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Burglary claims in sudden surge

• Ruidoso, Ruidoso Downs and Lincoln County are reporting higher than usual burglary rates.

BY TONI K. LAXSON
RUIDOSO NEWS STAFF WRITER

Frank Sayner's insurance company has compensated more burglary

victims this spring than it has in five years.

"In these last several months we have had a good 20 claims," said Sayner, supervisor of the High Country Insurance Co.

Greg Carey, an insurance agent with State Farm, said his firm also has received an unusually high number of burglary claims. "It's

not doubled, but I would say that it's up significantly," Carey said.

Agents with two other local insurance companies said they haven't been hit with any significant burglary claims. However, one, Mark Decker, acknowledges his escape. "Lucky is the word," Decker said.

This May, 21 more burglaries were reported in Ruidoso compared to

last year, according to records from the Ruidoso Police Department. The 28 burglaries is the highest monthly tally for the department for several years.

Overall, the picture for the year isn't as bad — 86 burglaries compared to 80 at the same time last year

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Lincoln's roof war heats up

Six residents of the historic settlement of Lincoln have filed an appeal in district court to a decision by the Lincoln County Commission.

Commissioners in April approved a variance to the architectural standards of the 10-mile long historic district on U.S. 380 for a roof on the home of Nat Palomeras.

Frederick L. and Ernie Ashworth, Ralph Dunlap, Jeremy H. and Cleis Jordan and Ira D. Lee are asking the court to reverse the decision of Commissioners Monroy Montes, Wilton Howell, L. Ray Nunley, William Schwettmann and Rex Wilson.

County Attorney Alan Morel said he could not comment on a pending case. At the time of the commission vote, board members defended their decision by saying that to the average person, the variance in the roof design would not be noticeable. But proponents of the historic district's architectural standards ordinance pointed out that Palomeras had agreed to abide by a certain design. They accused him of failing to live up to that agreement and of not following proper procedures.

'Nite Crawl'



Roswell disc jockeys Jim "The Capster" Capp (left) and Tim "T.J." Dill interviewed Marilyn Patterson, Galleria West owner and Spirit of Ruidoso president last Friday. The DJs were in town doing a live remote broadcast for KBCQ to promote Spirit's first Nite Crawl. Patterson said she considered the event a success. Others who participated said crowds were not as large as they had hoped for, but they think as word gets around about the events, which will run throughout the summer on the third Friday of the month, more people will turn out and "crawl."

Leroy Gooch



Courtesy photo
Leroy Gooch, the founder of Ruidoso's successful school golf program, died Tuesday while on vacation in Kentucky. See the story on page 1B.

Funding formula changes tax schools

Could be a nice gain for Ruidoso, or possibly a major loss

• A change in the state equalization funding formula had Ruidoso school administrators thinking they would be getting a sweet deal, but a possible reduction in unit values could sour the outlook.

BY JULIE BAXTER
RUIDOSO NEWS STAFF WRITER

A change in the state equalization funding formula approved by the New Mexico Legislature this year had Ruidoso schools expecting a significant boost to their share of the state pie. But a possible decrease in the unit value plugged into that formula may turn out to be less than the district was anticipating.

Caron Snow, district business manager, originally had projected that the change in the state funding formula would contribute \$10.5 million to the 1997-98 budget, a projection that is about \$341,000 more than last year's state funding. The change elim-

inated a density factor, which was beneficial to larger school districts such as Albuquerque, and replaced it with an at-risk factor, which Ruidoso administrators felt would distribute the money more equally.

Snow said the unit value is determined by multiplying the number of students by 1.25, a factor established by statute. The number of units is then multiplied by the unit value, originally set at \$2,220. Snow said the State Department of Education may drop that figure by \$20 a unit, if not more.

The \$10.5 million projection may not hold true, since larger districts are coming up with higher student counts and slicing out more of the \$65 million appropriated for first school funding.

"This is the first time I've ever seen unit value adjusted before July 1 (the start of the school fiscal year) for the coming year," Snow said. "It's the result of the State Department of Education identifying more units statewide."

The identification of more units means that the total will be split into more, but smaller, parts. With higher student counts in locales like Albuquerque and Santa Fe, the \$65 million appropriated by the state for school funding will have to be divided up differently, Snow explained. With only so much money to go around, the state is being forced to recalculate the value of each unit so the money can be doled out equally.

And a change in that value is disturbing to Snow, especially since the district's tentative budget, approved June 19 in a special board meeting, was built around the anticipation of roughly \$10.5 million. She said state equalization funding contributes about 90% to the district's general fund and a decrease in the amount may push the district back to the budget with scissors in hand. If unit value is decreased by \$20, it could mean an

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Still one more hearing on signs

• The Ruidoso Village Council continued its public hearing Tuesday on the contentious proposal for controlling business signs.

BY TONI K. LAXSON
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Ruidoso's ordinance regulating business signs is scheduled for one last public hearing.

A July 29 hearing will be the sixth on the issue since April, including three hearings and a workshop by the Ruidoso Planning and Zoning Commission.

A three-member committee is to recommend a final version of the 20-

page law to the Ruidoso Village Council in July.

At a crowded and emotionally charged Tuesday, the Council voted two amendments to the ordinance — one to give businesses more access to banners and another to regulate benches with advertisements.

Councilors Robert Donaldson, Bob Sterchi and Bill Chance will work with staff members to hammer out specific changes and present the Council a final proposal. For example, one issue still to be resolved is where businesses may place banners.

"These are such very technical things that to go line by line (during the Council's regular session) doesn't

make any sense," Donaldson said Wednesday.

Seventeen speakers criticized the proposed law Tuesday for being too restrictive and for virtually eliminating banners.

The current ordinance was written in the mid-1980s, when banners and signs in Ruidoso had proliferated to the extent of becoming an eyesore.

At Tuesday's hearing, Donaldson said parts of the proposed law should be eliminated, such as regulation of stores' Christmas decorations, and a section that duplicates state standards for electrical signs. He said one

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Wilton Howell was the first of more than 15 people Tuesday to criticize Ruidoso's proposed regulation of business signs at a public hearing. Howell, a Lincoln County Commissioner and the owner of One Stop Auto and Garden Center, has fought the village's sign laws for more than a year.

RUIDOSO'S THREE-DAY WEATHER OUTLOOK

SUNDAY High ... 84
Low ... 47



Partly cloudy

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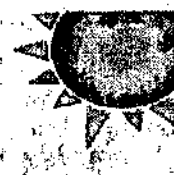
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Low ... 47



Thunderstorms

MONDAY

High ... 86
Low ... 48



Mostly sunny

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Ruidoso Readings	High	Low	Precip.
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Wednesday	82	38	.10"
Thursday	78	45	.06"

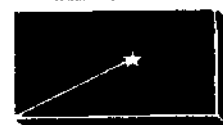
Regional-Wednesday	High	Low	Forecast
Albuquerque	89	59	Thunderstorms
El Paso, TX	93	68	Partly cloudy
Lubbock, TX	89	64	Thunderstorms
Midland, TX	90	65	Thunderstorms



June/July phases of the moon



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On June 28 Saturn and the moon stage a close encounter in the predawn sky. As they rise, around 1 to 2 a.m., Saturn stands just below and to the left of the moon. But the moon's orbital motion carries it eastward through our sky—toward the bright golden planet. Most skywatchers in the United States will see the moon pass a fraction of a degree south of the planet.

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What was said about sign rules

A wide gamut of comments was presented during a public hearing on Ruidoso's proposed sign regulation revisions last Tuesday night. Here is a sampling of those comments:

"I would like to see something in plain language where I don't have to go to my legal team to find out what it means. Hopefully, we will be allowed some kind of banner." — **Jim Huggins**, supervisor of several local Allsup's Convenience Stores.

"You guys are up to your asses in alligators and you're worried about the mosquitoes?" — **Barbara Kinter**, Ruidoso resident.

"I would plead that you would listen to the some of the people here tonight ... A lot of people didn't come here tonight because they were afraid they wouldn't be heard." — **Wilton Howell**, Lincoln County Commissioner.

"The merchants of Ruidoso desperately need these banners to stay in business."

Don Smith,
Sign shop owner

"Banners are good for business and good for Ruidoso." — **Al Junge**, Ruidoso resident.

"The merchants of Ruidoso desperately need these banners to stay in business." — **Don Smith**, owner of Signs by Smith.

"I know what's happening in Ruidoso because of the newspaper and the banners." — **Jackie Cobb**, summer resident.

"To me it was strictly overkill." — **Ray Eldson**, Ruidoso resident.

"I think what we need is less regulations ... I just wish we could make all of this town more user-friendly." — **Cindy Lynch**, local real estate agent.

Banner uses

An amendment to Ruidoso's proposed sign law would allow businesses the following use of banners:

- Four banner permits a year per business.
- Each permit allows use for up to 14 days.
- Each permit costs \$10.
- Permits may be purchased consecutively.
- Banners may be as large as 4 by 8 feet.

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clause that prohibits flags should be more specific in defining flags.

"There are things in here that maybe even the Council doesn't like," he said.

Until councilors approve a final version, nothing is written in stone, including the amendment to allow businesses banners four times a year. "Theoretically, it could be changed, but I think that would be political suicide," Donaldson said Wednesday.

Speakers at the hearing not only criticized the ordinance, but often condemned the village's planning department and the Council itself.

"One of the things that bugs me the worst is the selective law enforcement (by the planning department)," said John Howden, formerly involved in the construction industry. Howden said he believed the Council was anti-business, but later retracted the statement.

People in the audience often yelled out comments during heated moments, such as when Mayor Jerry Shaw told one speaker, Al Junge, his time was up. Junge, who was reading from a two-page prepared statement, said, "This is an open meeting and I am going to finish."

"You will if I allow it, Mister Junge. And you will not allow you to speak to the Council in that way," Shaw responded.

When she stopped him again, saying he had exceeded his two minutes, someone in the audience yelled, "He can have my two minutes," echoed by others saying, "Mine, too," "And mine."

Shaw also repeatedly asked the 60-odd audience members to refrain from clapping at speakers' comments, because it allowed the meeting.

At the beginning of the meeting, Shaw and Donaldson argued about whether or not she would allow him to speak longer than the two-minute allotment, with Donaldson saying councilors often addressed issues before public hearings.

Revision of the village's current sign ordinance actually was instigated in December by the president of the Ruidoso Valley Chamber of Commerce, Fred Girth, after business owners complained the law was too restrictive.

The chamber formed an ad hoc committee which met seven or eight times to rewrite the law. Their revision was then passed along to the Ruidoso Planning and Zoning Commission, which made more changes and handed the issue off to the Council.

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approximate \$94,000 reduction in Ruidoso's share of the state funding.

"What we will do is revisit the budget and trim some areas," she said. "We determined our expenditures based on \$2,220 (unit value). We'll have to trim to offset (a decrease)."

The cuts won't come in the staff; instead, snips will be made to non-recurring expenses such as equipment purchases.

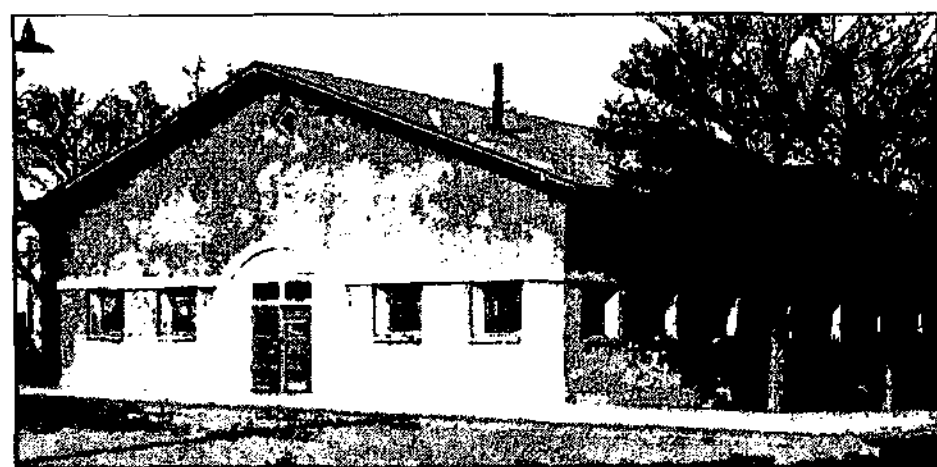
"It's going to affect districts statewide," Snow said of the possible decrease in unit value. And though she feels the district has safeguards built in to prevent any decrease from making a big dent in the budget, she said "you can't view it lightly."

Building materials stolen in Alto

More than \$1,000 in building materials has been stolen from the Alto vacation home site of George Chrzanowski in the last month.

A builder based in Albuquerque, Chrzanowski is constructing a second home in Lincoln County, but last week and three weeks earlier, someone removed concrete reinforcement bars, sheets of wood for decking and "whatever else happened to be available," he said.

The incidents are being investigated by sheriff's deputy Bobby Angermiller. Undersheriff Cliff Macasas said he has stepped up patrols in the Alto area to discourage such thefts.



Courtesy Chris Stromberg, Carrizozo Trading Post

Today the Sturges store, this Carrizozo building once was a community center and also was the school's first gymnasium.

L.C. SCRAPBOOK

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

Ruidoso News
June 6, 1947

One of the most enthusiastic Lions Conventions held in many years came to a close last Monday night. Crowds of Lions, many of them bringing their families, began pouring into Ruidoso last Saturday afternoon ...

Mayor George McCarty

welcomed the visitors to the "year 'round playground." The Governor's Ball held in the Ruidoso School gymnasium Monday evening was a brilliant affair. Entertainment for the banquet was furnished by Louise Massey, the gifted and charming radio singer and author of "Adobe Hacienda" which is second on the hit parade this week. Bob Crosby (King of the Cowboys) spoke a few words and Carmon Phillips and Lloyd Bloodworth gave a comedy skit.

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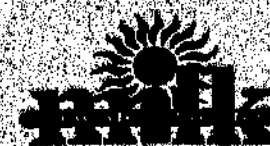
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- **Capitan**
 - Fun Run, 7 to 9 a.m. July 4.
 - Smoky Bear Parade, 10:30 to 11:30 a.m. July 4.
 - Carrizozo Masonic Lodge barbecue at the fairgrounds, 11:30 a.m. July 4.
 - Capitan Music Fest at the Lincoln County Mercantile and Trading Post, 320 S. Lincoln Ave., 11:30 a.m. to 7 p.m. July 4.
 - Old West Ranch Rodeo, fairgrounds, noon July 4.
 - Smoky Bear Rodeo, fairgrounds, 7 to 9 p.m. July 4.
 - Dance with music by the Lincoln County Band, fairgrounds, 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. July 4.
- **Carrizozo**
 - Fireworks display at Carrizozo Golf Course starts at dusk lasts an hour to an hour and a half, depending on how late it starts. The show put on by the Carrizozo Volunteer Fire Department doesn't start until the public's had a chance to shoot off a few of their own, safely and supervised of course. Other events during the day will include softball, horseshoes and other fun and games.
- **Mescalero**
 - Rodeo, 1:30 p.m. daily July 3-6 at the Mescalero rodeo grounds.
 - Dance of the Apache maidens, dance of the Mountain Gods, traditional and modern games nightly July 3-6 at the Mescalero ceremonial grounds. Free lunch and dinner will be served daily at the ceremonial grounds.
 - Parade, 10 a.m. July 4.
 - Cross country run, 8 a.m. July 6.
- **Ruidoso**
 - Country concert at the Ruidoso Convention Center. Daron Norwood and Dan Seals will hit the stage at 6:30 p.m.; doors open at 5 p.m.
 - David Hira Magic Show at First Christian Church; annual kids' show sponsored by the Evening Lions Club. Free tickets available from participating merchants.
- **Ruidoso Downs Race Track**
 - Thursday racing, July 3. Feature races \$10,000 Master Sals Handicap, 3-year-olds and up, thoroughbred and quarter horse, 870 yards.
 - \$10,000 Ruidoso Oaks Handicap, July 4. Three-year-old thoroughbred fillies, six furlongs.
 - Jockeys Across America Day IX, July 5. Each year on the July 4 weekend, this event is held at racetracks nationally to benefit the Don MacBeth Memorial Jockey Fund. Activities will include an autograph session with the Ruidoso Downs jockey colony, a jockey's foot race and autographed collectibles for sale.
 - \$141,000 Zia Futurity, July 5, 2-year-old New Mexico-bred quarter horses, 350 yards.
 - \$34,000 Zia Derby, July 6, 3-year-old New Mexico-bred quarter horses, 400 yards.

BURGLARIES: Insurance rates higher for seasonal homeowners

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in Ruidoso, according to records. However, the village also reported significantly more cases of criminal damage or vandalism, as well, 92 cases as of May compared to 77 last year.

"The population has increased, it's transient season, the kids are out of school. I can't give you a specific reason, but I can assure you all of those are contributing factors," said Ruidoso Police Chief Lanny Maddox.

Ruidoso is not alone in the statistics. Across Lincoln County more burglaries were reported this spring than last year. In Ruidoso Downs, April and May were consecutively the highest burglary months since 1995, according to information provided by Ruidoso Downs Chief David Hightower.

Lincoln County Undersheriff Cliff Macsac said only four burglaries were reported this May, but last year the number was two.

"Anyway you look at it, more people are going to bring in more crimes," said Ruidoso Detective Wolf Born. Also, "It was just an unusual month for May," he added.

In the past, police can usually attribute a rash of burglaries such as this to the arrival in town of a relatively young person with a criminal history, Born said. Just one active perpetrator can spike the statistics significantly for the year. And when police solve one burglary, they usually end up solving several, he said.

Maddox pointed to a number of break-ins that happened about the time of the 1995 Aspenfest. "We ended up making three arrests that solved all those burglaries," he said.

A crime of youth

Maddox estimated that 90 percent of the all the local burglaries are committed by people not over 20 years old.

Todd Griffin, with the New Mexico State Police, said some burglaries may be attributed to youths under the legal drinking age breaking into homes in search of alcohol.

Born said while that may be the case, police have not been able to link any of the bottles recovered from the sites of teen parties to any recent burglaries.

Burglaries that seem to fit that category include about seven homes burglarized in one neighborhood. Cabinets and



The owner of a condominium in Ruidoso surveys the destruction left after a burglary.

drawers were opened and rifled through, but nothing was known to be missing, according to police reports.

Jack Halbrooks, owner of a local alarm system company, said burglaries in which there is extensive malicious damage are usually the result of teen-agers breaking into homes and partying.

Vandalism is a typical signature of a youthful burglar, he said, and many recent burglary reports have included descriptions of vandalism.

The vacation home of an El Paso man had eggs thrown against walls, pool cues broken, furniture overturned, two television sets smashed, a couch slashed, a stereo hammered and a dining room table marred by a kitchen knife stuck in the middle.

Sayner said that roughly 70% of his recent burglary claims will pay off damage from vandalism rather than theft. His average claim is \$7,000, with about \$4,000 paying for criminal damage.

Vulnerable to burglaries

Ninety percent of the homes on Sayner's burglarized list are vacation homes, predominantly those in the Upper Canyon, Forest Heights and Town & Country areas, he said.

Carey said he, too, had claims from those areas, as well as from Ruidoso Downs and homes in remote locations.

Temporary residents are significantly more at risk of being broken into than

permanent homes, and based on village figures, 60% of the houses in Ruidoso are seasonal.

Maddox said the difficulty in patrolling those homes is that officers never know whether the people walking about a vacation home are the owners or their friends, or burglars. And many homes are hidden from the road.

Insurance for vacation homes tends to run 15-20% higher than for permanent homes, though qualified alarm systems can knock about 15-20% off of rates, Sayner said. Sayner expects the current rash of burglaries eventually to increase rates for seasonal homes in Ruidoso. As a standard, the crimes of one year are reflected in rates one or two years down the road, he said.

At least one provider has stopped writing policies for seasonal or vacation homes partly because of the risks, Sayner said.

"The leading seasonal insurer is a company out of Dallas, Texas, called Republic ... They have quit writing in Ruidoso and Lincoln County, but not in the rest of the state," Sayner said.

Though the company's decision was based on numerous factors, "certainly one of them without question is the number of seasonal losses they were experiencing."

Currently, about half of the seasonal home owners purchase insurance locally, the rest acquire policies with the companies that provide insurance for their permanent homes, Sayner said.

