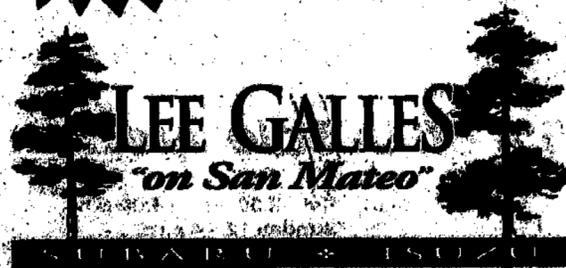
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BUSINESS

New owners take store beyond southwest

by PAMELA CROMWELL
Ruidoso News Staff Writer

Sierra Southwest Outlet is undergoing a transformation. New owners Candace Alexander and Judith Glaser are taking the Southwest furniture store beyond its original design by adding hard-to-find artifacts, antiques, and collectibles.

"We're Southwest and a whole lot more," Alexander said.

Developing a clientele of discerning men and women, Sierra is going for a blend of traditional southwestern motifs with "the prettier side" of classical designs, such as lace and florals, Alexander said.

Sierra is a whole new retail experience for Alexander, who bought the store in May with her partner and cousin Glaser.

"I've owned two other retail stores," Alexander said. "This one has been a great learning experience because it's unlike any other retail store in its variety and method of gaining stock and inventory."

Sierra receives several special distributions, including Cherokee folk art in limited editions. Well-

known Cherokee woodworker Tommy Leigh sends Sierra his walking sticks, and the last surviving maker of Cherokee buffalo grass dolls distributes through Sierra.

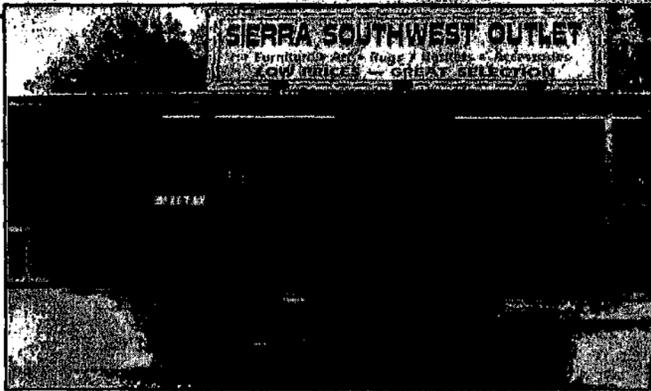
From Mexico, Sierra receives carved black clay pots from a small Mexican tribe.

"As an artist I appreciate quality workmanship," Alexander said. "We want unique arts and crafts that carry on Ruidoso's Southwestern tradition."

Alexander is a watercolor artist who recently moved here from Montana after 15 years in Australia. Her cousin and partner Judith Glaser is a registered nurse from Memphis, Tenn. Alexander's sister Janet Hagen, from California, works in the store.

"We decided to spend our retirement years together," Alexander said.

Alexander and her family have moved permanently to the Ruidoso area and are community oriented, Alexander said. They want to keep production for Sierra local, using lo-



Candace Alexander and Judith Glaser bought Sierra Southwest Outlet in May and are transforming it into more than a furniture store.

cal picture framers, local furniture builders, and local artisans.

Alexander herself is an artisan, designing furniture she intends to copyright and market as art.

"The furniture has a Southwestern flavor with an extra kick," Alexander said.

Alexander and Glaser are the

third owners to run Sierra Southwest Outlet, but ownership is not central to the store's identity, Alexander said.

"The store is evolving into its own entity," she said. "We will hold a unique place in the market because we're not copying anyone."

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by BRUCE KERNODLE
Ruidoso Valley

Chamber of Commerce Internet is changing the way Ruidoso does business. For your business, being "on-line" can mean using the World Wide Web to reach potential customers who are interested in Ruidoso.

You don't really have to be connected as a user to utilize the Web in this way. Any more than you have to be a subscriber to a magazine to advertise in it. You don't even need to know anything about computers.

Ruidoso has a community site on the World Wide Web to provide a variety of information about the village. A site like this is sometimes called a "home page" or a "web page," it is really a sort of electronic color brochure.

In the first few pages of the brochure, we have a table of contents, general information, area attractions, upcoming events, outdoor activities and nightlife. This community part of the brochure is non-commercial, and has been put together by a group of volunteers.

The commercial section of the Web site includes individual pages for businesses that want to display additional information, what you might call electronic advertisements.

Most of these pages were prepared by local designers who put them together in a way

similar to other forms of graphic advertising.

If you are already on-line and would like to visit the Ruidoso web site, here is the address: <http://ruidoso.usa.net>

If that looks a little like hieroglyphics to you, remember that this was all developed in UNIX shorthand. UNIX is a powerful programming language that bears only a vague resemblance to English.

But once you get to the Ruidoso Home Page, you can move from page to page with just a click of the mouse.

With addresses like the one above, you can see that finding anything on the World Wide Web could be difficult. It has been likened to trying to find something in a building with 50 million unmarked doors.

So in the next column, we will talk about "search engines," which are powerful tools to help you find things on the Web — and to help users everywhere find Ruidoso and your business.

"net.news" is a regular column meant to educate the business community about Internet. Bruce Kernodle is a member of the Chamber of Commerce Internet volunteers.

If you have Internet questions you'd like answered in "net.news," you may call Pamela Cromwell at 257-4001 or the Ruidoso Valley Chamber of Commerce at 257-7395.

BUSINESS BRIEFS

Deadline nears for entering floats in Aspenfest parade

The Ruidoso Valley Chamber of Commerce is calling for Aspenfest Parade entries. The 1996 parade is scheduled for Oct. 5, and this year's theme is "Ruidoso, Then And Now."

Parade applications are now available at the Chamber of Commerce. Registration deadline is Sunday, Sept. 29.

The theme honors the 50th anniversaries of the Village of Ruidoso, *The Ruidoso News*, and the Ruidoso Downs Race Track. Ron Anderson is Aspenfest chairman.

"Due to the significance of these organizations to our community, the Aspenfest committee wanted to announce the theme early so that everyone could have ample time to plan their floats," Anderson said.

The Aspenfest Parade will begin at the corner of Mechem and Sudderth drives and will disband at the Chamber of Commerce, 720 Sudderth, because of road construction planned at this time from Carrizo Road to the intersection at Paradise Canyon Road.

Parade participants are charged the following fees: \$75 for political floats, \$50 for commercial floats, \$25 for non-profit floats; non-float participants (vehicles, horses, etc.) pay \$40 for political, \$30 for commercial, and \$10 for other. Children entries for the bike and pet parade are free.

For more information about Aspenfest and the parade, call the Chamber of Commerce at 257-7395.

La Junta turns 33

La Junta Guest Ranch is celebrating its 33rd year in busi-

ness next month. The Alto lodge was first opened in 1963, and it has been owned by the same family since 1970.

Katherine Finley Slocum, who bought La Junta this August with her husband Scott, was 3 years old when her grandparents Robert and Katherine Finley first bought the lodge. History repeats itself, as the Slocums now have their own 3-year-old girl, Emily.

The Slocums are celebrating La Junta's 33rd anniversary with a private party.

retirement remodeling his home in Little Creek Estates.

Women in business convene next week

Women in business may want to mark their calendars to attend the 1996 New Mexico Women's Business conference on Sept. 23-24 at the Holiday Inn Pyramid in Albuquerque.

Fifty-six skilled business professionals from throughout the country will share their expertise, emphasizing "real-life real-world" issues affecting women in business. The conference offers a menu of 25 carefully selected seminar topics which reflect the needs of businesswomen throughout the state.

Training in important business skills such as networking, resource-building, technical skills and collaborative skills will be mixed with fun.

Cost for the two-day conference is \$99, all inclusive. Conference rate overnight accommodations are available at the Holiday Inn Pyramid.

The American Express Company has provided funding for full and partial scholarships to those who need financial assistance. Scholarships are available on a first-come, first-served basis.

Applications for the conference and scholarship forms are available through WESST Corp, the Women's Economic Self-Sufficiency Team. Call 1-800-GOWESST or contact Roberta Ahlness, regional manager for southeastern New Mexico at 505-624-9850.

The 1996 New Mexico Women's Business Conference is managed by WESST Corp in collaboration with dedicated volunteers from the business community.



Debbie Niece

Nail technician joins salon

The staff of Magic Touch Spa Salon is pleased to welcome Debbie Niece, professional nail technician, formerly of Rudy's Hair Salon of San Angelo, Texas, and Heads Up Hair Design of Odessa, Texas.

Niece specializes in the art of natural nail treatments and care for the hands and feet of both men and women.

"She can help you acquire and maintain your own beautiful, healthy nails," said Magic Touch owner Karen Laine.

"Whether you are a nail-biter or one who has hidden your own nails under acrylics for years, I can help you," Niece said.

All manicures and pedicures include a relaxing massage of the hands or feet. Along with Aroma-Oil and Men's Grooming manicures and pedicures, Niece includes hand and foot spa treatments such as hydroxy-acid peels, aromatherapy moisture masks, herbology conditioning and warm paraffin wraps.

Niece schedules appointments Monday through Saturday at Magic Touch Spa Salon, 257-7777.



Al Lane

Executive officer retires from local board of Realtors

After 14 years as executive officer for the Ruidoso Board of Realtors and the Multiple Listing Service, Al Lane retired Thursday.

Lane was in real estate sales from 1977 to 1982, and he is a past president of the Board of Realtors. Lane said he would spend his

New homes boost August construction values

After collecting building data on the three-mile-zone surrounding Ruidoso for five months, officials estimated about one-third of new residential permits are issued in that area.

Until May, the area in the three-mile "extraterritorial zone" was grouped with Ruidoso stats. Now, permits for new buildings in this zone are measured separately.

Village officials issue permits for the extraterritorial zone and have the authority to control development there, village inspection division secretary Joyce McMath explained.

"Because of the water shortage and limitations we have on expansion, we're just trying to get a true picture of where most of the construction is taking place," McMath said. "Other studies are going on, too, to develop a master plan for the future."

The village has not yet separated in-town and extraterritorial construction values and new commercial building permits, McMath said. Officials have no plans to separate extraterritorial permits and values for remodeling.

Ruidoso's newly-released August construction values (including extraterritorial zone values) are up 19.6% compared to last year, mainly because of a 62% increase in construction values for new single-

family dwellings and a 507% increase in the value of commercial remodeling.

New residential construction values (including the extraterritorial zone) went from \$684,967 in August 1995 to \$1,107,364 this August. Seven residential building permits were issued in Ruidoso this August, compared to five last August.

Commercial remodeling last August was valued at \$10,403. This past August, the total reached \$63,234 thanks to a \$58,304 project in the Buckner Subdivision at 700 Mechem.

Year to date, total construction value in Ruidoso is up 1.74% and permits rose from 450 to 625, a 39% increase.

Following are building comparisons for August:

— Single family dwellings: value up 62% from \$684,967 to \$1,107,364; permits up from five to 10 (3 permits in the extraterritorial zone);

— New commercial: value down from \$4,000 to zero; no permits issued this August, one issued last August;

— Commercial remodeling: value up 507% from \$10,403 to \$63,234; three permits issued this August compared to two issued last August.



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Hunters in the Mescalero forest found this 1988 Chevy Camaro Tuesday. It belonged to Alex J. Hill, a Roswell man who committed suicide in Ruidoso in July, police said.

Hunters find missing car owned by man who committed suicide

by KATHLEEN McDONALD
Ruidoso News Staff Writer

The missing car of a man who committed suicide in July in Ruidoso was found on the Mescalero Apache Reservation Tuesday.

Alex J. Hill of Roswell committed suicide at an Upper Canyon cabin in July. A suicide note was found in the cabin. Hill's 1988 Chevy Camaro contained six more suicide notes and it was stuffed with personal items, detective Jim Biggs said.

Hunters found the yellow sports car deep in the woods, around the Pena Canyon area where Hill had told friends he lost it, Biggs said.

The car was not on a road, but near a game trail about 1.6 miles off Chief Court road. It was blocked by some large fallen trees which had to be removed by chainsaws, Biggs said.

Hill had allegedly told friends several hours before his July 11 suicide that he had been abducted by two men and he lost his car. But the personal items in the car filled all but the driver's seat, making it nearly impossible for two others to be seated, Biggs said.

The detective added that there was never any sign Hill had actually been abducted, and there were never any other suspects in the 36-year-old's death. Hill died alone from a self-inflicted gunshot wound

to his head while staying alone at a friend's cabin, Biggs said.

Inside pockets of the clothes Hill wore, police found car keys and a poker chip from the Mescalero's Casino Apache, Biggs said.

Suicide notes located in the car Tuesday were similar to another note written by Hill and found in the cabin. In that message, Hill said more could be learned from notes inside his lost car, Biggs said.

They all revealed Hill was troubled by multiple losses in life, that he lacked money and friends, and that his body ached from breaking horses, Biggs related.

None of the notes about losses specifically referred to gambling, police said.

Other items filling the car were several books about horses and farm maintenance, a two-foot by three-foot painting of a man on a horse, photos, clothing, cans, a basket, and markers.

"It basically looked like he'd gathered stuff in a flurry and threw it in the car," Biggs said.

Several hours before ending his life, Hill called some Tularosa friends from the Mescalero Tribal

Store and asked them for a ride to Ruidoso. He told them he was abducted from the Casino Apache parking lot by two armed men waiting in his car, Biggs said.

Hill told friends the men took him down a Mescalero forest logging road and assaulted him, but he escaped on foot, unharmed, police related.

Hill brought his friends to the area where he said the abductors took him, but then said he could not locate his car, police said.

His friends dropped him off at the Ruidoso cabin where he had been staying since July 8. They also lent him a gun because he told them he was afraid. The friends later contacted his sister in Roswell, police said.

She called police around 10:30 that night asking officers to check on her brother. About an hour later an officer checked the cabin, where the lights and TV were aglow, but left when no one answered the door, police said.

With Hill's sister and friend, police entered the cabin around 1:50 a.m. and found Hill's body, police said.



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Capitan business owner gives Head Start temporary home



Debra Ingle came to the rescue last month when the local businesswoman heard Capitan's Head Start might have to shut down.

The program was notified by Capitan school officials that because of higher than expected regular school-age enrollment, every room in the school complex was needed. The program has been housed in the elementary school since its inception several years ago.

Ingle offer temporary space for the 20 children in Head Start at her Country Store next to the Smokey Bear Restaurant. She remodeled some areas of the building and became involved in the children's food and nutrition, said

Carben Chavez, director of Lincoln County Head Start.

"Longrange, the Head Start program in Capitan will need to find a permanent facility in the community," she added. By federal standards, the building must have 35 square feet of space for each of the 20 children.

A request has been submitted to the federal Children, Youth and Families administrative office in Dallas for a modular building, she said.

"In the interim, we are seeking a building space that would serve the program long term in the event that federal dollars are not allocated this year," Chavez said.

The staff and parents involved in Head Start expressed their ap-

preciation to Ingle for her temporary help, she said.

Ingle told Chavez she would do for whatever was necessary to keep the program going, Chavez said.

"I have seen how Head Start has helped these children," Ingle told Chavez.

Research on the benefits of the program show that students involved in Head Start are less likely to become high school dropouts, Chavez said. Parents in the program get involved in life-long skills trainings and parenting classes that benefit the entire family system, she said.

For more information about building requirements and other ways to help the program, contact Chavez at 257-4025.

Belting out a tune

Brandon Caughran, left, Joshua Castañeda and Betsy Hobbs sing along with a karaoke machine earned by Capitan Elementary students whose relatives and friends dropped off grocery receipts from Furr's. The school collected \$300,000 in receipts and also received two VCR/television combinations and 30 calculators. The second grade class of Laura Jones, standing, brought in the most receipts. Carole Caughran, seated, is Furr's Apples For the Students coordinator.

Four honored at church's reunion

Four long-time members of Capitan United Methodist Church were honored Sunday during the church's "Homecoming '96" celebration.

Lois Wilkinson Aldrich, Doris

Turner Pounds, Bill Edgar and Frances Gardenshire Shaw were recognized by other members and those visiting for their faithful service to the church and Capitan community.



Honored at the homecoming celebration at the United Methodist Church in Capitan were (clockwise from left) Lois Wilkinson Aldrich, Bill Edgar, Frances Gardenshire Shaw and Doris Pounds.



New faces

Beverly Blank, left, and Betty Adcock are new teachers this year at Capitan Elementary. Blank teaches first grade and Adcock handles kindergarten.

Livestock sold by five at state

Three Capitan students and two from Glencoe sold animals at the New Mexico State Fair in Albuquerque this year.

A new record was set at the fair's Junior Livestock Sale when Don Chalmers Ford paid \$20,349 for the grand champion steer shown by Chelsea Pineda of Roosevelt County 4-H.

The total of all purchases was \$270,448, up from last year's \$226,411, and does not include "add-on" amounts for many of the animals as bonuses to the producers.

K-Bob's bought Trena Stephens' grand champion rabbit for \$1,100. Stephens is a member of the Capitan FFA.

Norwest Bank paid \$1,018 for the reserve grand champion lamb of Ashley Millar, also an FFA member.

Julie Barham's first-place hog in heavy cross was bought by Norwest for \$2,040.

Dusti Franklin of Glencoe saw her first place Limousin Class III steer sell for \$2,080 to the New Mexico Junior Livestock Association.

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Roy Baca

Rosary for Roy Baca, 49, of Capitan will be at 7 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 19, at Sacred Heart Catholic Church in Capitan, where the funeral mass will be at 10 a.m. Friday, Sept. 20. Officiating will be Fr. Dave Berg. Burial will follow at the Capitan Cemetery.

Mr. Baca died Tuesday, Sept. 17, at his home. He was born Jan. 19, 1947, at Lincoln to Nellie and Louis Baca, who both preceded him in death. He had lived in the Capitan, Ft. Stanton and Lincoln areas all of his life. He was a member of the Ft. Stanton Volunteer Fire Department, the Lincoln County Long Hines Club and Sacred Heart Catholic Church. He was a supervisor at Ft. Stanton Hospital.

He married Theresa Montoya on July 9, 1964 at Carrizozo.

He is survived by his wife Theresa of Capitan; a son, Orlando Baca of Capitan; two daughters, Denise Saiz and her husband Rudy Saiz Jr. of Capitan, and Claudine and her husband Gilbert Quintana of Albuquerque; one sister, Rita Baca of Albuquerque; and six grandchildren.

Mary Miller

Visitation for Mary Maxine Miller, 85, of Tularosa will be from 10 a.m. to noon Saturday, Sept. 21, at LaGrange Funeral Chapel in Ruidoso. Funeral services will be at 2 p.m. Saturday at LaGrange Funeral Chapel in Ruidoso, with the Rev. Craig Cockrell officiating. Burial will follow at Forest Lawn Cemetery in Ruidoso.

Mrs. Miller died Tuesday, Sept. 17, in Otero County from injuries sustained in an automobile accident. She was born July 10, 1911 in Blair, Neb., to Nora and Milton Sama. She had lived in Tularosa for the past five years, moving there from Ruidoso, where she had lived since 1972 when she moved there from Clouderaft. She was a member of the Methodist Church. She married H.O. Miller on May 16, 1935 in Nemaha County, Neb., and he preceded her in death on Oct. 2, 1973.

Maxine left a poem for the family to share with everyone. "Take each day like a gift from God with no strings attached. Live from day to day. There are always the graces to help us over the rough spots. God

lets happen what must happen for our own good.

She was preceded in death by a brother, Milton Duane Sama. She is survived by a son, Barry D. Miller of Alamogordo; daughter, Sylvia D. Miller of Denver, Calif.; two sisters, Maurine Lane of Ruidoso and Fern Young of Auburn, Neb.; six grandchildren and six great-grandchildren.

The family has requested memorials to the Arthritis Foundation.

L. Wayne Palmer

A funeral service for L. Wayne Palmer, 40, of Hobbs, was held Thursday, Sept. 12 at Chapel of Hope Funeral Home in Hobbs. Rev. James Auld officiated. Burial followed at Prairie Haven Memorial Park in Hobbs.

Mr. Palmer was a frequent visitor to the Ruidoso area and had many friends and relatives here.

Mr. Palmer died of cancer on Monday, Sept. 9 in Ruidoso at the home of a close lifelong friend. He was born Oct. 5, 1955 in Lubbock, Texas to Lloyd and Lucy Palmer.

He lived most of his life in Indio, Calif., until moving to Hobbs two months ago.

He was preceded in death by his father, Lloyd Palmer, in 1984.

He is survived by his mother, Lucy Faye Palmer of Hobbs; and a son, Dana Scott Palmer of Indio.

Carol Grand

Services for Carol Lynn Grand, 60, of Littlefield, Texas, will be at 2 p.m. Friday, Sept. 20 at the First Christian Church in Dimmitt, Texas. The Rev. Jim Hardwick and the Rev. Kenneth Broad will officiate. Interment will follow at Westlawn Memorial Park in Dimmitt.

Mrs. Grand died after a brief illness on Wednesday, Sept. 18 in Dimmitt.

She was born in Munday, Texas, and lived previously in Muleshoe, Texas, moving to Dimmitt in 1993. She was a member of the First Christian Church of Dimmitt, Texas.

She is survived by her stepfather, Leslie Holloway of Littlefield, Texas; two sons, Gary Grand of Dimmitt, Texas, and Terry Grand of San Antonio, Texas;

two daughters, Kathy Wyatt of Mansfield, Texas, and Jan Provencio of Ruidoso; one sister, JoAnn Reagan of Littlefield; nine grandchildren and one great-grandchild.

The family requests that memorials be made to the Alzheimers Association, Panhandle Chapter, 2200 W. 7th, Amarillo, Texas, 79106 and to The American Cancer Society, 3411 73rd St., Lubbock, Texas, 79423.

Ralph Brown

Ralph A. Brown, 90, of Plainview, Texas, died at 10:10 p.m. on Monday, Sept. 16 at the Methodist Hospital of Plainview.

Services were held Thursday, Sept. 19 at Lemons Memorial Chapel in Plainview, Texas. The Rev. Rush Coffman, pastor of the First Baptist Church in Edmondson, Texas, officiated.

Interment followed at Parklawn Memorial Gardens in Plainview.

Mr. Brown was born Feb. 19, 1906 at Wingate, Texas. He married the former Hettie Frances

Morrison on Sept. 6, 1924 in Hale County, Texas. She preceded him in death in 1982.

Mr. Brown moved to Floyd County (Prairie Chapel Community) in 1907 and attended Prairie Chapel Schools. After marriage he lived in the Providence community, where he farmed. In 1948, he moved to Ruidoso, where he owned and operated Brown Air Service. He flew for the Forest Service and ranchers. He retired in 1974 and did charter work. He moved to Plainview in 1974. He was a member of the International Flying Farmers and the Edmondson Baptist Church.

Surviving are five daughters, Mrs. Albert (Otero) Scheele of Lockney, Texas; Mrs. Maxine Rigler of Austin, Texas; Mrs. Ernest (Marie) Sammann of Dimmitt, Texas; Mrs. Don (Shirley) Burrows of Van Buren, Mo.; and Mrs. Scotty (Patsy) Haley of Socorro; two sisters, Evelyn Lesley of Hereford, Texas, and Helen Ruth Dickason of El Paso, Texas; 19 grandchildren, 40 great-grandchildren and one great-grandson.

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Any person, firm or corporation or other entity objecting that the granting of the application will be detrimental to the objector's water right shall have standing to file objections or protests. Any person, firm or corporation or other entity objecting that the granting of the application will be contrary to the conservation of water within the state or detrimental to the public welfare of the state and showing that the objector will be substantially and specifically affected by the granting of the application shall have standing to file objections or protests. Objections or protests shall be in writing and shall set forth the grounds of objection and reasons why the application should not be approved and must be filed, in triplicate, with Thomas C. Turney, Esq. Engineer, 1000 W. Second St. Roswell, New Mexico 88201, within (10) days after the date of the last publication of this Notice. 0578 3T(9)13,20,27

LEGAL NOTICE
PUBLIC HEARING
Pursuant to Article 20 as 3-20-1 et seq and Article 21 as 3-21 et seq N.M.S. 1978 Compilation Notice is hereby given that the Planning & Zoning Commission of the Village of Ruidoso in conjunction with their regular meeting will hold a Public Hearing on October 7, 1996 at 2:00 PM to consider Amendments to Chapter 10 of the Municipal Code of the Village of Ruidoso relating to Zoning Regulations, Amending Conditional Uses allowed in the C-3 Mid-Town Commercial Districts as Conditional Use-Amending the following Zoning Districts:

C-3 Mid-Town Commercial District allowing as a Conditional Use R-4 High Density Residential District-Amending Section 10-4-10 (C)(3); to allow R-1 Single Family Residential to be occupied by business owner or employee only.

Copies of proposed Amendments are on file in the office of the Planning Administrator of the Village of Ruidoso and are available for public review Monday, 10-4-10 (C)(3); to allow R-1 Single Family Residential to be occupied by business owner or employee only. The Public Hearing will be held at the Ruidoso Administration Center, 313 Cree Meadows Dr., Ruidoso, New Mexico. By Order of the Planning & Zoning Commission
Cletius R. Richards
Planning Administrator. 0596 1T(9)20

LEGAL NOTICE
NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING
Notice is hereby given that the Lincoln County Board of Commissioners shall hold a Public Hearing beginning at 11:00 AM, on Tuesday, October 1, 1996, at the Ruidoso Civic Events Center, 111 Sierra Blanca Drive, Ruidoso, New Mexico 88345, to consider the Preliminary Plat Review for Kokopeli Subdivision, requested by RUI, Inc.