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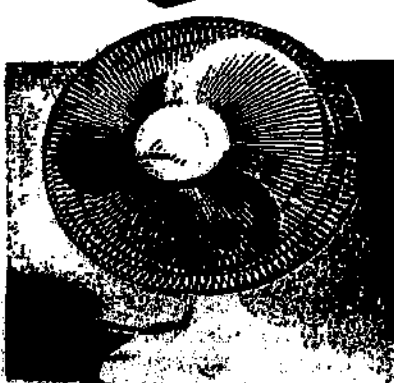
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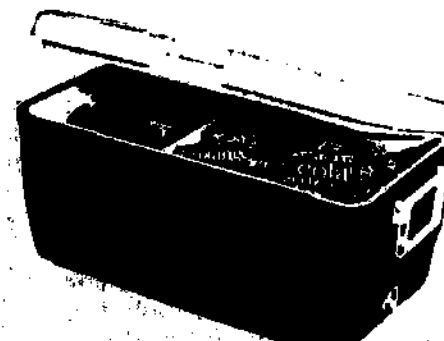
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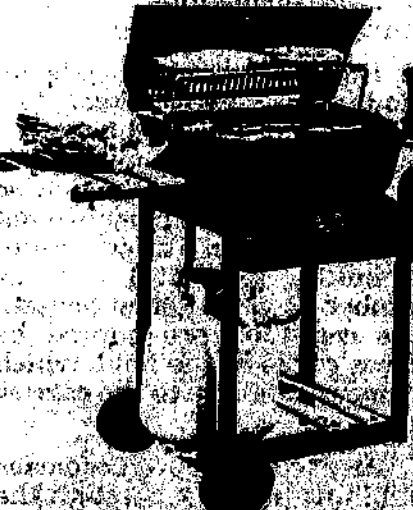
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OUR OPINION

Sometimes no solution

Cleaning up the messes of mankind clearly is a growth industry, and one peculiarly of our century.

They had pretty good indoor plumbing in ancient Rome, but after the Roman Empire fell to the barbarians almost 2000 years passed before something similar was invented, or reinvented.

Better nutrition, public health efforts (resulting in plumbing and such) and medical advances in our century brought about a worldwide population explosion, but at the same time created bigger and more hazardous messes to be cleaned up. An example: Pesticides were created to get rid of bugs so that more crops could be grown to feed that bigger population.

So we can relate with the Lincoln County ranchers who wonder how to dispose of unneeded pesticide or other agricultural chemicals deemed hazardous by the U. S. Environmental Protection Agency.

There's no place to dump it legally in the county, and the few commercial disposal companies are scattered and expensive. If you have more than five gallons of household pesticide to get rid of, don't call Lincoln County Solid Waste Authority; they can't legally accept it.

Some regional EPA officials are pragmatic about it; they acknowledge the problem conscientious farmers, ranchers—even householders and service station operators—face in trying to do the right thing. And state environmental watchdogs suggest some novel approaches: Give the stuff away, recycle it, keep it circulating.

But nobody has a really practical way to get rid of it, even though the law says it's a requirement.

Similarly, we can sympathize with Congressman Joe Skeen and the hundreds of scientists who have struggled for more than 20 years to get the Waste Isolation Pilot Project, the so-called WIPP site near Carlsbad, in operation so that at least part of the mountains of low-level radioactive waste stored all over the country can be safely put away.

Both problems actually have the same root, summed up in that notable acronym, NIMBY—Not In My Back Yard.

Humanity has done some wonderful things, but until it collectively makes a mental breakthrough to put NIMBY somewhere lower on its priority list, some problems never will be solved.

James L. Hine, 1925-1997

A man who probably spent more continuous time working for the people of Ruidoso than any other died last Friday in Amarillo, Texas. James L. Hine was the only village manager Ruidoso ever had until he retired for health reasons in 1987.

It can be said that Hine directed the work over more than a quarter-century that created the infrastructure of the Ruidoso we know today.

We extend sympathy to his family, and on behalf of all Ruidosians we thank him for his long years of contribution to our village.

"Quote"

OTHER VIEWS

These attributed quotes are by area residents, or are quotations worthy of note from other sources.

"We have taken steps to ensure that every New Mexico senior who depends on Medicare can continue to do so. Without changes like making the wealthiest seniors pay a little bit more, the Medicare program faces imminent bankruptcy."

Sen. Pete V. Domenici, R-NM, in a news release following passage this week of the first of two budget bills designed to eliminate the federal budget deficit. Domenici is Senate budget committee chairman.

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THE SILVER LINING

The last days of June are upon us

This is being sent to you two hours after mid-day on June 24 and will reach you on June 27 when we will be in the last days of June—usually the dry month and the hot month.



BY DAN STORM
 COLUMNIST

I just came back from a little stroll down to the river. I wanted to see and smell the blossoms of the wild grape, which usually sends its refreshing fragrance all through the dry air—like a taste of the grape itself about this time of year.

Instead, here were the bunches of the grapes, already half size. This seems to follow a pattern of all the growing things being ahead of time this year, more than likely in keeping with rapid and luxurious growth of everything.

The grapevines themselves have grown to the tip top of their trees, reaching on up, waving in the breeze, as if trying to find something on which to rise higher.

Happening to glance at an oak tree nearby you saw that the acorns were already beginning to take shape.

It was only 88 degrees at the yard gate when I started down to the river, 150 yards more or less. It did not seem hot, but halfway back I began puffing a little.

Then I happened to glance over toward the barn at a nearby clump of cedars, the favorite hot-weather spot for cows.

Here was the entire home bunch of cows and calves lying in the shade.

They looked out much as to say: "What is this little gringo doing? Trying to get heat stroke?"

There is something about this year's heat that sneaks up on you.

Drink plenty of water and eat plenty of salt. And stay out of the sun. Don't do as I do; do what I tell you.

More on cactus flowers

Near the house is a bush of cholla cactus that began putting on blooms about a week ago—two weeks early, really—and yesterday it was a mass of bright shining flowers, in color halfway between crimson and purple. This year it is about twice normal width with blossom buds double and triple the normal number.

This morning it was keeled over; the weight of the extra growth was too much.

Although lying on its side, the bush kept its firm grip on the ground and was blooming away as if nothing happened.

The cactus blooms are in a class by themselves on account of their great brilliance, their profusion and their size.

I have seen two flowers that I do not remember having seen before, and also two birds flew in yesterday that were new to me—as well as I can remember. We are in a summer wonderland.

Today somehow I am remembering a jingle everybody was singing in the little town of Ashland, Ore., near the California border about this time of the month in 1918.

"Buy your booze before July the first
 If you don't
 you'll surely die of thirst
 For dear old Cal is going dry"

On the first of July,
 I did not know what they were talking about, but surely it was about the approach of prohibition.

The first of July? It is nearly here, soon to be followed by America's holiday, July the fourth; and not America's holiday only, but a day of celebrations for all mankind.

A remembered glimpse of Hong Kong on the eve of vast change

Next Tuesday, the final curtain will descend on what is presently referred to as the Crown Colony of Hong Kong. On this date the once gleaming jewel in the British Imperial Crown will revert to its rightful owner, the Chinese.

Hong Kong was seized from the Chinese in 1841 as a war prize for their audacity to defy the British opium trade in China.

During that particular period in history, the Brits controlled India and its most valuable export crop, opium, was introduced in vast quantities to the Chinese. The mandarin emperor at that time, outraged by this commerce, ordered all stocks of the drug seized and destroyed. The British promptly sent a force to engage the Chinese, won, and claimed Hong Kong as their prize for peace.

The Chinese have never forgiven or forgotten this incident. For generations and up to the end of World War II, the Chinese were treated like serfs on their own land and were little more than second-class citizens. Only after the end of World War II did attitudes change and a handful of Chinese admitted into the inner circle of commerce. In some cases they managed to outperform a good number of their former masters.

The overwhelming majority of Hong Kong's native population still lives at the poverty level with no prospects of improving their lot. Most of the estimated 5.7 million look forward to liberation from domination even though they will become citizens of the People's Republic of China. They feel they will be governed by their own race and not the "Foreign Devils," as non-Chinese were, and in some cases are still referred to.

Adding insult to the injury of foreign domination is the fact that of the aforementioned 5.7 million, roughly 3.5 million are legal British subjects but only 60,000 family heads will be granted resident permits for England. The permits will not be spread amongst the general population that can afford to migrate; people holding degrees in engineering, science, medicine and finance will be acceptable, but only if they fall into the 30 to 40 years of age group and are financially independent.

Others that can afford and wish to beat the 1997 deadline have to forage for a safe haven and land of opportunity as best they can. Many have already opted for Australia, Canada, Singapore, the United States and any other country willing to extend the welcome mat.

Those who can't afford a chance at a new life are embittered at the uncertainties of the future. This frustration is manifested by a sharp increase in violent crime that for the moment is Chinese on Chinese. It is, however, showing signs of overflowing into the minority population as well as tourists who might wander down one of Hong Kong's charming little lanes and dead-end streets. Muggings and armed assaults are increasing as well as a rise in the Triad—the Chinese version of street gangs and mini-mafias.

Police are quite concerned about this rapid increase in street crime. The British Army, including the Brigade of Gurkhas headquartered in Hong Kong, expanded training in riot control, sabotage and other forms of expected civil disorder as July 1 got closer.

As for Hong Kong's reputation as the tourist Mecca of the Far East, that is rapidly fading into history.

Once renowned for its fabulous shopping bargains, that has gone the way of the U.S. dollar. In years past, name brand cameras and various electronic gadgets were cheaper than anywhere in the world. Forget it! If junk clothes and fake jewelry are your thing, Hong Kong abounds with counterfeit Guccis, Louis Vuittons and Rolexes...

On the positive side, the overview of Hong Kong is beau-

tiful and in many cases exciting. Perhaps one of the most exciting things about a visit to Hong Kong is departing Kai Tak Airport.

Even though you have a confirmed reservation on a flight, that doesn't necessarily mean you'll leave on your designated flight. For example, all the airlines in and out of Hong Kong overlook their flight to compensate for unusual no-shows. You can also fall victim to severe headwinds, especially on trans-Pacific flights.

Bottom line is, strong headwinds mean fuel problems, fuel problems mean weight restrictions, therefore you might find yourself amongst a dozen or so bumped. Assuming you are not subjected to those major inconveniences, you and a large number of your fellow passengers could be pre-empted by excess cargo in the hold, which is more profitable to the carrier than you.

Any of the above scenarios could mean you go through the agony of reclaiming your luggage, if it hasn't been boarded, and trudging back to your hotel, where, at that point you could be informed by a now smiling desk clerk that if you don't have a reservation they can't accommodate you.

Downs, an Alto resident, has lived in and traveled to many corners of the world, including Hong Kong.

Summer tastes

Like good lasagna, these summer days in Ruidoso are layered and textured, and the variety is worth savoring all this despite the slings and arrows that also are part of each day.

The people we meet and the impressions we gather in this technological era help polish the hours.

Television news readers keep informing us about the Roswell Incident and its 50th anniversary coming up in a few days. The Air Force tries once again to debunk the whole crashed UFO story and appears to do little more than reinforce the idea that it's covering up the truth in the same way it has for five decades. And so we learn a little more about why myths endure.

And, days after the endless second season of the National Basketball Association, the one they call the "playoffs," the annual player draft ritual keeps grown men glued to the TV tube, awed somehow by watching tall boys with lots of muscles become instant millionaires. And this particular grown man takes some delight in seeing a recent University of New Mexico basketball player named Charles "Spider" Smith get drafted by the Miami Heat in the first round.

Ruidoso's Village Council, recognizing some noisy public sentiment, decides Tuesday night to ease up on some recommended changes in the village's sign ordinance. Councilor Robert Donaldson, perhaps celebrating his induction as Rotary Club president on Monday night, leads the charge in modifying the package. And somehow we can see Wilton Howell, the long loud opponent of banner control, putting on his patented Cheshire cat smile...

As noted, many, many layers make up a lazy Ruidoso summer day.

MOUNTAIN ASIDES



BY KEITH GREEN
 RUIDOSO NEWS

Pork contamination caused rodeo illness

• Lab tests show high levels of bacteria in food served during the rodeo in Capitan last weekend.

By DIANNE STALLINGS
RUIDOSO NEWS STAFF WRITER

Pork contaminated with two types of bacteria and served during a junior rodeo last Friday caused food poisoning that sent eight people to the hospital and incapacitated dozens more.

Gary McCaslin, director of the southeast district of the New Mexico Environment Department, said laboratory tests showed that high levels of *Escherichia coli* and another bacteria were present in the meat served in breakfast burritos.

"The amount was very high, indicating there were several hours where temperatures

were such that bacteria could grow successfully," McCaslin said.

At this point, the department cannot determine whether the pork was contaminated while at the distributors or during the period when the sponsors prepared the burritos, McCaslin said.

However, department field inspector Ron Taylor said Thursday that after spending two days with members of the Lincoln County Rodeo Club reviewing their preparation procedures, he has concluded there were periods where the pork was not kept at the prop-

er temperature.

"From my investigation in the field, it's hard to determine where the (contamination) originated, with the distributor or while the food was being prepared," Taylor said. "But there were a lot of errors made in the preparation... With food like pork, the temperature must be held at a certain level whether it is being stored or being cooked. In this case, there were times when the product was not kept on the heat or in the cold when it was being transported and handled."

If the meat had been contaminated while at the distributors, no amount of cooking could have neutralized the toxin, he said.

Taylor met with members of the rodeo club board Wednesday to report his conclusions.

The department's emphasis is to be sure all of the contaminated meat is removed from public access and, if possible, to trace back to determine at what point the contamination occurred, McCaslin said.

"We look at the meat itself in other places we find it and determine if it is contaminated," he said. "We test along the way and if we see nothing in the product, we stop there."

The problem may be finding the meat, because very often the rest of a shipment already has been consumed.

"Very often people experience food poisoning, but have only minor symptoms and don't recognize it as such," McCaslin said. "Many people blame symptoms on stomach flu, when there really is no such thing. Food poisoning is very common, but people don't recognize it."

Thief makes off with truck, trailer and expensive backhoe on weekend

A thief drove off with a truck, trailer and \$70,000 backhoe tractor last week. A reward is being offered for information leading to the return of the Caterpillar model backhoe.

Ron Britt, general manager of Complus Inc., a Nashville, Tenn., Ruidoso Downs company doing installation work for GTE in the area, said the theft apparently occurred over the weekend of June 14-15.

"It was parked in our gravel yard east of Ruidoso Downs, behind a rock crusher up on a hill," Britt said. "The lock on the gate was cut or someone knew the combina-

tion. We haven't been able to find the lock."

When Britt reported to work Monday, the Roswell Police Department had left a message on the company's telephone answering machine that a truck and trailer belonging to Complus had been found abandoned in the middle of a street in Roswell about 8:20 p.m. Sunday.

"But the backhoe, (used to dig ditches) was gone," Britt said. "Since then we haven't heard a word and we're offering a reward. They can call me with information."

Lincoln County sheriff's deputy Paul Wersich is investigating the theft.

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Sometime between Monday, May 19th and Tuesday, May 20th, four cows were needlessly shot and killed in the Bill Evans Lake area. These cattle were shot and left where they fell.

If you have any information on this crime, please call the 24-hour hot line at 1-800-492-8933. You will remain anonymous even when you collect your cash reward.

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Tax packages hit House, Senate floors while real estate speculates on impact

BY JULIE BAXTER
RUIDOSO NEWS BUSINESS WRITER

With controversial tax packages making their way through both the U.S. House of Representatives and the U.S. Senate this week, the real estate community is keeping a watchful eye on their progress and some local brokers are speculating what they could mean to the market.

The tax packages contain capital gains tax cuts meant to stimulate the American economy and get investors to reinvest their confidence in stocks, bonds and real estate. But a clause in both packages put real estate in a different tax bracket than other investments, leading some in the industry to cry foul.

The proposed tax plans call for capital gains taxes to be cut from their current 28% rate to 19.8%, but a portion of profits on real estate investments will be subject to a higher rate. Both plans would tax depreciation at a higher rate—the Senate

version 24% and the House version 26%. Depreciation, the loss owners claim on property over a period of time, is considered profit at the time of sale and would in effect be subject to a double tax standard, according to Liz Johnson, public affairs director for the National Association of Realtors.

Some local real estate agents worry that if passed, the higher tax may discourage people from selling their property or investing in real estate at all.

"I think the first thing it's going to do is keep people from turning their properties," said Cindy Lynch, real estate agent and Ruidoso Board of Realtors legislative committee chair. She is not expecting the bottom to fall out of the market, but speculates that the dual tax rates could have a real impact. "(People) may just sit on their investments."

Jan Eldredge, Board of Realtors executive director, agreed. "I can see where someone may not sell if they're not going to recoup their investment," she said.

And though those prospective depreciation tax rates are lower than the original 28% rate included in the tax plans, they still contradict the goal of the capital gains tax cut, Johnson said.

"It will really negate the positive effects of the tax cut for real estate," Johnson said. "Because this only applies to investment real estate, it's really not going to affect people and their primary residence, but this does affect about one in five people. It's not just an upper income issue."

She pointed to real estate being a primary retirement investment choice, adding that if the tax package were to pass in its respective forms and be ratified into legislation taxing real estate at a higher rate, it could affect a wide spectrum of people.

Others aren't sure what effect the change may have on the market, but worry it may just push investors into other choices.

"I just have one opinion—that it will deter people from investing in real estate," said Board President Bill Hirschfeld.



Terry Irvin, owner of Earthworks has gifts for any taste under the sun.

Irvin hopes Earthworks is the greatest shop on Earth

• *Earthworks, a new addition to Ruidoso's shopping scene, is aiming to do some good for the planet and its people too.*

BY JULIE BAXTER
RUIDOSO NEWS STAFF WRITER

With a wide selection of crystals, herbs, teas, house plants, hand-made gifts, candles, vitamins and more, Terry Irvin hopes her new business has a little bit of appeal for everybody on Earth.

Irvin's new store, Earthworks, carries a variety of natural and healthy products or "anything that is natural and good for the earth and good for people," as Irvin would put it.

Going beyond health food and vitamins, Irvin has stocked her shelves with crystals, copper fountains, wedding candles, aroma therapy blends and hand puppets, just to name a few. The idea is to make the store more than just a place to shop, Irvin said. It's all about making it a great place to be. She's lined

the walls with original hand-carved art, put a table and chairs on the deck and a smile on her face to welcome customers. She's also serving up cappuccino, sodas and juice to make people want to come, sit, stay and enjoy.

"I really want to appeal to all the senses," Irvin said. "To help people achieve a balance of a healthy body, mind and spirit. I tried to create a feel-good atmosphere in the store."

And she's crammed that "feel good" atmosphere full of products to make people feel good.

One of those product lines Irvin is especially sold on is Nature's Sunshine Products. She gained her confidence in the natural supplements from an experience in her own life. Irvin said her husband Don was diagnosed with lymphoma (can-

► Where it's at

Earthworks is located at 1031 Mechem in the Attic Complex.
258-4438

cer in the lymph nodes) and she took him to see Dr. Eliezer Ben-Joseph, a noted naturopath in El Paso, Texas.

After three weeks of treatment and taking the supplements, Don went in for surgery and the cancer was gone. That's all Terry needed to be convinced that the products were top-notch.

"In my own mind I felt he had been healed," she said. "I think these products are superior. They are very carefully researched, have no fillers and are readily digestible."

And as Ben-Joseph's wife Sandra told her, "you can get cheaper (products), but you won't find better."

Other specialty items Irvin has worked in to the Earthworks' lineup include natural health remedies for pets to cure anything from fleas and ticks to digestive problems, crystal

bowls used for healing through vibration, books on natural medicine and Endangered Species Chocolate bars. The hand-made, all-natural candy bars bear the likeness of endangered species like Grizzly bears, red wolves, dolphins, chimpanzees, manatees and more, with a portion of each sale going to protect the species the candy creations are named for.

Irvin said she also strived to keep the merchandise and prices varied enough for both young and old. To keep the younger set happy, she has filled a basket with smaller stones in every color of the rainbow and priced them at 23 cents each. "So kids can come in and buy them for a quarter," she said.

But when all is said and done, the best thing about Earthworks is the pure pleasure it gives its owner. "I love to be here," she said. "I get a sense of joy over what I'm doing. It's not like work at all."

BUSINESS BRIEFS

Wilson advances level in Creative Memories

Carol Wilson of Carrizozo has advanced a leadership level in her Creative Memories career.

After starting her Creative Memories business in 1994, Wilson became a unit manager in May of this year. To reach the position, Wilson recruited a minimum of six new consultants and has attained a consistent level of sales.

Creative Memories specializes in photo-safe scrapbook albums, mounting products and decorative supplies. Consultants teach people how to organize their photographs and memorabilia, how to chronicle their family history and how to create a safe and meaningful family scrapbook or album.

Hearn new manager at Innsbrook Village

Innsbrook Village Country Club has announced Ann Hearn as their new general manager.

Hearn, a graduate of Texas Tech, is a certified public accountant and was the vice president and trust officer for the American State Bank Trust Department in Brownfield, Texas. She was the 1996 president of the Brownfield Chamber of Commerce.

She also is the mother of two sons—Tommy Hays, an attorney attending Asbury Theological Seminary, and Greg Hays, attending South Plain Junior College—and is a grandmother of three.

Four from Ruidoso go to national meet

Four members of the General Federation of Women's Clubs International Ruidoso chapter recently attended the groups 106th annual convention in Phoenix, Ariz.