All parties and interested citizens will have the opportunity to be heard. Copies of the proposed modifications to the Ordinance may be obtained from the County Manager's Office at the Lincoln County Courthouse in Carrizozo, twenty-four (24) hours prior to the meeting.

/s/Monroy A. Montes, Chairman
Lincoln County Commission
0581 1T(9)20

LEGAL NOTICE
TWELFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT
COUNTY OF LINCOLN
STATE OF NEW MEXICO

DON LUCKY MYERS JR.
Petitioner,
vs.
TERRY LYNN MYERS,
Respondent,
NO. 08-96-148

SUMMONS
The State of New Mexico

To: Terry Lynn Myers, respondent
address: C/O Diane Burrows, 123 W. Wade Lane, Oliver Springs, TN 37840

GREETINGS:
You are hereby directed to serve a pleading or motion in Response to the Petition for Dissolution of Marriage within thirty (30) days after service of this summons, and the same, all as provided by Law.

You are notified that, unless you serve and file a responsive pleading or motion, the Petitioner will apply to the Court for the relief demanded in the Petition for Dissolution of Marriage. A copy of any responsive pleading or motion shall be served (mailed) upon Petitioner (or Petitioner's Attorney), as follows:
Petitioner (or Petitioner's Attorney): Don Lucky Myers Jr., P.O. Box 802, Capitan, NM 88316

Witness the Honorable /s/ Richard A. Parsons, District Judge of the 12th

LEGAL NOTICE
Judicial District Court of the State of New Mexico, and the seal of the District Court of said County, the 28 day of August, 1996.

/s/Alicia Barber, Clerk of the District Court
/s/Marina Baca, Deputy Clerk
0587 4T(9)13,20,27

LEGAL NOTICE
MEETING NOTICE
The Lincoln Board of Commissioners will hold their October 1, 1996 regular Board meeting at the Ruidoso Civic Events Center, 111 Sierra Blanca Drive in Ruidoso, beginning at 6:00 AM. Agenda is available 24 hours prior to meeting. Auxiliary aides are available upon request; please contact Martha Guayra at 648-2355 at least 48 hours in advance of the meeting to make any necessary arrangements.

/s/Frank Potter
Lincoln County Manager
0578 1T(9)20

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Lot 9B, Block F, Ruidoso Springs Subdivision, Ruidoso, Lincoln County, New Mexico.

By order of the PLANNING & ZONING COMMISSION.
/s/Cletius R. Richards
Planning Administrator
0586 1T(9)20

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WILSON MANTOOTH, a witness,

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Lot 1, Block 6, Wingfield Homes East 2nd, Ruidoso, Lincoln County, New Mexico.

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Lot 3, Block 3, RIVER PARK ADDITION, a subdivision located in Ruidoso, Lincoln County, New Mexico, as shown by the plat thereon filed in the office of the County Clerk of Lincoln County, April 28, 1997, in Title No. 270. (The Property)

Notice is further given that the court dissolved forfeiture of the mortgage and liens on the Property and that the proceeds to be realized at said sale from the Property, with interest calculated to date of sale, are as follows:

Principal Balance—\$37,899.53
Interest—\$ 2,436.30
Costs—\$ 605.47
Assessable Premiums—\$ 1,702.00
Ad Valorem Taxes—\$ 370.00
Attorney's Fees—\$ 2,157.58
Total—\$44,070.94

In addition thereto there will be accrued interest and costs of publication of this Notice, and the Special Master's Fee fixed by the Court in the amount of \$100.00.

The terms of the sale are that the purchaser must pay cash at the time the Property is struck off to him, except that if they may bid all or any part

of its judgment, plus interest without paying cash.

Witness my hand this 30th day of August, 1996.

/s/Nick Vega, Special Master
P.O. Box 563
Carrizozo, NM 88301
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LEGALS

Legal Deadlines
5 p.m. Monday
and 5 p.m.
Wednesday

VAMOS!

RUIDOSO, NEW MEXICO • FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 20, 1996



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Lamberts trade hospitality

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Hikers, bikers enjoy trail

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SPORTS

Warriors wary of Wildcats

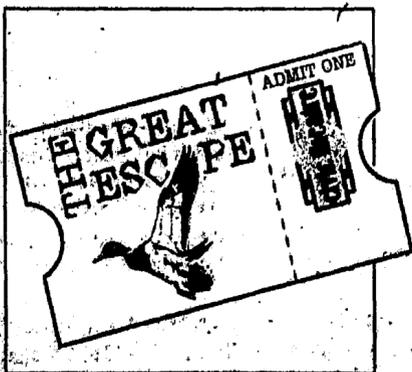
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Golden Aspen Motorcycle Rally this weekend.

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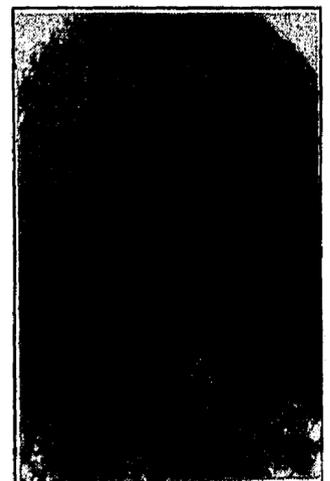


Weekend planner. Page 2B

PAST TENSE

The James Gang

The James Gang meets its Waterloo. Page 11B





What's happening?



Music

COUNTRY SHOWDOWN, Southern New Mexico State Fair, Las Cruces — 8 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 28. Special guest star Gerie Watson. The fair runs Wednesday, Sept. 25 through Sunday, Sept. 29. The fair will also feature a carnival with rides and games, petting zoo, the magic of Jamie O'Hara, and dances Friday and Saturday night.

INN OF THE MOUNTAIN GODS, Mescalero Apache Reservation, 257-5141.

Gos Kan Lounge, Main Lobby — Ron Turner and Jay Silverman Wednesday-Sunday during September.

Apache Tee — Tomas Vigil 6-10 p.m. Wednesday-Saturday, Sept. 18-21; Karl Mori 6-10 p.m. Wednesday-Saturday, Sept. 25-28.

Dan Li Ka Dining Room — 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.

TULIE CANTINA, Tularosa, 585-2011 — Rhythm Iguanas, 5-piece band, Saturday night, Sept. 21. \$3 admission.

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 West, Ruidoso Downs — Live music Thursday - Sunday. Pool tourney Wednesday nights.

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

IN-ESPRESSO-BLE COFFEE-HOUSE, Sudderth Drive, Ruidoso — Live music Friday night; Mark Remington 8 p.m. Saturday night.

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

FARLEY'S FOOD, FUN & PUB, 1200 Mechem Drive, Ruidoso, 258-5878 — Live upbeat music on patio every Friday and Saturday night. Also video games, live interactive trivia, pool tables.

ININCREDIBLE SALOON, North Hwy. 48, Alto, 338-4312 — Live music on weekends.

THE TEXAS HOUSE, 2811 Sudderth, Ruidoso, 257-3508 — Live music every Friday and Saturday. Open all night Friday and Saturday.

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

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

MESCALERO NIGHTCLUB, 1 mile north of the Inn of the Mountain Gods, next to Cafe Mescalero, 247-8895 — 8 p.m. - close Friday and Saturday, dance music with DJ. Also, stand-up comedy showcase at 9 p.m. every Saturday with \$3 admission.

etc!

DISCOVERI LECTURE SERIES: "The state of the arts: the home-front, the national scene and beyond" free lecture at the El Paso Museum of Art, 1211 Montana, El Paso — Join El Paso Pro-Musica — Artistic and Administrative Director Kwang-Wu Kim for a talk about music and its place in our lives. 2-4 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 22. For information call El Paso Pro-Musica at 915-532-9139.

NEW MEXICO STATE FAIR, Albuquerque — runs through Sunday, Sept. 22. More than 400 vendors. For more information call 265-1791.

PECOS VALLEY QUILTERS QUILT SHOW, Roswell Adult Center, 807 N. Missouri Street, Roswell — 10 a.m. - 4 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 28; 11 a.m. - 3 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 29. Admission \$1. More than 150 quilts will be on display as well as other quilted items made by guild members.

WHITE MOUNTAIN SEARCH & RESCUE GROUP FUNDRAISER — at the Golden Aspen Motorcycle Rally trade show in the Ruidoso Convention Center Wednesday-Sunday, Sept. 18-22. Buy a raffle ticket for \$1 (\$5 for 6) to compete for \$500 cash prizes (half of the \$500 goes to Search & Rescue).

RUIDOSO CARE CENTER ANNUAL FUNDRAISER — by its auxiliary, at the Golden Aspen Motorcycle Rally in the Ruidoso Convention Center Friday through Sunday, Sept. 20-22. The auxiliary seeks donations of cakes, pies and brownies to sell at the rally.

SIXTH ANNUAL ROSWELL ARTS & CRAFTS FESTIVAL, Roswell Civic Center — 9 a.m. - 5 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 21; noon - 5 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 22. Artists and crafters from throughout the Southwest showing original art and handcrafted items.

REVIVAL, 1st Baptist Church, Ruidoso Downs — 7 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 22 through Thursday, Sept. 26. Everyone is invited.

RUIDOSO PUBLIC HEALTH OFFICE — will be closed Tuesday through Thursday, Sept. 24-28 because of a district meeting.

POW/MIA DAY, Heritage Park, Holloman Air Force Base, Alamogordo — a 24-hour candlelight vigil starts at one minute past midnight Thursday, Sept. 26. A commemorative ceremony will be held at 2 p.m. Brig. Gen. Dennis R. Larsen, 49th Fighter Wing commander, will give remarks; music by the Alamogordo High School

Band. The ceremony is open to the public.

FATHER/SON RETREAT, Fort Lone Tree Bible Camp north of Capitan, 354-4265 — Friday through Sunday, Sept. 27-29. Three days, two nights, five meals. \$50 for dads, \$30 for children, horseback trail rides \$5 extra.

LOW COST MAMMOGRAM PROGRAM — Tuesday, Oct. 1 through Friday, Nov. 1 at Lincoln County Medical Center in Ruidoso. Cost is \$55 for patients between ages 30 and 64. Appointments can be made now by calling Dianne Vowel at 258-4210. Patients with breast implants will not be eligible.

CULPEPPER & MERRIWEATHER CIRCUS — the big top will be set up at the west playground of the White Mt. Elementary school in Ruidoso. Shows at 2 p.m. and 4 p.m. on Saturday, Oct. 12. Come early to watch the raising of the big top. Advance tickets: adult \$8, child (ages 2-12) \$4; tickets on day of show: adult \$7, child \$5. Advance tickets available from Rotary Club members and Ruidoso Chamber of Commerce. For information call 257-7395.

CASINO APACHE, Carrizo Canyon Road, Mescalero Apache Reservation, 257-5141 — Open 24 hours a day. Ina Da Card Room also open daily. New Top of the Inn Poker Room opens at 6 p.m. daily.

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

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

SERTOMA SPEEDWAY, Hwy. 54 north of Tularosa, 524-7913 — Races at 8 p.m. every Friday night.

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



Clubs & Meetings

LINCOLN COUNTY CHAPTER OF AARP — meets 10 a.m. Wednesday, Sept. 25 at the Ruidoso Senior Center. The Flying J Wranglers perform. There will be a talk on the Hospice of Ruidoso, followed by a potluck lunch at noon. Residents and visitors over 50 years of age are welcome to attend.

DWI PLANNING COMMITTEE MEETING — meets at 1:30 a.m. Wednesday, Sept. 25 at Che Bella restaurant on Sudderth Drive, Ruidoso. Agenda items include a dis-

ussion of 1996-97 evaluation plan, prevention program and TNT model.

ORDER OF THE EASTERN STAR — Chapter 65's 49th installation of officers will be at 2 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 28. All members of the order, their family and friends are invited to attend at the Masonic Family Building, 144 Nob Hill Drive, Ruidoso.

LINCOLN COUNTY SOLID WASTE AUTHORITY — The regular Sept. 17 meeting has been moved to 2 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 1.



Library

STORYTIME AT THE RUIDOSO PUBLIC LIBRARY — Free puppet shows, songs, dance, nursery rhymes, storytelling, arts and crafts, and creative drama for 3- to 6-year-olds, 10-11 a.m. every Wednesday and Thursday.



Movies

SIERRA CINEMA, 721 Mechem Drive, Ruidoso, 257-9444 — "The Rock," "The Island of Dr Moreau," "Last Man Standing." Call theater for show times and ratings.



Museums

FALL AMERICAN ART SHOW AND SALE, Museum of the Horse — A wine and cheese reception will be held 5:30 - 7:30 p.m. Friday, Oct. 4. \$10 per person for non-members; members free. RSVP by Sept. 30 to 378-4142.

MINER'S HOUSE AND SCHOOL-HOUSE MUSEUMS, White Oaks — historical displays in "ghost town" of White Oaks. Open 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. daily except Tuesday.

ANCHO MUSEUM (MY HOUSE OF OLD THINGS), Ancho, (505) 848-2458 — Open daily 9 a.m. - 5 p.m. May 1 through Oct. 15.

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

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

APACHE CULTURAL CENTER, Saint Joseph Mission, U.S. Fish & Wildlife Mescalero National Fish Hatchery, all in Mescalero. Call 671-4494 for more information.



Parks & Recreation

LUNAR ECLIPSE WATCH, White Sands National Monument, Alamogordo — a ranger-guided nature walk will be held at 5:45 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 26, followed by a 7 p.m. program about the moon. Victoria Wiggins of the Space Center will present the program and explain the progress of the eclipse through the evening. The public is invited. For more information, call 479-6124.

NATIONAL RIFLE ASSOCIATION SHOOTING COMPETITION, Capitan Gun Club — State championship match, Friday through Sunday, Sept. 27-29. For more information call Leroy Thelford at 354-2859.

LAKE LUCERO CARAVAN, White Sands National Monument, Alamogordo — 9 a.m. Saturday, Sept. 28. Ranger-guided trip to White Sands National Monument's Lake Lucero. Reservations are required. For reservations and more information, call 479-6124.

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.

RAINBOW LAKES FUN PARK, 608 Carrizozo Canyon Road, Ruidoso, 257-6774 — putt putt golf, bumper boats, batting cages, basketball shoot and arcade.

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

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

SEERING SPRINGS TROUT LAKES, four miles east of Ruidoso Downs racetrack by Hwy. 70, 378-4216 — Fishing for Rainbow trout without a New Mexico fishing license. Paddleboats are also available.

RANCHO SOBEGADO TROUT FISHING & PICNICS, 6 Nogai Canyon Road, Bent, 24 miles W. of Ruidoso on Hwy. 70, 671-4580 — Fishing & picnicking.



Going out

They can't haul it home, but they can mail it

Rally organizers entice bikers to buy local

By PAMELA CROMWELL
Ruidoso News Staff Writer

How does a Ruidoso business get a biker to come inside and buy something? Easy — offer him a lapel pin.

Some bikers will do anything for honor, so Golden Aspen Motorcycle Rally organizers hope riders will collect receipts from purchases in the Ruidoso area and exchange them for "badges of honor" in the form of commemorative patches and pins that decorate leather and denim jackets.

In a poker run, riders follow a specific tour and collect special stickers at designated stops. When they return to rally headquarters at the Ruidoso Convention Center, they trade their stickers in for a poker hand and a chance to win prizes — and pins.

Even real estate offices find a poker run a good investment. Century 21 put three open houses on Thursday's poker run.

Prize tours are a little like treasure hunts because riders must answer specific questions about the places they visit. Questions can include the price of a certain item at a certain check-out counter. Riders who complete the tour enter a drawing for \$100, and they get to enter twice if they turn in receipts from all the stops.

Participating businesses collect "cash prizes," too. Pappy Bell at Pappy's Diner in Ruidoso Downs spent \$100 to sponsor a rally trophy and \$44 to give away biker breakfasts one morning, and he said the business he gets from that investment is well worth the cost.

"It's a fabulous return," Bell said. "I probably make that back 100 times."

After one free breakfast, riders return to Pappy's and other restaurants to buy breakfast, lunch, and dinner.

"They'll be here all day and all night," Bell said.

Twelve local restaurants gave away free breakfasts to the Early Bird Breakfast Club. Riders are asked to patronize these restaurants during their stay in Ruidoso. Waitresses say the tips are great, and riders get a commemorative pin.

Ron and Jill Andrews, who organize the rally, make a special effort to send bikers to local businesses and attractions.



Pamela Cromwell/Ruidoso News

Bikers attending the Golden Aspen Motorcycle Rally aren't afraid to spend money at Ruidoso stores and restaurants. Motorcycle ralliers will leave about \$2 million worth of gross receipts in the area.

GOLDEN ASPEN MOTORCYCLE RALLY

Friday, Sept. 20

2 p.m. Field events and games.
7:15 p.m. People's choice award for best biker buddy. (live pet)
8 p.m. Arizona motorcycle precision drill team performance.

Saturday, Sept. 21

7:30-9 a.m. Free breakfast. Gateway Church of Christ parking lot
8 a.m. C.M.A. Non-denominational church services
10 a.m. Parade begins.
10 a.m. Trade show opens. Closes at 8 p.m.
10 a.m. Movie - seminar area.
1 p.m. Special awards judging - bike judging area.
1-2 p.m. Motorcycle safety seminar - seminar area.
3 p.m. Arizona motorcycle precision drill team performance.
6:30 p.m. Awards ceremonies in the stage area.

Sunday, Sept. 22

8 a.m.-2p.m. Free trade show. Last minute shoppers specials.

Ruidoso businesses get a direct draw on the motorcyclist market through rally promotions. A business can get on a tour schedule by purchasing advertising in the rally program, making an attractive prize donation, or somehow contributing to the rally's success, Jill Andrews said.

Most of the bikers who come to the Ruidoso motorcycle rally are touring cyclists, Andrews said, and marketing research has shown that

touring cyclists spend more per day during trips than any other type of traveler.

"Someone who spends \$15,000 to \$25,000 on a toy they may ride on good weather weekends is not poor," Andrews said.

Unlike people who travel by RV, car, or plane, motorcyclists don't worry about how they're going to get a huge painting home, Andrews said.

"We're used to having things

shipped," he said.

Ruth Edmark, a cyclist from Green Valley, Ariz., said she and her husband make the Golden Aspen Rally their vacation every year, and they pack as much into it as possible. This is their 10th year at the rally.

"I like to shop for antiques, and my husband plays golf while he's here," she said.

Even businesses who don't participate in the motorcycle tours benefit economically from the rally, Jill Andrews said.

"It's the trickle-down effect," she said. "Everybody in business here is either directly or indirectly linked to the income from this rally."

Estimating the average cost for hotel, meals, and entertainment at \$50 per day, Andrews figures motorcycle ralliers will leave about \$2 million worth of gross receipts in this area (see sidebar for a breakdown of figures), for a total estimated tax benefit of more than \$171,000.

In September 1995, combined gross receipts and lodgers tax receipts in Ruidoso totalled \$573,911, according to village records.

EYE

ON THE ARTS

Tularosa Basin Tumblewords Project offers writing program

"Sunday Afternoons at the Library," eight weeks of free writing workshops and poets on tape, will be held at the Alamogordo Public Library from 2 p.m. to 4 p.m. every Sunday starting Oct. 6 and ending Nov. 24 with the "The Harvest."

"The Harvest" is a program of music and poetry readings held outdoors (weather permitting) in celebration of the creative spirit within us all. The Food Pantry will have a table at "The Harvest" and attendees are encouraged to bring donations of food to be distributed during the holiday season.

All events are made possible by the N.M. Arts Division of the Office of Cultural Affairs.

Lunar eclipse watch at White Sands

The final full moon night in 1996 at White Sands National Monument will be held on Thursday, Sept. 26. On this night, the full moon will undergo a total eclipse. At 7 p.m., Victoria Wiggins of the Space Center in Alamogordo will present a program on the moon and explain the eclipse as it progresses through the evening.

Prior to the program, at 5:45 p.m., a ranger-guided nature walk will be held. Visitors will be able to enter the park until 10 p.m. on this night only, and must exit the park by 11 p.m. For more information, call 479-6124.

Rocket club's launch Saturday, Sept. 28

The Spaceport Model Rocket Association will hold its monthly launch at the Hobby Park on North Florida Avenue in Alamogordo at 9 a.m. Saturday, Sept. 28.

Persons wanting to attend the launch should enter Hobby Park from the north end of Pecan Avenue. The Florida Avenue entrance is closed.

The association meets the first Thursday of every month at the Space Center's Hubbard Space Science Education Building.

The club's next meeting will be at 7 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 3. Persons interested in model rocketry are invited to attend.

Back by popular demand...

Adopt-A-Pet

Call Tamara at 257-4001 to sponsor a pet

RUIDOSO DOWNS SPORTS THEATER

NEW MEXICO HORSEMEN'S ASSOCIATION

TRUCK RAFFLE



**TAKE A CHANCE
WIN A TRUCK
CHANCES—\$5.00 EACH**

Drawing for this 1997 F-150 pick-up from Don Chalmers Ford will be held Sunday, September 29, 1996 in the Winner's Circle at the New Mexico State Fair Racetrack

You need not be present to win!

RUIDOSO DOWNS SPORTS THEATER

LINCOLN COUNTY SCRAPBOOK

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

**Ruidoso News
Sept. 20, 1946**

Announcement has been received from Washington, D.C., that the OPA enforcement staff, entering upon a campaign to break up black markets this winter, will use "squealers" to help trap big operators in meat and other black-market operations.

The OPA announced that a small butcher caught in the act of

violating price restrictions will be let off easy if he "tattles" on the wholesaler or producer who sold him the meat at over ceiling prices.

This seems reminiscent of the days when the federal authorities were trying to enforce the Volstead Act back in the '20's.

The Nob-Hill Restaurant, located at Ruidoso Junction, will be in operation the year around, it is announced by George Holloway and O.L. Kruse, owners. This restaurant specializes in chicken, steaks and sandwiches, and offers as a special feature, chicken to go for all occasions.

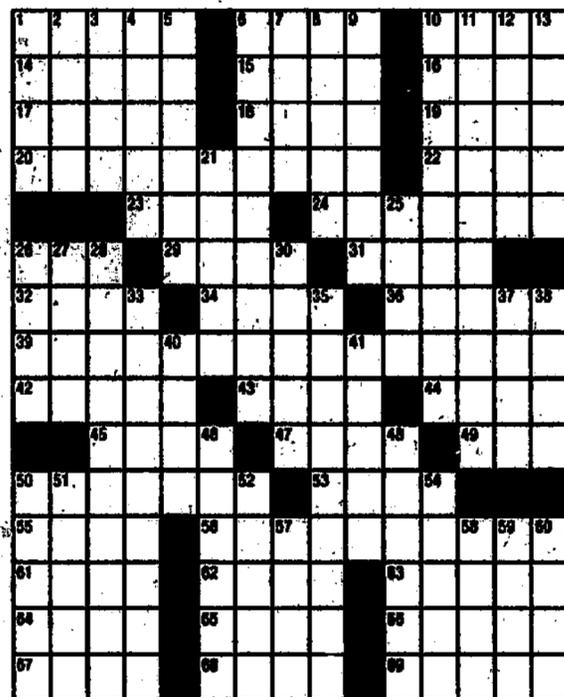
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VAMONOS

Neighbors

Home on the range

Lamberts trade in arts and hospitality

By DIANNE STALLINGS
Ruidoso News Staff Writer

Friends don't leave the Canyon Trading Post with empty hands or stomachs.

"Bob told me years ago never to let anyone leave our ranch hungry," Betty Lambert said.

Her husband Bob makes sure his directive is followed by cooking up a pot of tasty stew in the kitchen, topped off by a fresh green salad and a glass of hearty goat's milk.

Betty finishes the hospitality by thrusting a bag of freshly clipped herbs or a piece of homebaked cake into a newly-found friend's hands.

The "ranch" today is the eight acres around the Lamberts' trading post along U.S. Highway 70 in Glencoe, about 12 miles east of Ruidoso. A landmark for travelers heading to and from Ruidoso, the trading post has welcomed visitors for more than 30 years - starting with the days when the present frontage road was the main highway to Roswell, the days when it had a different name and was owned by Edna Scherenberg.

When the Lamberts took over at the existing pueblo-style building on U.S. 70, it was a classic curio shop with salt and pepper shakers and the usual souvenirs.

They quickly changed the merchandise to authentic Native American handwork, jewelry, blankets, pottery and carvings.

Their interest in new merchandise was understandable. Both grew up in Arizona. Bob's life centered on ranch work. Betty is part Cherokee and remembers the stories of her mother's childhood on an Indian Reservation near Farmington, where her grandfather operated a trading post.

"She spoke Navajo before she spoke English," Betty said. "It was the old time trading post where you'd get saddles and food. I feel

like I've come full circle."

The Canyon Trading Post has evolved into more than just a business for the couple.

"This has been a wonderful place for us for many reasons," Betty said. "One of the most important for me is that we've met so many nice people here from Ruidoso, the valley and from other states."

"Many of them have become our friends. So we don't get lonesome like many old people."

Because friends know the Lamberts can't just close up the store whenever they want, many come to Glencoe to visit them instead, she said.

The trading post has also created many good friendships between the Lamberts and the Indians who have sold them merchandise for the past 27 years.

"They're very artistic, and you never know what they'll bring in next," Betty said. "They change all the time. I think that's why it doesn't get monotonous for people."

"Some are doing wonderful little carvings, fetishes, unbelievable work."

Most of the artists she works with learned their craft by watching others in their family, tribe or pueblo, Betty said.

"But they don't copy. They create their own," she said.

Much of the work featured in the shop come from the Santa Domingo, the Navajo, Zuni and Apache.

"Most bring things to the shop," Betty said.

"We only had to go to the reservations one time and from there on, they brought things to us," Bob said.