New Mexico President Charlotte Jarratt and members Gladys Dendy, Tillie Daubs and Genevieve Duncan, all from Ruidoso, attended the three-day convention, which

was held June 18-19. The convention featured workshops, business meetings and events designed to encourage interaction and idea sharing among members. Guest speakers included Lynn Sherr of ABC television show 20/20.

SNMEDD to hold meeting July 11

The Southeastern New Mexico Economic Development District board of directors will hold its quarterly meeting at 10 a.m. Friday, July 11 in Eastern New Mexico University-Roswell Campus Union Building banquet room.

Guest speakers scheduled include Marvin Burr, executive director of the Region IV Housing Authority; Steve Anaya, state director of USDA Rural Development; and Frank Padilla, director of the New Mexico HUD office. The board will adopt the SNMEDD 1997-98 budget at the meeting.

Associations to hold festival July 26-27

The New Mexico Restaurant Association and the New Mexico Wine Growers Association have organized a joint festival at the state fairgrounds in Albuquerque July 26-27.

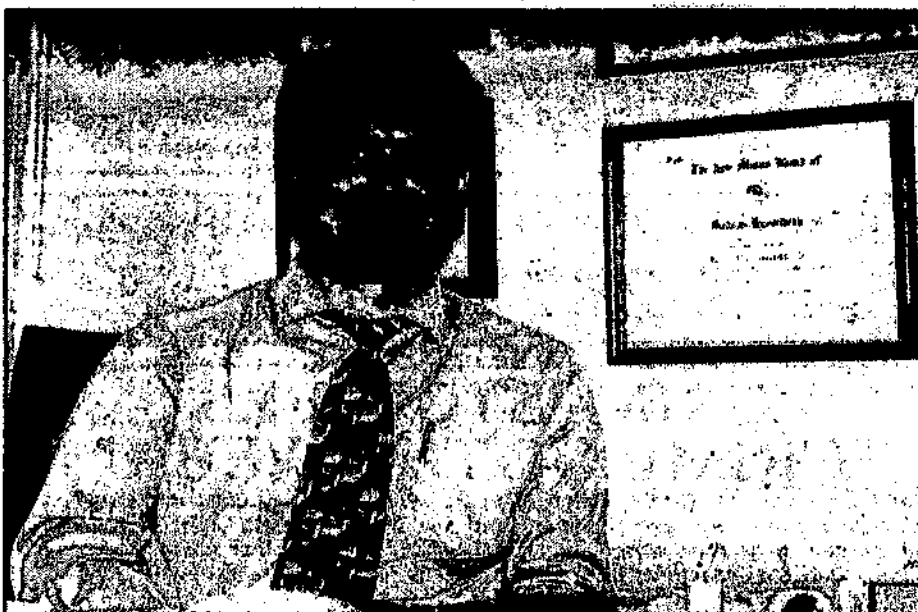
More than 100 restaurants, wineries, arts and crafts, and agricultural booths will circle the fairground's Main Street that weekend to form the first New Mexico Wine & Food Classic. The event will include a variety of musical entertainers each day.

Hours will be from noon to 7 p.m. both days. Tickets are \$10 for adults, \$5 for those between the ages of 12 and 20 and kids under 12 get in free. Tickets go on sale this Saturday, at Protix outlets in Furr's Supermarkets throughout New Mexico. Furr's Frequent Shopper cardholders will receive a \$1 discount on children's ticket and can obtain a voucher from Furr's for a free glass of wine.

► Interest rates this week

The following interest rates on certificates of deposit and new car loans were reported June 26 from local banks.

CD Rates (minimum \$500 bal)		New car loan rates	
Pioneer Savings Bank		Pioneer Savings Bank	
• 3 months	4.45%	• 48 months	8.50%
• 6 months	5.20%	• 60 months	8.75%
• 12 months	5.40%		



Dr. Michael Clements has left L.A. and set up shop in Ruidoso.

Dr. Michael Clements leaves hustle and bustle of L.A. behind, opting for Ruidoso's tall cool pines and leisurely pace

• *Dr. Michael Clements has left L.A. and become the newest member of the Ruidoso medical community.*

BY JULIE BAXTER
RUIDOSO NEWS BUSINESS WRITER

Leaving Los Angeles was a decision Dr. Michael Clements had no trouble making. After all, coming to Ruidoso was coming home.

As a child, Clements spent time in the Ruidoso area,

attending first-grade in Mesalero and graduating from Ruidoso High School in 1969. And his wife Delana has family here, so it wasn't a stretch to envision a happy life in the mountains. But it was the prospect of continuing to practice medicine his way that was the ultimate lure for Ruidoso's newest member of the medical community.

"I practice medicine in a leisurely sort of way," Clements said. "I felt that here in Ruidoso

that was still possible. All the doctors in L.A. are going to be working for somebody in the next five to seven years. It's not that I mind working for somebody, it's when you're forced to see so many patients you can only spend five to 10 minutes with them. It limits how well you can get to know them. The payoff as a doctor is getting to know people."

So he and Delana headed for the mountains where he can still run his family practice and

geriatrics office the best way he knows how—with the personal touch.

With 16 years in medicine, that personal touch is Clements' way of life. He said it is important for the doctor to be healthy if he wants his patients to be that way too. "I really wanted to preserve my enjoyment of medicine," he said of his move back to Ruidoso.

Keeping his patients healthy has also extended beyond his own healthy choices

and conventional "Western" medicine to include alternative treatments. Clements said he's knowledgeable in ancient Chinese treatments like acupuncture and the traditional Eastern Indian method of Ayurveda.

"I'm familiar with a lot of forms of alternative medicine and often recommend them after a full Western medical work up," Clements said. "No one system of medicine works all the time."

He's hoping to build his

clientele slowly as word of mouth spreads and he becomes known, and has no worries that he will have a successful practice. But the best part of coming back to Ruidoso for the University of New Mexico graduate is the peace, beauty and friendliness the town has to offer.

"What I enjoy here is the quiet and of course the scenery and the sense of community," Clements said. And those are three things he didn't get a lot of in L.A.

Finding a vision of growth for Ruidoso

Many mountain resorts do use 'impact fees,' says noted visitor Thursday night

Impact fees support other mountain resorts, according to a visiting planning expert.

By TOM K. LAXSON
RUIDOSO NEWS STAFF WRITER

"Visioning" consultant Myles Rademan said Tuesday fees on new development pay for many of his hometown's amenities and necessary growth requirements.

"We have very high impact

fees. If you are going to build a new home in Park City, you are going to pay an impact fee anywhere from \$5,000 to \$12,000," said Rademan, a renowned expert in assisting mountain resort areas cope with growth.

"I'm not suggesting that you do that. You do what you want," Rademan added, saying that conditions in Park City, Utah are different from Ruidoso.

In particular, he said, Ruidoso has plenty of public lands

surrounding it, helping to maintain the wide-open natural beauty that attracts tourists. Park City, on the other hand, is all private land.

To cultivate the same feeling of wilderness, the town had to purchase land to ensure it wouldn't all be developed.

Park City also has a higher sales tax, a restaurant tax and a hotel tax.

Rademan emphasized that the village collectively does

need to find solutions to problems by going through the "processes" of municipal government.

Rademan presented an often humorous 90-minute slide presentation to about 80 people in the Ruidoso Civic Center Tuesday night.

Rademan's presentation was sponsored by the village of Ruidoso, which will soon be revising Ruidoso's official long-term plans.

Rock thrown, brother charged

A 28-year-old Ruidoso Downs man is accused of striking his older brother with large rock last week, Ruidoso Downs police said.

Chief David Hightower said Wayne Watts reportedly attacked his 31-year-old brother, Shane Watts, at about 1:30 a.m. Saturday, June 21, at the brothers' home in the 300 block of Friedenhilf.

The fight apparently began because Shane Watts asked his brother's girlfriend, in from Texas on a visit, to leave the house, Hightower said. Wayne Watts was not home at the time.

Wayne Watts turned himself in to the Ruidoso Downs Police Department on Monday. He has been charged with aggravated assault on a family member, a felony. He was taken to the Lincoln County Detention Center in Carrizozo, where he is being held without bond, Hightower said.

Ruidoso team assists in Guadalupe rescue

Members of White Mountain Search and Rescue spread their wings Monday and added their talents to a search effort in Eddy County.

The group was contacted early Monday by the Ruidoso Police Department, asking director John Lieftinck to contact the field coordinator of Chaves Search and Rescue about a search for a lost woman in the Sitting Bull Falls area of the Lincoln National Forest in the Guadalupe Mountains.

The search was centered about 15 miles from Carlsbad Caverns.

A convoy of local searchers left Ruidoso at 9 a.m. and arrived at the Queen Volunteer Fire Department, the main search base, about four hours later, Lieftinck said.

Teams were dispatched to look for the woman who became separated from her family during a rain and hail storm Sunday evening, he said.

A Border Patrol helicopter from El Paso and an Air Force rescue helicopter from Holloman AFB searched from above while teams from the Eddy County Sheriff's Office, other search and rescue groups and the Border Patrol combed the ground below in temperatures as high as 102 degrees.

By 4 p.m., teams were recalled after the woman had been spotted by the Air Force helicopter and was flown to a hospital in Carlsbad, where she was treated for dehydration.

The White Mountain team was back in Lincoln County by 8 p.m.

Threat results in man's arrest

Saying he was going to "kill everyone in the house," a 39-year-old Ruidoso man reportedly pointed a 12-gauge shotgun at his step-daughter and her friends early Wednesday morning.

James King of Ruidoso has been arrested, on two felony charges of aggravated assault and one misdemeanor charge of criminal damage.

Sheryl A. Dockery, 19, told police she was asleep at about 5 a.m. Wednesday when she was awakened by someone banging on the door of a house she was staying at in the 100 block of Course View Drive.

It was her step-father, King, who was armed with a shotgun, she told police.

King was yelling he wanted the car Dockery was using. He also accused Dockery of trying to break up his mar-

riage, according to the police report filed by Ruidoso Lt. Michael Lovelace.

Dockery said King "was very angry and said he was going to kill everyone in the house," according to Lovelace's report. King repeated that "statement" several times, demanding that Dockery leave the house. She said he placed the gun to her head, again threatening to kill her and everyone else in the home.

Dockery was staying at the house with a 18-year-old girl friend and two 21-year-old men. The woman, Natalie D. Stanaland, and one of the men, Manuel Blackmon, also gave the police statements.

Stanaland told police she looked out a window of the house when King began yelling only to see him pointing the shotgun at her.

Blackmon told police he and the other man, Jerry Ramirez, climbed out of a back window and ran off when they heard King yelling.

King reportedly began throwing things, trying to kick in the door to a bathroom and knocking down a motorcycle outside the house. Witnesses also told police they believe King put a dent in the hood of a pick-up truck parked in front of the home. King left the house without firing the shotgun.

Dockery called the Ruidoso Police Department. One officer, Corporal Louis Torrez, spotted King driving in the neighborhood. Torrez stopped King and found the loaded gun in his car.

King was being held at the Ruidoso jail on Wednesday.

Parade entrants sought for Old Lincoln Days

Members of the Lincoln Pageant and Festivals Corporation hope to line up a long list of entries for the annual parade that's part of the historic settlement's "Old Lincoln Days" celebration.

All entries should have a historical theme. Judges will pick winners in several categories.

The parade is set for 11

a.m. Sunday, Aug. 3, in Lincoln as part of the three-day celebration, Aug. 1-3.

Preregistration for the parade is encouraged.

All entries must arrive at the staging grounds no later than 9:30 a.m.

Contact Joe Amastae at (915) 565-2152 or Rosalie Dunlap at (505) 653-4047 for more information.

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Deanne Stallings/Ruidoso News

Bob Crumpton of Thriftway accepts a framed poster promoting the annual Pony Express Ride staged by the Lincoln County Sheriff's Posse as part of Old Lincoln Days, Aug. 1-3. A new 16 x 20-inch poster will be available by local artist Gay Harris for the event this year and will be reproduced on cachet envelopes. Posters will be \$10 and envelopes, \$5. The trail ride will begin at

White Oaks Aug. 1, will include nightly entertainment and will end with the delivery of special mail pouches during the Lincoln Days Parade in the historic settlement of Lincoln. From left, are posse members Tom Carter, Carole Bernham, Crumpton, a strong supporter of the ride, and A.D. Powers.

RECENT BIRTHS

Lincoln County Medical Center reported the following:

May 14, 1997

Angelica Gabrielle Sanchez, daughter of Richard and Lisa Sanchez, 6 lbs., 11.2 oz., 19 1/2"

May 19

Jason Lee Searcy, son of Pamela J. Martinez, 7 lbs., 9 oz., 19 1/2"

Raul Martinez, Jr., son of Raul and Bowena Martinez, 7 lbs., 13.8 oz., 20 3/4"

Roman Dae Botella, son of Deana Rae Evans, 7 lbs., 12.2 oz., 21"

May 28

Hunter Haskel Vincent, son of Harlan and Rhonda Vincent, 7 lbs., 15.8 oz., 20"

May 29

Brandon Richard Krueger,

son of Richard and Brandy Krueger, 8 lbs., 19 oz., 21 1/2"

June 2

Joseph Daniel Lines, son of Joanne and Ray Lines, 6 lbs., 12.8 oz., 20 1/4"

June 6

Athana Danae Guzman, daughter of Jennifer Rojas, 6 lbs., 11.6 oz., 20"

June 8

Tyler Allen Spurgeon, son of James and Danae Spurgeon, 7 lbs., 8.6 oz., 20 1/2"

June 10

Raynee Ann Dean, daughter of Grant and Melanie Dean, 7 lbs., 5 oz., 20 1/2"

June 16

Skyler Teal Danley Burks, daughter of Desire and Stoney Burks, 6 lbs., 12.4 oz., 19"

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Courtesy photo
LeRoy Gooch listens to his students play a tune. This photo was taken from the 1974 Ruidoso High School yearbook.

Ruidoso's first ambassador of prep golf dies

BY LAURA CLYMER
RUIDOSO NEWS SPORTS EDITOR

Longtime Ruidoso teacher and coach LeRoy Gooch died Tuesday from an apparent heart attack in Kentucky. Gooch, who had taken a spill while water skiing earlier in the day, collapsed on a houseboat while vacationing with his family. He was 68.

A memorial celebration is planned from 3 p.m. to 5 p.m. Sunday in the clubhouse of the Cree Meadows Golf Club. The family suggests memorial contributions to the Ruidoso High School golf team and the Ruidoso Public Library.

Gooch taught and coached in the Ruidoso school system from 1950 to 1988. He started the high school golf program and directed the RHS band for more than three decades.

W.C. "Dub" Williams, a close friend and former co-worker, described Gooch as a great role model, an excellent athlete, a perfectionist, and a music lover, who also

enjoyed tinkering with carpentry. Gooch was also one of the oldest active members of the Ruidoso Evening Lions Club.

"LeRoy was more like a brother, more like a member of my family than a friend," Williams said Thursday. "He was a carpenter. He loved wood working. He loved music. He loved talking about kids."

Gooch was as fanatic about music as he was about golf.

"He liked jazz and the big band sound," Williams said. "When LeRoy Gooch tells you the trumpet player is the best trumpet player he's ever heard, then it was probably the best trumpet player you've heard."

Gooch and his wife, Mary Lou, came to Ruidoso more than 40 years ago from Texas. He earned a bachelor of music degree from North Texas State University, graduating in August 1949. He served as band director his entire tenure at Ruidoso and founded the golf program.

Ruidoso School Superintendent Mike Gladden knew Gooch for more

than 26 years.

"LeRoy was one of those who had great skills with hands. He produced top bands in the years at Ruidoso," recalled Gladden, who also praised Gooch's coaching abilities.

"He just liked what he did, and he had many, many friends in the area," Gladden said.

Kent Beatty, a former RHS student and golfer for Gooch, fondly recalled his coach's influence Thursday.

"Well, he was essentially a pioneer for small schools golf. He got them involved with playing larger schools. He started the program at the high school," Beatty said.

"He's tremendously respected by all the high school golf coaches. He gave so much to the kids. There are so many kids, like myself, who I do what I do because of him."



LeRoy Gooch

According to Beatty, Gooch coached the RHS golf team for 27 years. In 1980, Beatty named the state's largest high school golf tournament after Gooch. Beatty, now the men's and women's golf coach at Western New Mexico University, coached the RHS golf teams and was head golf pro at Cree Meadows until this past May.

"It's a terrible loss for me personally and for so many others ... It's going to take a little while to get past that," Beatty said.

Beatty also noted Gooch's knack for carpentry, adding that Gooch had a wood shop in the house he built in Cree Meadows.

"There wasn't much he couldn't do," Beatty said.

It's that vitality and fellowship that Williams and others will miss the most.

"I just can't say enough words for him," Williams said.

"It's just not going to seem right not having him around," Williams said from his home.

Mescalero Apache Handicap offers a handicapping puzzle

BY JOHN EASTWOOD
RUIDOSO DOWNS PUBLICITY DIRECTOR

The \$10,000 Mescalero Apache Handicap at Ruidoso Downs should offer fans a challenge to handicap. The 6-furlong Sunday feature has brought together a competitive field of seven with two or possibly three vying for favoritism.

Margaret Bloss and Margaret DuPont's Slamming, winner of the 7-1/2-furlong Governors' Handicap at Ruidoso on June 1, should draw considerable support at the windows. In the Governors' Cap, regular rider Gilbert Villegas rated the Kentucky-bred through moderate fractions and then gamely held off the late charge of the classy Acrylics.

Though a non-winner at the 6-furlong Mescalero distance in '97, the 4-year-old gelded son of Claim was a multiple sprint-distance winner at three, winning the 6-furlong KLAQ Handicap and 6-1/2-furlong Sunland Thoroughbred Derby at Sunland Park in addition to the 5-1/2-furlong Gambit Stakes at Albuquerque.

The last time the Simon Buechler-trainee was asked to turn back to a one-turn sprint from a two-turn distance was in February at Sunland. Following a dismal eighth-place finish in the 1 1/16 mile Winsham Lad, Slamming rebounded by running a game second to Tiffy Go Home in a 6-1/2-furlong Sunland allowance race.

Tiffy Go Home, after finishing a non-threatening third in the Governors' Handicap, returns for another round with Slamming in the Mescalero.

Nelda Segotta's 4-year-old Water Bank gelding has shown an affinity for Ruidoso Downs, winning five of 10 and finishing in the money in nine of his 10 races over the Ruidoso oval. Trained by Jose Dominguez, Tiffy Go Home is a consistent sort, having hit the board in 24 of 28 lifetime starts.

A candidate for front-runner in the Mescalero is Rita Danley's Proud and Jivey. The Fred Danley-trainee was outrun in the 870-yard Fine Loom Handicap against quarter horse and thoroughbred runners May 31, but had run some bang-up races prior to that versus his own breed.

Though the New Mexico-bred 4-year-old by Proud Cup has banked most of his money in state-bred events, he ran a game second, beaten only a nose, to Carmaville in the state-bred Viva El Paso Handicap at Sunland in late April. Carmaville has whipped both Slamming and Tiffy Go Home in open company sprint events by greater margins.

The full puzzle is left to the handicapper to piece together. The Mescalero Apache field, in post position order with jockey and weight assignments in parenthesis is as follows: Tey Rob (Duane Sterling - 116); Western Country (Rick Thedford - 118); Slamming (Gilbert Villegas - 122); Wild Day (Quyet Bui - 115); Tiffy Go Home (Todd Fincher - 121); Proud and Jivey (Joe Martinez - 120); Clean Out (Miguel Fuentes - 117).

Delas Diamond choice in First Lady

A compact field of six will go postward Saturday in the \$10,000 First Lady Handicap at Ruidoso Downs. For fillies and mares 8-years-old and up, the First Lady will be contested at 6 furlongs.

Starting high-weight for the First Lady is Delas Diamond at 124 pounds. In her last race May 24, the Johnnie Hall-trained daughter of Half High turned in an impressive allowance effort, winning off by 2-1/4 lengths in 1:10-4/5 for the 6 furlongs.

The field for the First Lady Handicap, in post position order with weight assignments in parenthesis is as follows: Bolgers Dance (115); Delas Diamond (124); Wedding Silver (114);

Straight Sets (118); Mari Go Round (118); Little-missentliss (117).

Leading the post parade for the First Lady Handicap will be New Mexico High School Rodeo Queen Andrenna Flores of Capitan. Flores will be aboard her longtime partner, the 18-year-old quarter horse mare Miss Ellie Chick.

Ducky Fred heads strong Gold Cup field

Ducky Fred, winner of the Grade-1 World Championship Quarter Horse Classic at Ruidoso Downs last year, returns to the mountain resort track Friday as he heads a strong field of 10 in the \$10,000 All American Gold Cup at 440 yards.