The Lamberts like their merchandise, but Betty is especially fond of carved items such as the kachina dolls and fetishes.

"I think there is a fascination with what is so different from our world," she said.



Dianne Stallings/Ruidoso News

Bob and Beth Lambert enjoy a quiet moment on the swing in their backyard at the Canyon Trading Post.



Newlyweds Bob and Beth 51 years ago.

Consumer interest in Native American products hasn't changed much over the last three decades, the couple said.

"There always has been a romance about Indian things," Betty said. "People who come from the east are amazed at the artistry. Most start by buying a little turquoise ring, because the blue stone appeals to them and

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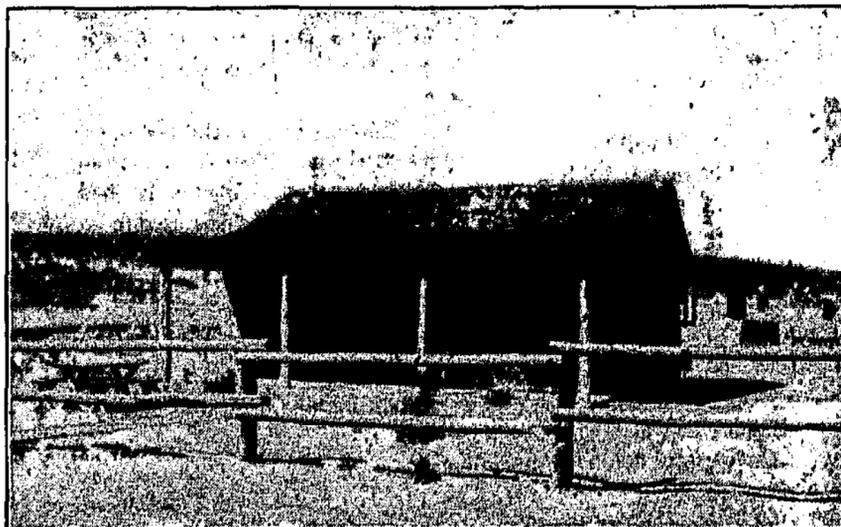
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Betty and Bob Lambert

She likes Zuni fetishes.
He likes cooking meat stew.

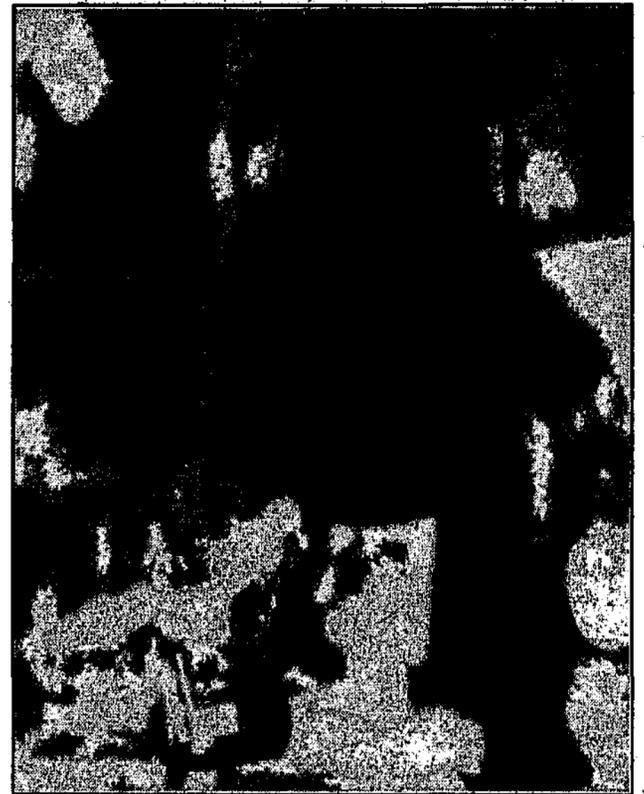
She's an artist with pen and ink.
He's an artist on horseback.

They both like meeting new people.



The Lamberts' second home in Big Chino Valley, Ariz., didn't have many ameni-

NEIGHBORS



One of the Native American items (above) from the trading post. Betty Lambert (left) shows some of the jewelry and carved items for sale at the Canyon Trading Post.

Lamberts: couple has spent 30 years trading hospitality

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reminds them of the sky and the water and natural things. There are very few really blue stones. It grows on them.

"Then many of them write us from New York or Boston and say they saw a certain necklace or Indian rug, and is it possible for us to send them."

Unfortunately, many younger people on the reservations are abandoning their parents' and grandparents' handwork traditions for jobs that pay more, Betty added. Others pursue outside careers, but produce a few items on the side.

Most tribes have pottery traditions, although some are more utilitarian than decorative. The Hopi men do weaving, Navajo are famous for their rugs, the Apache, the Ute and Navajo do basketry and the Zuni are renowned for their silverwork and their animal fetishes from stone, shell, wood and horn.

"Although they have always done fetishes, they have experienced a revival with the American public," Betty said. "Each one is so individual."

Artistic talent at home

Betty's affinity for Native American work may stem from the fact that she also is an artist.

Besides pen and ink portraits, she carves, sculpts and works in silver.

Bob's talent, when he's not on horseback running a ranch, has emerged in the kitchen.

Born in Prescott, Ariz., Betty attended colleges in Missouri, Arizona and California, majoring in art.

Her exquisite pen and ink drawings usually depict Native Americans she's known or created from her imagination.

"I've always been able and loved to draw," Betty said. "I used it for entertainment as a little kid. I had two brothers who wouldn't let me play paper dolls, but I couldn't play basketball with them, either.

"(Art is the) one thing you never know everything about. You just keep on learning."

Betty did portraits after she married Bob, whenever the weather or difficulty of a job prevented her from riding with her husband.

"It didn't take long to clean a little ranch house. There were no near neighbors and I had to entertain myself (by sketching)," she said.

Most of her work was given to family members, but then former Arizona senator Barry Goldwater saw her work at a show in Prescott, Ariz.

"He was a wonderful photographer and wanted two sketches from black and white photos he had taken," Betty said. "He used to go out to the reservations a lot. He knew lots of Indians and his family had two pretty fancy stores in Phoenix."

When the portraits were finished, Bob tied them to the side of his truck rack wrapped with a sheet and blanket. The Lamberts delivered them after unloading cattle they had taken to market.

Goldwater was livid when he saw how the pictures were packed.

"He said 'That's just like a g... d... cowboy. If them pictures are ruined, I'm going to kill you right here on the sidewalk,'" Bob said. "We took them out and they were perfect."

The portraits hung in Goldwater's Washington D.C. office for years. Orders for more portraits poured in from admirers.

"I'd make one and call whoever was on the list," Betty said. "It takes quite some time."

"Each individual has talent," she said. "It comes out in different ways. But it takes a whole lot of elbow grease. You have to work at whatever it is. Bob encouraged me a whole lot."

Bob took over all the cooking when the store became busy, in exchange for Betty handling the bookkeeping.

A typical cowboy, he enjoys cooking meat the most and everything he cooks is delicious, Betty attests.

"We grew herbs for the first time this year and he's learning how to use them," she said. "We're finding a whole new world of cooking."

Early years

The Lamberts began exploring life together 51 years ago.

When the Depression hit, Betty left college, went to New York and for eight years represented an affiliate of a large manufacturer of beauty supplies.

Then her father went overseas to India during World War II, and Betty returned to Arizona to stay with her mother.

Although born in Kentucky in 1909, Bob moved West as a young boy with his mother, who had tuberculosis.

"The doctors didn't give her long to live," Bob said. "I had a sister. To support us, my mother cooked on ranches and that's how I came to be a cowboy. That's all I ever knew."

"My mother got well and lived to be an old lady."

Betty met Bob when she was invited to dinner by his mother, whom she had met first. His family operated a ranch in Skull Valley, Ariz. It was instant attraction for Betty.

"I don't know about Bob," she said. "He's never really said, but he stayed here a long time."

"Fifty-one years should tell you something," Bob offered.

After they married, the couple bought a small ranch in Arizona.

Betty's mother was worried that after living in New York, her daughter wouldn't adjust well to the rugged and primitive life, but Betty loved it.

"We had no electricity, no refrigeration and no running water," Betty said describing their home. "We used an adobe building to keep things cool. Bob made a window cooler and I cooked on a woodstove. I had a terrible time at first judging the temperature and trying to make bread."

The couple kept adding acreage or moving to larger ranches until they settled in Mohave County in northwest Arizona.

Twenty-seven years ago, the time of life arrived when a smaller

ranch was more appealing. The Lamberts sold their land and started looking for something less strenuous to maintain.

"We came through New Mexico hunting a smaller ranch, and this area was so much like where we came from," Bob said.

The altitude is similar, as are the types of trees and plants and the feeling of space, Betty added.

At first they both ran the trading post, and ranched by leasing additional pasture.

The shop had been owned by Edna Scherenberg, who moved to Ruidoso after World War I. After she sold to the Lamberts, Mrs. Scherenberg stayed in a small house on the property until she no longer was able to care for herself, and then moved to Florida to be near relatives.

The Lamberts know how important family and friends are in life.

Ten years ago, their adopted son was killed in a wreck, but they remain close to their daughter-in-law and three grandchildren.

Although Bob has given up full-scale ranching, "he still has his treasured friends out there," Betty said, pointing to the fenced area behind the trading post/home where calves and goats mingle with cats, chickens, ducks, geese and often a dog seeking shelter from the highway.

The Lamberts offer more than shelter to passersby and serious shoppers both. They extend a genuine hospitality and appreciation of people that translate to one of the most enjoyable stops along U.S. 70 in New Mexico.

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Author signs New Lincoln County War book Sept. 28

The author of a new book called "The Pecos Ranchers in the Lincoln County War" will sign copies of his work from 1 p.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 28, at the Lincoln County Heritage Trust Museum in Lincoln.

It was written by T. Dudley Cramer, with an introduction by J. Evetts Haley, and drawings by Tom Ryan.

This is a non-fiction book with new information and illustrations about the cowboys and ranchers who lived along the Pecos River and participated in the Lincoln County War on the Murphy-Dolan-Riley side. There is particular emphasis on the Beckwith family - Hugh and Refugia Beckwith and their sons, John and Bob.

The book has 216 pages with 28 illustrations, including five early maps showing locations of the cattle trails, ranch headquarters, and cow camps. Many of the photographs have never been published. There will be 1,000 softcov-

er copies and a limited edition of 400 hardcover copies available. Branding Iron Press in Oakland, Calif. is the publisher.

The author, T. Dudley Cramer, was raised in Carlsbad. During the summers in the late 1930s he worked at a boys camp in the Sacramento Mountains, eight miles west of Weed. He spent 38 years with Chevron in various engineering and management positions, retiring as chief engineer in the production department of the western region. He has co-authored two previous books and is currently working on a fourth book. He is also on the board of overseers of the Ranching Heritage Association in Lubbock, Texas, and is a patron of the Haley Library in Midland, Texas. He lives in Oakland, Calif.

The introduction to the book is written by J. Evetts Haley, founder of the Nita Stewart Haley Memorial Library in Midland. He interviewed a number of participants in the Lincoln County War in

the late 1920s and early 1930s, and his interview notes were used extensively in preparing this story. He died 10 months ago in Midland at the age of 94.

The title page and cover drawings were done by Tom Ryan. He is known for his paintings of contemporary ranch scenes. He lives in Midland, where he has been painting southwestern ranching for the past 35 years. He was recently

honored by the Cowboy Hall of Fame in Oklahoma City with the Lifetime Achievement Award.

Walter Henn drew the brand sketches. He is a retired commercial artist who has lived with his wife, Nora, in Lincoln for 30 years. He has been doing sketches and paintings of early Lincoln County buildings since living in Lincoln.

The design and production supervision of the book was done

by Dave Bohn of Berkeley Calif. He has been a photographer, writer, teacher, and book designer for the last 35 years. He has authored and/or designed about 20 books. For a number of years he instructed at the Ansel Adams photography seminars in Yosemite, and also taught workshops for the University of California Santa Cruz Extension and Friends of Photography.

WEDDINGS ENGAGEMENTS

Mayes and Misner wed

Wendell and Patti Mayes of Ruidoso Downs are proud to announce the marriage of their daughter Leanne Mayes to Cam Misner, son of Tommy and Jan Misner of Glencoe. The ceremony was conducted by Judge Gerald Dean in Carrizozo on Tuesday, Sept. 10.



Leanne and Cam Misner

SERVICE NOTES

MacVeigh completes ROTC training

Matthew J. MacVeigh received practical work in military leadership at the Army Reserve Officer's Training Corps (ROTC) Advanced Camp at Fort Lewis, Tacoma, Wash.

The camp, attended by cadets normally between their third and fourth year of college, includes instruction in communications, management, and survival training.

Successful completion of the advanced camp and graduation from college results in a commission as a second lieutenant in the U.S. Army, Guard or Reserve.