Though winless in 1997, the now 6-year-old Merganser gelding has kept good company in 1997. Beaten only a nose by Winalota Cash in the Grade-2 MBNA America New Mexico Challenge Championship at Sunland Park in April, Ducky Fred has started twice since then at Remington Park in Oklahoma.

After a bang-up second place finish to Heza Ramblin Man in the Oklahoma Challenge Championship May 17, trainer Shirley Montgomery entered her charge right back two weeks later in the Grade-1 Remington Park Championship. Ducky Fred never fired that day and finished seventh, 3-3/4 lengths back of winner SLM Big Daddy.

Real Six Time, who defeated Ducky Fred in the Grade-3 West Texas Maturity at 400 yards back in March, returns in the Gold Cup following a fifth place finish in the May 26 Higheasterjet Handicap. The Sam Sandoval-trainee was beaten a length that day after being brushed at the break.

Higheasterjet Handicap winner The Rainbow Royale will try to stretch his speed the classic quarter horse distance after having no apparent excuse when beaten 1-1/4-lengths in the 400-yard Mr Jet Moore Handicap at Ruidoso on June 14.

Streakin Kas, the upset winner of the Mr Jet Moore, has booked a return engagement in the Gold Cup, as has longshot runner-up in the Mr Jet Moore, Six Delights.

The field for the All American Gold Cup, in post position order with weight assignments in parenthesis, is as follows: Poise N Power (118); Ducky Fred (123); Mega Wish (114); Real Six Time (121); The Rainbow Royale (122); Devious Dimples (116); Six Delights (118); Kuhl Kuhl (117); Streakin Kas (120); Truley First Class (116).

Post time all three days of racing is 1 p.m.

Post position statistics

Statistics through June 22			
Quarter horse chute, total of 82 races			
Post position	# of wins	Win %	Times in the money, in-the-money %
1	5	6.1%	20, 24.4%
2	8	9.8%	26, 31.7%
3	12	14.6%	33, 40.2%
4	6	7.3%	27, 32.9%
5	8	9.8%	25, 30.5%
6	7	8.5%	21, 25.6%
7	10	12.2%	28, 34.1%
8	9	11.1%	28, 34.1%
9	11	13.4%	23, 28%
10	5	7.3%	15, 18.3%

870 yard to 6 furlongs, total of 56 races			
Post position	# of wins	Win %	Times in the money, in-the-money %
1	2	3.6%	11, 19.6%
2	4	7.1%	22, 39.3%
3	9	16.1%	23, 41.1%
4	10	17.9%	25, 44.6%
5	8	14.3%	22, 39.3%
6	8	14.3%	22, 39.3%
7	7	12.5%	24, 42.9%
8	6	10.7%	12, 21.4%
9	2	3.6%	4, 7.1%
10	5	7.3%	15, 18.3%



Courtesy photo
Horse trainer Tim Guidry with the handsome and speedy Calyx Shadow. Guidry has managed to combine training with family life.

Guidry's training has family touch

BY LISA FARRIS
RUIDOSO DOWNS PUBLICITY INTERN

Tim Guidry has found the perfect mix in horseracing. It's a profession that allows Guidry to do what he loves - training horses - with plenty of help from his family.

Guidry is beginning his fourth season at Ruidoso Downs with a stable of 21 horses, split 50-50 between quarter horses and thoroughbreds.

Perhaps the most notable horse in his stable is 3-year-old Calyx Shadow, who qualified for the 1996 Rainbow Futurity, the 1996 Texas Classic Futurity, the 1997 West Texas Derby, as well as the 1997 Ruidoso Quarter Horse Sales Derby.

Others runners include Kodachrome Bunny, who ran second in the New Mexico Spring Futurity at Sunland Park, Always My Place, who was chosen Sunland Park's Horse of the Meet this past season, and Canfina Dos, who qualified for the New Mexico Spring Futurity qualifier.

Guidry was raised around cattle and saddle horses in Lake Charles, La. and Canadian, Texas. In 1978, he began working for the Urshel family of Special Effect fame. In 1983, he became the assistant train-

er for Dan Urshel. Guidry began training on his own in 1985. His first win was in Raton, the beginning of what was a successful meet for him.

Success has followed Guidry ever since that first win. He won the 1995 West Texas Futurity with Run Em Up, who also ran second in the 1995 Rainbow Futurity. Guidry also won the Riley Allison Derby in 1994, as well as the Sunland Fall Thoroughbred Futurity in 1994 and 1996. His most memorable win was with Run Em Up in the West Texas Futurity, so it's no surprise when Guidry names Run Em Up as his favorite along with Always My Place.

It's evident that Guidry truly enjoys his profession. He likes the flexible lifestyle. Unlike 9-to-5 jobs, there is no set schedule as a trainer. Family participation is allowed, and even expected in racehorse training - another aspect Guidry likes about the sport. His wife, Susan, and their son Timothy can assist him with his job while spending time together.

At the same time, the most difficult aspect of training can be the family participation, or lack thereof. When you take a horse 1,000 miles away to a

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stakes race and have to be gone for a week, Guidry explains, it's tough to stay in touch over the long distance.

When he's not checking splits or tending to his horses, Guidry enjoys building and fixing just about anything, especially projects which help improve his barn area.

Guidry's discovered that the key to any successful barn is a good crew. One that is consistent and is comfortable with each individual horse.

"What happens seven days a week with that horse is what gets you in the winner's circle, and to get there takes that team effort," he said. "Owners are also a very big part of that team and they never realize how important their part is."

The Guidrys and their owners enjoy spending their summers in Ruidoso, rather than taking the stable to another racetrack.

"There is no place like Ruidoso," Guidry said.

"They have come to enjoy the summer race meet here because they feel that the people here are nice, and Ruidoso has a great atmosphere."

Ruidoso racehorse hall of fame opens July 5

Saturday, July 5 marks the opening of the Ruidoso Downs Race Horse Hall of Fame at the Museum of the Horse, just east of Ruidoso Downs Race Track.

The unique racing display features hundreds of rare photographs, trophies and artifacts from the careers of horses and humans who have excelled at the mountain oval over the past 60 years.

"This represents the first major expansion of the Museum of the Horse since its open-

ing in 1995," said museum director Bruce Eldredge. "We've brought together an incredible collection of items. We think this racing display will be the Southwestern equivalent of the Kentucky Derby Museum."

The Ruidoso Downs Race Horse Hall of Fame features an antique starting gate where visitors can mount horse mannequins; a touch-screen computer video center where they can watch historic runnings of

the All American Futurity; trophy cases of famous horses, jockeys, owners and trainers; and a wide selection of equine art, trophy blankets, saddles and horseshoes.

"There have been more rags-to-riches stories associated with Ruidoso Downs than with any racetrack in the country," said Scott Wells, curator of the exhibit.

The Hall of Fame will feature a ticketed opening from 5:30-7:30 p.m. July 6.

RACE RESULTS

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2-Dash For Bullion (Escareno) 120
3-Two Snow Is Royal (Hart) 120
4-One Silk Guy (Theford) 120
5-Bentac (Rodriguez) 120
6-Quick Attack (A Baldiez) 120
7-Princess Of Dash (Sherbino) 120
8-One More Effort (Shipley) 120
9-In Stealing The Show (Carter) 120
10-Taken On The Boys (Gonzales) 120

Rui 2nd RACE—Purse \$1900. 3yo&up 116/121 Cln \$3200 5 Fur
1-Miss Kitty Outlaw (J Hunt) 113
2-Bobo's Revenge (M Fuentes) 118
3-Voyager Two (Rivas) 116
4-Theobysabur (Theford) 116
5-Magic Flyer (Fierro) 121
6-Exclusive Casino (Gonzales) 116
7-Land And Si (Smallwood) 116

Rui 3rd RACE—Purse \$2500. 3yo&up 120/122 Cln \$5000 550 Yd
1-Cash N Glass (Theford) 119
2-Incredible Victory (Shipley) 120
3-Sagunung Six (Sherbino) 115
4-Might Get The Cash (Escareno) 122
5-De Great (Maldonado) 117
6-Hot Runnin Native (Rivas) 117
7-Deign (Fierro) 122
8-On What A Thrill (Rodriguez) 120
9-Got A Victory (Perez) 119
10-A Western Special (Blevins) 122

Rui 4th RACE—Purse \$1800. Mdn 3yo&up 116/121 Cln \$2500 5 Fur
1-Haza Sizzler (Sherbino) 116
2-Taneco (Bul) 116
3-Slypy Travels (Rivas) 116
4-Hoopity Hoop (Bombeck) 116
5-Tower Of Fame (Villasca) 111
6-Bolo Bradley (Smallwood) 116
7-Bunchofsun (Gonzales) 116
8-Pecos Preferred (Shipley) 116
10-Quiet Music (M Fuentes) 121

Rui 5th RACE—Purse \$1800. 3yo&up Nw 3 120/122 Cln \$5000 330 Yd
1-Puma John (Sherbino) 117
2-Perks Lady Bug (J Hunt) 117
3-Sure Fine Diamond (Hart) 120
4-Awintintoast (Escareno) 119
5-Chargin Kas (Rodriguez) 119
6-The Big Nasty (Perez) 120
7-Takin Back The Cash (Shipley) 120
8-Shake Away (T Swan) 120
9-Sign Of Royalty (Theford) 122

Rui 6th RACE—Purse \$3700. 2yo Alw 120 400 Yd
1-Runnin Ducky (Rodriguez) 120
2-Jazzing Pro (Blevins) 120
3-Vital Decision (Gonzales) 120
4-Rajo Dancer (Shipley) 120
5-Fornidable Dash (A Baldiez) 120
6-Lotsaout (Theford) 120
7-Special Runaway (Hart) 120
8-Zevis Shadow (J Hunt) 120
9-Crash Thru Traffic (Carter) 120

Rui 7th RACE—Purse \$3000. 3yo&up NW3/tnct 120/122 870 Yd
1-Corporate King (Myles) 119
2-Your Delight (Rivas) 122
3-Special Powers (Shipley) 122
4-Six Coins (Washburn) 114
5-Benitos Negras (Perez) 120
6-Go Streakin Garrett (Maldonado) 122

Rui 8th RACE—Purse \$10000-Added Ayo&up All Amer Gold Cup 440 Yd
1-Pose N Power (A Baldiez) 118
2-Ducky Fred (Rodriguez) 123
3-Mega Wish (Gonzales) 114
4-Real Six Time (Summers) 121
5-The Rainbow Royale (Perez) 122
6-Devous Dimples (Theford) 115
7-Six Delights (Shipley) 118
8-Kuh Kuit (Hart) 117
9-Streakin Kas (Myles) 120
10-Triley First Class (Pikenton) 116

Rui 9th RACE—Purse \$1800. 3yo&up Nw 2 116/121 Cln \$2500 7 1/2 Fur
1-Songumkanten (Smallwood) 121
2-Stack Of Roses (Smallwood) 116
3-Cleo Polo (M Fuentes) 113
4-Derrick's Gold (Villasca) 116
5-Knobhill Gal (Escareno) 116
6-Saint's Sensation (Bul) 113
7-Seattle Sam (Bombeck) 113
8-Peace Prospect (Mitchell) 116

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Rui 1st RACE—Purse \$1700. Mdn 2yo 120 Cln \$5000 400 Yd
1-Shady Katz (Estrada) 120
2-Dash Thru Texas (Perez) 120
3-Vital Prize (Sherbino) 120
4-The First Wish (Carter) 117
5-Screen Trick (Gonzales) 120
6-Meeters Easy Rebel (Shipley) 120
7-Mezzo Dash (Theford) 117
8-Staunch Star (Laib) 120
9-Last Wire (J Martinez) 120
10-Blaze Shaker (T Swan) 117

Rui 2nd RACE—Purse \$2500. 4yo&up Nw 97 121 Lbs. Cln \$2500 6 Fur
1-Phraig (Shipley) 121
2-A-I Choke (Fierro) 121
3-Strummer (J Martinez) 121
4-She Doesn't Choke (Bombeck) 113
5-Looming Looker (Rivas) 121
6-Pat's Point (Sherbino) 121
7-Came In Point (Smallwood) 116
8-Busy Ego (M Fuentes) 121

Rui 3rd RACE—Purse \$1800. Mdn 2yo 120 350 Yd
1-Fabulous Effort (A Baldiez) 120
2-A Royal Roast (Estrada) 120
3-A Watchful Eye (Carter) 120
4-Down N Easy (Sherbino) 120
5-First Off (Rodriguez) 120
6-Incredible Barb (Theford) 120
7-Romancin (Shipley) 120
8-First Hero (Gonzales) 120
9-Miss Ann (Perez) 120
10-Streak On Chick (J Martinez) 120

Rui 4th RACE—Purse \$1800. Mdn 3yo 120 350 Yd
1-Super De Easy (Carter) 120
2-Major Task (A Baldiez) 120
3-Jose Of (T Swan) 120
4-Special Coup (Shipley) 120
5-Down Town Lass (Theford) 120
6-Last Hustling Star (J Hunt) 120
7-Crimson Flare (Gonzales) 120
8-Wrangle The Moon (Shipley) 120
9-Hot Austin Duncan (Laib) 120
10-Li Victory Flame (Rodriguez) 120

Rui 5th RACE—Purse \$1800. Mdn 3yo&up 116/121 Cln \$8000 6 Fur
1-Pico Blanco (Mitchell) 118
2-Miss Cadet (Laib) 116
3-Mister Cookie Man (Bombeck) 113
4-Partner's Pride (Estrada) 113

5-Firethawke (Theford) 118
6-Northern Hooch (Fierro) 116
7-Dick's Data (Smallwood) 116
8-Olden Pass (M Fuentes) 116

Rui 6th RACE—Purse \$2700. (F) 3yo 120 Cln \$8000 7 1/2 Fur
1-Prissy Poly (Villasca) 117
2-Gracious Trick (J Martinez) 114
3-Jacks Star Lady (M Fuentes) 112
4-Sing Donna Sing (Sterling) 120
5-Love Gal (Rivas) 120
6-Greyack Belle (Smallwood) 112
7-Desired Response (Laib) 118

Rui 7th RACE—Purse \$3700. 2yo Alw 120 350 Yd
1-El Banko Negro (J Martinez) 120
2-Oneighthundred Dash (Sterling) 117
3-Minotaur Cash (Carter) 115
4-Girlon Special (Sherbino) 120
5-Velka (Theford) 120
6-Dash For Davis (T Swan) 120
7-Flare For Toby (Gonzales) 117
8-Speedy Empress (A Baldiez) 120
9-Smart Alibi Lady (J Hunt) 120
10-Real Runaway (Rodriguez) 115

Rui 8th RACE—Purse \$3000. 3yo&up 116/121 Cln \$10000 7 1/2 Fur
1-Lady Bullet Baby (Sherbino) 113
2-Tropico (Mitchell) 116
3-Little Advertiser (Smallwood) 118
4-Mcracon (M Fuentes) 113
5-National Center (Washburn) 116
6-My Special Ego (Laib) 118
7-Little To Soldier (Rivas) 116
8-Dear Proper (J Martinez) 121

Rui 9th RACE—Purse \$10000. Guatmd F&M 3yo&up 1st Lady Heic 6 Fur
1-Bolger's Dance (J Martinez) 115
2-Dar's Diamond (M Fuentes) 124
3-Wedding Silver (Rivas) 114
4-Straight Sets (Villasca) 118
5-Mari Go Round (Fincher) 118
6-Littlemissclass (Mitchell) 117

Rui 10th RACE—Purse \$1800. 4yo&up NW 97 121 Lbs. Cln \$2500 6 Fur
1-Missuppythe Roar (Arteaga) 116
2-Royal Cowboy (J Martinez) 121
3-Straight Republican (M Fuentes) 121
4-Franco Shot (Rivas) 121
5-Cesar C. (Villasca) 121
6-Ferdinand My Dad (Mitchell) 121
7-Caro Has It (Sherbino) 121
8-Raise U Seven (Laib) 121

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Rui 1st RACE—Purse \$1800. Mdn 2yo 120 350 Yd
1-Leaving Las Vegas (J Hunt) 120
2-Beduno's Bolero (Laib) 120
3-Smooth Traffic (Sherbino) 120
4-Broom Box (A Baldiez) 120
5-Six Furies (Carter) 120
6-Sbagold Run (Shipley) 120
7-Our Cash Policy (Gonzales) 120
8-Six For Dash (Theford) 120
9-Holiday Ease (Escareno) 120
10-Beduno El Rey (Perez) 120

Rui 2nd RACE—Purse \$1700. Mdn 3yo&up 120/122 Cln \$5000 870 Yd
1-Alwaysraiseyourglass (Theford) 122
2-Isle Of Eagles (Sherbino) 122
3-Indigo Beduno (Escareno) 122
4-Ole Lucky Me (Mitchell) 120
5-Magical Memories (J Martinez) 120
6-Flyin Spade (Fierro) 117

Rui 3rd RACE—Purse \$1700. Mdn 3yo&up 120/122 Cln \$3200 350 Yd
1-Special Autograph (Smallwood) 120
2-One Duhm Dohr (Estrada) 120
3-Shawn's Spirit (Escareno) 122
4-Chickie Adair (J Martinez) 120
5-Shineys First (Perez) 120
6-Runaway Dasher (Rodriguez) 120
7-Real Luv Bullion (Carter) 120
8-Secret Playmate (J Hunt) 120
9-Specially Spiffy (Gonzales) 120
10-Quebradilla (Theford) 122

Rui 4th RACE—Purse \$1800. Mdn 2yo 120 350 Yd
1-No Options Mister (A Baldiez) 120
2-Speed Express (Hart) 120
3-Getaway Flight (Rodriguez) 120
4-Redneck Discourse (Sterling) 120
5-So Easy On The Eyes (Escareno) 120
6-Dn Effort Office (Gonzales) 120
7-Memories (Shipley) 120
8-Dashin Sign (Carter) 120
9-Space For Fame (J Martinez) 120
10-Royal Blue Jet (Laib) 120

Rui 5th RACE—Purse \$1900. Mdn 2yo 118 5 Fur
1-Turkey Island (Theford) 118
2-Really Tart (Sherbino) 115
3-Cartegline (J Martinez) 118
4-Splittin (Perez) 118
5-Miss Turf (Smallwood) 115
6-Unbelievable (Rivas) 118
7-Mr Elmo (Gonzales) 120
8-Wildedownthehill (Sterling) 115
9-Balder Red (Fincher) 117
10-Bandit Scout (Rodriguez) 118

Rui 6th RACE—Purse \$2500. Mdn 2yo Nw 120 400 Yd
1-Articles Coup (Theford) 120
2-One Passionate Kiss (Sherbino) 120
3-Move Over Top (J Martinez) 120
4-Shoot No Clarity (Fierro) 120
5-A Fortune Teller (Shipley) 120
6-Six Volt Red (Gonzales) 120
7-Open The Bank (Sterling) 120
8-Sail To Glory (Laib) 120
9-Dookeys Down Dash (Perez) 120
10-High Volume (Webb) 120

Rui 7th RACE—Purse \$3100. 3yo Nw 3 Nw 120 Cln \$8000 5 1/2 Fur
1-Doctor Tit (Rivas) 120
2-Con Fuerza (Bul) 115
3-Joe Pass (Mitchell) 115
4-Ms. Appropriate (Fincher) 115
5-Boggy Depot (Estrada) 117
6-Jacksquilla (M Fuentes) 120
7-One Bold Looker (Villasca) 110

Rui 8th RACE—Purse \$10,000. Guatmd 3yo&up Mescalero Apac Hcp 6 Fur
1-Tay Rob (Sterling) 116
2-Western Country (Theford) 118
3-Flamingo (Villasca) 122
4-Wild Day (Bul) 115
5-Titty Go Home (Fincher) 121
6-Proud And Jivey (J Martinez) 120
7-Clean Cut (M Fuentes) 117

Rui 9th RACE—Purse \$2400. 3yo&up Nw 3 116/121 Cln \$6250 6 Fur
1-Versailles Park (J Martinez) 116
2-Bojo (Sherbino) 116
3-Far East Ridge (Villasca) 121
4-Apache Conn (Arteaga) 113
5-Coin The Phrase (Smallwood) 113
6-Alhamdullillah (J Hunt) 121
7-Estrea (Fierro) 111
8-Tellyar (M Fuentes) 119

TOP OF THE SECOND

ON DECK

Backtrack tour every Wednesday
Every Wednesday through the racing season, Ruidoso Downs Race Track will offer a track walk tour and discussion of race horses' morning workouts. The tour begins at 9 a.m. and cost is free. Participants should gather at the main entrance of the grandstands.

Tennis lesson sign-up begins
The Ruidoso Parks and Recreation Department is sponsoring tennis lessons for boys and girls, ages 4-14. The lessons will be taught by a certified instructor who is assisted by Ruidoso High School tennis players. Two more week-long sessions will be offered: July 14-18 and July 21-25. Cost is \$30 per week. Classes are limited to 12 players. Class times are 9:30-10:30 a.m. for 4- to 9-year-olds, 10:30-11:30 a.m. for 10- to 11-year-olds, and 12:30-1:30 p.m. for 12- to 14-year-olds. For more information, call 257-5030.

Smokely Bear Run highlights July 4
The 12th annual Smokely Bear Run starts the holiday weekend festivities in Capitan Friday, July 4. Registration begins at 7 a.m. and continues until 7:30 a.m. The race and back race starts at 8 a.m. from the Ruidoso State Bank parking lot in Capitan. Two races will be offered: a 10-kilometer race and a 2-mile fun run. Age groups are 10 and under, 11-18, 19-29, 30-39, 40-49, 50-59 and 60 and over. Cost to register is \$10 and checks can be made to "Friends of Smokely." Runners can register prior to the day of the race, or on race day. For a registration form, call Howard or Mary Shanks at 354-2699, or write to them at P.O. Box 711, Capitan, N.M. 88316.

Allen Chase race in Roswell
Roswell Sports Club, Runners Club, the Roswell Recreation Department and UFO Encounters will present a 5K walk, 5K run, 10K walk and 10K run on July 5 beginning at 7 a.m. in the south parking lot of the Roswell Museum and Art Center. Trophies will be awarded to top male and female finishers in each age and event division, and for the best costumed athlete. Entry fee for those received before July 30 is \$12, and \$15 for entries received thereafter. Late registrations can be submitted until 6:30 a.m. on race day. Entry forms may be obtained from Bob Edwards at 715 E. Linda Vista, Roswell, NM 88201.

Women's softball tournament July 12
The Stars and Stripes women's softball tournament will be July 12 and 13 at White Sands Missile Range. Deadline for entry is July 8. The tournament is limited to 10 teams. A \$50 deposit is required. Cost for the tourney is \$80, which includes softball and umpires fees. For more information, call 678-3374.

WHAT'S BITING

The Rio Ruidoso flow is clear and slightly slow. Typical Ruidoso nymph patterns, such as peacock tails, green rock worms, prince's, and hare's ears black and a wide selection of dries this week including caddises, midges, hoppers. Steady dry fly

action all day long.
Hard Ranch flow has been running clear and the nymph selection for the Rio Ruidoso holds true for this body of water too.

Area lakes spotty action between showers, slow midday and good action in the mornings and evenings on midges, griffin's grubs, mosquitos, woolly worms, woolly buggers, blue-winged olives and propeller flies.

These are the dog days of summer. Success comes to those who are patient.

Mike Hyman
Hy's Etc.

PECKING ORDER

Women's Adult Softball League Standings
through June 23 games

Team	W	L
Diamonds	14	0
No Excuses	11	2
Gray Hawk	8	4
Flamingo	5	7
Exotic Shockwaves	3	10
Wild Things	2	10
Coptic Relief	2	12
Kelly Girls	2	13

Women's Softball League Schedule
June 30 games

Field A - 6:30 a.m. Diamond vs. No Excuses
Field B - 7:45 p.m. Wild Things vs. Coptic Relief
Field C - 9 p.m. Gray Hawk vs. Kelly Girls

Men's Adult Softball League Standings
through June 23

Team	W	L
Capitan Const.	14	1
Grizzlies	11	7
Hornbobs	10	7
Nads	10	8
Merchants	9	7
Extreme	8	10
Eagles	6	11
Chata	5	11
Ace's	4	13

June 24 results

Ace's 17, Chata 6
Eagles 10, Grizzlies 7
Grizzlies 12, Extreme 9
Merchants 17, Capitan Construction 10
Nads 9, Extreme 7
Hornbobs 20, Nads 19

Men's Softball League Schedule
July 1 games

Field A - 6:30 p.m. Eagles vs. Extreme
Field B - 7:45 p.m. Chata vs. Merchants
Field C - 9 p.m. Ace's vs. Hornbobs
7:45 p.m. Eagles vs. Capitan Construction
9 p.m. Grizzlies vs. Capitan Construction

All games at Eagle Creek Sports Complex

* Note, the men's and women's all-star games will be played Wednesday, July 9 at Eagle Creek Sports Complex. The team rosters will be announced prior to the games in the Friday, July 4, edition of the Ruidoso News.

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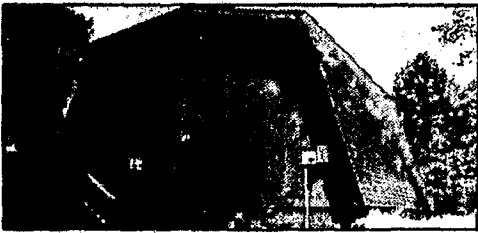
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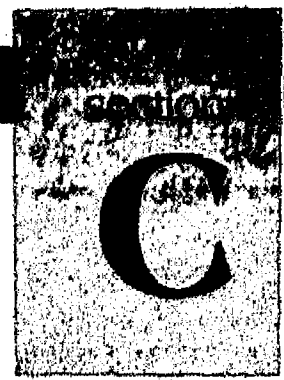
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Benson's fancy

Gallery owner Peter Benson introduces Ruidoso to New Mexican artist, William Warder — Page 4C



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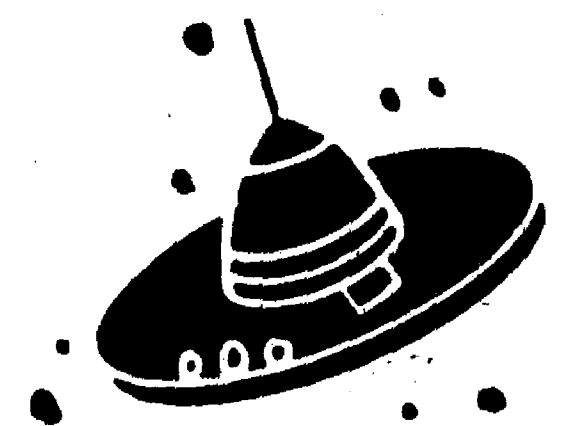
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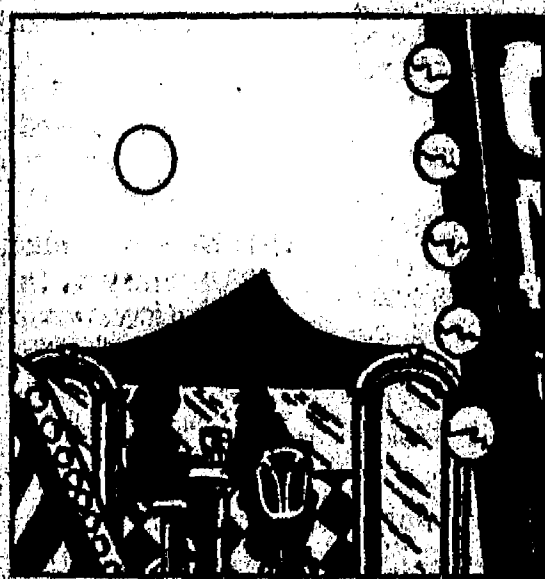
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VAMONOS

What's happening?

music

RLT Benefit Concert Ticket Sales

Tickets are now on sale for "An elegant evening with Kaimo: Debra Funke-d'Egnuff and Pablo Carile." The benefit concert is at 7:30 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 16, at The Castle, Hwy. 70, Ruidoso. The program includes "Phantom of the Opera," musical theater works, classical selections and songs from other lands. Tickets are \$12 for adults and \$6 for children up to 12, and are available from The Enchanted Needle, 2809B Sudderth, Ruidoso; the Chamber of Commerce or by calling 257-7227.

Cloudcroft Bluegrass Festival

Friday to Sunday, June 27-29. Bluegrass artists jam in Zenith Park Friday evening and Saturday all day. Special 2 p.m. performance on Saturday. Gospel on Sunday morning.

Capitan Music Festival

10 a.m.-5 p.m. Friday, July 4, at the Lincoln County Mercantile and Trading Post, one block from the fairgrounds on Hwy. 48 in Capitan. Art show, talent show, and open mike. Admission is free. For more information call 354-2316.

No Sleep Blues Band

1-5 p.m. Saturday, July 5 at the Texas House on Sudderth Drive, Ruidoso. Featuring Sam Dunnahoo, Tommy Martin, Phil Miles and James King.

Cree Meadows Country Club

Live music Thursday to Saturday nights. The club is located at 301 Country Club Drive, Ruidoso, 257-2733.

Elkhorn Pub

7 p.m. Friday and Saturday live music by various local artists. 7 p.m. Wednesday jam sessions. The new pub is located at 2820 Sudderth in Pine Tree Square, Ruidoso, 257-4391.

Galloping Tortoises

7-7 Thursdays, "Gen X" night. Listen to your CDs and play board games. From 7 to 9 p.m. Saturdays, live music for singles and couples. From 6 to 9 p.m. Sundays, Randy Jones and friends play rock 'n' roll, country and blues. Deli food, ice cream and cappuccinos available. The coffee house is located at 662 Sudderth, Ruidoso, 257-2511.

Hollywood Inn

Live music most weekends. The bar is located at 2239 Hwy. 70 W., Ruidoso Downs, 378-9911.

In-Espresso-Bia Coffee House

8 p.m. Friday, June 27, open mike and blues jam. 7 p.m. Saturday, June 28, Richard Malcolm performs live. The coffee house is located at 2111 Sudderth Drive, Ruidoso, 257-0634.

Inn of the Mountain Gods

Mescalero Apache Reservation, 257-5141. Dan U 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. Apache Tee: 6-10 p.m. Wednesday-Saturday until July 5, Jay Silverman.

Marie Laveaux Nightclub

Live music Friday and Saturday nights. The nightclub is located at 1214 Mechem Drive, Ruidoso, 258-3764.

Mescalero Nightclub

8 p.m.-close Friday, June 27, dance music with DJ. 6 p.m. Saturday, June 28, WBA Heavyweight Championship, Evander Holyfield vs. Mike Tyson live from MGM Grand, Las Vegas, NV. Admission \$25. Must be 21 or over. For information call 257-6693/6695. The nightclub is located 1 mile north of the Inn of the Mountain Gods, next to Casa Mescalero, 257-6686.

Screaming Eagle Lounge

8:30 p.m.-1:30 a.m. Wednesday to Sunday Wedzels back!! 7 p.m. The lounge is located in the Enchantment Inn, Hwy. 70 W., Ruidoso, 378-4051.

The Texas House

7-11 p.m. Wednesdays, Will Kelen plays tunes for you. Various artists perform 7-11 p.m. every Friday and Saturday. Open 24 hours on weekends. The restaurant is located at 2811 Sudderth, Ruidoso, 257-3508.

Win, Place & Show

Live country music seven nights a week, 8:30 p.m.-1:30 a.m. The bar is located at 2516 Sudderth Drive, Ruidoso, 257-9982.

The Winner's Circle

8 p.m.-close every Thursday through Sunday. DJ, no cover. The bar is located at 2535 Sudderth Drive, Ruidoso, 257-9535.

etc

The Antique American Indian Art Show

Thursday to Saturday, June 26-28, at the Sweeney Center, Marcy and Grant streets, Santa Fe. An exhibition of pre-1940 North, Central and South American Indian antiquities. From 8 to 9 p.m. Thursday Gala Opening, admission \$35 per person; 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. Friday; 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday shows and sales, admission \$6 for adults, free for children 16 and under. For information call (505) 995-9678.

Muleskinner's Trail Ride

Saturday and Sunday, June 28-29, at the "Old" Parsons Hotel near Bonita Lake, 16 miles north of Ruidoso on Hwy. 48. Saturday events: 9 a.m., long trail ride; 9:30 a.m., short trail ride; 6:30 p.m., BBQ dinner; 8 p.m., dance. 7 a.m. Sunday, country style breakfast and polluck. Advance reservations necessary. Cost \$20 per rider (includes ride and BBQ). For more information call 378-8061 or 378-4723.

Capitan Church of Christ

Vacation Bible School

9:30-11:30 a.m. Monday to Thursday, July 7-10, at the Capitan Church of Christ. For ages 2 years to high school. Buses will run each day. For more information contact Les Earwood at 336-4627, Mary Shanks at 354-2699 or Kathy Dean at 354-2453.

Casino Apache

Slots, live blackjack, and poker tables. Open daily. The casino is located on Carrizo Canyon Road, Mescalero Apache Reservation, 257-5141.

Ruidoso Downs Sports Theatre

Simulcast racing throughout the week. Call 378-4431 for races and times. The sports theatre is located a half-mile east of race track, off Hwy. 70 on Service Lane, Ruidoso Downs.

clubs/meetings

Lincoln County Adult Singles Group

Friday to Sunday, June 27-29 camp out weekend at Bonito Hollow Campground. Call Jeneane at 354-2635 for details.

Diabetes Support Group

2 p.m. Saturday, June 28, in the Santa Fe room of the Enchantment Inn, Hwy. 70, Ruidoso. Jeffrey Roth, DPM, will speak about preventative foot care. Call 257-6484 for more information.

library

Closure of Ruidoso Public Library

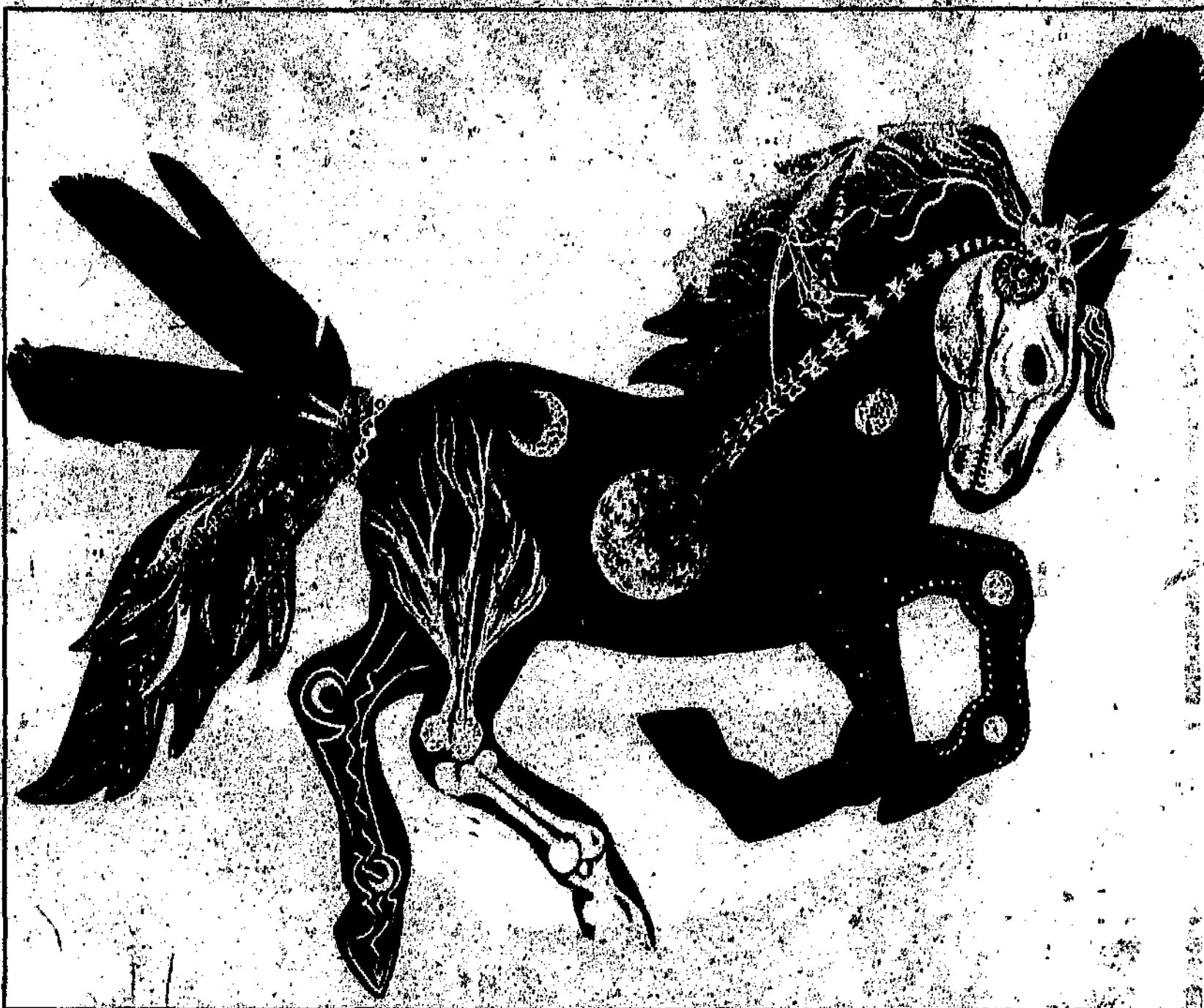
The Ruidoso Public Library will be closed for the 4th of July weekend, Friday to Sunday, July 4-6.

Ruidoso Public Library

Summer Activities

Scholarship Book Fair: 9 a.m.-5 p.m. Monday June 30 to Saturday, July 12. Petshow: 9 a.m. Saturday, July 12 for boys and girls of all ages and their pets. Sign ups start July 7. Preschool

Peacock Soup Artworks



Courtesy photo

Artist Carolyn Peacock transforms old pieces of tin into medicine horses and other mystic forms. Her pieces cross the boundary between history and mythology, culture and religion. Peacock will be at The Aspen Tree from 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Saturday to show, sell and sign her medicine horse pieces.

Story Hour: 2-3 p.m. on Wednesdays and 10-11 a.m. Thursdays. Fun for 3- to 6-year-olds, no sign-ups and it's free. Read the 7 Seas: through Friday, August 1. Children will keep a record of the time they spend reading. Return your record to fish for a surprise. All active readers will earn an invitation to a Beach Party at the Ruidoso swimming pool on Thursday, Aug. 5.

theater

Throckmorton, Texas

8 p.m. Thursday, Friday and Saturday, June 26-28. Presented by the Ruidoso Little Theatre at The Castle, Hwy. 70, Ruidoso. Meet the upstanding citizens of a small Texas town, whose lives cross paths in hilarious and surprising ways at the E-Z Snooze Motel and the Whit Bang Cafe. Tickets are \$7 for adults, \$5 for students and seniors.

museums/galleries

Benson Fine Art

Jira Plaza, 700 Mechem Drive, Ruidoso, 257-2813 - The gallery is featuring the work of Ruidoso artist Louise Barlett as well as new work by contemporary Southwest artists Wim. Warder, David Ballew, Jim Boyer, Kenny McKenna, Jean Sander, John Hopkins, Alfred Velmonte, Lauren Knobe, Gary Meyers, Curt Boles, Wayne Balze, Bea Stanton, Ron Stewart, Phillip Fronberger and Joseph Orr. The gallery also specializes in the work of deceased Southwest artists Maynard Dixon, Ed Borein, Edgar Payne, Jimmy Swinnerton, Hernandez Villa, Albert Groll, Clyde Forsythe, Hanson Puthuff,

Rod Goebel, among others. For further information call 257-2813.

Eagle Ranch Art Gallery

7268 Hwy. 54/70, Alamogordo, 1-800-432-0999. Marion Nicholson's "Nurse-Logs" show is featured for the month of June. The exhibit includes hand built vessels and masks, made to look old, as well as mixed media drawings and sculptures. Gallery hours: 9 a.m.-6 p.m. seven days a week.

Gal's Frame of Mind

1204 Mechem, White Mountain Plaza, Ruidoso 258-9071. The gallery features fine art by Louise Arnold, Marcia Bizeau, Flora Hatfield Buchanan, Bruce Chapman, Greg Doyle, Gaylon Gillem, Teresa Hughes, Leland Jackson, Monty and Barbara Jones, Bernice Landrum, Manon, Patti Mayes, Don Mohr, Barry McCoy, Virgil Stephens and Earthfolk Clay pieces by Adrian Henry. Also showing antiques from various vendors from Texas and New Mexico. Hours: 9:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m. Tuesday through Saturday; Thursdays open until 6 p.m.

The Kenyon Thomas Gallery

546 Sudderth, Ruidoso by the teepees at the traffic lights. Pottery and pastels by Kenyon Thomas, fine weavings by Marsha Thomas. Open Tuesday through Saturday. For more information call 257-1055.

McGary Studios and Expressions

In Bronze Gallery

2002 Sudderth, Ruidoso, 257-3780, 1-800-687-3424 - Dave McGary's combined facility features a finishing studio and a gallery which showcases a two-decade retrospective collection of his "Images in Bronze." Gallery hours are 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Monday through Saturday, closed Sunday.

Mountain Legends Gallery & Foundry

610 E. Hwy. 70, Ruidoso Downs, 378-8040 - 7:30 a.m.-4 p.m. Monday-

Friday, public bronze pourings and tour of the foundry.

Museum of the Horse

Hwy. 70, Ruidoso Downs, 378-4142. "Saddle Up!" exhibition now through Oct. 14. See saddles of generals G. S. Patton, "Black Jack" Pershing, Santa Anna, and W. T. Sherman. Also see saddles of "Buffalo Bill" Cody, Annie Oakley, The Cisco Kid and Pancho, Hopalong Cassidy and 65 more. Museum hours: 9 a.m.-5:30 p.m. daily.