MacVeigh is a college student at New Mexico Military Institute in Roswell. He is the son of William J. and Dorothy H. MacVeigh of Capitan. He is a 1995 graduate of New Mexico Military Institute's high school.

Hazel finishes basic training

Air Force Airman Jeremy A. Hazel has graduated from basic military training at Lackland Air Force Base at San Antonio, Texas.

During the six weeks of training, the airman studied the Air Force mission, organization, and

customs, and received special training in human relations.

Hazel is the son of Jerri L. Hazel of Ruidoso Downs, and Alan D. Hazel of San Angelo, Texas.

He is a 1996 graduate of Capitan High School.

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Sports

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Tularosa out to spoil RHS Homecoming

Warriors wary of Wildcats

BY LAURA CLYMER
Ruidoso News Sports Writer

It might be tempting for the Ruidoso football team to overlook its opponent tonight, Sept. 20.

The Tularosa Wildcats are a class size smaller than Ruidoso. They lost 17 seniors from last year's 7-5 team, so as many as five freshmen will start for second-year coach Tommy Baca.

Sounds like perfect homecoming meal for the Warriors, who are hungry for their second win of the season.

But the Warrior coaches have been sounding a warning bell all week: don't underestimate the Wildcats.

"They're going to play hard, but I think our kids understand that. The reaction of our kids is that they know that," said Ruidoso's first assistant coach John Roberts.

Senior receiver/defensive back Ricky Pacini knows what this game means to the Wildcats.

"They play hard against us. Pretty much their whole season is based on how they play us," Pacini said.

Last year, Ruidoso posted a 15-0 shutout of the Wildcats in a rain-soaked Tularosa.

Tulie is 1-2 overall. The Wildcats defeated Hatch Valley in their opener before dropping games to Class A's No. 1-ranked

PREP FOOTBALL

Who: Ruidoso (1-2) vs. Tularosa (1-2)
When: 7:30 p.m.
Where: Horton Stadium

Cloudcroft Bears and Class AA's No. 1-ranked Santa Rosa Lions.

"On the film we've seen, they look good. They come off the ball well and play good defense," Roberts said.

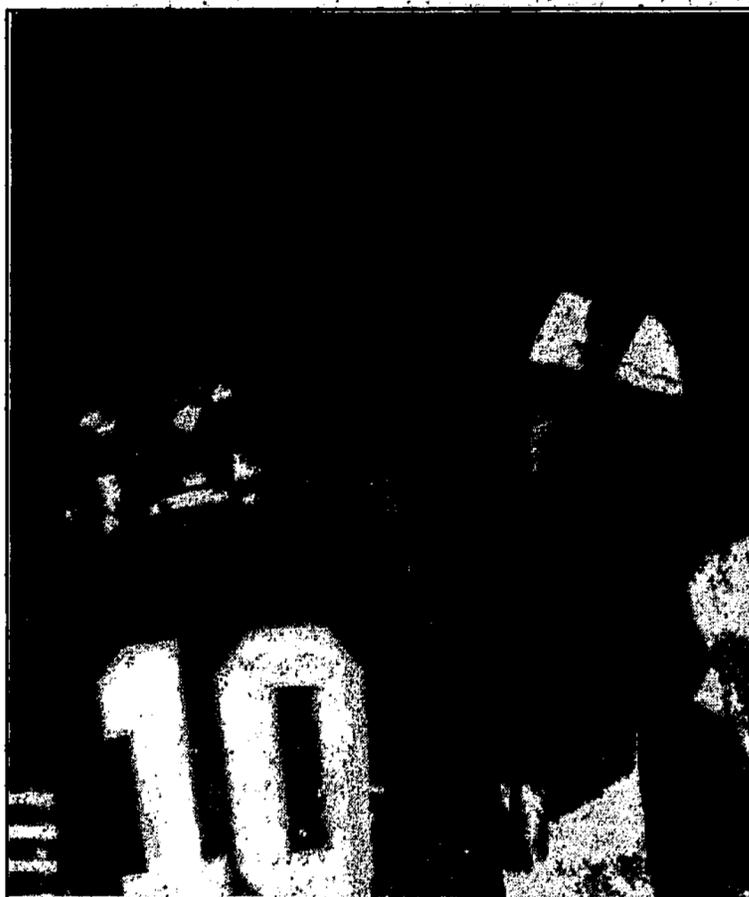
Roberts might be filling in for head Les Carter tonight. Carter has missed the last two days of practice because his wife, Susan, has been in the hospital. The Carters left for Albuquerque Thursday, where Susan is due for surgery either Friday or Monday.

Roberts said the Warriors naturally will be affected if their head mentor is unable to attend the game, but he's confident the players will respond positively.

Perhaps the Warriors' biggest challenge tonight will be adjusting to some new faces in the lineup.

"We've got some people in some new positions. That makes it hard for our kids, but the kids have responded well in practice," Roberts said.

Matt Wharton takes over at left offensive tackle for the injured Tommy Richardson. The Warriors



Laura Clymer/Ruidoso News

Ruidoso assistant coach John Roberts will step in for head coach Les Carter tonight if Carter is unable to attend the Warriors football game.

will use a committee of players to replace injured Justo Quintana on the defensive line, including Caleb Hull, Arthur Rojas and Brett Meyer.

Strategically, the Wildcats

shouldn't throw any new offensive or defensive looks at the Warriors, unlike Ruidoso's opponent from a week ago.

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RHS spikers aim to rebound against Portales

BY LAURA CLYMER
Ruidoso News Sports Writer

Ruidoso's volleyball team has had this week to regroup from its eighth-place finish at the Roswell Invitational and from the loss of three players, including two senior co-captains.

The Warriors will be tested immediately.

A strong Portales team visits the Warriors Saturday to check the home girls' prowess as well as their character on the court.

Senior captains Kristy Donaldson and Marissa Martinez quit the Ruidoso volleyball team Monday, said coach Jauna Sanchez. The Warriors also lost junior middle blocker Amanda Kakuska, who transferred to Roswell High School.

"It was their choice to quit, but we're going to keep going," Sanchez said.

Ruidoso has spent the week plugging up holes in its defensive coverages, Sanchez said.

In the Roswell tournament, teams tipped and dinked the ball for points in a porous Ruidoso

defense.

"Defensively we didn't know where to cover. We just need more team awareness. Knowing our court, knowing their court. We need to learn where to place the ball," Sanchez said.

The Warriors have had a great week of practice and are communicating better on the court, Sanchez said.

Portales finished third at the Roswell Invitational. The Warriors are most concerned with Rams' middle hitter/blocker. Ruidoso's Kelle Lutterman has drawn the responsibility of shutting down the Portales hitter.

For the second consecutive tournament, the Warriors started off strong only to stumble the next day in Roswell last weekend.

Friday the 13th showed no traces of scariness for Ruidoso in Roswell. The Warriors went undefeated in pool play, defeating Class AAAA schools from Austin, Texas (11-7, 11-6) and Alamogordo (11-9, 11-4) in straight games. Ruidoso then swept fellow Class AAA foe

Aztec 11-6, 11-6. (In pool play, teams played two games to 11 points.)

Ruidoso then faced Plains, Texas in bracket play. The Warriors lost a heartbreaker in five games, 15-13, 12-15, 15-13, 10-15, 18-16. That emotional loss seemed to drain the fight from the Warriors who then fell to Deming in three straight, 15-5, 15-4, 15-6.

Austin and the Warriors met again for seventh place. This time, the Texas school got the better of Ruidoso, winning 15-8, 15-9, 10-15, 15-2.

Sanchez noted the play of her setters, Jana Morris and Apryl Figueroa, at the Roswell tournament. Both played real well, Sanchez said.

Saturday's game will feature some new faces on the Ruidoso varsity team. Sanchez has moved up Kara Lutterman and Tawnya Heineken from the Warrior junior varsity team to take the place of the departed trio.

Volleyball action at the Ruidoso High School gym starts with the freshman game at 1 p.m. Junior varsity and varsity play follows.

Seventeen coed teams in tourney

Seventeen adult coed softball teams will participate in the Mountain Double Up softball tournament sponsored by the Village of Ruidoso Parks and Recreation Department. Four local teams are among the 17 signed up to play.

The double elimination tournament starts at 9 a.m. Saturday at Eagle Creek Sports Complex. The championship game is slated for noon Sunday.

Local teams playing in the tournament are CoNads, Hit n Run, Ts & Ds and Tasmanian Devils. The CoNads and Ts & Ds play at 9 a.m. Hit n Run and Tasmanian Devils play at 10 a.m.

Lonesome Pine winners announced

Eve Bayless and Doris Meadow took top championship flight honors in the Alto Ladies Golf Association Lonesome Pine tournament, Aug. 28 and 29.

The benefit tournament raised \$750 for the Susan G. Komem Breast Cancer Foundation.

Results of the tournament: championship flight - 1) Eve Bayless and Doris Meadow, 2) Carol Bayless and Joyce VanLandingham, 3) Carol Singletary and Alice Vantussenbroek, 4) Linda Russell, 5) Wanda Hopkins, 6) Earlene Neely and Eloise Cannop, 7) Susan Spence and Floyana Lane; first flight - 1) Julia Wensel and Diane Peoples, 2) Pat Brown and Sandra May, 3) Lee Monroe and Bobbi Gaskin, 4) Emily Kreins and Audrey Foster, 5) Mary Bowden and Nancy Beyer, 6) Maurine Crutcher and Barbara Johnson, and 7) Melba Draper and Dorthy Burgess.

The closest to the pin contest winner was Diane Peoples.

Moonlight bicycle ride at White Sands

Bicyclists are invited to spend three traffic-free hours riding through the dunes at White Sands National Monument under the light of the nearly full moon Friday, Sept. 27.

Bikers may park their cars at the visitor center and enter Dunes Drive between 8 and 9 p.m. Those riding must return to the visitor center by 11 p.m. No motorized vehicles or pedestrians may enter Dunes Drive during the time, and all bicycles must stay on the roadway.

All bicyclists must wear a helmet and have a light on their bike or person. Cost is \$2. Call 479-6124 for more information.



The Capitan rodeo team will host a high school rodeo Saturday and Sunday. Members of the team pictured are (from left to right): front row - Adrenna Flores, Justin Joiner, Jennifer Underdown, Buffy York and Courtney May; second row - Ashley Martin, Krystal Winfield, Drew Smith, Josh Long, Cody Joiner and Marlo Maroon; back row - Steve Wilson, Shawn Wilson, Jake Sanchez, Shawn Hanell and Scotty Tillman.

Capitan hosts high school rodeo

By LAURA CLYMER
Ruidoso News Sports Writer

Football teams have homecomings, so why not rodeo teams?

Capitan's high school rodeo team will have its homecoming of sorts Saturday and Sunday at the Lincoln County Fairgrounds in Capitan. That's where Capitan will host its first, and hopefully not last, high school rodeo competition.

In years past, Capitan students on the rodeo team drifted to and from high school rodeos much the same way cowboys wander on the range, on their own.

This year is different, thanks to the efforts of Linda Joiner.

"It's a rodeo team. We all want to meet and travel together (to rodeos), just like the football team," said Joiner.

Joiner has rounded up resources and lined up sponsors to help support the Capitan rodeo team. Her goal is to pay for expenses to and from high school rodeo competitions, i.e. entry fees and gasoline for vehicles.

In addition to that, the team has opened membership to all Lincoln County high school students. Students from Ruidoso, Carrizozo and Hondo high schools and home-schooled students can join the Capitan team. Joiner said the team is accepting members still.

Capitan senior Steve Wilson is president of the team. Although the majority of team members attend Capitan, several are from the other schools, or home schooled like

Glencoe's Mackey Tully.

The team will compete in eight rodeos this fall and return to action in the spring when New Mexico High School Rodeo State Championships are held.

The Capitan rodeo begins at 10 a.m. Saturday and then again at 9 a.m. Sunday.

The order of events is: bare-back, first section breakaway, saddle bronc, first section calf roping, second section breakaway, first section bull riding, steer wrestling, barrel racing, first section team roping, second section calf roping, goat tying, second section team roping, pole bending and second section bull riding.

To qualify for the state rodeo championships, a competitor must earn one point. From the state championships, the top four finishers qualify for the National High School Rodeo Finals.

Strong performances at either the state or national championships can translate into college rodeo scholarships for participants, Joiner explained. It's one of the reasons why she's trying to promote the Capitan team.

Without sponsorship support, Capitan wouldn't have been able to host this weekend's rodeo.

"Our account started with a zero (balance)," Joiner said.

Her long-term goal is to receive funding from the Capitan School District for the team.

Capitan's rodeo will feature more than high school rodeo talent. A dance is on the weekend card.

The Graham Brothers will perform at 8:30 p.m. Saturday at the fairgrounds arena. Organizers are also giving away a Las Vegas trip.

Those interested in joining the team can call Joiner at 354-2963 or Agatha Long at 354-2238.

Warriors second in Taos

The Ruidoso High School boys golf team turned in a powerful performance Monday, finishing second in the Taos Fall Classic at Taos Country Club. Perennial Class AAAA power Farmington defeated the Warriors by seven strokes.