Quemada Studio and Gallery

2415 Sudderth Dr., #3, Ruidoso, 257-5743. Located at LeClare's Mountain Village. Colorful paintings of people and places. Studio hours are 11 a.m.-3 p.m. Monday through Saturday and by appointment.

The Tree's House

Nogal Canyon Road off Hwy. 37 between mile markers 9/10, Nogal, (505) 354-4206 - The Laggs are woodworkers who design and create a variety of functional artworks, including doors, screens and lamps. Gallery hours are by appointment and Saturday 10 a.m.-6 p.m.

White Oaks Pottery Studio

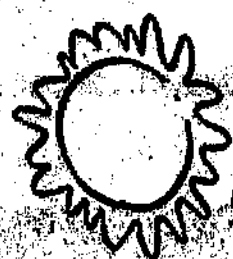
From her hand-built adobe studio, pottery by Heyman molds functional, classical and whimsical works. Studio open 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Friday through Tuesday. Closed Thursday. Call (505) 848-2965 for directions to the White Oaks studio.

White Mountain Pottery Gallery

2328 Sudderth Dr., Ruidoso - midtown Lincoln county's largest selection of local potters. Featuring Tim Wierwille's landscaped series, Will and Johana DelMay, Chris Heede, Larry Davidson, Vicki Conley, Ivy Heyman, Alan Butler and Bill Campbell. "A collection of talented clay artists." For further information and gallery hours call 257-3644.

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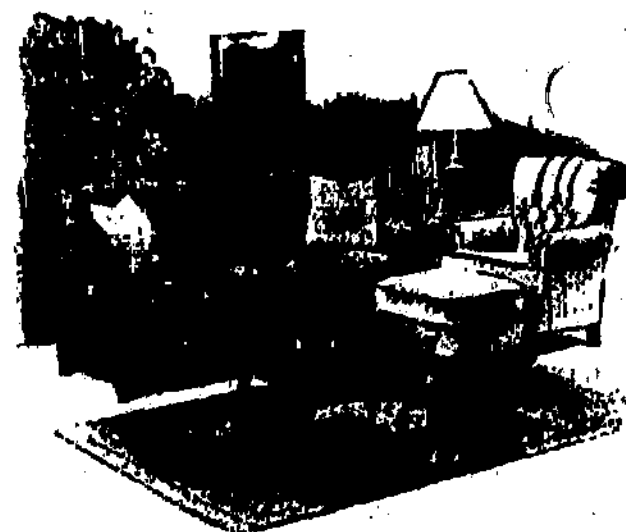


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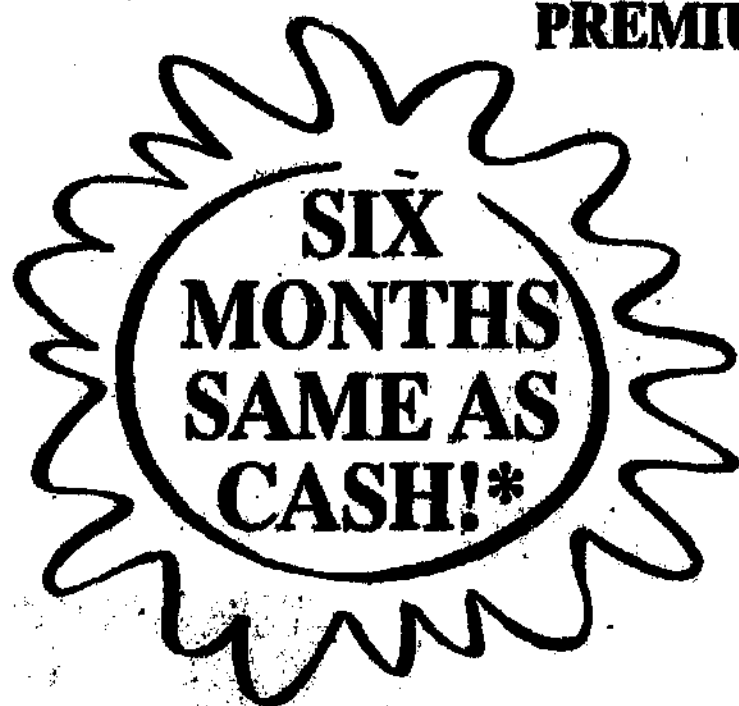
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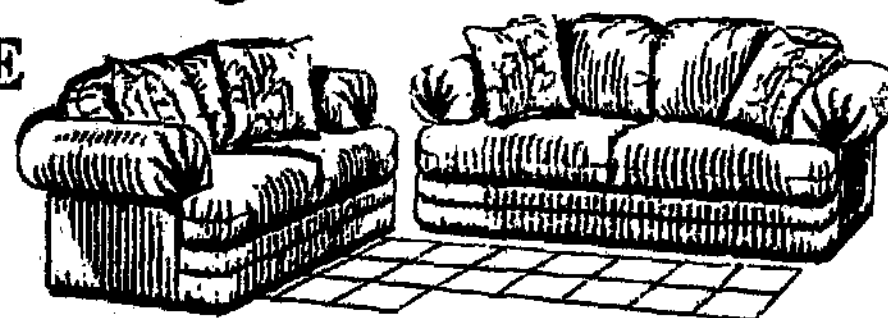
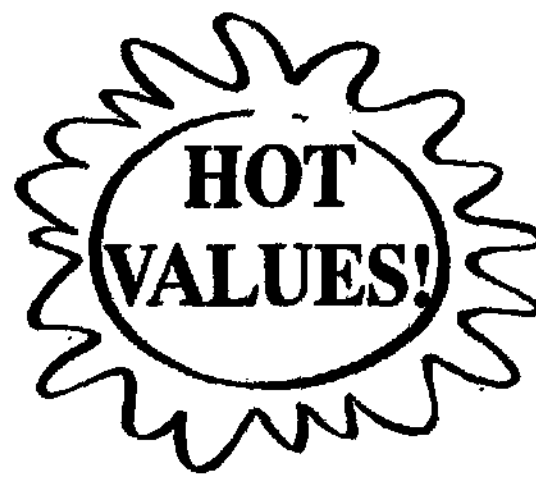
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Neighbors

Gallery owners bring discovery to Ruidoso

BY DIANNE STALLINGS
Ruidoso News Staff Writer

It's a bit unusual for an artist to turn down an offer to hang his work in a gallery.

But that was William Warder's first reaction when approached by Benson's Fine Art Gallery.

Peter and Judy Benson saw Warder's work while visiting his daughter, Alice Warder Seely in Hondo. They were looking around her studio when Benson saw a wonderful watercolor he learned was painted by Warder.

"We got his number and said we loved his art and would like to have it in the gallery," Benson said. "He said no, but he called a month later and said why not look at the stuff."

When they arrived at his home in Albuquerque, Warder "opened drawers and started pulling out incredible water colors. It was like discovering treasure," Benson said.

The art dealers brought back about 20 pieces. From the moment they hit the gallery, people started buying, including other artists and even other gallery owners, Benson said.

The artist will be in Ruidoso for an exhibition of about 50 of his works premiering from 5 p.m. to 8 p.m., Friday, July 4, at the Benson gallery in the Jira Plaza on Mechem Drive.

No one particular label works well with Warder. He paints acrylic murals and brilliant smaller water colors. He interprets the Western landscape in nearly abstract terms and in more representational approaches.

Warder is a painter, writer, television writer, producer, actor, poet and teacher. A graduate of the University of New Mexico, he attended the Art Students League in New York and then the University of California at Los Angeles from 1950-52.

His first notable art work was a mural in a public library through the WPA Arts Project in 1937.

His work for the National Endowment for the Arts was recognized in front of Congress by Sen. Pete Domenici (R-NM) and was printed in the Congressional Record. The report noted that he encourages creative thinking in young people and supports the position that the arts are more than just a frill to a school curriculum.

Born in Mora, New Mexico, Warder says he is an American with blood lines from the Comanche, Pueblo Indians, Spanish and English.

His grandfather was a wagon-master in the very early territorial days, according to "Treasures on New Mexico Trails: Biographies of New Deal Artists." While serving in the armed forces in World War



William Warder

II, he painted in USO buildings all over the South Pacific.

His first art job was to improve a horse's tail in a painting done earlier by Manville Chapman. Payment was art supplies, "and he immediately went up on the east slope of Raton Peak and painted a mural on the largest flat rock he could find," the author wrote.

Warder's murals can be found around the state in hotels and libraries. He is credited with starting New Mexico's Artist-in-Residence Program.

More recently, his work was exhibited as part of the 1984 University of New Mexico 40-Year Retrospective and in the 1990 and 1991 Albuquerque Community



Dianne Stallings/Ruidoso News

Peter Benson was intent on bringing William Warder's paintings to Ruidoso for a show.

Foundation Invitation. He has been exhibiting since 1944. Besides being listed in Who's Who in American Art, and among his other awards, Warder won best of show in the IPA Gold Metal exhibition in

Washington D.C. in 1978, provided the cover painting for the "Art Collectors Guide," in Albuquerque in 1987 and was awarded a Telly Statue for a Bureau of Indian Affairs video film in 1992.

Lincoln readies for its annual August pageant

81st birthday

BY ROSALIE DUNLAP
Lincoln Correspondent

Lincoln has lost two of its older citizens in the past few weeks. Margurite Salazar passed away at a nursing home in Roswell.

When we lived in our house west of town, we would take walks around the area, and she would tell the stories of her childhood and Yginio Salazar. She showed where there were little settlements, where you could see the foundations of the houses with the old washtubs still by the doorways and where the women grew their flowers. There used to be a dance hall across the way, fields of cabbage, corn, wheat and hay.

How I wish now I had put down her stories at the time or we had had the little tape recorders we

have today.

Si Salas passed away in Albuquerque. My first memory of Si is one cold night when the Lincoln water line had broken, and in spite of his physical condition, he was waist deep in water trying to fix the leak along with Edward Penfield and Marilda Perry.

Si always had a smile and kind word for everyone.

Thanks to the good Samaritans who cleaned off the graffiti on the Big Rock at Double Crossing. I know it had to take a lot of elbow grease to erase all that red paint which covered the top of the rock.

Welcome to Lincoln to the Daughters who have the Earthly Green Pottery shop. They are talking about expanding their operation, which is in the old school house.

LINCOLN TRAILS

We were in Boston (North Easton) attending our grandson's high school graduation. He is the son of Wayne and Jane Dunlap. On June 20 he received his Eagle Scout award. His project was photographing and fingerprinting all the third-, fourth-, and fifth-graders in his school. On the trip we met the granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. Paul Mayer of White Oaks and Carrizozo.

Congratulations to all the Lincoln graduates, both high school and universities.

The pageant members have had bad luck trying to finish up the pageant ground. The seats are ready to be installed and the church

frame is up and looks real nice. Now if the rain will give us this next Saturday to do the cement work and get the seats installed. They will also try to bolster up the balcony.

Pageant casting will be July 15 with practices on the 17th, 22nd, 24th, 29th and dress rehearsal the 30th.

The performances for "The Last Escape of Billy the Kid" will be August 1, 2 and 3.

There will now be tours for the Fort Stanton Museum under the sponsorship of Lincoln County Heritage Trust. The museum will be open Wednesday through Sunday. Those that take the 11 a.m. tour will be eligible for a light lunch.

For more information call 653-4025.



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Friends and family held a surprise birthday party for A.C. "Speedy" Haynes, who recently celebrated his 81st birthday.



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Sunday worship-10:45 a.m. 7 p.m.
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Rev. Bill Lenard, Pastor
Sunday School-9:30 a.m.
Sunday morning worship-10:45 a.m.
(includes children's church)
Sunday evening praise-6 p.m.
Wednesday family night-7 p.m.

BAPTIST

First Baptist Church

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

First Baptist Church

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420 Mechem Drive
Tim Gilliland, Pastor
Sunday School-9:30 a.m.
Sunday worship-10:45 a.m., 6 p.m.
Wednesday services-7 p.m.

First Baptist Church

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

First Baptist Church

Tinnie
Bill Jones, Pastor
Sunday School-9:45 a.m.
Sunday worship-11 a.m.
Iglesia Bautista Vida Eterna
420 Mechem Drive
Luis F. Gomez, Pastor

Domingos: Escuela Dominical 10 a.m.
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Culto de Predicacion 6 p.m.
Miercoles: Estudio Biblico 7 p.m.

Mescalero Baptist Mission

Mescalero
Sunday School-10 a.m.
Sunday worship-11 a.m., 7:15 p.m.
Training Union-6:30 p.m. Sunday
Wednesday services-6:30 p.m.

Ruidoso Baptist Church

126 Church Drive
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11:30 a.m. (Bilingual)
Sacrament of Reconciliation:
Saturday-4:30 p.m.
Sunday Mass-St. Jude Thaddeus,
San Patricio-8 a.m.
Women's Guild-7 p.m. the third Monday
Knights of Columbus-7 p.m.
2nd and 4th Tuesday.

Sacred Heart Catholic Church

Capitan 354-9102
Saturday Mass-5 p.m.
Sunday Mass-9 a.m.
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Sunday Mass-11 a.m.
Adult Bible Study Tuesday-6 p.m.

St. Theresa Catholic Church

Corona
Sunday Mass-6 p.m.
St. Joseph Apache Mission
Mescalero

Father Tom Herbst, Pastor
Sunday Mass-10:30 a.m.

Our Lady of Guadalupe

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

CHRISTIAN

First Christian Church

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

CHURCH OF CHRIST

Church of Christ

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

Gateway Church of Christ

Ruidoso-415 Sudderth-257-4381
Jimmy Sportsman, Minister
Sunday Bible study-9:30 a.m.
Sunday worship-10:30 a.m., 6 p.m.
Wednesday Bible study-7 p.m.

CHURCH OF JESUS CHRIST LATTER DAY SAINTS

Church of Jesus Christ LDS

Ruidoso Branch-336-4359 or 257-9691
North on Hwy. 48, between mile markers 14/15
Sunday: Sacrament meeting, 10 a.m.; Sunday
School, 11:10 a.m.; Priesthood Relief Soc.,
12:10 p.m.; Primary/Young Women, 11:10 a.m.

Church of Jesus Christ LDS

Mescalero Branch-671-4630
Wray Schildknecht, President-671-9506
Sunday: Sacrament meeting, 10 a.m.; Sunday
School and Primary, 11:20 a.m.; Priesthood
Relief Society & Young Women, 12:10 a.m.
For weekly schedule, call 671-9506.

EPISCOPAL

Episcopal Church

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

Episcopal Chapel of San Juan

Lincoln
Sunday: Holy Eucharist-10:30 a.m.

St. Anne's Episcopal Chapel

Glencoe
Sunday: Holy Eucharist-9 a.m.

St. Matthias Episcopal Chapel

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FOURSQUARE

Capitan Foursquare Church

Highway 48, Capitan
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Wednesday Bible study-7 p.m.

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Thursday Service Meet-8:20 p.m.

Congregacion Hispana

de los Testigos de Jehova
106 Alpine Village Road
258-3659, 336-7076
Reunion Publica Dom.-10 a.m.
Estudio de la Atalaya Dom.-10:50 a.m.
Estudio de Libro Lun.-7 p.m.
Escuela del Ministerio Teocratico
Mart.-7 p.m.
Reunion de servicio Mart.-7:50 p.m.

LUTHERAN

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United Methodist

Church Parish
Trinity Carrizozo/Capitan
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Warren K. Schoenecker, Pastor,
Capitan/Carrizozo
Carrizozo
Sunday School-10:00 a.m.
Sunday worship-11:10 a.m.
Wednesday choir-6:30 p.m.
Capitan
Sunday worship-9:15 a.m.
Adult Sunday School-8:30 a.m. 2nd &
Sunday School 11 a.m.

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Ladies fellowship-6 p.m. last Thursdays

NAZARENE

Angus Church of the Nazarene

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Wednesday fellowship-6:30 p.m.

PRESBYTERIAN

First Presbyterian Church

Ruidoso, Nob Hill
257-2220
James Haviland, Pastor
Church school-9:45 a.m.
Sunday worship-11 a.m.
Bible study-10-11:30 a.m. Tuesday
Potluck fellowship lunch after worship
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Mountain Ministry Parish

Community United
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Sunday worship-9 a.m.
Sunday School-10 a.m.

Corona Presbyterian Church

Worship-11 a.m.

Nogal Presbyterian Church

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Worship-11 a.m.

REFORMED CHURCH

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Calvary Chapel

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257-5915

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7 p.m. Wednesday, Mid-Week Bible Study
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Christ Community Fellowship

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

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Sunday worship-10:30 a.m.

Cornerstone Church

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Wednesday-7 p.m.

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Domingos 10 a.m. escuela dominical
6 p.m. reunion general

Living Word Church

441 Mechem, 257-3470
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Sunday 10:30 a.m. and 5 p.m.
Wednesday noon-intercessory prayer
7 p.m.-mid-week services

Peace Chapel

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Sunday Service-11 a.m.

Ruidoso Word Church

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

Trinity Mountain Fellowship

Gavilan Canyon Road
336-4213
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9:30 a.m. Prayer
9:30-10:30 a.m. Sunday School
10:30-12 Noon Service
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Other happenings slated for the week include showings of the "Great UFO Mystery" and a "Far-out laser light show" at the Robert H. Goddard Planetarium, an UFO Conference and Expo. at the Roswell Convention Center, play performances, costume contests, a flying saucer pancake eating contest, a nighttime golf tournament, the Alien Chase 5K/10K walk-run and the UFO Cycling Classic criterion and road races.

And thanks to a nine-page spread and cover story in Time magazine, the crowds are expected to show up in full force for the alien anniversary. Conservative estimates put the number of ET enthusiasts at 50,000 to 60,000, though others peg the number much higher.

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TOUCH DOWN

Other events scheduled for the Roswell UFO Encounter '97: Sponsored by the UFO Enigma Museum -

• Tuesday, July 1

- a book signing by author, researcher and lecturer Kevin D. Randle from 1 to 2 p.m. at the museum. Randle will also lecture on "How We Know a UFO Crashed" from 7 to 10 p.m. at the Roswell Inn, 1815 N. Main St. Tickets are available at the door or at the museum.

• Wednesday, July 2

- Author Karl T. Plock will hold a book signing at the museum from 1 to 2 p.m. Plock will also debate Randle on "UFO versus Project Mogul" from 7 to 10 p.m. at the Roswell Inn.

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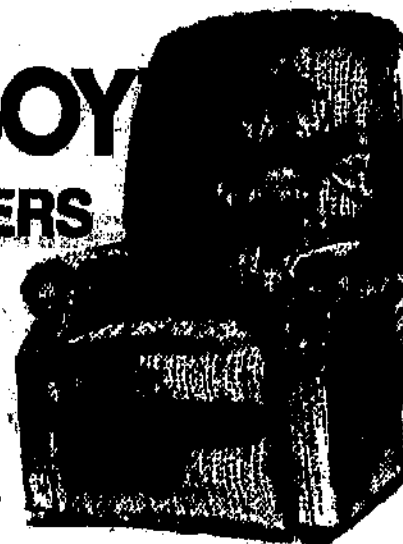
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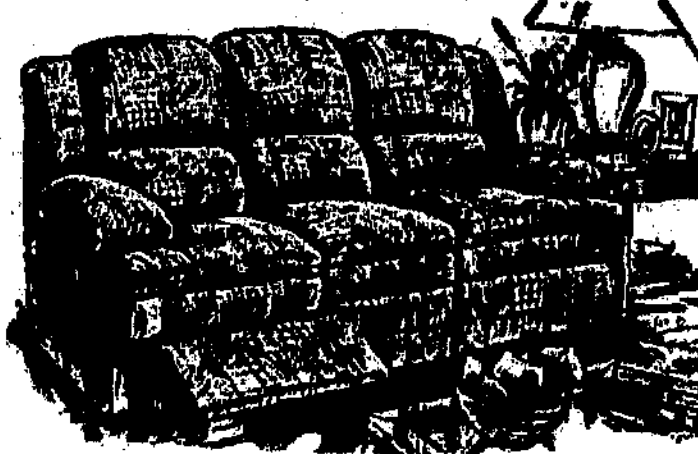


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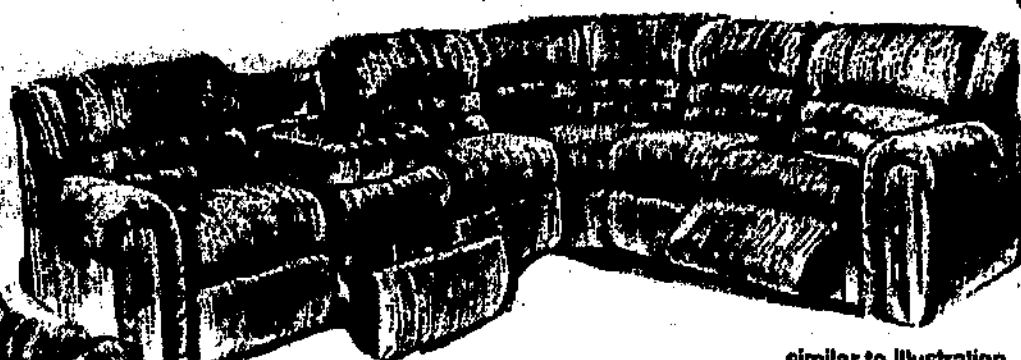
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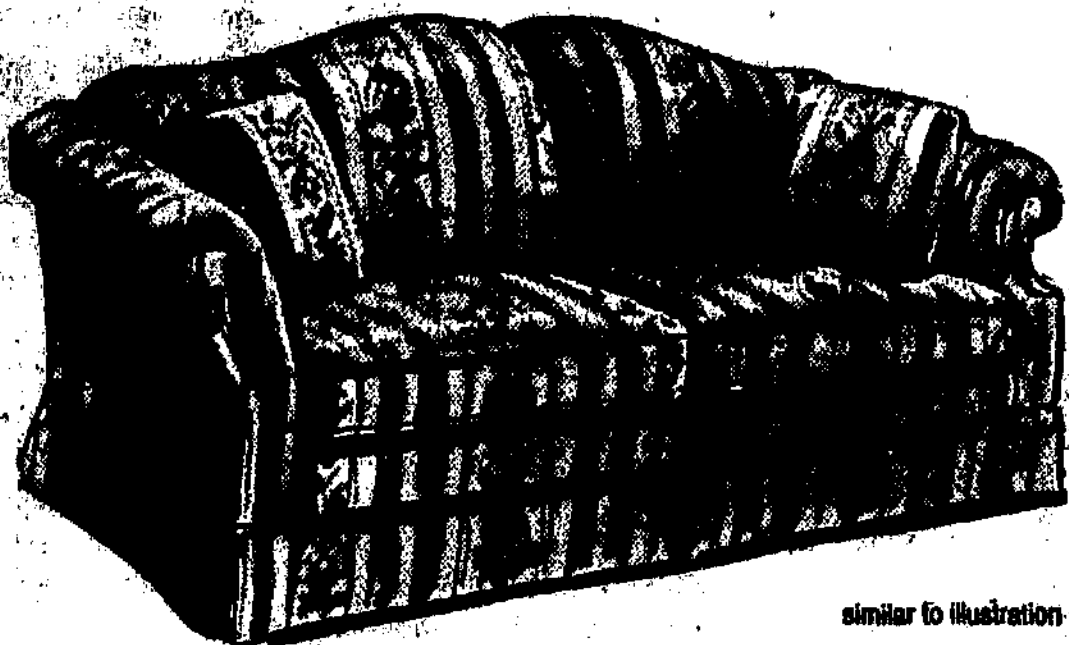
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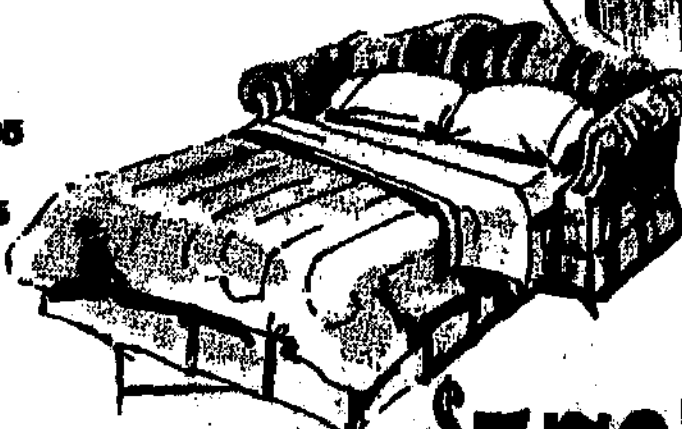
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Capitan adds tunes to its Fourth of July festivities

BY JULIE BAXTER
Vámonos Staff Writer

We've really got the whole community involved."

Capitan will be heating up for Fourth of July, but this fire is one that even Smokey Bear won't rush to put out.

Traditionally known for the annual Fourth of July Fun Run and the renowned Smokey Bear Parade, Capitan is adding another feature to its festivities this year. The Capitan Music Fest will start what organizers hope to be a long and prosperous run in the village. With about 30 musicians and technical crew members involved, organizer Virginia Watson-Jones thinks the sounds will stimulate a sense of community pride and neighborly spirit.

"The idea of the Music Fest is to join people together where neighbors can talk to neighbors," she said. "After the parade, unless you're a rodeo fan, there's no focus. We decided to continue (the events) with music, food and shopping. We're hoping by getting people together in a festive atmosphere, people will be able to tackle some of the bigger issues, like ... what do we want for Capitan?"

The day-long event at the historic Lincoln County Mercantile and Trading Post, 320 S. Lincoln Ave., will feature musical talent ranging from Country and Western to Cajun, with a sampling of blues and jazz thrown in. Watson-Jones said she's been composing the idea of a music festival for a while now, but couldn't muster up the right notes to make it sing last year.

"We attempted to do this last year, but we started too late," she said. "This year I started calling early. People have been really great.

And that community involvement is just what she's hoping for. Accompanying the music will be poetry readings, food, shopping and more, not to mention the traditional festivities of the Old West Ranch Rodeo, the Smokey Bear Rodeo and the dance all at the fairgrounds.

Watson-Jones said the Music Fest will be a day that both the young and the young at heart will enjoy. She also said that showcasing local and state musical talent can show some aspiring musicians there's plenty of opportunity right in their own back yard.

"So many people that live here are talented and creative ... (they) can be such role models for these children to be with the big guys (and gals) that have played for 20 years or more," Watson-Jones said. "It shows continuity."

Aside from setting a positive example for youngsters, she said the Music Fest can also unify natives and visitors as well.

"People will come from within at least a 100-mile radius (for the parade)," Watson-Jones said. "We'd like them to stay a while and get to know what we offer. Who knows where it will lead. With energy and vision and people who really care, one thing leads to another. All it takes is a few people to then get a few more people and pretty soon we have an audience of 100."

"You cannot change anything unless people feel things from within, but maybe this will touch them. (Music) is a very nice way to get people to express their thoughts where people won't be critical of them or judge them ..."

For a complete listing of July Fourth events, see today's A section.

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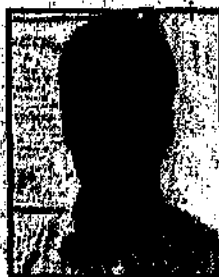
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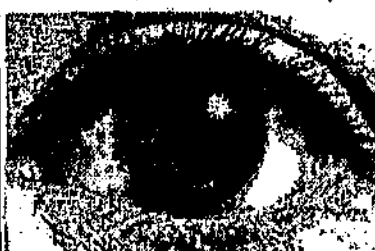
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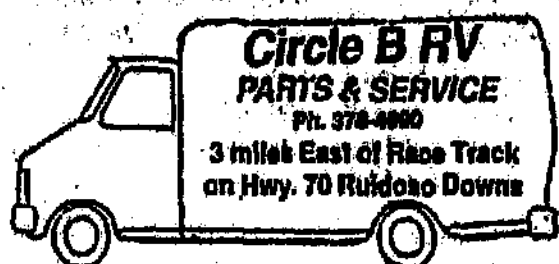
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Thursdays - Noon open women's meeting and 8 p.m. Open meeting.
Fridays - Noon AA meeting and 8 p.m. Book Study.
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AMERICAN CANCER SOCIETY OF LINCOLN COUNTY

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

COMMUNITY FRIENDS OF THE VIETNAM WAR
Meets at 6 p.m. the first Monday of each month at the VFW Post 7686 Auxiliary Hall, 700 Hwy. 70 West, Alamogordo.

COUNSELING CENTER

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

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

DISABLED AMERICAN VETERANS COE-CURRY CHAPTER 23

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

FAMILY CRISIS CENTER

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

FRATERNAL ORDER OF POLICE LODGE #26
Meets at K-Bob's Steak House Restaurant at noon every Thursday.

FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY

Meets at 4 p.m. the first Monday of every month at the Ruidoso Public Library.

GOLDEN AGE CLUB

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

HIV + SUPPORT GROUP

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

HUMANE SOCIETY OF LINCOLN COUNTY
Meets at 4 p.m. the third Wednesday of every month at Texas-New Mexico Power community room.

KIWANIS CLUB

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

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

FATHER E. DOLAN COUNCIL

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

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

PREPARED CHILDRENT CLASSES

Eight-week sessions meet 7 p.m. Mondays at the Church of the Holy Mount, 121 Mescalero Trail, Ruidoso. Qualified instructors. Ask your doctor or call 257-7381 for information or to register for classes.

LINCOLN COUNTY BIRD CLUB

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

LINCOLN COUNTY DEMOCRATIC PARTY

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

LINCOLN COUNTY FOOD BANK

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

LINCOLN COUNTY HOMEBUILDERS

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

LINCOLN COUNTY MEDICAL CENTER AUXILIARY

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

LINCOLN COUNTY PRIDE!

Meets the first Sunday of each month at various locations. Call Judy at 336-1006 for meeting times and more information. Lincoln County Pride is a social and political action group for Lincoln County's gay, lesbian and bisexual community and its heterosexual allies.

LINCOLN COUNTY RESOURCE EXCHANGE

Meets at noon the second Thursday of every month at Pizza Hut, 1201 Mechem, Ruidoso. For more information call Sharon Miller at 258-3252.

LINCOLN COUNTY SHERIFF'S POSSE

Meets 2 p.m. the first Sunday of every month at the Lincoln County Fair Building in Captain Tom Carter, 354-2132.

LIONS INTERNATIONAL EVENING LIONS CLUB
Meets in the Lions Hut on Skyland behind Mountain Laundry on Tuesdays for supper.

MASONIC LODGE #73

Meets in the Masonic Family Building at the corner of Mescalero Trail and Nob Hill Drive, for dinner at 6:30 p.m. and meeting at 7:30 p.m. on the first Monday (second Monday if first is a holiday) of every month. W.M. - Jim Matsler, 336-9699; S.W. - Marshall Conover, 258-3446; J.W. - Walt Argall, 257-7190. All visiting Brethren welcome.

"THE MOST EXCELLENT WAY"

Christian alternative to chemical dependency support group meets 6:30 p.m.-7:30 p.m. every Thursday at Calvary Chapel of Ruidoso, 433 Sudderth, Gateway Center.

NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF RETIRED FEDERAL EMPLOYEES, CHAPTER 1379

Meets 10:30 a.m. the second Tuesday of every month at the Ruidoso Downs Senior Citizens Center. For more information call 258-3493 or 378-4669.

NOBY WATERS SERTOMA CLUB

Meets at noon at K-Bob's the second and fourth Wednesdays of every month. For more information call 257-2021.

OPTIMIST CLUB

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

ORDER OF THE EASTERN STAR

RUIDOSO CHAPTER #65

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

LINCOLN COUNTY PHOTOGRAPHIC SOCIETY
Meets 7:00 p.m. the third Thursday of each month at the Ruidoso Roastery, 113 Rio St. Camera Questions 2-4 p.m. the third Saturday of each month at the roastery. For more information call 257-3676 or 258-4003.

PINE TOP ROD AND CUSTOM CAR CLUB
Meets 7:00 p.m. every second Wednesday of the month in the meeting room at the Texas-New Mexico Power Building. The only requirement for membership is a current driving license. You don't have to have a rod - just a love for them. For more information call 257-7993 or 258-5499.

QUINTO GROUP

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

REPUBLICAN PARTY OF LINCOLN COUNTY
Meets the first Monday of each month at 6 p.m. Anyone interested is welcome. For more information call Duane Williams at 354-4230 or Jody Ashby at 257-5158.

REPUBLICAN WOMEN OF LINCOLN COUNTY
Meets the fourth Tuesday of each month at 11:30 a.m. for a business meeting and program. For more information call Bobbie Milburn at 257-4402 or Genevieve Sewell at 258-5164.

ROTARY INTERNATIONAL

RUIDOSO-HONDO VALLEY CLUB

Meets at the Swiss Chalet Inn at noon on Tuesdays.

RUIDOSO CARE CENTER AUXILIARY

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

RUIDOSO CHES CLUB

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

RUIDOSO DOWNS AUXILIARY

Meets in the Auxiliary Building, 123 Downs Avenue at 7 p.m. the first Monday of each month. For more information call Shirlene Roberts at 378-4184 or Ida Hal at 378-4766.

RUIDOSO DUPLICATE BRIDGE CLUB

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

RUIDOSO FEDERATED WOMAN'S CLUB

Meets 1:30 p.m. the second Wednesday of each month September through May in the Woman's Club Building, 116 Evergreen Road. For more information call 257-2309.

RUIDOSO GARDEN CLUB

Meets in various locations at 10 a.m. the third Tuesday of every month. For information call 258-5509 or 257-7157.

RUIDOSO GRASSROOTS AA GROUP

Tuesdays - 7 p.m. open meeting; Thursdays - 7 p.m. open meeting; Saturdays - 7 p.m. open meeting. Phone number 257-4074 or 354-3345. Meets at the east entrance of the Gateway Church of Christ.

RUIDOSO GUN CLUB

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

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

RUIDOSO PUBLIC LIBRARY BOARD
Meets at noon the second Wednesday of every month at the Civic Events Center.

RUIDOSO SPRING CLUB

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

RUIDOSO VALLEY NOON LIONS

Meets 11:30 a.m. Tuesdays for lunch at Cree Meadows Country Club.

RUIDOSO VEGETARIAN CLUB

Meets monthly for 6 p.m. potluck at the Ruidoso Roastery, 113 Rio Street, Ruidoso. Also monthly lunches at different restaurants. For information call Russ Warwick at 257-2172 or Karen Vaughn at 258-4939.

SERENITY SEEKERS AL-ANON FAMILY GROUP
Meets 6:30 p.m. every Thursday evening at the First Christian Church, 1211 Hull Road. For additional information or to talk to a member, call 258-4671 or Fax 378-4192.

SERVICE CLUB COUNCIL

Meets at K-Bob's at noon, the first Monday of each month.

SERRA BLANCA AMATEUR RADIO CLUB

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

SERRA BLANCA DUPLICATE BRIDGE CLUB
Meets at the Senior Citizens Center behind the Ruidoso Public Library for weekly open and novice games. 1 p.m. Tuesdays. For more information call 257-9228.

SERRA BLANCA SWINGERS

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

TENS

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

THURSDAY BRIDGE

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

UNITED WE STAND

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

VFW Post 7072

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

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

WHITE MOUNTAIN SEARCH & RESCUE

7 p.m. the third Monday at the public meeting room at Ruidoso High School foyer. Betty Beachum, President; John Liefhink, Secretary. For more information call 258-5441 or 336-9669.

WOMEN'S NIGHT OUT

7-8:30 p.m. Tuesday evenings in the basement of the Episcopal Church of the Holy Mount, 121 Mescalero Trail, Ruidoso. A community chorus for women of all ages, who love to sing and have fun doing it. Under direction of Kate Winner. For more information call 257-2299.

YOUR HELPING HANDS

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

ZIA GUN SCOUT COUNCIL

Ruidoso service unit meets 8 p.m. the second Monday of every month at the Episcopal Church of the Holy Mount.

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That was the war that wasn't

Wyatt Earp is probably best known to the average person for his involvement in a street fight in Tombstone, A.T., in 1881. Since that time the fracas has become popularly known as "The Gunfight at the O.K. Corral."

PAST TENSE



Drew Gopher
Ruidoso News

But a couple of years after the Tombstone fiasco, Wyatt was called back to his old stomping grounds in Dodge City, Kan., to help an old friend. In the beginning the situation appeared to be high drama. In the end it was a farce.

The group of gambler/lawmen/gunmen that had first settled in Dodge in the 1870s included Earp, Bat Masterson, Luke Short, Mysterious Dave Mather, Charley Bassett and others. After their sojourn in Dodge City, wherever these men went in the west and wherever there were more than two of them present at one time, they became known as "The Dodge City Gang."

By 1883, Dodge City's days as a rip-roaring cowtown were behind it, and, as was frequently the case in western towns that had been wild, when the wildness began to fade, the puritanical element made itself known.

Larry Deger, the 300+ pound ex-city marshal, was elected mayor of Dodge City on a reform ticket on April 3, 1883. Twenty days later, the mayor and council passed two new ordinances, one prohibiting the keeping of a house of prostitution, and the other making the keeping of a bordello the same thing as having no visible means of support, making the offense punishable under the city's vagrancy laws.

The Deger faction, which was somewhat holier-than-thou and more than a little hypocritical, gaped with undisguised horror at the establishment that was run by partners Will Harris and Luke Short: the famed Long Branch Saloon. The Long Branch employed three female entertainers that, well, entertained. The fact that there were members of the Deger faction that employed female "entertainers" was something that didn't seem to come up very much.

To the Deger faction the Long Branch was a den of iniquity so foul, so heinous, so contemptible and so competitive that it was just more than they could bear. At first, none of these "puritans" were inclined to give Luke Short, who was known as being handy with a gun, a particularly hard time. Consequently, they arrested Short's three lady employees on April 28.

Short and Harris took careful note of the fact that it was only their "entertainers" that had been incarcerated, and, as might be expected, they were not overly pleased. Luke Short found the situation particularly galling.

He was so upset, in fact, that two nights later, on the evening of the 30th, when Luke

passed Special Policeman L.C. Hartman on Front Street, he recalled that it was Hartman who had arrested his employees. Luke whimsically decided it would probably be a good idea to shoot Hartman and proceeded to attempt to do so. Drawing his pistol, Short fired two shots at Hartman, who, anticipating the move attempted to achieve the speed of light on foot.

Luckily for Hartman, he took all of one step and stumbled, no doubt in his extreme haste, and the mishap saved his life. As Hartman fell to the ground, Short's bullets passed harmlessly over his head. Luke, thinking that he had killed Hartman, resumed his stroll down the street until the disoriented Hartman rolled over and fired a wild shot in Short's direction.

Before this foolishness could go any further, Short was arrested and forced to post a bond of \$2,000. He filed a counter-charge against Hartman, but he had already played into the hands of the Deger faction. At a hearing on May 2, he was ordered to leave town, and just to make sure that he complied, he was given an armed escort to the railroad station, along with five other gamblers who were not part of the Deger faction.

Getting off the train in Kansas City, Luke immediately began planning his return to Dodge. First, he consulted lawyers as to his legal rights. Then, he wrote to his partner Will Harris, who had been allowed to remain in Dodge, to keep Luke abreast of developments there. (Harris was apparently permitted to remain because he did not possess Short's fearsome reputation and was not considered to be a threat.)

Then Short had another idea. He began contacting his gambler/gunmen friends, seeking their assistance. At about this time, the newspapers in Kansas began picking up on the story, referring to it as the "Dodge City War." As charges and counter-charges began to be filed, the newspapers were having a field day. And, one by one, Short's friends began to respond to his call for help.

As the Deger faction began to realize that Luke was slowly but surely recruiting an army of gunmen, they decided to keep their heads and remain calm — which they did, for all of about 12 seconds. They then sent a panicky wire to the governor, explaining that since the ejection of Short and his ilk, Dodge was now a "peaceful and quiet" town. The governor responded by putting two companies of the Kansas National Guard on alert. At the same time, the governor wired Dodge City's Sheriff Hinkle, informing him that it was his duty to protect lives and property in that place.



Members of the "Dodge City Peace Commission" left to right, standing: W. H. Harris, Luke Short, Bat Masterson, W. F. Pettillon. Seated: Charley Bassett, Wyatt Earp, M. F. McLain, Neil Brown.

Gee whiz, didn't Hinkle already know this? Apparently not, as the same day Hinkle received the message from the state capitol, he wired back that he would do his best, but couldn't be held responsible for the actions of any particular individual.

On May 15, Sheriff Hinkle organized a posse to welcome the westbound train that he had been informed was just chock full of Luke Short's gunslinging pals. The posse was disappointed, or perhaps relieved, when they found no gunmen on the train.

Meanwhile, the governor sent the state Adjutant General, Thomas Moonlight, who stayed several days in Dodge and in the end decided that Luke Short would be allowed to return to settle his business affairs. Then he added that Sheriff Hinkle could not protect Luke "from private attack."

Luke considered this to be a somewhat ominous turn of events, and left Kansas City going first to Caldwell, and then to Kinsley, Kan., where he met Wyatt Earp, who had just arrived from Silverton, Colo.

On June 5, the dreaded invasion finally came to Dodge. On the morning of June 6, Sheriff Hinkle, Mayor Deger and Commissioner Wright wired the governor that Dodge City was overrun with desperate types, and that the preservation of law and order was an impossibility. They then requested that the two companies of militia be sent. The governor refused.