Ruidoso couldn't handle the Scorpions, but it did get the best of last year's Class AAA state champions, Los Alamos, by five strokes.

"The kids really played well," Warrior coach Ron Wall said. "We were a little disappointed after last

year's state tournament, but the boys worked very hard over the summer and it shows."

Farmington shot a 307, followed by: Ruidoso 314, Los Alamos 319, Las Vegas Robertson 329, Farmington JV 331, Ruidoso JV 348, Taos 369, and Cimmaron 384.

Turning in stellar performances for the Warriors were Ben Andrews and seniors Stephen Houghton and Brian Phillips. Andrews shot a 77, Houghton a 78 and Phillips a 79.

Homecoming: RHS faces Tularosa

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Socorro used a 5-3 defensive set to confuse the Ruidoso offensive unit. It was enough to help the visitors post a 21-15 win over Ruidoso.

"They gave us a defensive look that we hadn't prepared for all year long. So, there was a surprise factor there," Roberts said.

The 5-3 set not only stopped the Warrior attack, but also frustrated an offensive unit that had scored 76 points in its first two games.

"Just nothing was working," said senior running back Rojas. "The offense couldn't get going. We weren't used to us not scoring."

Just in case Tulie decides to copy Socorro's defensive scheme

in hopes of throwing off the Warriors again, Ruidoso has spent the week practicing its offensive attack versus the 5-3.

"We should do good. We had a lot of mental letdowns last week, which we won't let happen this time," Pacini said.

Senior Erik Padilla said the key to a Warrior victory is "to go out there and whup 'em. We're going to have to out hustle them."

The Warriors face a pair of formidable opponents the next two weeks in Portales and Carlsbad, which makes tonight's game even more important.

"It's important for us to get back on the winning side. We have just got to be ready," Rojas added. "We've got to run the ball good, play real good defense, tackle well and pass, too."

Pigskin prognosticator



The Ruidoso News' publisher Keith Green presents Jeff Chapman with a check for \$25. Chapman was the winner for week one of the newspaper's Pigskin Picks '96 football contest. The contest runs through the football season in the TV topics section of every Wednesday edition of The Ruidoso News.

Bikers, hikers alike enjoy North Fork Cedar Creek Loop

The North Fork Cedar Creek Loop is an easy hike that also offers opportunities to do some mountain biking, since it lies outside the wilderness. North Fork Cedar Creek Trail (13) is a well-defined path that climbs gently but steadily up a tributary canyon of Cedar Creek. Workings on old mining claims are easily viewed from the trail.

The hike begins at an elevation of approximately 7,350 feet at the

TRAIL TALK



Johnny Hughes

trailhead located along the upper North Fork of Cedar Creek. The path climbs gently up North Fork Cedar Creek Trail (13) to an intersection with an

unnamed trail. The trail leads past the mines onto the ridge forming the watershed divide between Cedar Creek and Gavilan Canyon. The route follows the ridge west back to Trail 13 and then descends Trail 13 back to the trailhead.

To reach the trailhead, take Hwy. 48 north out of Ruidoso approximately 1 mile to the junction with Cedar Creek Road (USFS Road 88). The intersection is located next to the Smokey Bear Ranger Station. Turn left onto USFS Road 88 and go approximately 1.5 miles to the intersection with Spring Canyon Road. A sign with Spring Canyon on it marks the intersection. Turn right onto Spring Canyon Road and proceed approximately 3/4 mile to the trailhead. Look for the small trailhead sign on the right, just past the last house and just before the road makes a hairpin turn and continues up the side of the mountain. Park past the trailhead where the road leaves the canyon bottom, and walk 100 yards back down the road to the trailhead.

Begin the hike on Trail 13 and proceed up the canyon bottom. The trail crosses a small stream numerous times, but the stream is easily crossed. After hiking for about 1/2 mile the trail splits. The left fork is the continuation of Trail 13. The right fork is an unnumbered trail that is locally referred to as the "Miner's Road." A sign at the intersection shows the way.

Take the right fork of the trail (Miner's Road) and continue

upward. After proceeding for less than 100 yards, notice the two mine adits to the left of the trail. These mines are sunk along a vein associated with a fracture or possibly a fault. The entrances of the mines are partially caved and do not appear very stable. Although one of the adits could easily be entered, it is not advisable. The potential reward does not outweigh the potential risk. Remember a couple of weeks ago how I talked about making good decisions in the wilderness and avoiding potential problems? Well, this situation is an excellent example. Don't say I didn't warn you.

If small children are on the hike or if you are on a mountain bike, I would advise retracing the route back to Trail 13 and continuing the hike up Trail 13. The trail above the mines gets rather steep and rocky in places. Otherwise, continue up the trail past the mines until it emerges on the ridge between Cedar Creek and Gavilan Canyon. A highline is present along this ridge.

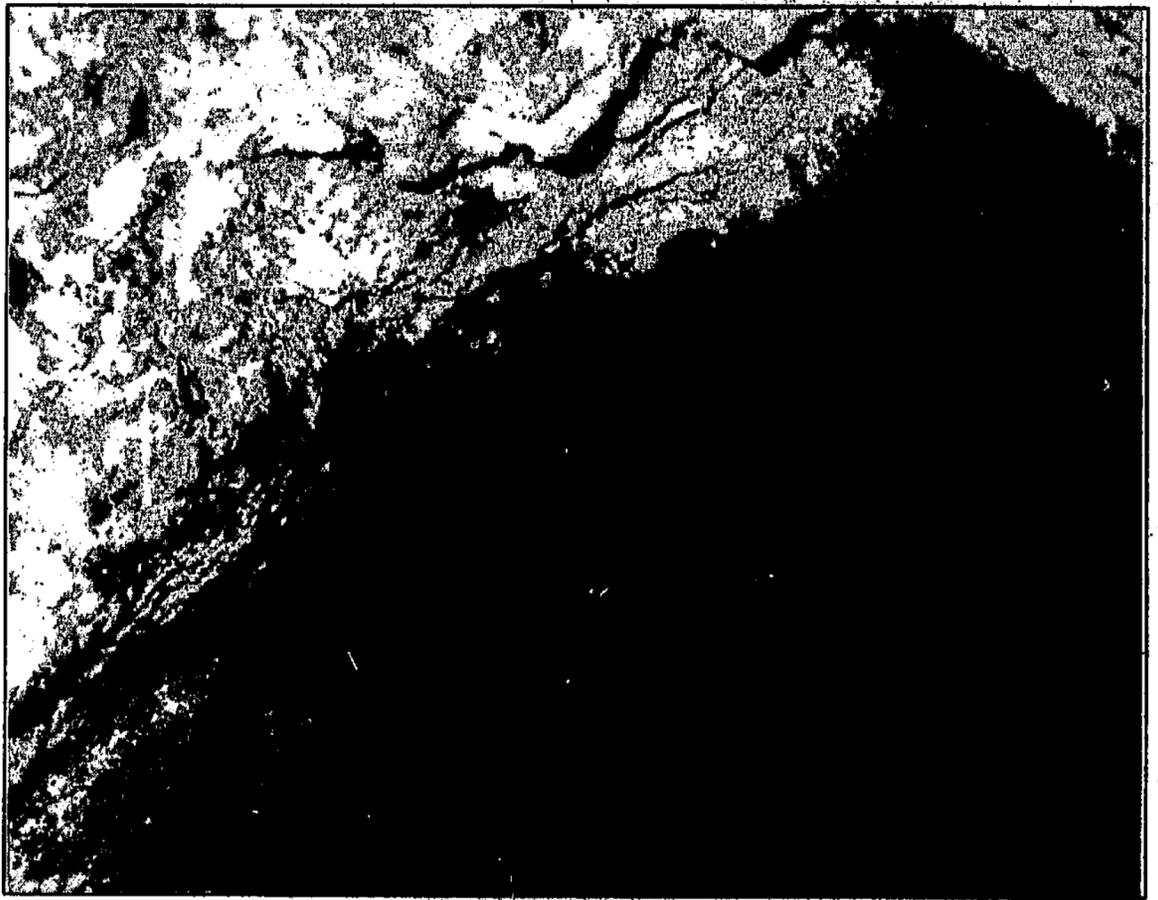
Proceed west along an old access road that runs along the highline. Follow the highline west along the ridge for about 1/2 mile to the intersection with Trail 13. This stretch of trail has one area that is steep and loose. If mountain bikers ignored my earlier warning to avoid this part of the trail, they will be plenty tired of carrying their bikes by this time. Hence my advice to stick to Trail 13. An excellent view of Sierra Blanca is available from the ridge.

Proceed south on Trail 13 from the highline and begin descending back to the trailhead. This section of trail is a rush on a mountain bike, at least on the way down. Trail 13 follows a ridge down to the canyon bottom and then follows the stream back to the intersection with "Miner's Road." Retrace the last 1/2 mile back to the trailhead to conclude the hike.

Camping locations are abundant along the lower trail below the mines, and running water is usually always present. The only other camping possibilities are along the highline ridge, but the lack of nearby water becomes a problem.

The North Fork Cedar Creek Trail is remarkably free of litter and signs of overuse, considering it is so close to town.

Please respect your forest and help maintain the area by packing out all trash, even if it's not your own.



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Mine adits like the one pictured above dot the trail along North Fork Cedar Creek Loop. Hikers are better off to look but not enter these abandoned mines because of the instability of rocks.

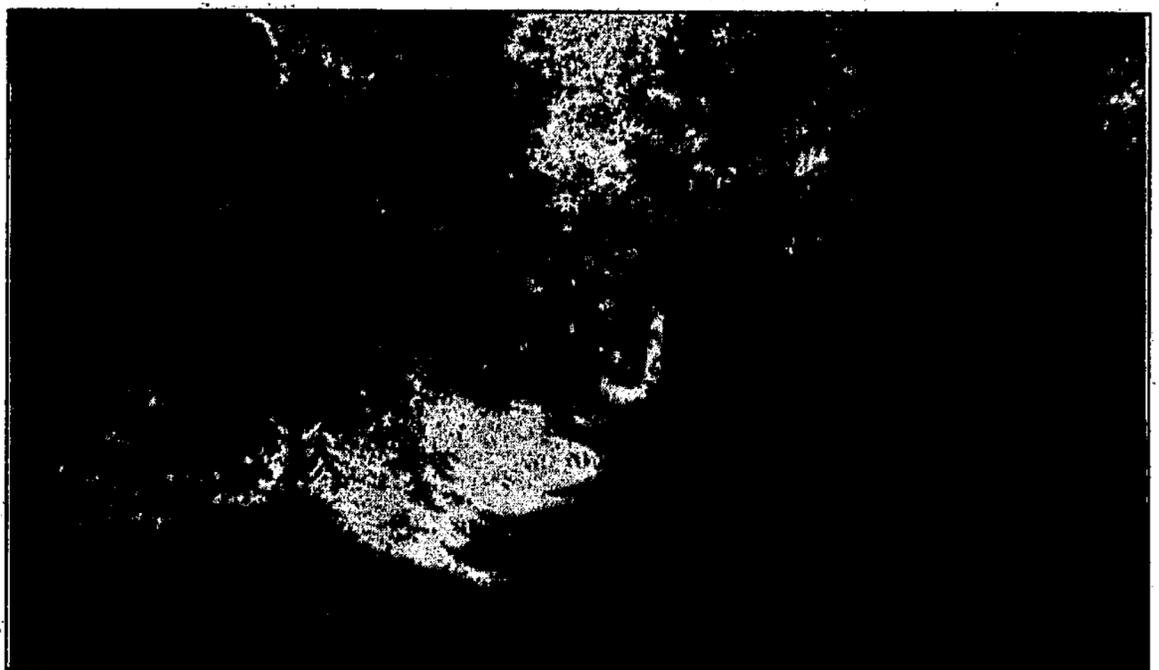
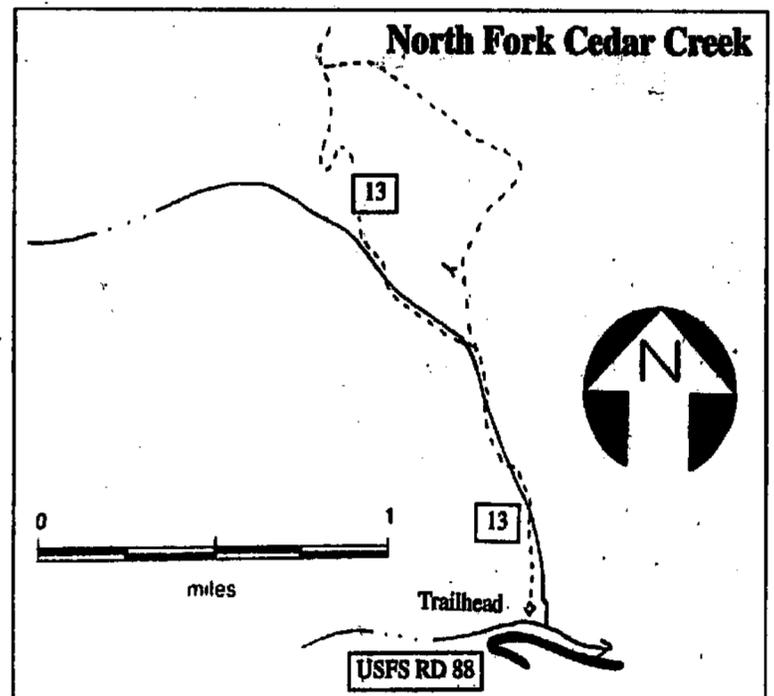
NORTH FORK CEDAR CREEK LOOP

General Description: A 2.5-mile round-trip hike into an easily accessible area in the Lincoln National Forest on the edge of Ruidoso.