State Adjutant General Moonlight had the situation well in hand, as it turned out. Despite the panic of Deger, Hinkle, and the rest of the Deger faction, Moonlight managed to negotiate a "peace" between the Deger and Short factions.

One by one, Luke Short's army of gunmen began to evaporate from the streets of Dodge. But not before some of them posed for one of the most memorable pictures ever to be taken of a group of Old West pistoleros.

Talk about anti-climactic... in the end, it was a lawyers' battle. Short and Harris continued to run the Long Branch until

MORGAN BACK FROM THE GRAVE

There is an interesting and somewhat bizarre footnote to the Dodge City War that Josie Marcus Earp, Wyatt's wife, later chronicled.

According to Josie, one night Wyatt was walking down the street in Dodge when he saw what appeared to be a familiar figure walking in front of him. According to Josie, it was Wyatt's brother Morgan. Morgan stared for a moment into his brother's face and then said, "They got me Wyatt. Don't let them get you." Then Wyatt's younger brother vanished into the darkness. This is particularly interesting when you consider that Morgan was murdered in March of 1882, over a year before this meeting.

Again, according to Josie, Wyatt didn't say a word about this supernatural occurrence until many years later, as he himself had doubted his own senses.

Nevertheless, Josie would have us believe that Wyatt was in fact clairvoyant. And maybe he was. Like so many other things in Wyatt Earp's life, it is a matter of opinion and what you choose to believe.

November of 1883 when they sold their interests and went their separate ways. A month later, Luke returned to celebrate the holidays there and was back again in early May of 1884. In August of 1884, he decided that it wasn't really over yet, and sued the city of Dodge for \$15,000 for running him out of town the previous year. The suit was settled out of court for an undisclosed amount.

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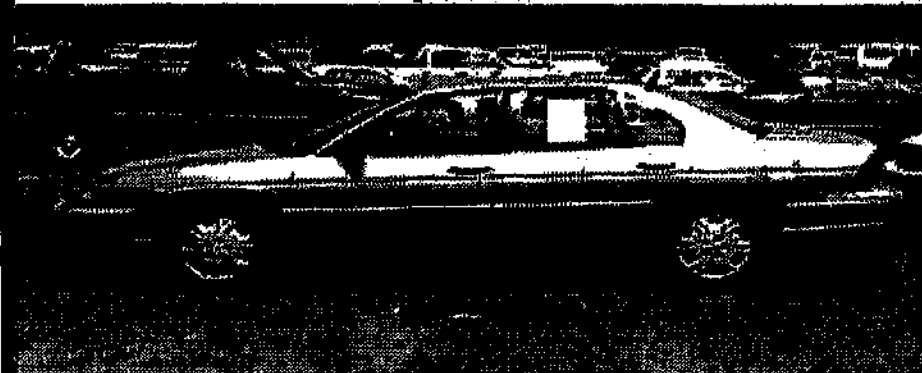


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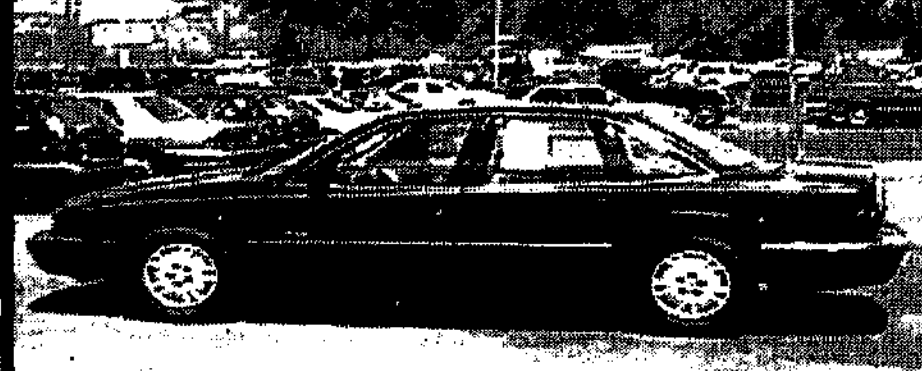
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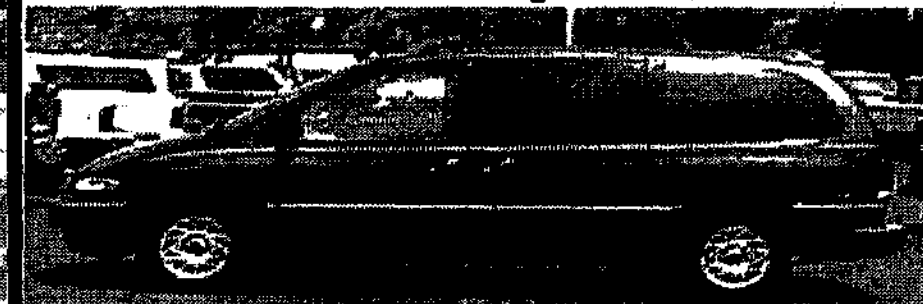
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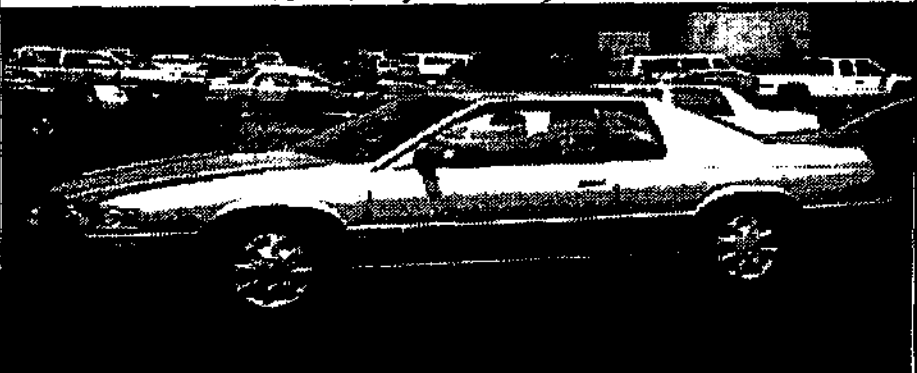
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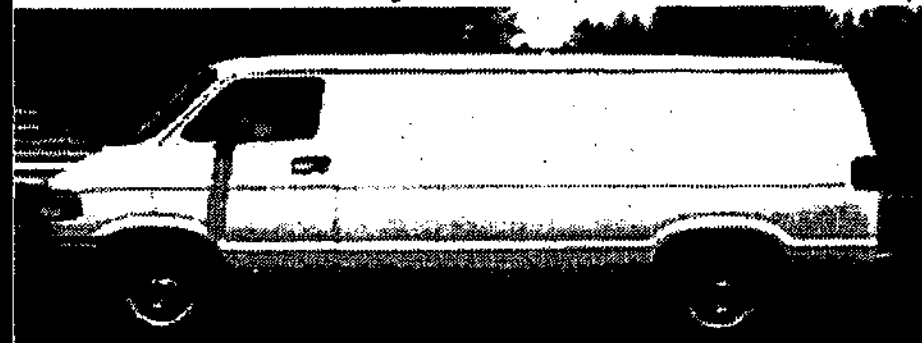
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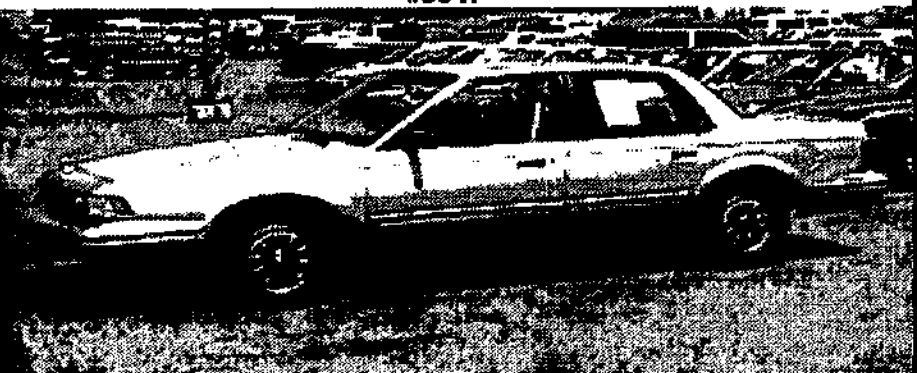
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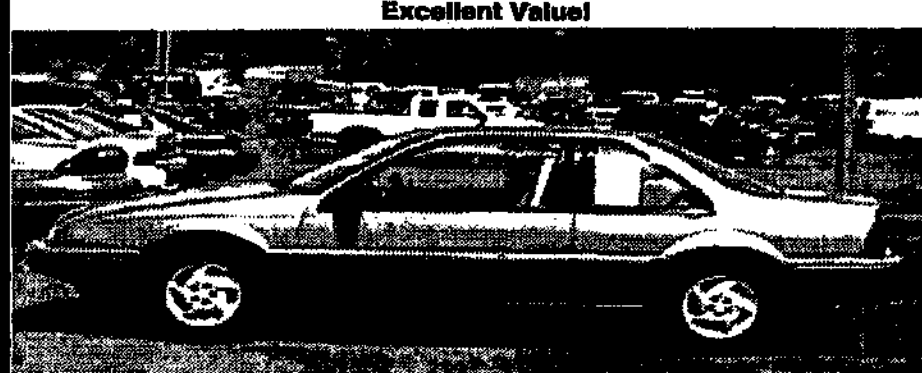
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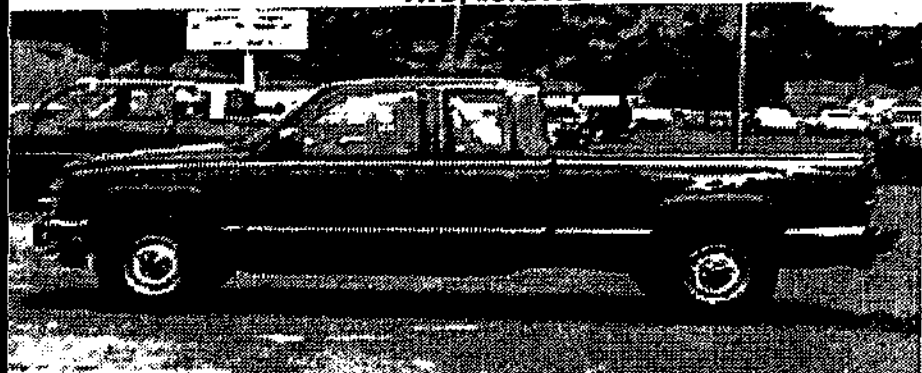
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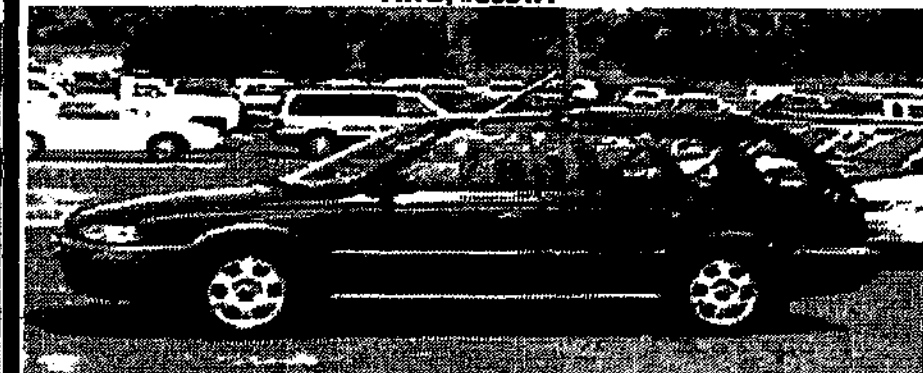
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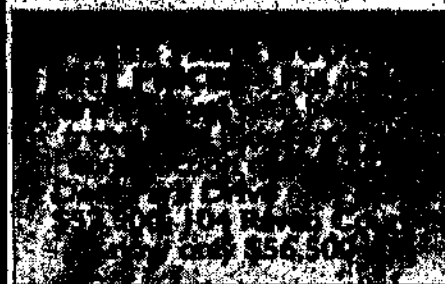
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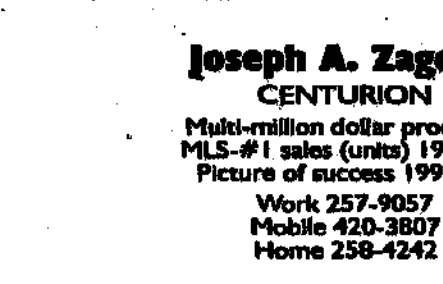
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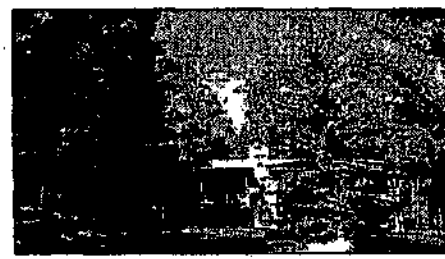
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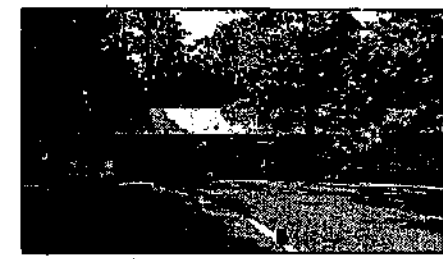
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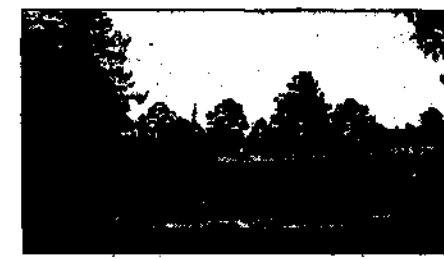
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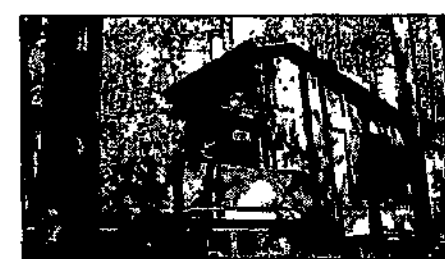


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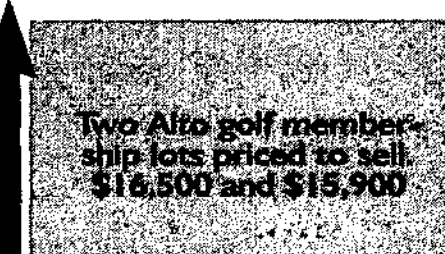
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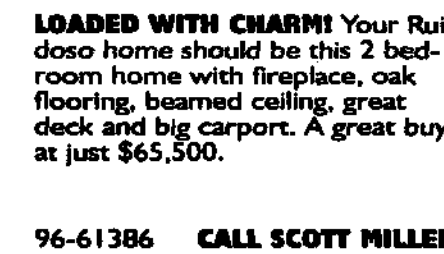
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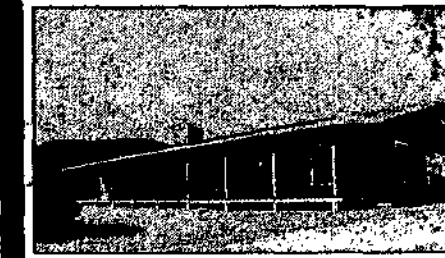
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SIERRA BLANCA VIEW! Just a little TLC will go a long way with this fully furnished home. Three or four bedrooms, 3 bath, 2 living areas, 2 fireplaces, covered decks, attached garage. \$169,000.

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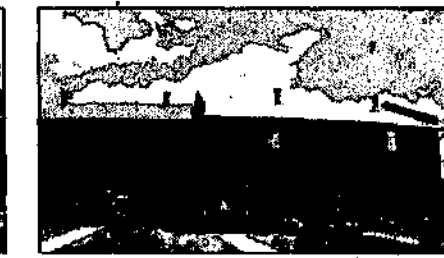
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BIG DOUBLE VIEW from this sharp, custom home. Ruidoso flair with wood ceilings, two fireplaces, jacuzzi room, custom built-ins, and FANTASTIC decks. This place is special! \$230,000

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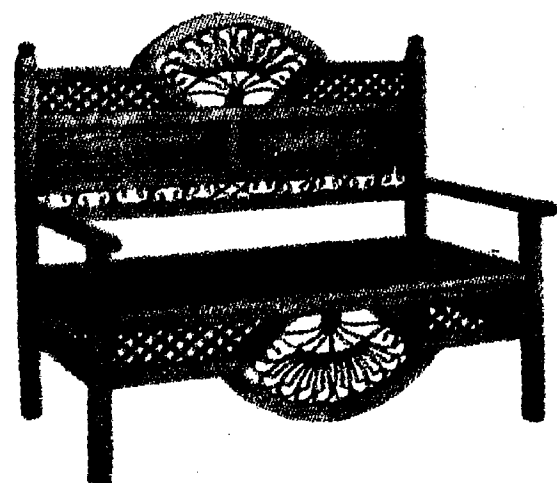
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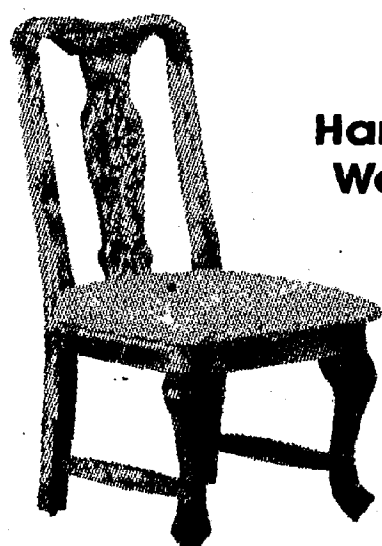
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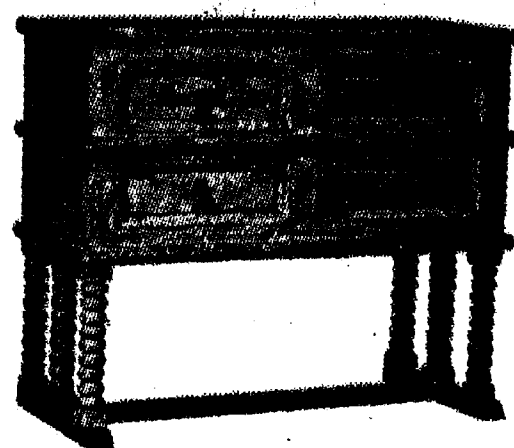
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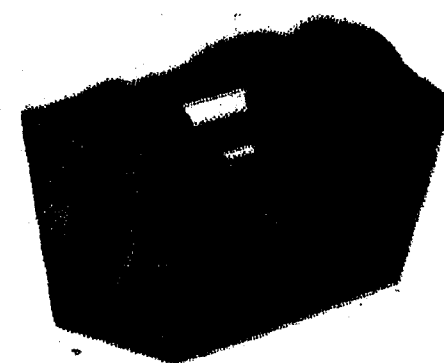
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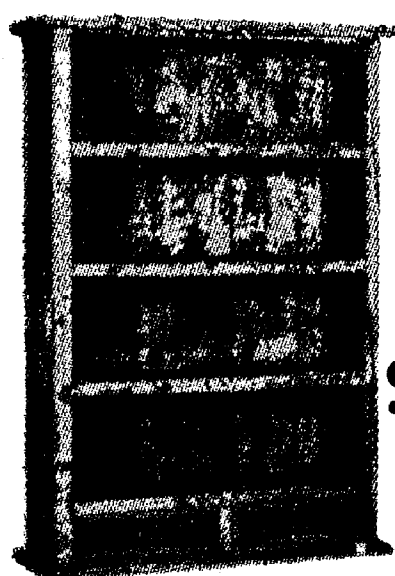
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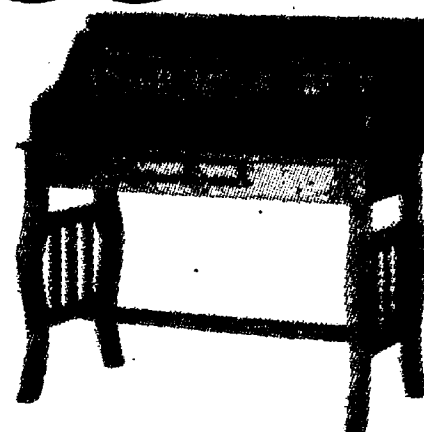
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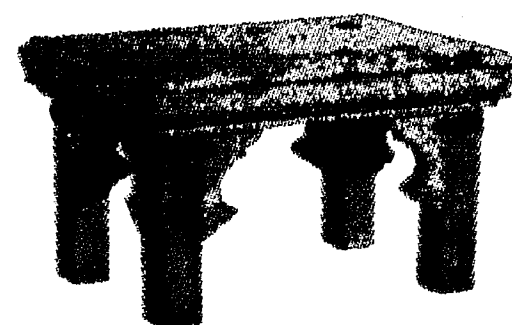
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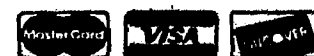
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