Special Attractions: Views of Sierra Blanca, old mines and running streams.

Net Elevation Gain: 720 feet.

Difficulty: Easy.
Estimated Hiking Time: 2.0 hours.



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Mountain bikers can enjoy the North Cedar Creek Loop Trail since it is outside the wilderness area.

The James Gang

(This is the first of a two-part series about the Battle of Northfield.)

At about 11 a.m. on Sept. 7, 1876, just 120 years ago, three men on horseback approached the town of Northfield, Minn., from the west. They crossed the Cannon River Bridge into the town at a walk. The only thing that set them apart from anyone else was the noticeably fine horses upon which they were mounted.

Down the road, behind these three riders, two more men appeared in the distance, approaching Northfield. They too, were well mounted. All five riders wore dusters.

PAST TENSE



Drew Gomber
Ruidoso News

About an hour later, all five of the horsemen strolled into a restaurant and ordered ham and eggs (with four eggs per man, mind you), and began to argue politics. Had the waiter any idea as to just who these gentlemen really were, he would have gone running for the sheriff, who probably wouldn't have believed him anyway.

They were the James Gang, America's premier, and up to that time, most successful band of bank and train robbers that the world had ever seen.

Three of the men, Jesse and Frank James and Cole Younger, had been in the business for more than 10 years.

Before coming to Northfield, the gang had scouted the bank at Mankato, Minn., which looked good to them until Jesse was recognized by an acquaintance who immediately went to the local police. The constabulary didn't believe a word he said. They couldn't believe that the famous James Gang would be operating so far north of their usual stomping grounds — the Missouri area.

Nevertheless, the gang moved on to Northfield, and their personal Waterloo.

In September of 1876, the James Gang consisted of Jesse and Frank James; Cole, Jim and Bob Younger; Charlie Pitts; Clell Miller and Bill Chadwell.

No one knows for certain exactly who the five bandits were that scouted the town that day, although it is a good bet that Frank, Jesse and Cole Younger were among them. Whoever they were, they re-grouped with the other three after lunch, pronouncing the coast clear.

It was the middle of the afternoon before three riders again crossed the Cannon River Bridge. This time, the long dusters concealed weapons. According to eyewitnesses, the trio was Jesse James, Bob Younger, and either Charlie Pitts or Frank James.

They dismounted around the corner from the First National Bank and began to talk quietly among themselves. When they saw Cole Younger and Clell Miller riding up the street toward them, the three strolled into the bank through the front door. Not one of them remembered to shut the door behind them.

Once inside, the three drew pistols. One of them shouted to the employees, "Throw

up your hands. We intend to rob the bank and if you halloo we will blow your goddamned brains out!"

There were three bank employees present to hear this less-than-gracious greeting. They were acting cashier Joseph Heywood, teller Alonzo Bunker and assistant bookkeeper Frank Wilcox. When one of the bandits inquired which one of them was the cashier, Heywood replied, "He's not in."

This seemed to set all three bandits into motion. As one, the three vaulted the counter. Each employee was now looking down the business end of a revolver.

Noticing that Heywood was seated at the cashier's desk, the bandit in front of him announced, "You are the cashier; now open the safe you goddamned son-of-a-bitch!" Heywood somehow remained calm. "It's got a timelock and cannot be opened."

Seeing that the outer-door of the vault seemed to be open, the bandit questioning Heywood walked over to try the door on the inner safe. When he did, Heywood leaped forward in an attempt to close the outer door and trap the bandit. One of the other bandits stopped him.

At this point, Heywood had a knife drawn across his throat to encourage him to open the safe. They even fired a pistol next to his ear to get him to do this, but the plucky banker still refused. He was then pistol-whipped, and dropped to the floor bleeding.

Things were not going well for the bandits. The sound of gunfire from the street was becoming decidedly more pronounced. Part of the James/Younger Gang's standard operating procedure was to "hurrah" the town while the robbery was in progress. This consisted primarily of the gang riding up and down the street, discharging weapons and shouting. It may sound less than sophisticated now, but it served to clear the street.

This time, however, the three outlaws inside the bank couldn't help but notice that there was more gunfire coming from outside than could possibly be produced by the rest of the gang. The town was fighting back.

At this point, bank employee Alonzo Bunker made a dash for the back door. Eighteen-year-old Bob Younger fired at him twice, the second bullet taking effect in Bunker's shoulder. Far from knocking the young banker down, however, the wound energized him with terror, and he simply picked up speed, going right through the closed screen door and disappearing down the alley. Bunker survived.

Cole Younger rode up to the front door of the bank and shouted a phrase that no one in the gang had ever heard before: "The game is up and we are beaten!"

The three outlaws inside the bank instantly vaulted back over the counter and ran out into the street. One of them, variously identified as Jesse James, Frank James or Charlie Pitts, turned back in frustration to Heywood,



Frank James as a guerrilla during the Civil War.

lying dazed on the floor, and put a bullet into his brain, killing him.

Meanwhile, outside the bank, a local hardware store was passing out rifles, shotguns and pistols to any and all who wanted them. The outlaws were rapidly being outnumbered by determined, armed men.

A young student home from college in Michigan, named Henry Wheeler, carried a breech-loading carbine to a second-story window across the street from the bank.

By this time, all eight of the bandits were in the street. Wheeler drew a bead on Bill Chadwell as he galloped by, and put a bullet through the outlaw's heart. Chadwell's horse balked at the same time and the outlaw tumbled over the horse's head and sprawled in the dust.

Clell Miller was struck by a shotgun blast in the face and shoulder. Reeling in the saddle, Miller put the spurs to his horse and raced down the street. As he did so, another bullet hit him square in the chest, unhorsing him. Miller tried to rise, then fell over on his back, dead.

Cole Younger rode up to Miller and dismounted. Determining that his partner in crime was dead, Cole tore off Miller's pistols and cartridge belt and remounted.

One of the bandits, never identified, rode up and down the street hanging off the side of his horse and firing under its neck, Indian style.

By this time, all of the surviving bandits were mounted and ready to get out of Northfield. All except Bob Younger. Bob had become involved in a duel with one of the citizens, and every time he tried to mount his horse, the citizen's gunfire prevented him from doing so. Finally, a bullet brought Bob's horse down, and he took cover under a stairway, behind some stacked boxes.

Unfortunately for Bob, he was now in Henry Wheeler's field of fire. A bullet from Wheeler's carbine shattered Bob's right elbow, and Bob immediately executed the



Jesse James

"border shift" — tossing his gun from his right hand to his left — and raced down the street firing at anything that moved, screaming to the other bandits: "My God, boys! You are not leaving me - I'm shot!"

Bob's big brother Cole wheeled his horse and began to gallop toward his wounded sibling. As he did so, a Norwegian immigrant, not really in command of the language of his adopted country and possibly drunk to boot, wandered out of a saloon and into the street . . . directly into Cole Younger's path.

Former Missouri guerrilla Cole Younger shouted at the man before him to get out of the way and then fired once. The bullet struck the hapless immigrant in the head, killing him.

(Note: Cole and Jim Younger, as well as Frank James, had ridden with infamous guerrilla leader William Clarke Quantrill. Jesse James had ridden with the equally infamous Bloody Bill Anderson. No matter what you may think of the Missouri guerrillas, few were better at riding and shooting from the saddle than they.)

Already wounded in the thigh, Cole skidded his horse to a halt in front of his badly wounded brother. Reaching down to Bob amidst a hail of gunfire, Cole swung Bob up onto the saddle behind him and wheeled his horse toward the Cannon River Bridge.

Seeing that the last two outlaws were about to escape, the townsmen had begun to leave their places of cover and advance into the street, firing at the wounded bandits as the duo thundered down Division Street toward the bridge.

The citizens' fire was ineffective, however, and a few moments later, Cole and Bob Younger clattered across the Cannon River Bridge after their comrades. The Battle of Northfield was over.

The manhunt was about to begin.

Dining Out

An Advertising Feature



Much more than Italian at Che Bella

Don't be fooled by Che Bella's sign proclaiming "Northern Italian Cooking." Executive chef Chris Dolan promises patrons much more than fine Italian food.

Dolan, who arrived in Ruidoso nearly four months ago, offers several specials every night, in addition to Che Bella's standard fare. It's an offering Dolan thinks best suits the customer.

"People can come in and always know that they can have a consistently excellent meal (from the main menu), or try one our specials," Dolan says.

Dolan, 33, changes his specials according to the availability of the freshest meats, seafoods and vegetables, and according to the season. As Ruidoso approaches the winter months, he'll use more winter vegetables like potatoes prepared au gratin. Dolan will also serve heavier stews like lamb stew.

Thursday through Sunday Dolan promises fresh Maine Lobster flown in from the East Coast. Seafood

lovers will appreciate the opportunity to select an entree that features a variety of fresh fish. One of Dolan's favorite is his seafood risotto which he makes with either lobster claws, tuna, swordfish or shrimp.

Another special Dolan has planned is saurbraten, red cabbage and dumplings, for Oktoberfest next month.

A graduate of the Culinary Institute of America, Dolan was the executive chef of the Harbor Club and 21 Club in New York before heading west. You could say it's in Dolan's recipe that he be a chef. His father is a European master chef, and Dolan has been peeling shrimp and potatoes as long as he can remember.

It's not in line with Dolan's cooking philosophy to name a signature dish.

"Everything, every day is my signature dish. I take great pride in everything that comes out of my kitchen," Dolan says. "If you don't believe that everything is your signature dish then you're not taking care

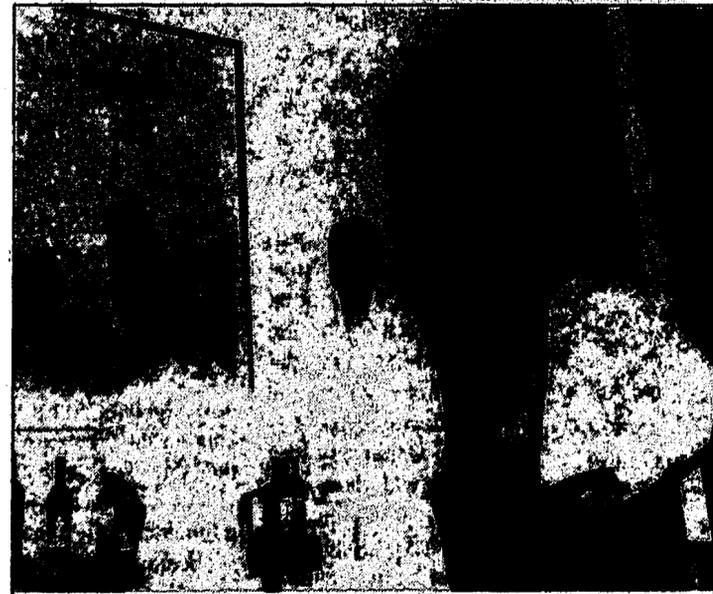
of your customers."

Complementing the Che Bella dining experience is one of the best wine selections in the county and a variety of beers. Che Bella owner Gina Tordella enjoys trying different wines, so patrons can expect something new on the list of 40-plus wines.

To top off the unique dining experience, customers can indulge in one of Dolan's desserts. He serves his sorbets in fruit shells and makes all of his sauces from scratch. A native New Yorker, Dolan appropriately offers some of the best cheesecake in the area.

Brightly colored European lithographs decorate the walls of the simple yet elegant dining rooms of Che Bella, located at the intersection of Mechem and Sudderth drives in Ruidoso.

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Che Bella staff members Shaylor Duran (left) and Jackson McIntosh (right) join executive chef Chris Dolan (center).

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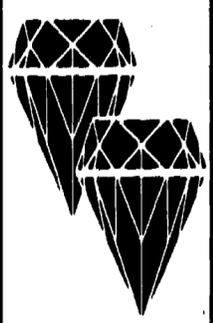
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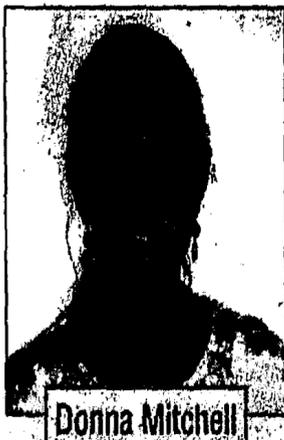
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